

## Neuhof (Fulda) -- From Via Regia To Neighboring Planets

In the course of only a few kilometers in Neuhof (Fulda) you can transport yourself through time and through the universe.

No, there isn't some crazy time machine Porsche (this is Germany, so I'm not using a DeLorean from Back To The Future as an example). Nor, is there a rocket ship to take you through the solar system.

How can you do this, you ask? Well, Neuhof is a more than thousand year old town and by walking along the old *Via Regia* you're following in the footsteps of an old king's soldiers. Many pilgrims came this way, too, along what's known as [Jakobsweg or Way of St. James](#) going to Santiago de Compostela in Spain but, stopping at the town's St. Michael's Church.

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Along the *Planetenwanderweg* is where you go to the far reaches of space. This is a fun way to exercise not only your mind by learning about the planets (including Pluto), but your body as well. You'll be having so much fun that you won't even notice how much distance you've actually walked.

So, you've enlightened your mind, exercised your body, now you deserve to party a bit. There is a *Kirchweihfest* (church festival) on or around every November 5th, a Christmas Market on the 2nd weekend in Advent (about 2 weeks before Christmas), and a "carnival" type festival on Rose Monday right before lent starts.

But, it's the *Heidelbeerfest* on the 2nd weekend in August that's the real winner. Any time you've got the chance to sit and drink a [good beer](#) is a good time. It always goes good with a hearty

[Hessian](#) meal like *Kassler Rippchen* (smoked pork ribs).

Then again, since Hesse is also known for [wine](#); why not try a good Riesling?

Well, in Neuhof (Fulda) you might be able to travel the Milky Way or walk a road hundreds of years old. But, from the sounds of it, Neuhof is just fine right here, right now.