

Weitramsdorf -- Loving And Learning In Upper Franconia

Right between the city of [Coburg](#) and the southern [Thuringian](#) border lies the town of Weitramsdorf.

The geography of its nine villages is only partially what makes this [Upper Franconian](#) town so delightful, so stick around — you're definitely gonna find something to love.

You're also going to learn something, too. I know I did, as I wasn't too sure what a *Grenzstein* was. Turns out, by the way, they're old boundary stones. There are quite a number of them found throughout the districts of Weitramsdorf, many of them looking like gravestones, believe it or not.

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The one in Gersbach, known as the *Dreiherrnstein*, marked where three former boundaries came together. The “K” marked where the Kingdom of Bavaria met the duchies of “HSM” Herzogtum Saxis Meiningen and “HSC” Herzogtum Saxis Coburg, from around the year 1599.

Whew, a lot has changed over the last 400 years, hasn't it? Well, not exactly, the Church of St. Nicholas in Weitramsdorf proper has been here even longer, as has the 14th century Pfarrkirche (Parish Church) in the village of Neundorf.

Neundorf is great if you like [German towns](#) with that Old World feel — right down to its many half-timbered houses, like the old rectory from the 1790s. Other architectural gems around here include places like the *Rathaus* (Town Hall) in its neo-Renaissance design, and the beautifully designed schoolhouse.

However, I think the palatial Schloss Tambach is the most gorgeous looking building in town. I even love the two Baroque designed pillars marking the entrance to the local Wildlife Park.

I'm loving the many festivals and events here in Weitramsdorf, too. It seems as if there's a bazillion events from May to October — everything from a *Maibaumfest* (May 1st) to a *Geranienmarkt* (early May), to no less than four *Kirchweih* events, along with both a Wine Festival and Apple Festival (both in October).

Oops, forgot all about the *Waldfest* (Forest Festival) in September for a minute there.

Wow, a history lesson and a whole bunch of parties — so see, something to love and learn. ;-)