

STORKS' ISLAND

Molsheim



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Description

The stork park of Molsheim is a real amusement for young and old, located on the Alsatian wine road at about 20 km from Strasbourg.

Numerous storks' nests once adorned the roofs of the city of Molsheim. But over the years, they became rarer and the only nest that remained was often empty. In the sixties, Léopold Sédar Senghor, then President of Senegal, offered twenty storks to his friend Eugène Ferrenbach, former owner of the Cheval Blanc hotel-restaurant (an institution in Molsheim!). The municipality then built a stork park along the canal, in front of the old Coulaux factory. The storks currently in the enclosure are in convalescence and will be released later in their natural environment. In the meantime, they attract their fellow storks to settle on the nesting mats erected by the municipality.

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