

Linkenheim-Hochstetten — German Town Without Tourism

In 1975 the two independent towns of Linkenheim and Hochstetten fell in love with each other and got married. Being only about 15 minutes north of [Karlsruhe](#) and close to the French border, both enjoy a long history in their own right.

Linkenheim alone has been around for more than 1200 years, as it was founded in 777 A.D. Hochstetten isn't nearly quite as old, only having been around since 1103 A.D. Although, a half millennia doesn't seem like such a long time in the grand scheme of things.

Even though Linkenheim-Hochstetten has been around for centuries, you're not going to find much to do here. Even the town's home page doesn't provide a section for "Tourism" or "Recreation." You'll find just everyday working stiffs that maintain a well-kept town and go fishing. Of course, getting around by bicycle is just a good idea as any.

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Most of the really great historical sightseeing is to be done in Karlsruhe (including its palace and historic churches). But, Linkenheim-Hochstetten has a few small motel type guesthouses; which are a good idea if you don't want to pay top Euro for a city hotel.

Maybe it's all right there isn't a lot to do in this town, it'll give you lots of time to eat. Small little [German towns](#) like these are a good way to enjoy real rustic downhome cooking, like *Blutwurst* or *Springerle* (a molded Christmas cookie made with anise).

Since the area is a huge producer of asparagus, you'll find it on many menus during the Spring when it's harvested; sometimes cooked with a bit of sugar in the water to reduce any bitter taste. Wash it all down with a healthy glass of a Riesling wine (again, locally made in the area).

If anyone asks you what you did when you visited Linkenheim-Hochstetten (aside from being a hard to spell & remember name), you can tell them you ate and drank yourself one heck of a good time. ;-)