

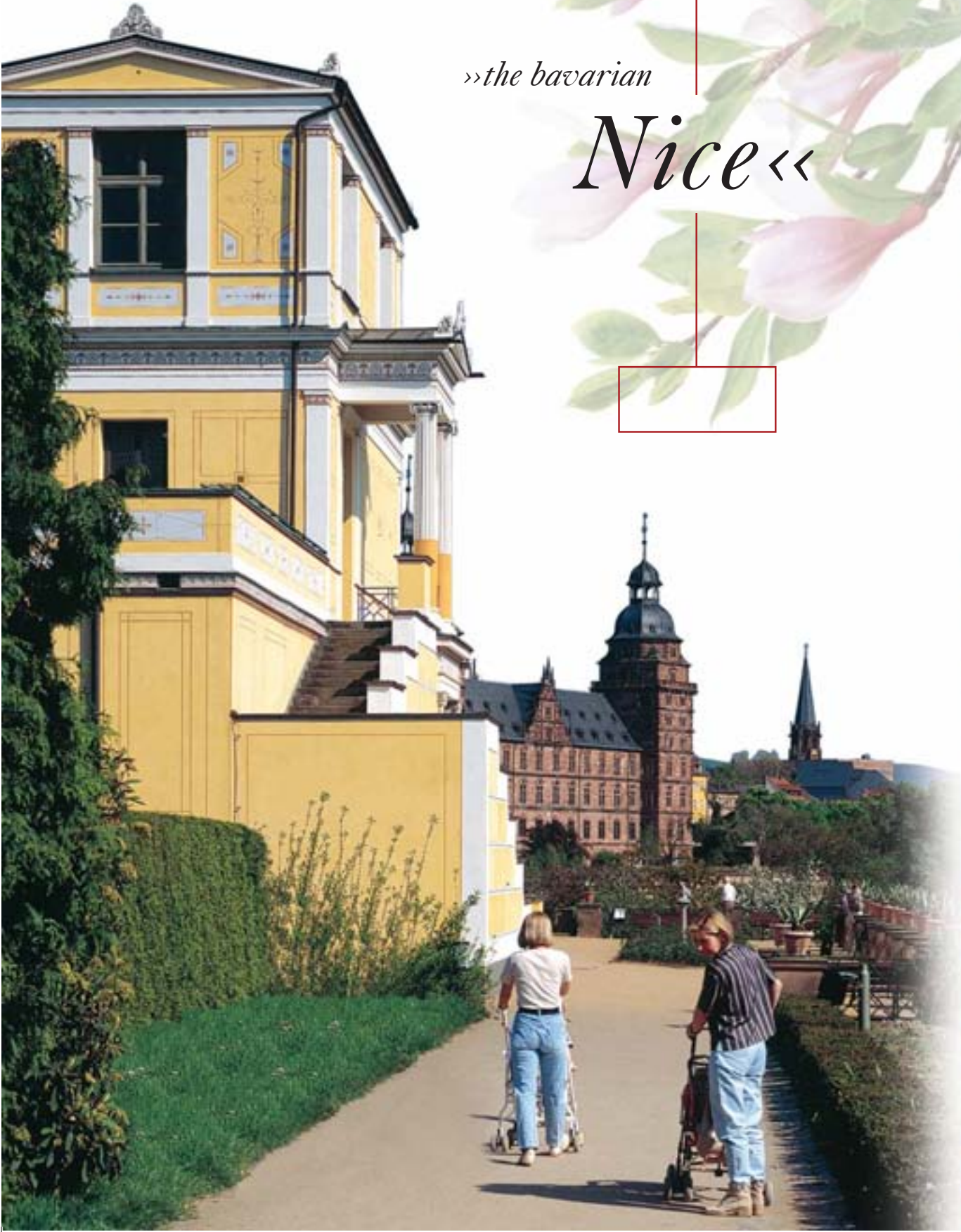
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CITY OF CASTLES, PARKS & MUSEUMS





Aschaffenburg

Aschaffenburg, which has seen many emperors and kings, is both a vital industrial centre and an attractive recreational area.

This impressive town on the river Main also enjoys all the attractions and advantages of a regional centre.





is perfectly situated



Aschaffenburg is just half an hour by car from Frankfurt airport. The 1,000-year old town is bordered on the east by the low mountains of the Spessart, which are densely wooded and shrouded in legend.



Welcome! Step inside ... discover over the following pages the many benefits which our town has to offer, a town loved and acclaimed by King Ludwig I as the "Bavarian Nice."

Aschaffenburg has



"Mourning of Christ" by Matthias Grünewald

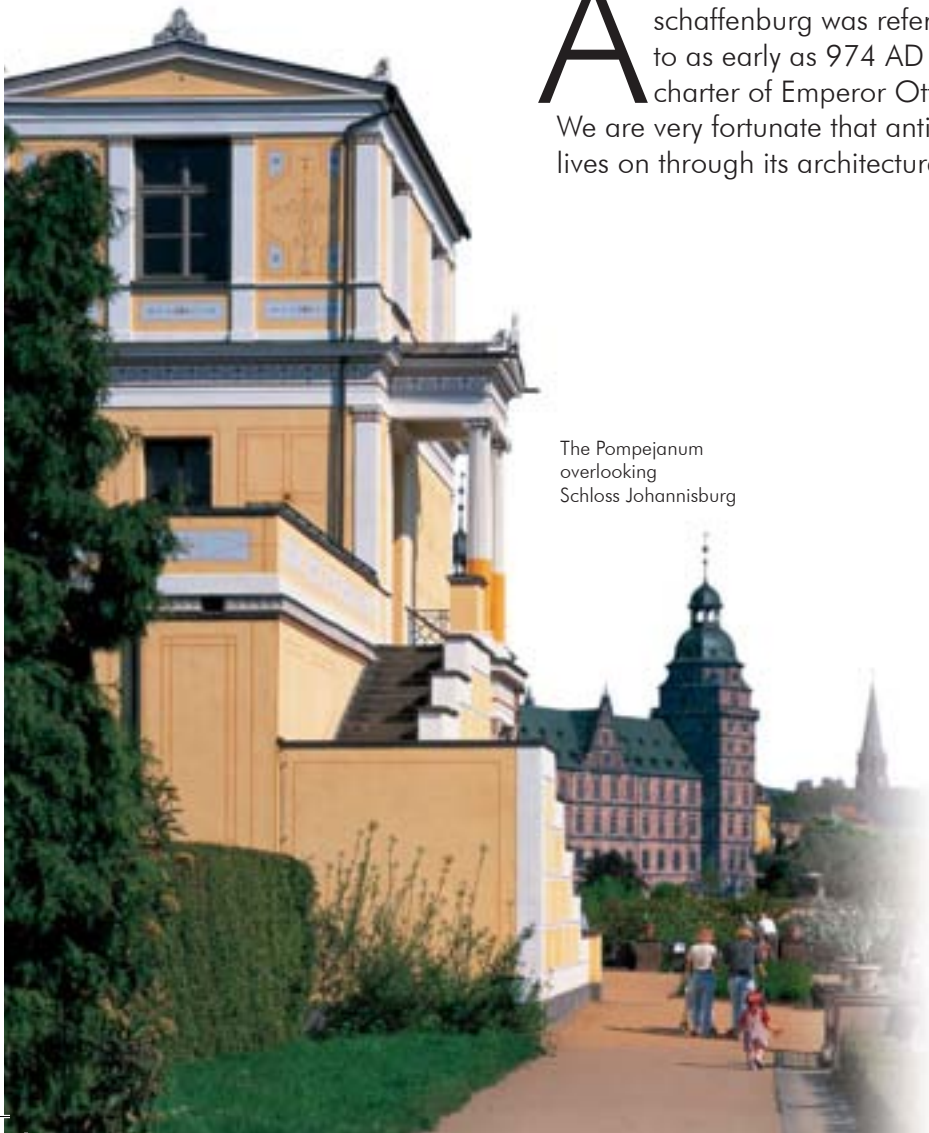


Historical figure
"The Aschaffenburg
Maulaff"

Aschaffenburg was referred to as early as 974 AD in a charter of Emperor Otto II. We are very fortunate that antiquity lives on through its architecture.

The Pompejanum
overlooking
Schloss Johannisburg

Two of the most fascinating buildings in Aschaffenburg are the Stiftskirche, dating back to the 10th century, and the unique Pompejanum. This Roman Villa, called "Castor and Pollux", was constructed in the mid-19th century by Ludwig I of Bavaria from plans found in Pompeii. Today it houses major exhibits of Bavarian antiques.



a long history

The Archbishop and Elector Johann Schweickard von Kronberg bequeathed Aschaffenburg, one of the most important Renaissance castles in the Western world. Empress Maria-Theresia, Napoleon Bonaparte and many other members of the nobility enjoyed the hospitality of the castle.

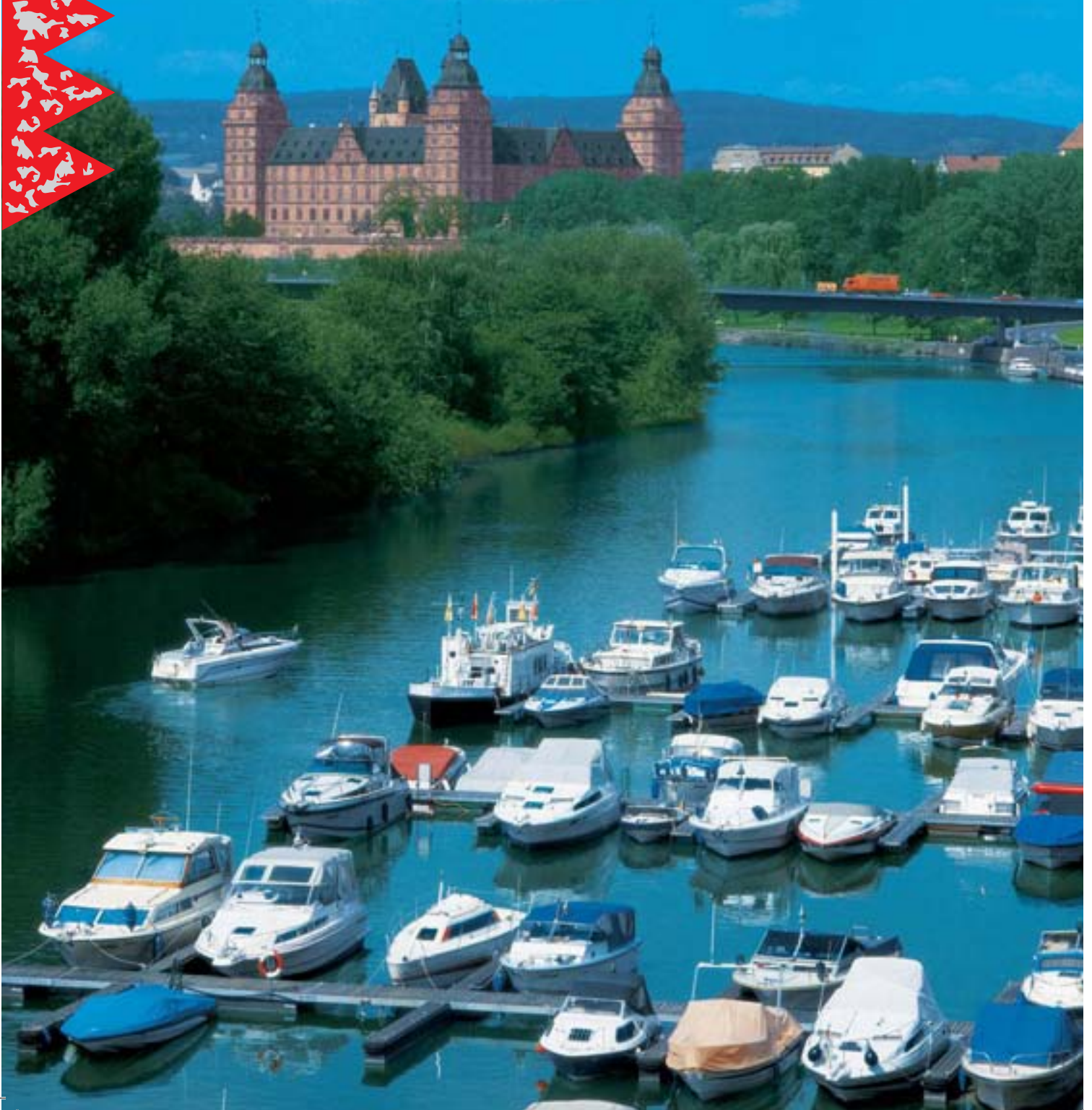


The most imposing witness of ages past is Aschaffenburg's landmark, the mighty castle, Schloss Johannisburg.

Schloss Johannisburg



Aschaffenburg



is evergreen GREEN



Nature has always been part of Aschaffenburg. Its parks were created back in the 18th century by renowned landscapers and garden architects, giving the town its fresh green look.



Schönbusch Park, castle



Schönbusch Park, ancient dining room

Aschaffenburg abounds with parks and green spaces: the Fasanerie, Nilkheim Park, Schöntal Park, the Castle Gardens and Schönbusch Park, one of the most beautiful English landscape gardens on German soil.



Those who want more rest and relaxation can find it in the nearby low mountains of the Spessart, one of Central Europe's largest continuous forested regions, just outside the city gates.

Aschaffenburg

Since Aschaffenburg is the centre of the region, it brings together a wide variety of cultural life.



Pompejanum, the atrium



The Stadthalle am Schloss, which seats 1,200 and was opened in 1991, and the Unterfrankenhalle, which seats 4,500, are ideal venues for major events. From Germany's favourite TV show "Wetten daß...?" and ballroom dance competitions, concerts and exhibitions to operas and operettas, conferences and symposia – Aschaffenburg provides the perfect setting for any event.

Concerts of all kinds and a wide variety of musical functions are also traditionally held in Schloss Johannisburg, the Stiftsbasilika, Schönbusch Park and many squares throughout the town.



Stadthalle am Schloss



urg is a town of culture



Schlossplatz

International stars and famous ensembles have been giving first-class performances at the Open Air Classical Nights, which have taken place for a number of years in the scenic square between the Castle and the Stadthalle.

In the eastern tower of the castle, the carillon comprising 48 bells is played 3 times a day .

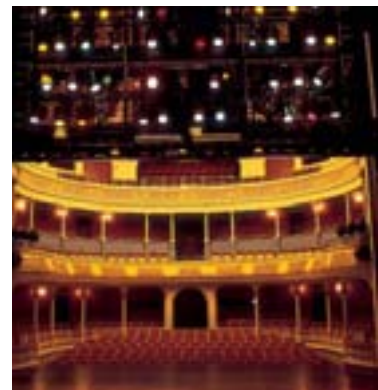


former Löwenapotheke

Music has always played a special role in Aschaffenburg.

The Stadttheater, built in 1811 and restored to its classical glory after major renovation, is the venue for quality entertainment and culture. International ensembles and soloists present cabaret, drama, revue, ballet and guitar recitals.

Stadttheater



In Aschaffenburg

Aschaffenburg presents a colourful variety of events.

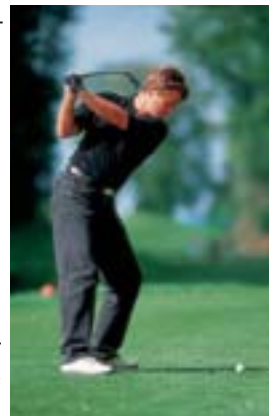


"Hamburg Fish Market"

The festivals begin in the first two months of the year with the carnival celebrations and continue with the "Hamburg Fish Market" at the end of April and beginning of May. Aschaffenburg's main festival season is the summer, where scarcely a week goes by without some invitation to an event involving wine or beer, music and dancing. Thus the traditional fun fair in mid-June has become a rendezvous for the whole region. The huge firework displays, the colourful array of tents and market stalls, and the attractive fairground are a magnet for visitors and locals over an eleven-day period. The Kippenburg and the Castle Wine festival take place in July, while in August the entertainment is provided first by the "Carillonfest", with the handicrafts market in the courtyard of the Castle, and then the traditional town festival.

The variety of leisure activities offers other possibilities.

Our sport facilities are first-class and include more than 85 tennis courts, 16 athletic tracks and over 40 football grounds, including two with synthetic turf. There is hardly another town in Germany which is represented in so many national leagues as Aschaffenburg. The range of sports in which you can take part in Aschaffenburg is almost as diverse as in the Olympics.



there is always something going on.

Aschaffenburg is an attractive town even in “everyday life”.



City Galerie shopping centre

You can stroll around the City Galerie, the fully air-conditioned indoor shopping centre, consisting of more than seven department stores and over 60 shops. To round off the tour of this town on the River Main, you can walk leisurely through the busy pedestrian zones, visiting the fascinating markets and fairs. Aschaffenburg is a charming, lively place founded on the tradition and hard work of its citizens.



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... so say famous historians and art lovers. The Aschaffenburg Staatsgalerie in Schloss Johannisburg exhibits the most important Bavarian national art-collection outside the state capital.

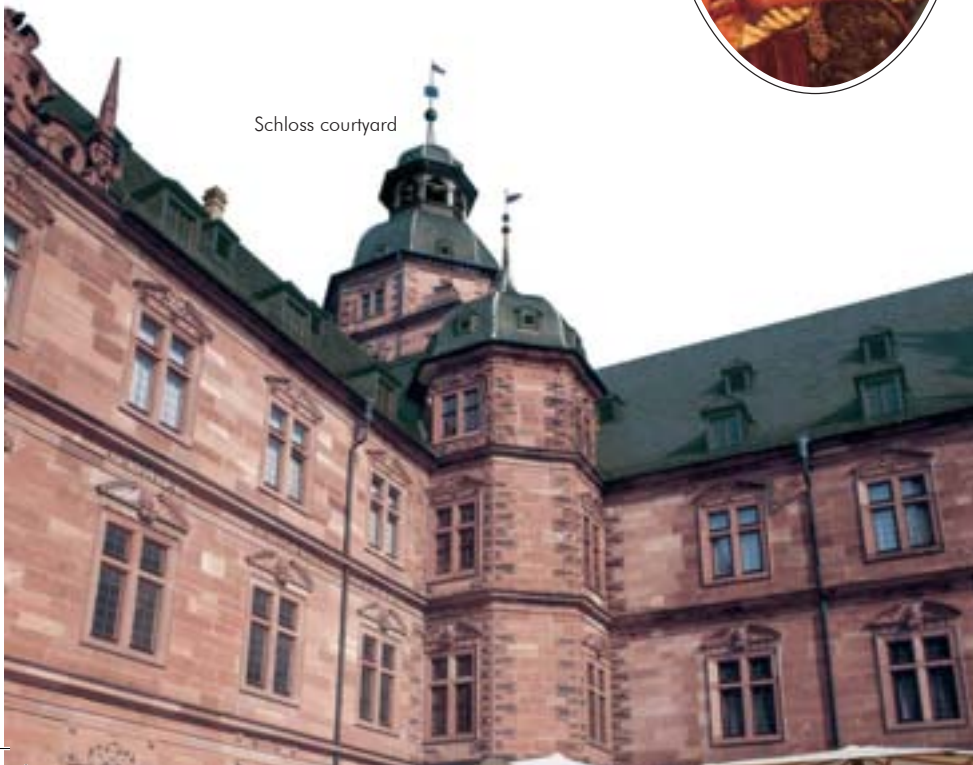
The artists on display here range from Hans Baldung Grien, Corregio and Lucas Cranach to Raphael, Rembrandt and Rubens. Further special features in the Castle are the classical-style rooms and the castle museum.



Schloss courtyard



Apart from Schloss Johannisburg, the other outstanding artistic heritage is the Church of St. Peter and Alexander, the Stiftsbasilika. The most valuable objects among its collection include the "Mourning of Christ" by Matthias Grünewald (16th century), paintings of the Lucas Cranach School, the Romanesque wooden crucifix from the 10th century and the 13th century cloister. The church museum adjoining the chapter houses exhibits findings from pre-historic and Roman times as well as religious art from past centuries.





is rich

A Gallery of International Standing

Since 1990 the art gallery in the Jesuit church „Kunsthalle Jesuitenkirche“ has been an exhibition hall, with the impact on the classical modern age whose profane secular hall with its lavish stucco elements provides an impressive atmosphere for exhibitions of firm positions of the 20th and 21st century.



In 1612, the archbishop and elector of Mainz, Johann Schweikard von Kronberg, set up a Jesuit establishment in Aschaffenburg, providing generous financial support to the clergy while their church

was built near Schloss Johannisburg. The work started in 1619 and was completed in 1621 and dedicated to the Holy Trinity. The church not only represent a serve room for the Jesuits but also served from its completion until 1944 as an accedemic church for the grammar school run by the order.



Church of St. Peter and Alexander (Stiftskirche)

The venerable Church of St. Peter and Alexander, once the symbol of religious power, is a reminder of the fact that it formed part of the territory of the Diocese and later Electorate of Mainz until 1803.



Aschaffenburg



Centre with Stadthalle and Schloss Johannisburg

With its natural beauty, its historical monuments and art treasures, Aschaffenburg is a vibrant modern town. The Lower Main region, with Aschaffenburg at its centre, owes its commercial importance to its excellent geographical position.

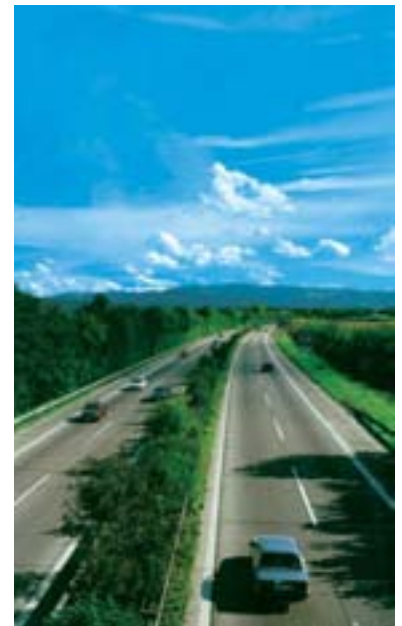


Great Hall of the Stadthalle am Schloss

means business



Aschaffenburg has much more to offer its companies than just a central location. Its infrastructure can respond to any demands.



First of all there is an excellent road network: direct connections to the A45 Aschaffenburg/Dortmund and A3 Frankfurt/Würzburg motorways, close proximity to Frankfurt airport, moorings for boats and cruisers, and a national port, the largest inland port on the River Main in Bavaria.

Moreover, Aschaffenburg is a regional trade and business centre, with all the essential authorities and institutions. A wide range of educational and training facilities exists to service this business community.



Aschaffenburg



The best reason, however, for visiting Aschaffenburg is that visitors are always welcome. As the former residence of the Electors and Archbishops of Mainz, the city has a history of liberal-minded tolerance.



Herstellstraße – pedestrian precinct



is hospitable



Hospitality is an integral part of everyday life in Aschaffenburg. The combination

of sights, parks and proximity to the low mountains of the Spessart creates a special kind of magic that charms visitors.



Come and see for yourself! Whether you require a guesthouse, hotel, holiday home or B&B, we have whatever accommodation your heart desires. An abundance of bars, cafés, pubs and restaurants with typical German "Gemütlichkeit" gives you the opportunity to meet other people even if there are no special cultural events or festivals taking place.



Schöntal Park, magnolia grove



The town where everything is



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within easy reach

Pfaffengasse, Jesuit church gallery



To many people who visit this old Spessart centre, seeing Aschaffenburg is love at first sight. Wherever you go in this romantic old town with its sleepy narrow streets and half-timbered houses, you will make some delightful discoveries.

The cultural city of Aschaffenburg



theatre

concerts

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