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Groz-Beckert – Your training partner along the textile chain

Whether knitting, weaving, felting, tufting, carding or sewing: Groz-Beckert combines many competences along the textile value chain. With a presence in over 150 markets, the company offers customers a comprehensive partnership – unlimited and on-site. We are conscious of the role of life-long learning and exchange of knowledge, and support our customers with a comprehensive training program.

Bundled expertise

Groz-Beckert is the world's leading provider of industrial machine needles, precision parts and fine tools, as well as systems and services for the production and joining of textile fabrics. All around the world, Groz-Beckert products and services support the textile processes of knitting and warp knitting, weaving, felting, tufting, carding and sewing. As a partner of leading textile machinery builders and users, Groz-Beckert also offers a wide range of services, from targeted application advice, tests and laboratory services, to production of small and special series. Groz-Beckert also supports its customers and partners with product, application and basic knowledge within the textile value chain. Since 2012, this part of the extensive range of services has had its own name: The Groz-Beckert Academy has made it its mission to pass on knowledge, to share experiences and to make know-how and expertise accessible.

Practical training

The Groz-Beckert Academy offers an extensive training program for the Groz-Beckert products basic knowledge and application knowledge. In a combination of practice and theory, technical knowledge and market knowledge are passed on. All training is offered in German and English. Courses are available in other languages on request. For the training courses on offer, selected topics with a specific focus can be addressed at the request of the customer.

Target group

The training courses offered by the Groz-Beckert Academy is aimed at both textile specialists and high level professionals who want to deepen or refresh their knowledge.

The Groz-Beckert Academy also offers courses for beginners and specialists from other sectors looking to learn the basics in the field of textiles.
To pass on both theory and practical knowledge, the Academy uses the entire spectrum of the Technology and Development Center (TEZ) based in Albstadt. The center houses a variety of technology and laboratories over a usable area of around 25,000 m² for the key technologies in the manufacture and joining of textile fabrics. The TEZ thus provides the optimal conditions for passing on knowledge and creating the textile future together. Alternatively, the Groz-Beckert Academy also offers courses on-site at the customer.

Trainers

All trainers at the Academy have a wealth of practical experience in textile technology, as well as in providing specialized training and further education. Meet our masters in their field for knitting, weaving, felting, tufting, carding or sewing, and benefit from their experience. As a participant, our trainers will ensure that you are optimally equipped for your tasks in the textile world.

Conditions

All training courses in the TEZ include lunch and beverages. Our staff restaurant offers diverse dishes served buffet style – including a variety of vegetarian options.

The listed costs per person also include all training documents and any protective equipment required. The costs per person are exclusive of VAT.

Discounted pricing is available if three or more participants from the same company take part in a training course.

You can access the current pricing and additional information via the QR codes on the following course detail pages.
Textile chain

This training provides an overview of all process steps for a textile product – from the raw material to the textile, from the item of clothing to recycling. In particular, questions such as “What textile methods and processes are there?” and “How do these methods and processes differ?” are addressed. This course therefore provides an excellent basis for all other training courses at the Groz-Beckert Academy.

Training goals

• You receive an overview of the individual process steps in the textile chain.
• You will learn about the connections and process chains.
• You will get initial insights into the variety of textile raw materials and products.
• You will be able to differentiate easily between textile products and processes.
• You will learn about the main challenges faced by textile companies.

Method
The training consists of an interactive presentation with a wide range of examples from practice to vivid presentations.

Target group
Based on our experience, this basics course is suitable for beginners looking to gain an initial knowledge of the textile world.

Prerequisites
No previous knowledge is required for this basics course. We do however, recommend combining it with the “Fiber theory” course. Further information is available on page 7.

Pricing and further information
You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Fiber theory

This course provides an overview of the variety of fibers – from natural and synthetic fibers, through to the end product as a yarn or plied yarn. The particular focus here is on answering questions such as “What fibers are there?” and “What is the difference between the fiber types and how they are made?”. This course provides an excellent basis for all other training courses at the Groz-Beckert Academy.

Training goals

• You will receive an overview of natural and synthetic fibers.
• You will learn about the manufacturing processes, further processing and final use of the different fibers.
• You will find out the characteristics used to assess fibers both subjectively and objectively.
• You will learn the specialized designations, brand names and abbreviations.
• You will get an insight into the environmentally-relevant aspects of fiber production and processing.

Method

The training consists of an interactive presentation with a wide range of examples from practice to vivid presentations. The presentation is broken up with short quiz elements.

Target group

Based on our experience, this basics course is suitable for beginners looking to gain an initial knowledge of the textile world or for specialists looking to refresh and expand their knowledge.

Prerequisites

No previous knowledge is required for this basics course. We do however, recommend combining it with the “Textile chain” course. Further information is available on page 6.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Manual flat knitting technology

This training offers a general insight into the technology of knitting. The course focuses in particular on questions such as “What actually is knitting?” or “How is a loop created?” and “What kind of basic patterns are possible?”. In the practical part, the theoretical knowledge of the loop formation is applied on the manual flat knitting machine.

Training goals

- You will gain an insight into the history of loop formation and manual flat knitting technology.
- You will acquire a basic technical knowledge and learn definitions and terms.
- You will create knitting patterns using typical drawings and production documents.
- You will put the knowledge you have learned directly into practice and produce your own knitted fabric.
- You will learn to analyze your own knitted fabric.

Method

The training consists of an interactive presentation with a wide range of examples from practice and group work phases. The practical part on the manual flat knitting machine includes creating the production documents and producing and analyzing patterns.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for beginners or for specialists from other textile areas who are looking to refresh their existing knowledge.

Prerequisites

No previous knowledge is required for this basics course. We do however, recommend combining it with the “Textile chain” or “fiber theory” courses. Further information is available on page 6 and 7.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Electronic flat knitting technology

This course provides basic knowledge on the technology and application of electronic flat knitting. The extensive theory section focuses on questions such as “What is the structure of a flat knitting machine and how does it work?”, “What are the special features of flat knitting machines?” and “How can knitted fabric be defined with the pattern software M1PLUS?”. In the practical phase, patterns are created and transferred to the machine.

Training goals

• You will learn about the structure of an electronic flat knitting machine, including thread guiding and take-down.
• You will learn about the basic operation and handling of an electronic flat knitting machine.
• You will gain theoretical and practical knowledge of the function of a flat knitting machine.
• You will gain knowledge of the basic structure types and pattern designs.
• You will create knitting patterns using the pattern design software M1PLUS and transfer them onto the machine in the practical part.

Method

The training consists of an interactive presentation with a wide range of examples from practice and exercises. The practical section includes getting to know the pattern design software M1PLUS, as well as creating knitting patterns.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for participants with basic or advanced knowledge in the field of loop formation, who are looking to expand their existing knowledge.

Prerequisites

For this course, we recommend basic knowledge in the field of loop formation on flat knitting machines. The combination with the “Manual flat knitting technology” course is particularly well suited here. Further information is available on page 8.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Large diameter circular knitting technology

This course provides a detailed insight into the technology of circular knitting. The seminar focuses on the structure and function of large diameter circular knitting machines. The focus is on answering questions like “What pattern options are available with circular knitting?” or “What different machine types are available?”.

Training goals

- You will receive an overview of the most common machine types in the field of large diameter circular knitting.
- You will gain insights into the technical structure and function of circular knitting machines.
- You will learn the difference between single jersey and double jersey, as well as the rib and interlock setting.
- You will put what you learn into practice directly on the machine.
- You will acquire knowledge about technical properties, definitions and terms.

Method

The training consists of an interactive presentation. You will have the opportunity to put what you learn into practice directly in the practical section on the large diameter circular knitting machine.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for beginners or for specialists from other textile areas who are looking to refresh their existing knowledge.

Prerequisites

No previous knowledge is required for this basics course. We do, however, recommend combining it with the courses “Technical training: Single jersey” and “Technical training: Double jersey”. Further information is available on page 11 and 12.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Technical training: Single jersey

This training provides a comprehensive insight into the function of a single jersey circular knitting machine. You will gain detailed technical knowledge of handling a single jersey machine through the practical activities on the machine. This includes setting and operating the machine yourself.

Training goals

- You will gain specialist knowledge of the setup, functions and handling of a single jersey machine.
- You will analyze single jersey samples and document them by recording the pattern and cam setting table.
- You will carry out a pattern changes with conversion of the cylinder cams on the machine.
- You will learn how to correctly set the yarn guide, the yarn tension, the quality wheels, and the take-down, etc.
- You will learn how to identify any faults on the machine and in the knitted fabric.

Method

The training consists exclusively of practical work directly on a single jersey machine.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for participants with advanced knowledge of the loop formation process on single jersey machines, who are looking to intensify and expand their existing knowledge.

Prerequisites

This course requires basic knowledge in the field of loop formation. In combination with, for example the “Large diameter circular knitting technology” course is particularly well suited here. Further information is available on page 10.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Technical training: Double jersey

This course provides a comprehensive insight into the function of a double jersey circular knitting machine. You will gain detailed technical knowledge of handling a double jersey machine through practical activities on the machine. This includes setting and operating the machine yourself.

Training goals

- You will gain specialized knowledge of the setup, functions and handling of a double jersey machine.
- You will analyze double jersey samples and document them by recording the pattern structure and cam setting table.
- You will carry out a pattern change on the machine by changing the cylinder and dial cams.
- You will learn how to correctly adjust the rib and interlock settings, synchronized and delayed timing including, the yarn guides, the quality wheels, and the take-down, etc.
- You will learn how to identify any faults on the machine and in the knitted fabric.

Method

The training consists exclusively of practical work directly on a double jersey machine.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for participants with advanced knowledge of the loop formation process on double jersey machines, who are looking to deepen and expand their existing knowledge.

Prerequisites

This course requires basic knowledge in the field of loop formation. In combination for example with the “Large diameter circular knitting technology” course, is particularly well suited here. Further information is available on page 10.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Cylinder training large diameter circular knitting technology

This course provides specialized knowledge of the basic principles and function of a knitting cylinder, either for single jersey or double jersey. Particular focus is placed on the interaction between the knitting cylinder, sinkers and needles.

Training goals

• You will receive basic knowledge of knitting cylinders.
• You will learn about the construction and function of a knitting cylinder.
• You will familiarize yourself with the basic rules and instructions regarding knitting cylinders.
• You will learn about the most important factors for wear on the knitting cylinder.

Method

The training consists of an interactive presentation and explanations directly on the knitting machine.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for beginners and specialists looking to specifically acquire knowledge on the construction of knitting cylinders.

Prerequisites

No previous knowledge is required for this basics course. We do, however, recommend combining it with the “Gauge conversion: Single jersey” course. Further information is available on page 14.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Gauge conversion: Single jersey

This training provides specialized knowledge of the gauge conversion on a single jersey machine. You will learn about all practical steps for preparing, carrying out and checking a cylinder gauge conversion.

Training goals

- You will receive theoretical basic knowledge of the cylinder gauge conversion.
- You will learn the cylinder gauge conversion process through practical exercises.
- You will learn the process for centering and calibrating the knitting cylinder and sinker ring.
- You will learn the correct setting of the yarn guides.
- You will gain insights into lubrication and error prevention.

Method

The training covers the practical implementation of a cylinder gauge conversion on a single jersey machine.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for participants with advanced knowledge of the loop formation process on single jersey machines, who are looking to deepen and expand their existing knowledge.

Prerequisites

For this course, we recommend basic knowledge in the field of large diameter circular knitting. In combination for example with the “Large diameter circular knitting technology” or “Cylinder training large diameter circular knitting technology” course, is particularly well suited here. Further information is available on page 10 and 13.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Sock knitting technology

This course provides participants with knowledge of the technology of sock knitting. The seminar focuses on questions such as “How do sock knitting machines differ from other circular knitting machines?”, “What are the special requirements in the field of sock knitting?” or “What pattern designs are available for sock knitting?”. The theory segment is followed by a practical section.

Training goals

- You will learn about the construction and technical properties of sock knitting machines.
- You will gain useful knowledge in the function and handling of these machines.
- You will learn the function and handling of SbyS equipment.
- You put what you have learned into practice on the machine.
- You create a simple pattern for a sock and knit it on the machine.

Method

The training consists of an interactive presentation with a wide range of examples from practice and exercises. The practical segment includes producing a sample sock.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for participants with basic knowledge in the field of loop formation or for specialists from other textile areas who are looking to refresh their existing knowledge.

Prerequisites

No previous knowledge is required for this basics course. We do however recommend basic knowledge in the field of loop formation. In combination for example with the “Large diameter circular knitting technology” course, is particularly well suited here. Further information is available on page 10.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
This training provides a comprehensive insight into the most common fabric structures and into basics of loop formation. The particular focus is on answering questions such as “How can fabric structures be identified and analyzed?” and “How are fabric structures documented?” After a short theoretical introduction on the basic principles of loop formation, there is a detailed practical section.

Training goals

- You will gain an insight into the basics of loop formation.
- You will expand your knowledge of the designation and definition of different fabric structures.
- You will analyze different knitting constructions.
- You will set up pattern structure and cam setting table.
- You will learn to document fabric structures correctly.

Method

The training consists of an introductory interactive presentation. The subsequent practical section involves analyzing different knitting constructions independently and documenting them accordingly.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for participants with basic knowledge in the field of loop formation or for specialists from other textile areas who are looking to refresh their existing knowledge.

Prerequisites

For this course, we recommend basic knowledge in loop formation. In combination for example with the “Manual flat knitting technology” or “Large diameter circular knitting technology” course, is particularly well suited here. Further information is available on page 8 and 10.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Lubrification technology for knitting technologies

This course provides specialized knowledge on the application and daily use of needles and sinker oils in knitting mills. In particular, the impact of needle and sinker oils on the corrosion of needles, tools and machines is discussed.

Training goals

- You will gain basic knowledge on lubricant technology.
- You will learn the basics of tribology.
- You will learn about the composition and application of different oils.
- You will receive information on the washability and compatibility of the oils presented.
- You will receive recommendations on oil selection and troubleshooting for knitting mills.

Method
The training consists of an interactive presentation with a wide range of examples from practice and vivid presentations.

Target group
Based on experience, this course is particularly suited to machine operators, fitters and production managers in knitting mills.

Prerequisites
For this course, we recommend application knowledge in the regular handling of needle and sinker oils in knitting mills.

Pricing and further information
You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Warp knitting technology

This course focuses on the technology of warp knitting – from the beginnings to the latest state-of-the-art technology. In particular, questions such as “How is warp knitting defined in general?”, “What Pattern designs are there?” and “What are the typical applications for warp knitted fabrics?” are answered.

Training goals

• You will learn about the function of warp knitting and the differences from other loop formation methods.
• You will find out useful information about the machine construction and the technical characteristics of a warp knitting machine.
• You will learn about pattern designs.
• You will learn about basic structures and patterns by creating typical drawings.

Method

The training consists of an interactive presentation with practical examples and exercises for the sample pattern possibilities. The practical part takes place on the machine and you have the opportunity to equip the machine yourself.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for beginners looking to gain an initial insight into the field of warp knitting technology.

Prerequisites

No previous knowledge is required for this basics course.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Weaving technology

This training provides basic knowledge of the individual process steps in weaving operations and the corresponding machines and tools. The entire process chain is covered, starting with weaving preparation, moving on to the actual weaving process and right through to the woven fabric. Questions such as “How is a woven fabric defined?” , “What makes a woven fabric?” and “What properties do woven fabrics have?” are also answered.

Training goals

• You will gain basic knowledge on weaving technology.
• You will receive an insight into the basics of the weaving process using the example of air jet and rapier weaving machines.
• You will learn about the tools for the manufacture of woven fabrics and their specific functions.
• You will learn the basic principle of tying and drawing in warp threads.

Method

The training consists of an interactive presentation with a wide range of practical examples and explanations directly at the machine. Illustrative material, such as tools, and related applications complete the training.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for beginners or for specialists from other textile areas who are looking to refresh and expand their existing knowledge.

Prerequisites

No previous knowledge is required for this basics course. We do, however, recommend combining it with the “Textile chain” course. Further information is available on page 6.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Carding technology – mechanical web formation

This training outlines basic knowledge on the mechanical web formation process – from bale to web. Special attention will be paid to the roller card carding process, with answers to such questions as “What happens to the fibers in the carding process?”, “Which tools are used?” and “Which parameters influence the quality of the nonwoven product?”.

Training goals

• You will receive a general overview of nonwovens.
• You will learn about the process of web formation – from fiber preparation to the final web.
• You will learn about the carding process in detail.
• You will find out what tools are required for web formation.
• You will acquire knowledge about technical properties, definitions and terms of carding technology.

Method

The training consists of an interactive presentation with a wide range of examples from practice and illustrated material. Detailed explanations at the roller card complete the training.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for beginners or for specialists from other textile areas who are looking to refresh and expand their existing knowledge.

Prerequisites

No previous knowledge is required for this basics course. We do, however, recommend combining it with the “Textile chain” or “fiber theory” courses, as well as “Felting technology – mechanical web bonding”. Further information is available on page 6, 7 and 21.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Felting Technology – mechanical web bonding

This training provides a general overview of the mechanical bonding of nonwovens and a detailed insight into needlepunch. The focus here is on answering questions such as “How does mechanical bonding work?”, “What tools are available?” and “What impact do the tools have on the nonwovens?”. The subsequent practical section of the course deepens the theoretical knowledge.

Training goals

• You will receive an overview of the technologies of mechanical bonding.
• You will learn in detail the principles and functions of needlepunch and hydroentanglement.
• You will learn the basics of needle technology, including an overview of the needle portfolio and designations.
• You will learn about the tools used in hydroentanglement.
• You will have the opportunity to put into practice what you have learned in a demonstration in the Technical Center Felting.

Method

The training consists of an interactive presentation with a wide range of examples from practice to illustrated material. During the practical portion, the importance of needle selection to reach the desired nonwoven result is demonstrated.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for beginners or for specialists from the nonwovens field who are looking to refresh and expand their existing knowledge.

Prerequisites

No previous knowledge is required for this basics course. We do, however, recommend combining it with the “Textile chain” and “fiber theory” courses, as well as “Carding technology – mechanical web formation”. Further information is available on page 6, 7 and 20.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.grozbeckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Tufting technology

This course provides a general overview of the production of floor coverings via tufting technology. Questions such as “What types of carpets are there?” or “How are these carpets made?”,” How do I differentiate between them?” and “What should be taken into account when selecting the tools?” are answered here.

Training goals

• You will get an overview of the different types of carpet.
• You will learn the basic principles of tufting technology.
• You will gain an insight into tufting tool technology.
• You will find out how tufting systems, needles, knives and modules work together.
• You will learn about important machine settings and the handling of tufting tools.

Method
The training consists of an interactive presentation with a wide range of examples from practice and vivid presentations. Illustrated material such as tools and related applications, complete this training.

Target group
Our experience has shown that this course is suitable for beginners or for professionals, for example a supplier with contact points in tufting technology.

Prerequisites
No previous knowledge is required for this basics course. We do, however, recommend combining it with the “Textile chain” and “fiber theory” courses. Further information is available on page 6 and 7.

Pricing and further information
You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Sewing and needle technology

The training provides an overview of the technology of sewing and the variety of its uses. The course answers questions such as, “How is a seam formed?”, “What types of sewing machine are available?”, and “How do they differ?”.

Training goals

- You will learn about needle geometries, systems and terminology.
- You will receive information on all aspects of the classification and design of sewing machines and technologies.
- You will learn about stitch formation and the most important stitch types and classifications.
- You will learn the criteria for selecting the correct needle.
- You will gain knowledge of error analysis and troubleshooting.

Method

The training consists of an interactive presentation with a wide range of practical examples and explanations directly at the sewing machine. Illustrated material such as tools and related applications, complete this training.

Target group

Based on our experience, this course is suitable for beginners or specialists active in the field of sewing and joining technology.

Prerequisites

No previous knowledge is required for this basics course. We do, however, recommend combining it with the “Textile chain” and “fiber theory” courses. Further information is available on page 6 and 7.

Pricing and further information

You can find pricing, current dates and further information on this course online at https://www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy or via the QR code.
Individual courses

Couldn’t find anything suitable in the range on offer?

In the textile world, Groz-Beckert stands for innovation and precision – down to the smallest detail. This doesn’t just apply to our products - we also strive to meet the highest requirements with our services. This is why the course program offered by the Groz-Beckert Academy is focused closely on the current market situation.

We also offer training activities tailored to your wishes. In this case, you are free to choose the location and date of your training, and compile your individual group of participants. Of course, your requirements will be taken into account when preparing the training content. Whether compiled from existing modules or with a completely new design, whether pure theory or an up close and personal approach with practical elements, whether an single training or an entire training package – we will tailor a training to suit your needs.

Custom training programs are particularly useful as a common starting point prior to projects, workshops and tests. This guarantees that all participants have the same level of knowledge and are optimally equipped to approach the new challenge together.

You will receive all information on the content, scope, dates and conditions of the training in advance as an individual quotation.

Talk to us – we can cater to your training needs with our individual courses – fast, uncomplicated and competent. We will be happy to answer any questions you may have and provide any information you require. Write an e-mail to training@groz-beckert.com
Registration, travel, accommodation

Have we aroused your curiosity and enticed you to take part in one of our trainings? You will find all important information on registration and answers to the questions “What is the best way to get to Albstadt?” and “Where can I find accommodation?” here.

Inquiries and registration

You can send inquiries and register online at www.groz-beckert.com/en/services/academy. The QR code below will also take you to this link.

You can also contact us with any questions by e-mail at training@groz-beckert.com or by telephone at +49 7431 10-2007.

Travel

The address for your navigation system is:

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72458 Albstadt

From Stuttgart, you can reach Albstadt by car in around an hour via the A 81 and B 27. You should also take the A 81 if you are traveling from Switzerland. From Zürich, you can reach us in around two hours. Munich is around three hours away from Albstadt by car. Take the A 8 and A 96. From Lake Constance and when traveling from the direction of Austria, take the B 32, B 313 and B 463. Groz-Beckert is well signposted once you reach Albstadt.

If you prefer to travel by train, there are ICE train stations in Stuttgart and Rottweil.

If you are traveling by plane, there are international airports in Stuttgart, Zürich and Munich.

Accommodation

Albstadt has numerous hotels, guest houses and restaurants in a variety of price ranges. We particularly recommend Gasthof Linde in the Ebingen district, which reopened in 2018. It is located just a 10 minute walk from Groz-Beckert headquarters and the training site.
Albstadt and the surrounding region has lots to see even outside the textile industry. The Municipal Art Gallery, the Museum im Kräuterkasten and the Philipp-Matthäus-Hahn-Museum are just a few examples of worthwhile trips. The cultural history of the district where Groz-Beckert is based is outlined in the Ebinger Heimatmuseum. The Stauffenberg memorial and the “Jehle collection of the history of music” located in the castle are further cultural gems of the city. The Roman Open-Air Museum Hechingen-Stein, showing a reconstructed Roman estate in the first centuries A.D., can also be reached quickly and easily from Albstadt.

The region around Albstadt is dominated by the Swabian Alb mountains and the Danube valley. The largely untouched nature offers a pleasant calmness and impressive views with around 2,500 different caves. Many of these have been turned into interesting show caves. The Hohenzollern palace Sigmaringen is also located close to Albstadt, whose former residents dominated European history like no other noble family. The Hohenzollern Castle is also worth a visit. It is one of the most beautiful and most visited castles in Europe.

Tips for Albstadt

Where textiles impress

The “textile focus” of Albstadt is visible in many places. In 2010 in the Lautlingen district, the longest textile reinforced bridge in the world to date was completed with a length of 100 meters – a lighthouse project for the use of technical textiles. Groz-Beckert was involved in the development and the construction, both technologically and financially.

The mesh museum in Albstadt-Tailfingen is also known far beyond the region’s borders. It focuses on the history of the local mesh industry from 1750 to the present day and shows numerous historical exhibitions.

The Hohenzollern Castle is also worth a visit. It is one of the most beautiful and most visited castles in Europe.