

BURGRUINE GUTENSTEIN



Burgruine Gutenstein is a medieval castle located in the town of Gutenstein in Lower Austria. The castle was built in the 12th century and was originally owned by the Babenberger family. It is situated on a hill overlooking the town and the Piesting River, providing a strategic vantage point over the surrounding countryside.

Over the centuries, the castle passed through the hands of various noble families, and it underwent several renovations and additions. The castle was

heavily damaged during the Peasants' War in the 16th century, and it was subsequently abandoned and fell into ruin.

Today, only the ruins of the castle remain, including parts of the walls, towers, and a gatehouse. The ruins are as of this writing (July 2023) not open to visitors, but you can still climb the mountain and enjoy panoramic views of the surrounding landscape.

The Burgruine Gutenstein is considered an important historical monument in the region, and it is a popular tourist attraction.

In addition to the Türkensturz, the castle has several other notable features, including a courtyard with a well, a chapel, and a "witch's tower" with a spooky history. The castle has also been the subject of several legends and ghost stories over the years, adding to its mystique and allure.