Cycling route Bad Arolsen to Volkmarsen

(approx. 25 km)

Easy round-trip cycling route with opportunities to visit the old town of Volkmarsen as well as Kugelsburg castle and the Sauerbrunnen mineral springs.

The starting point of this cycling tour is the Residenzschloss in Bad Arolsen located at Schloßstr. 27. The route passes along Königin-Emma-Straße past the Welcome Hotel Bad Arolsen and the psychosomatic hospital to Wetterburger Straße. Turn left, sort of doubling back on the parallel street down towards the Fischhaus cafe. Beyond the cafe, the road rises slightly towards a railway crossing. On the other side of the railway tracks, keep right and continue on a dirt road past a farm. Then turn right and cross the railway tracks again, turn immediately left and follow the road towards the valley of the river Aar. And the end of the road, turn left onto the dirt road and up over the railway tracks and continue on the dirt road to Teichweg street in Külte.

Turn right onto Teichweg and continue on it till you come to Hauptstraße. Keep left and go uphill till you come to Stadtweg and follow this road to Volkmarsen. Before getting to the town centre, follow the road straight into the Stadtbruch moor (dog run) and into the old town centre around the town hall and the church. Here you can take in the sights of the historic old town.

The route continues along Wittmarstraße and Kasseler Straße towards Kugelsburg castle and the Sauerbrunnen mineral springs. Right after leaving the town, the route turns left and uphill towards Kugelsburg castle. From the round tower of Kugelsburg castle, you have splendid views over Volkmarsen and its surroundings. If the weather is good, falconers give flight demonstrations with falcons and steppe eagles on Saturdays (15:00) and Sundays (11:00 and 15:00) during the summer months.

Take the path back downhill from Kugelsburg castle and turn left onto Kasseler Straße which becomes Landesstraße L3075 at this point, then turn right towards Ehringen. After about 300 metres, the Sauerbrunnen mineral springs and leisure centre are on your left. Here you can try the mineral water and have some fun on the minigolf course and in the water treading pool.

The route back to Bad Arolsen leads again towards Volkmarsen, along Kasseler Straße and Erpeweg. At the roundabout, take the last exit onto Arolser Straße. After a short distance, turn left again crossing the railway tracks onto Oberer Zollstock. Follow this road, pass the Henkelmann company premises and continue straight to the crossroads, turn right towards Landstraße L3080. From Landstraße on the left of the road, allow the bicycle to coast downhill. At the second crossroads, turn right, continue a tiny bit on the left side of L3080 and turn left again towards Twisteseestaudamm and Reisemobilhafen. Cross the dam of the reservoir at the top right and continue on the lakeside path. Turn right onto Hohler Weg. Go uphill, the turn left onto Burgstraße and continue on Wetterburger Straße and from the valley, take the left-hand cycling lane along Wetterburger Straße uphill towards Bad Arolsen. Where Wetterburger Straße ends, turn right onto Landauer Straße. At the second traffic light, turn right again onto Schloßstraße and return to the Residenzschloss, the starting point of this tour.

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