

Groß Kreuz -- Modern Town With Swim Holes And A Medieval Touch

There are eight villages that make up the town of Groß Kreuz (Havel) in [Brandenburg](#). Each is unique and worth visiting on their own — if you have the time. But, as always, I'll give you the highlights. This way you can decide where you want to go.

Bochow is a relatively new hamlet, only around since the 19th century so no medieval sites to see here. But, it does have a Neo-Romanesque church if you want to have a look see.

Deetz is Groß Kreuz's medieval village, having been around since the late 12th century. Which is why you'll find a medieval church dead smack in the center of town.

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You'll also find quite a few hiking trails in Deetz and a few swim holes to take a dip. Maps of the trails and holes are available for sale — a good investment I would say.

The Easter Run in Deetz is always a fun time. And the Cattle Museum and Museum Deetz are very educational.

Within Groß Kreuz itself you'll find a thatched roofed meeting house close to modern family homes. That, and a regional train with frequent service to Berlin.

Jeserig can boast its own medieval church, while Krielow is known more for its prehistoric settlements and archaeological finds.

It's also known for its *Havelländdischer Baumkreis*, a circle of trees where the Fire Brigade sets

ablaze an Easter bonfire. That's not the only festival — the Summer Festival takes place in early July.

Schenkenberg is the youngest of the villages, as it wasn't built until the 20th century. Quiet, peaceful, it's a right proper place to raise a family.

Schmergow is another medieval village, but totally modern. Its stone church from the Middle Ages is quite something and the ferry ride to Ketzin is quick & easy.

You see, you've certainly got a bit to do here in Groß Kreutz. I sure hope you've got the time to see it all. You could spend a whole day in those swim holes alone!