

Kronshagen Is Perfect Just The Way It Is

It's hard to think of Kronshagen without thinking of its largest neighbor, [Kiel](#). They've been intricately linked for centuries (even once ruled by the King of Denmark), and the large capital city borders the town on three sides. Ottendorf is the odd one out, sitting on the western border of town.

Don't go looking for an old city hall or any medieval castle (no Renaissance or Baroque ones either), Kronshagen doesn't have them; neither does it have any historic guesthouses or inns. It has only one hotel, a large 87 room budget facility with a 24-hour coffee/tea bar, offers buffet breakfast, and it's close to bus stops and train station.

As you can probably see, Kronshagen is a place where everyday folks get up, go to work, play plenty of sports to relax, and get up to do it all over again.

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But, that also means you'll find real rustic down home cooking too. This is where you'll find rich and hearty meals made with potatoes and cabbage that will stick to your ribs (come during the winter and you'll understand why). But, during the summer try a local snack called *Rote Grütze*, made with berries and sugar served with custard.

Work off all that good eating by renting a bicycle and riding off on any one of the bicycle trails that spoke out through town.

Kronshagen isn't totally devoid of any culture, though. There are art exhibits in the town's City Hall and an annual Folk Festival held in the beginning of September. There's also a star gazing observatory that opens at 7pm on clear nights from October to March.

Plus, it's right close to the Baltic Sea, which is great for swimming or for anyone just wanting to be close to the water. And it's a nice place to stay during the annual Kiel Week, one of the largest sailing events on the planet.

Big deal that Kronshagen doesn't have an overabundance of all things historic. It's great enough just the way it is.