

WFWP Stuttgart, Germany, made a day excursion with a guided tour of Nürtingen

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On 1 May 2019, the WFWP Stuttgart/Germany made a day excursion to Nürtingen. Ute Lemme had prepared a guided tour around the old town.

And so, blessed with beautiful weather, 10 women met at Stuttgart central station to catch the Tübingen train for Nürtingen.

We visited beautiful timbered houses in the picturesque town center, houses which had had famous inhabitants, the remains of fortifications from the middle ages, the impressive town hall, the renowned Latin school, the town church and various artistically arranged fountains. A former once wealthy hospital is today home of the University for Economics and the Environment.

Nürtingen is not only characterized by its famous educational institutions, but also by its famous citizens.

The poet Friedrich Hölderlin grew up there and returned often in later years to spend vacations with his mother, the ingenious philosopher and anthropologist Friedrich Wilhelm Schelling attended Nürtingen's Latin school, and for a short time the poet and protestant minister Eduard Mörike lived in Nürtingen. The writer Peter Härtling, who was made an honorary citizen of the city in 2004, spent his childhood and youth there, as did later the entertainer Harald Schmidt. Nürtingen was mostly spared from any destruction in WW II, but after the war many thousands of refugees (mostly from Czechoslovakia) arrived in the city to make up one quarter of the population in 1948.

The interesting city tour left us with many impressions which will surely remain as fond memories.

At 5 PM we took our leave of Nürtingen and returned by train to Stuttgart.

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