

Die großen Gärten

For many decades after World War II, the cross-border region east of Vienna, which had had a common cultural heritage, was divided for political reasons. This division was symbolised and embodied by the 'Iron Curtain' between Austria on one side and Hungary and Slovakia on the other. Since the opening of the borders, the neighbouring states have started to rediscover their common cultural roots. In the region there are many parks of outstanding significance in terms of garden history.

The EU-project 'Die Großen Gärten' ('The Great Gardens') has established a network of parks in order to support the conservation of historic gardens, develop a common tourism concept and a cross-border contribution to regional development.

Today 'The Great Gardens' include the the Esterházy Parks at Eisenstadt (Austria) and Fertőd (Hungary), 'Harrachpark' in Bruck/Leitha as well as the country house parks of Eckartsau, Marchegg (Austria), Rusovce, Malacky (Slovakia) and Krasków (Poland), representing different styles but similarly high garden culture.



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Highlights you shouldn't miss:

(The encircled symbols help you to find the highlights on the map)

The Palace

A

A particularly impressive feature of the palace is its neo-classic garden façade. Moreover, visitors can admire the largest columned hall in the country.



Orangery

B

The Orangery was built from 1801 onwards according to plans of Mathias Pölt. After its renovation, it has regained its status as the most significant orangery in Austria dating from these times.

Leopoldine Temple and Leopoldine Pond

D

After the restoration of the overall ensemble surrounding the Leopoldine temple, this area has become one of the most beautiful parts of the garden.



The ponds

In addition to the Leopoldine pond, the Obelisk pond and the Engine pond are particularly worth a visit.

The Obelisk

E



This monumental stone pillar was built in 1871 by Prince Nikolaus III in memory of his wife, Lady Sarah Child-Villiers of Jersey, who had died very young. The obelisk marks the highest point of the garden.



Highlights
Eisenstadt Palace Garden



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