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SURPRISES ON THE SWISS-GERMAN BORDER

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Source: APN's 'Wildlife of Switzerland: An Introductory Handbook'
Rob Morrey's article in the March edition of the Swiss Railways Society's journal Swiss Express describes his visit to the area between Konstanz and Schaffhausen where, when taking a relatively short journey by train and bus, he crisis-crossed the unmarked Swiss-German border a number of times. His principal destination was Bisingen on the north shore of the River Rhine (population 1,450) which is part of Germany, but is completely surrounded by Canton Schaffhausen on three sides and Canton Thurgau to the south across the river. He describes it as "a small ..."

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