

Nünchritz -- Ordinary Appearance, Simple Beauty

My sole job in life is to tell the world about the wonders of Germany. Trying to fill you all in on each and every town is a huge undertaking, but well worth it since the quest of all quests brings me to places like Nünchritz.

From the first look of it, it seems to be just an ordinary [Saxon](#) town where workers bees head off to work in the local chemical factory that's been employing lots of folks around here since the early 20th century.

Yet, it's got a lot longer history than that; which is evident with one glance at its castle in the village of Seußlitz. OK, so what if its Baroque features means that it isn't of a medieval construction — but it really is since it was here in 1205.

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Some say that Seußlitz is the oldest of Nünchritz's eleven villages, however the village of Merschwitz has been round from at least the 9th century — so I say this one's technically older.

While historians (and whoever else) fight it out, I'll tell you that Merschwitz is wonderful if you're looking to travel along the Elbe Cycle Path or the Via Regia Lusatiae Superioris (there's a monument to the village being on this scenic route; that used to be a trade route and is part of the larger [VIA REGIA](#), by the way.

Merschwitz also has a 15th century church, if you want to stop by; and there's an old Sawmill that seems to capture everyone's attention in town — it's kind of an imposing building, so maybe that's why.

What else captures everyone's attention is Nünchritz's Marriage Market. Oh sorry, the Seußlitzer Marriage Market, an event that's been going on for the better part of five centuries at Ascension time.

Looking for a spouse, anyone?

No? Ok, looking for a Castle Garden? If you are, you'll find one with both a French and English style garden. Pretty. (See Seußlitz above.)

The Church Zschaiten is also pretty, that is if you can find the beauty in a very simple building from 1503. I think you'll like it.

Just like I think you'll like Nünchritz, a town that only appears to be ordinary.