

Edertal -- Recreation And Amusement With A National Park

Someone might hear that the town of Edertal has thirteen villages and tune out, thinking “how the hell am I gonna see all that?” Well, my friends, you don’t have to see all of it — but an effort to attempt it would be appreciated.

First off, Edertal lies along the Kellerwald within the Nature Park & National Park Kellerwald-Edersee, and the Rhenish Slate Mountains. Oh goody, some really pretty countryside to see.

One of the best places to appreciate the scenery is the village of Böhne, whose hiking tours will give you the best views of the valley. While you’re here, you’ll want to see the 17th century religious pieces at the village church.

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And there are other churches you need to see too. The Village Church in Kleinern was built in 1681, and the village is quite proud of its *Lindenholzaltar* that was created in 1521.

Kleinern also has this totally awesome eco-village path, and a recreational/amusement area for both kids and adults known as the *Freizeitanlage Spicke*.

I digress because I almost missed out on telling you about another church. Which would be the 14th/15th century fortified one in the village of Königshagen. Everyone comes to see its Gothic baptismal font.

It’s back out into the countryside when you’ve gotten to the village of Gellershausen, which lies along the *Kellerwaldsteig*. If you wanna see the ruins of Burg Bring you gotta wait for low tide.

Low tide? Yeah, since all that remains of this 12th century (no one's too sure how old it is exactly) are only visible when the tide goes out. Too bad no one's sure about how or why it's been empty for more than 400 years.

Don't worry about the tide over at the Affolderner See, the Edersee, and the *Edertalsperre*, a huge reservoir and tourist attraction (see its [webcam!](#)).

I forgot this town's got a village church with a 13th century tower, lots of pubs, half-timbered houses, and plenty of hiking & biking trails.

You'd need to spend a year here in Edertal to try and do everything — and even then I don't think it'd be enough time. Especially if you're going over to Bergheim to see the Schloss Bergheim (built 1692) and the Jewish cemetery at Am Weinberg.

In case you just gotta see one more castle, you're really close to Schloss Waldeck (in [Waldeck](#)). But, ugh, don't you have enough to see and do in Edertal itself?