

Aerzen Will Orchestrate A Song In Your Heart

You'll find all seventeen local villages of the town of Aerzen in the [Weserbergland](#) region of Lower Saxony; sitting right between the more popular destinations of [Hamelin](#) and [Bad Pyrmont](#).

Geography aside, Aerzen is one of those towns where castles are king (no pun intended). It's "domain castle," known as Domänenburg Aerzen, is where everyone meets for just about all sorts of cultural events.

This IS Germany, so expect the theater performances and cabaret to be in German. But, at least you won't have to worry about a language barrier for any jazz concert or art exhibition.

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Don't have to worry about it over at Schloss Hämelschenburg (in nearby Emmerthal), an absolute stunning castle built in 1588. It's got a museum, walking paths, a tranquil garden, and a beer garden; just remember "bier" equals "beer" and all will be good. :-)

If you prefer to spend a few nights in a castle, then Schloss Schwöbber. Oh, I'm sorry — it's now known as Schloss Münchhausen. The name change signifies the change from its original use for some old "Baron" to a true "royal hotel experience." It's got a spa, golf, and its gardens are just simply lovely.

The castle was more than good enough for the 2006 "fussy" French World Soccer Team. I'm guessing any prayers said at the castle's small simple stone chapel went answered, since they didn't win in the final.

Maybe they would have had better luck if they went to visit the Marienkirche instead? But, don't

you miss it, it's a true pious beauty built in 1153 in a cross shaped basilica style.

After some vacation time visiting the castles and churches, remember the Weserbergland offers lots of hiking, walking, and biking trails. You'll find that the natural beauty of the mountains is truly a calming (yet invigorating) experience.

Remember, Bad Pyrmont might have music playing streets; but, after some time in Aerzen you'll have a song in your heart.