

Munich

To reach the Bavarian capital Munich takes only 1 hour by car from h/p/cosmos. Munich is located on the river Isar and well known as „Cosmopolitan city with heart“ . There are only a few headlines as „culture“ , „buildings“ , „museums“ , „beer gardens“, „Oktoberfest“ and „finest shopping addresses“,. that opens endless facilities to you. With more than 3 millions of guests each year, Munich is one of the most popular targets in Europe.



Munich is a city with lots of history. The first settlements has been founded by Alemannis in the 6th century. In the 10th century monks (German: Mönche). established nearby the river Isar. This is the reason for the future name München. The real foundation was in 1158 by Henry the Lion (Heinrich dem Löwen). In the 15th century (late gothic), during the renaissance- and baroque periode, Munich was an increasing city which was viewable in the townscape. King Ludwig I (1825 – 1848) created Munich as a city with arts and culture of European status. Munich became to a center of German culture and spirit. In spite of destructions, from several large fires and the two wars, numerous buildings are still in original. Prompted by the Olympic Games in 1972 and the Soccer World Championship in 1974 numerous historical buildings has been reconstructed. Spectacular buildings, such as the Olympic Stadion are symbols of the today's Metropolis.

May we invite you to a virtual walk through Munich? Than go into the internet and click onto www.munichtoday.de - click onto the "main page" - select your required picture - a double click takes you into a virtual world of these picture.

Salzburg



Starting in Traunstein it only takes about 35 minutes, by car on highway A 8 (towards Salzburg, and you'll reach the historical city where Mozart is born. Keep your car in one of the parking garages and explore the city by walking. It is very easy to reach all the sights. Probably you'll see more tourists, especially during summer, than Salzburgers in downtown Salzburg. Take an elevator to the "castle", stroll over the "Domplatz" or enjoy the flair of the city while sitting in an old "carriage". The old "graveyard" and a short trip to the "catacombs" moves you into a former century.

Do you prefer shopping, instead of too much cultur? No problem, the road "Getreidegasse" is one of the best shopping-adresses. Relax for a while in the famous "Mirabellgarten" (designed in 1690), the finest Registry Office in the world. Enjoy the groups of sculptures und the exquisitely planned flower beds, and most of all, the wonderful view onto the castle.

More information: www.salzburg.at



The Chiemsee – the bavarian sea



Do it the same way as the people who live in that region and the tourists do, enjoy your time by relaxing at the Chiemsee. Take a long walk on the bank or go by boat, starting in Chieming, to the beautiful isles.

Probably, people live on the isles, besides the wild Krautinsel, since the stone age. But we have only reliable notes beginning at the late 9th century, when the blessedly Irmengard, daughter of King Ludwig the German, lived there.



The Herreninsel, with Palace Herrenchiemsee, is the best known trip in this region. The palace was built by King Ludwig II from Bavaria and should be as superb as Palace Versailles in France. It was built during 1878 – 1885, but unfortunately not finished.

Only the huge dining hall is larger than the original one in Versailles. About 2000 candles had been set fire within 15 minutes. Now only staff is living on the isle.



The Fraueninsel with almost 300 habitants is well known for its splendid agriculture, hospitality and kipper specialities. A place of interest is the 1200 years old church with its freestanding Campanile, the Chiemgau's emblem, and the carolingian gate hall.

More information: www.chiemsee.de