

Wöllstadt -- Small Crowd In The Wetterau

When I first found about the [Hessian](#) town of Wöllstadt, my first reaction was: wow, this place is crowded like a big city. How is it even possible since only about 6,000 people are living here?

Certainly its wide open spaces in the [Wetterau](#) doesn't give it that impression. It doesn't have a bazillion villages to make it seem overly crowded. So, how is that possible? Then I realized it's a very small town in terms of area, just under 15.5 square kilometers.

Its size doesn't mean you'll be shoulder to shoulder crowded while walking along a village street. No, it just means it won't take too long to make your way around both Nieder-Wöllstadt and Ober-Wöllstadt, the two villages that are Wöllstadt.

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And despite its diminutive size, it's quite the party-animal town. So, after you've done the whole sightseeing which would include stops at Nieder-Wöll's Evangelical Pfarrkirche (Parish Church) along Frankfurter Straße, its 19th century Christian Cemetery, its Jewish Cemetery and its old *Brauhaus* — it's time to get down and party.

Um, no not yet — sorry. I forgot to mention the sightseeing in Ober-Wöll. This is the less crowded of the two villages. Don't worry, it won't take long since you're only going to see the St. Stefanus Church, built in 1752 atop a church that was here since 1050. That's a mighty long time ago, isn't it?

All right, you've earned your chance to party with the Big Boys, so off to Wöllstadt's Masked Ball at Carnival; its Pond Festival in May & August; the Village Festival in June, the Wine Festival in August; and the Christmas Market held at St. Stefanus every December.

These aren't the only events going on here — throughout the year you'll find all sorts of cultural goings-on, like the Vintage Car Rally, the Games Festival, and even the opening of the tennis season (in April) is a time of great celebration.

Crowded? Yeah, sure — but when something's this good... who cares? ;-)