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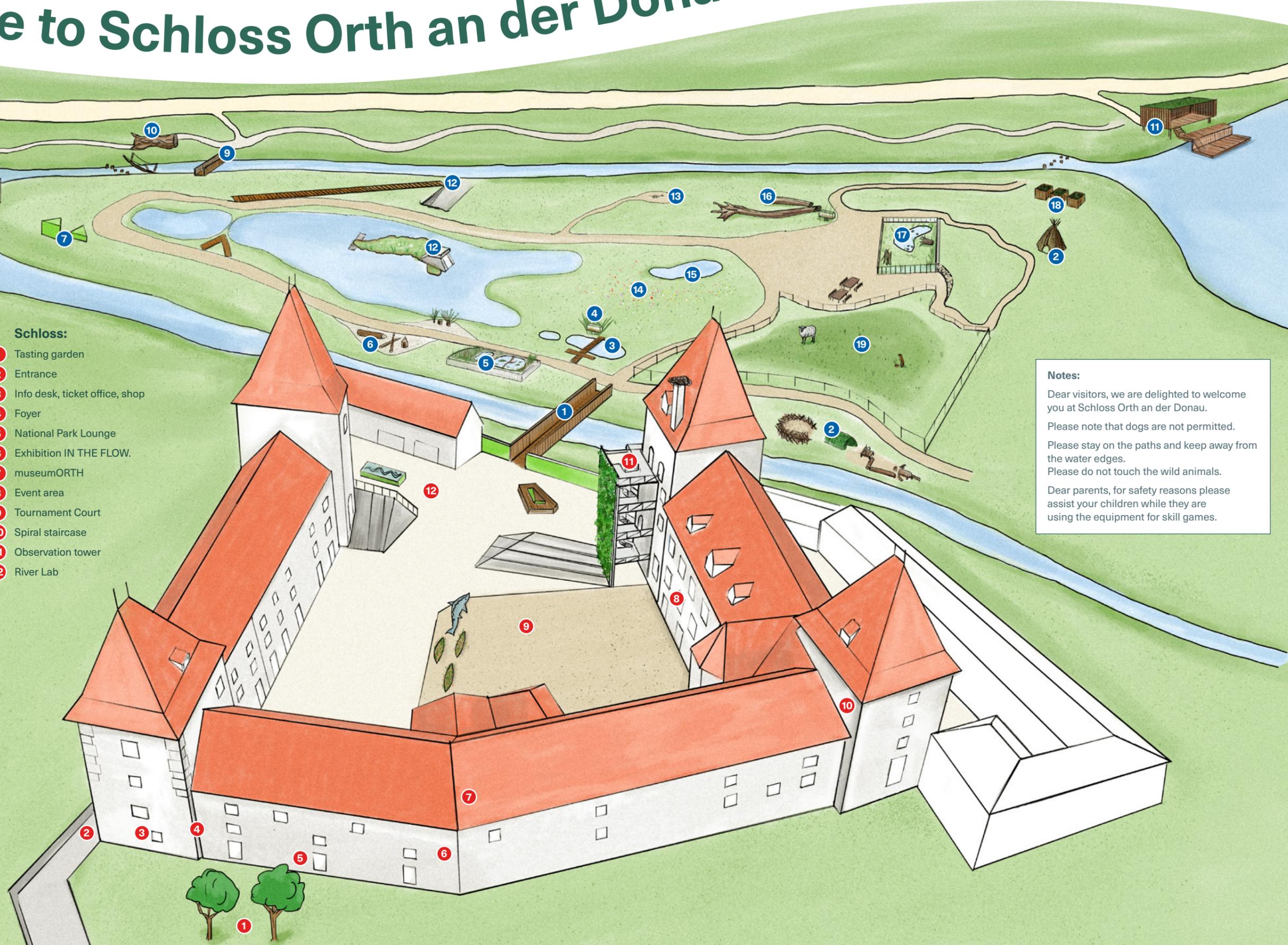
Dear visitors, we are delighted to welcome you at Schloss Orth an der Donau.

Please note that dogs are not permitted.

Please stay on the paths and keep away from the water edges.

Please do not touch the wild animals.

Dear parents, for safety reasons please assist your children while they are using the equipment for skill games.



Experience stations at Schloss Orth an der Donau

Schloss Orth an der Donau is home to a National Park centre, museum, information point and event venue, all housed within its four towers. Individual visitors, groups, kindergartens and schools are all welcome. The Schlossinsel experience area is particularly popular, offering insights into the animals and plants of the Danube floodplains. The new exhibition **IN THE FLOW.** offers interesting highlights.

1 Tasting garden

Feel free to sample the fruit from these orchard trees, which grow traditional varieties.

3 Info desk

National Park and museum information point with booking service, ticket office and shop.

5 National Park Lounge

Get an overview of the Donau-Auen National Park.

6 Exhibition **IN THE FLOW.**

Impressive: explore the development of the Danube floodplains from a range of perspectives, all brought together in one exhibition.

7 museumORTH

Explore the history of the Danube municipality of Orth an der Donau, along with changing special exhibitions.

8 Event area

Event venues for rent – conferences, parties, weddings, and much more.

9 Tournament court

The starting point for exploring all areas of Schloss Orth an der Donau. A life-size sturgeon monument offers the perfect photo spot along with the “Pannonian Gardens” plant display and seating areas with rest stops, invite visitors to pause and relax.

10 Spiral staircase

Climb a historically significant Renaissance spiral staircase.

11 Observation tower

Climb the tower to see changing exhibitions and observe wildlife such as storks, jackdaws and more.

12 River Lab

Water is life – discover the dynamics of the Danube floodplains through playful activities.

1 Entrance to the Schlossinsel

Explore the Schlossinsel experience area and pay a visit to some of the inhabitants of the Danube floodplains.

2 Nature play areas

Here, young explorers can let loose to their heart's content. They can play in the bird's nest and at the water playground, explore tunnels, and test their balance, a suspension bridge, and an obstacle course – while giant insects offer a unique experience.

3 Clay pond

Animal specialists such as prehistoric crustaceans, whirligig beetles and water bugs inhabit this challenging habitat among mare's-tail and dwarf bulrush.

4 Animal and plant display

Observe selected animals and plants in terrariums and aquariums, changing with the seasons, before they are released back into their natural environment on the Schlossinsel.

5 European pond turtle

Watch European pond turtles sunbathing up close and gain fascinating insights.

6 Beaver station

“From chips to trunks” – discover the traces left by beavers.

7 Tracking station

Listen, smell, touch and look – develop your tracking skills.

8 Observation point at the oxbow

A resting spot along the Fadenbach stream where, depending on the water level, you can observe hunting snakes, dragonflies, schools of young fish, birds, and much more.

10 Black poplar

Take a break at the black poplar table, dedicated to a tree species of great importance in the Danube wetlands, before continuing your walk through the floodplain forest.

11 Observation point at the Mühlumpf

Quietly fascinating – a narrow forest path leads to an observation platform by the water, including a paludarium, the temporary home of the Danube crested newt and fire-bellied toad. Accessible via a parallel municipal path.

12 Underwater observation station

Our highlight: immerse yourself in the water without getting wet. Watch fish and observe aquatic plants such as hornwort and waterlilies.

13 Death and life

Why death also means life: here, carrion specialists offer insight into a different kind of habitat.

14 Wildflower meadow

A richly flowering plant community attracts numerous insects including butterflies, flies, bees and beetles.

15 Amphibian pond

The stage is set! Newts, toads, and frogs – follow the eggs as they develop into young amphibians.

16 Gravel oak tree

Take a moment to relax and take a seat on a preserved oak tree that's about 600 years old.

17 Native snakes

Watch them bask in the sun or hunt in the pond. With a bit of luck, you may spot Aesculapian, grass and dice snakes.

18 Compost

Inspiration for nature-friendly gardening, and a willow tipi and more can be discovered nearby.

19 Ground squirrel & Ouessant sheep

Ouessant sheep, a small dwarf breed, maintain the grass naturally in the home of a small European ground squirrel colony.



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