

Participation in International Folklore Festivals:

1982 Germany , 1986 Austria ,

1988 Sweden , 1989 Hungary ,

1990 France , 1990 France ,

1991 Germany , 1992 Greece ,

1992 Germany , 1992 Slovakia ,

1992 Czech Republic , 1992 Hungary ,

1993 Sweden , 1994 Germany ,

1994 Brazil , 1995 Spain , 1996 Greece ,

, 1996 Spain , 1997 Sweden ,

1998 Spain , 1998 Germany ,

1999 Spain , 1999 Germany ,

2000 Germany , 2000 Germany ,

2001 Germany , 2003 Poland ,

2004 Italy , 2004 Germany ,

2004 Germany , 2005 Poland ,

2006 Spain , 2007 Azores (Portugal) ,

2008 Portugal , 2008 Germany ,

2010 Mexico , 2011 Germany ,

2012 Colombia , 2014 Brazil 

Many greetings

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The folk dance group Ludwigsau-Tann comes from the community Ludwigsau, which is situated 4 km away from Bad Hersfeld in the federal state Hessen in Germany. The community consists of 13 villages with about 6.000 inhabitants.

The group was established in 1981. It nearly consists only of juveniles and young adults.

The group is separated in three different groups: children's group, juvenile's group and the main group with young adults. Every group has its own dancing programme.

The dancers are accompanied by a folk dance band.



The different parts of the traditional costumes are about 100 years old. It is danced in the original traditional costumes of the Rohrbachtal in Ludwigsau which is also called "Besengrund" (besom valley). In former times the making of besoms was an important income for the rural poor population. The besom makers sold their besoms on the markets. That is why the folk dance group also has a dance called "Besentanz" (besom dance) in its programme and they always have a besom with them.

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Except for a few little reproduced details the costumes are still original and still look like they were worn in the "Besengrund" about the turn of the century.

Big international folklore festivals, the co-assistance of the organization of regional festivals and the participation in the festival called "Hessentag" are always part of the programme.



Since the folk dance group exists it made itself a name which is also known beyond the region.

As the group is a member of CIOFF, an international folklore festival is organized by the group at intervals of three years in Ludwigsau-Tann. Many international and national folklore groups take part in this festival.

Every summer the group undertakes a journey abroad to show the songs, dances and customs to the audience.

The dancing programme includes besides folk dances from Hessen and Germany: harvest-, trade- and custom dances. Furthermore dances with bands, arcs and clogs, a series of dances with rococo costumes and a scenic presentation of a Walpurgisnacht (Walpurgis Night) enrich the group's wide programme.

