Municipality Großgöttfritz



In the Waldviertel 811 m (2661 ft) over mean sea level

The observation tower was built in 1992.

Its height is 27,55 m (90 ft).

The uppermost platform is on 23,40 m (77 ft)

It has 130 stairs.

GOLDENE KELLE



Niederöstereich schön erhalten - schöner gestalter **1888:** 1st observation tower

1937: 1st land surveying tower

(used for flight observation in WWII)

1993: 2nd land surveying tower

1992: 2nd observation tower, opened

on October 10th, 1992

Design and Planning:

Architect Dipl.Ing. Georg Thurn-Valsassina, Rastenberg

Structural Engineering:

Dipl.Ing. Thomas Freund, Weitra

Construction Company:

Leyrer + Graf, Gmünd-Horn-Zwettl

Roof- and Flashprotection:

Tinsmith Erwin Zankl, Engelbrechts

Impregnation work:

Müllner-Holz, Riegersburg, NÖ.

Established by the

Municipality Großgöttfritz and the Bildungs- und Heimatwerk NÖ Branch Großgöttfritz

Financed by the Government of Lower Austria, the Municipality Großgöttfritz and ist population, the Bildungs- und Heimatwerk NÖ Branch Großgöttfritz and many sponsors

Maintained by the Municipality Großgöttfritz

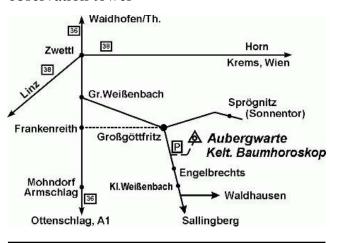
The wooden three-legged observation tower is surrounded by 130 stairs. Its base is made of concrete.

Awarded with the "Goldene Kelle" in 1993 at the townscape contest.

The "Aubergwarte" is open all year for free (closed only at snow fall and icy conditions).

A **donation box** is available on the tower.

Your donation is used for maintaining the observation tower



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In THE Waldviertel

Along the way to the 90 ft high Aubergwarte in the **Municipality Großgöttfritz** you will see besides the wooden and iron dragons, designated trees of a **Celtic Tree Horoscope**, planted in 2007.

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The Celtic Tree Horoscope

As in the astrology signs of the zodiac are used for various human characters, the druids of the Celts have chosen trees for that.

The Celtic Tree Horoscope is taken from the Celtic Tree Calendar.

For the calculation of a year the druids used a moon calendar with 13 months. Each month had 28 days, whereby an additional leap day was added.

This tree calendar isn't understandable easily at the first view.

The tree calendar consists of 21 trees. As according to the celtic understanding each tree has a triple body (root, stock and crown) and consists of 7 parts (roots, stock, bark, branches, leaves, blooms and fruits); so our ancestors took the numbers 3 and 7 and came up with a cylce of 21 trees.

Out of them 4 trees are assigned only one day. The oak rules March 21st, the equinox in spring.

The birch rules June 24th, the day of the summer solstice.

The olive tree is assigned to September 23rd, the equinox in autumn.

The beech charaterizes December 22nd, the day of winter solstice.

The remaining 17 trees occur up once in each half year.

The only exception is the poplar, which is available three times a year.

Do you now want to know, which characteristics your tree has?

Then walk along the way to the Aubergwarte!

No.	Day of Birth (mm/dd)		Tree
1	12/23 - 1/1	6/25 - 7/4	Apple tree
2	1/2 - 1/11	7/5 - 7/14	Fir
3	1/12 - 1/24	7/15 - 7/25	Elm
4	1/25 - 2/3	7/26 - 8/4	Cypress
5	2/4 - 2/8	8/5 - 8/13	Poplar
6	2/9 - 2/18.	8/14 - 8/23	Hackberry
7	2/19 - 2/29	8/24 - 9/2	Pine tree
8	3/1 - 3/10	9/3 - 9/12	Willow tree
9	3/11 - 3/20	9/13 - 9/22	Lime tree
10	3/21		Oak
11		9/23	Olive tree
12	3/22 - 3/31	9/24 - 10/3	Hazelnut
13	4/1 - 4/10	10/4 - 10/13	Sorb
14	4/11 - 4/20	10/14 - 10/23	Maple
15	4/21 - 4/30	10/24 - 11/11.	Walnut
(5)	5/1 - 5/14		Poplar
16	5/15 - 5/24	11/12 - 11/21	Chestnut
17	5/25 - 6/3	11/22 - 12/1	Ash
18	6/4 - 6/13	12/2 - 12/11	Hornbeam
19	6/14 - 6/23	12/12 - 12/21	Fig tree
20	6/24		Birch
21		12/22	Beech

The Celtic Tree Horoscope is a human invention. But as trees of the same species can grow differently, every person. The tree horoscope shouldn't put us in a certain category but it should inspire us looking at ourselves self-critically. Trees or stars aren't responsible for our life, only ourselves.

Even you don't believe in horoscopes, simply view the beauty of the trees and remember: The tree can live without humans, but humans cannot live without trees.