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Turelbaach castle drawing trail: Draw what you discover along the way!

Explore Turelbaach castle and its surroundings on an 8 km hiking trail. It leads you from Mertzig past the castle and back again. The trail is well signposted, easy to walk and shows you many beautiful corners of nature.

Around the castle, you can complete the drawing activity while discovering the castle and the small lake.

You will need a blank sheet of paper and some colouring pencils or pens of your choice.



Starting point and parking:

Centre Turelbaach
22, rue Principale
L-9168 Mertzig



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You can also complete the drawing activity at Turelbaach castle without walking the hiking trail. Simply start at the lakeside car park.



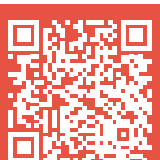
TURELBAACH CASTLE in Mertzig

Turelbaach castle looks as if it has come straight out of a fairy tale! It stands in the middle of nature and is surrounded by green meadows and deep forests. Although the inside of the castle cannot be visited, you are welcome to walk through the park and admire the castle from the outside.

Starting point and parking:

L-9168 Mertzig

You can reach the castle within just a few minutes on foot from the lakeside car park.



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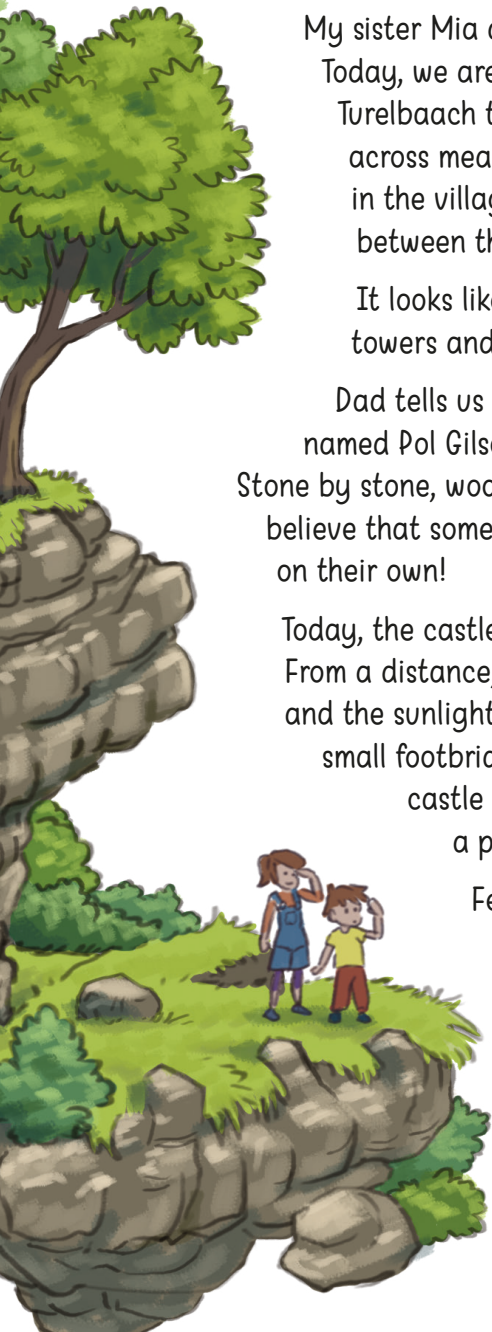
My sister Mia and I love spending time outdoors. Today, we are hiking with our parents along the Turelbaach trail: a path that leads through forests, across meadows and past an old castle. We start in the village and after a while we finally see it between the branches: Turelbaach castle!

It looks like something from a fairy tale, with its towers and bright walls shining in the sunlight.

Dad tells us that the castle was built by a man named Pol Gilson. He did almost everything himself. Stone by stone, wood, glass, even the windows. I can hardly believe that someone could create something so large all on their own!

Today, the castle belongs to the municipality of Mertzig. From a distance, the windows look beautifully colourful and the sunlight makes them glow. We continue to the small footbridge in front of the entrance, admire the castle with its tower and walls, and then enjoy a picnic in the park.

Feeling refreshed and in good spirits, we start our journey back to the village. In Mertzig we see a sign that says “#Mertzig4all”.



“What does that mean?” asks Mia.

Mum comes closer and reads it with us. “It means: Mertzig for everyone. Everyone should feel welcome here – whether they are young or old, big or small.”

I look around. “For everyone... really everyone?”

“Exactly,” says Mum. “That is called the common good. It means organising things in the village in a way that makes life good for everyone.”

We continue walking and see a large box filled with books in the park.

“Oh, a book box!” I call out as I open the cupboard door. “You can simply take a book here!”

“And you can bring one back too,” adds Mum. “That way, people can share stories.”

Next to it stands a building with open doors. Inside, people are laughing and talking.

“That’s a community centre for clubs and associations,” says Dad. “Groups can meet here, attend courses or do activities together.”

“That sounds wonderful!” exclaims Mia.

“I think Mertzig is like Turelbaach castle – a place that is there for everyone.”



Draw Your Hiking Picture

Start your drawing at the car park and begin in the middle of your sheet of paper.

Draw the outline of a simple castle or house. Only the outline.

Now start walking and look to your right!

On your way to the castle, you will spot something special on the right-hand side. Draw this detail to the right of the castle.

In front of the castle

You are now almost directly in front of the castle. Count the towers you can see and add them to your drawing.

The white wall

Walk a little further until you reach a light-coloured wall. Look carefully. How many windows can you see? Draw them in your picture.

Surroundings

The castle is not alone – it is surrounded by something. Add this to your drawing.

The old wooden footbridge

Stand in front of the castle near the bridge. Draw the bridge.

A mysterious stone

Right next to the bridge, you will discover a carving in a stone. Draw this symbol in your picture too.

Nature all around

Finally, decorate your picture with trees, flowers and everything else you encounter along the way.

Almost finished

Now draw yourself and your family into the picture. This will give you a wonderful souvenir to take home from your trip.



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Themed trail in Mertzig

Learn more about the history and cultural heritage of Mertzig on the approximately 4 km interactive circular trail through the village.

Here, you can discover the municipality of Mertzig in a very special way using all your senses.

First section (0.9 km): easy, suitable for pushchairs

Second section (2 km): moderate, uphill

Third section (1.2 km): challenging, downhill, nature trail



Starting point and parking:

17, rue de Michelbouch
L-9170 Mertzig

4 km



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Mardellepad nature trail

The "Mardellepad" is a 2.5 km educational nature trail located in the Natura 2000 area "Saitert". The mascot Kami the crested newt guides visitors interactively through listening, touch and relaxation stations. The trail aims to promote environmental awareness and is especially designed for school classes, families and people with disabilities.

Starting point and parking:

7, Rue de Michelbouch
L-9170 Mertzig

Mardellepad
Mäerzeg

2,5 km

TURELBAACH CASTLE

You can complete the picture, colour it in and take it home as a souvenir of your trip. Have fun!