

The Neuengamme Crematorium



The first stage of construction of the crematorium, which went into operation in winter 1944. The building was never finished. This photograph was taken in summer 1945.

Foto: unbekannt. (MDF)

Furnaces at the Neuengamme Crematorium



This picture was taken by former Neuengamme prisoner Zdzisław Sokół in May 1945.

(MGW)

The Site of the Crematorium in 1960



The crematorium was probably demolished in 1947. A delegation from the Amicale Internationale laying a wreath at its former site in May 1960.

Foto: Paul Stassek. (FZH)

The Site of the Crematorium in 2003



Until as late as 1970, there was no public access to the former site of the crematorium. A French delegation laid a wreath there in 2003.

Foto: Andreas Ehresmann. (ANG)

The Crematorium at Sachsenhausen



The crematorium at Sachsenhausen concentration camp was built in 1941/42 and was blown up by the East German police in 1952. Remnants of the masonry and the furnaces remained but were razed to the ground in 1957 when the grounds were transformed into a memorial. In 1958/59 the site was roofed over and a bronze sculpture by Waldemar Grzimek was erected in front of the remains of the crematorium.

Foto: Manuela Schulz, 2003. (ASa)

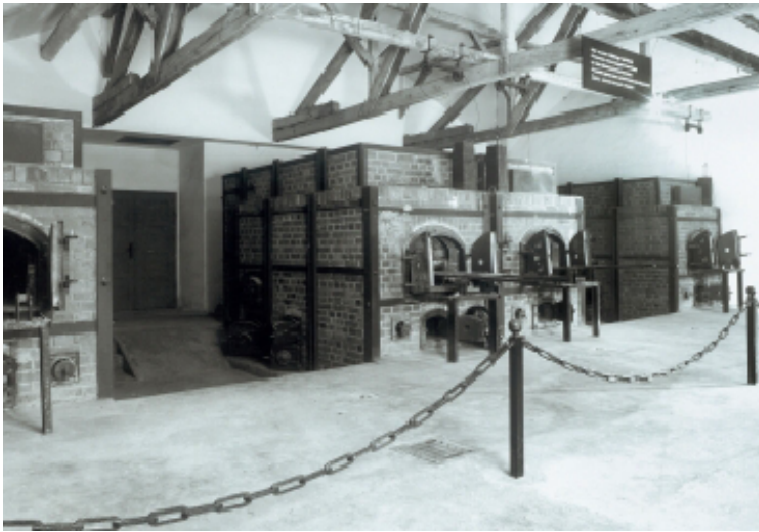
The Crematorium at Ravensbrück



The crematorium building at the former Ravensbrück concentration camp was built between 1942 and 1943. The front of the building was demolished and the outer walls were re-plastered when the grounds were transformed into a memorial. This memorial was inaugurated on 12 September 1959.

Foto: Britta Pawelke, 2004. (MGR/StBG)

The Crematorium at Dachau



The first crematorium at Dachau concentration camp was built in 1940. A second one was built in 1942, although this never went into operation. After the camp's liberation, the furnaces were used to incinerate unidentified bodies. In autumn 1945, former prisoners put together an exhibition in one of the buildings. This exhibition was removed in 1953. In 1950, a monument to "The Unknown Concentration Camp Prisoner" was inaugurated outside the old crematorium.

Foto: unbekannt, 1990er-Jahre. (ADa)

Ruins at Auschwitz-Birkenau



The crematoria and gas chambers at the Auschwitz-Birkenau extermination camp were razed by the SS in November 1944. The technical equipment was transported to Groß-Rosen concentration camp near Breslau (today Wrocław). Just before the evacuation of the camp, the SS blew up three crematorium buildings and gas chambers; a fourth one had already burned down during the prisoners' revolt in October 1944.

Foto: Ute Wrocklage, April 1993. (ANg)