

Stahnsdorf Is The Soothing Contrast To Big City Chic Berlin

If you're looking for eclectic nightlife and partying good time, then a place like quiet Stahnsdorf isn't for you. If you're looking for something a bit more reserved, then you've found it right here next to [Berlin](#).

Mostly what Stahnsdorf is really known for, other than beautiful [Brandenburg](#) scenery, are its churches and a most unique place of meditation.

There are at least four churches that must be on any "to see" list when coming here. *Dorfkirche* (Village Church) Stahnsdorf is the oldest of them all, as well as considered to be one of the oldest in the entire region. It was built in the early 13th century, but its bell is a few centuries younger from around the year 1500.

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In the Schenkenhorst neighborhood, there's another gorgeous Village Church filled with wonderful religious art. This little stone church has been here since the 14th century, though it had to be redone in 1911. Amidst the old farmhouses, you'll also find another lovely church from the 13th century.

One of the most beautiful examples of a 13th century Romanesque Church is the Village Church in Güterfelde. But, as it was said, that's not all Stahnsdorf has, as it's here in Güterfelde that you'll find Güterfelde Palace. It's a stunning building with "onion domes," built in a Neo-Renaissance style.

Churches aside, the most remarkable of all the sights in Stahnsdorf is known as *Südwestkirchhof*. Not only is it the final resting place of some of Germany's best and brightest of the 19th and 20th

centuries, but it does double duty as a nature park. There's a pretty wood chapel within the cemetery (*Friedhofskapelle*) and the entire complex is designed for quiet contemplation.

The cemetery itself was a by-product of the split between East and West Germany after the [Second World War](#). Once the infamous [Berlin Wall](#) was erected, it was nearly impossible for visitors from the West to visit. Now, it's a wonderful park for everyone to visit with a unified Germany.

It's not hard to see that Stansdorf isn't your crazy party town, you'll find more of that with its next-door neighbor, Berlin. When you're ready to escape the hustle and bustle of the big city chic, Stahnsdorf is a great place to reflect and remember.