

## Besigheim Is A Town With A Sense Of Humor

It'll take but a minute to realize why Besigheim is on the touristic German Framework Route (*Deutsche Fachwerkstraße*) — must be all the fairytale timber framed buildings.

Although the old part of town with its *Marktplatz* (Market Square) is outlined by the historical buildings on cobblestone streets; it's also known for its wine and outdoorsy activities.

When you're walking along the pedestrian Kirchstraße, you'll get the feeling that Besigheim truly is one of the best examples of a medieval town. On the street you'll find many half timbered shops lovingly decorated with flower boxes, including the town's pharmacy housed in a building that was built back in 1628.

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The *Dreigiebelhaus* is one of the oldest timber framed houses in Besigheim — in all of [Baden-Württemberg](#), actually — built around the turn of the 15th/16th centuries.

If you think that's old, wait until you see Besigheim's City Hall, built in 1459. That's where you'll find some old Roman relief plates with a cult motif (those rascally Romans!).

Even older is Besigheim's castle including the Powder and Forest Horn Towers, built back around 1220. I'd say being almost 800 years old is pretty old.

Besigheim isn't all old medieval history, though, wine is also important to the area. So, it's only fitting to sit and enjoy a glass of Riesling. At any one of the town's festivals and markets held throughout the year, the wine just seems to flow in abundance. Oh, the food isn't bad either. ;-)

When you've had enough of the historical side of Besigheim, enjoy the outdoorsy side of it. There's camping, miniature golf, and an mineral outdoor swimming pool.

While you're out there getting to know the place, you'll find lots of sculptures placed around town. Keep your eyes peeled for a little red man climbing up one building wall.

It's nice to see a town this old have a sense of humor.