## "Between every two pines is a doorway to a new world." - John Muir

The Gifted Tree welcomes you to the virtual world of finding your tree planting location. As you know, someone has planted a gift tree in honor of you or someone you love. Your tree has been or will be planted in the forest areas around the municipality of Stadtkyll, Germany. These forests consist of a monospecific stand, a type of plantation often unable to resist biological attacks. Indeed, the stand has been invaded by bark beetles, wood-eating insects that attack living trees. By digging channels under the bark, their action prevents the sap from circulating, which eventually causes the death of the trees affected.

In order to revitalize the stand, seven native species adapted to the climate of the site will be planted. These species include: Lirico pine, Douglas fir, Scots Pine, Spruce, Sessile Oak, Beech, and Larch. This diversity of species will increase the resilience of the forested area to possible climatic or biological hazards. In the long run, the reconstitution of this stand will allow a rich biodiversity to reintegrate the massif and help the trees that compose it to store carbon, an instrumental approach to fight global warming.

You can view the general area of your planting by clicking on the following link (best viewed on a PC):

## https://binged.it/3c4uEr6

Once connected to the map, feel free to zoom in and out to get a feel of the general planting area as well as its location in Germany, Europe, and the world. Please understand that this is the general area of your tree planting and not the specific tree. Your tree is planted among thousands of other gift trees and there is no plaque designating your gift tree and it is not possible to visit the tree.



Enjoy your gifted tree and know that it is making a monumental difference for the earth and opening a new doorway to the world for future generations. If you have any questions, please view our contact information at: <a href="www.thegiftedtree.com/contact-us/">www.thegiftedtree.com/contact-us/</a>. If you would like to plant a tree for someone else, please visit our website at <a href="www.thegiftedtree.com">www.thegiftedtree.com</a>.

