



Arenenberg



Experience World History at Lake Constance

Arenenberg Palace and the Napoleon Museum

Your Visit

The Museum's Opening Hours & Admission

Information on the current visiting hours and the admission may be found on our website napoleonmuseum.ch.

Bistro Louis Napoléon's Opening Hours

Open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Group Visits

Arenenberg offers a wide range of options for groups ranging from individual, customized tours of the palace all the way to culinary workshops. We'd be happy to assist you and create an individual, customized program for your visit.

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Directions

Location Arenenberg is on the Swiss side of the Lower Lake, above Mannenbach and Ermatingen, between Kreuzlingen and Stein am Rhein. From the Lake Constance Bicycle Path, it's only a small climb to the palace and gardens.

By car It's only about 15 minutes from Kreuzlingen or Constance to Arenenberg. Ample parking is available.

By ship or train From the pier in Mannenbach, it's an approx. 20 minute walk to Arenenberg. This is a perfect way to combine the visit with a boat cruise. A comfortable and convenient ride to Mannenbach is also available with the regional train Thurbo.

Napoleon Museum,
 hotel and restaurant,
 research center
 set amidst lush gardens



Arenenberg is one of the most beautiful locations along Lake Constance. World history was written here!

Hortense de Beauharnais, Napoleon's stepdaughter and heiress, selected Arenenberg as her exile so that she could raise her son Louis Napoléon to be an emperor.

The heir to the throne treasured the inspiration of the landscape, its history, and the nature of its people. He always fondly called Arenenberg and Constance his dear home, the place where his roots were located. He drew strength from this unique location with which he shaped the 19th century. Everything has been preserved in its original condition – be captivated by the charm and spirit of the estate during a very informative guided tour!

The Napoleon Museum in the «Palace»

Unchanged in its furnishings, the refined salons of the Bonapartes welcome today's visitors like guests of the Imperial Court. Visitors enter a world they think has long since disappeared.

The magnificent Empire and the intimate Biedermeier style allow one to forget the hustle and bustle of the digital age.

The knowledgeable tour guides help explain the background of an epic tale, the course of which continues to shape the world in many ways even today. You won't be inundated by meaningless and insipid facts and figures, but instead will have interesting interrelationships explained to you.

Annual special exhibits, regular events, guided tours with changing themes, and communicating the latest research results will always turn a visit to the Napoleon Museum into an unforgettable experience.

The Arenenberg Gardens

The palace is surrounded by picturesque parks and gardens.

Arenenberg's gardening tradition reaches back more than 600 years. During the Middle Ages, patricians from Thurgau and Constance turned the property into a magnificent country manor and created a pleasure garden that was expanded during the Renaissance. During the 19th century, Queen Hortense added a sprawling landscape park around the palace.

Today, a path connects the various green spaces dating back to different periods. In addition to the landscape park, it's also possible to explore the medieval garden of a patrician, vineyards, and the modern school gardens of the agricultural school.

The Arenenberg Gardens are a member of the Society Lake Constance Gardens (Verein Bodenseegärten).



Be a Guest of the Emperor

Hotel and Bistro Louis Napoléon

The tradition of the welcoming and hospitable estate continues to be cultivated today as well. The stylish hotel invites its guests to linger a bit longer. And the hotel offers also modern meeting rooms and conference facilities as well as an elegant banquet hall for a host of events.

Under the motto «seasonal, regional – always fresh», the kitchen of the Bistro Louis Napoléon – it received an award from the Slow Food Movement – uses its own products and delicacies from the region.

Museum Store

The Napoleon Museum Store presents unique gifts and historically inspired souvenirs revolving around the themes Arenenberg, gardens, lifestyle, and Napoleonic history. The selection changes with the seasons, whether it be for the rose blooming season in June or the Christmas exhibit during the Advent season.