

Immenstaad am Bodensee -- Worth The Risk At The Stake

Holy Mary Sunshine, is there a bazillion things to do in the gorgeous town of Immenstaad am Bodensee... And that's not even taking into consideration all the great things you can do on [Lake Constance](#), as its name implies.

Because there's so much to do, I'll waste no time in telling you that the best of Immenstaad is its Romanesque Church in the village of Frenkenbach. Don't expect bells and whistles on this church, it is as simple as it could be. But, that's its charm — a sturdy stone building that's been around century after century.

All right, not everyone might agree with me that the church is the best part of town — but I'm entitled to my opinion, right? In all fairness, let me tell you about the rest of the place, OK?

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As I said before, Immenstaad lies along the Bodensee — so water fun is definitely on the agenda. Take a historical boat ride to learn the story of St. Jodokus, who has a church dedicated to him from the 15th century. Immenstaad has its own marina if you want to ride your own watercraft over.

A 260km bike trail leads around the lake, but not necessary to go that far. Stay right here to try the local “high ropes course,” or to hike around the 6km long apple trail that's all about, you guessed it, apples.

You'd think there'd be a wine trail as vineyards abound, by the way. Oh, I guess the fact there's an annual Wine Festival every August.

A town like this isn't going to have only one festival, you know. The Village Festival is also in

August, while May Day comes in September. Ha-ha, just kidding it's in May like its name implies. :-)

If you're here on Ash Wednesday, expect to see the town burning a witch. A witch doll, that is. What? This isn't the Middle Ages anymore, you can't go around burning folks at the stake.

Would over a quarter of a million people a year come here if they did? No, I didn't think so either. But, oh, wouldn't it be worth the risk just to spend one day here — if not for its three castle alone, and that fantastic medieval church.