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**A warm welcome and natural beauty  
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## **Leinfelden-Echterdingen**

If you're craving unspoiled nature, you've come to exactly the right place: Leinfelden-Echterdingen – where else?

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Leinfelden-Echterdingen is a city that warmly welcomes its guests and visitors with open arms. Come and see for yourself. We look forward to welcoming you for a short trip or a longer stay in Leinfelden – where else!



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## One of the most beautiful valleys in the region

# Siebenmühlental

Siebenmühlental ('Seven Mills Valley') is among the best-known, best-loved and most interesting valleys in the Stuttgart region. It is sometimes also known as Reichenbachtal, after the Reichenbach river that flows through it.

Siebenmühlental is the perfect setting for days out – whether you're local or just visiting. The footpaths through the charming valley are popular with hardened hikers, leisurely walkers, families (with or without pushchairs), cyclists and skaters. They all come here to get their fix of the great outdoors.

And nowhere is better for this than the paved Bundeswanderweg trail from Musberg to the Burkhardtsmühle. Other footpaths detailed in this brochure are a little more secluded, providing even more opportunity to get back to nature. Whether it's the Reichenbachtalweg, which also runs through the valley but gets closer to nature than the Bundeswanderweg, or one of the various paths or walking routes that take in the magnificent woodland and countryside surrounding the valley, the choice is yours.

The valley was first given the name Siebenmühlental in 1383. Though the name translates as 'Seven Mills Valley', there were – and still are – far more than seven mills here. In the 1920s, the Reichenbach river was powering eleven watermills, and over the centuries there have been up to thirteen mills in the valley, though not all operating at the same time. Today, the figure stands once again at eleven mills, and five of them are open to visitors as places to eat: Eselsmühle, Mäulesmühle, Schlösslesmühle, Kochenmühle and Burkhardtsmühle. The Mäulesmühle is particularly worth a visit. Its adjacent Comedy Barn (Komedescheuer) hosts productions starring a famous German comedy duo, who delight audiences with humorous plays in regional dialect. There's also an interesting mill museum here.

The mills all had lots of different owners and millers over the years. In many cases, people from outside the region and those of higher standing bought the mills as investments and had millers operate them.

In 2010, Siebenmühlental was declared a conservation area. Thanks to the protection this offers, walkers exploring the valley today are met with delightful scenery: cattle and horses graze on the pastures of the valley floor, which is flanked on either side by dense woodland stretching all the way to the surrounding hills. Some of the walks in this guide will take you up there. Away from the woods, you'll find orchards, meadows and fields – some of which are used to grow the filderkraut cabbage that is used to make sauerkraut.

### **Stunning scenery – Siebenmühlental and Musberger Eichberg**

From the moment you set foot in Siebenmühlental, you will be struck by its beauty. The Reichenbach river meanders its way through meadows of grazing horses and cows. To the left and right of the valley floor, leafy forests stretch all the way up to the hilltops. This brochure covers two conservation areas: Siebenmühlental itself and Musberger Eichberg.

The **Siebenmühlental conservation area** is home to over 200 plant species, 80 bird species, 14 reptile and amphibian species and more than 50 species of moth and butterfly. Even kingfishers have been spotted on the banks of the Reichenbach river. The various types of meadows and marshland also provide a bio-diverse habitat to over 200 varieties of plant, including globe-flowers and rare orchids such as the broad-leaved marsh orchid and the fragrant orchid. There's also great diversity in





the tree species present here: down by the river you'll find alder trees, ash trees and willows, while the woods are home to horn-beams, beeches, oaks and wild service trees.

**Musberger Eichberg** is the smaller of the two **conservation areas**. It is believed that it originally had a sparse covering of oak trees, earning it the name Eichberg ('oak hill') in 1451. In the Neolithic Age, however, parts of the hill were cleared, presumably for farming. Today, it is dotted with mighty oak trees, while the flat upland is an expanse of oaks and hedgerows and the south-western slope is given over to grassland and rare flora. An impressive 136 different species of wild plant have been recorded on Eichberg hill to date. Among them are such rare finds as German pinks, fragrant orchids, Irish fleabanes and fringed gentians. Lesser spotted species of wildlife include 40 varieties of moth and butterfly, reptiles like the endangered smooth snake, and no fewer than 63 bird species. Walking around Eichberg, you might even come across a small herd of goats, which help to manage the landscape. The name Schlossberg ('castle hill') comes from the small castle that stood in the north-west corner of the conservation area in medieval times. You'll also find orchard meadows in this area.





## Starting points for walks and bike rides

For timetables and information on buses and trains:

Verkehrsverbund Stuttgart (VVS):  
[www.vvs.de](http://www.vvs.de), tel: +49 (0)711 19449

Directions to starting points for routes in Siebenmühlental, whether hikes, walks or bike rides, are detailed as follows (from north to south):

**Oberaichen station.** From here, turn left out of the station and walk/cycle south-west along Rohrer Strasse past the houses and then turn right into Hans-Holbein-Strasse. Follow this road all the way into the fields. Turn left just before the first houses in Musberg, then after the nursery, before the wood, turn right; go left around the business park, then you'll reach the main road where you'll see the Musberg Wanderweg bus stop. Behind the bus stop, follow the Bundeswanderweg trail along the disused railway.

**Leinfelden station.** From here, you can take the bus to the starting point at Musberg Friedhof ('cemetery'). If walking or cycling, however, head south down Bahnhofstrasse until you reach Neuer Markt. Here, turn right onto Musberger Strasse and continue straight to a roundabout. Turn left onto Schönbuchstrasse and then take the first right onto Kirchstrasse, and continue straight to join Beethovenstrasse. After house no. 16, fork right and follow the footpath down to a roundabout.



Go straight over and follow the road to Musberg Friedhof ('cemetery') to start the route.

#### **Car park at Musberg sports grounds.**

GPS: 48.691323, 9.122297

From Filderstrasse, turn down Robert-Supper-Weg to the east of the church. At the far end of the car park, follow the path as it zigzags its way to Mühlweg.

Bus stop: Musberg Kirche ('church')

#### **Cemetery car park in Leinfelden-Echterdingen-Musberg.**

Filderstrasse. GPS: 48.692326, 9.129482

Bus stop: Musberg Wanderweg

#### **Eselsmühle/Mäulesmühle car park.**

Leinfelden-Echterdingen-Musberg, K 1227/Mühlweg.

GPS: 48.684983, 9.128146

Bus stop: Musberg Eselsmühle

#### **Leinfelden-Echterdingen-Musberg car park.**

Seebrückenmühle, K 1208. GPS: 48.678898, 9.127529

Bus stop: Musberg Seebrückenmühle

**Weidacher Höhe car park.** Leinfelden-Echterdingen, at the junction of Alte Poststrasse, Waldenbucher Strasse and Waldheimweg. GPS: 48.680231, 9.150991

**Schlösslesmühle car park.** Leinfelden-Echterdingen, Alte Poststrasse (to the left and right of Schlösslesmühle), GPS: 48.666136, 9.143343

**Burkhardtsmühle walkers' car park.** Waldenbuch, off the L 1185 opposite Burkhardtsmühle, GPS: 48.635357, 9.169563  
Bus stop: Waldenbuch Burkhardtsmühle

**Recommended maps:**

Walking map: Wanderkarte Stuttgart, 1:35,000, Landesamt für Geoinformation und Landentwicklung Baden-Württemberg (LGL)

Tourist map: Freizeitkarte 520 Stuttgart, 1:50,000, Landesamt für Geoinformation und Landentwicklung Baden-Württemberg (LGL)

Walking map with cycle paths: Wanderkarte mit Radwegen Stuttgart Südwest, 50-539, 1:25,000, NaturNavi

Walking map with cycle paths: Wanderkarte mit Radwegen Stuttgart Südost, 52-539, 1:25,000, NaturNavi



# Hiking and walking

If you want to walk through the Siebenmühlental valley, there are two options: the Bundeswanderweg ('Federal Hiking Trail') and the Reichenbachtalweg ('Reichenbach Valley Trail'). The Bundeswanderweg runs along a stretch of disused railway a little way above the valley, and is fully tarmacked. The Reichenbachtalweg is a loose gravel trail with some short stretches of unmade paths. It regularly takes you alongside its eponymous river, and at some points you can get up close to the water.

If you want to combine the two routes, you are best advised to start on the Reichenbachtalweg and go as far as the Burkhardtsmühle, then go up to the beer garden and take the Bundeswanderweg back to the start. To make the walk shorter, you can start from the Seebrückenmühle car park. On the return leg, look for a path marked with a red cross shortly after the old Steinenbronn train station to find your way back down to the starting point.



In Siebenmühlental you can ...



**forget time – and simply enjoy.**



## Musberg Friedhof ('cemetery') car park – Schlösslesmühle – Kochenmühle – Burkhardtsmühle

# The Bundeswanderweg

This fully tarmacked route is easier underfoot than the more natural paths of the Reichenbachtalweg, but it's up to you to choose what you prefer. Because of the smooth terrain, you can also expect to see a lot of cyclists and inline skaters on this trail. It's suitable for pushchairs too.

### Starting point:

Car park: Musberg Friedhof ('cemetery')

Bus stop: Musberg Friedhof ('cemetery')

### Route description:

From the car park/bus stop, start by walking along the tarmac path as far as the next viaduct. From here, you head upriver by going down to the car park and keeping right alongside the meadows and the stream until you reach the Eselsmühle, where you can stop for a bite to eat or continue along Mühlweg to the Obere Mühle. To the right of this path is Musberger Eichberg, a conservation area that you can also explore via a separate route. On the hillsides surrounding the Obere Mühle, you can still see parts of an old ski lift. This area was once a ski resort, which was hugely popular with visitors from Stuttgart at a time when the winters used to bring much more snow. It had more than just a ski lift – there was also a ski jump here that was used for championship-level events. Remnants of the jump are still visible on the grassy hillside.









Afterwards, head back to the viaduct – beyond which lies the Mäulesmühle – where the path climbs again. Follow this path along the disused railway line as it continues above the valley, offering beautiful views of the pastures and the mills.

When you reach the Burkhardtsmühle, you can catch the bus back to the starting point. If you'd prefer to keep walking, you can either retrace the path back to the start or follow the Reichenbachtalweg. To reach the Reichenbachtalweg, take the path from the car park/beer garden down to the main road by the Burkhardtsmühle, turn left onto the road and left again soon after, just in front of the Untere Kleinmichelesmühle.

**Distance: 8.5 kilometres**

**Time: 2.5 hours**

**Elevation: Downhill only to the Burkhardtsmühle, about 90 metres to climb on way back**

**Other information: Walking on surfaced trails and paths**



**Musberg sports centre car park – Esels-  
mühle – Mäulesmühle – Seebruckenmühle–  
Schlösslesmühle – Kochenmühle –  
Burkhardtsmühle**

## **The Reichenbachtalweg**

The Reichenbachtalweg runs parallel to the Bundeswanderweg on the eastern side of Siebenmühlental, and yet it offers a completely different experience: it is not tarmac, but gravel and in some places even unmade, making it more natural and more varied. Certain sections also take walkers right alongside the Reichenbach river.

### **Starting point:**

Musberg sports centre car park  
Bus stop: Musberg Kirche ('church')

### **Route description:**

If starting at the bus stop, walk down to the first car park to begin the trail. From here, walk past the sports field to the second car park, then follow the road as it zigzags down to Mühlweg. You're now in the Reichenbach valley.

From here, bear left and keep walking past the grand-looking Obere Mühle and on to the Eselsmühle, where you may well be met with the aroma of freshly baked bread straight from the wood-fired oven. Shortly after, you'll arrive at the car park





under the large viaduct. Beyond the road, take the path to the Mäulesmühle, walking through the grounds and along the roadside path to meet the main road, which connects Echterdingen and Steinenbronn. After a slight left-hand bend, you'll arrive at the Seebruckenmühle car park. From here on, you leave the traffic behind to discover the magnificent scenery of Siebenmühlental.

The footpath forks left to follow the edge of the wood. To your right, you'll see the pastures that line the valley floor then the view opens up to reveal the huge Schlechtmühle. Here, the path climbs a little. Soon after, follow the red cross footpath sign branching off to the right and continue to the Schlösslesmühle, just a little further along.

After the Schlösslesmühle, turn right to walk a little way up Alte Poststrasse. Before you reach the tarmacked Bundeswanderweg, turn left towards the Kochenmühle where the walkers' sign reads 'Alte Poststrasse Siebenmühlental (379m)'. This unmade and sometimes narrow path passes through a patch of unspoilt woodland – look out for fallen trees across the path. In some places the route passes meadows to the left, and you can catch an occasional glimpse of the Walzenmühle between the trees. Cross the stream to join a stony path. To your right is the Bundeswanderweg, and near the walkers' sign reading 'Siebenmühlental Rastplatz Mitte (364m)' you'll see a barbecue site.

Turn off to the left here, cross the Reichenbach via the Gräbleswiesen bridge and then turn right. The path climbs a little before reaching the approach to the Kochenmühle. Follow this down to the right and then take the sharp right bend to enter the grounds of the mill.

**Distance: 9.5 kilometres (approx. 2.5 km shorter if starting from the Seebruckenmühle car park)**

**Time: 2 hours (approx. 30 minutes quicker if starting from the Seebruckenmühle car park)**

**Elevation: Almost exclusively downhill to the Burkhardtsmühle, about 60 metres to climb on way back**

**Other information: Walking on surfaced trails and paths**

From here, follow the approach road back until it bends left, then head straight on following the red cross signpost. Keep walking through the valley with its wide pastures until you reach the Obere Kleinmichelesmühle. A little further along, you will cross the grounds of the Untere Kleinmichelesmühle, which is today a timber yard and sawmill.

After a time, you will meet the L1209 road. Keep right until you reach the Burkhardtsmühle. Opposite the mill, on the right-hand side of the road, a path leads up to the beer garden.

To get back to the starting point from here, you can either catch the bus, retrace the route or take the Bundeswanderweg from the beer garden.



## Eselsmühle car park – Eichberg conservation area – Obere Mühle – Eselsmühle – car park

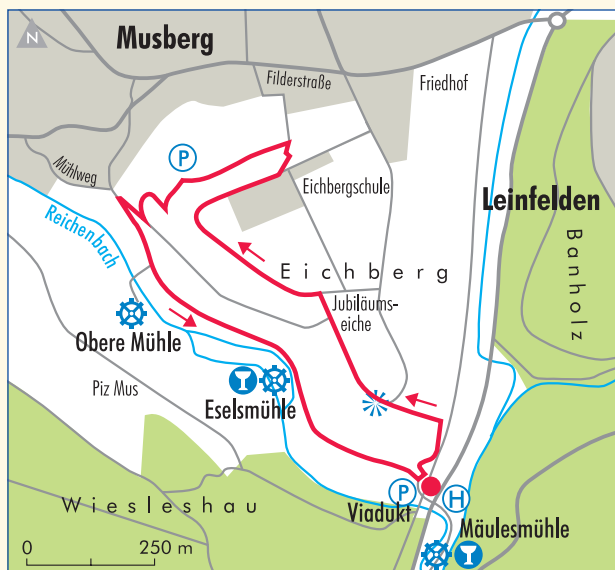
# Through the Musberger Eichberg conservation area

The Musberger Eichberg conservation area is one of two protected areas within Siebenmühlental. This short route walk takes you up to the hilltop, alongside mighty oak trees and fields, past the school and then back down into the Reichenbachtal valley. At the Obere Mühle and Eselsmühle, the route loops back to the starting point.

### Starting point:

Eselsmühle car park

Bus stop: Musberg Eselsmühle





### **Route description:**

From the car park, cross under the viaduct and then head up the steps. When you see the Bundeswanderweg to your right, turn left to continue along a wide unmade path.

Follow the path as it bends left and runs parallel to the valley of the Reichenbach river, passing through idyllic scenery of flower-filled meadows and mighty trees. From the top, you can enjoy beautiful views of the disused Piz Mus ski slopes and the forest behind them.

At the 'jubilee oak' (Jubiläumseiche), turn left. A little further along, the path bends to the right to overlook sports fields and leads you past Eichberg school. After the school, the path goes down to the left and takes you past a playground. Turn left in front of the sports field. Once you can see a car park to your right, keep left and zigzag your way down to Mühlweg in the Reichenbachtal valley. You'll see a housing estate to your right, but turn to the left. To your right you can see up to the Piz Mus and the remains of the old ski lift. Below all this lies the Obere Mühle.

Pass the Eselsmühle to get back to the car park. From here you can cross the road to visit the Mäulesmühle.

**Distance: Approx. 3 kilometres**

**Time: Approx. 1 hour**

**Elevation: Approx. 50 metres**

**Other information: Walking on surfaced trails and paths. Though the initial climb is steep, this route is suitable for pushchairs. However, it is easier if there are two of you.**

**Places to eat en route: Eselsmühle, Mäulesmühle**



**Musberg/Häfner Steige car park – clearing – Schleifrain – Hohenwart – clearing – car park**

## **Woodland walk above Siebenmühlental**

This circular walking route takes you through the woodland to the south of Musberg and to the west of Siebenmühlental. You start by crossing a clearing, and after that it's a gentle walk through a beautiful and largely unspoilt forest of diverse native trees.

### **Starting point:**

Musberg Häfner Steige car park

Bus stop: Musberg Kirche ('church'), then walk downhill along Böblinger Strasse to the Reichenbachtal, then back up to the car park

### **Route description:**

To reach the car park, follow the signposting for 'Schützenhaus Tennisanlage AKI Spielplatz' from Filderstrasse in Musberg. Start by walking downhill along Böblinger Strasse to the Reichenbachtal, carry on past the adventure playground and back up to the Häfner Steige car park. There is additional parking back down the hill just after the playground.

From here, follow the walkers' signposts marked with the blue dot. The path goes briefly downhill, before reaching a clearing of fields and fruit trees. Cross the fields back into woodland. After a short distance the woodland path joins the trail marked with a blue stripe. When the path meets Schleifrainstrasse, bear right.

The woodland path winds its way to a barbecue site, surrounded by beautiful trees, some of which are under conservation protection. After a while, ignore the marked trail that turns right towards 'Gasthof Sulzbachtal' and keep walking straight on.

A little further on, the path climbs uphill slightly and wends its way to Dachsbauallee. Keep right here. The path soon bends to the left. At the next right-hand bend, you'll see another barbecue site to your left. At the next crossroad, you'll see a water tank on your right, but keep on straight ahead.

Where the path crosses Bettelweg, turn left to follow the signpost marked with the red cross. You're now on your way back, passing through the clearing from the start of the route and then on to the car park.



**Distance: Approx. 8.5 kilometres**

**Time: Approx. 2.5 hours**

**Elevation: Approx. 130 metres**

**Other information: Walking on surfaced trails**

**Places to eat en route: Musberg, at the Häfner Steige car park rifle clubhouse, tennis clubhouse**

**Barbecues: two barbecue sites en route**

# Eselsmühle car park in Musberg – Mäulesmühle – Bettelweg – Häfner Steige car park – Obere Mühle – Eselsmühle – car park

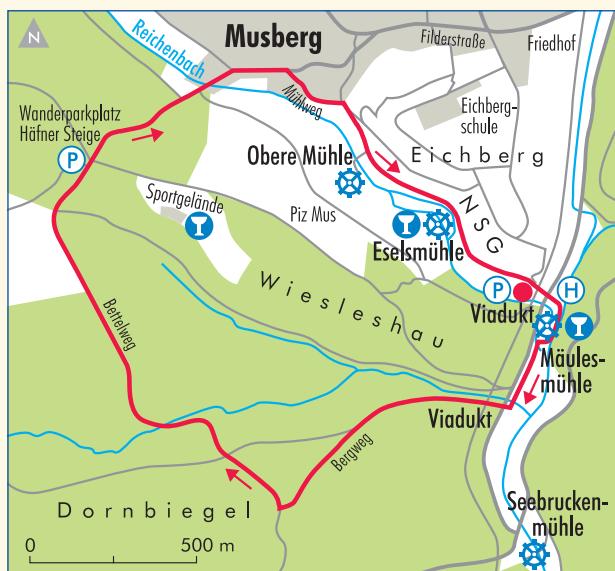
## Mills and woodland

This walk starts and finishes near two mills where you can stop for a bite to eat in the upper reaches of Siebenmühlental. Along the way, we walk through woodland above the valley. At the Mäulesmühle, there is a little nature trail specially designed for children. A shorter version of the route tracks the edge of the wood, above the Piz Mus ski slopes. From here you can see what remains of the ski lift and enjoy a fine view of the Eichberg conservation area and Musberg.

### Starting point:

Musberg, Eselsmühle car park

Bus stop: Musberg Eselsmühle





### **Route description:**

From the car park, cross the road to the Mäulesmühle, continue through the grounds of the mill until you reach the barbecue area, then turn right to rejoin the road, then continue along the pavement to the left.

The viaduct of the old railway will soon come into view on your right, not once but twice. The second time you see it, cross the road and follow the Bergweg, which passes under the viaduct and then climbs a little. When it starts to flatten out, the Bergweg forks right. Keep on the Bergweg a little further until it meets Bettelweg.

Turn right onto Bettelweg. You'll soon see a clearing to your left shortly before reaching the Häfner Steige car park. The





path then drops back down to Musberg. After the first houses, branch right to join Mühlweg. Continue along the road to reach the Eselsmühle, and a few minutes further down the road you'll arrive back at the car park.

For the shorter walk via the Piz Mus ski slope, cross the main road a little earlier when you see the viaduct for the first time. Straight after the viaduct, the path forks into two; follow the right-hand path, which will start to climb. At the next fork, keep right and you will soon be out of the woods. Take in the wonderful views as you follow the edge of the woodland. Pass the tennis court and the rifle clubhouse and you'll soon reach the Häfner Steige car park.

**Distance: Approx. 6 kilometres, the shorter version is roughly 1.5 kilometres shorter**

**Time: Approx. 1.5 hours**

**Elevation: Approx. 70 metres**

**Other information: Walking on surfaced trails.**

**This route is also suitable for pushchairs. On the shorter route, it is helpful if there are two of you to get round the barrier when the path forks under the viaduct.**

**Places to eat en route: rifle clubhouse and tennis club at Häfner Steige car park, Mäulesmühle, Eselsmühle**



## Seebrückenmühle – Schlösslesmühle – Steinenbronn – Häfner Steige car park– Musberg – Obere Mühle – Eselsmühle – Mäulesmühle – Seebrückenmühle

# From Siebenmühlental up to Steinenbronn

This route passes three mills that serve food and drink. Two of them are towards the end of the route and make a lovely way to round off the walk. The route begins with a peaceful and flat walk through the valley before climbing up to Steinenbronn, continuing along the wooded hilltops, and back into Siebenmühlental.

### Starting point:

Seebrückenmühle car park

Bus stop: Musberg Seebrückenmühle





### **Route description:**

From the car park by the Seebruckenmühle, follow the Reichenbachtalweg through Siebenmühlental. To your right, you'll see the meadows that line the valley floor then the view opens up to reveal the huge Schlechtmühle. Here, the path climbs a little. Soon after, follow the red cross footpath sign branching off to the right and continue to the Schösslesmühle, just a little further downhill.

After the Schösslesmühle you'll come to Alte Poststrasse. Turn right here, cross the Bundeswanderweg and follow the road uphill a little way. You'll soon see a walkers' sign with a blue cross leading to a clearing to the right. Walk between the allotments, following the sign marked 'Fussweg nach Steinenbronn' (footpath to Steinenbronn).

Once in the fields, the path bends to the left and meets a crossroad. Turn right here then when you reach the buildings on the edge of the town, turn left onto Lerchenstrasse. Follow the road through the industrial estate right to the end. Where the road stops just before the bypass (Umgehungsstrasse), follow the path round to the left until it intersects with Kringstrasse. Bear right, walk under the bypass and then turn right again immediately. At the next crossroad, keep left for Hohewartstrasse.

Follow this road through the residential area to the edge of the woods. When you see the red cross sign, turn left towards Musberg. Follow the Bettelweg trail until you reach a clearing, at the back of which you'll find Häfner Steige car park.





From here, the route goes downhill to Musberg. After the first houses, branch right to join Mühlweg. Continue along the road to reach the Eselsmühle, and a few minutes further down the road you'll reach the main road. Cross the road and walk through the grounds of the Mäulesmühle until you rejoin the road. Follow the path to the left of the road until you reach a crossroad. A slight left leads you to the Seebruckenmühle car park.

**Distance: Approx. 11 kilometres**

**Time: Approx. 3 hours**

**Elevation: Approx. 100 metres**

**Other information: Walking on surfaced trails and paths**

**Places to eat en route: Steinenbronn, rifle club-house and tennis club by the Häfner Steige car park, Schlösslesmühle, Eselsmühle, Mäulesmühle**



Seebruckenmühle – Schlösslesmühle –  
Stetten – Weidacher Höhe – archaeological  
trail – Seebruckenmühle

## From Siebenmühlental up to the Federlesmahd archaeological trail

The route begins with a gentle walk through Siebenmühlental via the Reichenbachtalweg. Along the way you'll pass by three mills: Seebruckenmühle, the impressive Schlechtmühle and Schlösslesmühle. The route then follows a narrow path up to Stetten and on to the Weidacher Höhe upland. Then comes the educational part of the walk: the Federlesmahd archaeological trail, which is incorporated into this route. The path is lined with numerous information boards that offer insight into the region's fascinating history. You'll also see Celtic burial mounds here and, at one stop, a collection of replicas of Celtic death and deity sculptures. They were all discovered here in Baden-Württemberg. The route then takes you back down into the valley.

### Starting point:

Seebruckenmühle car park

Bus stop: Musberg Seebruckenmühle

### Route description:

From the Seebruckenmühle car park, follow the Reichenbachtalweg into Siebenmühlental. To your right, you'll see the meadows that line the valley floor then the view opens up to reveal the huge Schlechtmühle. The path then climbs a little. Soon after, follow the red cross walkers' sign branching off to the right and continue to the Schlösslesmühle, just a little further downhill.

Cross over Alte Poststrasse and carry on a few metres straight ahead, then turn left onto a trail marked with a blue cross. This takes you uphill through dense woodland. After a while, the path meets a gravel woodland path. Keep right for a short while



until the signposted footpath branches off to the left. Take the path to the right and walk uphill through unspoilt woodland where moss-covered fallen trees and branches line the path. Keep going all the way up to the edge of the wood, where you'll see a tarmacked track beside a field.

Bear left and the path soon bends right to bring you to a junction with another trail. Follow this trail, marked by the red cross, round to the left, passing between fields, orchards and allotments. On reaching the wood, keep to the edge of the trees and walk past the water tank and the 1871 war memorial until you reach the Weidacher Höhe upland.





### Celtic steles for their dead and their gods.

Where the route intersects Alte Poststrasse, take the path to the right of the road, which leads to the woods. At the fork in the path, you'll see a sign marked 'Geologische Übersicht' (geological overview). To its left is an information board about 'Alte Poststrasse'. Soon after, you'll see a sign leading to the archaeological trail via a path to the left. You'll then pass the information boards entitled 'Waldgeschichte' (history of the wood) and 'Echterdinger Wald' (Echterdingen Forest). Here, the path bends to the right and meets a woodland track, where you turn left.

A few minutes further along, turn right at the sign marked 'Von der Steinzeit ins Mittelalter' (from the Stone Age to the Middle Ages). If you like, you can initially carry on a little further and keep right at the sign 'Waldgerechtigkeiten' (wood privileges), then go back and keep left. After the information board, you'll come to a clearing, where you'll see another board marked 'Grabhügel', which provides information about the burial mound behind it. Beyond that you'll see the replicas of Celtic death and deity sculptures.

Continue along the path as it bends to the right and leads to a wide woodland track. From here on, follow the red cross. The path continues to the left, but 200 metres ahead you'll find a Celtic settlement site. Continue around the right-hand bend until you reach the ramparts and the sign marked 'Riesenschanze'.



Afterwards, turn back to the woodland track and follow it round to the right. Just before the path crosses Rasierbuckelallee, you'll see a table and benches. Continue downhill along the steep path ('Der Steile') until it reaches Hagenbuchenallee. This brings us round to the right to the junction with Seeweg. Turn left along Seeweg and follow the red dot sign along the road, back down to the starting point.

**Distance: Approx. 10 kilometres**

**Time: Approx. 2.5 hours**

**Elevation: Approx. 170 metres**

**Other information: Walking mostly on surfaced trails, with some paths**

**Places to eat en route: Schlösslesmühle, Weidacher Höhe**

Seebrückenmühle – Reichenbachtalweg –  
Schlösslesmühle – Bundeswanderweg trail –  
Seebrückenmühle

## Walking from mill to mill

This walk takes you via the Schlösslesmühle restaurant, where you can stop mid-walk to refuel and re-energize. The return leg is a gentle walk along the Bundeswanderweg. This route is even suitable for pushchairs, though the terrain gets a little rougher for the last few metres up to the Schlösslesmühle and the last little stretch down to the Seebrückenmühle, so it is helpful if there are two of you.

### Starting point:

Seebrückenmühle car park

Bus stop: Musberg Seebrückenmühle

### Route description:

From the Seebrückenmühle car park, follow the gravel-covered Reichenbachtalweg into Siebenmühlental. To your right, you'll see the meadows that line the valley floor then the view opens up to reveal the huge Schlechtmühle. Here, the path climbs a little. Soon after, follow the red cross walkers' sign branching off to the right and continue to the Schlösslesmühle, just a little further downhill. The last section of the path is slightly uneven, so it is easier if there are two of you.





Behind the Schlösslesmühle, go uphill a little way along Alte Poststrasse to join the Bundeswanderweg. Bear right onto this tarmacked track.

This will take you past the old Steinbronn train station. After the station, but before the viaduct, turn right at the walkers' sign marked with a red cross, and walk back down to Seebrückenmühle car park. The path becomes a little uneven again here.

**Distance: Approx. 4 kilometres**

**Time: Approx. 1 hour**

**Elevation: Approx. 40 metres**

**Other information: Walking on gravel and tarmacked paths**

**Places to eat en route: Schlösslesmühle**



**Stettener Hütte walkers' car park in Stetten –  
Weidacher Höhe – Schlösslesmühle –  
Kochenmühle – car park**

## **From Stetten to Schlösslesmühle and Kochenmühle**

This route takes in two mills that are run as restaurants – Schlösslesmühle and Kochenmühle. It starts along the old postal track into Siebenmühlental until you reach the first mill. A scenic path along the valley floor then leads you to the second mill. From here, you go back up to the starting point.

### **Starting point:**

Stettener Hütte walkers' car park in Stetten

Bus stop: Stetten (F) Hof

### **Route description:**

Leave the car park the way you came in and turn left after a short while onto Gräbleswiesenweg. Once you pass the tennis court on the left, the road begins to bend to the right – at this point, continue straight into the fields. To your left, you can enjoy a panoramic view towards Schönbuch and the TV tower on Betzenberg hill.

At the edge of the woods, turn right onto Reuteweg and follow it round to the right. Soon after, the tarmacked track bends right. At the next junction, turn left. When you come to the edge of the wood, keep right to walk along Waldheimstrasse. To your left, you'll see a water tank and a memorial to the war of 1871. Then you'll pass a restaurant, shortly followed by the car parks on Weidacher Höhe.

Turn left here and walk along Alter Postweg, following the signs with a blue stripe down into Siebenmühlental. After the Schlösslesmühle, the road climbs uphill a little. At the walkers' sign marked 'Alte Poststrasse Siebenmühlental (379 m)', turn left towards Kochenmühle. This sometimes narrow path



passes through a patch of unspoilt woodland – look out for fallen trees across the path. In some places the route passes meadows to the left, and you can catch an occasional glimpse of the Walzenmühle between the trees. Cross the stream to meet the stony path. To your right is the Bundeswanderweg, and near the walkers' sign reading 'Siebenmühlental Rastplatz Mitte (364m)' you'll see a barbecue site.

Turn off to the left here, cross the Reichenbach via the Gräbleswiesen bridge and then turn right. The path climbs a little before reaching the approach to the Kochenmühle. If you want to stop here for something to eat or drink, turn right and go downhill a little until you reach the grounds of the mill.

You can get back from the mill either via the approach or via the enchanting little path (indicated by the sign with the red dot) that runs between the mill buildings all the way to the road.

Then follow the road uphill all the way back to the walkers' car park.

**Distance: Approx. 8 kilometres**

**Time: Approx. 2.5 hours**

**Elevation: Approx. 190 metres**

**Other information: Walking on surfaced trails, and on a path in Siebenmühlental itself**

**Places to eat en route: Schlösslesmühle, Kochenmühle, Stetten sportsground, Weidacher Höhe**

**Barbecue sites: At the rest stop in the Siebenmühlental valley (marked 'Rastplatz Mitte') and at the large field at the starting point**



Burkhardtsmühle – Plattenhardt – Bärensee lake  
– Kochenmühle – Obere Kleinmichelesmühle –  
Untere Kleinmichelesmühle – Burkhardtsmühle

## Kochenmühle and Burkhardtsmühle via Bärensee lake

This walk takes in a total of four mills, two of which serve food and drink. And with the beer garden just up from Burkhardtsmühle, you have a third option for a well-earned break. The route also passes by the idyllic Bärensee lake – a hidden gem on the wooded slopes above Siebenmühlental.

### Starting point:

Car park by the beer garden just up from Burkhardtsmühle  
Bus stop: Waldenbuch Burkhardtsmühle

### Route description:

Start at the walkers' car park by the beer garden overlooking the Burkhardtsmühle. From here, take the bridge over the L1185 then turn left, following the cycle path signposted 'Nürtingen Neuenhaus'. Where the path forks soon after, carry straight on, following the signs for the cycle path and the red dot footpath, to continue through the Aich valley.

After passing a barbecue site on your right and a pond on your left, turn left. Cross the Aich river to reach the main road. Cross the road and take the path that curves to the right into the woods. You are now on the path marked with the red cross.

The path gradually climbs uphill and after a little while intersects with a lane called Aichhaldesträssle. Turn left here and follow the path as it makes a wide right-hand bend, then fork right just before a gentle curve to the right to join a trail marked with walkers' signs. A little later you will reach a crossing back on the woodland trails. Cross straight over and continue along Uhlberghangweg.



After a left-hand bend, you'll see a sharp turn to the right, but follow the red cross bearing right onto a narrow trail. When the path meets the next intersecting woodland trail, keep left and you'll soon be back on the woodland trail you were on before. Follow this and you soon leave the wood and reach a car park. After passing a few houses you then meet the main road (L1209).

Turn left, followed immediately by a right turn into Reute-  
strasse. Then take the second left (Bergstrasse). Keep walking straight through the residential area. At the end of the houses, turn right and follow the sign for the cycle path. When



Lailensäckerstrasse takes you past more houses, turn left onto Spitzäckerstrasse. As the road bends to the right, we fork left onto Auf dem Sohl and take the path located between house no. 51 and the next row of houses, which takes you out into the fields.

Keep walking to the woods, passing by a nursing home and allotments. Then turn right onto Feldhüttenweg and walk along the edge of the woodland until you reach the outdoor gym. You'll see Fesslerweg to your right, but take the left turn onto Jägereichenweg.

Keep walking straight ahead, and you'll occasionally pass walkers' signposts marked with the red dot. After a while, you can turn right to make a detour to the memorial site ('Gedenkstätte') that honours the victims of the Third Reich.

A little further on, the road forks and Jägereichenweg branches left and the road to Bärensee lake branches right. Take this and you'll soon reach Bärensee lake. With its water lilies and island, it makes a very picturesque scene.





Follow the road that leads away from the lake (Hauweg). Shortly after you'll see a sign pointing right to Reichenbachtal. Follow this down into the Reichenbachtal valley, taking care as the path is very steep at the end. When you reach another junction, turn right towards the Kochenmühle. Keep following the red cross round to the left. Continue walking through the valley with its wide pastures until you reach the Obere Kleinmichelesmühle. A little further along, you will cross the grounds of the Untere Kleinmichelesmühle, which is today a timber yard and sawmill.

After a time, you will meet the L1209 road. Keep right until you reach the Burkhardtsmühle. Opposite the mill, on the right-hand side of the road, a path leads from the road back up to the starting point.

**Distance: Approx. 11 kilometres**

**Time: Approx. 3 hours**

**Elevation: Approx. 200 metres**

**Other information: Walking mostly on surfaced trails, with short sections on paths**

**Places to eat en route: Kochenmühle, Burkhardtsmühle, beer garden by walkers' car park**



**Burkhardtsmühle – Bundeswanderweg –  
Kochenmühle – Reichenbachtalweg –  
Burkhardtsmühle**

## **Walk from Burkhardts- mühle to Kochenmühle**

As with the route in the northern section of Siebenmühlental, this walk in the southern part of the valley combines the unmade, gravelly Reichenbachtalweg trail with the tarmacked Bundeswanderweg trail that follows the old railway. There are two restaurants on this route – one at the start/finish point and one halfway round, where the route starts its return leg. This walk is also suitable for pushchairs, though it is easier if there are two of you to manage the bumpier path from the Bundeswanderweg down to the Kochenmühle.

### **Starting point:**

Car park by the beer garden just up from Burkhardtsmühle  
Bus stop: Waldenbuch Burkhardtsmühle

### **Route description:**

Pass between the beer garden and the walkers' car park above the Burkhardtsmühle to take the Bundeswanderweg north. The route starts with a gentle uphill taking you above Siebenmühlental. When you see a sign pointing to the right to Kochenmühle, follow the path (marked with the red dot) downhill.

**Distance: Approx. 5 kilometres**

**Time: Approx. 1.5 hours**

**Elevation: Approx. 30 metres**

**Other information: Walking on gravel-covered and tarmacked tracks**

**Places to eat en route: Burkhardtsmühle, beer garden, Kochenmühle**



Continue through the grounds of Kochenmühle and then keep right to join the gravel-covered Reichenbachtalweg, which leads you through the valley with its sweeping meadows until you reach the Obere Kleinmichelesmühle. A little further along, you will cross the grounds of the Untere Kleinmichelesmühle, which is today a timber yard and sawmill.

After a time, you will meet the L1209 road. Keep right until you reach the Burkhardtsmühle. Opposite the mill, on the right-hand side of the road, a steep path leads from the road back up to the starting point. If you have a pushchair, it would be better if there were two of you here. Alternatively, you can turn right after Burkhardtsmühle onto the L1185 and walk the short distance to the car park's vehicle entrance.



Burkhardtsmühle – Liebenau – Hasenhof –  
Kochenmühle – Burkhardtsmühle

# Into Siebenmühlental via Hasenhof

Though this walk may be short, it packs a punch with a climb up to the Hasenhof and a steep descent into Siebenmühlental. There's also the Kochenmühle at the halfway point and the Burkhardtsmühle and a beer garden at the end for a well-earned break.

## Starting point:

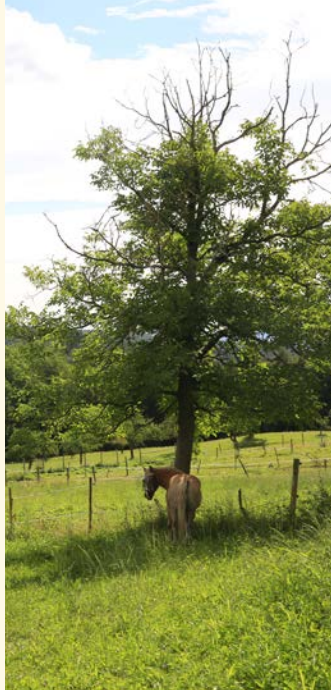
Car park by the beer garden just up from Burkhardtsmühle

Bus stop: Waldenbuch Burkhardtsmühle

## Route description:

From the walkers' car park overlooking Burkhardtsmühle (or from the beer garden), cross the bridge towards Waldenbuch. Keep the village of Glashütte on your left, and then further along take a right across the Aich river and continue towards Liebenau.





Continue straight over the roundabout and then turn immediately right onto Austrasse, following the walkers' sign with the red cross. Where the road starts to bend left into Am Waldrand, go straight ahead into the woods. Keep straight until you reach a fork in the path, then follow the red cross sign to the left, along Dornhaldenweg.

A little further along, the route marked with the red cross branches off to the right onto an unmade trail. Keep following the red cross until you reach a junction with another path. Turn left and you'll soon leave the woods behind you.

Follow Teckstrasse all the way to Hasenhof and when you see the sign marked 'Hasenhof Lindenstrasse (460m)', be sure to admire the mighty lime tree to the left. Follow Lindenstrasse ('Lime Street') and the red dot route round to the right, then keep left for a while until you reach the timber-framed house. Turn right into Weidacher Weg. Pass the houses and when you reach a crossroad, go straight over, passing between the fountain and the meadows and follow the grassy and later somewhat undefined trail uphill. When you reach the edge of the wood, continue straight on to a surfaced woodland path. You will then drop down towards the Bundeswanderweg following the red dot.

At this point, you can choose which route to take back to the starting point. One option is to follow the tarmacked Bundeswanderweg straight back to the car park. Alternatively, you can cross over the Bundeswanderweg and go downhill to the Kochenmühle. Cross over to the right-hand side of the mill and turn right to join the gravel-covered Reichenbachtalweg. This path takes you past the Obere Kleinmichelesmühle then the Untere Kleinmichelesmühle. You then join the main road, turn right and follow the road to the Burkhardtsmühle. To the right of the restaurant, you'll see a narrow path leading up to the beer garden and car park.



**Distance: Approx. 7.5 kilometres**

**Time: Approx. 2 hours**

**Elevation: Approx. 130 metres**

**Other information: Walking on surfaced trails and paths**

**Places to eat en route: Burkhardtsmühle, beer garden, Kochenmühle**



In Siebenmühlental you can ...



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# THE MILLS OF THE 'SEVEN MILLS VALLEY'

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Most of the valley's eleven mills are named after former owners, with the exceptions being Obere Mühle ('Upper Mill'), Eselsmühle ('Donkey Mill'), Seebrückenmühle ('Lake Bridge Mill') and Schösslesmühle ('Little Palace Mill').

They were mainly used to mill grains, and sometimes served as sawmills. Eselsmühle, Mäulesmühle, Schösslesmühle, Kochenmühle and Burkhardtsmühle have all now been made into restaurants, whereas the other mills are privately owned and closed to visitors.

Here is an overview of the mills, listed from north to south.

## OBERE MÜHLE

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Dating back to the 14th century, this grand-looking mill is one of the oldest in the valley. The mill itself is housed within a Renaissance building with an impressive hipped roof. From 1603 to 1673 it belonged to citizens of Stuttgart, including the Lax family. At the end of the 19th century, it doubled as a sawmill.



# ESELSMÜHLE

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The name Eselsmühle first appeared in 1582. Between 1795 and 1937 it was owned by the Lorenz family, whose sons were all called Karl, earning it the name ‘Karlesmühle’ during that period. The mill now incorporates a small café and a shop selling organically produced food and bread (which is still baked in the mill’s wood-fired oven). You can still see the old mill wheel inside, and the shop leads to an interesting mineralogical-geological collection of stones and fossils from around the world. Chickens and ducks roam freely around the mill grounds, and in the surrounding fields you’ll find the donkeys that the mill is named after. The Eselsmühle also has a popular café and outdoor eating area.

Eselsmühle around 1943.





[www.eselsmühle.com](http://www.eselsmühle.com)

**Opening times:**

1 April to 31 December: Tuesday to Sunday noon – 11 pm,  
closed Mondays

1 January to 31 March: Sunday to Thursday noon – 9 pm,  
Friday and Saturday noon – 10 pm, closed Mondays

Tel: +49 (0)711 754 2805



## MÄULESMÜHLE

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Between 1645 and 1665, this mill was also known as Metzgermühle ('Butchers' Mill'), because it was owned by butchers from Echterdingen. These days, it is best known as the home of the Komede-Scheuer, a dialect-focused theatre group that stages its 'Hannes und der Bürgermeister' plays here. The building you see today was constructed in 1819. Thanks to renovation work, it is in the best condition of any mill in the area.

Inside the mill itself, there is a mill museum which is well worth a visit. It traces the history and technological development of the miller's craft and features a fully functioning grinding mechanism from 1819. When the museum is closed, you can still go round the back of the building to see the huge mill wheel.

There is also an organic restaurant and a beer garden that opens in fine weather.

**Tel: +49 (0)711 9975 9610**

**Opening times:**

**Saturday 2–10 pm**

**Monday 2–10 pm**

**Tuesday 2–10 pm**

**[www.bio-restaurant-maeulesmuehle.de](http://www.bio-restaurant-maeulesmuehle.de)**

# SEEBRÜCKENMÜHLE

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This mill was first mentioned in records in the year 1451. Back then, the mill stood between two lakes, which have since been converted into pastures.

# SCHLECHTSMÜHLE (OR SCHLECHTENMÜHLE)

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The first known record of this mill was in 1451, making it one of the oldest in the valley. Today it is part of an organic farm.





## SCHLÖSSESMÜHLE

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The Schloßlesmühle is situated on the historical 'Schweizerstrasse', also known as Alte Poststrasse. This route provided a vital link to Switzerland, and was often travelled by notable personalities, including the German writer Johann Wolfgang von Goethe. The name Schloßlesmühle ('Little Palace Mill') first appeared in 1747, presumably because the stately-looking stepped gable is reminiscent of a German palace. It was also once known as Doktorsmühle ('Doctors' Mill'), because at one point the owners were primarily aristocrats and those of higher standing. It once operated as a large mill with lots of stables. Today, however, it houses a restaurant and guesthouse. Rooms available

**Tel: +49 (0)711 792 712**

**Opening times:**

**Wednesday to Friday**      **from noon**  
**Saturday and Sunday**      **from 11 am**  
**Monday and Tuesday closed**

**[www.schloesslesmuehle.de](http://www.schloesslesmuehle.de)**

**[www.facebook.com/Schloesslesmuehle](https://www.facebook.com/Schloesslesmuehle)**



## WALZENMÜHLE

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The Walzenmühle is one of the newest mills. It fell out of use in the 1930s and is now home to an equestrian training facility.

[www.hofgut-walzenmuehle.de](http://www.hofgut-walzenmuehle.de)

## KOCHENMÜHLE

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This mill was previously owned by a number of noble families. The millstones kept turning right up until the 1930s. Today, it is a restaurant.

**Tel: +49 (0)7157 4764**

**Opening times:**

**Thursday and Friday from 3pm**

**Saturday, Sunday, public holidays from 10 am**



## OBERE KLEINMICHELES- MÜHLE

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This mill was built in 1709, as written on a keystone above one of the doors. The millstones on the wayside serve as a reminder of the building's earlier life. Today, it is privately owned.

## UNTERE KLEINMICHELES- MÜHLE

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Earliest records of this mill date back to 1417. Today, it is used as a sawmill.





## BURKHARDTSMÜHLE

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The Burkhardtsmühle was the last mill to be built in Reichenbachtal, making it the newest one in the valley. It is located at the point where the Reichenbach flows into the Aich. Over the years, it has been run as a sawmill, a ropemakers and an inn. In the 1930s, there was even an outdoor pool and a train station here.

These days, the mill houses a restaurant. And just up the hill, by the Bundeswanderweg and the car park, there is a beer garden.

**Tel: +49 (0)7157 880 364**

**Opening times:**

**Monday to Saturday**

**11 am – 2.30 pm and 5 – 11 pm**

**Sunday**

**11 am – 11 pm**

**Tuesday closed**

**Waldmeister beer garden**

**[www.waldmeister-biergarten.de](http://www.waldmeister-biergarten.de)**

**Tel: +49 (0)7157 536 193**

**Opening times:**

**Daily from 11 am**

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# The history of the railway in Siebenmühlental:

Between 1928 and 1955, a railway ran through Siebenmühlental all the way to Waldenbuch. During those years, it used to bring commuters from Waldenbuch and Dettenhausen into Stuttgart and the surrounding area, as well as transporting city dwellers into the idyllic Siebenmühlental at weekends. The Bundeswanderweg trail now follows the disused line.

The railway runs through Siebenmühlental until 1956.



Foto: Wilhelm Kehr, 1929

# Other attractions in and around Siebenmühlental

## Leinfelden-Echterdingen

### Leinfelden-Echterdingen Museum

Besides the permanent exhibition on local history, visitors to the museum can see exhibits on the business of growing filderkraut – the cabbage that the region is famed for. There are also displays on pastor and engineer Philipp Matthäus Hahn, the great Zeppelin disaster of 1907 and the satellite concentration camp in Echterdingen. Outside the museum, passers-by can't help but notice the magnificent and fully functioning clock, which originates from Echterdingen church.

Hauptstrasse 79, Echterdingen

Tel: +49 (0)711 997 5408

Opening times: Sunday 10.30 am–12.30 pm and 2.30–5.30 pm and by prior arrangement

### Deutsches Spielkartenmuseum (German Museum of Playing Cards)

The museum is home to Europe's largest public collection of playing cards, which spans seven centuries and five continents. It also has a display of prints and decorative art, as well as a specialist library and printing blocks, card presses, glass and textiles, and an Asian-Indian collection that some consider to be the most extensive and most beautiful in the world.

Schönbuchstrasse 32, Leinfelden

Tel: +49 (0)711 756 0120

spielkartenmuseum@le-mail.de

www.spielkartenmuseum.de

Opening times: by arrangement

### **Leinfelder Haus**

Built in 1570, this building houses a collection that documents the region's history, including exhibits on Schmiedshausen locals who were displaced after the Second World War, and on Leinfelden-Echterdingen's twin town partnerships.

Lengenfeldstrasse 24, Leinfelden

Tel: +49 (0)711 755 497 and 756 540

Opening times: first Saturday of the month 2–9 pm; for special exhibitions Saturday 2–6 pm

### **Musberg Feuerwehrmuseum (Musberg Fire Brigade Museum)**

At this museum you can see 19th century firefighting equipment, alongside fire engines, hose wagons, pump wagons, firefighter helmets and uniforms, breathing apparatus and fire extinguishers.

Ludwigstrasse 9, Musberg

Tel: +49 (0)711 758 5357

Opening times: by arrangement

### **Eselsmühle Geological Collection**

In the 1950s, Rudolf Gmelin, who used to own Eselsmühle mill, set up a display of geological artefacts inside the mill, based around Rudolf Steiner's anthroposophical theory of development.

Eselsmühle, Musberg

Tel: +49 (0)711 754 2811 and 754 2535

Opening times: Mon to Sat 9 am–6 pm, Sun noon – 6 pm

### **Mäulesmühle Mill Museum**

Here you can see the historical equipment that was once used in the mill. The museum also offers insight into the working and living conditions of a miller in pre-industrial times and the once arduous process of turning grains into bread. When the museum is closed, you can still take a peek around the back of the mill to see the old water wheel.

Mäulesmühle 1, Musberg

Tel: +49 (0)711 997 5408

Opening times: Saturday to Tuesday 2–6 pm



Lebongefahr



# Waldenbuch

Waldenbuch is a charming little town full of quaint historical buildings. The old quarter has been completely restored and made into a traffic-calmed zone. With all its beautiful and lovingly maintained timber-framed houses, the town almost looks like an open-air museum.

Up on a hilltop stands Schloss Waldenbuch, a grand hunting lodge built by the dukes of Württemberg in the Renaissance style in 1562/1565, complete with vaulted hall and stone spiral staircase.

## **Museums:**

### **Museum der Alltagskultur (Museum of Domestic Culture)**

The museum at Schloss Waldenbuch is one of the foremost museums of cultural history anywhere in the German-speaking countries. Part of the Württemberg State Museum's collection, the exhibition focuses on the daily lives of people from all echelons of society in the town and in the country and juxtaposes historical objects with their modern equivalents.

The museum uses genuine furniture and domestic objects to illustrate developments in our homes. Other sections explore topics such as working life, advertising and consumer habits, clothing, faith, popular imagery and technical advances in housework. There are also exhibitions documenting the history of the former hunting lodge, which played a central role in the Württemberg dukes' hunts from the 16th to the 18th century.

Schloss Waldenbuch, Kirchgasse 3

Tel: +49 (0)7157 8204

[museum-der-alltagskultur@landesmuseum-stuttgart.de](mailto:museum-der-alltagskultur@landesmuseum-stuttgart.de)

[www.museum-der-alltagskultur.de](http://www.museum-der-alltagskultur.de)

Opening times: Tuesday to Saturday 10 am–5 pm, Sunday and public holidays 10 am–6 pm

### **The Ritter Museum – the Marli Hoppe-Ritter collection**

All the paintings, drawings and other works in this museum have a unifying theme – the square, in tribute to the iconic shape of the Ritter chocolate bar. The international collection also explores the history of geometric abstract art during the 20th and 21st centuries. The exhibits are all housed in a distinctive, purpose-built museum, designed by Swiss architect Max Dudler to reflect the Ritter square. The building also contains Ritter Sport's visitor centre, where you can stock up on chocolate and the kids can have a go at making some.

Alfred-Ritter-Strasse 27

Tel: +49 (0)7157 35110

info@museum-ritter.de

www.museum-ritter.de

Opening times: Tuesday to Sunday 11 am–6 pm



Afterword by the mayor:

## A popular location

Dear visitors,

I am so glad that you have found your way to our idyllic Siebenmühlental.

After a restful walk through unspoiled nature or an action-packed bike ride along the federal hiking trail, you will find refreshment in one of the many secluded garden restaurants and traditional mill lounges.

Leinfelden-Echterdingen is a city that warmly welcomes its guests and visitors. Come and see for yourself. The city offers quaint accommodation, international cuisine, a variety of leisure and shopping opportunities and of course all the services you require for your everyday needs.

Leinfelden-Echterdingen is one of the most desirable business locations in the region, and with “Siebenmühlental”, our nature and forest reserve, it is one of the most popular recreation areas in the Schönbuch forest.

I hope you enjoy your stay.



Roland Klenk,  
Mayor of Leinfelden-Echterdingen.









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## More information and links

### Literature

Siebenmühlental, the history and images

Publications of the Leinfelden-Echterdingen city archives, volume 10 (together with the district of Filder series of historical and regional studies, volume 17)

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### Brochures and leaflets

Guest Guide: Hotels & Dining

Educational trail leaflet

German Playing Cards Museum leaflet

### Links

[www.leinfelden-echterdingen.de](http://www.leinfelden-echterdingen.de)

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