

Greiz District -- From Castles To Concentration Camps

To the far east of [Thuringia](#) sits the Greiz District. Bordering [Saxony-Anhalt](#) to the north and [Saxony](#) to the south, and surrounding the urban district of [Gera](#). It nestles on the low hills of the ancient Osterland, and across the river valley of the Weiße Elster which runs from south to north.

Greiz District Map



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Towns & Villages in the Greiz District

- Auma-Weidatal

- [Bad Köstritz](#)
- Berga (Elster)
- Bethenhausen
- Bocka
- Brahmenau
- Braunichswalde
- Caaschwitz
- Crimla
- Endschütz
- Gauern
- [Greiz](#)
- Großenstein
- Harth-Pöllnitz
- Hartmannsdorf (Gera)
- Hilbersdorf (Gera)
- Hirschfeld (Gera)

- Hohenleuben
- Hundhaupten
- Kauern
- Korbußen
- Kraftsdorf
- Kühdorf
- Langenwetzendorf
- Langenwolschendorf
- Lederhose
- Linda (Weida)
- Lindenkreuz
- Merkendorf (Thuring.)
- [Mohlsdorf-Teichwolframsdorf](#)
- Münchenbernsdorf
- Neumühle (Elster)
- Paitzdorf
- Pölzig

- Reichstädt
- [Ronneburg \(Thuringia\)](#)
- Rückersdorf (Gera)
- Saara
- Schwaara
- Schwarzbach (Gera)
- Seelingstädt

- Silberfeld
- Teichwitz
- Teichwolframsdorf
- [Weida](#)
- Weißendorf
- Wünschendorf (Elst.)
- Zadelsdorf
- Zedlitz
- [Zeulenroda-Triebes](#)
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The capital [Greiz](#) sits on this river which actually starts its journey in the Czech Republic. Its two great palaces *Oberes Schloss* and *Unteres Schloss* are considered unique in their design, as is much of the town itself.

[Zeulenroda-Triebes](#) in the mountains has a beautiful white town hall, and at its center you can enjoy a great park — known locally as the English Garden.

The Greiz District also has a rather different past, and in the town of Berga you can find and explore the 17 war-time Nazi ammunition tunnels. Not so awful in themselves, but they were carved out of the rocks by prisoners of war from the nearby Buchenwald Concentration Camp. You can visit the many museums surrounding this chapter of German history.