

Mömlingen Delights As The Gateway To The Odenwald

I wonder if Stone Age man, the Romans, and the Franks used to call the town of Mömlingen the “Gateway to the Odenwald” like they do these days? Hmm, probably not, but that’s not to hold anything against our ancestors.

Anyway, back to the [Odenwald](#), rest assured while you’re spending some time in Mömlingen you’re treated to some of the most excellent [Lower Franconian](#) real estate imaginable. So any one of the hiking trails (like the 4.5Km Geopark Path) or bike paths (even mountain bike trails) will be nothing short of spectacular.

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For me, spectacular comes from visiting Burg Breuberg. That’s right, a medieval castle of brownish stone whose walls of its donjon were a staggering 2.5 meters thick. These days the early 13th century castle is a museum, housing both medieval and Roman artifacts.

As for other Roman artifacts you can see a few replicas of the Jupiter Columns that were found here many years ago. And as for museums, Mömlingen even has its own *Heimatmuseum* (Local History Museum) — located at Alte Schulstraße 1; even better it’s free admission, although donations are appreciated.

C’mon, it doesn’t have to be a large endowment, because you’ll want to put some money into the local economy at one of Mömlingen’s festivals. Your choice if you want to come for the *Pfarrfest* (Parish Festival) in July, Oktoberfest in September, or the Advent Market in November. Better yet, come for all of them.

In between festivals you could certainly make time to visit such places as the Chapel of St.

Wendelin, built in 1717 over a medieval one. There's also the Church of St. Martin, another 18th century church built over an original. Plus, there's the Marian Grotto, the Leonhardi Chapel, and a mid-18th century stone cross found at Am Sauerberg.

Another thing you could do would be to grab some delicious bratwurst, some beer, and head on over to the BBQ areas. Nothing wrong with that, is there?

Nah, I didn't think so; consider it another wonderful way to experience the best of Mömlingen. ;-)