



BAVARIA

Bavaria, the largest federal state in Germany, boasts a scenic diversity comparable to none other; from the peaks of the Bavarian Alps to the windswept elevations of the Rhön and Bayerischer Wald stretch the foothills of the Alps, traversed by the meandering rivers of the Isar and Danube and punctuated by the glimmering waters of crystal-clear mountain lakes. Fine vintages are cultivated in the Main Valley, with Germany's most concentrated network of microbreweries spread out amongst the bizarre dolomite cliffs and magical dripstone caves of Franconian Switzerland. Numerous castles, palaces, churches and monasteries bear witness to the region's rich and turbulent history. Munich, the provincial capital, is not only famous the world over for its Oktoberfest and Hofbräuhaus but also a humming international centre of the arts.

The cities and countryside, lakes and mountains of Bavaria are portrayed here in over 200 photos. Lofty peaks and lush valleys, traditional festivals in major towns and tiny villages, magnificent buildings and historic sites make Bavaria a must on any German itinerary.



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Journey through



BAVARIA

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Stürtz

First page:
Each autumn, before the onset of winter, the cattle have to be driven down from their mountain

pastures (here in Pfronten/Allgäu). The occasion is one of merriment and celebration for both man and beast.

Previous page:
The Königssee, entirely surrounded by mountains, is one of the gems of Germany's Alpine lakes.

The tiny peninsula of St Bartholomä lies huddled at the foot of the Kleiner Watzmann,

the oldest parts of its pilgrimage chapel dating back to the 12th century.

Below:
Celebrating without music in Bavaria would be absolutely unthinkable. Here the band is playing in

Gmund (Tegernsee lake) for the feast of Corpus Christi procession.

Page 10/11:
From Usseburg there are grand views of the Tegelberg and Säuling in the Ammergebirge, with the

Forggensee tucked in between them. The lake was created in 1954 when an enormous dam was erected across the River Lech.



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*Right page:
The oldest parish church
in town is affectionately
known as "Old Peter" and
had to be completely
rebuilt following heavy
bombing during the
Second World War. From
the spire you have fantastic
views out over the city
with the town hall and
Frauenkirche.*



*Munich's Karlsplatz was
laid out in 1791 after the
city defences were torn
down by Karl Theodor,
after whom the square is
named. The elector was
not particularly popular
with his citizens, hence the
local name Stachus, still
used today.*



*Munich's Hofbräuhaus
is famous not just for its
beer but also for its
oompah bands and gutsy
waitresses. Possibly the
city's (if not Germany's)
best-known pub, it's
guaranteed to pull the
crowds and is often full to
bursting, seating 2,500 at
peak capacity.*

