Siegfried Line Hiking Trail Islek

Starting Panel 0: The Siegfried Line: Historical background

Starting Panel East 1: Description of the eastern section

Panel East 2: The four-row dragon's teeth model 1938
Panel East 3: The MG bunker on the hill
Panel East 4: Bunker construction in fortification history
Panel East 5: The five-row dragon's teeth model 1939
Panel East 6: Disappearance of the Siegfried Line
Panel East 7: A camp of the Reich Labour Service
Panel East 8: NS-propaganda with the Siegfried Line

Starting Panel West 1: Description of the western section

Parking is available e.g. at the sports ground

Panel West 2: Nature conservation on the Siegfried Line
Panel West 3: Life in the Eifel
Panel West 4: Mines and unexploded ordnance
Panel West 5: Land consolidation
Panel West 6: The prepared static battle
Panel West 7: Combats in the years 1944/45

Where can I park along the Siegfried Line Hiking Trail Islek?



Between 1936 and 1940, a new line of fortifications on the western border of the German Reich was built practically over night by the National Socialist regime, involving up to 500,000 people.

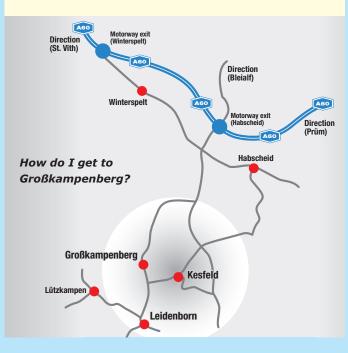
More than 17,000 bunkers and several hundred kilometres of tank obstacles were built. An air defence zone was also set up. Nazi propaganda declared the fortification system called "Siegfried Line" to be a guarantor of peace.

In reality it was a shield to the west, in order to be able to wage war for Lebensraum ('living space') in the east without danger.

In 1944/45 the Siegfried Line prolonged the war by about 4 months, bringing death to many victims of the NS regime.

At Großkampenberg two technically different dragon's teeth lines (armoured obstacles made of reinforced concrete) have been preserved. They accompany the two parts of the Siegfried Line Hiking Trail Islek through the landscape.

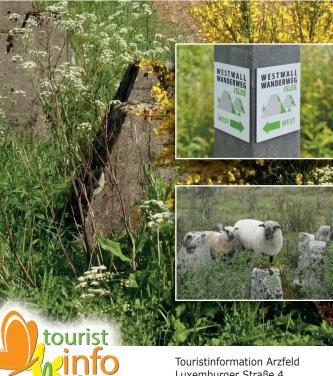
Panels along the way explain not only these barriers, but also a variety of topics related to the Siegfried Line.



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