

Breitenbrunn (Erzgebirge) -- Snow Trails, Mining History

Wow, it sure does snow a whole helluva lot here in the Erzgebirge, or the [Ore Mountains](#) as it's called in English. I guess you're going to need plenty of the white stuff if you're going to do the whole cross-country ski trail thing here in Breitenbrunn (Erzgebirge).

Whew, that left no room for any kind of intro — that just went right in for the punch, didn't it? Hey, who's got that kind of time? I don't. There are ski trails here in [Saxony](#) with my name on them.

Now I realize that not everyone enjoys the wintery white stuff, so good thing there is stuff to do when it's warmer outside.

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A good place to start are the ruins of the *Jagdhaus Breitenbrunn*. This 13th century hunting lodge, with moat, no less, was in ruin by the time the first days of the 18th century came around. Bad for them, good for us, now we all get to enjoy it.

I can't guarantee you'll like the weather down in the *Fuchslochstollen*, a throwback to the town's mining days. The *Silberwäsche* Technical Museum is also a place that highlights the town's industrial days.

The warmer weather is a good time to get out into the countryside to see the town's "protected areas." You won't really find the area of the Himmelwiese all built up with stripmalls and such.

Still, we can all appreciate a beautiful building when we see one, right? And I'd say the *Haus des Gastes* with its gleaming white exterior falls into that category. So does the St. Christopher Church, an Evangelical Methodist (you thought I was going to say Lutheran) Church from the 1550s.

Thanks for mentioning a church, it reminds me to tell you about Breitenbrunn's *Kirmes* — the town's Church Festival that happens on the last weekend of every August.

If that ain't worth coming here when the weather's warmer, I don't know what is — even if there are some snow trails with my name on it.