

INTRODUCING CAMPUS GALLI

The Project is run by the non-profit association „Karolinische Klosterstadt e.V.“. The association employs around 50 people, about 25 of them are permanently employed craftsmen. They are supported by volunteers and participants in social service programmes.

All staff members are employees but do not live on the site. During the summer months, work focuses on the realisation and construction of the buildings based on the monastery plan of St. Gall. The winter season is used to maintain and care of the grounds.

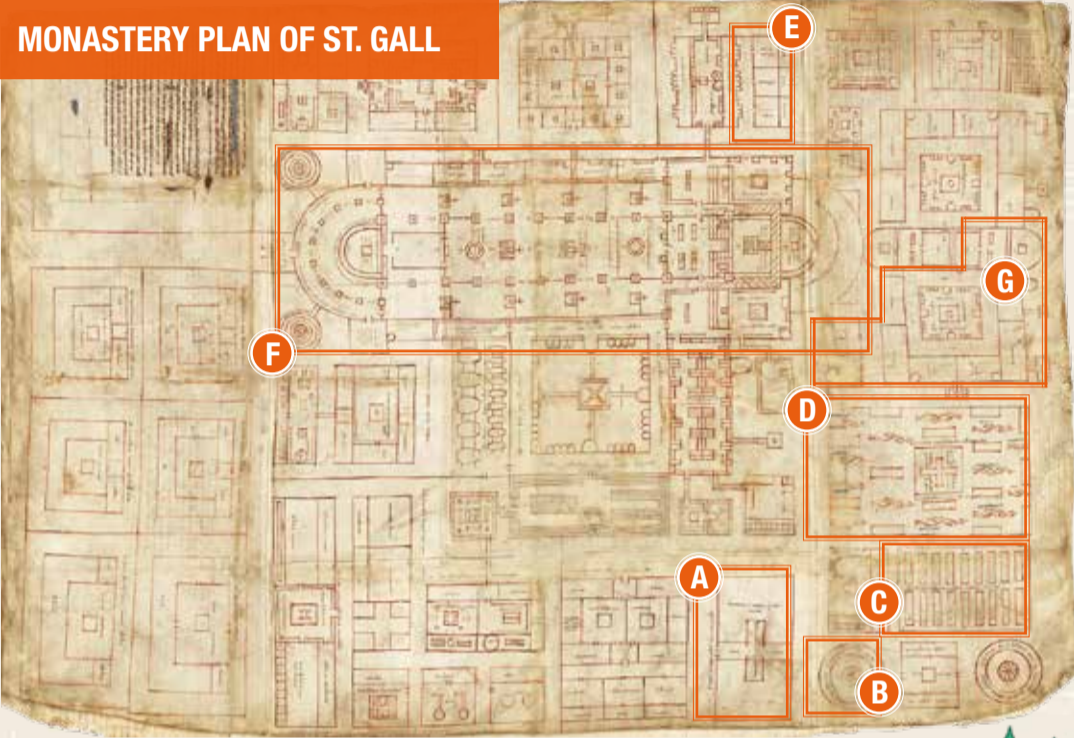
As far as possible, the buildings are constructed using techniques, tools and materials that correspond to those available in this region and period. Of course based on current research. Unfortunately in some cases exceptions are necessary in order to meet modern regulation requirements, safety standards, the availability of materials or the needs of a modern museum.

A short introductory film (in German) in the entrance area provides additional interesting insights into the project. Enjoy your visit and do not hesitate to ask any questions!

CAMPUS GALLI - VISITOR GUIDE



MONASTERY PLAN OF ST. GALL



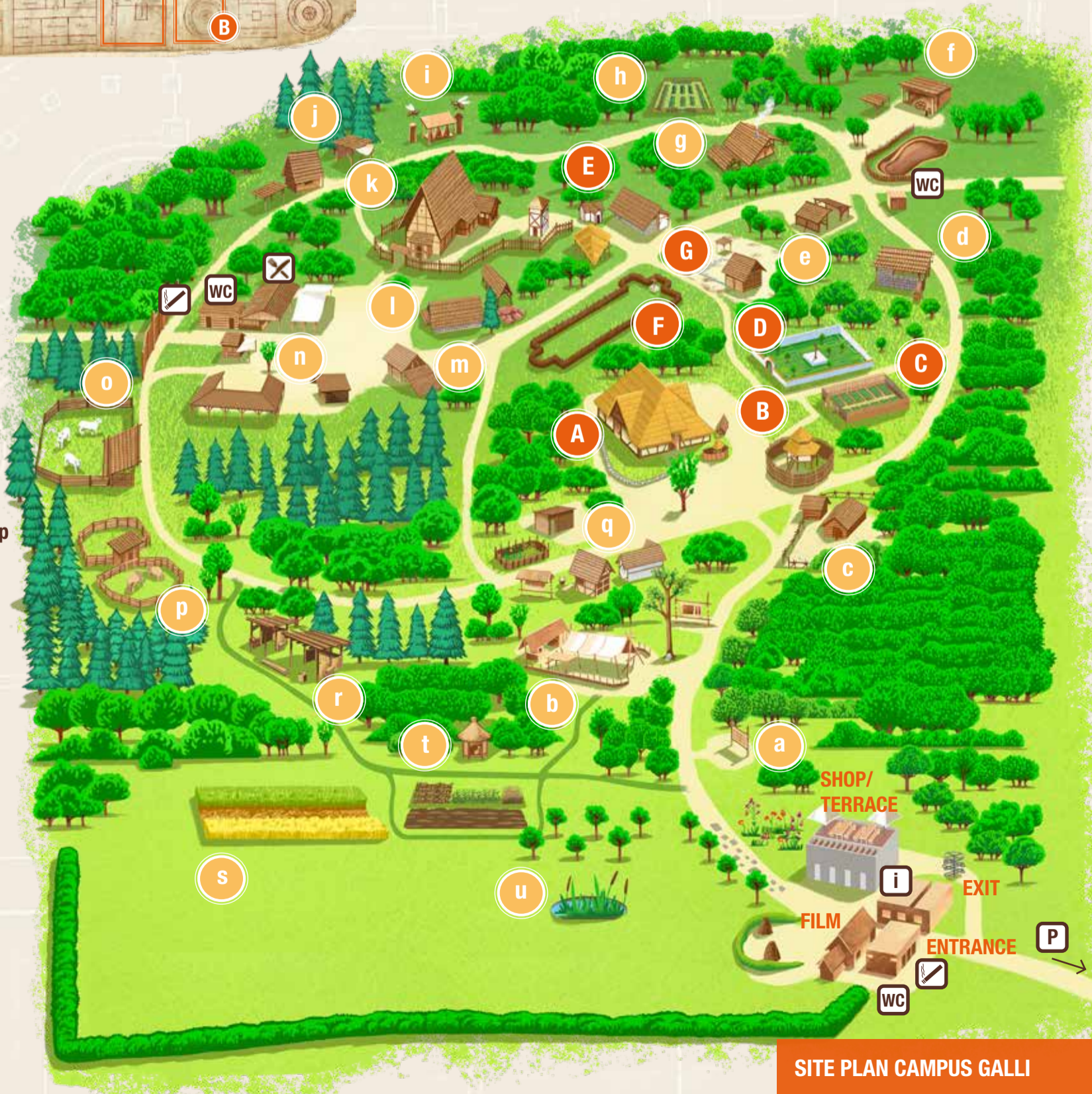
A-G BASED ON THE MONASTERY PLAN OF ST. GALL:

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| A Barn | E Abbot's outbuilding with latrine |
| B Chicken house | F Building site of the monastery church measurement inner outline |
| C Garden for vegetables and kitchen herbs | G Building site novitiate with cloister |
| D Paradise garden | |

Work is suspended from 1pm to 2 pm.
The construction site can still be visited.

WORKSHOPS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MONASTERY PLAN:

- a** Plan of St. Gall
- b** Museum education
- c** Hermitage of St. Gall
- d** Basketry
- e** Laboratory
- f** Pottery
- g** Blacksmith's workshop
- h** Medicinal herb garden
- i** Bee keeping
- j** Woodturner's & Cooper's workshop
- k** Wooden church & Bell tower
- l** Stonemason's workshop
- m** Carpenter's & Joiner's workshop with timber framing area
- n** Marketplace
- o** Sheep stable
- p** Pigsty
- q** Textile workshop
- r** Shingle maker's workshop
- s** Agriculture
- t** Field hut
- u** Orchard meadow with pond



TAKE YOUR TIME

The clock runs slower here and yet two hours pass quickly, there is a lot to see! Along the paths you will come across our farm and the workshops of our craftsmen. There is always something new to discover at the construction site of the future novitiate – no two visits are ever the same.

BASED ON THE MONASTERY PLAN OF ST. GALL

A - Barn



The barn is the largest building at Campus Galli to date. The floor area measures approx. 11 x 22 m, the height approx. 8 m. The roof is covered with local rye straw.

B - Chicken house



The chicken house is depicted in the St. Gall monastery plan as a structure with three circles. It was designed as an octagon. The fact that the chicken house is raised off the ground serves to protect the chickens.

C - Garden for vegetables & kitchen herbs



Herbs and vegetables are grown in 18 beds according to the labelling of the garden in the monastery plan. The chest-high wooden fence is designed to prevent animals from entering.

D - Paradise garden



The orchard, which is also a cemetery on the monastery plan, consists of 13 different trees, which symbolise paradise through their diversity.

E - Abbot's outbuilding



As the monks' first residential building, the annex house in the abbot's courtyard was constructed. According to the inscription, the kitchen, storeroom, (bathroom) parlour and sleeping quarters are located here.

F - Building site of the monastery church



The abbey church is the centrepiece of the monastery plan. Before the construction of this church can begin, a great deal of experience and information still needs to be collated. The deadwood hedge shows the inner outline of the building.

G - Building site novitiate with cloister



The novitiate will be a cloistered area with several rooms, a kitchen, a bathhouse, and a cloister. The church and the east wing of the complex will be built of stone. At first, a cistern and the bath (house) were constructed at the centre; the latter serves as a workshop for further work during the early construction phase.



a - Plan of St. Gall



This monastery plan is the basis of our building activities. It was created around 825 on the Island of Reichenau and represents the spatial organisation of a large monastery.

b - Museum education



Educational museum programmes take place at this location.

c - Hermitage of St. Gall



In 612, the monk Gallus laid the foundation for what would later become St. Gallen. The hermitage illustrates what the hermits' cells of the first monks may have looked like and were constructed to mark the 1,400th anniversary in St. Gallen.

d - Basketry



The baskets are made from willow. They are used for transport and storage.

e - Laboratory



Experiments and events take place on this site.

f - Pottery



Drinking and storage vessels for the workers are made from clay sourced directly on site. Firing takes place in the pottery kiln next to the workshop or in a pit firing.

g - Blacksmith's workshop



Tools and fittings for the construction site are manufactured and repaired here. The smaller building provides space for grinding, polishing and filing work.

h - Medicinal herb garden



The medicinal herb garden contains herbs that have a medicinal effect. They are all listed on the monastery plan.

i - Bee keeping



Beekeeping was important for wax and honey. In the Middle Ages, bees could be kept in a log hive, a rod hive or an Alemannic hive.

j - Woodturner's & Cooper's workshop



Bowls, tool handles etc. are made from fresh wood using the rocker lathe. The cooper makes wooden buckets for the monastery building site.

k - Wooden church & Bell tower



This complex with church, cloister and tower is a necessary predecessor of the large monastery, as shown on the plan of St. Gall. The church functionally corresponds to an abbey church, which later will be replaced by a stone building.

l - Stonemason's workshop



Regional sandstone and limestone are hewn for foundations, walls and reveals.

m - Carpenter's & Joiner's workshop



The timber framing area serves as a storage and work area for the carpenters and joiners.

n - Marketplace



You can have a break and enjoy a variety of food and drinks. Our market vendors also offer dried fruits, herbs, teas, wooden products, stone and silver jewellery, medieval replicas, leather jewellery, regional fossils and beautiful crystals.

o - Sheep stable



The animals provided the monks with milk, wool and parchment, among other things. On our site, they mainly keep undergrowth and weeds down.

p - Pigsty



In the Middle Ages, pigs were even hairier than modern breeds. Our Duroc-Bentheim pigs come very close to this.

q - Textile workshop



Sheep's wool and linen fibre are processed into valuable fabrics. The employees' clothes are also sewn and repaired here.

r - Shingle maker's workshop



Shingles for the roofs are made from tree trunks. Around 50 to 70 pieces are needed for one square metre of roof.

s/t - Agriculture/Field hut



On half a hectare of arable land, the crops that fed the people of the early Middle Ages grow in a three-field and two-field system. The field hut serves as small six-post store for the crop and tools.

u - Orchard meadow with pond



Our orchard is home to historic, local and tasty apple, pear, cherry and plum trees. To protect the young trees from being bitten, they are surrounded by a ring of willow. The pond is a pit made of clay to collect water.

TEMPORAL ANCHORING OF THE CAROLINGIANS

Bronze Age

Iron Age

0 - Birth of Christ

Roman Empire

Settlement of the monk Gallus in the St. Gallen region - 612

Founding of the Monastery of St. Gall - 719

Founding of the Monastery of Reichenau - 724

Creation of the monastery plan of St. Gall - 825

751 - 987 Carolingian period

Middle Ages

1348 - Plague

Modern Era

1517 - Reformation

1492 - Columbus reaches America

GUIDED TOURS

Public guided tours at 11 am and 2 pm. Meeting point is in the entrance area. Spots are limited. 5 Euro in addition to the admission fee. Larger groups must book in advance.

For further information visit www.campus-galli.de or ask at the booking office: booking@campus-galli.de, Tel.: +49 7575 206-1423

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TOURIST-INFORMATION

Information on accommodation, restaurants and other tourist attractions: +49 7575 206-1422 / tourismus@messkirch.de

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Dogs must be kept on a leash.



Smoking only in **smoking areas.** (including e-cigarettes)



Do not throw **rubbish and left-over food** into the forest.



Keep to the **barriers**, do not enter **animal enclosures.**

ATTENTION! Rare, sometimes poisonous plants grow along the edge of the path! Do not touch the plants and keep an eye on your children! The complete visitor regulations must be followed.

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