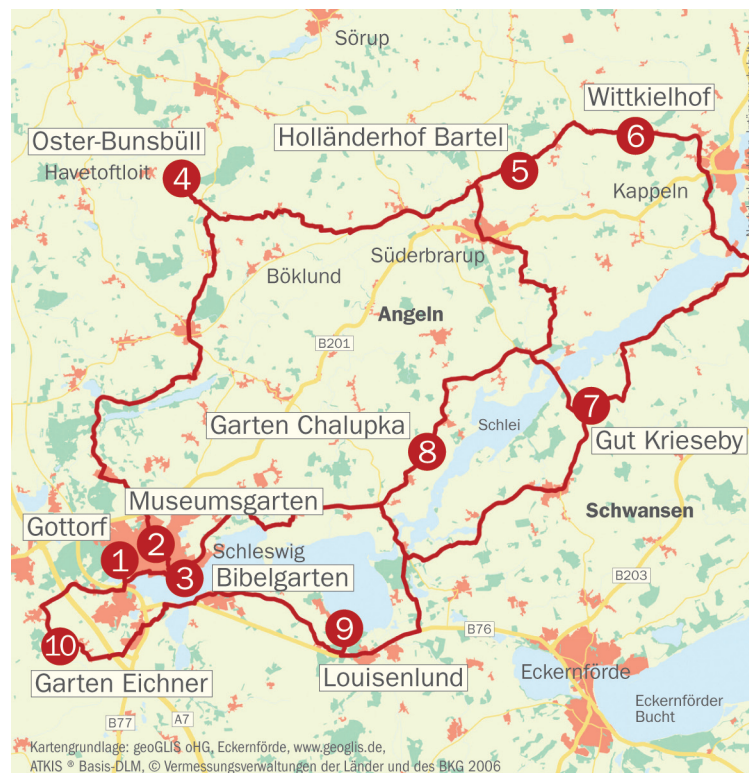




Trail 1 Schleswig-Schlei: Fairy Tales and Myths in the Gardens of the Schlei Region

The blue ribbon of the Schlei Fjord crosses a region rich in history and tales. The starting point and horticultural centre of the trail is Schleswig with its Neuwerk Garten at Schloss Gottorf (Gottorf Palace), whose Globushaus (Globe House) allows the visitor to experience the world and the cosmos from the perspective of the 17th century. Another gem is the Bibelgarten of the St. Johanniskloster (Bible Garden of St John's Abbey) which displays plants mentioned in the Bible.

In the farmhouse gardens of Angeln the sister roses 'Snow White' and 'Rose Red' may be seen traditionally blooming in their fairy tale-like harmony. The lush flower gardens and fruit and vegetable gardens of this region offer wonderful destinations for enthusiasts of roses and of varied herbaceous borders. In the manor house gardens of the area legends seem interwoven with ancient giant trees and avenues of lime trees alive with the sound of buzzing bees. The trail also leads on to Louisenlund, where Masonic tradition and the philosophy of the Enlightenment have become part of the mature landscape. Along the way, old graveyards, plant nurseries run with great enthusiasm and cosy countryside cafés all tempt the visitor to delay the journey with a short stop.



The map shows the route of Trail 1: Schleswig-Schlei.

The route is designed for cyclists, but most sections are also accessible by car. For day trips it is also possible to reach starting points such as Süderbrarup by train and commence the tour from there by bicycle. Total length of the trail: approximately 120 km.