

Wernau -- Two Different Villages In A Desert Oasis

According to any geography lesson any town within Germany is European but, when you visit the Quadrium in Wernau you'll think you've found yourself transported to a Middle Eastern desert oasis.

This wellness spa (whose building also doubles as cultural center) is quite the popular place to visit around town and is done in a Middle Eastern motif. The Quadrium has all the normal spa services from massages, whirlpools, and saunas, but it's the manner in which it pulls it off right down to the little details.

If anything, check out its Hamam Room — designated to purify and refresh both body & mind.

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For family fun, the town's pool is also located within the Quadrium. It's an inexpensive way to spend the day together.

Maybe it's best to visit the rest of Wernau before heading off to the spa or swimming the day away. One of the more visited areas around town is along Kircheimer Road with lots of local shops and eateries.

For an art exhibit, a cabaret evening, or a jazz concert they're held at the Castle Celler. Oh, that's right, Wernau even has its own castle; an 18th century *Schloss* known as the Castle of the Barons von Palm.

After some time over at the castle, go see the Maria Helping Chapel. The smell is fantastic with its own herb & spice garden. Funny, when this chapel was built a few centuries back, Wernau didn't

even exist. It was then the two separate villages of Pfauhausen and Steinbach.

A lot of what's to do around Wernau revolves around the great outdoors; starting with its wildlife preserve. And, the whole family will love sitting around or splashing in the excavator lakes.

And, since the city of Wernau is only 25 km (approx. 16 miles) southeast of the city of Stuttgart, you'll find this great little town is easy enough to get to — just follow the [Neckar River](#) around until you've found your desert oasis.