

Holiday ideas



WELCOME TO BAVARIA

Church and traditional costume, meadows and forests, food and drink, emotions and identity - far more than any other part of Germany, Bavaria conjures up a diverse range of associations. And far more than any other state, Bavaria knows how to enjoy life.

In **Deggendorf** the typical lower Bavarian way of life is manifest in the local cuisine and warm-hearted hospitality, in the customs and celebrations marking secular and religious holidays, in the traditional fairs and colourful markets, and an annual Bavarian dialect

conference. Deggendorf is truly a typical lower Bavarian town, traditional at heart and youthfully modern in appearance.

www.liebenswerte-stadt.de

Peter and Paul

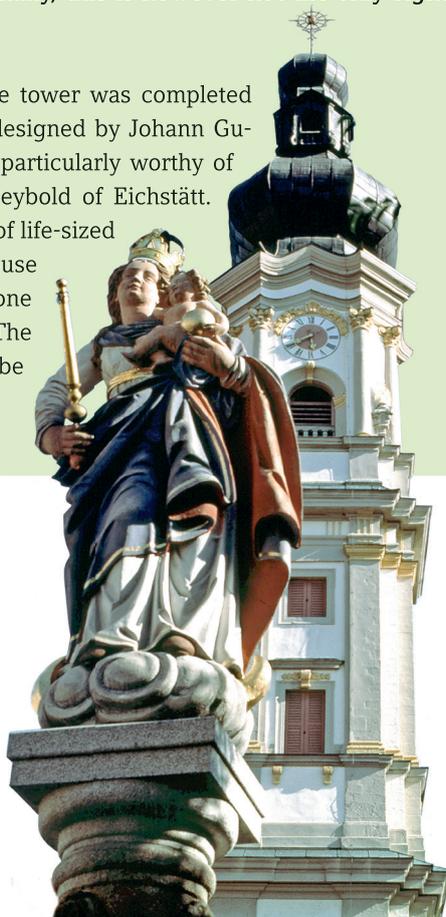
After crossing the bridge over the Danube and passing through the Spitaltor town gate into the historical town centre, visitors will immediately see the splendid tower of the Church of St Peter and St Paul. Considered the most beautiful baroque church tower in southern Germany, this is however not the only sight worth seeing in Deggendorf.

The Church of St Peter and St Paul: the tower was completed by Johann Michael Fischer in 1727 and designed by Johann Guntzrhainer. **Church of the Assumption:** particularly worthy of note is the canopied altar by Matthias Seybold of Eichstätt.

Procession to Calvary: featuring a group of life-sized figures. **Old Town House:** the Town House with its Gothic tower dating from 1535 is one of Deggendorf's best known landmarks. The original night watchman's apartments can be seen during a guided tour of the town.

Audioguide

Take the town's night watchman, Sammer Xidi, and the heroic „dumpling hurler“ along with you on your iPhone as you go on an audio-guided tour of Deggendorf. The guide features an interactive map showing the 28 stops on the tour route and a slideshow (download at iTunes store, search iTour Deggendorf).



Panorama!

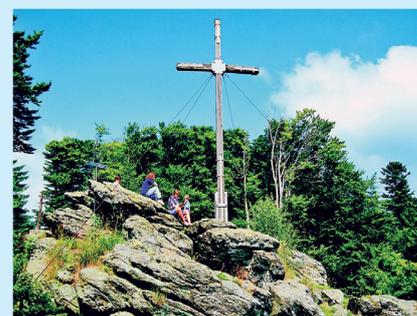
Deggendorf lies in a charming location on the banks of the Danube, 305 m above sea level. The town is spread over gentle hills rising up to 1,114 m above sea level – an 800 m difference in altitude within one town!

As dramatic is the range of attractions and features this town has to offer. Deggendorf is a Bavarian city to love and live in.

Dreitannenriegel

Enjoy panoramic views of the countryside between the Danube and the Bavarian Forest from Deggendorf's many hilltops – and from the Dreitannenriegel (1,092 m). As varied and exciting as the view is the range of leisure activities on offer here. Downhill skiing and cross country skiing is popular in winter. Attracting visitors the rest of the year are a network of well signposted trails, a golf course and Kneipp hydrotherapy wading basins. Of course, the cosy inviting inns and restaurants are open all year round...

www.deggendorf-urlaub.de



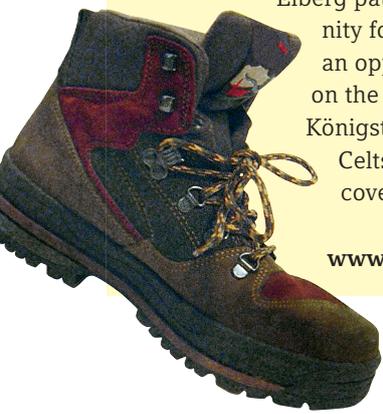


Walk, hike, stroll through the countryside!

One town – countless opportunities. Deggendorf also has plenty to offer hikers and walkers. Numerous enticing paths lead through woods or along the Danube where there is so much to experience, enjoy and admire. Splendid panoramas, fantastic forests, and stops where you can „sharpen your senses“ – all this is on offer on the way up the Rusel.

An idyllic route takes you through the town forest on the Geiersberg hill. The Eiberg path marked by the Stations of the Cross offers an opportunity for thought and prayer; marked trails for Nordic Walking an opportunity to keep fit. Find out about various ecosystems on the Danube Nature Trail, enjoy the „royal“ view from the Königstein rock formation. Or follow in the footsteps of the Celts, who crossed here as they moved west, with their covered wagons. Off you go!

www.deggendorf.de




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Explore on a Segway

Why not explore Deggendorf and its surroundings on a Segway? The electrically powered, silent, self-balancing vehicle is fun to ride and easy to use.

www.segway.de

Golfing at high altitude

An inviting 18 hole course awaits golfers in the foothills of the Bavarian Forest, 840 m above sea level.

Wonderful views, unspoilt nature and warm hospitality make a round of golf here quite an experience.

www.deggendorfer-golfclub.de

A piece of Bavarian tradition

For over 90 years the legendary herbal schnapps Eckert Bärwurz has been distilled in Deggendorf. Clear and with an intensively spicy taste, it's well known far beyond the Bavarian Forest. Eckert Bärwurz is made in the oldest Bärwurz distilleries in the world, which is managed today by the grandson of the man who



The legendary Eckert Bärwurz

invented Bärwurz and by the great-grand-nephew of Sebastian Kneipp, the priest who developed Kneipp hydrotherapy. Every stage in production – from selecting the Bärwurz herb root to bottling – is done by hand. During a guided tour of distillery and museum you might even unlock the closely guarded secrets of the family recipe...



Shipmaster's house

This listed building dating from 1590 is one of the oldest houses in Deggendorf. Once the residence of the influential and wealthy shipmaster, it is now used by the local water authority as a venue for exhibitions and events.

www.schiffmeisterhaus.de



BY DAY AND NIGHT, FOR YOUNG AND OLD...

GUIDED TOURS

Deggendorf is worth seeing. By taking a guided tour you will see even more! The tourist information office organises tours for young and old, during the day at even at night, focusing on tradition or focusing on „green“ issues. Fully qualified expert guides lead the tours. Enjoy! **For more details please contact Tourist Info Deggendorf**

WHERE LIFE PULSATES

What do you get when you mix an historical town centre – still retaining its original medieval pearshaped outline – with an attractive, service-oriented shopping area? The result is a town where every shopping trip becomes unforgettable.

Over 500 stores – big and small, modern and traditional – selling a huge range of goods ensure the pedestrian zone in the historical town centre is kept busy and bustling. 1,100 parking spaces in the centre guarantee your shopping trip is stress free right from the start. A host of inviting restaurants, cafés and bistros are ideal for a well-earned break. Shop and relax, soak up the charming atmosphere as you stroll through Deggendorf.



Easy to get to:

By car: exit the motorway at the junction of the A3 and the A92. By train: services from Deggendorf to Plattling and ICE high-speed train. By air: Munich Intl airport 50 minutes away. By boat and ship: Rhine Main Danube canal; mooring facilities for river cruise ships and other passenger vessels.



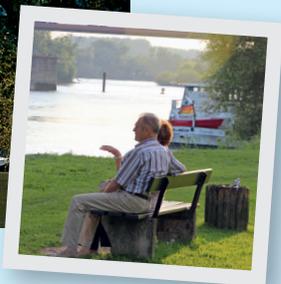
Take a trip to yourself

Deggendorf lies directly on the recently opened 365 km pilgrimage route VIA NOVA. Places of rest and reflection such as the Schaching, Geiersberg and Halbmeile churches are dotted round the town, inviting visitors to contemplate peace, hope and renewal.

www.pilgerweg-vianova.eu

Place of Harmony...

Less than 20 km from Deggendorf is Lalling, a unique park designed and laid out in keeping with Feng Shui philosophy. Special attractions include a nature trail, lake, Zen garden, themed gardens and much more. Lalling is the ideal place to strengthen mind, body and spirit. www.deggendorfer-land.de



THE VIEW FROM THE RIVER

The River Danube played a vital role in the history of Deggendorf. Today the mighty river is important for recreation and leisure activities, with mooring facilities only 20 minutes on foot from the town centre. The walk itself along the elegant Edlmair Boulevard is an excellent start to any boat trip. Cast off in Deggendorf for a round trip during the day or in the evening. River cruise ships regularly stop here too. Discover the world from another angle and enjoy the view from the river.

www.donauschiffahrt.de

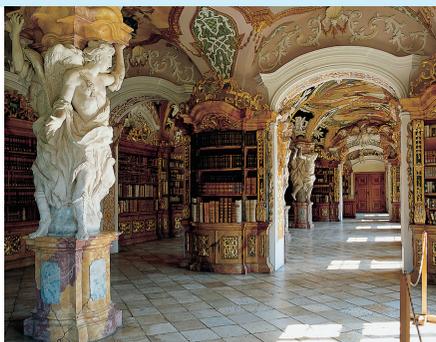
Lake in Lalling park



Paradise of knowledge

The famous baroque library in the Benedictine monastery of Metten contains over 45,000 volumes and is a must see.

Our tip for you: visit the monastery as part of a guided tour which will also take you to impressive Schloss Egg castle.



Go on a time journey through 7,000 years... www.museum-quintana.de





Bikes and water

A town like Deggendorf which boasts so many natural advantages has plenty to offer cyclists, of course. Whether a leisurely bike trip for the family, a long distance journey or a more gruelling challenge, Deggendorf has a network of bike trails and paths which leave nothing to be desired.

Best known is probably the Danube bike trail between Regensburg and Passau. Some of the trail follows the same route as the themed Via Danubia.

Also popular is the Isar trail on the banks of the River Isar. With bikes (including e bikes) and a huge range of accessories available for hire in Deggendorf, getting on your bike is made easy.



University of Applied Sciences

Small but select – and always high up in university rankings: Deggendorf University of Applied Sciences www.fh-deggendorf.de



Did you know...

Deggendorf is part of the Bavarian Forest **KTM eBike Region**? Why not hire an e-bike and test one of these trendy two wheelers for yourself?

www.bayerischer-wald.de

WINTER IN THE TOWN

Located in the northern part of the Bavarian Forest Nature Park, Deggendorf and surroundings are perfect for cross country skiing and snowboarding. The gentle hills, forests and open meadows mean there are trails (70 km in all) to suit everyone.

Located in and around the **cross country ski centre Rusel-Oberbreitenau** is the Greising skilift, as well as the Rusel and Geißkopf skiing and snowboarding schools and a skating rink. The centre is also the starting point for snow shoe tours and numerous winter hikes.

Enjoy a winter wonderland in the town!

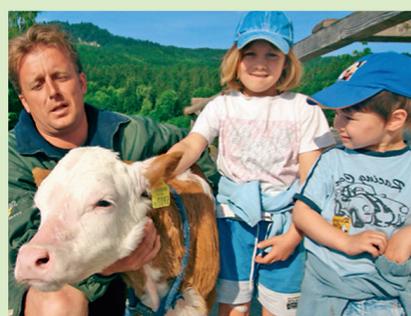
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Gut Aiderbichl

Gut Aiderbichl first became famous as an animal sanctuary in Salzburg. Five years ago it opened a sanctuary in Bavaria, just outside Deggendorf, which is home to 250 animals – and ideal for a family day out!

www.gut-aiderbichl.com



Cultural quarter!

The history of traditional, regional artisan craftsmanship is the focus of Deggendorf's Artisan Crafts Museum, the only one of its kind in eastern Bavaria. Long forgotten skills along with the very latest developments are on show. The museum is one of four buildings which make up the cultural quarter:

the other three are the attractive town library, Deggendorf Museum and the culture centre in the former capucin monastery. The culture centre motto is „Culture for everyone“ and true to those words it offers culture you can see, hear and even join in. This is the cultural heart of the city which beats strong and fast all year round.

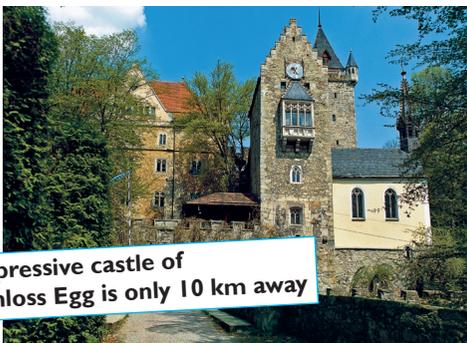
www.kulturviertel-deggendorf.de





Elypso pool and spa

The elypso spa guarantees fun whatever the weather: a water kindergarten, kiddies' pool, slides, play area and baby-care facilities are there for the youngest while older kids will love the flumes like the „Elypso Jumper“, „Black Hole“ and „Rafting Slide“. Adults can relax in the Jacuzzis and solarium. During the summer visitors can also enjoy a wide range of activities outdoors: there is a playground, volleyball court and a soccer pitch, a sun bathing area and shady spots. Snacks and refreshments are available all year round. A trip to the elypso pool and spa is perfect for all the family! www.elypso.de



Impressive castle of Schloss Egg is only 10 km away

Did you know...that?

...there are 200 restaurants, cafés and bistros in Deggendorf eager to welcome you?

Traditional Bavarian specialities, international cuisine and bistro snacks are all on offer. Enjoy your meal!



Waldbahn service to Klattau



The heartbeat of the town

In Deggendorf culture is a priority. This is borne out by the location of the cultural quarter – right in the heart of the historical town centre.

One of Deggendorf's top cultural venues is the centre located in part of the former capucin monastery (Kapuzinerstadt), which houses a concert hall, a theatre and a more intimate stage for cabaret and smaller productions. International art exhibitions are also displayed here. In addition the town's picturesque squares also host numerous events through the year, ranging from the town festival to the Danube summer party, from the Bavarian Bohemian Cultural Festival to colourful markets – the spectrum is diverse and fascinating. In the centre of the town the cultural heart of Deggendorf beats strong.

Culture is truly close to Deggendorf's heart.



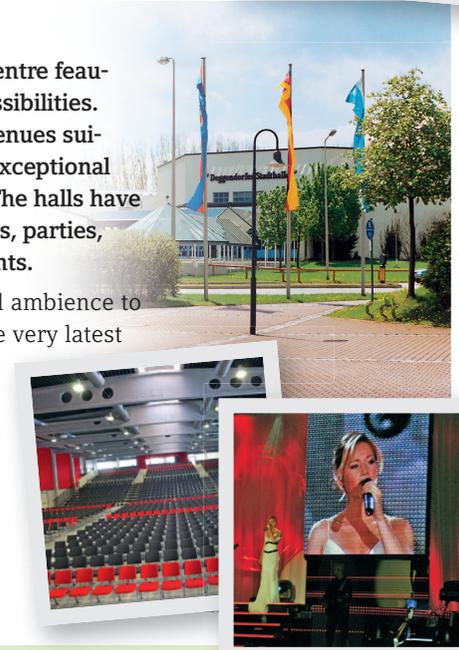
Creative space²

Deggendorf's culture and conference centre features two halls – and boasts countless possibilities. Floorspace can be arranged to create venues suitable for 20 to 4000 people. Thanks to exceptional flexibility almost anything is possible. The halls have hosted trade fairs, conferences, concerts, parties, theatre performances and sporting events.

The centre can create surroundings and ambience to suit individual needs and can supply the very latest technology. Expert staff are on hand to advise, and last but not least there is an excellent catering service eager to fulfil every wish. No matter how small or how big the event – success is guaranteed.

Two halls – all options!

www.deggendorfer-stadthallen.de



Bohemian taster

Take the local Waldbahn train service, which runs once a week, to visit our neighbours in Bohemia. The train follows a picturesque route through the Bavarian Forest to the little town of Klattau, where you can go on a guided tour. Attractions include the renowned baroque pharmacy and the catacombs. After the tour you can savour a traditional Bohemian meal and then spend the afternoon strolling round Klattau, or maybe cycling along part of the Danube Moldau bike trail. The Waldbahn will then take you back to Deggendorf station. Interested?



The dumpling hurler

A fountain in the old town centre commemorates the legend of the „dumpling hurler“. In 1266 Deggendorf was saved from being overrun by Ottokar of Bohemia after the mayor's wife drove off an enemy spy by throwing a dumpling at him. After hearing that the inhabitants were using food to bombard their attackers, the enemy troops concluded a siege would be useless and withdrew.



Unique river landscape

Between Plattling and Deggendorf the River Isar flows into the Danube. The area is a nature reserve, renowned for the numerous species of rare flora and fauna to be found in the wetlands.

Highly recommended: a visit to the Infohaus Isarmündung where displays – covering 250 m² of exhibition space – provide background information about this unique river landscape.

Info: Infohaus Isarmündung
Tel. 09938 919098
www.infohaus-isarmuendung.de

A little break

Not every town can boast a forest in its centre like Deggendorf. The Geiersberg town forest is popular with locals for recreation activities of all kinds, and as a place of quiet contemplation. There is also an opportunity to promote health. A dense network of trails criss-crosses



the forest, leading you to spectacular views. One of Bavaria's oldest pilgrimage churches – dating from the 15th century and dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows – stands here, open to visitors for prayer and reflection. A 3 km trail featuring Kneipp hydrotherapy wading basins invites you to enjoy nature while doing something for your health.

Feel like a trip to the Bavarian Forest?

The Bavarian Forest is on your doorstep – so why not get out and explore?

Sign up for one of the forest tours (organised for groups, departing from Deggendorf) An experienced official guide will accompany you through the Bavarian Forest Nature Park and to the peak of the Arber. You will discover the mysteries of artisan glass blowing, and much more. The easiest way to get to know the fascinating Bavarian Forest! **For more information please contact Tourist Info Deggendorf!**



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