

Heidenau (Saxony) Offers Gardens, Rivers, Sport, History

Heidenau (the one in [Saxony](#)) can be described in a word: serendipitous.

You come across this little known town expecting the same old, same old. And then those little things that sets this city apart begin to dawn on you...

Perhaps it's the location in a blissful valley, or the proximity to the blue waters of the [Elbe](#), whatever it is, there's something about Heidenau that you succumb to immediately.

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Heidenau treasures its medieval history in the form of elegant buildings and museums while easily sporting a sleek modern countenance in the form of efficient public transport and infrastructure.

This will become clear as you make your way to the Albert-Schwarz-Bad where a stainless steel basin landscape will amaze you with its sporting facilities set amidst forty thousand square meters of greenery. You can happily bring kids along for they have everything from baby swings to climbing pyramid and carousel to keep them busy.

While in Heidenau, there are two castles you get to visit — the Pillnitz Castle and the Weesenstein Castle. Both are steeped in history and offer unforgettable photo-ops. The latter, especially is an awesome sight with its multi-colored façade and imposing grandeur. With a history that goes back 700 years and almost a dozen renovations and alterations, the Castle has various influences from the Gothic to the Renaissance inscribed on it.

The Baroque Garden in Heidenau is a classic example of the town's medieval glory re-visited. Find your own favorite spots and make your own discoveries in the nooks and crannies of these

vast grounds laid out in immaculate splendor. The place has a 300 year old history that will certainly fascinate you to learn.

Märchenlebenspfad is another fascinating venue to visit, especially if traveling with kids. You'll find everything here to enchant your kids or the kid in you, from fairy tales to puzzles in the form of 17 exciting stations.