

Küssaberg -- For Romans, Celts, Swedes

Just about four hundred years ago the castle, known as the Küssaburg, was destroyed by its owners, so the invading Swedes couldn't have the medieval structure. Interesting fact to start off with about the town of Küssaberg, huh?

Weird fact, or not, Küssaburg, the castle, gives its visitors a chance to enjoy views of the Unterklättgau and Black Forest from its 634-meters above sea level vantage point. Holy-moley, is that Switzerland? Yup, it sure is.

No, I'm not kidding... the town of Küssaberg, incl. its Küssaburg Castle, lies on the Swiss border.

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Four centuries sure does sound like a long time ago, though the town of Küssaberg really goes back much further than that. Evidence has been found of a very old Celtic Oppidum (a Latin word for a settlement), and the hamlet of Bechtersbohl used to be located on an old Roman Road. If you like Roman history, pay a visit to the *Römerlager Dangstetten* (from about 15 B.C.) in the village of Dangstetten.

While you're here, you might want to hike some of its many marked trails — ranging from a leisurely 9.5 km, to a more active 15.6 km; still you'll pass along paths through the [Black Forest](#), the [Rhine](#), and even stone ruins.

Just one thing... if you're going to tackle Route #4, you might want to do it in the warmer months since it can get a bit treacherous out there in the winter, and some parts of it have limited access during the colder months.

When you go ask at the Tourist Office, they'll most likely direct you to the Küssaberg Museum, too, which is only open on Sundays from 2:30pm-5:00pm, BTW. Good thing entrance is free. :-)

The rest of the week will keep you busy with e-biking (electric bikes), or mountain biking, visiting the Reckingen Power Plant, or the *Barzmühle*, a watermill from the 15th century. These last two fall under the umbrella of great [German engineering](#), so folks are interested.

I'm interested in seeing the ruins of the Küssaberg again — see ya there.