



Travelling with Goethe

Johann Wolfgang Goethe (1749-1832) was a poet, civil servant with a wide variety of duties, scientifically interested in questions of geology, botany and optics - and he was a traveller who visited many countries and made his house in Weimar a meeting place for international guests.

Most of Goethe's life took place in Central Europe. He often travelled back and forth between the two poles of Frankfurt and Weimar, where he was born and where he died. Political commitments took him as far west as Luxembourg and Lorraine and as far east as Poland. He used these opportunities to get to know the country and its people.

As a nature lover, Goethe travelled the mountain heights, from the Harz Mountains to the Thuringian Forest, the Ore Mountains and the Giant Mountains to the Alps, not only because of his interest in geology and mining. His special love, however, belonged to Italy, where he spent almost two years of his life.

Follow in his footsteps through Europe and learn more about the life and work of this thinker, who was inspired from many sides and continues to inspire today. The 'European Goethe Ways' association aims to bring Goethe's multifaceted world of thought to life through itineraries that can be discovered by bike or on foot.

This flyer informs you about the existing and emerging routes dedicated to Goethe's travels. On the map of Europe you can explore the offers in the different regions. The map also shows the community of association members from the fields of culture, education and tourism that is currently being established. Goethe was an internationally networked thinker. It is worth emulating him.

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*'For natures like mine ...
a journey is invaluable; it revitalises,
corrects, instructs and educates.'*

*Goethe to Schiller from Stäfa on Lake Zurich,
14. October 1797*



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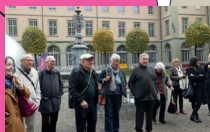
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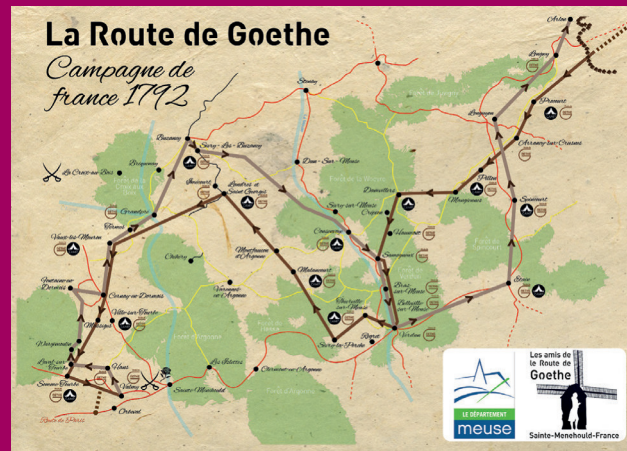
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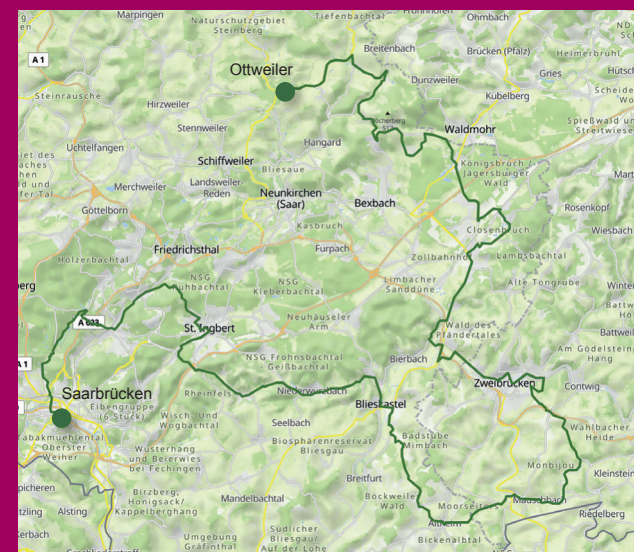
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