



**Name of Camp:** Natzweiler-Struthof

**Location of Camp:**

The camp was located near the town of Natzweile, in the province, Alsace in Eastern France.

**Brief description of the Camp:**

Natzweiler-Struthof was a small camp built by the Germans to support the “Night and Fog” (Nacht und Nebel) operation which was a German attempt to subdue resistance in western Europe. Suspected rebels were arrested and imprisoned at Natzweiler-Struthof. They presumably disappeared into the “Night and Fog.”

**How many people were imprisoned at the Camp?**

The camp held an estimated 52,000 prisoners.

**How many people perished at the Camp?**

Over 17,000 perished at the camp prior to September 1944.

**What were the dates that the Camp was in existence?**

1941 to 1944

**When was the Camp liberated?**

The camp was liberated in September, 1944.

**Who liberated the Camp?**

The camp was not liberated. The prisoners were sent on a “death march” to Dachau in September 1944.

**Other interesting facts:**

- Construction workers building the camp slept in the nearby former Hotel Struthof, hence the name Natzweiler-Struthof.
- Prisoners worked in nearby granite quarries, in construction projects and in the maintenance of the camp.
- The bodies of over 80 Jewish prisoners gassed at Natzweiler-Struthof were sent to the Strasbourg University Institute of Anatomy where anatomist Dr. August Hirt amassed a large collection of Jewish skeletons in order to establish Jewish “racial inferiority.”