



Emmerich am Rhein

### The pearl on the Lower Rhine.

Even before the end of the 14th century, Emmerich am Rhein was a Hanseatic city.

Thanks to the splendour of its ecclesiastical and secular buildings, the city bore the glorious nickname “Embrica Decora – the magnificent Emmerich”. The city captivates you thanks to its location right on the Rhine. Due to its proximity to the Netherlands, Emmerich maintained many trade relations. Today, the city on the Rhine is a tourist magnet and, with its Rhine promenade and many sights, invites you to stay and enjoy yourself.

#### ☆ The sights

- » Rhine promenade with a culinary mile and traditional beach chairs
- » Elten resort with Elten Hill, St. Vitus Church and barefoot path
- » St. Martini Church and St. Aldegundis Church
- » Rhine Museum and PAN art forum



Dinslaken

### Green gate to the Ruhr area.

Dinslaken received city rights in 1273 and prospered in the 14th and 15th centuries. In 1540 it entered the Hanseatic League as a „small add-on-town” under the leadership of Wesel.

Discover the old town of Dinslaken with historical buildings, beautiful squares and good shopping opportunities. Get on your bike and experience the gardencity of Lohberg as a historic mining settlement and a former colliery site in transition. Explore the mill village of Hiesfeld, a district with many spots worth a visit in charming surroundings. Or do enjoy exciting events in front of a historical backdrop.

#### ☆ The sights

- » Dinslaken Castle with Burg Theatre
- » Gatehouse and knight’s gate
- » Lohberg gardencity and former mine site
- » Emscher estuary



Neuss

### Where Erft meets Rhine.

One of the oldest cities in Germany – today a lively city with historical roots.

Explore the modern inland harbour with old warehouses and immerse yourself in the long-gone days of the Hanseatic League.

#### ☆ The sights

- » The Upper Gate, part of the medieval city fortifications
- » Basilica of St. Quirinus, sacred architecture from the transitional period from Romanesque to Gothic
- » Blutturm (Blood Tower), Windmühlenturm (Windmill Tower), Em Schwatten Päd – one of the oldest inns on the Lower Rhine

#### 📅 Events

- » Neuss’ Citizens’ Marksmen’s Festival held annually on the last weekend in August
- » Historical Hanseatic Festival held annually on the last weekend in September



### Hanseatic Cycle Route: 450 km of cycling in 8 stages.

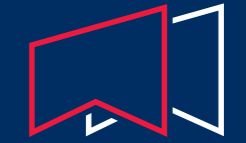
Discover the German-Dutch Hanseatic cities on the cross-border Hanseatic Cycle Route!

The 450-kilometre route takes you to the Hanseatic cities and through unforgettable landscapes. You will be accompanied by the water of the Rhine and the IJssel: Rivers that brought great wealth and on whose banks prosperous trading cities emerged. You can also ride along a circular Hanseatic route!

Each Hanseatic city along the main route has a circular route of about 30 to 50 kilometres. In this way you can also discover the area surrounding a Hanseatic city.



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Rheinische Hanse

# Hanseatic cities on the Lower Rhine.

A journey through time between then and now

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## Wesel

### Hanseatic city on the Rhine and Lippe since 1407.

*Vesalia hospitalis* – Hospitable Wesel. Wesel received this honorary name in 1578 from Flemish religious refugees.

Even today, Wesel presents itself as hospitable and open-minded. We are proud of our traditional history as a Hanseatic city and our cultural diversity on the Rhine and Lippe. Wesel offers a wide range of nature, culture, active leisure activities, relaxation and places of interest.

#### ☆ The sights

- » Historic town hall facade and Willibrordi Cathedral at the Great Market
- » Hanseband (stone band) in the pedestrian zone
- » Hanseforum (exhibition venue) in the Berlin gate

#### 📅 Event

Historical Hanseatic Festival held annually on the last weekend in October.



### Hanseatic cities on the Lower Rhine.

The journey of discovery to the cities of the Rhenish Hanseatic League: Neuss, Dinslaken, Wesel, Kalkar & Grieth, Emmerich am Rhein.



## Kalkar & Grieth am Rhein

### Merchants and artists and the art of idleness.

Magnificent late Gothic stepped gabled houses in Kalkar still bear witness to the prosperity and importance of the merchants and traders of the time. In Grieth, life on the river and the connection to shipping on the Rhine always remain unmistakable and close.

The important artists of the city exchanged ideas in the cultural area of the Lower Rhine. In Grieth, work was shaped by the Rhine: Craftsmen, boat hauliers and mariners.

#### ☆ The sights

- » St. Nicolai Church: Carved altars & glass art
- » City windmill with brewery and beer garden
- » “Griether Hanselädchen” (small shop with café) on the market
- » Sculpture “The stone boat” in the embankment foreland
- » Bicycle and pedestrian ferry across the Rhine



## Rhenish Hanseatic Youth League

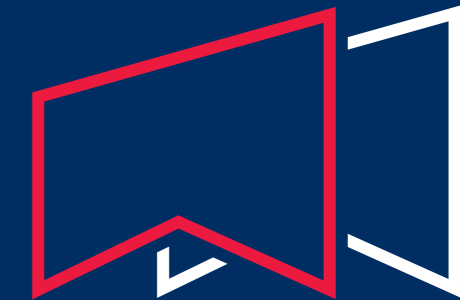
Having first met through the International Hanseatic Youth League at the 2018 Hanseatic Day in Rostock, the Rhenish Hanseatic Youth League is now an integral part of the regional cooperation between the Hanseatic cities of Emmerich am Rhein, Kalkar & Grieth, Neuss and Wesel.

In principle, similar ideas are pursued in the Rhenish Hanseatic Youth League as in the International Hanseatic Youth League.

The aim is to bring young people and young adults into contact with the topic of the Hanseatic League so that Hanseatic citizens can also identify with the history of their city.



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