

Reichelsheim (Wetterau) -- Good Things In Small Packages

Today I don't feel like being my typical self. Perhaps this is why I'm going to do things a little differently in the [Hessian](#) town of Reichelsheim (Wetterau). I'm going to enjoy the best of each and every village — not just as a whole.

First a bit about the [Wetterau](#). It has seen the likes of Celts, Romans, and the dark days of the Middle Ages, making this Rhine-Main-Lowlands region a historical layer-cake.

Now it's time to slowly go through each of Reichelsheim's six villages. Let's do 'em alphabetical — all in the name of fairness since they're all fantastic in their own right.

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In Beienheim let's start with a stroll along Berliner Straße, then on Zur Kirche 4 to see the village's Evangelical Church. For a bit of Germany's Jewish history you'll want to see the *Jüdische Friedhof* (Jewish cemetery) on Wüstengasse.

While Beienheim is the furthest west you can go, Blofeld is the totally opposite direction — the easternmost hamlet. Besides having a forest to get lost in (not literally but metaphorically speaking), you'll want to walk along the popular Niddaer Straße; stopping on Kirchstraße to see the village's Evangelical Church.

It's to the south now to Dorn-Assenheim, a small hamlet of not even five square kilometers. The one spot everyone seems to visit is its St. Mary Magdalene Church.

If you think Dorn-Assenheim was small, wait 'til you get a gander at Heuchelheim, not even a kilometer-and-a-half square. Yeah... that's tiny, right? So is its Evangelical Church, a tiny chapel

looking building that somehow manages to just dominate its little area.

Wonderful things do come in small packages. ;-)

Reichelsheim proper is where we find the town's *Rathaus* or Town Hall (Bingenheimer Straße 1), a tidy building with rounded doorways and flower-boxed windows. Right outside is the 19th century Franco-German War Memorial, and down the street is the local church.

Weckesheim is about the same size in area and population as Beienheim — a village of around a thousand people, not even 4.5 sqkm. Care to see its Evangelical Church? You'll find it on Sommerbachstraße 5, and a small fountain at Sommerbachstraße 3.

What you'll also be able to see here in Weckesheim is a mining museum. Appropriate since the region was very big on lignite mining.

See all the interesting things you can find out about a place when you meet them individually? Glad I did. ;-)