Welcome to Schweinfurt



Franconian wine landscape, the ters and marketplaces. The Gaden Schweinfurt 360° region offers buildings are an important cultural an experience for all the senses. legacy and living witnesses of the World-renowned museums, an past. Thanks to extensive renoold town quarter as an insider tip, vation measures, the Kirchgaden romantic vineyards, villages with buildings are often the center of vilhalf-timbered idyllic and Franconilage life again, in some cases used an hospitality.

Many people only know the city of Schweinfurt in connection with its long tradition as "Ball Bearing City" or by way of its soccer team 1.FC Schweinfurt 05. The city has long undergone a fundamental change in this context.

ing history of the city, discover the lovingly renovated parts of the old town, swim in globally renowned art, enjoy Franconian delicacies - Schweinfurt offers city life with a relaxed atmosphere. Enjoy there to be discovered every day, a stroll through the pedestrian and the network of cycling and zone with its boutiques or a walk hiking trails has been superbly on the banks of the Main. Our in- developed. As lifeline of the retention with the City Map is to give gion, the River Main connects the you valuable tips for your stay in Franconian wine country with the Schweinfurt.

ommend the diverse cultural trasting landscapes come together and recreational offerings in and here harmoniously. around Schweinfurt, so this plan also provides tips for excursions Welcome to the Schweinfurt 360° in the region. Discover the unique Region – there are many Franconian cultural landscape surprises to look forward to! between the Main, Steigerwald Forest, Hassberge and Rhön region.

Regional culture and identity are a way of life here, as evident in

Embedded in the delightful the numerous historical town cenas museums or cultural sites, such as in Geldersheim



Steigerwald and Hassberge nature reserves. And right in the middle We would also like to rec- lies the Schweinfurt region - con-



The appropriate tour tips and

on enchanted paths in the roman-

tic Höllental Valley, through the

floodplain forests in Schweinfurt's

Mainbogen area or up to Germa-

ny's highest vinevard - the tours

are sure to whet your appetite for

Another insider tip for nature

overs is the **Brönnhof**, a former

JS Army training area north o

natural heritage site. Discover na-

ture at its purest and, with a little

hweinfurt and today a national

more nature and culture!

Biking & hiking tours

All cyclists are guaranteed to find the terrain most suited to up-to-date cycling maps are availtheir needs in Schweinfurt's surable from the Tourist-Information Center Schweinfurt 360°. roundings: from family-friendly and gradient-free routes around the Main Valley right through to challenging and sporty routes up get their money's worth in the into the Steigerwald Forest. And Schweinfurt region. Experience e-bikers too can look forward to breathtaking nature, slow down in a relaxed cycling experience with the forest and on the water, have over 1,000 kilometers waiting for time for yourself! 19 selected them. During the tours, cozy wine walking tours mean 19 ways of sattaverns, rustic beer gardens and isfying your "wanderlust" and exinns invite you to enjoy Franconian ploring the region anew. Whether



country, the Steigerwald Forest and Hassberge Mountains form the scenic backdrop for varied cycling tours. Romantic wine villages, palaces and ancient castles are just some of the destinations well worth



The Franziskusweg (St. The Main cycle path, the Wern Francis' Path) in Handthal is a cycle path or the 2 Franconia cycle special recommendation. Two kilopath are extremely popular. These meters long, it stretches from the are complemented by a wide choice Steigerwald Center through a fasof themed routes: you can cycle in cinating landscape with extensive the tracks of poet Friedrich Rückert forests, ancient culture, meadows or the Baroque architect Balthasar and vineyards. Along the way you Neumann, through former free will encounter eight animal legends imperial villages and encounter told by St. Francis of Assisi. Time wine, asparagus and herbs with all for yourself, for musings and experiencing nature!

The Schweinfurt region offers explorers a wealth of magnificent buildings, half-timbered romanticism, natural beauty spots as well as cultural treasures and traditions. The Main Valley, the Hassberge Mountains and the Steigerwald Forest provide the scenic backdrop. Look forward to being surprised!



1 Ellertshäuser See

The Ellertshäuser See is Lower Franconia's largest lake and an extremely popular recreational and vacation paradise. There is plenty of space here for sailing windsurfing, boating, swimming and playing. Sunbathing lawns, quiet spots for fishing and wellmarked cycling and hiking trails are waiting for you to enjoy. shore path approx. 4.5 kilometers long stretches around the lake Additional facilities include a campsite, a restaurant and a high ropes course. From the lake it is merely a stone's throw to **Stadt**lauringen with a market square that impresses as an ensemble of half-timbered buildings with the dence" palace. Today, a large part town hall as focal feature. www.ellertshaeuser-see.de



location high above its surroundngs, it is not currently open to the public, unfortunately. However, its mposing appearance alone suffices to reflect its great importance and striking history.

Excursion tips in the Schweinfurt 360° region

You can get the best view by walking up what are known as the Himmelsleiter steps" in the old town of Mainberg.



The baroque palace built by Balthasar Neumann with its chapel and park in English style is popularly referred to as "the little sister of the Würzburg Resiof the castle is used as a hospital for the Lower Franconia district and as an orthopedic clinic. The Schlosskapelle chapel is open to the public and well worth visiting. The castle park in English landscape style with exotic plants and ponds invites visitors for a leisurelv stroll. vww.werneck.de

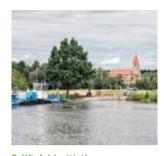
Schweinfurter Mainbogen area: Herbs, cabbage and turnips

Savor the diversity of vegeta-High up, the castle defies wind bles and herbs – this is the motto and weather. In a picturesque behind a unique project initiated



by the three communities of www.wipfeld.de Sennfeld, Gochsheim and Schwebheim in the Schweinfurter Mainbogen area. The objective is to provide a lively impression of the long tradition of vegetable and herbal farming. A teaching garden, two tours and three exhibitions offer exciting insights. On foot or by bike you can experience first-hand the fertile horticultural landscape. During the tour a detour into the histor-

commended www.schweinfurter-mainbogen.de



5 Wipfeld with the St. Ludwig Monastery

A gem among the medieval villages in Franconia, Wipfeld is small valley and is therefore an a small wine village steeped in ideal starting point to immerse history on the Mainschleife with yourself in the forests and the well-preserved building ensem- wine panorama of the Steigerbles in its center.

The"Historical Celtis Tour" takes yard location. Going up to the you through the narrow streets Stollburg ruin with terroir-fpast the Literaturhaus (House of vantage point to get a truly won-Literature) Wipfeld, a museum derful view of the wine-producing and the village's cultural center. countryside is a must

Take the ferry across the Main to get to the St. Ludwig Monastery Once a spa, the buildings were subsequently repurposed by monks as a Benedictine monastery. It now houses an educational insti tution, the Antonia Werr Center The monastery's Church of the Holy Family was built in neo-Romanesque style and is open to

The Steigerwald Center's "Expe-

riencing sustainability" exhibi

tion is also well worth a visit. If

you're looking to experience even

more forest you can take a nature

trail directly to the Ebrach tree-

www.weinpanorama-steigerwald.de

8 Kirchgaden Geldersheim

Franconian fortified churches

and church Gaden buildings were

in earlier times used as retreat

and defensive positions in the

event of conflicts. Even today, the

complex in Geldersheim evokes

seeing. The ensemble includes

the St. Nikolaus parish church

dating back to the 17th centu-

ry, as well as museums and ar-

chaeological exhibitions. Further

such historical treasures are to

be found in Donnersdorf. Euer-

bach, Gochsheim, Schleerieth,

Schnackenwerth and Zeilitzheim.

on the edge of the Hassberge. He

captured his childhood memories

in numerous rhymes and vers-

es, sometimes with a mocking,

sometimes with an affectionate

undertone. A whole poet's cos-

mos spreads out before you here.

Browse through Rückert's worldly

wisdoms in the reading lounge and

stroll through the world of poetry is

10 Fränkisches Bildstockzent-

rum | Franconian Wayside

the Rückert garden.

www.rueckert-poetikum.de

Shrines Center

Egenhausen

www.geldersheim.de

historical times and is well worth

top path.

Fulda / Kassel

3 Werneck Castle

Wildlife Park

Canoe landing stage "Gelbe Welle

Direction

ical old town center is highly re- 6 Gerolzhofen

Franconian half-timbered buildings, winding alleys and the double ramparts give the city true medieval flair. The town's distinctive features include the two towers of the Stadtpfarrkirche church, popularly known as the "Steigerwald Cathedral". A look inside is a must. Make sure to go back to school in Bavaria's first school museum or visit the Johanniskapelle Museum and view the sculptures by Tilman Riemenschneider and Hans Schäufelin from up close. www.gerolzhofen.de

7 Handthal with Stollburg

Handthal lies at the end of a wald Forest. Here you will also find Franconia's highest vine-

Simply enjoyable

of Schweinfurt are officially titled "Places of Pleasure in Bavaria"





Schweinfurt is officially a place of pleasure. Here you can enjoy a delicious culinary trio in the form of Franconian wine, asparagus and "Schlachtschüssel", a local speciality. Die Handthal district and the city



the pleasure there. Connoisseurs paragus, fresh forest mushrooms count Franconian wine among or fish dishes, depending on the the best in the world. Wine is season produced in the Schweinfurt and Steigerwald regions as well as on the banks of the River Main. The terroir conditions there enable the creation of high-quality wines with a spicy note. Silvaner, Bacchus, one of them has its own distinctive character. Rustic traditiona establishments, seasonal wine taverns, modern vinotheques or the diversity of wine festivals invite you to enjoy a taste experience. Winemakers and certified wine experience guides offer vineyard



hikes, experience tours and wine

with asparagus. The sandy soils season from September to April around Schweinfurt ensure that - even as a vegetarian option if this exquisite vegetable thrives in you wish!

the region, and are ideal for the vegetable and herbal farming hat has already been firmly rooted ere for centuries.

The chefs never fail to conjure ip new and delicious dishes from regional and seasonal products. Franconian specialties such as a crispy "Schäuferle" platter or the "Franconian wedding dinner" are served up, as well as game and Wine is a focal element of poultry specialties, Franconian as-



The "Original Schweinfurter Schlachtschüssel" makes for a culinary experience of the very

This is an enduring tradiion celebrated in urban and rural Schweinfurt since wav back in 1840. Freshly cooked pork is eaten straight from the large wooden table, served in seven courses, accompanied by farmhouse bread, horseradish, sauerkraut and sometimes typical Schlachtschüssel songs as well. This cu-The local wine goes perfectly linary and convivial delight is in

Out and about with children

Families are guaranteed not to get bored in the Schweinfurt region. Climbing, cycling, paddling in a canoe on the Main, discovering museums, playing in natural environments, petting animals, romping around in a playground – there are no limits to the fun experiences on offer.

of the park that is home to over ing center 500 animals and 50 different species. Adventure playgrounds, petting zoo and a children's paddling pool make for a perfect experi



he **Steigerwald Center** and at the Bahr education activities on offer.

Schleerieth is the fruit tree paradise in the Schweinfurt district. A fruit nature trail with interactive hands-on stations, snailshaped barefoot path, animal memory game and an observation tower offers a lot of interesting information about orchard fruit. I you want, you can get fresh apple juice in the village.

Water lovers have several possibilities for cooling off in the have a big heart for children. The Schweinfurt region. In Schwein- Georg Schäfer Museum for examfurt there is the Silvana sport ple, invites youngsters to come and leisure pool, in Gerolzhofen along and paint or experiment the **Geomaris complex**. The lakes the "Art for Children" series takes Ellertshäuser See, Sennfelder place every Sunday. The Kunsthal-See, Baggersee Grafenrheinfeld le Schweinfurt gallery gives chilor Schweinfurter Baggersee like- dren the opportunity to be creative wise extend an invitation to take a themselves and take their works of dip in the cool water. And here you art home with them as souvenirs.

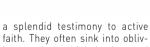
The Wildlife Park an den can even scale the heights, in the Eichen is a particularly popular Kletterwald am See high ropes destination. Lasse the Élk, along course. Enjoy indoor climbing and with his family, is one of the stars bouldering in the large DAV climb-



Simply enjoy being outside and play a round of miniature golf as well. The timeless game of skill is a lot of fun, even for the very smallest members of the family. Mini-golf can be played the Nature and Environment Gar- Wehranlage park in Schweinfurt den "Natur- und Umweltgarten or even for free in the Wildlife Reichelshof" have a diversity of Park. Those looking for breathexciting forest and environmental taking effects will find the version with 3D glasses a really special experience.



Schweinfurt's museums too





Museums & exhibitions in the region

Friedrich Rückert (1788 -1866). the exhibition shows art history Rückert wrote around 20,000 po- set in stone, from the Middle Ages ems and mastered 44 foreign lan- to the present. A wayside-shrine guages. The Rückert.Poetikum in database provides interesting Oberlauringen houses an exhibi- background information and stotion depicting his eventful life. Born ries about the Franconian "Marin Schweinfurt, Rückert spent his terli".



11 Reichsdorfmuseum Gochsheim

Kirchgaden buildings used to provide refuge in the event of Wayside shrines are an ex- attack or war. Today, the Gaden pression of deep piety and give buildings in Gochsheim house an exhibition showing the history of this former free imperial village. The focus is on historical objects from village life, alongside the extensive collection concerning the history of the bicycle.

A book printing training work**shop** rounds off the collection and ry of book printing from Gutenberg

13 Bandkeramikmuseum provides an insight into the histowww.gochsheim.de



12 Kirchenschatzmuseum Grafenrheinfeld

This museum of church 14 Literaturhaus Wipfeld treasure is housed in the former Grafenrheinfeld brewery right

www.grafenrheinfeld.de



6 Cathedral in Gerolzhofen

1 Ellertshäuser See (Lake)

Direction Erfurt

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www.schwanfeld.de/bandkeramik-

Enjoy literature in a house full next door to the imposing parish of history and stories. The Baroque church with its twin towers. Visi- half-timbered building's magnifitors get an in-depth insight into cent stucco ceilings and colourful the treasure chamber of the lit- wall paintings conjure up a speurgy. The exhibition includes pre- cial flair. Audio and interactive cious objects such as figures of hands-on stations relate to four saints, monstrances and goblets renowned poets from Wipfeld: as well as exquisite ecclesiastical Conrad Celtis, Eulegius Schneider, Engelbert Klüpfel and Nikolaus Müller.



A literature forum with open-air



15 Gipsinformationszentrum Sulzheim

gypsum. In the wild you can expe- wander, and enjoy products from rience gypsum on a **gypsum trail** the region. 7 km long. On info-boards you can www.steigerwald-zentrum.de find out interesting facts about the

"Experiencing

16 Treetop Path

centuries-old tradition of gypsum

processing in Sulzheim. Visit the

gypsum hills with their steppe

vegetation, which is unique in

Animals, forest, sustainability: See giant trees up close and discover what a tree looks like from the inside. The modern **Info** Center is done out entirely in wood and impresses with its contemporary architecture. By playful and interactive means, young and old alike can find out interesting facts about the Steigerwald For-Discover the world of gyp- est, natural forest management sum at the Gypsum Information and a sustainable lifestyle. But Center. A tour through the exhi- it's best outside at the learning bition in a former tithe barn will stations or with the long-jumpgive you a detailed insight into the ing animals. Then you can relax origins, mining and today's use of on the sun terrace, let your gaze