

Kirchentellinsfurt -- Tiny Is Terrific In The Swabian Alb

We seem to live in a society that preaches “bigger is better.” Super-sized drinks, colossal portions, and big cities are the way to go.

I’m here to tell you, wonderful things do come in tiny packages.

The [Swabian](#) town of Kirchentellinsfurt, smack dab in the [Swabian Alb](#), is only 11 square kilometers — but it packs a wallop despite being pint-sized.

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Besides, we all know it’s all about location, location, location. Kirchentellinsfurt is lucky enough to be just seven kilometers from terrific [Tübingen](#), and seven kilometers from [Reutlingen](#) — so the place is easily reached from these much bigger towns.

You know what’s a good idea? Taking a bike ride, or just plain hiking, on over. It is the Swabian Alb and [Neckar Valley](#), after all, so you’ll just love the scenery.

Kirchentellinsfurt is also lucky enough to boast its own castle. Found at Schloßhof 9, the Castle Museum has all sorts of exhibits on long-gone items — like the typewriter. Yeah, who’s old enough to remember one of those? Anyway, the castle itself is quite old — its origins go back to around 1560, although I’m pretty sure it wasn’t open to the public back then to get married as it is now.

Another one of the town’s castles is the Einsiedel Castle, now a religious youth hostel, offering hiking services to those in need from May to October. And speaking of hiking, the surrounding Schönbuch Nature Park is great for seeing rare plants and animals.

For me, the best part of Kirchentellinsfurt is all the festivals. June is a great month, as that's the time for the Community Festival. The Summer Festival and Fisherman's Festival are both held every July; and there are numerous Autumn Festivals held in the area throughout the month of October.

December's got to be my favorite time in Kirchentellinsfurt, as that's when the Christmas Market is held, as well as the Festival of Lights at the Neckar.

Now do you see why I say Kirchentellinsfurt doesn't have to be big to be great? Tiny is different. Tiny is terrific.