Former district court in Beverungen The fort in Beverungen View of Drenke and the Weser valley

The two hill villages Jakobsberg and Haarbrück offer a spectacular view far into the country. Typical farming characteristics are found in the high-altitude villages Tietelsen, Rothe and Drenke.



Drenke and Tietelsen are worth a visit in their churches, which house precious treasures, while Rothe, as a settlement, is regarded to be a hamlet, known for its guard-tower of 1429.



at Tietelsen

Weser-sandstone portal of the church in Blankenau



Yacht port in the »Dreiländereck« (Three-state corner) Lake »Axel« near Würgassen



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»Yesterday we travelled down the river Weser and I can say that seldom in my life I have been so touched and excited as during this gradual appearance of the old hills and villages along the way.«



Beverungen's Kellerplatz in winter

Todays' visitors will be as impressed as Wilhelm Raabe, the popular ninetieth-century German novelist, during a journey through the Weser valley, when they visit the town of Beverungen in the southeast of Westphalia.

Since the communal area reform of 1970, the town of Beverungen consists of 12 districts, with approximately 14 400 population. The central town Beverungen is situated in a large valley, where the stream Bever joins the river Weser. It was first mentioned officially during the ninth century in the »Traditiones Corbeienses« and the city was given township rights in 1417. Today the former rural town presents itself with 6.600 inhabitants as a modern shopping and vacation centre, with its many colourful and well-preserved old timber-framed houses. The visitors are greeted from afar the tall ancient fort, built in 1330 by the Bishop of Paderborn near the bridge over the Weser, which joins North Rhine-Westphalia and Lower Saxony. The past also becomes alive at the town hall (1662) with the St. Michael's fountain, the Cordt-Holstein house (1662) and the old Ferry house (1853).



The precious altar picture by Johann Georg Rudolphi in the catholic baroque church of St. John the Baptist is regarded as a special treasure. Friendly Weserland gastronomy as well as a colourful palette of various leisure activities are offered for young and old. Water sport is especially popular.



The region around the cultural area of Höxter with its old monasteries and beauty of nature offers recreation in a historical countryside either on foot or by bicycle. With the 450km long Weser-bicycle path R99 and the well-built bicyclepath system Beverungen has become a bike-friendly holiday area par excellence. Pure culture is presented with opera and plays, cabaret and (rock) concerts in the town theatre as well as at the favourite blossom- and the rifle-shooting festival. Not to forget the Carnival, which shows that the people of Weserland know how to celebrate. And from November to March, the Beverungen skating rink offers lively fun on ice.

The visitors will be guaranteed a variety of rural charm. In Amelunxen families with children will enjoy »holidays on a farm«. In **Blankenau**, the farm houses and the catholic church (1714) still remind of the »good old times«

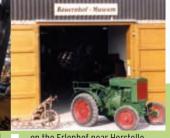


Basket-weavers' museum in Dalhausen the church of Jakobsberg

In the St. Mary's pilgrim village **Dalhausen**, the basketweaver museum presents skilled craftsmen and -women live at their work. The former shipping village Herstelle founded in 797 by Charlemagne - has become well known through the Abbey of the Holy Cross, the castle (1832) and the Weser ferry for pedestrians and bike riders.

A farmers' museum is not just fun for children. And near Würgassen, the bizarre rock formations of the Hanover Cliffs attract attention. The village Wehrden is well known as a favourite resting station for bikers, who

> can cross the river Weser on the ferry in the midst of nature.







Pedestrian Ferry in Wehrden

Fun on ice at the skating rink Beverungen

Open-air event in Beverungen: The Orange Blossom Special