Beethoven Tour
Tracing the footsteps of Ludwig van Beethoven

Ludwig van Beethoven was born in Bonn in 1770 and spent the first 22 years of his life in the city. The Beethoven Tour invites you to get to know the world-famous composer at authentic sites across Bonn.

The Beethoven Tour is divided into two parts. The BTHVN STORY consists of eleven stations and provides a picture of the young Beethoven's life in his immediate surroundings in Bonn. A further eleven stations take you to sights and nature in the BTHVN REGION. The young Beethoven spent much time in what is today the Rhein-Sieg District, seeking and finding relaxation and inspiration.

Come and experience Ludwig van Beethoven at the historical sites of his life. You can visit all 22 locations of the Beethoven Tour or only select individual sights.

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The locations in Beethoven's birthplace of Bonn

1 Beethoven House
The rear building of the house at Beethovenstrasse 20, where van Beethoven was born in December 1770.

2 Remigius Church
The church in which the 10-year-old Beethoven played the organ for the first time and the site of his baptismal font since 1806.

3 Zehrgarten Inn
The inn where Beethoven celebrated his farewell on 1 November 1792 before his departure for Vienna.

4 Remigius Square
The site of St. Remigius parish church until 1800, where Beethoven was baptized on 17 December 1770.

5 Electoral Court Chapel
As a court musician, Beethoven also performed at the Palace Theatre (Schlosstheater) on countless occasions.

6 Rhine Promenade
The Rhine played a significant role in Beethoven's life, not only as a travel route.

7 Breunig House
As a close family friend, Beethoven visited the Breuning family home almost daily.

8 Beethoven Monument
The monument was inaugurated in 1845 with significant support from Robert Schumann and Franz Liszt.

9 Old Cemetery
Beethoven's mother, whom the city's most famous son deeply mourned, is remembered here with a grave of honour.

10 La Redoute
The ballroom and concert hall where Joseph Haydn first met the 21-year-old Beethoven on his return from London in July 1792.

11 Draitschquelle
The spring from which Beethoven took water for his concerts in Vienna.

Discover all the locations on your tour of Bonn.
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#### The locations in the Rhein-Sieg District

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<td>Family excursions to Roisdorf Spring introduced Beethoven to spa water at an early age.</td>
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<td>As a piano teacher for the nobility at court, Beethoven often played in the castles and palaces of the region.</td>
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<td>Music excursions often took Beethoven to the “beautiful area” around Bonn, including Oldefeld.</td>
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<td>The medieval city walls of Rheinbach were a sight which the young Beethoven may often have seen.</td>
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<td>In 1781 Beethoven’s father, Joseph, took him on a hike during which they made stop in Meckenheim.</td>
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<td>The tenor Anton Raaff, a colleague of Beethoven’s grandfather, donated Holzem Chapel in 1744.</td>
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<td>Beethoven performed on the organ of the Benedictine Abbey for the first time at the age of ten and also enjoyed playing there again later.</td>
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<td>During a famine in 1779, the year that Beethoven was born, Holbach Abbey, which the composer knew as a pilgrimage site, provided the needy with daily care.</td>
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