



South Tyrol – Land of Myths and Legends

Birds Choose a Building Site

Turnerhof Farm is situated not far above the church of Jenesien. There, one finds an old tower atop a rock. At one time, they wanted to build the tower and church on this rock. The masons and carpenters, however, met with more and more misfortune every day. Then birds flew down from the skies and carried small stones and wood shavings, which were splattered with blood, down to the hill where the parish church stands today. At that time, this was taken as a clear sign from God that the church should be built at the lower site. The people heeded this sign, and built the church on the spot indicated by the birds.