

Banntag - a centuries-old tradition

In the canton of Basel-Landschaft, where you currently live, the so-called "Banntag" is celebrated every spring in May. On this day, the inhabitants hike along the municipal boundary and then meet in the forest for a communal stop with food and drink. Many of the participants wear a hat and decorate it with flowers.



IMPORTANT: It is part of this tradition that on this day already in the early morning and also during the day on the road with historical muzzle-loading shotguns and old pistols are fired into the air in honor of the Banntag.

The weapons are loaded only with black powder.

This is the maintenance of an ancient tradition.

Banntag does not take place on the same day in all municipalities. Here is an overview:

Saturday, May 21, 2022	Sissach (men and children only)
Monday, May 23, 2022	Liestal (men and children only)
Thursday, May 26, 2022	Gelterkinden and in most other municipalities in the canton of Basel-Landschaft (men, women and children)

We would like to inform you with this letter in advance of the event and thank you for your understanding of our tradition.

