

Schaumburg District Celebrates Its Historic Past

The Schaumburg District, situated in the hilly, wooded [Weserbergland](#) region, has been around since the 12th century. Castles abound here, as do old gardens, ancient farmhouses, hidden forest paths and natural wildlife.

Schaumburg District Map

Towns & Villages in the Schaumburg District

- Ahnsen
- Apelern
- [Auetal](#)
- Auhagen
- Bad Eilsen
- [Bad Nenndorf](#)
- Beckedorf
- Buchholz
- [Bückeburg](#)
- Hagenburg
- Haste
- Heeßen
- Helpsen

- Hesper
- Heuerßen
- Hohnhorst
- Hülsede
- Lauenau
- Lauenhagen
- Lindhorst
- Lüdersfeld
- Luhden
- Meerbeck
- Messenkamp
- Niedernwöhren
- Nienstädt

- Nordsehl
- [Obernkirchen](#)
- Pohle
- Pollhagen
- [Rinteln](#)
- [Rodenberg](#)
- Sachsenhagen
- Seggebruch
- [Stadthagen](#)
- Suthfeld
- Wiedensahl
- Wölpinghausen
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It will not surprise you at all that this locale was the inspiration for many of the folktales written by the Brothers Grimm.

The capital of the district is [Stadthagen](#), noted for its 16th-century castle and medieval St. Martini Church. The town's annual *Schützenfest* celebration, commemorating successful defense of the city walls, has been held here for more than 600 years. There are also regular flea markets and weekly covered markets held in the rustic cobblestoned marketplace, for pedestrians only.

[Rinteln](#) is located on the banks of the [Weser River](#) to the southwest, first settled in 1150. From the ridge called Klippenturm (Cliffs Tower) overlooking the town, you can observe its renaissance architecture and cycle trails cutting across the valley landscape.

The most impressive stop on your journey here will be at the town of [Bückeberg](#), between Rinteln and [Minden](#). The sprawling 700-year-old Bückeberg Palace is your destination. It was once home to the Princes of Schaumburg-Lippe and is now open to the public with its massive library, as well as the world's largest still-used sepulcher and second largest gold mosaic within the courtyard mausoleum.