

CROSS-BORDER WALK TO NOTHWEILER



Intermediate level



Start : Wingen



..... 7 km

2h30 min

201 m

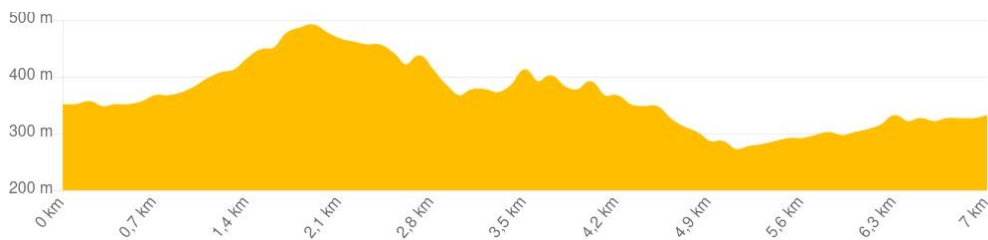
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The French-German circular hiking trail of about 7 km length offers an exciting hiking tour across the border between Germany and France. Along the trail, information boards tell anecdotes from the “border history”.

Col du Litchhof

Parking du col du Litschhof

17 Km - Wissembourg



USEFUL INFORMATION

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STEPS

1 **Departure from Col du Litschhof car park**

2 **Kappelstein**

A remarkable rock on the French side.

3 **Iron ore mine**

The village of Notweiler with its half-timbered houses. You can also cool off at the historic Zeppelinbrunnen fountain in the town centre. Nearby is an old iron mine.

4 **Wegelburg Castle**

The ruins of Wegelburg Castle lie at an altitude of 572 metres, on a mountain ridge. It is the highest castle in the Palatinate, with a panoramic view over the Palatinate Forest/Northern Vosges Biosphere Reserve. This imperial fortress was built in the 12th-13th centuries.

5 Hohenbourg Castle

Like Fleckenstein, Hohenbourg's mission was to mark the border with Lorraine and ensure the security of the imperial road from Kaiserslautern to Haguenau. The first castle was probably built at the end of the 12th century by a branch of the Fleckensteins, who took the name Hohenbourg, then Puller de Hohenbourg.

6 Loewenstein Castle

Situated a few hundred metres from the ruins of Hohenbourg at an altitude of 520 m, the Loewenstein site appears to have belonged to the Fleckensteins from the time of the Hohenstaufen, Dukes of Alsace and Swabia.

7 Fleckenstein Castle

Powerful and impressive, Fleckenstein castle stands on a 100-metre-long rocky outcrop at an altitude of 338 metres in the Vosges du Nord Regional Nature Park. It held out for four centuries before being destroyed by French troops in 1689.



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