

Tour Description «Flowers in Kleinbasel»

Hi kids from Basel and its region. Did you ever look for flowers in Kleinbasel? You can try it with this walk: just print out the pages and go ahead (Careful: every child will need the last page with the solution word in order to get the reward).



Place 1: Claraplatz

Start in the **Claraplatz**, tram stop 6 or 14. On one of the four sides there is a large thermometer with various methods for measuring the temperature. Which ones?

- C-R-F = F
Celsius, Réaumur, Fahrenheit
- C-F-D = B
Celsius, Fahrenheit, Steam pressure ("Dampfdruck")
- K-F-D = M
Cooking (Koch-) temperature, Fahrenheit, Steam pressure ("Dampfdruck")



Look across to the **Clarakirche** ("St Clare's Church"). At the top of the tower (called a "ridge turret") there is?

- a wind rose = L
- a cross = U
- a rooster = A

Place 2: Clara Church

Go onto the square in front of the entrance to the **Clarakirche** .
 The "Vrenelibrunnen" (the name of the girl on the fountain column) can be admired there.
 Around the fountain there are 8 images carved in stone.
 They represent fairy tales - if you want, you can try to find the story for each image. But what is the girl on the fountain column holding?

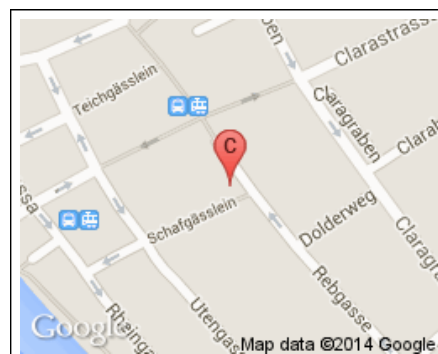
- Bird = S
- Apple = Q
- Flower = O



Place 3: Volkshaus

Carefully cross the Rebgasse and go left to a house with columns (**Volkshaus**). On the wall on the left in the passage, it says what you can find in this house. How long has the Volkshaus been there?

- Since 1925 = W
- Since 1356 = E
- Since 1960 = R



5. Go into the yard and up the steps at the end. How many steps are there to the first floor?

- 28 = L
- 26 = E
- 29 = D

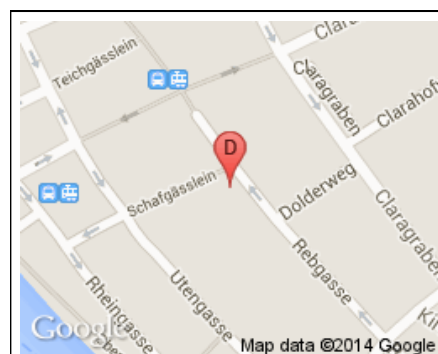
6. What number is the Unionssaal ("Union Hall")? (There is the same number of trees in the yard.)

- 6 = R
- 7 = E
- 8 = S

Place 4: Rebgasse

Leave the the Volkshaus. Go right into the **Rebgasse** to a house with a placard hanging outside. An animal is depicted on it. Which one?

- Calf = U
- Sheep = S
- Elephant = O



8. Go around the red house with the animal placard and right into the yard. At the end of the yard there is a large tree. Opposite you can see a house with an unusual roof mount. The house has a number of window

shutters, some of them are secured with wooden pegs. How many of these wooden pegs can you see?

- 44 = G
- 33 = P
- 22 = B

Place 5: Utengasse 22

Leave the yard through the portal. You are now in the **Utengasse**. Look opposite house no. 22. There is a picture above the entrance doors. What does it show?

- Steamship = D
- Spanisch Brötlibahn (an old railway) = L
- Combino tram = C



Place 6: Job Centre

Go left to the Utengasse 36 ("**Arbeitsamt**" - "Employment Office"). There are columns by the entrance. How many?

- 9 = N
- 7 = O
- 5 = Z



Place 7: Reverenzgässlein

Near the house at the Utengasse 44, take the narrow lane (**Reverenzgässlein**) to the right. Look at the streetlights. They show:

- a snake = S
- a Basel crest = O
- a sleeping bear = B

Now you come to **Rheingasse**. Opposite at house no. 72, an animal is depicted on the façade. The house is called:

- zum rothen Schneck = M ("The Red Snail")
- zum blauen Bock = I ("The Blue Ram")
- zum schwarzen Teufel = T ("The Black Devil")



Carry on along the Reverenzgässlein towards the Rhine. On the left on the façade of house no. 22, a picture (relief) can be seen on the wall. What is on it? (A little clue: the house is called "zum kleinen Sündenfall" - "The little Original Sin".) You can see:

- The Prince and Sleeping Beauty = D
- The Little Witch = V
- Adam and Eve = I

Place 8: Rheinpromenade

There is a small green fountain on the **Rheinpromenade**. Which figure is on the fountain?

- Mountain goat = O
- Penguin = P
- Basilisk = N

Go a short way down the Rhine. Here there is a model of the city made of metal, designed so that blind people can feel it. Look for the terrace behind the cathedral on the model. How many trees are there in the terrace behind the cathedral?

- 9 = N
- 6 = K
- 7 = M



Carry on down the Rhine. At Oberer Rheinweg 49, animals can be seen above the doors. Which ones?

- Frogs = A
- Toads = D
- Fish = L

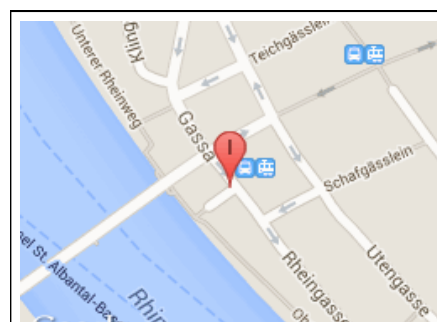
And there are more animals depicted on house no. 29:

- 2 sparrows = S
- 2 pigeons = E
- 2 eagles = J

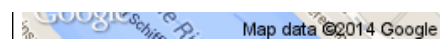
Place 9: Rheingasse

Now follow the passage to the right near Oberer Rheinweg no. 15. This takes you back to **Rheingasse**, where you walk to the left. On house no. 19 you can see on the 1st floor:

- 2 cars = W
- 2 diggers = B
- 2 flower baskets = I



Look at the amusing inn sign at Restaurant "Zum schmale Wurf" (Rheingasse 10) . What is trying to push its way through the narrow slit?



a crocodile = K
 a man = N
 a billy goat = G

20. House no. 13 is opposite. How many ants are wandering up the front of the house (house no. 13 only!)?

28 = U
 24 = E
 26 = B

They stand still when you look at them (they only start moving again when nobody is looking at them...). The artist who created them is called Christoph Knöll.

You have to count animals again. At Restaurant Merian Spitz opposite: How many fish are swimming on the facade?

22 = L
 15 = B
 17 = A

Place 10: Greifengasse

You come to the tram and the **Greifengasse**. Go to the right. After a few metres you will come across a pharmacy. There is a large bronze beast of prey in front of the shop window. Which one?

Lion = S
 Tiger = A
 Bear = R



Now you have to look for flowers! Carry on in the same direction to the next corner. Look carefully at the department store. How many letters are in its name? Now look at the flowers. What colour are they?


4 letters and blue = G
 5 letters and red = E
 6 letters and yellow = S

Carry on to the entrance of this building. Go in and take the escalator up to the 5th floor, then turn left, go through the restaurant and up the stairs. At the top go through the exit to the terrace with the play area. Enjoy the magnificent view over Basel. Can you see a tall, painted chimney? What colour is it?

Blue - green - red = F
 Red - white - red = L
 Red - blue = R

Have you found the solution? Bravo!

As a reward the Manor Basel invites you to have a scoop of ice cream (can be redeemed at the till in the restaurant with this sheet of paper)

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Useful Hints

Tram Station close to Claraplatz (First Place)

Claraplatz

Tram Station close to Greifengasse (Last Place)

Rheingasse

A selection of public toilets close to the tour

Place 1 (Claraplatz): Toilette Claraplatz, Claraplatz

Place 10 (Greifengasse): Toilette Unter der Mittleren Rheinbrücke, Unterer Rheinweg

Solution

Would you like to know if you found the correct answers to all questions? At the bottom of this page you can check your answer:

http://www.baleidoskop.ch/en/tours/flowers_in_kleinbasel.html