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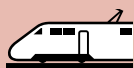
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Ingolstadt/Manching	10 km	Augsburg	63 km
Munich	70 km	Nuremberg	95 km



The A9 autobahn
The B13, B16, B16a and B300 main roads



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Located in the centre of Bavaria, Ingolstadt is an attractive, lively city, full of variety and well worth a visit. The city offers a fascinating mixture of the historical, the traditional and the modern. Therefore we invite you to explore the city of Ingolstadt.

Within the city walls magnificent historical treasures are waiting to be discovered. Lovingly restored gabled houses, imposing gateways, lofty towers and impressive fortifications are all part of the old town's charm. Discover the award-winning Klenzepark where you can enjoy a stroll along the banks of the River Danube.

Try some of the city's many cultural activities: outstanding museums, internationally renowned concerts, attractive exhibitions and gripping theatrical performances are only some of the possibilities that await you. Walk round the "museum mobile" at Audi Forum Ingolstadt and find out why Ingolstadt enjoys an international reputation as a centre of car manufacturing. Discover a unique shopping atmosphere with extra-special flair by visiting the "Ingolstadt Village" outlet shopping area.

Take a dip in the "Donautherme Wonnemar" water park complex or cool down in the ice sport arena. Cycle or walk to one of the many bathing lakes or enjoy a cool Bavarian beer in one of our traditional beer gardens. In Ingolstadt there are sport and leisure facilities to satisfy everyone's requirements. For nature lovers: explore the Glacis, a wooded area around the old town, only a few minutes from the centre or visit the oak forest near the suburb of Gerolfing or the wooded areas on the banks of the Danube known as the Donauauen. In the region around the city, there are many more attractive destinations for day-trips.

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We look forward to your visit.

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THE OLD TOWN



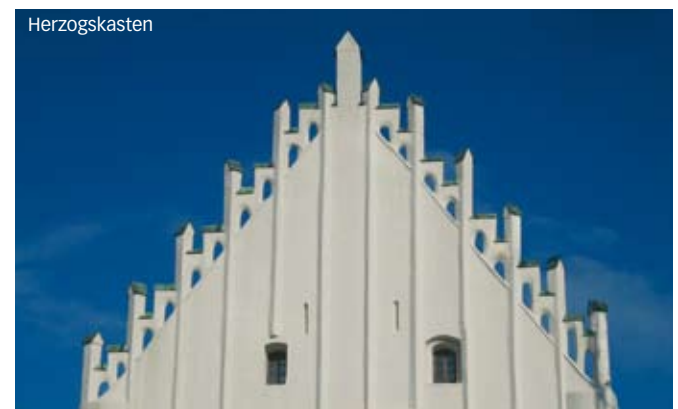
Neues Schloss



The fire-breathing panther

The Ingolstadt heraldic beast which is depicted on the shield of St. Moritz on the old Ingolstadt seal, dates back to the former association of the city with the Niederaltaich Monastery. Nowadays the panther acts as the city logo.

Ingoldestat, the place of Ingold, was mentioned for the first time in the year 806, in a document compiled by Charlemagne detailing the division of his empire. The strategic position on the Danube, advantageous to trade, favoured the rise of the fortified settlement. The town charter was granted around 1250; the Herzogskasten, the palace of the medieval castle complex, became a ducal residence. From 1392 to 1447 Ingolstadt was the capital of the Duchy of Bavaria-Ingolstadt. The fortified university city on the Danube grew in size and over the centuries it assumed an important role in Bavaria's history.



Herzogskasten

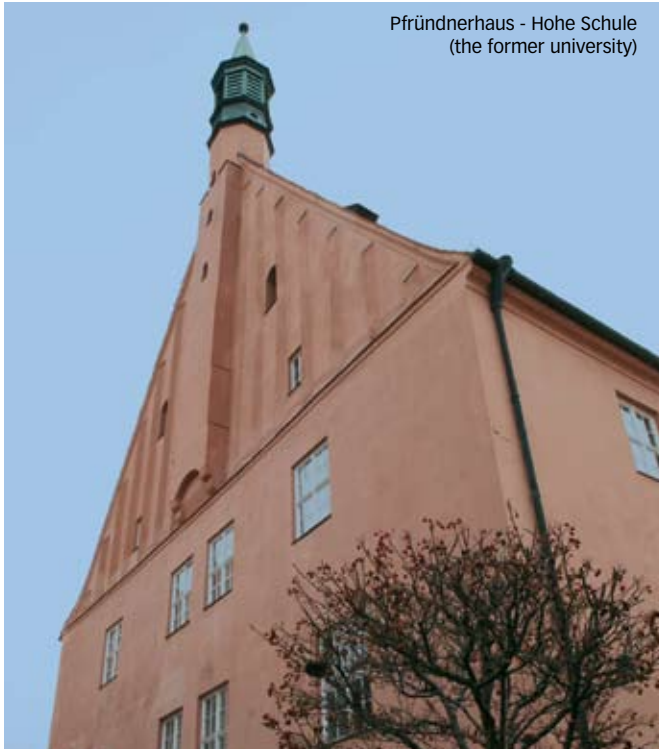
Ludwig the Bearded, the Duke of Bavaria-Ingolstadt, donated some imposing structures to the citizens of the city. Familiar with the magnificence of the Paris court of Isabeau de Bavière, the brother of the French Queen did not regard the Herzogskasten as befitting his social standing. In 1418 he therefore laid the foundation stone of the Neues Schloss, an impregnable fortress of a type unknown to Bavarians up to that point. Today, the magnificently vaulted, elegant interior accommodates the Bavarian Army Museum, an exhibition of historical weapons, armaments and tin soldiers.



Relief depicting Duke Ludwig the Bearded on display in the Cathedral

Begun in 1425, the cathedral, dedicated at the Duke's wish *Zur Schönen Unserer Lieben Frau*, possesses the largest church interior in southern Germany. The diagonally positioned towers and the interior resting on eighteen pillars are a reminder that the late Gothic religious building was intended, above all, as the grand church of the Duchy of Bavaria - Ingolstadt and would later be the "templum academicum" of the University of Ingolstadt.

history & tales



Pfründnerhaus - Hohe Schule
(the former university)

"It is a place where the plague rules only rarely... Around the city there are forests that invite you to walk and to hunt... The town is home to magnificent churches, most notably the Münster Zur Schönen Unserer Lieben Frau (Cathedral of Our Lady), which is an ideal size for hosting large-scale academic ceremonies..."

Duke Ludwig the Rich in his "subserviently presented application" to the Pope, requesting permission to set up a university in Ingolstadt.

The *Pfründnerhaus* – another impressive structure dating from the time of Ludwig the Bearded – reached its apotheosis in the era of Humanism and the Counter Reformation. In 1472, Duke Ludwig the Rich founded the first Bavarian state university here. The *Hohe Schule* was among the most important universities in the German-speaking world, alongside Vienna and Prague. In the 16th century the Jesuits were summoned to the university. Konrad Celtis, Dr. Johannes Eck, Aventin, Peter Apian and Christoph Scheiner all taught there. Ingolstadt remained the intellectual and cultural centre of Bavaria for 328 years. "Emperors, kings, princes, great statesmen and heroes emanated from it" tells an annalist referring to the heyday of the *Hohe Schule*.

With its highly acclaimed Faculty of Business Administration and Economics of the Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt and its innovative University of Applied Sciences, Ingolstadt is once again a place of academic learning and research.

In the 19th century Ingolstadt was built up into a Bavarian state fortification. The university was transferred to Landshut at the beginning of the century. From 1828 onwards, up to 20,000 men were engaged in constructing the *Kavalier* (a type of bastion), barracks, casemates, outworks and carriage houses from the plans of Leo von Klenze. The Glacis that now encircles the old town as a green girdle was also laid down in this period. The "Schanz" (a series of fortifications) was created and continues to be a feature of the image of the town today.



Klenzpark

Discover Ingolstadt on one of our guided tours

Join us on a historical expedition through the ages. The Tourist Information offers walks around the town, guided tours of the churches and "tours with a theme" for individual travellers and groups.

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Model of the town by Jakob Sandtner 1571-73

HISTORICAL TREASURES



Altes Rathaus

Four houses in one - the old town hall (*Altes Rathaus*)

The core of the *Altes Rathaus* goes back to the 14th century but the present building dates back to 1882, when four existing houses were joined together by Gabriel von Seidl. This was to create a picturesque architectural ensemble in the Renaissance style. It now serves as the seat of the Lord Mayor. Behind the *Altes Rathaus* stands the Church of St. Moritz, which is the city's oldest parish church. Next to the original Romanesque church tower stands a slim Gothic tower which was commonly used as a town watchtower (*Pfeifturm*).

200 steps to climb! Once at the top, there is a fabulous panoramic view of the town.

The mystery of the *Bernstein* necklace



In 1996, archaeologists discovered a sensation from the Bronze Age hidden in the ground in a simple clay container. The Bernstein necklace, made of about 2,700 beads, is among the most magnificent in Europe. It is not known who wore the necklace and it is a mystery as to why this unique piece of jewellery was placed in the earth. This unicum find can be seen in the city museum.

The city's most famous landmark - the *Kreuztor*

The most beautiful of all the preserved gateways leads from the west into the old town. Four small corner towers and sparingly used limestone decorations embellish the red brick gateway tower from the late 14th century, a romantic witness to medieval architecture. Once part of the second massive ring of fortifications, the *Kreuztor* is now regarded as a city landmark.



Kreuztor

beauty & artistry



Massive, Gothic and visible from afar – the Cathedral

From the *Pfeifturm* there is a wonderful view of the late gothic cathedral. Its enormous roof consists of seven storeys, one above the other. According to written records 7,000 tree trunks were used in its construction.



Inside, the mighty church shelters altars are valuable reliefs and stone figures, sculptures and carvings. The tombs of professors and the High Altar completed by Hans Mielich in 1572, on the hundredth anniversary of the *Hohe Schule*, recall the close connection between the church and the university. Three images on the back of the magnificent altar depict the dispute between Saint Katherine of Alexandria and fifty heathen philosophers. On closer inspection, famous professors and patrons of the *Hohe Schule*, portrayed by the court painter Mielich, can be seen.



Reverse side of the high altar



Stone and bronze - memorial plaques in the *Franziskanerkirche*

The Gothic Basilica of the Franciscans, a church of impressive size dedicated to a mendicant order of friars, also houses a special historical treasure. The ninety graves of governors, professors, officers and other high-ranking residents bear witness to the period from 1472-1800. Valuable and unusually well preserved memorial plaques adorn the walls, the pillars and the side chapels of the otherwise simple church of the Minor Friars. They are of high artistic quality and are witness to the life and work of respected residents of Ingolstadt.

A beautiful setting for the Immaculata "Immaculate Virgin"- the St. Moritz Church

A fine example of the silversmith's art can also be found on the left-hand side of the choir entrance of the St. Moritz Church. The Immaculata by Josef Friedrich Canzler is one of the most exquisite rococo statuettes in Bavaria and harmonises beautifully with the solemnity of this church with its nave and two aisles. The history of the *Untere Pfarr* (lower parish church), as it is so known by the inhabitants of Ingolstadt, goes back to the 9th century. It is the oldest church in Ingolstadt.



Immaculate

HISTORICAL TREASURES



Alte Anatomie with herb garden

A baroque jewel for medicine and botany - the Alte Anatomie

"No more elegant anatomical theatre is to be found in the whole of Europe", the university chronicler Johann Nepomuk Mederer enthused, as he looked at the baroque building of the Medical Faculty. As experimentation had become of great importance in scientific circles, in 1723 the state university laid the foundation stone for an "*Exercitien Gepäu*" (a building for lectures), including a large auditorium for dissections and a medicinal herb garden.

Lancets, enema chairs and flea cylinders

Today, the Alte Anatomie, built in the style of an orangery, contains the German Museum of the History of Medicine. This unique collection documents the history of medicine from classical antiquity to the present day. The herb garden contains an abundance of medicinal plants and a "scent and touch" garden that is also wheelchair accessible.



Dissecting room

Unique – the *Maria de Victoria* Congregation Hall

It is only possible to appreciate the true magnificence of the baroque "*Maria de Victoria*" Congregation Hall (also known as the "*Asam Church*") when it is seen from the inside. It does not have a forecourt or towers and is hidden away in the old town.



Organ Recital at twelve

The popular series of concerts takes place in the *Maria de Victoria* Congregation Hall every Sunday at 12 p.m. from April to October.

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Two exceptionally valuable artistic treasures decorate this architectural gem, built between 1732 and 1736 as the oratory of the Marian student congregation. The Incarnation of the Lord is the subject of the phenomenal ceiling fresco, painted at the height of his creativity by Cosmas Damian Asam, the most famous Bavarian baroque artist. This masterly achievement in perspective, the largest flat ceiling fresco in the world at 42 metres by 16 metres, can best be admired by walking round it.



Completed in 1708, the monstrance stands in the treasure-chamber.

The filigree work of art, set in gold and silver, represents the Christians victory over the Turks in the sea battle of Lepanto. It is a unique battle portrayal on the most valuable monstrance in the world.



"*Maria de Victoria*" Congregation Hall - ceiling fresco

"You suddenly realise what perspective painting means; a black marksman always seems to be aiming at the observer, wherever he is in the room. The vast pyramid of Ramses II always seems to be about to collapse, except when seen from a particular point, which is marked on the floor with a small circle. It quickly becomes clear that it was extremely practical that not all parts of the earth had been discovered at that time – they are symbolically fitted into the corner spaces of the enormous image with great imagination." Bernd Feldmann

Narrow fronts, high gables – bourgeois town houses of the old town

The houses of the old town, in which councillors, guild masters and professors once lived, and which have been witness to a great deal in the course of centuries, are still full of life today.



THE STRONGHOLD

"Whoever controled Ingolstadt, controled the key to Bavaria",

a chronicler wrote and it is not without good reason that the "Schanz" (a series of fortifications) has been preserved to this day. From immemorial time, the rulers and governors of the city on the Danube have appreciated the city's strategic position at the river crossing and on important trade routes and have done their utmost to protect it. The fortifications have resisted many attacks over the centuries. For this reason, Ingolstadt remains a unique, open air museum of German fortress architecture.



Reduit Tilly

A medieval city of towers and gateways

A part of the round tower from the first wall surrounding the city in the 13th century can still be seen next to the *Herzogs-kasten*. A brick wall with 87 towers, three kilometres in length and crowned with battlements and fortified gateways was built around the growing city from 1363 and was later reinforced by bastions which were placed in front. Large parts of the second wall around the city, completed in 1430, have been preserved. Both the *Taschenturm* and the *Münzbergturm* as well as the *Feldkirchener Tor* and the *Kreuztor* are especially worth seeing.



Taschenturm

Scherer and Schererin guard the Neues Schloss

In 1418, Ludwig the Bearded laid the foundation stone for the *Neue Veste* (the new citadel), in the centre of which rises the *Neues Schloss*. Today, 17 richly decorated cannons in the castle courtyard show the extent of the arsenal of weapons at that time. Two of the oldest of these exhibits of the Bavarian Army Museum, the double cannons royal from the years 1524/25 which go by the name of "Scherer" and "Schererin", are a pair. "He" weighs 9,690 pounds and "she" weighs 9,395 pounds.



Castle courtyard



Neues Schloss - Pappenheimer Exhibition

Artillery, standards, helmets and tin figures

Today the "Pappenheimer", an impressive series of black riding harnesses, displayed in the place where in 1618 two festive boards and 42 tables were located for the serving of food and drinks, recall the dark time of the Thirty Years' War. The Bavarian Army Museum is accommodated in the Dürnitz and in a number of wonderfully sunlit rooms in the Neues Schloss. On the other side of the Danube, the army museum, the most significant museum of its type in Germany, presents the history of the First World War in the Reduit Tilly, a redoubt built as a stronghold in time of war.

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castles & casemates

Ingolstadt becomes the Bavarian state fortress

The air was filled with the sound of church bells, gun salutes and canon salvos on August 24, 1828, when King Ludwig I of Bavaria, accompanied by Leo von Klenze, his architect and master builder, laid the foundation stone of the new Bavarian state fortress. Thousands of people worked on the large series of city fortifications for over 20 years. The wall complexes, with the Baur and Triva round towers (Turm Baur and Turm Triva) and the Reduit Tilly built in the classic style, arose at the bridgehead on the southern side of the Danube, initially as a refuge for the royal family. The complexes on the northern side of the Danube, started in 1834, were conceived as polygons. The three-winged Kavalier Elbracht, Heydeck, Dallwigk, Hepp, Spreti and Zweibrücken and the southern complexes were manned by troops in 1848. The message that "Ingolstadt is capable of defending itself" was sent to Munich on July 1, 1849.



Glacis and Klenzepark – green oases in the city

Like the magnificent fortifications, the Glacis is very much an integral part of the medieval image of Ingolstadt. The wide green girdle that completely surrounds the old town corresponds to the field of fire that previously had to be kept free in front of the fortress complexes. Today the inhabitants of Ingolstadt and the guests of the city enjoy the fact that they can reach the green area in a few minutes from the city centre.



Only a stone's throw away, the award-winning Klenzepark on the opposite side of the Danube invites you to walk, jog, cycle or simply just laze about. There are spacious open green areas, a labyrinth consisting of plants and flowers, a playground for children, a beer garden and aromatic gardens laid out in the midst of the magnificent fortress complex. Art exhibitions and other events take place in the riding hall.



INGOLSTADT CELEBRITIES

**Professor Johannes Eck –
the opponent of Luther**



"I have put everything I can into motion to coerce the man into dispute", reported Johannes Eck in 1519, after he had forced Martin Luther to take part in a debate in Leipzig. Eck became one of the guiding intellectual forces of the Counter Reformation and turned the Theological Faculty in Ingolstadt into a counterpole to Wittenberg. He died in the presbytery in 1543. A bronze memorial plaque in the cathedral commemorates his burial grave.

**Peter Apian –
the mathematician**



A calendar disc from the *Astronomicum Caesareum* by Peter Apian

**Philipp Apian –
the topographer**



Extract from the 9th woodcut of Philipp Apian's Bavarian map

Peter Apian, a great scientist, debated the course of the stars with Emperor Charles V, as an astronomer and mathematician, and was also a divinely gifted printer. Although he was offered chairs by various important universities, he remained faithful to the *Hohe Schule* from 1527-52. After the death of his famous father, Philipp Apian took over the professorship at the age of 21. He travelled throughout Bavaria for years as a topographer and drew up the first exact map of Bavaria on 24 woodcuts, based on trigonometric measurements. Works by Peter and Philipp Apian, including the "*Astronomicum Caesareum*", one of the most magnificent printed works on the subject of astronomy, and the first map of Bavaria are on display in the city museum.

**Christoph Scheiner –
the astronomer**



After completing his studies, Scheiner was also appointed professor at the *Hohe Schule*. His disciplines were astronomy and Hebrew. His academic works on astronomy, optics and the human eye enjoyed the highest acclaim. In March 1611, from the tower of the *Heilig-Kreuz-Kirche* in Ingolstadt, the erudite Jesuit was one of the first to discover the existence of sunspots.

The Astronomy Park at the Adenauer Bridge

Located on the edge of the old town by the Adenauer Bridge, the Astronomy Park, one of the most illuminating models of the planetary orbits in Germany, conveys an idea of the size of our solar system. www.astronomiepark.de

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**Doctor Jörg Faustus –
the fortune-teller**



He is not considered to be one of the more desirable individuals who lived in Ingolstadt, but he left behind a long lasting impression. Faust, a doctor, astrologist and practitioner of the black arts, was widely regarded as a necromancer. He is supposed to have lectured in philosophy and palmistry at the *Hohe Schule*. In 1528, he was expelled from the town. There is a reference to him, hewn into stone, at the corner of Johannesstraße and Harderstraße.

"The necromancer should be ordered to move out of the city and spend his cent elsewhere..."

Excerpt from the minutes of the Ingolstadt city council of 1528

discoveries & surprises

Johann A. Freiherr von Ickstatt – the reformer

For 30 years, from 1746-76, Ickstatt, the lawyer, guided the fate of the *Hohe Schule* as principal. A representative of the Enlightenment, he is regarded as a reformer of the Bavarian school system. His dwelling house, the so-called Ickstatt-haus, is among the outstanding sights of Ingolstadt, boasting the highest baroque facade in southern Germany.



Frankenstein or the modern Prometheus

Did you know that a chapter of the novel by Mary Shelley is set in Ingolstadt? Shelley, with an eye on the history of the famous *Hohe Schule* and the scientific experiments at the *Alte Anatomie*, made the young Victor Frankenstein travel to Ingolstadt. The young medical student was completely captivated by the delusion of wanting to create artificial life and it was here that he awakened his "creature" to life. Today, Dr. Frankenstein can still be seen in the streets of Ingolstadt at night. Why not accompany him on his tour through the old town to where some unspeakable events are reported to have taken place? Who knows, who or what is lurking round the next corner...



Dr. Frankenstein's Mystery Tour

From May to October

Dates at www.frankenstein.in or at the Tourist Information.



Johann Simon Mayr – the maestro

Simon Mayr, who studied and worked in Ingolstadt from 1773 to 1787, is regarded as the "Father of Italian Opera". Napoleon offered him the position of Opera Director in Paris and Constanze Mozart asked for his advice about the education of her son. A contemporary of Haydn, Beethoven and Rossini, he was one of the most famous opera composers around 1800.



During the **Simon Mayr Festival**, the delightful music of this great Bavarian composer is performed in some of the historical places in our town, for example in the "Maria de Victoria" Congregation Hall, the cathedral and the city music centre.



Marieluise Fleißer – the woman with a mind of her own

The writer and dramatist Marieluise Fleißer was one of the most unconventional personalities to come from Ingolstadt. In spite of praise from the critics, there was an enormous scandal in

1929, when her play "Pioniere in Ingolstadt", directed by Bertolt Brecht, was staged in Berlin.

In 1961 she received the city's arts prize. Sperr, Fassbinder and Kroetz followed in her footsteps as recipients of the prize; she referred to them as "all my sons".

Documentation Site, where Marieluise Fleißer was born

"She looked like a needlework teacher, but her eyes would glitter and flash behind her glasses. There, you could see that her plain and conservative outer appearance did not agree with her turbulent inner life."

Therese Giehse characterised the writer, who had died in 1974, in this way.

If you wish to find out more about this famous daughter of Ingolstadt, you should pay a visit to the house in Kupferstraße where she was born.

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THE MUSEUM CITY



Audi museum mobile

Everything in the museum mobile at the Audi Forum Ingolstadt revolves around mobility. Moving walls, automated exhibits: historical vehicles on a pater-noster lift arrangement move through the various levels of the museum. The retrospective view of the 20th century, with its great changes, including the pioneering period of the automobile, illustrates how the present day AUDI AG has emerged from Audi, DKW, Horch, Wanderer and later NSU.

Guided factory tours, exhibitions, events, restaurants and an ambitious cinema programme are additional highlights in the Audi Forum Ingolstadt. Initial impressions are available on the Internet at www.audi.com/forums



German Museum of the History of Medicine

The museum in the Baroque "anatomical institute" of the former Bavarian State University's medical faculty displays surgical instruments and other exhibits of medical history from antiquity to the present day.



Bavarian Army Museum with First World War section in the Reduit Tilly

The Bavarian Army Museum in the Neues Schloss is the oldest museum of military history in Germany.



City Museum with Toy Museum

The various periods of Ingolstadt's history are shown in 42 rooms of varying size. On the circular tour of this surprisingly large museum, which by far exceeds the scope of a "local heritage museum", the visitor can experience Ingolstadt from its early origins to the present day.



interesting & unique



Documentation of the Life and Work of Marieluise Fleißer

The records collection pays tribute to the life and work of the Ingolstadt authoress and poetess.



Museum of Farming Implements

The museum records the history of arable and livestock farming over the last 200 years in the Ingolstadt region.



Museum of Concrete Art

The only museum in Germany specializing exclusively in the presentation of concrete (non-representational) art. In an unusual architectural setting, some 1,000 square metres of exhibition area illustrate the development of this artistic style, displaying exhibits by all its important exponents. With its large-scale sculptures, the Open-air Museum of Concrete Art has become part of the cityscape.



Lechner Museum

Alternating exhibitions of the works of Alf Lechner, one of the most important sculptures in steel of the 20th century.

Night of the Museums

This event has established itself as an indispensable part of the cultural calendar, providing a relaxed atmosphere in which Ingolstadt's museums can show their infinite variety in a different and unusual light.

www.ingolstadt.de/nachtdermuseen

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HIGHLIGHTS



Ingolstadt Live

As far as art, culture and special events are concerned, all local organizers and sponsors work together to offer a range of events that is unusual for a city of our size. The inhabitants of Ingolstadt know how extremely lucky they are and, of course, you are also heartily invited to take part in any of these events as our guest.

A renowned theatre, an outstanding orchestra, museums with a nationwide reputation, a lively cabaret scene and an annual public festival which takes place in the streets of the old town – Ingolstadt can offer all this and much, much more! Larger events take place in the Saturn Arena and in the festival hall of the theatre. Exciting sporting competitions, rousing concerts, musicals, shows, huge parties, exhibitions and interesting trade fairs are just some of the events you can look forward to.



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Events and organizers
www.ingolstadt-tourismus.de/veranstaltungen
www.saturn-arena.com
www.sommerkonzerte.de
www.theater.ingolstadt.de
www.georgisches-kammerorchester.de

Our experimental theatre ensemble,

which enjoys an outstanding national reputation, holds regular performances in an award-winning building which houses a large main theatre, a workshop theatre and a festival hall. The studio in the *Herzogskasten* and the theatre in the *Turm Baur* are outstanding venues for drama. Performances take place on the open-air stage in the *Turm Baur* in the summer months.



Outdoor events within the fortress walls

Ingolstadt's classical fortress complexes and the Klenzepark offer a really special ambience for alfresco events of all kinds. The "Open Flair" cultural festival is presented there, as are concerts by the Georgian Chamber Orchestra, the summer open-air cinema and *Fischerstechen* (which is a competition between two teams in boats where one member of each team tries to knock the other member into the river by using a long pole).



spectators & listeners

High class: Summer Concerts

The concert series, organized by the *Bayerischer Rundfunk* and *AUDI AG*, filled with top-flight musicians. It ranks among one of the most successful festivals in Germany. Evenings of symphonies, chamber music, jazz, dance, opera and world music attract over 20,000 visitors each year to the region. As news of the high quality of the concerts has spread far and wide, it is essential to act quickly if you wish to acquire tickets; the majority of them are usually sold in the first week of pre-selling.



Georgian Chamber Orchestra

Highly regarded: the Georgian Chamber Orchestra

Having first come to Ingolstadt in 1990, this talented ensemble is now a permanent feature of cultural life in the region. "The Georgians" are also highly regarded in the international world of music. The Georgian Chamber Orchestra is not afraid to break new ground in its performances which encompass a large variety of contrasting musical styles ranging from classical music to jazz.

January / February

New Year's Concert, Georgian Chamber Orchestra Ingolstadt
Carnival Ball and Processions
Musical

March / April

Ingolstadt Cabaret Festival
Fountain Festival
International Pewter Statuettes Competition
Festival of pure beer

May / June

Organ Matinee at noon
Blues Festival
Half Marathon
Whitsun Folk Festival with trade market
Carrara Wine Festival
Danube Classic Cars Festival

July / August

Theatre: Open Air Events
Summer Concerts
City Festival/Historical Festival (by turns biennial)
Landlord's festival with "Fischerstechen"
Danube Festival on the "Schanz"

September / October

Festival: Open Flair
Night of the Museums
Simon Mayr Festival
September Fair
Autumn Folk Festival with trade market
Ingolstadt Female Artists' Days
Ingolstadt Cabbage Festival

November / December

Ingolstadt Jazz Festival
Ingolstadt Magic Days
Musical Night in the Theatre
Christmas Market with *Krippenweg* (Nativity scenes)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Ingolstadt *Christkindl* Market

The Christkindl Market, already mentioned in 1570 as the "Jahrmarkt an Nicolai", is one of the oldest in Germany. It radiates in the lustre of Christmas on Theaterplatz, against the backdrop of the Ducal Castles. Mulled wine, punch and all kinds of sweet things will tempt you to linger, after a stroll through the festively decorated lanes of stalls.

As well the *Ingolstadt Krippenweg* is a special feature. It leads through many of Ingolstadt's churches and shows precious nativity scenes, partly from family heirlooms.



SPORT

An eldorado for runners

Whether you are a jogger, walker or stroller you will discover the ideal conditions in Ingolstadt. Different paths lead through the Glacis, through the Klenzpark and the Luitpold Park, around the Baggersee (a beautifully landscaped artificial lake) or through the Gerolfing Oak Forest and the Zuchering Forest. If long-distance running is more your style, why not try the 25 kilometres along the banks of the Danube to Neuburg. If you don't want to run back, you can return to Ingolstadt by train in fifteen minutes.



Ingolstadt Half Marathon

A highlight of the running calendar in southern Germany, with 4,000 participants and 20,000 enthusiastic spectators. The fantastic route leads through the old town and the nearby recreation areas. Don't forget to join in the pasta party with its festive atmosphere afterwards. www.halbmarathon-ingolstadt.net



Ingolstadt Golf Course

Delightfully situated in the Schuttertal, the 18-hole complex offers a driving range, a putting green and an exercise bunker which is visible from the club house. Tournaments, dates and training periods available at www.golf-ingolstadt.de



The sporting side of Ingolstadt

Cycling · riding · inline-skating · tennis · volleyball · wind-surfing · fishing · squash · ice-skating · golf, and much more besides – a varied assortment for sports-fans of all ages and for all seasons.



activity & fitness



Action on the Ice in the Saturn Arena

Ice-skating or the Ice-Disco is available almost all year round in the Saturn Arena. If it's action you're after, then make sure you buy a ticket for one of the home matches of ERC Ingolstadt, one of the exciting teams in the German (Elite) Hockey League, or why not treat yourself to a ticket for one of the magical ice galas which also take place in the Saturn Arena. Don't forget to buy your tickets early. Information available at the homepage www.saturn-arena.com



Fun and Wellness in the Donautherme Wonnemar

Lots of fun in the various swimming pools, a "wellness" and sauna world, fitness area and restaurants await you in the 11,000 square metres of the Donautherme Wonnemar. The whole family can enjoy the surf of the artificial wave pool in the tropical swimming pool area. Kids will love to rush down the colourful tubes of the giant water slide and toddlers can romp about to their hearts' content in the Wonni adventure land. More adventurous swimmers can find their way to the large outdoor pools - a great experience especially in the ice and snow of the winter months.



Relaxation and health cannot be forgotten. In the midst of a fragrant Mediterranean garden, you will find plenty of opportunity to relax and enjoy the facilities in Sauna World and in the oriental health bath. Escape from the stress of everyday life and let yourself be pampered. Your wish is our command!



No excuse to be bored! Barbecues, midnight sauna, cocktail parties, Halloween celebrations, mega raves, St. Nicholas Day festivities, lunchtime drinks, Wonnemar-Beach-Club... The Donautherme Wonnemar organizes many events for its visitors, both young and old. For more information please visit www.wonnemar.de/ingolstadt

EXPERIENCE NATURE



Discover Ingolstadt with a bicycle

Ingolstadt can be explored extremely well on a bicycle. However, much more than one day is needed to discover everything Ingolstadt has to offer. A trip to the historical sights in the pedestrianised old town is a must. Link this tour with a trip to the Glacis and the Klenzepark. The easy-to-follow biotope adventure path, a total of eleven kilometres in length, can also be joined here. The path consists of 18 stages. At each stage you can find interesting information about the habitats of animals and plants and why we need to protect them.

The many bathing lakes with outstanding water quality also offer fun and refreshment. The large Baggersee situated in the west and the Auwaldsee in the east are only a few minutes' ride from the city centre.

A large network of cycling routes starts just outside the town walls. Fields and forests surround the city. The extensive Donauauen (the wooded areas on the banks of the Danube) stretch from west to east. The Danube Cycling Route is one of the best-known routes in Europe and passes through this unique, intact natural area. Apart from this, however, there are many other interesting routes to explore, such as the Via Rætica along the historically important Roman road.



Some of our hotels have adapted themselves to the needs of holidaymakers on bicycles and offer lockable spaces for bikes, bicycle hire, drying rooms as well as a repair and luggage service. Many have interesting holiday packages to offer – especially for the weekend and holiday periods. Family rooms are also available. Just ask for details!

TIP

cycling & swimming

Your cycling tours in the region around Ingolstadt will take you through a typical Bavarian agricultural landscape. Asparagus fields and hop gardens soon come into view to the south, the foothills of the Altmühltal Nature Park to the north. Pretty villages with public houses and beer gardens line the route. How far you cycle will depend on your level of fitness.



Cycling with children

Young cyclists will also have plenty of fun in Ingolstadt. There are no gradients, but a large number of attractions in the city and in the surrounding area. Benjamin and Blümchen, the two little mascots, will welcome your children to the Wasserstern Zoo. Afterwards the whole family can rent a boat on the Auwaldsee and then go and take a look at the large wild boar with their young in the game park. Beach volleyball, table tennis or mini-golf are all available right next to the Baggersee.



Tired of the bike?

If you need a break from cycling or the weather is poor, then why not try the Donautherme Wonnemar water park. Both adults and children will have plenty of fun in the swimming pools and there is an opportunity to ease those aching muscles in the "wellness" area.

TIP



Ingolstadt's drinking water – of the highest quality

As a result of its distinctive geological features, Ingolstadt's drinking water is of outstanding quality. At ten stages along the path leading some 1.5 kilometres through the idyllic Gerolfing oak forest to Irgetsheim, you can read about the endless cycle of water – from how it is extracted to how it is conserved for future generations. Find out on foot or by bike.



HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS

Comfortable overnight stays

More than forty hotels look forward to welcoming you to Ingolstadt. Old town houses moulded by tradition, comfortable inns and guesthouses, bed and breakfasts and modern business and conference hotels await you. Whether you prefer a classic Bavarian hotel, a modern one or even a trendy one, we have just the right hotel for you.

Book your accommodation online!

You're looking for accommodation tailor-made to your needs? Be our guest....

At www.ingolstadt-tourismus.de/reservations you'll find what you're looking for – quickly, conveniently and around the clock.



Hotel guidance system!

When you arrive in Ingolstadt you will find the main signposts of the Hotel Route, which lead to the appropriate single green arrow signs, showing you where to turn off to find the accommodation in question.

Stay awhile and enjoy a feast – asparagus and other regional specialties

Asparagus growers from the nearby towns of Schrobenhausen, Pörnbach and Abensberg supply the freshly cut tender white sticks directly to hotels and restaurants in Ingolstadt. The classic combination of asparagus with potatoes from the Donaumoos and tasty country ham is a real gourmet treat, but there are many other possible variations, too.



Game and wild garlic are brought to the table from the neighbouring forests; there is tender fresh lamb from the Altmühl Valley; local streams and lakes supply a variety of freshwater fish and local farmers not only offer a wide range of arable crops, such as potatoes, cabbage and pumpkins, but also ducks and geese. Make sure that you try some of the popular tasty dishes prepared from these local ingredients in one of Ingolstadt's many Bavarian restaurants. Internationally inspired chefs also enjoy using regional products in surprising combinations to conjure up marvellous light gourmet meals.



relaxation & enjoyment

Hops and malt – may God preserve them!

There's no better accompaniment to a sizzling piece of roast pork fresh from the oven or other Bavarian delicacies such as radish, *Weißwurst* and pretzels than a freshly tapped beer. Four breweries produce beer in Ingolstadt – naturally from the green-gold hops of the nearby Hallertau and brewed strictly in accordance with the Bavarian Reinheitsgebot (beer purity regulation).



The Reinheitsgebot from Ingolstadt – the worldwide standard for the production of beer. Did you know that the Reinheitsgebot for beer was proclaimed in Ingolstadt on St. George's Day 1516? It was a mile-stone in the history of brewing! Lawyers consider it to be the oldest foodstuffs law in the world and even today it continues to be the embodiment of quality and enjoyment for local master brewers.

Night life

The inner city becomes a hive of activity during the *Bürgerfest* (street festival). Therefore it's impossible not to join in the fun. The whole city is out and about. But at other times you can also turn night into day – in trendy bars and discotheques, at after-work parties, at cabaret events or simply in a cosy pub.



Meet in Ingolstadt

It is not only Audi AG and other local companies which hold our city in high esteem as a conference venue. More and more companies from all over Germany are in favour of Ingolstadt because of its attractive position, in the middle of Bavaria. Of course, the fact that our business hotels have an excellent reputation for comfort and service also plays an important role.



The theatre, the hall of mirrors, the Riding School or the Riding Hall in the Klenzepark are also available for your function. The Saturn Arena offers plenty of space for large conferences and trade fairs.



Are you looking for an unusual location with plenty of scope for additional activities as part of the programme? Speak to us; we will be pleased to help you.



Brochures to download are available on:
www.ingolstadt-tourismus.de

We would also be delighted to send you any of these brochures.

TIP

SHOPPERS' PARADISE



Enjoy a stroll through history

From the Kreuztor to Paradeplatz – Ingolstadt's main shopping street is flanked by magnificent buildings and colourful gabled houses. Large retail chains and trendy independent shops are represented in equal measure along Theresienstraße and Ludwigsstraße. Anyone strolling past the shop windows in the pedestrianised centre should also take a look down the lanes of the old town, which are packed with small shops and exquisite boutiques. There are also cafés and restaurants in case you fancy a drink, need a bite to eat or just want to rest your legs. When you reach the end of Ludwigsstraße you will find the historic Paradeplatz. Here, directly in front of the gates of the Neues Schloss, the military musician Adolf Scherzer watched the colourful bustle of artists and itinerant entertainers at a fair in 1845. Inspired by the musical airs and the cheerful bustle of the fair he wrote the Bavarian Parade March, one of the most important military marches.



Something is always going on in the City!

Fashion and children's festivals, jazz and classic, fairs and markets, exhibitions and parties more than make up for this. The city marketing team is always putting together new events for young people and the young at heart in the old town. There is dancing, conjuring, eating, drinking... Why not join in the celebrations with us?



A car park guidance system on all major access routes directs visitors to the most central car parks and multi-storeys.

TIP

shopping & bargains

Great Brands at low prices

For years Ingolstadt has been regarded as a hot tip among so-called "smart shoppers". Rosner and Bäumlér, two internationally renowned clothing manufacturers, design and produce fashion for men and women here. Business clothing and leisurewear can be bought at reasonable prices and the simple idea of "*Fabrikverkauf*" (sales direct from the factory) actually means attractive outlets offering top quality goods coupled with competent salesmanship. You just have to look at the full car parks and the car registration plates from all over Germany to know that it is worth making the journey to discover the many bargains on offer.



Outlet Shopping – Ingolstadt Village

At *Ingolstadt Village*, smart shopping in a feel-good atmosphere is the order of the day for brand-conscious shoppers who value quality and lifestyle. International fashion and a local ambience, unbeatable prices and exceptional service are what make this outlet shopping centre special. Renowned designers present last season's clothing and accessory collections in beautiful stores and – the best bit about it – sell everything at 30% to 60%* reductions all year round. End your shopping spree in style and stop off at the Village restaurant or café for a gastronomic treat or two. The hustle and bustle of the city is soon forgotten thanks to the perfect interplay of a unique ambience and a sophisticated setting. Enjoy a relaxed shopping experience with a difference.

* related to the former recommended retail price



www.ingolstadtVillage.com
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www.rosner.de
www.baeumler.com
www.westpark-center.de

TIP



EXCURSIONS



Altmühltal Nature Park

One region with many faces

Once you have explored Ingolstadt, don't forget that the region around the city has much to offer, too. Many destinations can be easily reached by train and for those who are sporty, the bicycle is an excellent alternative. Get going – there's a lot to discover in the historical towns, the Altmühltal Nature Park, the Hallertau and the wooded areas along the banks of the Danube...



Neuburg on the Danube

Neuburg on the Danube, the town of the Count Palatine, **Eichstätt**, the bishop's residence, and the medieval town of **Beilngries** have a Mediterranean charm about them. It is impossible to ignore the fact that great architects and master builders have been at work here. On warm summer evenings, with a glass of wine in the hand, you will feel as if you have been transported to an Italian piazza. In Neuburg, the Renaissance castle of Ottheinrich towers above the upper town; in Eichstätt, Willibald's Castle is a welcoming sight as you approach the town. The hall of liberation near **Kelheim**, built by Leo von Klenze, the architect of the Ingolstadt fortresses, is another imposing edifice.



Willibald's Castle in Eichstätt

The **Altmühltal Nature Park**, one of the largest nature parks in Germany, stretches to the north of Ingolstadt. The valleys of the original Danube River and the Altmühl are a paradise for cyclists and ramblers. Well-marked routes lead through idyllic landscapes, past spotless villages and pretty little towns. Children will love to try out their canoeing skills on the River Altmühl or you can enjoy a leisurely walk along the river as it meanders its way through precipitous Jurassic rock faces and past green juniper heathland. On closer inspection, colourful points on the rock face turn out to be climbers. A feeling of peace and well-being descends - if only this moment could last forever...



Altmühl Valley

Rambling and cycling in the hilly northern region requires a little more energy, but the **wonderful views**, reconstructed **Roman forts**, defiant fortresses and **romantic castles** offer more than ample compensation for the effort involved. Pappenheim, Dollnstein, Bergen, Pfünz, Arnsberg, Kipfenberg, Hirschberg, Dietfurt, Eggersberg, Riedenburg, Hexenagger and Prunn are only a few of the various possible destinations that can be named.



Danube gorge near Weltenburg

There is also plenty of opportunity to travel on **the Danube or the Altmühl with the passenger ships** of the "Weiße Flotte". You can travel from Berching to Kelheim on the Main-Danube Canal or through the famous Danube gorge to the Weltenburg Monastery on the "Altmühlperle" and her sister ships. Here the Bavarian Danube reveals itself from its most spectacular side, its last natural section.

inside & outside

The [Hallertau hop](#) country and the asparagus-growing area around the town of [Schrobenhausen](#), to the east and south of Ingolstadt, are rich in culinary delights. This is a landscape rooted in the soil – hop gardens and fields characterize this cultivated area and determine the spirit of the lives of the farming families who live there. The colour green exists in all its different shades; hops entwine around their poles, forests, meadows and orchards can be as far as the eye can see. Cosy inns and beer gardens invite you to halt awhile and enjoy a tasty snack. A mug of cool beer will fortify you before you set off on the informative "Hops and Beer" path near Mainburg.



Martin Gabriel - "Hops and Beer" path near Mainburg



Benedictine Abbey in Scheyern



Donaumoos

The "Hopfenmeile" may sound like a beer drinker's paradise, but that would be wide of the mark. What is meant is the [Trabrennbahn](#) (the trotting course), which attracts thousands of visitors every year to Pfaffenhofen, a town 25 kilometres south of Ingolstadt. Fans of horse racing will certainly get their money's worth there, as will enthusiastic gamblers, provided, of course, that they manage to pick the winner!



Trotting course at Pfaffenhofen

After a successful outing to the race track, the [Klostergasthof](#) restaurant in nearby [Scheyern](#) is the ideal place to celebrate. Scheyern is particularly worth a visit because of its great historical significance. Here was located the hereditary castle of the Counts of Schyren, the ancestors of the present day Wittelsbach family. The Benedictine abbey built in place of the castle in the 12th century is one of the most important monasteries in Bavaria. The Hohenwart [Benedictine Abbey](#) high above the Paar Valley is also worth a visit. The monastery church in particular contains numerous artistic treasures.

The [Donaumoos](#) in the southwest of the region, one of the largest low fens in southern Germany, is a peaceful landscape. A valuable cultivated area arose through the draining of the inaccessible marsh in the 18th century. The ["Haus im Moos" open air and local history museum](#) gives a vivid insight into life and work in earlier times.

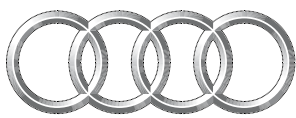


Quarry in the Altmühltal Nature Park

Families will find the provision for children in the region less peaceful, but all the more fun. Swimming, boat trips, pony rides, canoeing, rock climbing or summer tobogganing with the "AltmühlBob" near Riedenburg offer a great deal of amusement for the whole family. Much can be discovered about the history of the earth in the quarries in the Altmühltal Nature Park, for example in Solnhofen or at Blumenberg in Eichstätt. And it's not only [the children](#) who enjoy hammering and chiselling away, looking for fossils...! The [Jurassic museum](#) in Eichstätt is also well worth a visit before you travel back to Ingolstadt with your precious treasures.



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