

Mömbris -- Miraculous Town Of The Stone Age

Mömbris is a fun loving [Franconian](#) town that was once a fun loving [Hessian](#) town (it sits right on the border between them). So, I guess that makes it a place with the best of both worlds.

Every town that's over a millenia old (no matter which German state it's in) would have to have its own castle. Well, it used to anyway. The only thing that remains of the early 14th century Castle Mömbris is its stable. The town's Old Cemetery sits on the site where the old schloss stood.

In the village of Gunzenbach there's a great little Local History Museum, which does a wonderful job explaining all about this unique place.

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Another interesting fact about Mömbris (other than it can't figure out which state it's in) is that it's comprised of eighteen little hamlets (some with less than a hundred residents). With that much ground to cover, walking all of it might be out of the question. Do yourself a favor and at least rent a bicycle to see a lot more of it.

Keep in mind that most of the entire area surrounding all the villages of Mömbris are mostly fields, meadows, and forest. There are camping facilities all around, so staying the night outdoors is a great idea.

The village of Daxberg seems to be the most historic, though. Besides having ancient Stone Age graves that have been found, it also has the gorgeous Holy Cross Church, Chapel Maria, and a sandstone cross dedicated to its soldiers of the Great War.

For a bit of the divine (as if visiting all of Mömbris' churches isn't enough), there's a place in the

village of Hohl called the *Lourdesgrotte*. This tiny church-like structure was built a few centuries ago by a local man as a thank you for a heavenly miracle.

Not too many would argue that it just can't get much better than that.