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## DINGLINGER'S VINEYARD

Up to the end of the 19th century the slopes left and right of the river Elbe were filled with vines.

Then the vine lice came and ate their way through the vineyards, making the wine growers mad and the real estate agents happy.

The crash of the wine industry resulted in the building of villas where the vines used to be. Nowadays one can see multiple spots were vines are growing again – Dinglinger's vineyard for example with Dinglinger's House and pavilion.

From 1692 on the area belonged to Johann Melchior Dinglinger, who built a summer house here. Dinglinger and his two brothers Georg Friedrich and Georg Christoph ran one of the most important goldsmith businesses in Europe for the saxon King Friedrich August I. (August the Strong). They created such valuable pieces of art like the "golden coffee set", the "bath of the Diana" and the "Court of Dehli at the Birthday of the count Aureng-Zeb".