

## Restoration



Wilhelm II, anxious to underline the fact that Alsace was German territory once more, saw the castle as a symbolic marker for the western limit of his empire. He decided to undertake a **complete restoration of the castle**.

The architect Bodo Ebhardt was entrusted with the restoration project. His approach was one of rigorous scientific principles, considering the level of knowledge at the time: He listed all the archaeological remains found on the site, studied archive documents, analysed the architecture... and when in doubt, referred to examples chosen among structures built around the same time.

**The restoration work** was carried out from 1900 to 1908.