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Wertheim am Main

We wanted a quiet day today so just headed off west along the Main River. We left late after a hearty breakfast and enjoyed the slightly cooler morning on a country drive. We did not know a lot about our intended stop-off point but were very pleasantly surprised upon arrival. A number of large river tour/cruise boats were moored opposite the town so we knew our noses must have led us to an interesting spot, at least a popular spot. Sure enough the huge remains of a castle high in the hill behind greeted us as we headed into the urban area. We quickly found a parking spot and eventually managed to pay for our parking ticket - no mean feat when you can't work out the meter instructions. It was then a stroll of about 50 metres into what looked a likely spot for a wander in the altstadt. My goodness what a beautiful place!! There were many different examples of half timbered houses, narrow winding streets, a few peaceful market squares and enough people to bring the place alive.

One thing of interest was the sheer number of cyclists. We discovered later that this town is on the Tauber Valley Cycle Way. It is a 101km pathway from Rothenburg ob der Tauber to this town of Wertheim. - obviously extremely popular. Most of the cyclists were in their golden years and were generally on battery powered bikes.

Something else we noticed were the German number plates - with lettering designating the owner's location. Interesting to note that visitors were coming from all over Germany.





