

The Memorial

Visitors may tour the grounds of the memorial site. The focus of the tour is the former prisoners' camp. The starting point of the tour is the map of the memorial (Ü) at the entryway of the former camp headquarters.

The former laundry building hosts the permanent exhibition »Flossenbürg Concentration Camp 1938–1945« as well as the film room. The film »We Survived ... the Others Remained: Former Inmates Remember« is shown every half hour. Please check with museum staff for screening times in English.



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Memorial overview and map

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Admission to the Memorial grounds and the exhibition is free of charge.

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Flossenbürg – A European Place of Remembrance

Some 100,000 prisoners were held by the SS at the Flossenbürg concentration camp between 1938 and 1945. At least 30,000 prisoners perished at the camp. The SS leadership originally chose the Flossenbürg location in order to exploit prisoner labor in local granite quarries. After 1943, the camp also became an armaments production site. Prisoners were put to work assembling aircraft parts for the Messerschmidt company. The SS at Flossenbürg also established a network of some 90 subcamps in Bavaria, Bohemia and Saxony. When the US Army liberated Flossenbürg on April 23, 1945, they found only 1,500 critically ill and malnourished prisoners in the camp. All the other prisoners had been driven out of the camp by the SS on death marches to the south.

After 1945, sections of the former concentration camp were put to use for other purposes or demolished. In 1946, one of the first concentration camp memorial sites in Europe was established on the grounds. A cemetery was added to the memorial grounds in the late 1950s, and a small exhibition was established at the site in 1985. The former roll call grounds, which for five decades after the war had been used to house industrial facilities, were returned to the Memorial several years ago. The rediscovery of Flossenbürg as a European place of remembrance culminated in the July 2007 opening of the permanent exhibition »The Flossenbürg Concentration Camp 1938–1945.« A second major exhibition »What Remains – Legacies of Flossenbürg Concentration Camp« is scheduled to open in 2010.

Exhibition

The Concentration Camp Flossenbürg 1938–1945

The permanent exhibition provides information on the concentration camp on two levels. Level 1 features a historical overview from the foundation of the camp to its liberation. Level 2 is primarily dedicated to the prisoners. On this floor, you can also find the »prisoners' bath« historical exhibit.

