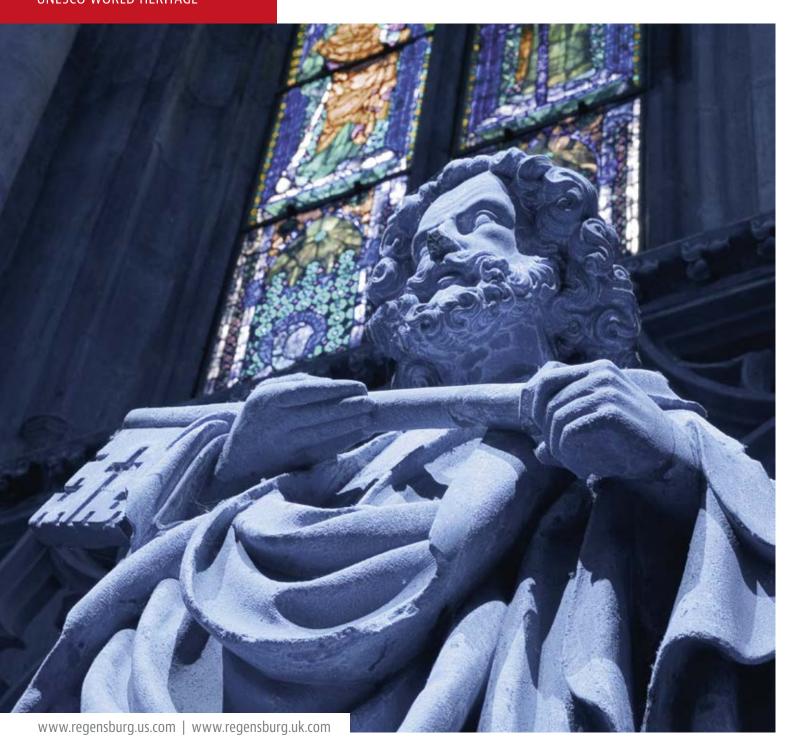


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RELIGIOUS VARIETY IN REGENSBURG

Religious freedom – the theme of the UNESCO world heritage over centuries. Come and learn more about the various religious influences.

GRÜSS GOTT, SHALOM, SALAM AN INTERRELIGIOUS CITY TOUR



Grüß Gott, Shalom, Salam – that's how members of three major world religions who peacefully cohabit in Regensburg greet one another. They have all left their mark in the old town, which is why a walk through it highlights their unique features and differences, as well as many commonalities. For example, how the little David conquered the giant Goliath – a story recounted in the Torah, Bible and Koran alike. In this way, Regensburg allows you to repeatedly witness how the religions coexist and interact, and see how religious diversity can enrich a city.



FROM NOBLE CANONESSES TO IRO-SCOTTISH MONKS CHURCHES, CONVENTS AND MONASTERIES

According to a famous witticism, Regensburg has as many churches and chapels as there are days in the year. While that may be a bit of an exaggeration, visitors wandering around the city for the first time are often struck by the high concentration of religious buildings in such a small space: from the episcopal

church and cathedral, to the churches of the monasteries and convents, to parish churches and private chapels. Their styles span the full spectrum of European architectural history: from Romanesque to Gothic to Baroque. So it can certainly be said that the city's history, art and culture is uniquely reflected in its churches.



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PROTESTANT REGENSBURG

Did you know that Regensburg is wearing the title "Reformation City of Europe"? With this title cities are going to be honored which hold a significant historic relevance for the spreading of reformation.

PROTESTANT REGENSBURG

Not everyone knows that Regensburg has a long Protestant tradition – and it's no wonder, given the fame of its cathedral, the Domspatzen cathedral choir, and retired Pope Benedict XVI! The Free Imperial City was indeed "purely Protestant" for generations following the Reformation – albeit with the constant presence of a Catholic prince-bishop:

A complicated story teetering between competition and coexistence! Added to this is a European dimension: It was from Regensburg that the Protestant faith spread to Bohemia, Austria and Hungary, and the city later welcomed large numbers of religious refugees from these countries. Traces of this eventful history can be found all over the city.

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CATHOLIC REGENSBURG

Discover the catholic side of the city and follow the footsteps of the retired pope Benedict XVI.



ST. PETER'S CATHEDRAL THE SPIRITUAL HEART OF REGENSBURG

The only Gothic Cathedral in Bavaria is the heart oft he diocese and Regensburg's best known landmark. After admiring the impressive front you can feel the grandeur of the building when you enter it and see the marvelous light created by the glass windows. The world's largest hanging organ accompanies the famous boys' choir Regensburger Domspatzen on mass time.

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REGENSBURGER DOMSPATZEN CATHEDRAL SPARROWS

As St. Peter's Cathedral is also home of the Regensburger Domspatzen, the oldest boys' choir of the world. You can listen to them at Sunday at 10 am attending the mass (except during Bavarian vacation times in summer from beginning of August until mid of September).

"REGENSBURG IS WHERE I'M TRULY AT HOME"

This is how the former pope Benedict XVI, who retired from office in 2013, described his close ties with the city. He spent three full days here during his 2006 visit – the first papal visit in a thousand years! But what are these close ties based on? There are a number of sites which have been important to Benedict XVI since his days as a professor

at the university. His brother Georg, former director of the world-famous Domspatzen cathedral choir, lives in Regensburg. His parents and sister are buried in Regensburg. And his private home, which has now been converted into a documentation and community centre, is located in Pentling, near Regensburg.

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JEWISH REGENSBURG

Germany and the Jews – that is deeply connected talking about German history. And it is important to understand that Jewish history did not start and end with that dark part of history.

ZACHOR – REMEMBER!DISCOVER THE JEWISH REGENSBURG

From the start of the early Middle Ages, Regensburg, a large and cosmopolitan city at the time, was also home to Jews, who were actively involved in the city's economic growth. At times, it had one of Germany's largest and most prominent Jewish communities.

The Jewish quarter was located in the heart of the city, though this was completely destroyed after Jews were expelled in 1519. Today, it is the site of Neupfarrplatz. Excavations in the 1990s uncovered a horde of well preserved structural remains, some of which are impressively presented in the "document Neupfarrplatz". But Jewish Regensburg remains alive and well in many other areas too ...

During that tour you will also pass by the house in which Oskar Schindler and his wife ("Schindler's list") were living in Regensburg.

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DOCUMENT NEUPFARRPLATZ

The document Neupfarrplatz combines the medieval Jewish history to an air-raid shelter from World War II (a ring shelter built directly in the middle of the fundaments of the old medieval Jewish town). I tell you, history can not be more fascinating. Regensburg's greatest

archaeological excavaction to this day. The crosssection ranges from Roman officer's dwellings through the medieval Jewish quarter with its synagogue (today a monument where the synagogue has been designed by Dani Karavan) to an air-raid shelter from World War II.

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