The route that takes you through authentic Bavaria
The German Alpine Road – miles and miles of Bavarian originals

Not only does the German Alpine Road offer one spectacular panoramic view after another, it’s also packed with fascinating cultural attractions. There are over 25 ancient castles, abbeys and picture-perfect palaces to visit, including the internationally famous royal residences of Neuschwanstein Castle and Herrenchiemsee Palace.

Countless churches and abbeys line the route too. The Wieskirche Pilgrimage Church and the abbeys in Ettal and Benediktbeuern, for instance, are all magnificent examples of the baroque style. And there are old stone crosses and small chapels where you can spend a moment of reflection.

Traditional farming villages alternate with historical towns against the majestic backdrop of the Bavarian Alps. Every place has its own history and tales to tell, which you can explore in the numerous museums. Old customs are carefully preserved, particularly in the mountains, and can be admired during the many festivals that take place throughout the year. Watching a Viehscheid cattle drive in the Allgäu mountains or the Leonhardi procession in Bad Tölz provides memorable insights into local traditions. When planning your trip, it’s worth having a look at the variety-filled events calendars of the villages and towns along the road. There’s guaranteed to be something for everyone.
It’s not just the ever-changing scenery and diverse cultural attractions that make the regions of Allgäu and Upper Bavaria so popular with holidaymakers, it’s the lifestyle too. Once the day’s work has been done, it’s time to relax: over dinner, with a drink or with a hoagart, an after-work chat with the neighbour.

Soak up the Bavarian way of life and take the time to relax and enjoy the journey itself as you travel along the German Alpine Road: stop a while at a country inn, take a break on the Alpine pastures or have a picnic by a lake. When it comes to food and drink, there’s plenty to choose from.

Vegetable and fruit, especially apples, flourish in the mild climate of the lower-lying regions such as Lindau and the Inn valley, while the Allgäu mountains are renowned for their cheese. And typical of (Upper) Bavaria are the beer gardens, complete with a hearty lunch. Fruit grown in the regions at higher elevations has a lower sugar content, and is therefore often turned into flavourful schnapps. Anyone with a sweet tooth will find plenty to enjoy, such as freshly made farmhouse ice cream or delectable cakes served with an afternoon coffee.

Lots of local producers and little shops offer handmade delicacies and regional products for sale all along the route.
The German Alpine Road is Germany's oldest tourist route. It is first mentioned in 1879 in an account of a journey that King Maximilian II of Bavaria (1811–1864) undertook in 1858, which in large parts corresponds to the route and the sites along it that we see today.

At the end of the 1920s, a renowned local doctor called Knorz, from the town of Prien am Chiemsee, put forward the idea of a road that “would allow the travelling public to enjoy the stunning beauty of this scenic region, traversing the Bavarian Alps from Lindau to Berchtesgaden.” Tourism officials and members of the regional parliament across all parties promised to champion the cause of this project.

In 1932, the German Touring Club had plans drawn up for the appropriate infrastructure. After the Nazis came to power in 1933, they picked up on the idea and declared the expansion of the German Alpine Road a project of the utmost national importance. The Bavarian government, which was responsible for the project's delivery, commissioned the design of a continuous German Alpine Road from Lake Constance to Berchtesgaden.
Major construction work was required to create the infrastructure along the route. Work on the first section started in Inzell in 1933, and by 1939 around 275 kilometres of the road were completed. But it wasn’t until 1960 that you could drive along the entire route of around 450 kilometres between Lake Constance and Lake Königssee from end to end.

Since then, the road has been hugely popular with visitors from around the world, who flock here to enjoy the exceptional driving adventure, breathtaking views and the experience of authentic Bavaria.

Bayerische Fernwege e.V. is an affiliation of the regions, towns and partner hotels along the German Alpine Road. Originally founded in 2006, it was restructured in 2013 with a comprehensive marketing strategy that aims to position the German Alpine Road among the world’s top ten dream routes. Since 2016, it has also carried out marketing activities for the Lake Constance-Lake Königssee cycle route, and it aims to revive the Maximiliansweg hiking trail as a major tourist attraction in the coming years as well. All this is part of a broader longer-term objective of promoting the routes that run through the Upper Bavaria and Allgäu holiday regions to people travelling on foot, by bike or by road.
The German Alpine Road – an almost cinematic experience

With all its twists and turns, the German Alpine Road is an exhilarating route whether your ride is a motorbike, a motorhome or a convertible. The route covers 450 kilometres between Lindau on Lake Constance and Schönau on Lake Königssee. You’ll be amazed by the sheer variety of natural beauty, from lush Alpine meadows, gently rolling hills and green forests to craggy mountain peaks,
romantic valleys and sparkling lakes. The following pages provide comprehensive information on the route and the places of interest along the road, which by the way is very well maintained and signposted in both directions. There are also practical tips for your trip along Germany’s oldest tourist route.
Allgäu and Lake Constance
Lake Constance to the western Allgäu

Bavaria’s best-loved tourist route starts in the western Allgäu. From Lindau, with its mediterranean feel, the route takes the Rohrach ascent into the Allgäu peaks. This panoramic tour is popular because of the views of the Allgäu and Vorarlberg mountains. The Scheidegg waterfalls and Lindenberg with its hat museum merit a visit.

A walk around Lindau is the perfect way to get in the mood for your upcoming tour along the German Alpine Road. Now the fun really begins – the seven switchbacks of the Rohrach ascent, which climbs 400 metres on an incline of up to 9 per cent, give you a taste of what’s to come on the German Alpine Road. The Scheidegg waterfalls, one of Bavaria’s most beautiful geological features, are well worth a detour, as is idyllic Waldsee, Germany’s highest moorland swimming lake.

The history of the small town of Lindenberg has been shaped by hat making. The first hat factory was founded in the early 19th century during the Biedermeier period. By 1890, there were 34 straw hat manufacturers producing around eight million hats a year. At the beginning of the 20th century, this small town was known as the ‘Little Paris’ of hat fashion.

Over the next few kilometres, there’s a procession of fabulous views. Around 1.5 kilometres after the turn off for Liebherr Aerospace, the Breitenloch parking bay offers magnificent views of the Nagelfluhkette mountains – a great photo opportunity. Further along on the ridge between Weiler and Simmerberg, you can enjoy views across the Allgäu and Vorarlberg mountains, and even to the Säntis mountain in Switzerland when the weather is good. The sun-kissed hills, valleys, farms and meadows of the western Allgäu combine to offer an almost cinematic experience.

**TIPS**

- **Flower Island of Mainau**: fabulous floral blooms on Lake Constance – [www.mainau.de](http://www.mainau.de)
- **Lindenhof Park** with Villa Lindenhof and the ‘peace rooms’ museum – [www.lindau.de](http://www.lindau.de)
- **German Hat Museum**: prolific home workers and daring hat merchants – [www.deutsches-hutmuseum.de](http://www.deutsches-hutmuseum.de)
- **skywalk allgäu** in Scheidegg: treetop walk with views across Lake Constance – [www.skywalk-allgaeu.de](http://www.skywalk-allgaeu.de)
Lindau on Lake Constance
The island and garden town with a mediterranean feel

The scene is unforgettable – a crystal-clear lake, snow-covered mountains in the background, lush green land all around and at the centre a historical island with a unique charm.

The old quarter of Lindau is situated on a picturesque island of around 70 hectares on Lake Constance. Its vibrant squares and rambling alleys give it a mediterranean feel, and the historical town centre is just waiting to be explored – the patrician town houses in Maximilianstrasse, the old town hall, the Gerberschanze bastion and Haus zum Cavazzen. The latter is considered to be one of the prettiest baroque houses on Lake Constance and is home to the municipal museum. Over the years, it has hosted special exhibitions of original works by famous modernist artists. Before closing for renovation work in autumn, the museum will host an exhibition of Expressionist paintings by August Macke entitled ‘Flâneur in the Garden of Art’, which will run from 24 March to 26 August 2018.

The highlight of any visit to the island must be the glorious entrance to Lindau harbour. It features a statue of the Bavarian lion on one side, and the new lighthouse on the other, with glorious views of Lake Constance and the Alps in the background.

Lindau is also a garden city – despite the limited space on the island, there are green oases of calm such as mediterranean Stadtgarten park and Luitpold Park. Visitors to mainland Lindau can enjoy the extensive lakeside areas and gardens, and Lindenhof Park, nestled within the charming villas of the Bavarian Riviera, is perfect for cycling. The park is also an idyllic and popular place for a swim thanks to the public access to the lake and the large trees that provide shade from the sun.

Many festivals and events take place on or near the water, and some of the highlights include the ‘Rund Um’ sailing regatta, the Stadtfest festival, the ‘Komm und See’ wine festival and Lindauer Hafenweihnacht, the popular Christmas festival. In the autumn, as well as the annual fun fair, Lindau celebrates apples during the Apfelwochen festival and regional food and drink during the Genussherbst festival.
Premier address on the lake: Hotel Bayerischer Hof and its partner hotels, Hotel Reutemann and Hotel Seegarten, enjoy a prime location on the lakeside promenade and offer magnificent views of the lake and mountains. 

After a scenic drive on the German Alpine Road, you can unwind in our elegant guest rooms and exclusive suites, which offer all the modern conveniences you would expect. Explore the island town of Lindau with its pretty little lanes, or while away the hours on our garden terrace. Dine in one of our restaurants, enjoy a dip in the indoor or outdoor pools or pamper yourself in our spa.

Discover the special ambience of our family-run hotel, which has been dedicated to offering guests outstanding hospitality for over 160 years.

From €92.50 p.p. sharing a double room, w. breakfast
Having been lovingly and extensively renovated, the historical Alte Schule in the heart of Lindau island has found a new lease of life as an owner-managed bed & breakfast hotel. Three of the region’s most beautiful areas inspired our themed rooms: as charming and relaxing as ‘Lake Constance’, as colourful and vibrant as the remarkable Flower Island of ‘Mainau’, and, last but not least, as cosy and traditional as a hut on Mount ‘Pfänder’ near Lake Constance. Inside Hotel Alte Schule, modern conveniences, such as a lift, box-spring beds, air conditioning and Wi-Fi combine with centuries-old architectural features to create a marvellous mix of past and present. The beautiful island of Lindau is always worth a visit – immerse yourself in the special atmosphere of the historical old quarter and experience the almost mediterranean feel. We’ll see you there!

From € 60 p.p. sharing a double room, w. breakfast
The Upper Allgäu tour runs through Oberstaufen, passing Grosser Alpsee lake, as well as Immenstadt, Sonthofen and Bad Hindelang, before following the Oberjoch Pass towards Wertach. The Oberjoch Pass is one of Bavaria’s most popular scenic drives. Whether you’re in an open-top car or on a motorbike, it offers an exhilarating drive with 105 bends.

Past the ‘Paradise’ parking area, which owes its name to the amazing panoramic views it offers of the Nagelfluhkette mountains, the Vorarlberg Alps in Austria and the Swiss Alps, you continue to Oberstaufen. The ‘Paradise’ is also the starting point for the Allgäu Orient Rally, which sets off from here every year on the first weekend in May. With around 100 teams, 600 participants, and 300 cars and motorbikes, it’s the second-largest rally event in the world.

On your way through the Upper Allgäu, you drive past Grosser Alpsee lake to Immenstadt, a former regal town that is home to the Stadtschloss residence. Via Sonthofen and Bad Hindelang you approach Germany’s most winding stretch of road, the Oberjoch Pass. As far back as the Middle Ages, this road was an important trade route across the Alps. In 1662, for example, 15,850 barrels of salt – each weighing around five hundredweight – were transported through here, and no fewer than 300 horses travelled along the pass every day, which was a huge volume of traffic back then. Construction on the new road started in 1895, and the difference in altitude of 300 metres from Hindelang to Oberjoch was bridged with 105 bends. The road was so well integrated into the landscape that today Jochstrasse feels as much part of the scenery as the mountains and villages. So, buckle up and get going! The gentle descent on the other side takes you past mountain meadows to Wertach.

**TIPS**

- **Alpsee Bergwelt**: a perfect combination of nature, mountains and fun – [www.alpsee-bergwelt.de](http://www.alpsee-bergwelt.de)
- **Allgäuer Bergbauernmuseum**: the world of the Allgäu mountain farmers 200 years ago – [www.bergbauernmuseum.de](http://www.bergbauernmuseum.de)
- **Sonthofen**: shopping in Germany’s southernmost fairtrade town – [www.alpsee-gruenten.de](http://www.alpsee-gruenten.de)
- **Classic cars at the Joch Pass Memorial & Historic Rally**: every year in October – [www.jochpass.com](http://www.jochpass.com)
Bad Hindelang
Exploring southern Germany’s sunniest region

The German Alpine Road passes through Bad Hindelang, the sunniest Alpine region in southern Germany. Winding its way past Vorderhindelang, Hindelang, Bad Oberdorf and the turn-off towards Hinterstein, it takes you over Joch Pass, where the road bridges a 360 metre difference in altitude along 105 bends, and continues past the villages of Oberjoch and Unterjoch.

Situated at the heart of the Allgäuer Hochalpen nature conservation area, this region is highly biodiverse and is ideal for active holidaymakers, families and anyone who enjoys life. There are 300km of marked trails and numerous cycle routes that lead through unspoilt nature, two Alpine via ferrata for keen climbers and three cable cars that take visitors up high to enjoy the fabulous views of the valley.

The Bad Hindelang PLUS card offers 20 free recreational activities/benefits and is available from participating accommodation providers if you stay at least one night. It can be used, for example, for free rides on the cable car and local buses, provides free entry to leisure facilities, such as swimming pools, and in winter can even be used as a free ski pass for the entire region.

Bad Hindelang is a climatic health resort and hydrotherapy spa, and its clean air and unspoilt nature are particularly beneficial for allergy sufferers. Since 2011, more than 110 companies across the region have been certified by ECARF and provide a network of allergy-friendly amenities, including places to stay, places to eat and places to shop.

Driving a convertible along Joch Pass
Mountain farm
Breathing in the clean air
There’s plenty to delight romantics on this Alpine tour through the eastern Allgäu. Step into the fairytale world of King Ludwig II on a tour of the castles of Neuschwanstein and Hohenschwangau or visit the Museum of the Bavarian Kings. Three lakes – Weissensee, Hopfensee and Forggensee – also offer romantic picture-book scenery.

From Wertach you reach Lake Grüntensee. How about swapping your car for a bicycle for a few hours? The cycling and mountain biking arena, a joint project of the communities Oy-Mittelberg, Wertach and Nesselwang, offers 15 attractive tours.

Pfronten, the next village after Nesselwang, has devoted itself entirely to the healing powers of hay, which is harvested exclusively from mountain meadows at more than 900 metres above sea level that are neither grazed nor fertilised. The almost inexhaustible healing powers of mountain meadow hay, containing over 70 types of herbs, grasses and medicinal plants, is used in a variety of ways.

All along the German Alpine Road there are plenty of opportunities to cool off with a dip in the water, for example in lakes Weissensee, Hopfensee or Forggensee. And in contrast to the mountains, where the sun often sets quite early, you can enjoy the sunshine into the warm summer evenings.

King Ludwig II of Bavaria was enchanted by the Füssen region. Follow in his footsteps on a guided tour of Hohenschwangau Castle, where he spent most of his childhood, or of Neuschwanstein Castle, which he never saw completed. But don’t forget to pay the town of Füssen itself a visit.

**TIPS**

- **Falkenstein Castle ruins**: a walk from Pfronten to the viewing platform – [www.pfronten.de](http://www.pfronten.de)
- **Boat trips on Lake Forggensee** with views of Neuschwanstein Castle – [www.fuessen.de](http://www.fuessen.de)
- **Neuschwanstein Castle**: you have to see it at least once in your life – [www.schwangau.de](http://www.schwangau.de)
- **Ziegelwies Forest Experience Centre**: treetop walk above the woodland along the banks of the river Lech – [www.baumkronenweg.eu](http://www.baumkronenweg.eu)
Throughout the year, this holiday destination in the Allgäu is as varied as the landscape that surrounds it. The 13 villages that make up this municipality line the wide valley where the charming foothills of the Alps meet the peaks of the Allgäu and Tyrol mountains. Just 15 kilometres away are the famous Hohenschwangau and Neuschwanstein castles.

The landscape with its lakes, rivers, meadows, forests, castles and palaces is known as Schlosspark. On Mount Falkenstein, the viewing tower in Germany's highest castle ruins offers fantastic panoramic views. It comes as no surprise that Ludwig II of Bavaria, the fairytale king, wanted to build what would be his final and most magnificent castle here.

There's an extensive network of award-winning walking trails, with more than a dozen mountain restaurants between the valleys and the peaks, and excellent cycling routes that take recreational cyclists and mountain bikers to the prettiest spots.

Families will enjoy the twelve themed playgrounds, the high-ropes course and the child-friendly activities led by the mountain guides. The amazing views from Mount Breitenberg can be reached via cable car or chairlift. And more than 250 local holiday amenities and activities can be enjoyed for free with the KönigsCard, which is available from selected accommodation providers.

Traditional inns serving authentic Allgäu cuisine and a picturesque church with a magnificent mountain backdrop make a break here well worth your while.

And to top it all off, Pfronten is also a climatic health resort renowned for its excellent air quality.
Schlossanger Alp in Pfronten im Allgäu is a four-star superior hotel run by the Schlachter-Ebert family. Located beneath Mount Falkenstein at an elevation of 1,130 metres, the hotel welcomes its guests in a cozy setting that features wood, warm materials and plenty of typical Allgäu accessories. Its 19 double rooms and 16 suites in an elegant Alpine style immediately make you feel at home. The spa area has a heated outside pool, a panorama sauna, a number of steam rooms and a comfortable relaxation area. What’s more, a variety of Alpine treatments are available to rebalance body and soul. The beating heart of Schlossanger Alp is its kitchen. Multi-award-winning chef Barbara Schlachter-Ebert creates dishes that are characterised by her passion for her profession and her connection to the region. The menus are complemented by owner Bernhard Ebert’s exquisite selection of wines.

From € 110 p.p. sharing a double room, w. breakfast
In Füssen in the Allgäu, the German Alpine Road meets the Romantic Road and the Via Claudia Augusta. The romantic old quarter almost has an Italian feel and is a delight to explore with its pavement cafés and squares. There are panoramic trails for walkers and cyclists on the higher terrain – and the next swimming lake is never far away.

The kings of Bavaria were enchanted by this region, where huge mountains stand guard over the Alpine foothills with their many lakes. In the 19th century, for example, King Maximilian II had Hohenschwangau Castle built at the foot of Mount Säuling, and his family spent many happy summer days there. His son, Ludwig II, had Neuschwanstein Castle built opposite, a dream made stone of a medieval Castle of the Holy Grail – it became his retreat far away from the ceremony of court and his kingly duties.

Four kilometres further on, Bavaria’s highest town, Füssen, awaits. The Gothic houses and remnants of the town walls recall its heyday at the beginning of the 16th century, when emperor Maximilian I visited the town almost 40 times. During this period, Hohes Schloss Castle was extended to become the residence of the prince bishops of Augsburg and decorated with trompe d’oeil paintings on its exterior. Today, it houses an office of the Bavarian State Painting Collections.

On the banks of the river Lech lies the former Benedictine abbey of St Magnus, home to the local museum. The splendid baroque rooms are a reminder of the abbey’s wealth, and the historical lutes and violins hint at the town’s leading role as the cradle of European lute making and important centre of violin manufacture.

Füssen is surrounded by one of Bavaria’s most beautiful holiday regions. We recommend a boat trip on Lake Forggensee as it offers the best views of Neuschwanstein Castle (from early June to 15 October). And the treetop walk at the Forest Experience Centre provides an entirely different perspective of the woodland along the banks of the river Lech.
The elegant Luitpoldpark Hotel is located at the heart of Füssen’s historical old quarter.

All 131 rooms and suites come complete with direct dial telephone, a room safe, a flat-screen TV/radio, Wi-Fi, an ensuite bathroom with a bath, a hairdryer and a make-up mirror.

Food is served in the hotel’s various restaurants and in Lui’s Lounge & Bar, and guests will find an exceptional range of facilities at the fitness and wellness park. The attractive sauna suite has an eco-sauna, Finnish sauna, jacuzzi, aromatic steam and infrared cabins, vitality showers and hydrotherapy facilities. An ayurveda studio with beauty salon rounds off the hotel’s excellent facilities.

From € 55 p.p. sharing a double room, w. breakfast
Hotel Sommer is a family-run, four-star spa hotel with views of Lake Forggensee, the Alps and King Ludwig II’s fairytale castles.

The well-appointed rooms and suites have been renovated in either a country-house or a modern Alpine style and have a balcony or terrace. All rooms have bathrobes, bath towels and rucksacks for use of guests. Its exclusive spa boasts an indoor pool, outdoor pool, sauna suite, gym, panoramic lounge and much more besides. The staff there will pamper you with high-end treatments, beauty therapies, massages, body masks and a range of activities – from yoga to aqua gym.

Hotel Sommer is certified as motorbike and cyclist friendly, and is the ideal base for tours and walks around Neuschwanstein Castle. Guests can hire a variety of bicycles, including city bikes, mountain bikes, road bikes and electric bikes.

From € 85 p.p. sharing a double room, w. breakfast
The Ammergau Alps, Zugspitze region and Karwendel Alps – these holiday regions are firm favourites in Bavaria. From the Allgäu, this panoramic tour crosses the Echelsbach bridge to the Zugspitze region. Stop here to explore historical Oberammergau, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Krün and Wallgau, or visit Ettal Abbey and Linderhof Palace.

The German Alpine Road now leaves the Allgäu and heads towards Upper Bavaria. Crossing the Echelsbach bridge, you reach the Ammergau Alps. Unterammergau was once home to more than 50 whetstone makers, and in the Schleifmühle, a faithful replica of the mill where they worked, you can find out all there is to know about this age-old craft. In Oberammergau, meanwhile, you can spend a whole summer’s afternoon browsing around a Christmas store. Along the way, you’ll also come across Linderhof Palace, the smallest of the three residences built by Ludwig II, and the one where he spent most of his time. A little further on, Ettal Abbey is home to a number of establishments, including a brewery, a distillery and a cheese dairy. Across the Ettaler Sattel Pass, the road descends over four kilometres at an incline of 8 per cent towards Oberau and Farchant and on to the Zugspitze region. Over the next few kilometres, you can enjoy views of the Wetterstein mountains, including Mount Zugspitze.

Your next stop is Garmisch-Partenkirchen, where sporting history is made on a regular basis. Worth a detour is Mittenwald, famous for its more than 300-year-old tradition of violin making. Then it’s back to gentle cruising, as you make your way through the charming villages of Krün and Wallgau. On one side, the steep Karwendel Alps reach to the sky, while on the other you can catch a final – some might say the best – glimpse of the Wetterstein mountains.

**TIPS**

- **Linderhof Palace**: King Ludwig II’s grand mansion in the Graswang valley – [www.linderhof.de](http://www.linderhof.de)
- **Ettal Abbey**: baroque monastery with a brewery, distillery and an inn – [www.kloster-ettal.de](http://www.kloster-ettal.de)
- **Mittenwald Museum of Violin Making**: explore more than 300 years of violin making – [www.geigenbaumuseum-mittenwald.de](http://www.geigenbaumuseum-mittenwald.de)
- **Karwendel cable car**: see the Karwendel Alps from above – [www.karwendelbahn.de](http://www.karwendelbahn.de)
Performed every ten years, the Oberammergau Passion Play attracts visitors from around the world. But this small town in the Ammergau Alps is also known for its master woodcarvers who produce religious art. The tradition of woodcarving with Christian motifs dates back to the 16th century. The trade with carvings reached its peak in the 18th century, when branches were set up throughout Germany and Europe from where travelling salesmen, known as *kraxenträger*, would sell the goods from door to door. From mid-May to mid-October, visitors to the Pilatushaus handicraft centre can watch the artisans at work, and there are several shops where you can buy the woodcarvers’ goods, of course.

The townscape of Oberammergau is characterised by its beautiful Lüftl murals. Lüftl is the name given to the art of exterior paintings typical in this area. The Zwinck family from Oberammergau was famous within the town and beyond for this type of art. The exteriors of houses were decorated with numerous Christian motifs, especially with scenes from the Passion of Jesus Christ.

When the plague caused the death of 80 inhabitants of Oberammergau in 1633, the survivors vowed to regularly perform a passion play if only they were delivered from the plague. This vow is upheld to this day, and you can tell by the length of the locals’ hair and beards when the time has come again. Every ten years, in the last year of the decade, the entire town gets involved in recreating the final days in the life of Christ. In the time in between, you can visit the Passion Play Theatre as part of a guided tour.
A warm welcome to Romantik Hotel Böld in Oberammergau, the village famous for its Passion Play and Lüftl murals, royal castles and Ettal Abbey. Our family-run hotel lies directly on the Ammer river and is the ideal base to explore the Ammergau Alps.

Spend the night in one of our individually designed rooms and enjoy regional dishes in the Uhrmacher restaurant. After a long day, you can relax in one of three saunas in our relaxation area or enjoy a draught beer and mountain views on the terrace.

We look forward to welcoming you.

From € 70 p.p. sharing a double room, w. breakfast
Set amid a breathtaking mountain landscape at the foot of Mount Zugspitze (2,962m), Garmisch-Partenkirchen is the epitome of dramatic and unspoilt Alpine scenery. A region that has been shaped by people and their culture, where you encounter traditional Bavarian customs that have remained unchanged for centuries. Where everyone can get closer to nature and find inner peace.

When it comes to the sheer variety of scenery on offer, the Alpine region around Garmisch-Partenkirchen is hard to beat. Active holiday-makers are spoilt for choice – from ice hockey, snow-shoeing and downhill or cross-country skiing in the winter to canoeing, paragliding, mountain biking and walking in the summer.

A walk down Frühlingsstrasse in Garmisch or along historical Ludwigstrasse in Partenkirchen gives a real sense of the history and heritage. The exquisite Lüftl murals painted on the houses tell stories about the residents, the region and its customs. The locals are known for their openness, zest for life and Bavarian character.

Strolling along the pedestrianised area that runs between Marienplatz and Richard-Strauss-Platz squares in Garmisch, you’ll find it hard to resist the traditional shops, big-name fashion brands and exclusive boutiques. High-quality heritage crafts – making intricate traditional costumes, for example – meet with the latest regional fashions and Alpine lifestyle trends here. The area surrounding historical Ludwigstrasse in Partenkirchen is home to goldsmiths, Bavarian shoe-makers and other traditional artisans.

This unmistakeable joie de vivre is also reflected in the excellent cuisine, from famous Bavarian specialities to modern wholefood dishes made with regional organic produce and fine dining in award-winning restaurants. Equally broad is the choice of accommodation on offer, including rural inns, welcoming holiday homes and luxury hotels.
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From €85 p.p. sharing a double room, w. breakfast
Bavaria is particularly popular for holidays because of its many lakes. This part of the route runs through the Tölzer Land, beside Lake Walchensee, across Kesselberg Pass (great for motorcyclists) and on to Lake Kochelsee. After Benediktbeuern with its abbey, Bad Heilbrunn, Bad Tölz and Lenggries, the route climbs to the Sylvenstein reservoir.

Lake Walchensee is a dream destination for anyone who loves water sports. If you prefer staying dry, why not grab a seat in the front row in one of the cafés along the shore and watch the parade of bikers and car enthusiasts as they take their pride and joy out for the weekend. Across 14 bends with an average 4 per cent downhill gradient, the 9 kilometre long Kesselbergstrasse bridges the 240 metre difference in altitude from Lake Walchensee to Lake Kochelsee. When the road as we know it today was completed, road races were held on it in 1905 and 1907. Several popular observation points offer views of Kochel moor, where the late afternoon sun bathes the moorland in an unusual light. Anyone who has experienced this remarkable sight will understand the attraction the area had for the artists of the Blue Rider group. The Franz Marc Museum in Kochel am See is dedicated to this group that included Franz Marc, Paul Klee, Gabriele Münter, Wassily Kandinsky and Alexej von Jawlensky. Soon after leaving Kochel am See, you’ll catch a first glimpse of the impressive onion-dome towers of the oldest abbey in Upper Bavaria with its baroque basilica of St Benedict. The abbey village of Benediktbeuern is considered to be the spiritual and cultural centre of the Tölzer Land region. Passing Bichl and Bad Heilbrunn – famous for its medicinal herbs – you reach Bad Tölz.

Herzogstand cable car: walking with views of Lake Walchensee and the Alpine foothills – www.herzogstandbahn.de
Lake Walchensee hydropower station: birthplace of industrial electricity generation in Bavaria – www.walchenseekraftwerk.de
Benediktbeuern: baroque abbey with splendid gardens – www.kloster-benediktbeuern.de
Bad Tölz  
Market town with character and charm

The river Isar meanders through the town of Bad Tölz like a turquoise ribbon. On the eastern bank is the picturesque old quarter, where Lüftl art adorns the baroque facades of Marktstrasse. Yet for all the architectural splendour and vibrancy of the town, there is no shortage of stunning natural scenery. To the south you can see the majestic Alps.

By the end of the 19th century, this town near Munich had become far more than an insider tip. Members of the European nobility, the architect Gabriel von Seidl and artists such as Thomas Mann visited during the summer months in the hope that the iodine-rich local springs would bring relief to their various ailments.

The town’s historical centre is well worth a visit. You can while away the hours exploring market streets, winding alleyways, cafés, restaurants, traditional inns and little shops selling regional costumes and locally made crafts. You can enjoy stunning views of the Isar valley from Kalvarienberg hill, which is also home to St Leonard’s chapel.

There’s always plenty going on here, and not just during the traditional Tölz festival. In early November every year, thousands of visitors enjoy the famous Leonhardi procession with its gloriously decorated horses and carriages. Other crowd-pleasers include the rose and garden festival, usually held around Whitsun, and the atmospheric Christmas market during the festive season.

Leaving Bad Tölz, the road takes you upstream along the Isar river past the timber-rafting village of Lenggries to Brauneck, a paradise for keen walkers and skiers. From here you continue to Sylvenstein reservoir with its fjord-like shores in the beautiful Isarwinkel region.
If you are planning a tour in an open-top car, the section of the route in the Tegernsee and Schliersee region is ideal. Driving through Rottach-Egern, Tegernsee, Schliersee and Bayrischzell, you’ll come across countless restaurants and cafés that provide Bavarian hospitality at its best and regional food and drink of the highest quality.

The road passes through the isolated and tranquil border region between Bavaria and Tyrol and on to buzzing Lake Tegernsee. How about a picnic by the lake as you watch the boats float by? You can find everything you need along the next few kilometres. If you like fish, then you should turn off before Kreuth and visit the ducal fishery for some freshly caught or smoked brown trout and char. A few kilometres further on, Naturkäserei Tegernseer Land sells cheese and other dairy products made from milk from hay-fed cows. The route is dotted with places where you can buy regional products, and the entire region has joined forces to promote Bavarian hospitality and regional cuisine.

Then it’s on past the lake towards Gmund and Lake Schliersee, where a visit to the Markus Wasmeier open-air museum in the town of Schliersee is recommended. A little further along the route, you can make a detour to Lake Spitzingsee or climb the 1,838 metre high Mount Wendelstein in a cable car from Bayrischzell.

From Lake Schliersee and past Bayrischzell, you follow Sudelfeldstrasse, a winding route that climbs 323 meters to Sudelfeld Pass, where you’ll catch sight of the Sudelfeld ski resort.

TIPS

Wallbergbahn sled run: fabulous view of the Alps and Lake Tegernsee – www.wallbergbahn.de
Lake Tegernsee pleasure cruises – www.seenschifffahrt.de
Olaf Gulbransson Museum: the life and legacy of the painter and caricaturist – www.olaf-gulbransson-museum.de
Lantenhammer distillery: fine spirits and fruity liqueurs – www.lantenhammer.de
This prestigious, privately run hotel in Rottach-Egern on Lake Tegernsee is one of the most exclusive in Upper Bavaria. Its 98 rooms and suites are elegantly furnished in the Alpine style with an abundance of charm and a respect for local tradition. A team of around 120 attentive hotel staff offer Bavarian hospitality at its very best.

Located in one of Germany’s most scenic regions, this welcoming retreat has been a member of the global Relais & Châteaux collection since 2013. A hotel that recognises its important obligation to harmonise socially, culturally and environmentally with the local style of architecture and the unparalleled beauty of the Tegernsee valley.

From €129 p.p. sharing a double room, w. breakfast
A richly varied drive through the Chiemsee region. In the Sudelfeld countryside and Tatzelwurm, the road winds through the mountains, offering panoramic views. Near Oberaudorf it descends to the valley floor, passing Nussdorf and Rohrdorf before reaching Lake Chiemsee. A short boat ride takes you to its two main islands, one of which has a palace.

Following Tatzelwurmstrasse, named after a dragon-like creature of Alpine folklore that was said to live in the gorge near the inn of the same name, you drop down towards Oberaudorf in the Inn valley 700 meters below. Following the road north, you come to Flintsbach am Inn and Brannenburg, where you can catch the mountain railway up to Mount Wendelstein, the region’s highest peak. Crossing the Inn river, you enter Nussdorf am Inn, known as a ‘golden village’ of the region on account of the many awards it has won for its beauty. A short drive brings you to Neubeuern, accessed through two small gates and watched over by a castle. Once you reach the market square, you get a good view of the splendid houses with their decorated balconies, oriel and Lüftl murals.

Via Rohrdorf, with its rich cultural heritage, you continue through the marvellous Alpine foothills to Frasdorf, where you can stop off for a pleasant walk to Samerberg, a high valley with designated nature conservation areas. You then reach Aschau im Chiemgau with views of Mount Kampenwand along the way, and carry on through meadows and forests to Bernau am Chiemsee. Head towards the Bernau/Felden boat landing stage, where a short boat ride takes you to Herreninsel island, home to King Ludwig II’s famous Herrenchiemsee Palace, and to charming Fraueninsel island and the Frauenwörth convent.

TIPS

Tatzelwurm waterfalls: myth-enshrouded cascading waterfalls – www.oberaudorf.de

Lake Chiemsee: boat trip to Fraueninsel and Herreninsel islands – www.chiemseeschifffahrt.de

Mount Kampenwand: walking and recreational activities above Aschau im Chiemgau – www.kampenwand.de

EFA car museum: 220 classic German cars – www.efaautomuseum.de
The beauty and variety of the Alpine region, with its rolling hills, steep crags and charming valleys, is nothing short of amazing. And right at its heart lies Oberaudorf in the Inn valley. Anyone coming here should bring one thing above all: plenty of time. Oberaudorf and the enchanting and unspoilt region that surrounds it have lots to offer. Be it outdoor activities or simply relaxing – in Oberaudorf visitors can do both and much more besides.

The Tatzelwurm waterfalls are certainly worth a stop on any journey along the German Alpine Road: they gurgle, gush, foam and sparkle as they plunge 95 metres across two sections of a rocky gorge. Two bridges grant spectacular views of the cascading waters.

As you approach Oberaudorf from the west you cross the Sudelfeld region with its magnificent Alpine pastures. You don’t have to conquer the surrounding mountains on foot, but you can if you like. A more relaxed alternative is the chairlift to the top of Mount Hocheck in Oberaudorf.

Along with wonderful panoramic views, the summit offers a summer toboggan run, a woodland high-ropes course, a zip line, and a myths and legends trail. Nearby Wendelstein with its romantic little mountain church and Germany's highest cave with its icy treasure can be reached in comfort via a rack-railway dating back more than 100 years.

Restaurants, cafés and mountain inns offer welcome breaks with regional refreshments. Visitors just love the delicious local cuisine, whether it’s gourmet dishes or rustic fare. If you can, plan in time to catch one of the high-calibre films at the Oberaudorf-Reisach film festival in mid-July, or the weekly band concerts that take place from the middle of May to early September.

By the way: the people of Oberaudorf don’t just claim to live in one of the country’s most beautiful regions – they have the award to prove it. Their pretty village of Niederaudorf was named the most beautiful in Germany in 2010.
It will come as no surprise to those who love the Alps that a fire-breathing dragon named Tatzlwurm chose to dwell in this majestic place – or so the legend goes. A visit is always worthwhile – whether it’s for the views of the sunset over the Kaisergebirge mountains or for the myth-enshrouded waterfalls. Named after the fabled dragon, Hotel Feuriger Tatzlwurm and its guesthouse are located right on the German Alpine Road. You should try the *kaiserschmarrn* pancake – it’s heaven on a plate. The hotel offers eco-studios and brand-new junior suites in the traditional Alpine style, as well as a spa with saunas, a jacuzzi, a spring water swimming pool, a ‘mountain beach’ and a beauty salon offering wellness treatments.

From €79 p.p. sharing a double room, w. breakfast
This section of the German Alpine Road runs through the Chiemgau region, via Rottau and Grassau, along the old pipeline that used to transport brine, before continuing to Marquartstein and Unterwössen. For glorious scenery and activities in unspoilt nature, look no further than Reit im Winkl, Ruhpolding and Inzell.

Travelling from Bernau am Chiemsee, the route takes you through Rottau and Grassau, where the Salz & Moor Museum halfway between the two villages is dedicated to the ‘world’s first pipeline’, which connected Rosenheim to the mines around Berchtesgaden. A right-hand turn on the outskirts of the village takes you south along the Tiroler Ache river to Marquartstein. This village in the south of the Chiemgau region lies at the foot of Mount Hochplatte, which – at 1,587 metres high – offers amazing views across Lake Chiemsee and the region. From here onwards, the German Alpine Road only goes one way – up. The road begins to rise towards Unterwössen and Oberwössen, taking you up the Maser Pass for around 6.5 kilometres with a gradient of 12 per cent. Enjoy the views from the summit before you continue downwards to Reit im Winkl. On the way, there are themed and premium walking trails that promise memorable experiences.

The German Alpine Road now passes through some typical mountain scenery – the beautiful lakes of the Drei Seen region. As you continue, you’ll soon see Ruhpolding on the horizon between the peaks of Rauschberg and Unternberg. Follow the road past Holzknechtmuseum, a museum dedicated to woodcutters, and the Chiemgau Arena biathlon centre towards Inzell, which is known in particular for hosting international speed skating events in the Max Aicher Arena.

**TIPS**

- Hochplattenbahn in Marquartstein: food, fun and adventures in the mountain forest – [www.hochplattenbahn.de](http://www.hochplattenbahn.de)
- Winklmoosalm: high-altitude Alpine pasture area where Bavaria borders Tyrol and Salzburg – [www.reitimwinkl.de](http://www.reitimwinkl.de)
- Chiemgau Arena: biathlon events throughout the year – [www.chiemgau-arena.de](http://www.chiemgau-arena.de)
- Ruhpolding Holzknechtmuseum: explore the history and lives of the local woodcutters – [www.holzknechtmuseum.com](http://www.holzknechtmuseum.com)
This idyllic mountain village, 700 metres above sea level, is home to around 2,500 people, and its unmistakeably Upper Bavarian village centre and many traditional restaurants and guesthouses never fail to attract visitors. Welcoming hosts and happy, smiling faces are everywhere you look.

Reit im Winkl has everything you might want of a holiday destination: ancient, rustic farmhouses, wooden, flower-laden balconies, churches, chapels and fields, and meadows of contented cows. If that weren’t enough, it offers unspoilt scenery as far as the eye can see. Reit im Winkl has a maypole and a church, and there is at least one chapel in each part of the village.

Reit im Winkl is situated in the southernmost corner of Germany – an area of unparalleled natural beauty. The broad, west-facing valley is clear of mist and drenched in sunshine. Active holidaymakers can look forward to seven premium walking trails (five in summer, two in winter), the Chiemgau region’s first via ferrata, a programme of family activities and the cross-border 18-hole golf course, which boasts uninterrupted views of the steep and craggy mountaintops of Wilder Kaiser and Zahmer Kaiser. To experience the idyll of the Bavarian and Austrian Alps in impressive style, and to enjoy views stretching all the way to the main Alpine ridge, take a ride on the old-fashioned chairlift from the Winklmoosalm to Dürrnbachhorn. On more than 20 Alpine meadows, hikers and mountain climbers on long or short tours can be seen restoring their energy with their traditional Bavarian picnics.

Reit im Winkl offers stunning scenery, Alpine meadows and internationally acclaimed attractions. Take a journey of discovery by visiting Herrenchiemsee Palace, the small nearby towns of Kufstein or Kitzbühel, or the slopes of Winklmoosalm, made famous by Olympic-medal-winning skier Rosi Mittermaier. Reit im Winkl is ideally situated for day trips to the Grossglockner High Alpine Road or for the breathtaking scenic drive around the Kaiser mountains in the nearby Tyrol region, which takes in three delightful mountain passes bursting with panoramic views – the Griessneralm, the Wochenbrunneralm and the Kitzbühlerhorn.
Bavaria in all its glory. There’s plenty do and see across the hotel’s 60 hectares of grounds – the completely renovated main building offers 55 elegant rooms and suites, there’s a large spa area and the popular on-site restaurants are renowned for their commitment to regional cuisine. At the Heimat restaurant, for example, head chef Achim Hack specialises in sustainable fine dining. Next door in the Steinbacher Hof, there are a further three exceptional suites. The Forsthaus houses the reception and the exclusive Moltke wine bar, where the large windows offer views across the grounds and the mountains beyond. The seven chalets built in the Chiemgau style around a natural pond have room for up to six people. This cosy refuge is the perfect retreat between Munich, Salzburg and Kitzbühel.

From € 79 p.p. sharing a double room, w. breakfast
The German Alpine Road comes to an end for cars, motorbikes and motorhomes in the Berchtesgadener Land region. You are sure to have many memories of its people and places. Recommended excursions include pleasure cruises on Lake Königssee with views of Mount Watzmann and scenic walks through Weissbach and Wimbach gorges.

After Inzell, you reach the end of the German Alpine Road and the beautiful landscapes of the Berchtesgaden Alps. A walk in the wild Weissbach Gorge between Weissbach and Schneizlreuth is well worth your time. Before the road makes its way up towards Ramsau, we recommend a brief detour to Bad Reichenhall. This spa resort came to fame for its health treatments using salt and salt water. Now the road takes you across the 868 metre high Schwarzbachwacht Pass, where you get your first glimpses of the peaks of Watzmann, Hochkalter and Reiteralpe. A photo call at the parish church of St Sebastian, which dates back more than 500 years, in the village of Ramsau is a must. Continue past the roaring Wimbach Gorge and on to Berchtesgaden, where the royal palace and the historical centre should not be missed.

If you’re not continuing directly to Lake Königssee, you can take the loop along the Rossfeld ring road, Germany’s highest panoramic road, and enjoy the views deep into the Salzburger Land region. This toll road is open throughout the year. At the end of the German Alpine Road, you come to Lake Königssee. From the shore, you can take an electric boat along the steep cliffs, source of the well-known Königssee echo, to the famous pilgrimage church of St Bartholomew.

### TIPS

- **Berchtesgaden salt mines:** an unforgettable subterranean adventure – [www.salzbergwerk.de](http://www.salzbergwerk.de)
- **Rossfeld ring road:** Germany’s highest panoramic road – [www.rossfeldpanoramastrasse.de](http://www.rossfeldpanoramastrasse.de)
- **Hans-Peter Porsche Traumwerk:** an exhibition of dreams come true – [www.hanspeterporsche.com](http://www.hanspeterporsche.com)
- **Lake Königssee pleasure cruises:** experience nature’s rich palette and dramatic mountain scenery – [www.seenschifffahrt.de](http://www.seenschifffahrt.de)
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Naturhotel Reissenlehen is situated in a tranquil location on a small sunny plateau high above Berchtesgaden. Surrounded by nature and glorious mountains, we live and work in harmony with nature to focus on what is really important – health and quality of life. Authenticity and a pleasant atmosphere are important, and we deliver this with a warmth that comes natural to us.

Naturhotel Reissenlehen has something special in store – the Irlinger family shares its guests’ love of classic cars that ooze style, elegance and charm. We have painstakingly restored several vintage vehicles that can be viewed by guests, and there’s even a VW Beetle convertible that you can hire.

From € 61 p.p. sharing a double room, w. breakfast
The state spa resort of Bad Reichenhall lies just outside Salzburg, Mozart’s birthplace, and is framed by the mountains of the Berchtesgadener Land. It’s well worth a visit if you are on your way to Lake Königssee, or alternatively round off your day here with a relaxing swim at the Rupertus thermal baths. The town was awarded the official title of ‘Bad’ (spa resort) by royal decree in 1890 and Bad Reichenhall has been a Bavarian state health resort since 1899. Bad Reichenhall’s tradition as a health resort dates back over 150 years, during which time it has gained a reputation as one of Europe’s most acclaimed saline spas.

The mild Alpine climate and low air pollution refresh body and soul. You can enjoy the clean air on a stroll in the historical old quarter with its feel of a medieval village, through the Italian ambience of the pedestrian area and along the town’s elegant art nouveau buildings. Its many bubbling fountains, verdant parks and lively Saalach river make the ‘Pearl of the Alps’ the perfect destination for a relaxing break.

A stay in Bad Reichenhall is a breath of fresh air, never more so than during an inhalation treatment using salt-rich Alpine water that boosts the immune system and clears the airways. Add to that some stimulating live music in the Royal Spa Gardens and you’ll feel instantly reinvigorated.

Bad Reichenhall and Bayerisch Gmain are great destinations for walking at any time of year. The choice includes barrier-free paths in the valley with very little incline and challenging mountain tours to beautiful vantage points with views of Lake Chiemsee, the Berchtesgadener Land and further to Austria. And there are plenty of welcoming places to rest and enjoy a bite to eat in the valley and up on Mount Predigtstuhl.
**Information**

**Car hire**
- **ADAC members**
  If you don’t have your own car with you, or you want a specific vehicle like a convertible, an estate car or a minibus, then contact the car hire specialists of the German Automobile Association (ADAC). In Germany, ADAC members can hire a car or van at a preferential rate via its partners Avis, Europcar, Hertz and Sixt, or directly via ADAC from its well-equipped ClubMobil fleet.
  www.adac.de/produkte/autovermietung

- **BMW**
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The **EFA car museum in Amerang** offers private groups and events agencies the opportunity to drive an automotive classic. Further opportunities to drive a classic car are available as part of the ‘drives for everyone’ events that are held several times a year.

EFA Museum Amerang
Wasserburger Strasse 33, 83123 Amerang
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**What to wear**
The best time of year for a tour along the German Alpine Road is between May and October. During the day we recommend layering your clothing. Remember that you’ll occasionally be at over 1,000 metres above sea level, and it can be more than a little cool in the evening. You should pack a jumper, a wind and waterproof jacket, sun cream and sunglasses. Don’t forget to pack your swimwear and a picnic blanket during the summer.
months – it would be a shame to just drive past all those pretty lakes. Sturdy footwear is a must on any hike, but may also come in handy when visiting some sights.

**Breakdown assistance**

Just over 1,700 ‘yellow angels’ of the German Automobile Club (ADAC) are on call around the clock to assist with breakdowns or accidents. This saves ADAC members the hassle of being towed away and paying high repair bills.

**Breakdown assistance in Germany**

Landline: +49 (0)180 222 2222
(€ 0.06 per call from a German landline)
Mobile: 22 22 22
(Costs vary by provider)

**Length of holiday**

We recommend you allow four to seven days to cover the whole route, depending on whether you want the whistle-stop experience or prefer to take your time and enjoy the many sights along the way. You can pick and choose individual stages, of course, and continue the journey where you left off another time. Remember to plan in some breaks, and not just to admire the views or visit local places of interest.

You should take a break at least every two hours in any case. Have a drink of fresh water from one of the fountains, eat some fruit and stretch your legs, and you’ll be able to better concentrate on the traffic in no time.

**Safety**

No matter how enthralled you are, please drive carefully, follow the local traffic regulations and adjust your driving to the prevailing conditions. You should heed the signs warning of icy roads, even in spring and autumn – leaves on the road or freezing water from a stream or lake can cause slippery conditions. Another potential hazard are deer crossing the road, particularly at dusk and dawn.

**Fees and tolls**

There are no fees or tolls along the route.

**Organised tours**

If you are travelling in a group or would rather not deal with details such as hotel bookings, transfers or car hire, you can call on the professionals to take care of this for you.

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**Emergency numbers**

Throughout Europe you can dial the common emergency phone number 112 around the clock to contact the emergency services (police, fire, ambulance). In Bavaria, 112 will connect you to the local control centre – no dialling code required and free to call from landlines and any mobile network.
Information

Route
The route is signposted in both directions by tourist signs. Visit www.deutsche-alpenstrasse.de to download the GPS files and save them to your Garmin sat-nav, for example. Or you can take a good old-fashioned road map, such as the ADAC Autokarte Bayern Süd, so that your co-pilot has something to do too.

Fuel
Remember to fill up your fuel tank, as there are fewer petrol stations out of town than in urban centres. Some petrol stations are only open during the day, but you can pay by debit or credit card at the machine.

Information for visitors
Our member villages and regions along the route will be happy to answer your questions regarding accommodation, places of interest, events and more.

Traffic information
Current traffic information is available on the radio, on the websites of the German Automobile Association (ADAC) and Bayerischer Rundfunk, or from the BayernInfo Maps app.

Weather
Before you embark on your tour, you should check the latest weather forecast or ask your hosts, as the weather can turn quickly, especially in the mountains. This allows you to prepare yourself for a sudden hailstorm or snow during the summer.

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