

Schwerte Is A Historic And Scenic Town In Westphalia

The ancient town of Schwerte dates all the way back to 962 where it was originally known as "Suerte." Today it is a popular place to live and work with its excellent recreational facilities and many cultural events.

The Old Town Center is well worth visiting. The Calvin house dates back over 700 years to the 14th century. The Old Town Hall really lives up to its name as it was built in 1547 and now houses the museum. The St. Victor Church is also well-worth visiting and it dates back to the 14th centuries.

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In the 15th and 16th century Schwerte thrived on its production of crossbows, chest armor, mail shirts and swords and it grew in fame and prosperity. Its factories more recently have supported the railway network and other industries.

Schwerte has an interesting range of leisure facilities. There are sports clubs and sports halls for every interest; a gym, golf club, tennis courts, squash center, shooting ranges and several modern swimming pools to enjoy. Children will love the giant looping slide which runs for 55 meters.

There is also a grotto, a water cannon, hot whirlpool, saunas and even a restaurant. As you can see, there is something to do here the whole year round, whatever the weather.

Schwerte also has a range of cultural activities including choir singing, art courses, and computer classes for young and old alike. Young people meet at various youth clubs whilst senior citizens have their own clubs and entertainments.

The Music School and the Concert Society have a varied program of entertainment with concerts and performances. There is a strong local civic commitment to community projects including Patrons of the museum and the Citizens Foundation.

Beyond the town there is a lovely nature reserve at Ebberg or you can enjoy cycling along the Ruhr valley meadows. The nearby forests offer plenty of opportunities to escape from the hustle and bustle of life and enjoy a bracing forest walk.