

# TBotNS - Pinakotheken solved!

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Fr Kipling Cooper — 08 Nov 2002, 13:03

\* Fr Kipling Cooper <kcooper at cuic.ca> [07 Nov 02 07:31]:

Book I, chapter v "and the pinakotheken, with their great hallway topped with a vaulted roof of window-pierced brick."

After much digging it would seem that pinakothek=picture gallery in German, but wouldn't the suffix denote the plural? or perhaps 'gallery' as in chamber, and thus many chambers off a single great hallway?

PINACOTHECA, a picture-gallery (Gr. *IrLvaKoOI7K,7*, from *7rLvaE*, a tablet or picture). The name is especially given to the building containing pictures which formed the left wing of the Propylaea on the Acropolis at Athens. Though Pausanias (Bk. II., xxii. 6) speaks of the pictures which time had not effaced, which seems to point to fresco painting, the fact that there is no trace of any preparation for stucco on the walls rather shows that the paintings were easel pictures (J. G. Frazer, *Pausaniass Description of Greece*, 1898, il. 252). The Romans adopted the term for the room in a private house containing pictures, statues, and other works of art. It is used for a public gallery on the continent of Europe, as at Bologna and Turin. At Munich there are two galleries known as the Old and New Pinakothek.

AMAZING online dictionary site: <http://www.onelook.com> - the above coming from the 1911 Encyclopaedia Britannica. Thus defined, there could indeed be many 'pinakotheken' off a dingle great hallway.

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