

## Ginsheim-Gustavsburg -- Beer For Romans And A Small Witch

When thinking of all things German there are a few things that come to mind like towering [castles](#), *Bratwurst* (German sausage) and [beer](#).

Well, Ginsheim-Gustavsburg really doesn't have any castles, but it does have its fair share of beer gardens for a pint to wash down the yummy *Bratwurst* because you'll certainly be famished after a day of sightseeing here.

A place called the *Kleine Hexe* (Small Witch) is a great place to start. This small beer garden is tucked neatly away in the old 18th century post office building — only steps away from the [River Rhine](#) that runs alongside town.

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The *Ratskeller Ginsheim* and its terraced beer garden has been in the owner's family for 145 years and offers clean affordable overnight accommodation. Look forward to specialties served here depending on the season, like goose in the late autumn or Hausmacher sausage served from September through March.

For you veggie lovers, asparagus season is in the late spring. Plus, there are plenty more chances for eating and drinking tasty local treats at the Castle Celebration, Folk Festival, and the super large Christmas Market.

Now for us history buffs... Gustavsburg, named for the Swedish King Gustva Adolf, once had a castle here. While it no longer stands, there's a reproduction of it in the Castle Park.

The Romans were also here, and a Roman horseman's gravestone was found during excavations of the area. A copy of the soldier's tombstone sits in the town hall lobby.

More of Ginsheim-Gustavsburg's history can be better explained at the Local History Museum.

Then after all that eating, drinking and history, you may wanna take a water ride on the Old Rhine Ferry or rent a boat. For land lubbers, there are plenty of cycle tracks around town, many are of the European Union's world class circuit track, ensuring countless visitors to the town.