Oberding -- Home Of Munich's Airport

If you've ever flown to the Munich Airport, chances are you've seen Oberding long before you've ever stepped foot into the city itself. Why? That's a simple question to answer, it's because one half of the airport is located within this Upper Bavarian town.

Before you go rushing right out of the airport, maybe you should check out this very old town first. What's really remarkable, is Oberding is home to a nature reserve area despite being home to a very modern airport.

Long before the invention of the airplane, and its moniker of being within the Metropolitan Region of Munich, people have lived here — the Bronze Age burial mound in the village of Notzing attests to that. Hmm, that's some 4,000 years ago.

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Not quite that old is Notzing Castle. The beautiful white building you see today belies its 14th century beginnings (with a moat no less); and the Schloss even has its own mill.

Also from the 14th century (that's the 1300s, by the way) is the Church of St. Georg. This, too, doesn't look this old, as the church saw renovations back around 1700, and again in 1861.

Technically the Church of St. Nicholas is older, built around the 13th century. You'd never know it, as it got facelifts in both 15th and 18th centuries.

Another architectural gem is the Pfarrkirche St. Martin, this dazzling Baroque beauty (complete with an onion dome) was built in 1757; and right next door is Oberding's War Memorial Chapel from 1919.

This isn't the only 20th century addition to this town. St. Korbinian's Church is known as a Neo-Romanesque one from around 1903, even though the original goes back some 250 years before that.

Visitors to Oberding can't live on history, architecture, and nature reserves alone. So, to get the real lay of the land, you gotta come by some of Oberding's pubs and other eating and drinking establishments; or come on over to one of the town's tennis courts for a friendly game.

Just watch out for those planes landing. ;-)