

## Neuhausen (Spree) -- Water And Camping Fun

It's always good to learn something new everyday. Today's lesson came from the town of Neuhausen (Spree) in the state of [Brandenburg](#), or as it's called in Lower Sorbian, *Kopa?ce*. Again, whatever you call it, I've learned to appreciate the wonders within this amazing federal state.

Do you know where else you can learn something? Surf school. That's right, surf school.

In Germany? Yes, you can — and you're also able to rent everything from rowboats to surfboards, bicycles to sailboats. Sounds fun, no wonder camping is a big deal around here — everyone's too tired to go home. ;-)

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And as much as sailing around the [Spreewald](#), you can also fly over it. Oh fun, a helicopter tour is a great way to see the surrounding countryside.

If you'd much rather be on terra firma, then I'd have to suggest visiting the cute *Freizeitpark* (Theme Park) in the village of Klein Döbbern. Here you can do everything from BBQ to bratwurst, or play miniature golf and table tennis. The high ropes course is a bit more strenuous, of course.

Neuhausen isn't without any historical sites, by the way. In fact, five prehistoric graves were found here a few decades ago — but many of the town's other historical sites come from many centuries later. Take the Village Church, for example, it wasn't built until sometime in the 1400s, or the Manor House — only from the 1700s.

In between those centuries, the Village Church in Groß Döbbern was built — a charming church, I must say.

There's 20th century history, too. You'll find Soviet War Memorials, a Soviet War Cemetery, and a World War I Memorial.

As for the 21st century, Neuhausen knows how to party in style. The Village Festival is a big beach party, and the Easter bonfires are a real crowd pleaser. Then again, so are the Maypole celebrations, Carnival, and the Park Festival.

You know what else I've learned? That Neuhausen (Spree) is a modern town that embraces its past, but also offers the best of Brandenburg in one tidy package.