



reached Billerbeck with his last ounce of strength. On the morning of the following day, 26 March 809, the missionary Ludgerus died. The 'patron saint of the living and the dying' was buried in Werden Abbey (Essen), which he had founded.

The conflict with the Kingdom of Prussia and the German Empire and the Catholic Church under Pope Pius IX, which went down in history as the Kulturkampf, ensured that the faith of the people in this region was further strengthened around a millennium later. There was a great willingness to bequeath property and real estate to the Catholic Church. Tilbeck Abbey, Billerbeck Cathedral and the Benedictine Abbey of Gerleve Monastery were built in this context.

The Baumberg Ludgerus Trail allows you to walk in the footsteps of St Ludgerus and at the same time get to know the places that are closely associated with him and the Münsterland region. The unique natural and cultural landscape of the Baumberge makes hiking on this trail an unforgettable experience.

Illustrations

top left: Darup Chapel
top right: Ludgerusbrunnen

below: Hilly landscape of the Baumberge



FURTHER MATERIAL



Hiking map Baumberge

The current hiking map of the Baumberge with all the hiking trails in the region: the Ludgerusweg, the local circular hiking trails and the access routes to the Ludgerusweg. Available in the shop.

Folding map 4.90 €
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Hiking books hiking in the baumberge

These six hiking books are just the thing for you. All the information you need to know about the hiking trails around Billerbeck, Coesfeld, Havixbeck, Nottuln, Rosendahl and the Baumberge-Verein, including many details, can be found here. Available free of charge as a PDF for download at www.baumberge-touristik.de. The multi-page brochures in a handy 15 x 15 cm format are also available individually or as a set from the shop.

3.00 € per brochure plus postage

Complete set (all 6 brochures) 15.00 € plus postage

FURTHER INFORMATION

Everything you need to know about the Baumberger Ludgerusweg, other hiking and cycling trails, access to the shop and downloads, incl. GPX files: **www.baumberge-touristik.de**



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LUDGERUSWEG



30 km



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THE BAUMBERGER LUDGERUSWEG

St Ludgerus from Utrecht built the first monastery in Münster in 793. His broad horizons, his missionary spirit and his unwavering peaceful commitment made him the first Bishop of Münster. This is where the trade routes crossed. Because wherever churches were built, people came together to celebrate services and be baptised. But also to trade and hold court.

From 792 to 809, he focussed his power on the Münsterland region. He felt a special bond with the settlements of Coesfeld and Billerbeck. On Passion Sunday (25 March 809), he first celebrated early mass in Coesfeld. He then made his way to Billerbeck, already suffering from a serious illness. He took a break above what is now the Benedictine abbey of Gerleve and enjoyed the view of the Münsterland from there once again. He

Illustrations

top left: Gerleve Monastery

right: Brother Klaus Chapel




bottom left: Dirks Quarry

bottom right: St John's Church Square

Billerbeck



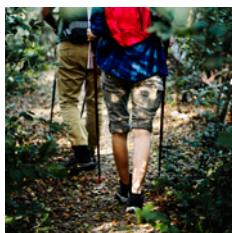
THE BAUMBERGER LUDGERUSWEG

The main route of the 'Baumberger Ludgerusweg' is 30 kilometres long. It leads from Tilbeck Abbey through the Baumberge mountains, past Havixbeck to Billerbeck via Gerleve to Coesfeld. In addition to the sights along the main route, the region naturally also offers many attractions along the access routes. This is why it is also recommended to discover it in individual stages. Bus and train connections support you in this endeavour. While the main trail is marked with the purple logo , the access routes can be recognised by the yellow logo . The blue logo  marks three small, recommended detours.

TIP 1

22 km

Walk from Gerleve via Billerbeck to Tilbeck, return to the starting point via Nottuln with the RegioBuses R 62 and R 63. 500 metres walk from the bus stop Abzw. Kloster Gerleve to the monastery.



TIP 2

15 km

Walk from Coesfeld market square to Billerbeck. From the station, take the regional train RB 63 back to Coesfeld station. An access path leads from the railway station to the market square.



TIP 3

16 km

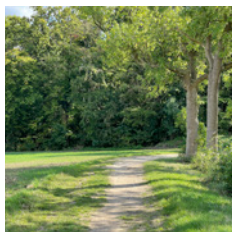
Walk from Tilbeck to Billerbeck. Park at Tilbeck Abbey, access path to the 'Tilbeck Murder Cross', walk along the main path to Billerbeck, take the regional train RB 63 to Havixbeck, take the B 32 public bus to Tilbeck Abbey (on weekdays).

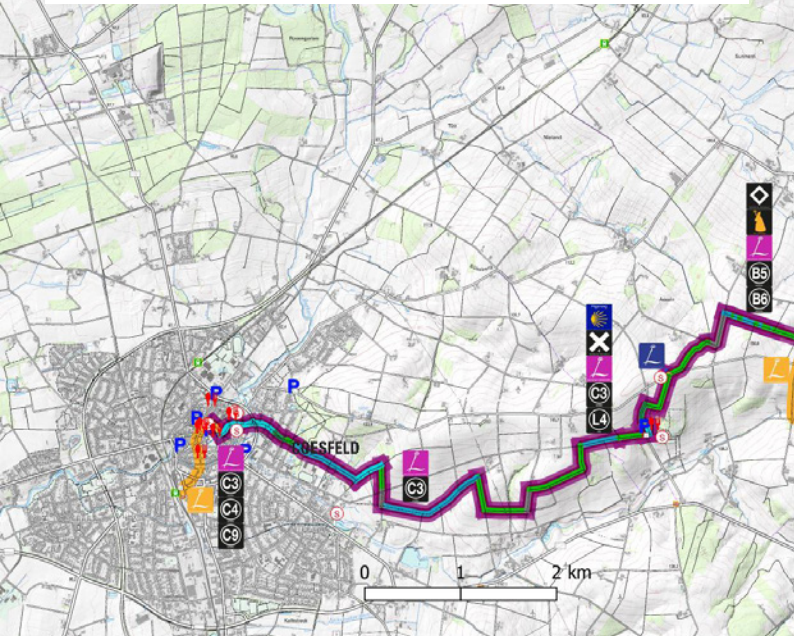
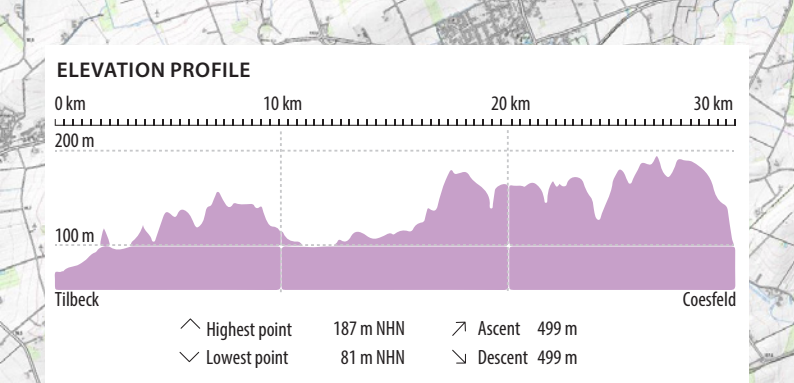


TIP 4

10 km

Access route Havixbeck. Start: Sandstone museum or town centre. The access path to the Baumberger Ludgerusweg meets the main path at 'Vaders Platz' and 'Teitekerlken'.





TIP 5

6 km

Access route Schapdetten. Start: Hikers' car park below Leopoldshöhe, Schapdetten town centre or 'Tilbecker Mordkreuz' (the latter only if arriving by bus). At 'Hoheberg' and 'Tilbecker Mordkreuz' the access paths meet the main path.

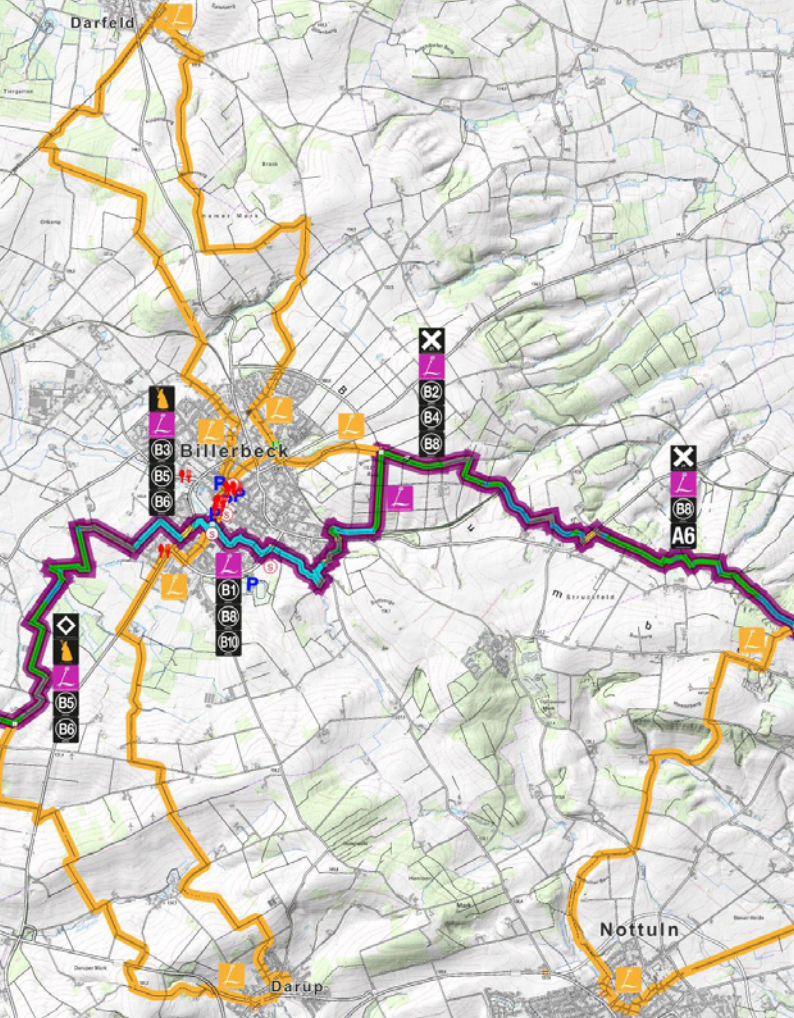


TIP 6

13 km

Access route Nottuln. Start: Rhodeplatz or Kastanienplatz. This access path meets the main path at Drosten Loh and Sophienburg.

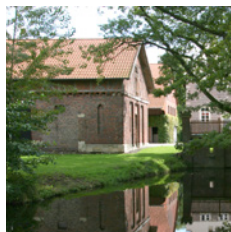




TIP 7

19 km

Access route Darup. Start: Ss. Sebastian & Florian church or Schoppmann farm. The access path meets the main path in the Ostheller Mark and at the Kolvenburg.



TIP 8

16,5 km

Access route Darfeld. Start: Generationenpark/ Bahnhof Darfeld. This access trail is a circular route from Darfeld to Billerbeck Cathedral. Hikers join the main trail at Kolvenburg Castle.

