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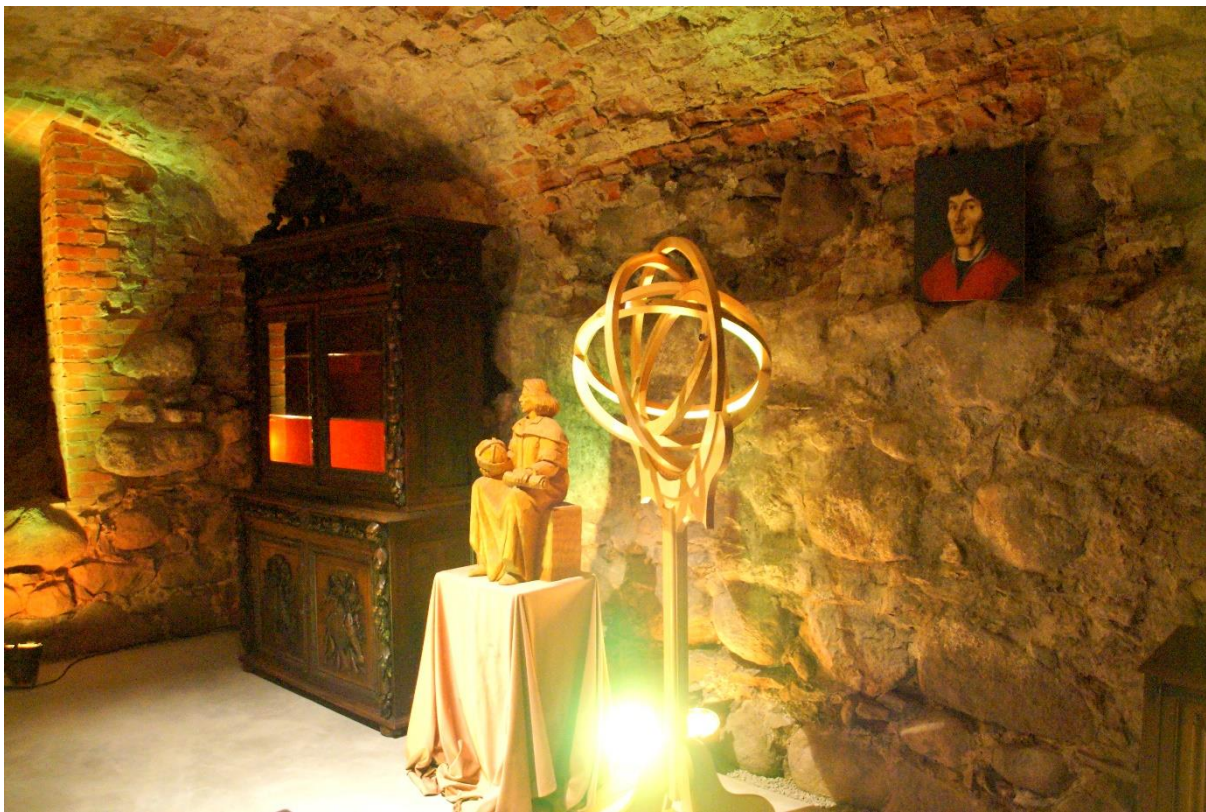
THE MEDIEVAL CASTLES IN A NEW VERSION



arch. Urząd Miejski w Szczytnie

Warmia and Masuria are known for their castles which are associated with the Teutonic state. They were built of red bricks. Today they serve different purposes and house hotels, museums. Some are ruins. Two ruins underwent revitalisation in recent years. They have completely changed their appearance and are now opened to the public. There is a modern museum in the castle in Ketrzyn, whereas in Szczytno and Lubawa the ruins are restored and opened to visitors.

THE CASTLE IN LUBAWA



arch. Lubawskie Centrum Aktywności Społecznej

The cellars of the former Chelmiński Bishops' Castle were restored in order to be accessible to the public. It happened as a result of the revitalisation work carried out on the castle ruins, including archaeological and conservation activities aimed at protecting, preserving and maintaining this historic remnants. The secured cellars of the castle ruins and the ground floor of the reconstructed building were adapted to cultural and social activities.

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THE CASTLE IN SZCZYTNO



The ruins of the Teutonic castle in Szczytno are shining in all its glory after being revitalised. They received a moat. Cellars, cloisters and a dark cell were refurbished during these works. The remains of the walls have been excavated and a glass awning put up. The new facility is going to be a venue for concerts, exhibitions and special events, as well as educational activities for children. In the first 3 months after opening ruins were visited by over 100,000 visitors!

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THE CASTLE IN KĘTRZYN



fot. Robert Zakrzewski

The Teutonic castle in Kętrzyn has been open to visitors again since 2020. It underwent a two-year renovation. A multimedia room with a model of the historic buildings of Kętrzyn and visualisations in 3D technology is a new feature that attracts tourists. The projections are displayed on the screen and on the model itself, thanks to which you can see the spatial development of the city from medieval times to the 20th century. This is an accessible and very attractive form of showing the history of Kętrzyn, also for the youngest. The towers and the southern and eastern defensive walls were also reconstructed in the form of the so-called permanent ruins.

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THE BISMARCK TOWERS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



The Bismarck Towers, as they are commonly called, were built on the territory of the German Empire, the Weimar Republic and the Third Reich. The main purpose for erecting them was to show gratitude to the founder of the united German state - Chancellor Otto von Bismarck. 250 of them were built between 1869 and 1934. There were about 40 of them, of which 17 have survived until today, including 4 in Masuria on today's Polish territory. Two of them are open to the public.

THE BISMARCK TOWER IN MRGOWO



arch. Mrągowskie Centrum Informacji Turystycznej

The viewing tower in Mrągowo is a unique object -where you can spend pleasantly time from the year 2019. There are thematic exhibitions on each floor. From the viewing platform at the top of the tower, you can enjoy the panorama of the city and the surrounding forests and lakes.

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THE BISMARCK TOWER IN OSTRÓDA



arch. ZLOT

The Bismarck Tower in Ostróda is the first building of such kind in East Prussia dedicated to the German Chancellor Otto von Bismarck. It is situated on the northern shore of the urban part of Drwęckie Lake, next to the modern Football Stadium. There used to be a restaurant in this place and a pier and a small marina, where passenger ships of the Adolf Tetzlaff flotilla used to berth.

It was impossible for years to ascend the tower. It could have been admired only from the outside. On 26 June 2021, a café garden opened at the entrance to the tower and a viewing platform at the top of the object was made accessible to visitors.

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