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On the left of the Neckar

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nenweg, with its views of the Neckar Valley and side valleys, and on to Ziegelhausen down to the Trout Ponds of the Electors, at the Wolfsbrunnen.

WALKS AND EXCURSIONS

On the left of the Neckar, the whole of the Koenigstuhl (King's Seat) with its adjoining spurs and hills — the Gaisberg, the Jettenbuehel with the Castle, the Molkenkur and the Auerhahnkopf lie open to the pedestrian. Roads and paths lead from the town up into the world of green shade; or there is the Mountain Railway from the Corn Market, which goes up to Molkenkur, and thence to Koenigstuhl.

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On the right of the Neckar is the Weisser Stein (White Stone) with its spurs, the Holy Mountain and St. Michael's Mountain. One can begin from Friedrich's Bridge and take the Philosophen Weg; from the Berg Street and take the Hainsbach Weg; or from the Old Bridge and up the narrow winding path opposite; the Schlangenweg (Snaky Way); or still further eastwards up the Hirschgasse.

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From the Castle Gardens follow the road running behind the Schloss-Hotel, cross the Schloss-Wolfbrunnenweg and take the path uphill leading to the "Schutzenhaus".

To the Molkenkur (on the site of the old castle which was blown up in 1537), from which there is one of the best views, take the road from the Castle leading to the Klingenteich.

From the Molkenkur, the road ascends towards the Blockhaus, which is half-way up the Koenigstuhl, and

further to the Sprunghoehe (the Saddle) and from there to Speyerershof, and then straight down or via the War Cemetery to Rohrbach.

From the Molkenkur, the usual walk, however, is to the Blockhaus and from there to take one of the many ways to the Koenigstuhl. There is lookout tower and observatory here, and the terminus of the Mountain Railway.

For the way back, there is the choice between the road leading via the Felsenmeer, with splendid views of the Valley and back to the Molkenkur, or the road to the Kohlhof, Posseltlust (a look-out tower) and Drei Eichen and down into Rohrbach. The shortest way down is via the Kohlhof, Jagerpfad, Leopoldstein, and Blockhaus.

From the Koenigstuhl it is only 10 minutes walk to the Observatory.

A pleasant walk for those who do not care for anything strenuous is to take the railway to the Koenigstuhl and then walk, keeping fairly on the level to the Kohlhof.

A longer walk is from the Castle to the Felsenmeer, the Hohler Kaestenbaum, Linsenteich, Neckargemund, and home, or from the Koenigstuhl, Vulpiushuette, Krausstein, Linsenteich and Neckargemund.

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Every visitor must take a walk along the Philosophenweg (Philosopher's Lane) with its glorious view of the Castle, the Neckar and Old Town, past the Lieselotte Stone, down the Hirschgasse past the inn of the same name, (the historic duelling ground of the students), past the Scheffel House (Garden restaurant) possessing a collection of souvenirs of Vikt. von Scheffel, and of Meyer-Foerster's

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