

Obernburg am Main -- Romans And Wine On The German Limes Road

When coming to Obernburg am Main it's just natural to talk about wine and Romans. They seem to go together, yes? I think so, and they've both made a huge contribution to the history and the present of Obernburg. Tell ya what, I'll even throw in a bit of the medieval and outdoorsy stuff for you, too.

Back in the 1st century A.D. (around the years 83-85) the Romans built the Obernburg Castrum. Now, the *Römermuseum* (located at Unterenwallstraße 29a) has all sorts of exhibits on the old Roman settlement, as well as stones with Latin inscriptions, and beautiful Roman bowls. There's even a replica of a Jupiter Column.

It also makes very much sense that Obernburg is on the massive German Limes Road, a 700km long scenic route through [West](#) and [South Germany](#) showcasing Roman settlements and history.

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I promised Romans and wine, and since I've done the Roman thing, now it's time for the wine. Obernburg is on the 55km Franconian Wine Trail, which follows the very best of Franconian wineries between the [Odenwald](#) (for which Obernburg is at the foothills) and [Spessart](#). This really isn't a driving route, so you'll have the chance to really enjoy the countryside.

The European Walking Route E8 comes through town; and there are too many kilometers of hiking trails for me to count. Just remember to come back to town for the *Mirabellenfest* (Plum Festival) in July and the *Obernburger Römerlauf* (Roman Run) in May.

I did say I would give you the medieval, too. Sorry, there's no castle, but the *Oberes Tor* (Upper

Gate) and the *Almosenturm* (Alms Tower) and *Runder Turm* (Round Tower) still stand from the town's medieval days.

Additionally, although not technically from the Middle Ages, the *Altes Rathaus* (Old Town Hall) houses the *Eisenbacher Heimatmuseum* — a local history museum. There's certainly not a better place in town to find out more about Obernburg's cultural history.