

Thedinghausen -- Suitable Stop On The Weser Renaissance Route

It's too bad that the town of Thedinghausen isn't on the *Straße der Weserrenaissance* (Weser Renaissance Route), as it has a fantastic castle that was built in the architectural style. Or, is it? I'm not entirely sure as statements vary.

Doesn't matter, you can still find the time to come and see it. Right?

The *Erbhof* is a grand example of this architecture that was popular from the start of the Reformation until sometime in the mid-17th century. I guess with the advent of the [Thirty Years' War](#), no one had time (or money) to build such opulent castles and palaces.

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Anyway, the gardens of the castle are the real treat, as there are over 50 species of trees and more than 300 species of plants surrounding it. You're free to walk around the grounds, but guided tours inside the castle are only available at certain times.

The *Erbhof* is used as a concert venue from time to time, so jump on the chance to see it if you can.

In the meantime, you're more than welcome to join a guided tour to the inner workings of Thedinghausen's industries. You can ring ahead for a chance to see how beekeeping or organic farming (to name a few) is done. Interesting, I'd have to say.

From Spring to Autumn Thedinghausen's *Pingelheini* (a historic train) operates through the countryside. They'll allow your bike on for free, in case you want to hop on after riding too far for

the day.

There's also a Weser Ferry (operating May 1 to October 3) that'll scoot you across the waterways after an arduous day along the Weser Cycle Path.

Remember, you can always just camp out here if you're too tired. ;-)

It'll be a good idea to save some energy to do a bit of canoeing. You don't even have to pack your own boat (could you imagine the baggage fees on the airlines for that?), canoe rentals are available.

Make sure you've conserved your strength for the annual Summer Festival at the end of August or the Heritage Day celebration in September.

As fantastic as Thedinghausen is, you won't complain that you won't find it on the Straße der Weserrenaissance — you'll be too busy.