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Opening hours may vary during Advent season and other event days.

We offer tourist information, souvenirs, city tours as well accommodation offers.







www.youtube.com/kulturmichelstadt



Citymuseum in the Kellerei with model railway



Castle Fürstenau in Steinbach

The newly designed city museum houses extensive information $\,$ In Steinbach next to the famous Einhardsbasilika you find Schloss Fürstenau. The courtyrad of the castle has a romantic atmoasphere.

> Opening hours of the courtyrad: daily 10 am to 4 pm Address: Schloßstraße, 64720 Michelstadt



hours: www.michelstadt.de.

Landesrabbiner Dr. I. E. Lichtigfeldmuseum Synagogue

On display there are cultural objects, archival materials und fotografic reprodutions which call to mind the life of the former Jewish citizens. The collection allows to gain an insight into the religious, social and political circumstances of the Odenwald Jewish community in the past centuries.

on the city's history, documented by original exhibits. On the

Odenwald by the Modelleisenbahnfreunde Odenwaldkreis e.V..

third floor there is a model railway world based on the

Please see the website for current opening

Opening hours: From 2nd Saturday befor Easter to the 1st November: Sunday to Thursday: 2.00 pm to 5.30 pm



Nicolaus-Matz-**Bibliothek** (Church Library)

Established in 1499 when Nicolaus Matz, the canon of Speyer, donated his private collection of 117 books to the town of his birth. Today, the collection contains approximately 44 manuscripts (14 of which stem from medieval times). 157 incunabula until the year 1500 and about 4000 printed publications from the 16th and 17th century. Guided tours must be booked in advance. Contact: Markplatz 1, 00496061-71199; matz@michelstadt.de



Einhardsbasilika in Steinbach

The well preserved basilica from the year 827 impresses with authentic, Carolingian architecture. It was built by Einhard, the biographer of Charlemagne.

Opening hours:

Contact:

From April to October: Tuesday to Sunday from 10 am to 5 pm Contact: 00496061-73967

Schloßstraße 17, 64720 Michelstadt



Kunstkabinett Seidenberg (private ivory museum)

Ulrich Seidenberg opend the ivory museum an november1976 in the house of the former school of Michelstadt (1780). There are over 500 objects of extraordinary and unique ivory carvings. Free entry.

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 2 pm to 5 pm

Saturday and Sunday: 11 am to 2 pm 00496061-3157

Am Kirchplatz 5, 64720 Michelstadt

Large forests, peaks with overwhelming views and charming valleys make Michelstadt a popular destination also for nature lovers. Sporty people will appreciate a wide variety of beautiful hiking and cycling areas as well as outdoor activities like golfing, tennis and swimming.



Roman Bath in Würzberg Limesturm in Vielbrunn



Waterworks in Vielbrunn



Kainsbacher Mill

Public Swimming Pool

Bienenmarkt

turing live music, various rides, loads of market stalls and a bee auction. It is a nice festival for the whole family.





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Christmas Market (Weihnachtsmarkt)

The Christmas Market is a romantic market with an enchanting atmosphere, all over the historic center;

Opened Wednesday to Sunday during Advent season. More information:

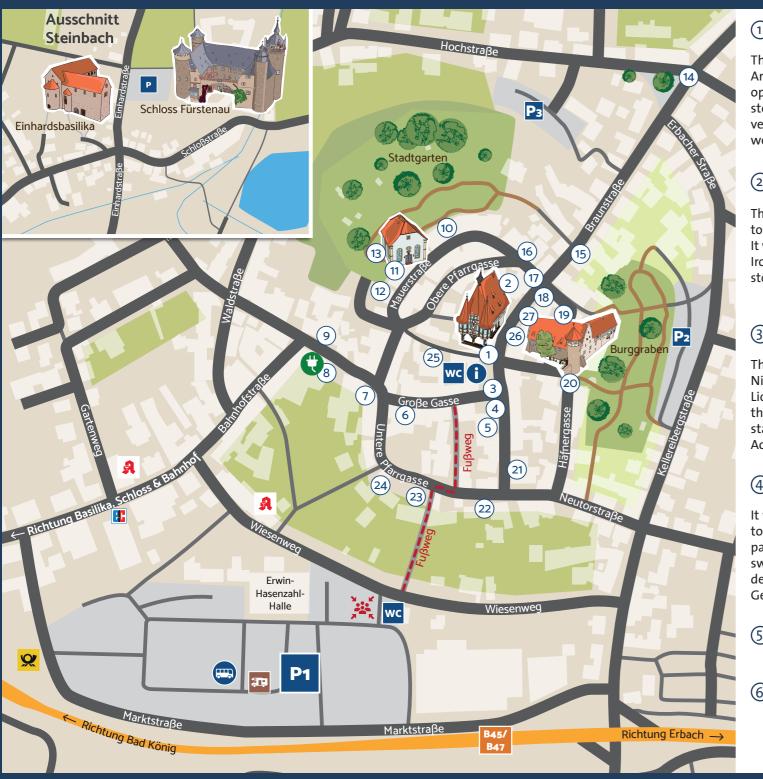
www.michelstaedter-weihnachtsmarkt.de











(1) Historical Town Hall

The year of construction 1484 is inscribed in the wood in Arabic numerals, using a half-eight as a four. The Town Hall's open ground floor accommodated the local court. The upper story housed the Town Council. The Town Hall has been the venue of countless public ceremonies, receptions and weddings – and still is.

(2) Town Church

The Town Church, constructed predominantly from 1461 to 1537, is dedicated to the Archangel Michael and Saint Killian. It was built upon the grounds of an former wooden Iro-Scottish church, which was replaced by a Carolingian stone church consecrated in 821.

(3) Löwenhof & Thurn- und Taxis Building

The baroque building was constructed in 1755 by Johann Nicolaus Friedrich to be used as a tavern named "Golden Lion". His initials JNF and the construction date ornament the pediment. Later the building served as a mailcoach station of Thurn und Taxis. Today the Office for Cultural Activities and the Tourist Information Center are based here.

(4) Market Fountain

It was built in 1575 by George II, Count of Erbach. Its pillar is topped by a sandstone statue of the Archangel Michael. The patron saint protects the town against evil with its flaming sword and scales. However, the name of Michelstadt is not derived from the patron but goes back to an Old High German word "michel" which means "large".

(5) Old Smithy

(6) Old Pharmacy

(7) Mothers-In-Law-Fountain

The Schwiegermütterbrunnen (Mothers-In-Law-Fountain) is one of the oldest fountains in Michelstadt. In 1541, it was given to the town by Count Georg I of Erbach. Its name is derived from the four coats of arms engraved in the center post, e. g. the one of Baden (Beatrix of Baden was his mother-in-law).

- (8) Lower Gate
- (9) Tavern "Zum Grünen Baum"
- (10) House of Soldiers

(11) Synagogue

Built in 1791, it was made famous by Rabbi Seckel Löb Wormser, Baal Shem ("faith thealer") of Michelstadt. He, who was in charge of a world-renowned Talmud school, worked here from 1822 to 1847. In 1979 a museum of Jewish religious objects was established in the Synagogue (Landesrabbiner Dr. I. E. Lichtigfeldmuseum).

- (12) Town Wall
- (13) Watchtower
- (14) Linden Tree Square
- (15) Upper Gate
- (16) Dyer's House
- (17) Tavern "Zur Sonne"

(18) Kilian Stream

(19) Kellerei

These premises are considered to be the cradle of Michelstadt. In 815 it was bestowed to Einhard, the biographer of Charlemagne. Einhard's inheritance fell to the abbey of Lorsch, which led to the conversion of the Frankish empire. After the complex has been destroyed in 1304, it was rebuilt subsequently.

Thieves' Tower

The Thieves' Tower, a former watchtower of the Kellerei, served as the district jail. Since the tower had no groundlevel entrance, the prisoners entered the dungeon through a trapdoor in the upper story. A stone relief of the Roman god Mercury can be seen above a narrow window, its meaning is unknown.

- (21) House of Tithe Count Fuchs
- (22) House of Council Member Pfreund
- (23) House of Coin Manufacturing
- (24) House of Mayor Spindler
- 25) Nicolaus-Matz-Library (Church-Library)
- (26) Old Brewery
- (27) Old parlour of the former Museum
- e-bike charging station with lockers







Meeting point



Parking space for mobile homes



Bus parking (for free)



The two public toilet facilities are barrier-free and each have one disabled toilet.

Large car park "Altstadt" (Wiesenweg) approx. 800 parking spaces, no time limit, for free (exception: during the advent season)

Can not be used in the week before and after Pentecost.

Parking Spot "Kellerei" (Kellereibergstraße) P 2 for free, on weekdays the parking time is limited to two hours (parking disc).

Parking Spot "Obere Dammgärten" (Hochstraße) for free, on weekdays the parking time is limited to two hours (parking disc).

Arrival and Parking:

Michelstadt can be reached easily and without traffic jams by train or car. There is sufficient free parking in and around the old town. In the entire inner city area with cobblestones (old town) only walking speed is allowed. In addition, you may park for a maximum of one hour in marked parking areas. These regulations are announced by signs in the entrance areas to the old town and are valid for the entire old town. The traffic signs will not be repeated. Do not forget your parking disc for limited-time parking spaces.