



DISCOVERY TOUR IN MOERS INCLUDING CASTLE AND CULTURE

A Geocaching-Discovery-Tour at the castle of Moers



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OVERVIEW

Discover Moers from a different point of view. Do not simply pass the monuments by. Experience, feel, solve puzzles with the help of the monuments and discover certain parts of the history of Moers.

We've chosen six monuments. At each station a mystery is to be solved. By solving the mystery you will get to know the monument and Moers better. For each monument background information will be provided. So you discover the monuments further. You may solve the mysteries in any order. But it is important to visit all monuments and to solve all mysteries.

YOU'LL NEED FOR THIS TOUR

- A pen and this brochure.
- A GPS-device or GPS capable mobile phone.
- Clothes appropriate for the weather.
- Fun to solve mysteries.

THE TOUR

- Is close to the castle of Moers.
- Shows you parts of the garden of the castle.
- Is about 950 meters long and may take about 60 min.

PARKING

- Bike: Kastell: at „Musenhof“ or behind the „Rosarium“
- Motorbike: P11: Haagstraße/Kastellplatz, P9: Neumarkt
- Car: P11: Haagstraße/Kastellplatz, P1: Mühlenstr

CASTLE OF MOERS

Geo-Coordinates: N51°26.976, E006°37.477

THE MYSTERY

To the left at the defensive wall, being fanciful, you will discover some figures. Which?



Figures discovered	Letter for solution
16	G
17	D
18	S
19	T

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- The castle of Moers is the oldest still existing building in Moers.
- The oldest component of the formerly water castle is a tower made of tuff of about the year 1200.
- Till 1600 the castle was owned by the count of Moers, i.e. the count of Neuenahr-Moers.
- From 1601 to 1763 it was the center of the new fortress created by Moritz of Orange.
- Industrialist Friedrich Wintgens bought the castle 1813.
- It belongs to the city since 1905.
- In 1908 the „Grafschafter museum“ was opened.
- In the vaulted cellar is the “Schlosstheater Moers” (theater of the castle), founded 1975.

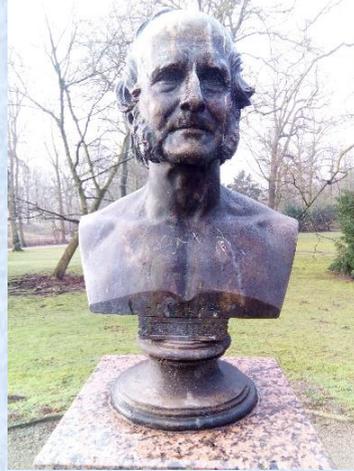
DIESTERWEG BUST

Geo-Coordinates: N51°26.885, E006°37.537

THE MYSTERY

What does the monument see?

Seeing	Letter for solution
Church	A
Employment agency	I
Castle	E
Cemetery	U



BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- Diesterweg was a teacher and lived from 1790 till 1866.
- At this time teachers were a scorned occupational group.
- Teachers had a very bad reputation and earned only very few till no money.
- Diesterweg fought for a better payment and qualification of the teachers.
- He pressed for the elimination of child labour and pressed for a schooling for all for at least eight years.
- From 1820 till 1832 Diesterweg was head of the teachers' college in Moers.

HECTORS FAREWELL FROM ANDROMACHE

Geo-Coordinates: N51°26.986, E006°37.341

THE MYSTERY

At the backside of the shield is a head. In its hairs is something special. What?

Picture	Letter for solution
Sunbeams	U
Extensions	I
Snakes	E
Earthworms	S



BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- This monument was created in 1882 by Carl Cauer (1828-1885).
- It was erected solemnly at 1st May 1933 in the gardens of the castle.
- The monument shows Hector during the Trojan wars, saying farewell to wife and child, to march into war.
- Hector was the oldest son of the King of Troja and led the army of Troja.
- Hector fought close to Troja against the Greek Achilleus and was killed by him.

LUISE HENRIETTE OF ORANGE-NASSAU

Geo-Coordinates: N51°26.988, E006°37.478

THE MYSTERY

Having a look at the commemorative plaque, extending the two branches of the „Ü“ in mind, they will touch two letters in the row above. Which?



Letters touched	Letter for solution
X and U	L
R and E	G
R and S	R
M and L	M

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- Luise Henriette of Orange Nassau lived from 1627 till 1667.
- Being 19 years old, she married Friedrich Wilhelm electoral prince of Brandenburg.
- She was a pragmatic and political counselor for her man. She cared for the reconciliation with Poland.
- By organic heritage the castle and Moers went to Prussia. Her son became count i.e. ruler of Moers.
- It is told, that Luise Henriette had never seen Moers.

WILHELM GREEF FOUNTAIN

Geo-Coordinates: N51°26.905, E006°37.361

THE MYSTERY

Compared to the original fountain there are some errors in the picture to the right. How many? Please only look at the fountain. Not the trees.



Number of errors	Letter for solution
2	A
3	R
4	E
5	L

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- Wilhelm Greef lived from 1809 till 1875.
- He was teacher, composer and organist.
- He founded the choir of Moers in 1851.
- During this time he composed the famous political song for the emperor Wilhelm „Wacht am Rhein“.
- Greef was laid to rest at the cemetery at the Rheinberger Straße.

WEYHE MEMORIAL STONE

Geo-Coordinates: N51°26.941, E006°37.408

THE MYSTERY

The monument may not be recognized as such. Some devices for attaching a commemorative plaque are still there. How many?



Number of devices	Letter for solution
3	R
4	L
5	S
6	T

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Weyhe lived from 1775 till 1846.
- He was trained to be assistant in gardening and made a steep career to finally be royal gardening director.
- He created many gardens in North Rhine-Westphalia.
- Witness reports point out that Weyhe created the garden of the castle in Moers in 1836.
- Weyhe is the most important landscape artist in the Rhineland in the 19th century.

THE FINAL

Geo-Coordinates/Solution: to be solved

THE MYSTERY

Writing all letters of the solutions behind each other, you will get a German word.

Example (not the real solution):

- 1) letter of solution castle of Moers: G
- 2) letter of solution Diesterweg bust: E
- 3) Hectors Farewell from Andromache: B
- 4) Luise Henriette: I
- 5) Wilhelm Greef fountain: S
- 6) Weyhe memorial stone: S.

Altogether: GEBISS

This was just an example. Which is the real word of solution?

If you mention this word at the pay booth of the castle, you are allowed to enter your name, current date and comment into a logbook.

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Opening hours of the castle of Moers (Effective Dec. 2018)

Tuesday to Friday: 10 till 18 o'clock

Saturday, Sunday, official holiday: 11 till 18 o'clock

Closed on Saturday on carnival, Saturday before 2nd advent, and on 24th, 25th and 31st December.

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Letters:

1. CASTLE OF MOERS _____
2. DIESTERWEG BUST _____
3. HECTORS FAREWELL _____
4. LUISE HENRIETTE _____
5. WILHLEM GREEF FOUNTAIN _____
6. WEYHE MEMORIAL STONE _____

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