

HIKING TOUR FROM LUTZELHARDT CASTLE TO SCHOENECK AND WINECK CASTLES

Sportive level



Start : Obersteinbach



12 km

4h

306 m



Discover the castles of Lutzelhardt, Schoeneck and Wineck.

Goat farm

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16 Km - Niederbronn-les-Bains



USEFUL INFORMATION

Carte IGN 3814ET



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STEPS

Thank you for following these guidelines

Please remain vigilant during your walk. Some sections of the route may be temporarily closed during the breeding season to protect local wildlife. Quiet zones may also be designated to minimise disturbance and protect species. And access to certain castles may be restricted for safety reasons.

1 Steinbach goat farm

From Obersteinbach on the D3, head towards the Steinbach goat farm on the western road out of the village.

2 Lutzelhardt Castle

Cross the D3 following the signs "From castle to castle" to the Lutzelhardt castle. First mentioned in 1250, it was built to protect the seigneurie of Bitche. It was destroyed in the 16th century. Built on a sandstone rock 20 m high and 60 m long, you can still see the small square donjon made of ashlar with bosses, the remains of the dwelling, as well as a filtration cistern, traces of construction and the lower courtyard.

3 Castle Schoeneck

Built at the end of a rocky ridge, this castle has the largest artillery tower alongside Haut-Koenigsbourg. 16th-century barbican. Semi-troglodytic. Castle built around 1200, restored in the 16th and 17th centuries. Remains of the 13th-century dwellings and pentagonal keep. Entrance dating from the 16th century, protected by two artillery bastions and giving access to the bailey. For over 20 years, the Cun Ulmer Grün association has been working to safeguard, secure and consolidate Schoeneck Castle. It works in collaboration with the curator of the Maison de l'Archéologie in Niederbronn-les-Bains where the objects unearthed during the excavations are on display.

4 **Wineck Castle** 

The avant-garde post of the Schoeneck castle (600m away), set on a rocky ridge, was built around 1200 on a granite rocky spur. It was dismantled at the end of the 17th century. The castle features a 20-metre-high keep, almost square in plan. It was protected from attack by a shield wall. The circular rampart has been rebuilt.

5 **Obersteinbach**  

Follow the yellow disc to the Col du Langthal and then the red triangle towards the village of Obersteinbach.

