PASSAU ST. STEPHEN'S CATHEDRAL & TOWN

St. Stephen's Cathedral is a baroque church from 1688 in Passau, Germany, dedicated to Saint Stephen. The current church, a baroque building around 328 ft long, was built from 1668 to 1693 after a fire in 1662 destroyed its predecessor, of which only the late Gothic eastern side remains.

The cathedral has eight large bells in the bell rooms in the north and south towers.

The organs at this cathedral have continually been added to over the years with more than 23,500 pipes. It plays from a single console.

























Passau is a town in Lower Bavaria, Germany. It is also known as the "City of Three Rivers," because the Danube is joined at Passau by the Inn from the south and the IIz from the north.

Passau was an ancient Roman colony of ancient Noricum called **Batavis**, Latin for "for the *Batavi*." The Batavi were an ancient Germanic tribe often mentioned by classical authors. During the Renaissance and early modern period, Passau was one of the most prolific centers of sword and bladed weapon manufacture in Germany.

On June 2, 2013 the old town suffered from severe flooding as a result of several days of rain and its location at the confluence of three rivers. Peak elevations of floods as early as 1501 are displayed on a wall at the Old City Hall. Flood water reaches the base of that wall on average once every 5 years.

























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