

Crimmitschau AKA Town Of The 100 Chimneys -- Misleading!

Crimmitschau is where modern industries and bygone aesthetics merge quite nicely to create a unique combo of modernity amidst medieval splendor.

Now, where would you like to go first — a tour into the heart of modern technology represented by Porsche and BMW, or a trip down history via the Cathedrals and Town Hall in the old quarters? Maybe you'd elect first to spend some time admiring the scenic vistas provided by the River Pleiße as it flows gently along?

Crimmitschau gives you a range of choices to have a great time while taking in substantial chunks of history and culture. Three churches, the St. Laurentius, *Johanniskirche*, and the *Lutherkirche*, provide perfect examples of medieval architecture and compel appreciation.

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Check out the spectacular arches of the St. Laurentius Church and you'll see what I mean. It also has quite an interesting history as a Cistercian Convent before evolving into a Church.

The Blankenhain Castle is another distinct landmark that will leave you spellbound. It is now the venue of an open air museum, which at least some may consider quite a come down for a building with such an illustrious past.

Crimmitschau preserves its love for nature in the various parks in and around the city. The *Zöffelpark*, the *Bismarck-Hain*, and the *Sahnpark* are all different from each other and offer a whole day's worth of fun and exploration.

While at Crimmitschau you might wonder, what's with the "100 chimneys" tag? Well, that comes

from its history as the hub of textile weaving. See this for yourself at the Saxon Museum of Industry where you get to see a permanent exhibition of historic textile mill paraphernalia and how it all works. Be mesmerized by the flying shuttles as wool, silk, and cotton bales turn to fabric as if by magic.