

Obernkirchen -- Get Moving At The Bergturnfest!

Along the [Weserbergland](#) is the town of Obernkirchen. AND, since this is [Lower Saxony](#) and *Berg* equals hilly, the town (and surrounding area) is best enjoyed by bicycle — especially on the 35km cycle trail. If you choose to use your own feet power instead, that's all right, too!

A great way to really learn more of Obernkirchen's history is to take a City Guided Tour. Which depending on what tour you take can range from only 45 minutes to an hour & a half. The tour will take you along the *Skulpturenweg* (Sculpture Trail) with designs all made from Obernkirchener sandstone.

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The tour will also take you to the *Garten Brockmann*, gardens created at the turn of the 19th/20th century. You'll also see the *Stift Obernkirchen*, a 12th century Augustine Monastery church. Another lovely church is St. Marien, built in both the Romanesque and Gothic styles. Obernkirchen's sightseeing should also include a visit to the 250 year old Jewish Cemetery.

Come June when everyone in town gets ready for the *Bergturnfest*, a sporting "festival" with events like trunk throwing, tug of war, volleyball, and a 7km walk. Swimming is also part of the *Bergturnfest*, although just enjoying a day at the pool any other time of the year is really fun, too.

Although not part of the *Bergturnfest*, a couple of rounds of miniature golf is always great for a few hours of family fun. So is a night or two of camping at the *Campingplatz Krainhagen*.

While you're out doing some track & field events, look for a memorial monument to Friedrich Ludwig Jahn (1778-1852), a pioneer of this "get moving" movement (oh, I know — that was a horrible play on words!).

More of Obernkirchen's history can be learned at the Mountain and City Museum. It's filled with exhibits on the town's Urban history and its glass production.