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Offene Schule
Babenhausen

The Jewish cemetery of Babenhausen

Until 1570, the dead of the Jewish community in Frankfurt / Main were buried. Then a separate cemetery was created in Babenhausen. At that time the cemetery was far away from the city wall; meanwhile, it is completely surrounded by a new development area. The cemetery area of the today received cemetery covers 24.81 ares. The cemetery was also occupied by surrounding Jewish communities (including Schaafheim).

There are 228 tombstones preserved. The oldest is from 1692. A gravestone from 1946 stands over the grave of a Jewish child who died in a DP camp in Babenhausen. The cemetery is surrounded by hedges, bushes and a fence, not by a wall.

In the cemetery, non-Christian (Muslim) prisoners of war were buried during the Second World War, which were exhumed after the war again.

In April 2005, the cemetery was disgraced. Thirteen gravestones were overturned.

Location of the cemetery:

The cemetery is located in the northeastern part of the city on Potsdamer Straße (between a playground and the municipal kindergarten).