

# Short Trips from Reutlingen

## Trip Two: Waterfall, Ruins, and Baths at Bad Urach

### Features:

- Hike through the woods to the waterfall (Wasserfall). From there ascend higher to a fortress ruin (Ruine Hohenurach) before descending again into Bad Urach.
- Visit one of the spas (thermal baths) that the town is named for.
- Take a stroll through the charming pedestrian zone of this historic town.

### Time Needed:

- Day Trip, with good weather a plus for the hike.

### Expense:

- Transportation (train to Bad Urach).
- Discretionary (food and drink) - or take a picnic to eat at the waterfall or ruin!
- Entry to the thermal baths; about 10 € for three hours (take your bathing gear).

The Dukes of Württemberg lived in Bad Urach in the middle ages. Eberhard I, who founded Tübingen University in 1477, was among them. Today this charming old town is filled with *Fachwerkhäuser* (half-timbered houses).

There is a train to Bad Urach about once each hour (sometimes you change trains in Metzingen). Get out at the *Wasserfall* stop in Bad Urach (not the main station). Then just follow the signs to the waterfall (use the map at the URL below).

To go to the baths: loop back to the *Wasserfall* train stop and ask for directions to the *AlbThermen* at the *Kurpark*. The *AlbThermen* are very near that stop.

To visit the town: don't backtrack to the *Wasserfall* stop when you come down off the hillside at the end of the hike; town is just ahead of you once you are on flat ground.

At the end of the day depart from the main station in town to go back to Reutlingen.

### Interactive Maps of the Hike and Town:

[www.badurach.de/themen/wandern\\_badurach](http://www.badurach.de/themen/wandern_badurach)

[www.badurach.de/themen/stadt\\_badurach](http://www.badurach.de/themen/stadt_badurach)

*(After using the interactive feature at each URL above, be sure to print the pdf maps to take along.)*

### History of Bad Urach (in German):

[www.badurach.de/themen/stadtgeschichte.lasso](http://www.badurach.de/themen/stadtgeschichte.lasso)

### The Thermal Baths:

[www.albthermen.de](http://www.albthermen.de)

Check this out first to see if you can really get into the idea of mineral / thermal baths!

