

CITY MUSEUMS



THEATRES, CONCERT HALLS AND MUSIC VENUES



THEATER FREIBURG 32

9 Bertoldstraße 46
www.theater.freiburg.de

KONZERTHAUS FREIBURG (CONCERT HALL) 30

9 Konrad-Adenauer-Platz 1
www.konzerthaus.freiburg.de

WALLGRABEN THEATER 34

9 Rathausgasse 5a
www.wallgraben-theater.com

JAZZHAUS FREIBURG 29

9 Schneewlinstraße 1
www.jazzhaus.de

VORDERHAUS

9 Habsburgerstraße 9
www.orderhaus.de

ALEMANNISCHE BÜHNE (ALEMANNIC THEATRE)

9 Gerberau 15
www.alemannische-buehne.de

E-WERK FREIBURG

9 Eschholzstraße 77
www.ewerk-freiburg.de

AUGUSTINERMUSEUM 18
and HAUS DER GRAPHISCHE SAMMLUNG (HOUSE OF THE GRAPHIC COLLECTION)

The Augustiner museum is one of the most renowned museums in Southern Germany, boasting a vast collection of historical, urban and cultural artefacts dating from the Middle Ages to the Baroque period.

9 Augustinerplatz

MUSEUM FÜR NEUE KUNST 20
(MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART)

The Museum für Neue Kunst hosts permanent and special exhibitions showcasing notable exhibits by international contemporary painters and sculptors.

9 Marienstraße 10a

NS-DOKUZENTRUM (DOCUMENTATION CENTRE ON NATIONAL SOCIALISM) 23

Across three floors, the Dokumentationszentrum Nationalsozialismus Freiburg sheds light on the city's history during the Nazi regime. Interactive features, reports from witnesses and historic objects make the marginalisation, violence and experience more tangible.

9 Rotteckring 14

MUSEUM NATUR UND MENSCH 21
(MUSEUM OF NATURE AND MAN)

The museum brings together natural history and non-European ethnology all in one place. The perfect museum for the whole family!

9 Gerberau 32

Opening hours city museums:
 Tuesday-Sunday
 10:00am-5:00pm

Our tip:
 Get a day ticket covering all five museums.

To explore all of Freiburg's museums, go to museen.freiburg.de



DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

FIND US HERE:

TOURIST INFORMATION
 Rathausplatz 2-4, 79098 Freiburg
 Tel. +49 761 3881-880, visit.freiburg.de

Services:
 • Information about Freiburg and the Black Forest
 • Hiking and cycling maps/souvenirs/vouchers
 • Ticket sales

NEED A PLACE TO FRESHEN UP?

Die nette Toilette In addition to Freiburg's public toilets, you are also welcome to use the facilities in many of the city's restaurants, cafés and bars without having to buy anything. Just look out for the "Nette Toilette" ("nice bathroom") sign at the entrance. More information is available at: visit.freiburg.de/en/toilets

visit.freiburg.de/en/barrier-free

AREA MAP



EXPLORING NATURE

ENJOYING THE GREAT OUTDOORS IN AND AROUND FREIBURG

In Freiburg, nature is right on your doorstep. Whether you're looking to relax or get active, you can escape everyday life at the city's parks and lakes, on hiking and cycling routes or as you gaze across the infinite vastness of the Black Forest mountain peaks. Simply unwind and restore your energy!

visit.freiburg.de/en/outdoors-active

SCHLOSSBERG, SCHLOSSBERGBAHN (SCHLOSSBERG FUNICULAR) AND SCHLOSSBERGTURM (SCHLOSSBERG TOWER)

Freiburg's Schlossberg offers spectacular views across the city. Head up this historic hillside to discover traces of the past and sample some delicious food and drink. From the Stadtgarten (Municipal Park), the Schlossbergbahn funicular takes you up the hillside in just three minutes. At 456 m, the Schlossbergturm tower offers for magnificent views stretching all the way to the Vosges mountains on clear days. Schlossberg is the ideal starting point for hiking and exploring.

visit.freiburg.de/en/schlossberg

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ALTER FRIEDHOF (OLD CEMETERY) 5

With gravestones from bygone eras, this romantic cemetery park is a natural and cultural monument a stone's throw from the Old Town. www.alter-friedhof-freiburg.de

BOTANISCHER GARTEN (BOTANICAL GARDEN) 6

A green oasis in the heart of Freiburg home to plants from around the world. www.botanischer-garten.uni-freiburg.de

SEEPARK (LAKE PARK) 14

Created on the Regional Garden Show in 1986, this green space on the edge of Flückigersee lake is a popular park in Freiburg featuring lawns for sunbathing, a playground, a Japanese garden and a café and restaurant with a beer garden.

SCHAUINSLAND

Schauinslandbahn (Schauinsland cable car): Take the cable car to the Schauinsland summit (1,284 m) in just 20 minutes for panoramic views of the Rhine Valley.

DREISAM

River that has its source in the Black Forest and feeds Freiburg's rivulets. Popular place to relax in Freiburg with pretty banks for sitting and unwinding, especially in the renatured area.

TIP: Oberau walk.

visit.freiburg.de/en/dreisam

TUNIBERG 16

Renowned wine-growing area between Freiburg and Kaiserstuhl covering the city's districts of Munzingen, Opfingen, Wältershofen and Tiengen. Numerous hiking trails and restaurants. visit.freiburg.de/en/discover/excursion-destinations-around-freiburg/kaiserstuhl-and-tuniberg

SWIMMING POOLS AND BATHING LAKES

There are plenty of places to take a dip in the water in Freiburg. visit.freiburg.de/en/discover/outdoor-activities/bathing

freiburgermuenster.info



DISCOVER FREIBURG

POCKET-SIZED CITY MAP

FREIBURGER MÜNSTER (CATHEDRAL)

"OF OUR LADY"

Construction period: from around 1200 to the mid 16th century. Largely in the Gothic and late Gothic style. Tower: 116 metres (incl. weather vane) Staircase: 209 steps to the tower room

Important sights include:

- West tower - "The most beautiful tower on Earth"
- The bells
- Entrance hall adorned with carved figures
- Altarpiece by Hans Baldung Grien
- Historic windows

WHY IS THE CATHEDRAL A "MÜNSTER" AND NOT A "DOM"?

"Dom" is the standard modern German word for a cathedral (the official seat of a bishop). However, the Freiburger Münster did not become a cathedral until 1827 because the bishop's seat was in Konstanz until this time. The term "Münster" ("minster") has continued to be used despite the fact that Freiburg is now a bishop's seat.

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KEY DATES IN FREIBURG'S HISTORY

1120	Market founded by Konrad, Duke of Zähringen
1200	to approx. 1513 Construction of the Münster
1238	Freiburg's rivulets mentioned for the first time
1368	Freiburg places itself under the protection of the House of Habsburg
1457	Archduke Albert VI founds the University of Freiburg
1677	to 1697 Freiburg is a French fortress
1918	Revolution on Karlsplatz (Karls's Square) sees Baden become a republic
1930	Schauinslandbahn is opened
1944	Most devastating air strike of the Second World War on 27 November
1952	Freiburg becomes part of Baden-Württemberg
1959	The French city of Besançon becomes Freiburg's first twin city, with a further 11 cities following until 2016
1986	Regional Garden Show held in Freiburg
2011	Pope Benedict XVI visits Freiburg
2020	Freiburg celebrates its 900th anniversary

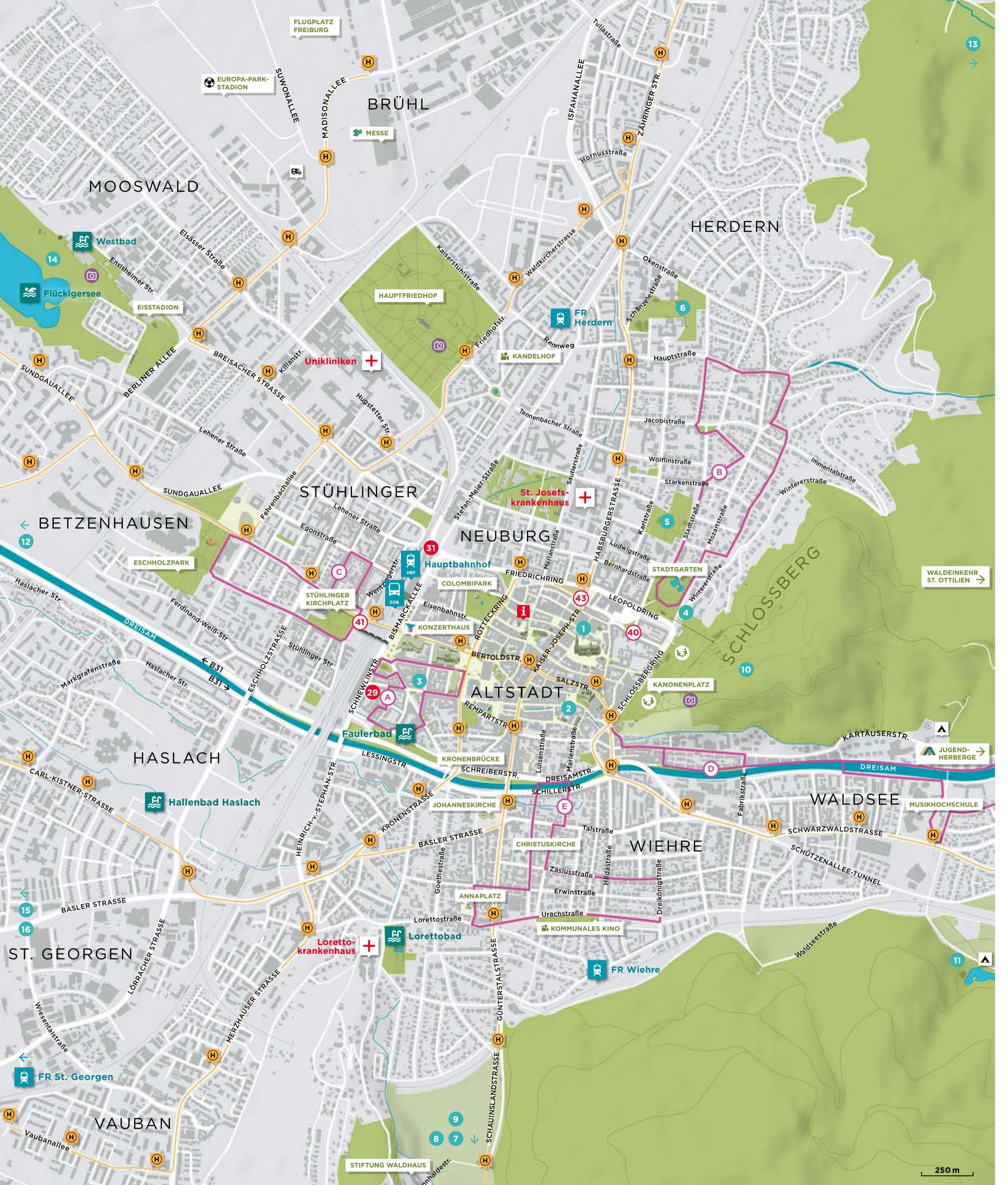
RETAIL THERAPY IN FREIBURG'S CAR-FREE OLD TOWN



Take your time to stroll along picturesque alleys and past pretty boutiques and cosy shops – and don't forget to sample some regional products from the Münstermarkt (Cathedral Market).

visit.freiburg.de/en/shopping-highlights

Population: 237,244 (2023)



DISCOVER FREIBURG ON FOOT

Distance: 2.5 km; duration: approx. 60-90 minutes



The route starts on Rathausplatz (Town Hall Square), right at the heart of the city. The Altes Rathaus (Old Town Hall) 11 stands out for its red façade and is home to the Tourist Information Office, so head inside if you need anything or have any questions. Next door, you can see the Neues Rathaus (New Town Hall) 11 which was used by the University of Freiburg until the end of the 19th century. The building that now hosts Freiburg's municipal leaders once contained anatomy classrooms and a polyclinic. Directly opposite is Martinskirche (St. Martin's Church) 26 which dates back to around 1300 and served as a monastery church for the neighbouring Franciscan monastery until 1783.

The statue on the square's fountain is of Friar Berthold Schwarz. Legend has it that the alchemist discovered gunpowder by chance. In front of the fountain, ornate mosaics depicting the coats of arms of Freiburg and its twin cities are embedded into the ground of the Rathausplatz. All across Freiburg's Old Town, streets and shop entrances are adorned by colourful mosaics made from pebbles from the Rhine – so don't forget to look down!

Head left past Martinskirche and stroll along Franziskanerstraße until you reach the Haus zum Walfisch (Whale House) 5 with its magnificent late Gothic doorway and oriel. Built by Emperor Maximilian's treasurer general, it was home to the famous humanist Erasmus of Rotterdam from 1529 to 1531.

From here, cross Kaiser-Joseph-Straße and head left towards the Basler Hof 2. Built between 1494 and 1496, it is one of the city's most important secular buildings and today houses the Regional Council. Once called the "Große Gass" ("Wide Street") in the Middle Ages, Kaiser-Joseph-Straße used to host Freiburg's city market. Now often referred to as the "Kajo", the street, with its post-war arcades, serves as Freiburg's main shopping street and boulevard.

Turn right at the Basler Hof and you'll catch your first glimpse of the Münsterplatz (Cathedral Square), the beating heart of the city. Farmers and traders sell their goods here at the Münstermarkt (Cathedral Market) from Monday to Saturday, so take the opportunity to try a "Lange Rote" (long red sausage), have a glass of wine or enjoy one of the other specialities on offer.

Rising up from the middle of the square is the imposing Freiburger Münster (Cathedral) 27 with its 116-metre-high spire. Built between 1200 and 1513, it has survived numerous wars virtually unscathed and features magnificent sights such as the impressive pediment reliefs in the vestibule, historic stained-glass windows and the altarpiece by Hans Baldung Grien.

On the south side of the cathedral, the red facade of the Historisches Kaufhaus (Historical Merchants' Hall) 6 will catch your eye. Embellished with Habsburg sculptures and coats of arms, it was built between 1520 and 1532 to oversee the city's market and served as a customs, trade and financial centre. Take your time to stroll across the Münsterplatz and explore the surrounding historic buildings. You could also sit and relax in one of the many inviting cafés and restaurants on the square.

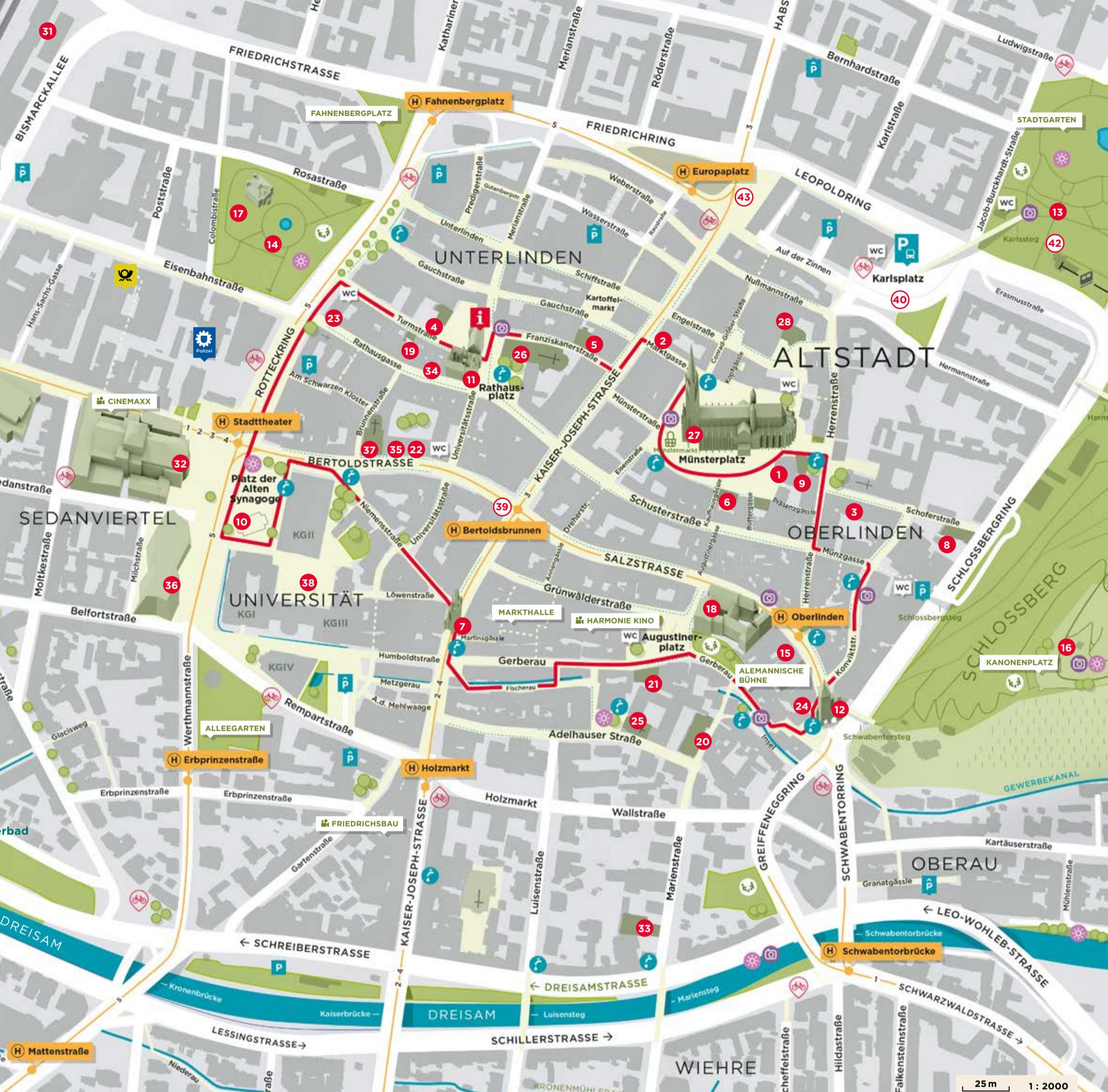
The route continues past the Alte Wache (House of Baden Wines) 1 and the Alte Münsterbauhütte (Old Cathedral Workshop) 9 and on to Herrenstraße, where you'll discover the Erzbischöfliches Ordinariat (Archiepiscopal Ordinariate) 3, which is one of the most outstanding examples of late historicism in Baden. Having turned left into the narrow Münzgasse, you'll find yourself on one of the most beautiful streets in Freiburg, Konviktstraße. It was a bustling street full of artisans in the Middle Ages and, today, its charming facades and quaint boutiques make it perfect for strolling and browsing. Continue walking until you reach the Schwabentor (Swabian Gate) 12. Constructed in the mid 13th century, it is the younger of Freiburg's two surviving city gates, and its façade depicts the legendary tale of the Swabian man who once tried – and failed – to buy the city. The area around the Schwabentor boasts a number of restaurants serving Baden specialties. Germany's oldest inn, Zum Roten Bären 15, is of particular interest. From the Schwabentor, it's worth taking a detour to one of the city's green spaces. Simply cross the Schwabentorsteig footbridge and walk up the hill for just a few minutes until you reach the Kanonenplatz (Cannon Square) on the Schlossberg (Schlossberg Hill) 16, where you will be rewarded with a spectacular view of Freiburg.

Having walked through Martinstor, you can see Bertoldsbrunnen (Bertold's Fountain) 29 at the centre of the shopping street. Sitting atop the fountain is a statue dedicated to Freiburg's founders from the Zähringer dynasty. Instead of walking towards the fountain, turn left into Niemensstraße, where you'll find yourself in the vibrant student area behind the university with its many international snack bars, pubs and cafés.

Continue along Niemensstraße until you reach Bertoldstraße. The Universitätskirche (University Church) 37 is on the opposite side of the street. To its immediate right is the Alte Universität (Old University) 36 with the Unisem (University Museum) 22, which provides fascinating insights into local student life and the history of the venerable Albert Ludwig University of Freiburg, which was founded by Albert VI in 1457. Turn left and you'll soon reach the Platz der Alten Synagoge (Old Synagogue Square) 10, which is named in memory of the synagogue that stood here until it was destroyed in 1938. The fountain traces the outline of the former synagogue. To the left of this expansive square stands the architecturally striking Universitätsbibliothek (University Library) 36. Freiburg's theatre 32, which was built in the neo-baroque style in 1905, can be seen to the right of the library.

Begin your leisurely return to the route's starting point by walking along Rotteckring. Before turning right into Turmstraße, pause to take a look at Colombiapark 14 on the opposite side of the road and marvel at the Colombiashlössle sitting on top of the hill. Built for the Countess de Zee Bermudez y Colombi between 1859 and 1861 in the English neo-Gothic style, the mansion is today home to the Archäologisches Museum (Archaeological Museum) 37. The last section of the route runs along Turmstraße and takes you past the guild house of the Breisgau Jesters, where the Fasnemuseum (Carnival Museum) 19 is located. Opposite the museum, in the courtyard of the Altes Rathaus, stands the city's oldest administrative building, the Gerichtslaube (Old Court House) 4, built as a council chamber in 1303. At the end of Turmstraße, you will find yourself back on Rathausplatz, which is where the tour began.

See left for details of our discovery tour



ICONIC TO FREIBURG



MOSAICS
Mosaics made from colourful pebbles from the Rhine have adorned many of Freiburg's streets and entrances since the 19th century, with designs ranging from city seals to guild and trade emblems.



LONG RED SAUSAGE
A speciality of the Münstermarkt, the Münsterwurst sausage – also known as the "Lange Rote" or "long red one" – is the culinary emblem of Freiburg.



BÄCKLE (FREIBURG'S RIVULETS)
Once used to provide water for putting out fires and as animal drinking troughs, Freiburg's "Bäckle" or rivulets have been running throughout the Old Town since the 12th century.



FRELO
With its many rental stations across Freiburg, the Frelo bike rental scheme makes it easy to cycle around town.

OLD TOWN KEY

POINTS OF INTEREST

- 1 Alte Wache (House of Baden Wines)
- 2 Obere Altstadt (Upper Old Town)
- 3 Sedanviertel (Sedan District)/University
- 4 Schlossbergbahn (Schlossberg funicular)
- 5 Alter Friedhof (Old Cemetery)
- 6 Botanischer Garten (Botanical Garden)
- 7 Schauinslandbahn (Schauinsland Cable Car)
- 8 Museumswerkstatt Schauinsland (Schauinsland Mining Museum)
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CHURCHES

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- 28 Synagoge (Synagogue)

CULTURE

- 29 Jazzhaus (Jazz House)
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- 33 Theater im Marienbad
- 34 Wallgrabentheater

UNIVERSITY

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- 37 Universitätskirche (University Church)
- 38 Universitätszentrum (University Campus)

TRANSPORT HUBS

- 39 Bertoldsbrunnen (Bertold's Fountain)
- 40 Karlsplatz (Karl's Square)
- 41 Radstation (Bike Station)
- 42 Schlossbergbahn (Schlossberg funicular)
- 43 Europaplatz

TOURIST INFORMATION

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