

Bodensee
Vorarlberg



Compact

Tips and favourite places 2019

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The most beautiful excursions with one card

Discover the diversity of the region – in summer, winter, autumn and spring! The region of Bodensee-Vorarlberg has so much to offer the whole year long.

This card is your easy access to the whole region, from Bregenz to Nenzing. The Bodensee-Vorarlberg Leisure Card paves the way for the best excursions in the region, is your bus and train ticket, and grants you discounts with bonus partners. You can visit any of the attractions several times: however, no more than once per day.



All partner companies are indicated in the Compact Folder.

- All-inclusive partner – free admission
- Bonus partner – reduced admission

Information about the Bodensee-Vorarlberg Leisure Card

Validity and price

1-day card €16
2-day card €25
3-day card €32
Children and young people (6-15 years) each pay half.
Children aged up to 5 years go free provided they are accompanied by an adult.

Price advantage

The Bodensee-Vorarlberg Leisure Card pays off as soon as you have visited just two attractions.
Example: visits to the Karren in Dornbirn and the vorarlberg museum Bregenz together normally cost €20.10 – with the Bodensee-Vorarlberg Leisure Card, you can visit them from just €16 and also travel comfortably from one to the other by public transport.

Bus and Rail

With the Bodensee-Vorarlberg Leisure Card, you can travel free of charge by bus or train throughout the Vorarlberg region; you can also travel by train to the border stations in Lindau (Germany), St. Margrethen (Switzerland), Buchs (Switzerland) and St. Anton am Arlberg. Timetable information: Vorarlberg Traffic Company T +43 (5522) 83951-0, www.vmobil.at

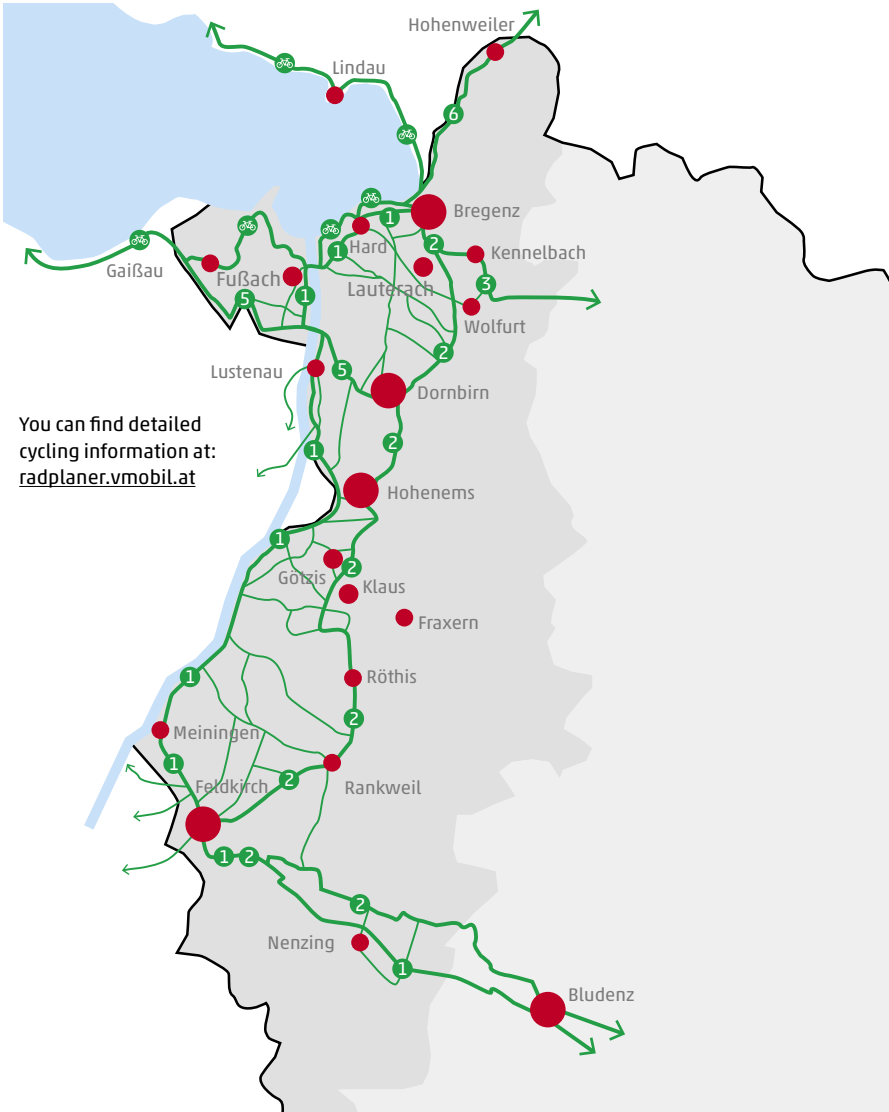
Where can I get the Bodensee-Vorarlberg Leisure Card?

The card is available from Bodensee-Vorarlberg Tourismus and selected partner hotels and tourist centres in the district.
T +43 (5574) 43443-0, office@bodensee-vorarlberg.com
www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com

Network of cycle paths Bodensee-Vorarlberg

- ① Ill-Rhein Route
- ② Villages-cities Route
- ③ Bregenzerwald Route
- ⑤ Gaißau-Dornbirn Route
- ⑥ Leiblachtal Route
- ⊙ Lake Constance Cycle Route

— Signposted cycle tours



You can find detailed cycling information at: radplaner.vmobil.at

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Lake Constance is one of the region's essential elements and shapes its culture just as much as it does the mentality of the people who live here. Vibrant leisure activities take place on its shores all year round, but it's also rarely quiet on the lake itself. However, it does radiate exactly that – quiet. It has a calming effect, lets visitors get their breath back and presents rare views of open skies. Someone who's familiar with the waves of this large body of inland water is Martin Winkler from Bregenz, otherwise better known as Martin McFly. He enjoys surfing water in any of its physical forms: in the mountains, on the seas and also on the lake at his front doorstep. The internationally famous freerider creates another aspect of the landscape and business location as well as another side of the story. You'll find his story on page 8.

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Bodensee-Vorarlberg Leisure Card

 **All-inclusive partner – free admission**

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Welcome

to the Bodensee-Vorarlberg region – that this little brochure presents to you in ever-new facets. We're really enjoying the preparations for publishing it because it's a job that takes us away from our everyday lives and reminds us of the diversity of the region we live in. The facts alone that it is situated where three international borders meet – which creates the great cultural variety – and is located on the shores of one of the largest lakes in Central Europe are strokes of luck. Our high quality of life is carefully maintained by the residents. The quality of the water in Lake Constance is good enough to drink and the breeding and nesting grounds on its shores are protected and home to numerous insect, bird and plant species that have unfortunately become very rare elsewhere. An extensive network of cycle paths leads through these splendid islands of tranquillity and a similar expanse of hiking trails, taking you into the mountain landscapes, presents ever new vistas far into the region and magnificent natural experiences to both residents and visitors alike. Here is where the mind can come to rest.

It is a privileged place and the people here have been working for generations to turn the region into a strong business location, to establish innovations on global markets and to develop continuously. The cultural offers that may be enjoyed here are also able to compete with the international venues in the cities and they attract visitors and interested parties to the region all year round. Art, architecture, literature and the performing arts cast an impressively bright light over the borders of the region. This pocket-sized brochure you are now holding – which is also available in a digital version by the way – presents a really vibrant insight into our region's abundance. You'll find a personal online guide at today.guide that will store your preferences and deliver interesting and valuable information based on your current location – all without the need to download any apps. It will unobtrusively offer the most relevant information based on the weather, time of day and current events on your display – so why not give it a go?

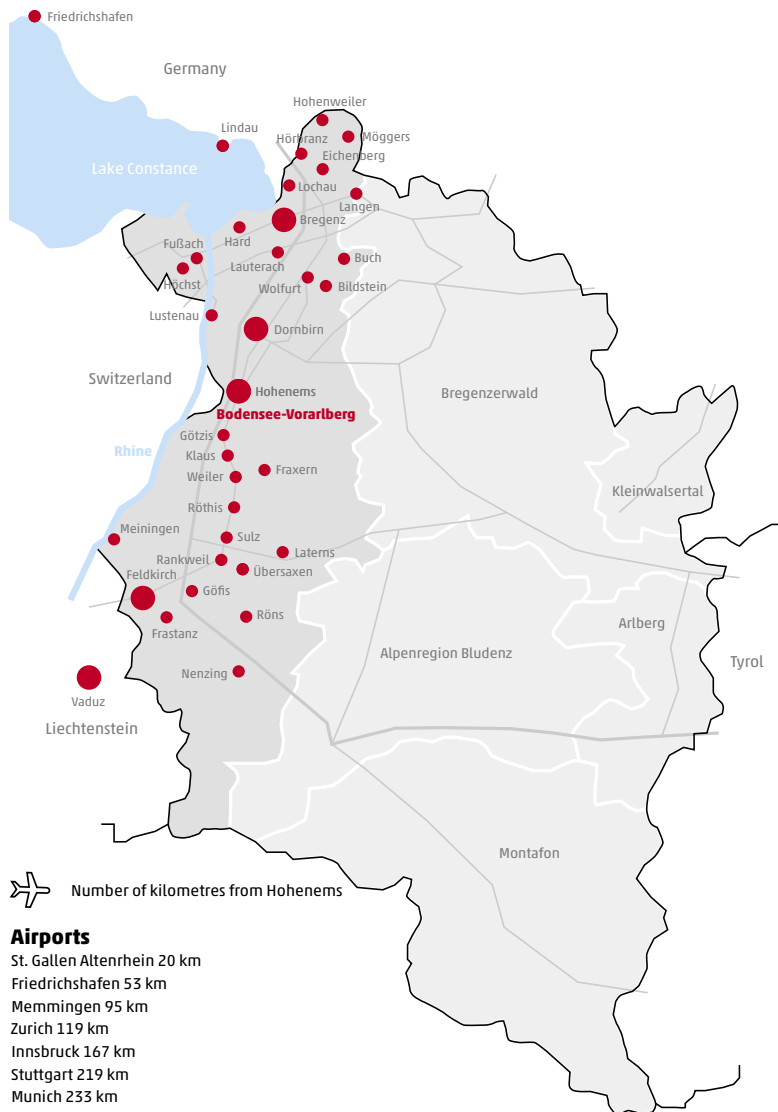
But visiting our website www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com is also always worthwhile because that's where you'll find a wealth of offers, where stories are told, where people are introduced and where you become part of all the action – be inspired, we are here for you.

Urs Treuthardt

Managing director Bodensee-Vorarlberg Tourismus

Getting here

The region of Bodensee-Vorarlberg is easily accessible by all routes, and from all directions, with a very well-developed public transport network. Trains operate between Bregenz and Feldkirch, as do buses and Lake Constance ships of Vorarlberg Lines.



from the North

via Stuttgart – Singen – Meersburg – Lindau
 via Ulm – Memmingen – Lindau
 via Augsburg or Munich – Kempten – Lindau or
 via Munich – Memmingen – Lindau

from the West

via Zurich – St. Gallen – St. Margrethen
 via Zurich – Walensee – Sargans

from the South

via Como (I/CH) – San Bernardino – Thusis – Chur
 via Reschenpass (I/A) – Landeck or Brenner-motorway (I/A) – Innsbruck –
 Landeck – Arlberg-Road Tunnel or -Pass

from the East

via Innsbruck – Landeck – Arlberg-Road Tunnel or -Pass

By air

The closest airports are Zurich (CH), St. Gallen-Altenrhein (CH, scheduled flights with the People's Viennaline to and from Vienna, Friedrichshafen (D, scheduled international flights), Memmingen (D, scheduled international flights with Ryanair and other airlines), Munich (D) and Stuttgart (D).

A shuttle bus operates between Altenrhein and both Bregenz and Dornbirn, and back again. Places are limited and can be reserved via the People's hotline:

Austria: +43 (5572) 203610; Switzerland: +41 (71) 8585160

Single fare: €19 per person.

www.peoples.at

Toll sticker

The use of all motorways and dual carriageways in Austria (in Vorarlberg, these are the A14 and the S16) is subject to a fee. You can buy a 10-day, 2-month or a yearly toll sticker.

Facts

Population	391.741 (Status 2018)
Area	2.601 km ² (3,1% of Austria)
Location	In the centre of Europe, on the north-western foothills of the Austrian Alps. On the borders to Germany, Switzerland and the Principality of Liechtenstein.
Altitude	395 m above sea level (Lake Constance) to 3,312 m (Piz Buin)

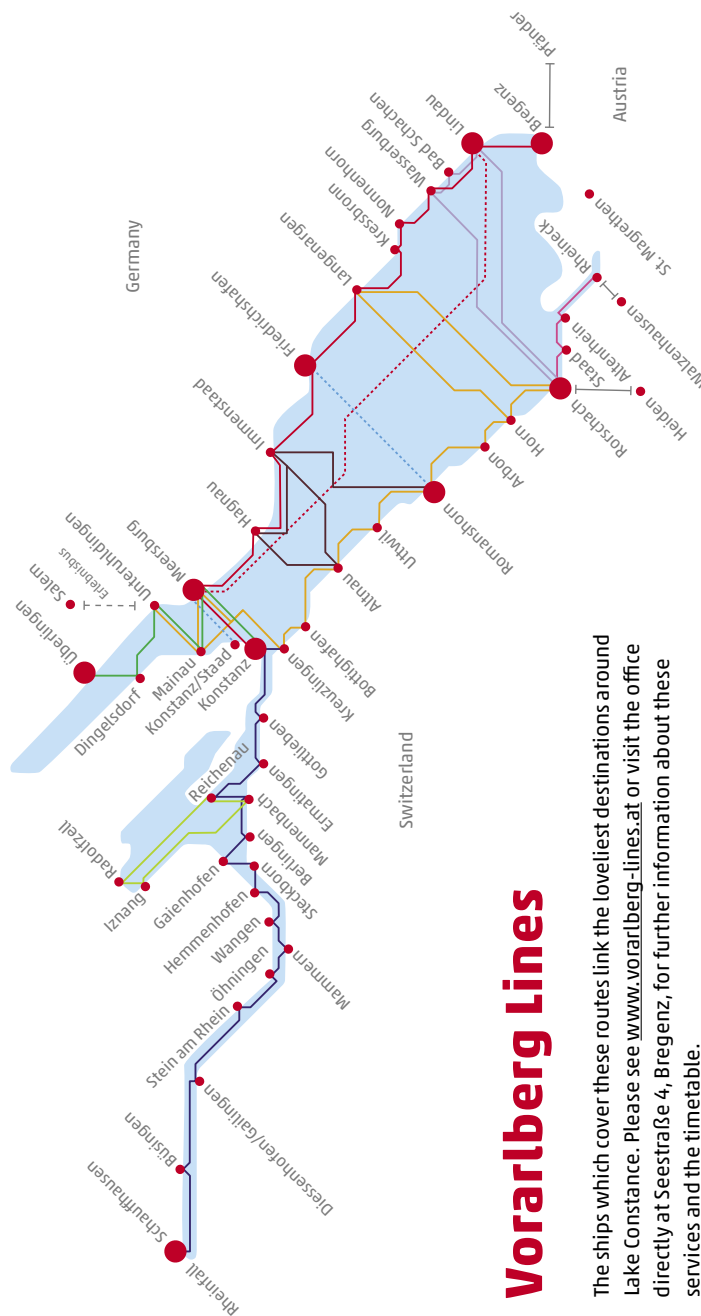
A total of 1,100 photovoltaic installations are erected in Vorarlberg every year. Today, a collector area of around 225,400 m² supplies electricity produced from solar energy.

Vorarlberg produces 3,680 million kilowatt hours of electricity from hydroelectric power every year.

The circumference of Vorarlberg's border is 321 km, with only 69 km of it connecting Vorarlberg to the rest of Austria – a road tunnel, a railway tunnel and the road across the Arlberg, passable all year, cross the high-alpine mountains.

Using public transport in Vorarlberg

The public transport system in Vorarlberg is well developed, and offers a good alternative to driving. A standardised fare system applies to the trains, town and regional buses. The state is divided into "zones". A day ticket for the entire public transport system costs € 14.20 for adults. Timetables and detailed fare information are available at www.vmobil.at; you can also download an app for smartphones from fairtiq. The Bodensee-Vorarlberg Leisure Card entitles you to travel free of charge by bus or train throughout the Vorarlberg region; you can also travel by train to the border stations in Lindau (Germany), St. Margrethen (Switzerland), Buchs (Switzerland) and St. Anton am Arlberg.



Vorarlberg Lines

The ships which cover these routes link the loveliest destinations around Lake Constance. Please see www.vorarlberg-lines.at or visit the office directly at Seestraße 4, Bregenz, for further information about these services and the timetable.



Gravity is just one of those theories

Martin McFly Winker is a freerider and likes to push the boundaries of the laws of physics. The 40-year-old surfer is even able to persuade Lake Constance to give up a few spectacular images and experiences.

As a famous freerider, he has travelled the world, won many prizes and raced down steep slopes. He knows the mountains from Alaska to Chile, from Scandinavia to Spain and back to Vorarlberg – but he always felt that at some point he'd return to Lake Constance.

Martin Winkler, who's a native of Bregenz, has been living with his small family in Lochau, three minutes' walk from the lake shore, for seven years now. In summer, it's almost every day that he crosses the road carrying his stand-up paddle or surfboard to start the day on the water. The powdered state of water in the mountains is his first passion, his second are waves – the ones he can find on Lake Constance but particularly the ones thrown up by wild coastal seas. "It's probably one of the most difficult sports to learn. I had no idea when I was starting out how much had to come together before you could surf a wave," he says with a smile. "The waves on Lake Constance are high enough perhaps two or three times a year and then you have to get out straight away..."

He's pursuing a project that is pushing the boundaries of the laws of physics even further at the moment because he just can't help himself – there's a piece of film that shows him gliding through the deep snow on his surfboard. Without a binding – as if the mountain slope were the trough of a wave in the Atlantic and the snow a burst of salty spray. The man in the film is gliding gently down the slopes and the board is obeying him as if it had been invented solely for this purpose. He says at the same time, "I'm not as wild as I used to be because I hardly practice anymore. The nice thing about it is that you can still do it, you just have to be able to properly gauge your own strength. I don't really take any risks – safety is important to me."

And because it's also more interesting to push the boundaries of the laws of physics on Lake Constance, he loves surfing behind a motorboat – without a rope, which means that he cleverly positions himself in the stern wave and then lets himself be pushed forward on that. Freeriding on the water, then. And why not?

More stories: www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com/en/stories



Cultural Life 🏡

Culture is, without doubt, the first answer that comes to the mind of each and every local when asked to name the most prominent feature of life in the region of Bodensee-Vorarlberg. Cultural life in the region is high-brow – as high as it possibly can be for a region which doesn't have a big city. Something has established itself here which you normally only find in cultural conurbations, i.e. wide acceptance for art and culture, which leaves a lasting impression on the atmosphere. The major cultural institutions with their international appeal and the many regional productions, of an exceptionally high quality, have contributed equally to this. Essentially, a lively cultural scene influences all areas and boosts the quality of life.

Bregenz

Dance festival Bregenzer Frühling

This dance festival has attracted an international audience since the 1990s. For a good reason: this is the place to experience the stars of the international dance scene, and legendary premières and unforgettable performances have maintained a reliably high standard. Frequent standing ovations express the audience's enthusiasm. 🕒 The hall of the Festival Theatre is alive with dance between March and June 2019.

www.bregenzerfruehling.at

Bregenzer Festspiele (Bregenz Festival)

In the summer months, the actors and visitors to the festival turn the town into a multi-cultural meeting point – the opera "Rigoletto" by Giuseppe Verdi is performed for the first time under the directorship of Philipp Stölzl. The lake stage is one thing – the rest of the programme such as the opera "Don Quichotte" by Jules Massenet, held in the festival theatre, first-class orchestral concerts, the established opera workshop and an opera studio for young singers, the crossculture event for teenagers, and other highlights provide plenty reasons to stay in Bregenz that bit longer. 🕒 The festival is held between 17 July and 18 August 2019.

A look behind the scenes

It is the world's largest lake stage – and it welcomes interested visitors to take a look behind the scenes at all the goings-on.

Reserve a guided tour:

➔ Platz der Wiener Symphoniker 1, T +43 (5574) 4076, 🏠 p. 19 – B3
www.bregenzerfestspiele.com

Vorarlberger Landestheater (State theatre)

The State Theatre brings a breath of fresh air to the classical plays of world literature. Then again, the stage also has plenty space to accommodate the present.

➔ Seestraße 2, T +43 (5574) 42870-600, 🏠 p. 19 – F3
www.landestheater.org

Theater KOSMOS

Always on the look-out for unusual plays and authors, the team at the KOSMOS theatre guarantees the audience a view of contemporary literature and the indelible attraction of theatre makers who give their life's blood to what they do.

➔ Mariahilfstraße 29, T +43 (5574) 44034
www.theaterkosmos.at

Künstlerhaus Palais Thurn und Taxis

The headquarters of Vorarlberg's Professional Association of Visual Artists and an exquisite exhibition programme give a new lease of life to the town palace – the park around the estate is home to botanical sights well worth seeing.

→ Gallusstraße 10, T +43 (5574) 42751, ☎ p. 19 – E7

www.kuenstlerhaus-bregenz.at

Environs

Kammgarn Kulturwerkstatt

In 1996, the disused premises of Schoeller in Hard were converted into a cultural centre which, since then, has been livening up the old walls with music, theatre, stand-up comedy and a children's programme. The Kammgarn Kulturwerkstatt is the setting for the Foen-X cabaret festival and part of the hardcover literature festival, is home to the arthouse cinema every Wednesday, and hosts over 120 events per year. Stop off at the Kultur-Café after each event to exchange opinions.

→ Spinnereistraße 10, Hard, T +43 (5574) 82731

www.kammgarn.at

Dornbirn

Spielboden

The Spielboden, which hosts concerts, theatre, cinema and legendary club nights as well as socio-critical discourses is a central location for cultural life in Dornbirn.

→ Färbergasse 15, T +43 (5572) 21933

www.spielboden.at

Art Bodensee

Small, exquisite and innovative – that is how renowned, regional and international galleries present themselves ☺ between 29 and 30 June 2019 at the Art Bodensee art fair in Dornbirn.

www.artbodensee.info

Gustav

International salon for high-quality consumer goods – the "Die Gustav" fair is being held in the Messequartier Dornbirn ☺ between 18 and 20 October 2019.

www.diegustav.com

Environs

Freudenhaus

The Freudenhaus in Lustenau is a wonderfully unconventional place that offers plenty of space for circus, theatre, cabaret and music. The circus tent, which has found a permanent home in the Millenniumpark in Lustenau, is the venue for a broad variety of different events from April to September.

→ Millenniumpark, Lustenau

www.freudenhaus.or.at



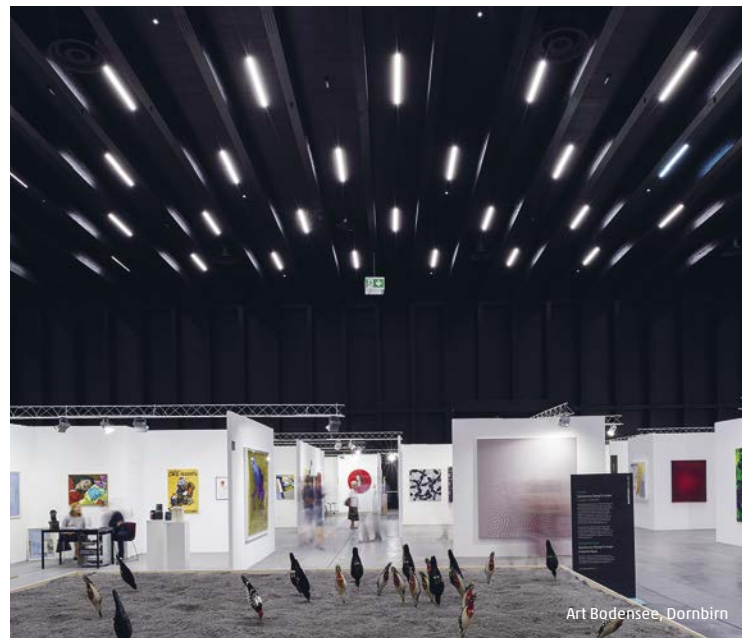
Hannes Hagen

Managing Partner at Conrad Sohm

"Conrad Sohm, which is situated on the Dornbirner Ach river, is one of my greatest passions. The in-club has become both my place of work and my home in recent years."

Conrad Sohm, Dornbirn

Tipp



Art Bodensee, Dornbirn

Hohenems

Homunculus

Heroes, myths and fairytales, told with a modern twist and magnificently interpreted using puppets – that is the Homunculus puppet theatre festival in Hohenems. Theatrical productions which delight the regular audience and guests alike have been staged here for over 20 years. Every year, the productions have a thematic motto specified by artistic director Susanne Claus.

🕒 23 to 31 May 2019

➔ Löwensaal Hohenems, 📄 p. 51 – F3

www.homunculus.info

Emsiana

It's worth finding out more about Hohenems – and with a much broader focus than on just its unique history. The latest developments in this small town include a culture festival, which is by now writing history itself. From classical concerts to world music and contemporary art exhibitions through to children's performances, this culture festival makes Hohenems a place to remember.

🕒 9 to 12 May 2019

www.emsiana.at

Schubertiade Hohenems

The Schubertiade is one of the most renowned classical music festivals worldwide. Nowhere else does the programme cover such a large number of lieder recitals with the best artists in the world in such a short space of time. The festival also includes chamber concerts and piano recitals of the highest quality. The programme is rounded off by orchestral concerts, readings, lectures and masterclasses with great artists. The main event locations are the Angelika Kauffmann Hall in Schwarzenberg and the Markus Sittikus Hall in Hohenems, both of which guarantee an incomparable musical experience with their phenomenal acoustics.

🕒 April to June, August to October 2019

➔ T +43 (5576) 72091, 📄 p. 51 – E4

www.schubertiade.at



For more culture tips, go to:
www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com



poolbar-Festival

Feldkirch

poolbar-Festival 📌

The festival for young people – for a full six weeks, the poolbar-Festival in Feldkirch applies itself to a high-quality, original programme. Music, architecture, graphic arts, art, dance and film are there for the taking 🕒 between 5 July and 11 August 2019.

➔ Altes Hallenbad im Reichenfeld, 📄 p. 67 – D7

www.poolbar.at

Theater am Saumarkt 📌

The Saumarkt theatre plays an important part in cultural education which continuously picks up on current trends and places them in the limelight. Concerts, theatre, literature, stand-up comedy and film for all ages are on the varied programme, as are discourses pertinent to society.

➔ Mühletorplatz 1, T +43 (5522) 72895, 📄 p. 67 – D5

www.saumarkt.at

Johanniterkirche

Originally a hospice of the Knights of St John of Jerusalem built in 1218, after a changeful history, the small church in the middle of the historic centre of Feldkirch now houses an exceptional exhibition centre for contemporary art.

→ Marktgasse 1, ☎ p. 67 – E5

www.johanniterkirche.at

POTENTIAle

The POTENTIAle creates space. For the possible and the seemingly impossible. Autumn sees Feldkirch becoming the venue for regional and international works in the fields of design, photography and media art. That's because the POTENTIAle trade fair in the Reichenfeld-Areal is where designers, design talents and photographers are presenting their latest works for sale. Exhibitions are as much a part of the festival as a vintage market, outdoor installations and many surprising intervention into urban space.

🕒 8 November to 10 November 2019

→ Schlossergasse 1, T +43 (5522) 73467

www.potentiale.at

Kunst Palais Liechtenstein

On the second floor, the time-honoured rooms of an old town palace offer a stage for established as well as up-and-coming contemporary artists. Although the focus is on the fine arts, the exhibition programme also includes cooperation with other types of art.

→ Schlossergasse 8, ☎ p. 67 – E4

www.palaisliechtenstein.at



Franziska Möhrle

Architecture student, Architekturkollektiv Aufstrich

"I went to the POTENTIAle in Feldkirch for the first time five years ago. The festival for regional and international works from the fields of design, photography and media has now turned into a place of well-being not only for visitors but also for all those involved."

POTENTIAle, Feldkirch

Tipp

Montforter Zwischentöne

In three event cycles per year, the "Montforter Zwischentöne" festival enters into a new form of dialogue between music and the audience. This opens up spaces for dialogue with musicians – even private rooms turn into meeting places for an evening.

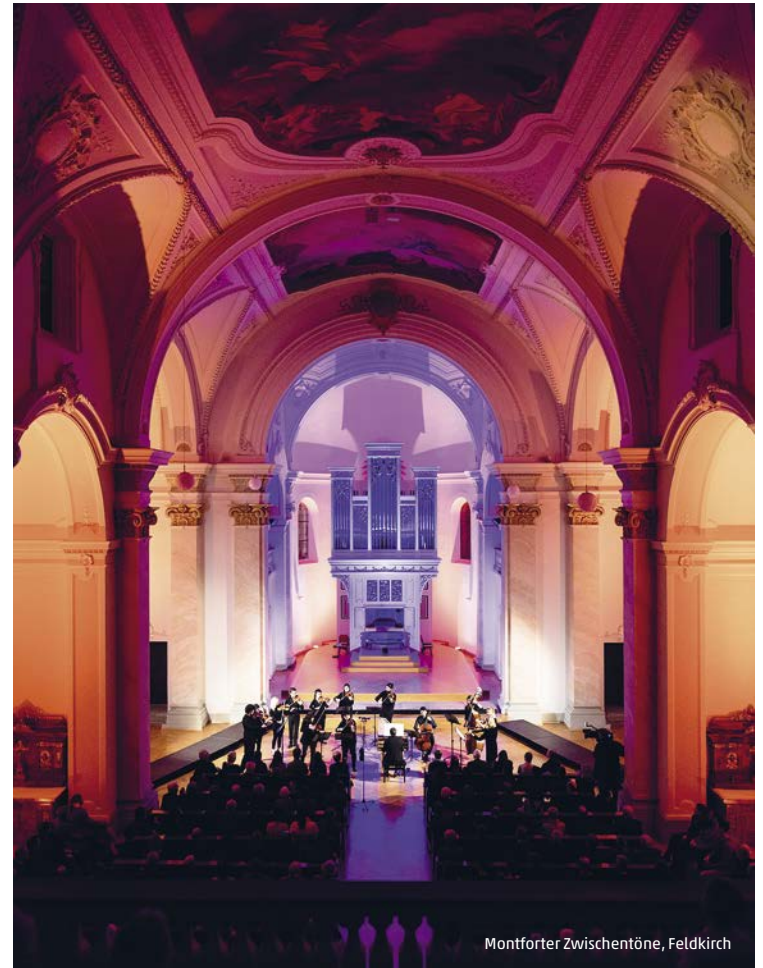
🕒 resist – 8 February to 9 March 2019

discover – 6, 28 to 30 June 2019

wait – 7 November to 10 December 2019

→ Montfortplatz 1, T +43 (5522) 9009, ☎ p. 67 – F5

www.montforter-zwischentoene.at



Montforter Zwischentöne, Feldkirch

Bregenz

Bregenzer Festspiele
(Bregenz Festival) and
Festspielhaus Bregenz A3-B5
Café "Die Welle" F2
Pfänderbahn (cable car) H2

Vorarlberg museum F3
Kunsthaus Bregenz F3
Pfarrkirche St. Gallus F7
Martinsturm H6
Palais Thurn und Taxis E7



← to the city map



Five minutes' walk away

Seebühne
(Lake stage)

Bregenzer Festspiele

Festspielhaus Bregenz

Platz der
Wiener Symphoniker

Casino

Railway station

Harbor

Café „Die Welle“

Kunsthau
Bregenz

Vorarlberger
Landestheater
(State Theatre)

Vorarlberg
museum

Tourism office

Kornmarktplatz

Town hall

Martinsturm

MARTINSGASSE

Stadtpfarrkirche St.Gallus
10 minutes' walk

Palais Thurn und Taxis

more information online: www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com

open WIFI: SeeLan

Bregenz



From the shores of Bregenz you can see as far as the horizon – a unique pleasure for the foothills of the Alps. The open space above the lake may well have characterised the spirit of innovation of the state. One thing is for sure – not only globally successful companies and institutions are concentrated in Vorarlberg; the products of our artistic and culinary life are held in high regard internationally.

In particular, the Bregenz Festival sets the tone during the summer, since no stage in the state attracts as many visitors as does the performance on the lake. Art, culture, architecture and gastronomy on the smallest space between the lakeshore and the slope of the Pfänder mountain are to be had, whatever the season. Choice natural experiences are par for the course in the Lake Constance region. However, it is worth mentioning how smoothly things merge with

Every day the fisherman fills a jug with water from the well behind his house and carefully empties it into the lake from his boat, when nobody is watching. No one has ever found out why his nets are never empty. The fisherman keeps silent about it and so does the lake.

one another here. As well as the breathtaking view of the Rhine Valley and the neighbouring countries of Germany, Switzerland and Liechtenstein, a walk on the slope reveals the force of attraction which draws fans of architecture in droves – the detached houses you come across on the paths are like a stroll through a museum of modern architecture. From there, you get a view of the town centre, where you can easily get your bearings. Two strong architectural statements are located but a few metres away from each other – vorarlberg museum and Kunsthau Bregenz, interrupted by a theatre which boasts not only a high number of visitors but also attaches great importance to promoting youths. The excellent eateries play their part too – this is the life!



1 Bregenzer Festspiele | 2 Bregenzer Frühling | 3 Kunsthau Bregenz | 4 Alpenwildpark Pfänder
5 Pfänderbahn | 6 View above Bregenz

City Lights



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 2 Bregenz in Winter | 3 Platz der Wiener Symphoniker
 4 Bregenz LIFE | 5 Bregenz Market | 6 Martinsturm
 7 Strandbad Bregenz | 8 Kunsthaus Bregenz

Museums

It is practically impossible to determine the wealth of the region's museum scene, since committed private people in many places have a passion which they make publically accessible to others – frequently with an astonishingly professional outcome. This list includes a selection of these private collections as well as the major museums, which are also worth a visit by architecture enthusiasts.



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1 inatura - Erlebnis Naturschau Dornbirn


2 Jüdisches Museum Hohenems

The following opening times are the regular opening times. Restrictions might apply during company holidays, exhibition change-overs and on public holidays.

Bregenz


vorarlberg museum

The culture of the state has been preserved, explored and made available to the public for over 150 years. Since opening its doors in 2013, the structural extension also expresses the conceptional reorientation which has completely blown away any trace of outmodedness and boredom evoked by the name "regional museum".

🕒 Tue to Sun 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thu to 8 p.m.,
➔ Kornmarktplatz 1, T +43 (5574) 46050,  p. 19 – F3
www.vorarlbergmuseum.at


Kunsthau Bregenz (KUB)

Peter Zumthor has created a work of art in which to present art. With regard to both its content and its architecture, the building is considered throughout Europe as one of the major exhibition houses for contemporary art, offering a high-class art education programme for visitors of all ages.

🕒 Mon to Sun 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thu 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
➔ Karl-Tizian-Platz, T +43 (5574) 485940,  p. 19 – F3
www.kunsthau-bregenz.at


Pfänderbahn-Museum

A look at the history of Vorarlberg's first cable car, which started operation in 1927.

🕒 Daily 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
➔ Steinbruchgasse 4, T +43 (5574) 42160-0,  p. 19 – H2
www.pfaenderbahn.at

Exhibition in the Martinsturm

Bregenz's landmark, located within the old town walls, has a baroque onion dome and houses a small museum.

🕒 May to October: Tue to Sun 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
➔ Oberstadt, Martinsgasse 3, T +43 (5574) 4101561,  p. 19 – G6
www.martinsturmbregenz.at

Environs

Art in the Rohnerhaus 🚩

The private museum housed in an interesting new building exhibits a permanent collection of works by artists from Vorarlberg, from the 17th century through to the present.

🕒 Every first Sunday of the month 10.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

➔ Kirchstraße 14, Lauterach, T +43 (676) 7032873

www.rohnerhaus.at

Textildruck-Museum Mittelweiherburg 🚩

Exhibits from the world of textile printing are displayed in the former moated castle. 🕒 April to October: Wed and Sat 5 to 7 p.m., Sun and on bank holidays 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and by appointment.

➔ Mittelweiherburg 3, Hard, T +43 (5574) 697-629

www.hard.at

Dornbirn

Museum Mohren Biererlebniswelt 🚩

The Mohrenbrauerei (brewery) in Dornbirn has been dominating beer culture in Vorarlberg since 1834. Exhibits from the Huber family, which owns it, are presented on an area of 700m² spread over four storeys. The exhibits include the chance to admire the restored brewing equipment from an old craft brewery in the region.

🕒 Thu 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Fri, Sat 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sun 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

➔ Dr.-Waibel-Straße 2, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 37770, 🏠 p. 33 – F4

www.mohrenbrauerei.at

Kunstraum Dornbirn 🚩

Contemporary fine arts and current trends in contemporary art are displayed in a historic assembly hall.

➔ Jahngasse 9, T +43 (5572) 55044, 🏠 p. 33 – C6

www.kunstraumdornbirn.at

Stadtmuseum Dornbirn 🚩

The Stadtmuseum Dornbirn is housed in a 200-year-old patrician house building directly on the market square, with a collection on display that focuses on the history of Dornbirn. Selected items from everyday life are presented over three storeys, and are supplemented by special exhibitions on cultural history and contemporary urban topics. One thematic focus in the museum's collection is the internationally important textile sample archive, with over 300,000 items.

🕒 Tue to Sun 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

➔ Marktplatz 11, T +43 (5572) 33077, 🏠 p. 33 – E3

www.stadtmuseum.dornbirn.at

inatura - Erlebnis Naturschau 🚩

The inatura is an interactive exhibition as well as a documentation centre and research facility. The modern museum concept, interesting architecture and child-oriented, interactive presentation of the objects make this revitalised industrial building into an attractive outing.

🕒 Daily 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

➔ Jahngasse 9/Stadtgarten, T +43 (5572) 232350, 🏠 p. 33 – C6

www.inatura.at

FLATZ Museum 🚩

Wolfgang Flatz, the actionist artist from Dornbirn, has a museum dedicated to him during his lifetime which enables the examination of artistic stimuli of our time. 🕒 Fri 3 to 5 p.m., Sat 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and by appointment.

➔ Marktstraße 33, T +43 (5572) 306-4839, 🏠 p. 33 – E4

www.flatzmuseum.at

Christbaumschmuck Museum

You can view about 22 years of a passion for collecting things here, sorted, decorated and catalogued according to epochs. It is one of only three Christmas decoration museums in Europe.

🕒 December and January: Sat, Sun and on bank holidays 2 to 6 p.m.

➔ Montfortstraße 34, T +43 (5572) 23128, Familie Huschle

Krippenmuseum 🚩

A collection from all over the world displays nativity scenes and figures providing various interpretations of the Holy Night. The 400 m² full of exhibits include a particularly large piece which shows the sufferings of Christ, with over 90 figures around a passion scene. The collection is always worth a visit, even from a non-religious point of view.

🕒 1 May to 6 January: Tue to Sun 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

➔ Gütle 11c, T +43 (5572) 200632

www.krippenmuseum-dornbirn.at



Rhein-Schauen – Museum and nostalgic Rheinbähnlle

Environs

Rhein-Schauen – Museum and nostalgic Rheinbähnlle

The River Rhine played an essential role in the life of our forefathers – its flooding brought not only bountiful harvests but also a lot of suffering. It is the focus of the exhibition, including a topographical model of the course of the river, from the sources through to Lake Constance. You can take a ride on a nostalgic steam engine.

☉ Museum: 1.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m., Train ride: Thu to Sun at 3 p.m.

➔ Höchster Straße 4, Lustenau, T +43 (5577) 20539

www.rheinschauen.at

Rauch's Radiomuseum

Around 550 objects dating from the period of between around 1920 and 1970 present developments from the first receivers to arrive in the region to the most modern of sound machines.

☉ Fr 2 a.m. to 7 p.m., every 1st and 3rd Sat of the month 2 p.m to 6 p.m.

➔ Hofsteigstraße 21, Lustenau, T +43 (5577) 82784 oder +43 (664) 2209064

Hohenems

For centuries, Hohenems was home to a small Jewish community which also left its mark on life in the state. The Jewish quarter has been carefully renovated and revitalised in recent years. The Schubertiade, which was born in Hohenems, focuses on classical chamber music. Several times a year, the small yet world-famous festival attracts an international audience to Vorarlberg, which in turn impacts on a number of museum gems in Hohenems which are only open daily during the Schubertiade. At other times of year, they can be visited upon request.

The museums of the Schubertiade in Hohenems

Franz Schubert and great performers of his works are elucidated in the historically interesting buildings around Marktstraße in Hohenems. Exhibits pertaining to the life, work and reception history of the composer worth viewing are located here. The collection of the legendary singer Elisabeth Schwarzkopf and her husband, the English record producer Walter Legge, provides insights into the world of music surrounding Karajan, Furtwängler and Callas.

➔ T +43 (5576) 72091

www.schubertiade.at

Franz-Schubert-Museum

The Franz Schubert Museum shows the brief life of the great Viennese composer who produced so many outstanding compositions.

☉ Open daily during the Schubertiade; open all year round on request.

➔ Marktstraße 1, T +43 (5576) 72091, ☎ p. 51 – F3

Schubertiade-Museum

The attempts to deepen our understanding of Franz Schubert's works and what kind of person he was are shown in a building that dates back to 1659. The exhibition focuses on individuals connected to Schubert, whether as artists who performed his work, publishers or authors.

☉ Open daily during the Schubertiade; open all year round on request.

➔ Marktstraße 15, T +43 (5576) 72091, ☎ p. 51 – F2

Legge-Museum

Documents from the archive of Walter Legge, the most important classical record producer, are reminders of the many individuals from the world of music, from Maria Callas to Herbert von Karajan. A separate room is dedicated to the writer Stefan Zweig, whose grandfather used to live in the building.

☉ Open daily during the Schubertiade; open all year round on request.

➔ Marktstraße 5, T +43 (5576) 72091, ☎ p. 51 – F2

Elisabeth-Schwarzkopf-Museum

Elisabeth Schwarzkopf (1915–2006) was one of the most outstanding singers of the 20th century. Her career, which had so many high points, and which is documented by numerous recordings that set new standards, is presented with documents from her archive.

☉ Open daily during the Schubertiade; open all year round on request.

➔ Villa Rosenthal, Schweizer Straße 1, T +43 (5576) 72091, 🏠 p. 51 – F3

Nibelungen-Museum

The success of the Songs of Nibelungs began with the discovery of manuscripts C and A in the Hohenems palace (1755 and 1779). The main themes of the museum are Wagner's "The Ring of the Nibelung" and other important renditions of the Nibelung theme for stage and film.

☉ Open daily during the Schubertiade; open all year round on request.

➔ Marktstraße 6, T +43 (5576) 72091, 🏠 p. 51 – F3

Schuhmacher-Museum

The parts of Karl Nachbauer's (1890–1980) shoemaker's workshop remind us of a craft that has now almost died out.

☉ Open daily during the Schubertiade; open all year round on request.

➔ Marktstraße 15, T +43 (5576) 72091, 🏠 p. 51 – F2

Otten Kunstraum

The private museum provides insights into the collection of non-representational art belonging to the Otten family, and invites the public to engage in a dialogue with the works in the form of changing exhibitions.

☉ Open during exhibitions and by appointment.

➔ Schwefelbadstraße 2, T +43 (5576) 90400, 🏠 p. 51 – C7

www.ottenkunstraum.at

Museum Stoffels Säge-Mühle

The open-air mill museum documents 2,000 years of milling technology through to the modern era. ☉ 25 April to 31 October: Daily 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

➔ Sägerstraße 11, T +43 (5576) 72434, 🏠 p. 51 – G6

www.museum-stoffels-saegel-muehle.at



For more tips for museums, go to:
www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com

Jüdisches Museum Hohenems

The Jewish Museum, at home in the former Villa Heimann-Rosenthal, documents the history of the Jewish community which lived in Hohenems for more than three centuries until it was wiped out during the Nazi era. It also addresses Jewishness in Europe today, the diaspora and Israel, as well as issues pertaining to the future of the European immigrant society. It has already achieved international popularity thanks to its events and activities.

☉ Tue to Sun and on bank holidays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

➔ Schweizer Straße 5, T +43 (5576) 73989-0, 🏠 p. 51 – E2

www.jm-hohenems.at

Feldkirch

Schattenburgmuseum (in the Schattenburg castle)

Today, the museum's eighteen rooms still offer an impressive look at the life-style of earlier centuries, from wall paintings and religious art through to suits of armour. It is family-friendly, has a restaurant in the old building and a lovely view across the roofs of Feldkirch. ☉ April to October: Mon to Fri 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sat, Sun and on bank holidays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; November to March: Tue to Fri 1.30 to 4 p.m., Sat, Sun and on bank holidays 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

➔ Burggasse 1, T +43 (5522) 71982, 🏠 p. 67 – G5

www.schattenburg.at

Environs

"Römervilla" open-air museum

Three buildings from a Roman estate from the period between the 1st and 3rd centuries AD can be viewed in the open country, including a partially preserved hot-air heating system.

➔ Brederis Nähe Sportplatz, Rankweil, T +43 (5522) 405-0

www.rankweil.at

Vorarlberger Museumswelt

The Vorarlberg museum world, will in future bring seven museums together under one roof: the electrical museum, the state fire brigade museum, the Vorarlberg hunting museum, the rescue museum, the new tobacco museum, the photography and film museum. The Schnifis local military history collection is also integrated into the museum. ☉ Wed and Sat 1 to 5 p.m.

➔ Obere Lände 3b, Frastanz, T +43 (676) 5440970

www.museumswelt.com

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Five minutes' walk away

Karren valley station
20 minutes' walk

open WIFI

more information online: www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com

Dornbirn



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The largest town in the Rhine valley is considered a shopping town, and the hustle and bustle around the market square and the Church of St Martin, with its many small shops and businesses, certainly supports this reputation. It is not without good reason that boutiques flourish alongside well-known chains and cafés, since the centre is an extremely popular destination for shopping trips. However, Dornbirn has much more to offer than just that. Along the banks of the Ach river, you reach the spectacular Rappenlochschlucht, a recommended outing which certainly impresses guests. In Gütle, a district of Dornbirn, the

industrial history meets a spectacle of nature.

From here, paths take you to the unique vantage point above the Rhine valley, the Karren and into hidden Ebnit, a district in Dornbirn, only a stone's throw from beautiful mountain landscapes. The industrialisation of Vorarlberg was particularly successful in Dornbirn. The mid-19th century saw numerous companies setting out on what

Shout, yell or jump up and down from enthusiasm, from fear or out of principle – but please, for heaven's sake do not remain aloof. There is too much aloofness in the world as it is.

would become a success story which has left behind urban traces. This has not changed – the competitiveness of the companies continues to leave its mark on the architecture and the lifestyle of the people even today. You must not miss the site of the closed-down Rüscherwerke in the town park which have mutated into a cultural hotspot. Adapted with a great deal of sensitivity and stellar architecture, the old fabric of the former factory buildings form a lovely contrast to the modern art in the Kunstraum Dornbirn and the interactive inatura nature show which are both at home here.



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vorarlberg museum (state museum)


Architecture

The historic architectural legacy of the state is witness to the eventful history along the River Rhine which, like all border areas, was a melting pot. Even back in the Middle Ages, there were connections to the major metropolises of the time, either via the ecclesiastical history or via the marriage policy. Many a palace complex bears features of a foreign architecture style, such as the palace in Hohenems. The urban orientation of modern-day life had its roots in its earliest history.

This is reflected in the architectural works of today – over the past quarter of a century, the state has progressed to become an affirmed destination for those interested in architecture. The architects are setting new standards when it comes to forms, materials and ecological methods of building, thereby realising bold new projects. For instance, take a trip to the LifeCycle Tower in Dornbirn for a visit to an ecologically-oriented future.

vai Vorarlberger Architektur Institut

Vorarlberg has progressed to become a European centre of contemporary architecture. It was on the initiative of members of the national association of architects of the state which brought about the Vorarlberger Architektur Institut in 1997. The sustainable consolidation of building culture in Vorarlberg is the association's objective. The vai regularly holds exhibitions, offers round-table events, guided tours of particular architectural gems and operates a reference library which also contains numerous periodicals.

→ Marktstraße 33, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 51169,  p. 33 – E4
www.v-a-i.at


Bregenz

Bregenz and its environs have enough to keep architect aficionados satisfied – a walk on the slope of the Pfänder is just as productive as a visit to the vorarlberg museum or the Kunsthaus Bregenz. It is worth taking a look at the Festival Theatre from the shores of the lake, or taking a trip to the bath house on the Kaiserstrand in **Lochau**.

Kunsthaus Bregenz (exhibition house for contemporary art)

Architect Peter Zumthor


The lake with its constantly changing plays of light provides the outer decoration for the glass lamp structure that encloses the concrete cube of the Kunsthaus. It was intended to be a simple container for art, said Peter Zumthor at its opening, and because he always radically implements whatever he has found to be right, the exhibiting artists are confronted with this grandiose simplicity. There is no view from the inside out, the exhibition rooms in the three upper storeys are each limited by concrete walls behind which the staircases and lifts disappear and even the daylight and artificial lighting are only allowed in through the ceilings between the storeys.

→ Karl-Tizian-Platz, T +43 (5574) 485940,  p. 19 – F3
www.kunsthaus-bregenz.at

vorarlberg museum (state museum)

Architects cukrowicz.nachbaur

"The museum contains Roman vessels, up to 10,000 copies of which were manufactured in one firing", says Anton Nachbaur. "So this is real mass production. We asked ourselves what the equivalent would be nowadays. That's how we hit on the idea of the plastic bottles that you see everywhere." These now decorate the facade of the new part, which opens onto Kornmarktplatz, whilst the historically preserved part remains facing the lake, without the plastic bottles. Inside, thick earth plaster walls and untreated wooden floors convey a natural atmosphere.

→ Kornmarktplatz 1, T +43 (5574) 46050,  p. 19 – F3
www.vorarlbergmuseum.at

“Die Welle” (harbour building)

Architects Wolfgang Ritsch, Nägele Waibel, Bruno Spagolla

“The Wave” combines both functions, fits perfectly into the complex of large buildings on Seestrasse and, with its automatically opening and closing glass front, provides a softer response in size and shape to the glass cube. In any case, in the Wave, far away from the noise of the traffic at last, you can sit exactly where the sun looks most beautiful at sunset.

➔ Seeanlagen 738, T +43 (664) 1608161, [👁 p. 19 – F2](#)

www.diewelle.at

Festspielhaus Bregenz (festival house)

Architects Dietrich | Untertrifaller

The floating stage, with 7,000 seats and its view of the stage and the open horizon, is one of the landmarks of Vorarlberg. The event venue and congress centre, however, also has a big hall with 1,800 seats and various studios and Studio Theatre (Werkstattbühne) area. In 2006, the original building, dating from 1979, was renewed and expanded by architects Dietrich | Untertrifaller. The Bregenz Festival House has been an architectural highlight on the shores of the lake for decades and copes elegantly with the impressive numbers of visitors.

➔ Platz der Wiener Symphoniker 1, T +43 (5574) 4130, [👁 p. 19 – A3](#)

www.kongresskultur.com

Environs

Badehaus, Sentido Seehotel Am Kaiserstrand (bathing house)

Architects Lang + Schwärzler

A 40 m long footbridge leads from the lakeside promenade to the bathing house, which towers out of the water on stilts. It complements the Hotel am Kaiserstrand as a stunning structural element, reached directly from reception along the garden pathway and the footbridge. The enclosed wooden box faces the sun, and the café terrace and sun deck are screened from sight on the shore side.

➔ Am Kaiserstrand 1, Lochau, T +43 (5574) 58111

www.seehotel-kaiserstrand.at

Rathaus Hard (town hall)

Architects Albin Arzberger, Thomas Klas and Christian Lässer

The body of the building is more like a seagoing vessel than a town hall, setting sail across the sea towards the horizon. The lens-shaped building with the facade in green metal panels lies like a jewel diagonal to the centre and houses all of the municipal departments. Daylight falls from the light-coloured light fitting in the attic into an atrium which also creates an opening inside the building.

➔ Marktstraße 18, Hard, T +43 (5574) 6970

www.hard.at



Badehaus, Sentido Seehotel Am Kaiserstrand (bathing house)

Michelehof (farmhouse)

Architect Philip Lutz

Schnapps distillery, sales room, tasting room, schnapps warehouse, machine hall and workshop – plus three generations housed in the residential part of the farmhouse and a stall for the cows; all of these are harmoniously contained and sensibly designed in the new construction by Phillip Lutz. And this is precisely what it needs, because customers for the legendary schnapps from the Michelehof appear regularly and in vast numbers - and rightly so.

➔ Marktstraße 26, Hard, T +43 (5574) 72412

www.michelehof.at



For more building culture tips, go to:
www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com

Dornbirn

In the form of the "LifeCycle Tower", a future vision of sustainable building has come true in **Dornbirn**. The "LCT one" opened its doors in autumn 2012. The first eight-storey, wood-hybrid building in the world built according to the principles of the highest resource and energy efficiency. The interactive inatura nature show is a worthwhile, revitalised industrial monument in the town park of Dornbirn. Martinspark Hotel is an early statement of Vorarlberg architecture – the municipal swimming pool is a modern one. A further award-winning feature can be found approximately 15 kilometres away, at the only Islamic cemetery in the state of Vorarlberg. This cemetery won one of the most internationally important architecture prizes in the form of the "Aga Khan Award".

das stadtbad (municipal swimming pool) 📌

Architects cukrowicz.nachbaur

Worth a visit, especially by families, is the redesigned old swimming pool dating back from the 1960s. A sports pool and the parent-and-child area have been added to the existing pool. The entire exterior skin of the swimming pool is made of copper. A fully enclosed black body towers above the new swimming pool, with multi-media effects accentuating the visual and acoustic outcome in the respective areas.

➔ Schillerstraße 18, T +43 (5572) 22687, 📍 p. 33 – F6
www.stadtbad.at



inatura - Erlebnis Naturschau (interactive nature exhibition) 📌

Architects Dietrich | Untertrifaller, Hermann Kaufmann, Christian Lenz

The industrial history of Dornbirn left a disused assembly building and foundry on the site of the Rüscher works. inatura – which is both an interactive exhibition and a research and documentation centre for the nature of the Vorarlberg – found its natural home in the industrial premises. To build the museum and the municipal park designed by the landscape architects Rotzler Krebs Partner, parts of the building had to be demolished but the assembly building, the old and new foundry, the turning shop and the smithy have been retained. An extension was required for the offices and ancillary rooms.

➔ Jahngasse 9, T +43 (5572) 23235, 📍 p. 33 – C6
www.inatura.at

Vienna House Martinspark Dornbirn (hotel)

Architects Carlo Baumschlager & Dietmar Eberle

A pergola - reinterpreted: Entering the 1st floor hotel restaurant is like walking into the hull of a ship which extends far above the vestibule and within the belly of which the food is excellent. The art hotel is an early showcase model of architectural freedom and today is just as popular as a retreat for hotel guests and locals as it is for conferences and seminars.

➔ Mozartstraße 2, T +43 (5572) 3760, 📍 p. 33 – C3
www.viennahouse.com/martinspark

Feldkirch

In **Feldkirch**, the Montforthaus opened its doors for a high-brow conference and culture programme. It is also a new destination for fans of architecture, like the basilica in **Rankweil**. And if you don't mind the distance you will be rewarded with a successful example of the interplay between old and new uses of form in the Artenne in **Nenzing**.

Montforthaus (cultural and conference center)

Architects Hascher Jehle Berlin and Mitiska Wäger Bludenz

The secret of this successful architecture in the heart of a network of narrow old city streets can be admired in Feldkirch; soft, twisted shapes make ideal use of the available space without producing an ugly rear site anywhere. The historic Old City and a listed city wall contrast very charmingly with the light, bright facade, and the mighty rock wall on one side and the Schattenburg on the other suddenly look down in a much more kindly way on the new building.

➔ Montfortplatz 1, T +43 (5522) 9009, 📍 p. 67 – F5
www.montforthausfeldkirch.com

Environs

Islamischer Friedhof (Islamic cemetery)

Architect Bernardo Bader

A further award-winning feature can be found approximately 15 kilometres away, at the only Islamic cemetery in the state of Vorarlberg. This cemetery won one of the most internationally important architecture prizes in the form of the "Aga Khan Award".

→ Schotterried 1, Altach, T +43 (664) 4355927

www.altach.at

Landesgedächtniskapelle Basilika Rankweil (chapel)

Architects cukrowicz.nachbaur

It towers over the little community from a massive rocky outcrop, the Liebfrauenberg. Ever since its beginnings, its vaults have housed a memorial chapel which was redesigned in 2012 by the two architects Andreas Cukrowicz and Simon Metzler. The names of all the soldiers missing and fallen in two World Wars are listed in two books, gold-coloured brass plates point the way into nothing and yet are actually constellations, and the outside wall has been given a simple little opening to allow the urgently needed ray of light in. The light from this falls on the remembrance shine from March to September. It is a clearly sacred space which speaks a soothingly simple language.

→ Liebfrauenberg 12, Rankweil, T +43 (5522) 44224

www.basilika-rankweil.at

Artenne (old farmhouse)

Architect Hansjörg Thum

The barn of a farmhouse build in 1841 now houses a lively cultural centre with contemporary literature, film and art. In the Walgau region, buildings of this type have mainly disappeared, which is why the exhibition and event venue is set to be used for a long time. During the essential alteration work, the original structure was retained as far as possible, with new elements supplementing the historic part. The complex network of different levels was also tackled with great care, and the levels are connected by two staircases and a footbridge, instead of a central staircase. The former timber plank hay loft has been transformed into an unusual exhibition space and the entire building is an unusual architectural jewel.

→ Kirchgasse 6, Im Walgau, Nenzing, T +43 (5525) 64417

www.artenne.at




Schattenbürg, Feldkirch

Historical buildings

Bregenz

Martinskapelle and Martinsturm

The choir is adorned with a Gothic fresco cycle from the 14th and 15th centuries, a baroque Madonna adorns the east wall and, on the south wall, a Gothic ambry dating from 1492 has a worthy place. The two side altars, the way of the cross and the life-size wooden statue of St Martin with beggar in the nave of the chapel are unique. The adjacent St Martin's tower used to be a storehouse before it was turned into a watchtower in around 1600. Its baroque, wooden-shingle onion dome is the largest in Central Europe.

→ Oberstadt, Martinsgasse 3, T +43 (5574) 4101561,  p. 19 – G6


Gebhardsberg

The Gebhardsberg was appreciated as one of the best vantage points in the whole of the Lake Constance area even 900 years ago. Of the "Hohenbregenz" fortress (today's Gebhardsberg ruins), all that is left are the remains of the walls. Today a castle restaurant with a medieval ambience and a magnificent panorama terrace sits enthroned in this spot.

→ Gebhardsbergstraße 1, T +43 (5574) 42515

Stadtpfarrkirche St. Gallus


Converted in the 18th century according to the plans of the baroque master builder Franz Anton Beer, this church stands on the very foundations of a Romanesque church from the second half of the 5th century. A lovely example of Lake Constance baroque art. The silver altar can be viewed upon request.

→ Kirchplatz 3, T +43 (5574) 90180,  p. 19 – F7

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Rotes Haus

The house dating back to the early 17th century is one of the last baroque Rhine Valley houses in Vorarlberg, and is considered the town's landmark. The deep-red wooden facade is remarkable, and lends its name to today's restaurant.


→ Marktplatz 13, T +43 (5572) 31555,  p. 33 – E3

www.roteshaus.at

Hohenems

Ruine Alt-Ems

The ruins of one of the largest castle complexes in Central Europe sit enthroned above the town of Hohenems: today's ruins at Alt-Ems were 800 m long and up to 85 m wide, had 7 gates, 1 drawbridge and 47 chambers. The castle, originally Guelph and, between 1179 and 1191 Staufian, has been redeveloped and is preserved for future generations.


→ Schlossberg, T +43 (650) 8620586,  p. 51 – H4

www.alt-ems.at

Renaissance Palast Hohenems

Architect Martino Longo, building commenced in 1563


The palace used to be the residence of the Counts of Ems (their marriage policy led to them being related to the Medici) and, along with Glopper castle and Alt-Ems castle ruins, is still privately owned. Of special mention regarding the history of the palace is the discovery of manuscripts A and C of the song of the Nibelungs.

→ Schlossplatz 8, T +43 (5576) 77888,  p. 51 – F4

www.impalast.at

Jüdisches Museum Hohenems

The Heimann-Rosenthal villa, built in 1864, Jewish Museum since 1991, is a fine example of the careful adaptation of living quarters into a public building.

→ Schweizer Straße 5, T +43 (5576) 73989-0,  p. 51 – E2

www.jm-hohenems.at

"Montfort Schloss", Therenberg

The Monfort castle was once a medieval hilltop castle in Götzis – but now only its ruins bear witness to its former glory. The leisurely circular hike that leads past many beautiful spots is fantastic for exploring the historical landmark. In addition to the castle ruins, one of the special highlights is undoubtedly the viewpoint on the Therenberg that offers its visitors an extraordinarily beautiful panoramic view across the Rhine Valley.

→ Wieden 14, Götzis

Jonas-Schlössle

The Jonas-Schlössle in the Lake Constance region is regarded as a special example of a stately residence from the renaissance period. The listed building's interior impresses with artistically carved wooden ceilings, massive timber beams and magnificent wall panelling. Nowadays the Jonas-Schlössle is used as a characteristic location for Christmas markets and wedding fairs and is home to the Schlössle bar, where visitors may take a drink or two in unique surroundings.


→ Junker-Jonas-Platz 1, Götzis

Feldkirch

The medieval heart of Feldkirch's town centre is like a journey back in time, yet with pleasing architectural stimuli from the present day, such as a footbridge across the River Ill. The Schattenburg, the cathedral (the only one in the state), the Katzenturm and much more are all worth a visit.


Schattenburg

From the early 13th through to the late 14th century, the impressive castle in Feldkirch was the seat of the Counts of Montfort. The keep, the highest part of the Schattenburg, is a lovely observation platform, enabling a view across the whole of Feldkirch.

→ Burggasse 1, T +43 (5522) 71982,  p. 67 – G5
www.schattenburg.at

Dompfarrkirche St. Nikolaus

This is Vorarlberg's most significant gothic church, consecrated as a parish church in 1218. Following severe fires in the 14th and 15th centuries, it had to be rebuilt in 1478, this time bearing the late gothic nave and gable roof it still has today. Upon the establishment of the diocese of Feldkirch, the parish church was made into a cathedral in 1968.

→ Domplatz 6, T +43 (5522) 722320,  p. 67 – F4

Katzenturm

The eight-storey, round tower is a keep which was erected in 1507 as part of the town walls.

→ Hirschgraben,  p. 67 – E3

Environs

Basilika Rankweil

The basilica is the landmark and heart of Rankweil. The church on the Liebfrauenberg, at an altitude of 50 m, is a fortified church – a special form of early Christian places of worship in Rhaetia built on a height making it hard to reach. Along with the artist Matt Mullican, the *cukrowicz.nachbaur* firm of architects have extended the space of the Landesgedächtniskapelle. An oblique ray of light falls onto the glass cabinet which houses mementos. The chapel has become a unique monument.

→ Liebfrauenberg 10, Rankweil, T +43 (5522) 44224
www.basilika-rankweil.at



Franziska Möhrle

Architecture student, Architekturbüro
Aufstrich

"I also enjoy hiking up to the Tosters castle ruins on the Schellenberg and taking in the peace and quiet and the panoramic view across Feldkirch."

Burguine Tosters am Schellenberg

Tipp

Burg Alt-Montfort

The castle ruins of Alt-Montfort, mentioned as early as in 1206, sits atop a hill next to Weiler. Hugo I named it "Starkenbergr", giving himself the same name from this time too. It was destroyed in the 15th century during the Appenzell Wars.

→ Weiler

Altes Gericht

The old court – undoubtedly the oldest court in the region – used to convene here for well over a millennium. The house still bears witness to a special, historical wooden log-building method. Carefully restored, it has been a restaurant for gourmets and wine connoisseurs for decades.

→ Taverneweg 1, Sulz, T +43 (5522) 43111
www.altesgericht.at

Artenne

When it comes to construction history, the old farmhouse is one of the largest, and one of the few of its type still preserved in the Walgau region. It bears witness to a rural culture of times gone by which, unlike the farms established later outside of a village, were integrated into village life.

→ Kirchgasse 6, Im Walgau, Nenzing, T +43 (5525) 64417
www.artenne.at

Hohenems

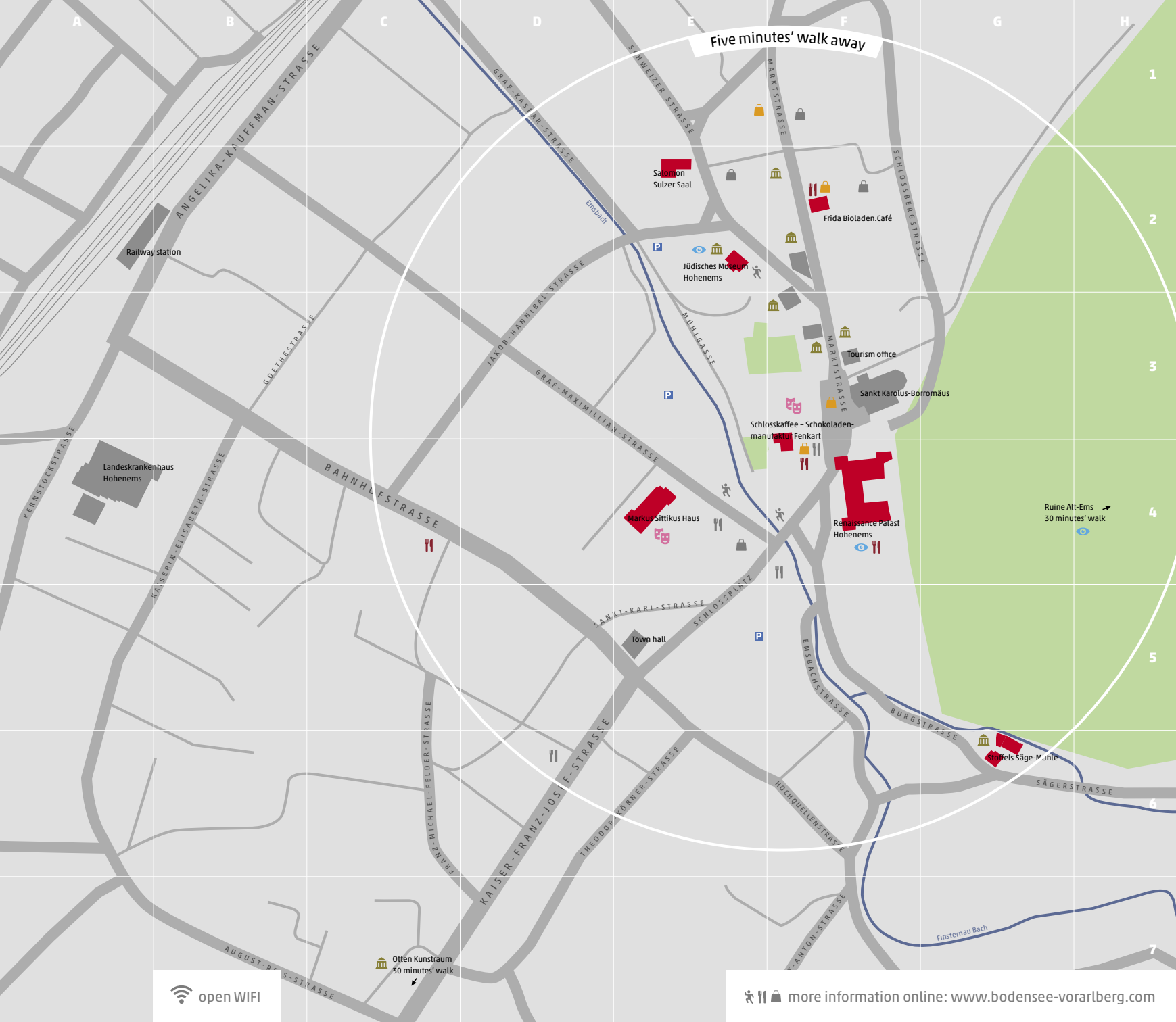
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Schlosskaffee –
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Salomon Sulzer Saal E2



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Five minutes' walk away

Railway station

Landeskrankenhaus
Hohenems

Salomon
Sulzer Saal

Jüdisches Museum
Hohenems

Frida Bioladen.Café

Tourism office

Sankt Karolus-Borromäus

Schlusskaffee - Schokoladen-
manufaktur Fenkart

Markus Sittikus Haus

Town hall

Renaissance Palast
Hohenems

Ruine Alt-Ems
30 minutes' walk

Ottens Säge-Mühle

Ottens Kunstraum
30 minutes' walk

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more information online: www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com

Hohenems



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The town at the foot of the Schlossberg can look back at an eventful history: at the end of the 12th century, Alt-Ems castle was one of the largest castle complexes in the whole of southern Germany. It was in 1562 that the Counts of Hohenems started building the Renaissance palace at the foot of the Schlossberg. Back then, they were related to the Medicis in Milan. The half-brother of

Countess Hortensia, the famous counter-reformer, Cardinal and Archbishop of Milan Charles Borromeo, even paid a visit to his sister in Hohenems. Two of the most important manuscripts of the Song of Nibelungs were found in the castle library in the 18th century. A Jewish community established itself between the 17th and 19th centuries under the protection of the Counts of Hohenems, bringing with it cultural as well as economic stimuli. Vorarlberg's first printer's was in Hohenems. It is also where Vorarlberg's first coffee house opened in 1797,

with a reading society soon becoming established in "Kaffeehaus Kitzinger". The further course of history is well known: like the rest of Europe, Hohenems sank into a state of cultural dormancy which, however, has clearly ended by now. Not only the Schubertiade, with its international audience, has been a fixture in the town for decades – the careful review by the Jewish Museum and the restoration of the former Jewish buildings provide a stimulating cultural life in Hohenems. The fact that it is picturesquely nestled at the foothills of the Schlossberg and on the banks of the Old Rhine also makes the small town into a valuable recreation area.

You might feel awkward, but still - hug a tree at least once in your life. Just go ahead and do it. Hugging a tree by surprise sends a wave of exhilaration through the forest, which has a positive effect on the oxygen level.



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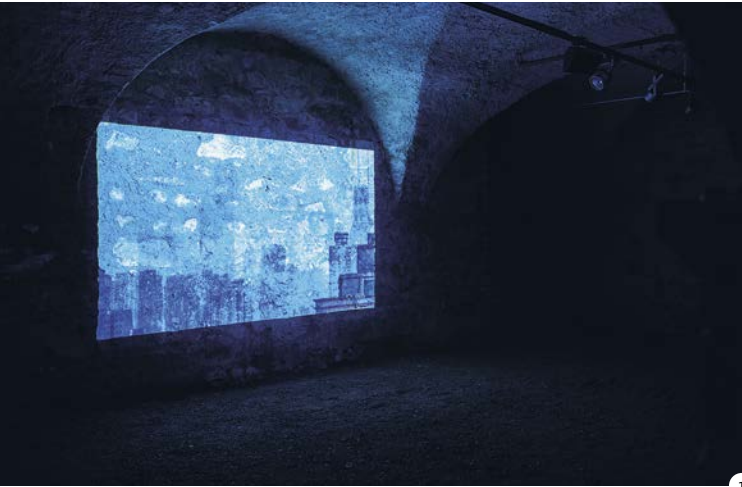
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City Lights



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5 Franz Schubert Museum | 6 Homunculus



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Restaurant im Montforthaus, Feldkirch

Food and Drink 🍴

For such a small geographical region there is an exceptional amount of exclusive restaurants and attractive establishments to choose from. Not only does the region breed creative minds and culinary talents – it also seems to attract them. Many chefs have international training behind them, and have returned with a new idea of what makes life so good: great food, a refined drinking culture and a cultured nightlife.



Erwin Reis

Managing Director, World Gymnastrada 2019

"The 3-Länderblick restaurant and the Karren Panoramarestaurant do not only serve guests excellent cuisine, the views the restaurants present across Vorarlberg, Germany and Switzerland all at the same time are simply breathtaking."

Tipp

Gasthof Dreiländerblick, Dornbirn

Panoramarestaurant Karren, Dornbirn, II p. 33 – D7

Bregenz

Stadtgasthaus Weisses Kreuz

Whether you wish to enjoy regional delicacies in a stylish establishment or just want to partake of a glass of good wine – the cosy, traditional establishment located in Bregenz town centre offers high-class hospitality.

➔ Römerstraße 5, Bregenz, T +43 (5574) 49880, II p. 19 – F5

www.hotelweisseskreuz.at

Theatercafé

The tradition of the coffee house and home-made confectionery just as you want it. A branch has opened straight opposite, in the Vorarlberg museum. Natural products from the region are greatly esteemed here, with the around 40 cakes and gateaux produced here daily made from healthy spelt flour. Miss out on the home-made chocolate creations and you'll be sorry!

➔ Kornmarktstraße 4, Bregenz, T +43 (5574) 47115, II p. 19 – F4

www.theatercafe.at

PIER 69

PIER 69 at the Bregenz harbour not only impresses with its fantastic location immediately on the harbour promenade but also with the large and small delicacies that it serves at lunch and dinner time. Its spacious, comfy outdoor area and the fact that it serves hot food all day make the PIER the place for guests from far and near to spend a relaxing time out at any time of the day or year.

➔ Seestraße 4, Bregenz, +43 (5574) 43202, II p. 19 – G2

www.pier69.at

Café "Die Welle"

A walk to the steps on the jetty is a joy even if you don't partake of a coffee – there is a lovely café set right next to the water and, even better, it is located within award-winning architecture.

➔ Seeanlagen 738, Bregenz, T +43 (664) 1608161, II p. 19 – F2

www.diewelle.at

Petrus Café Brasserie

The Petrus Café that offers the flair of a French-Belgian brasserie is where visitors can feel good and enjoy spending time engrossed in stimulating conversations. The menu reads like an excursion into the Belgian-French world of home-made fries and other fine creations that simply spoil patrons for choice.

➔ Anton-Schneider Straße 11, Bregenz, +43 (664) 4369457, II p. 19 – G4

www.petrus-bregenz.at

Möth

A wine tavern on a mound, a cosy outdoor wine bar and a hearty snack to give you the chance to taste the house-made products.

🕒 April to September

➔ Langenerstraße 5, Bregenz, T +43 (5574) 47711

www.moeth.at

Casino Restaurant Falstaff

Gambling passion and an elegant dinner are easily combined in the Casino Restaurant Falstaff. A part of the restaurant is located on a gallery, and offers a view of the gambling tables. The cloud restaurant and the cloud lounge during the summer offer views towards the lake. You just need to step outdoors to take a walk along the shore of the lake should you need to clear your head between dessert and placing your bet.

➔ Platz der Wiener Symphoniker 3, Bregenz, T +43 (5574) 45127-12500,

II p. 19 – B4

www.falstaffbregenz.at

Germania . Restaurant

Hotel and restaurant which enjoys a location which is close to both the lake and to the town centre. The menu changes weekly, the good plain kitchen with its seasonal products always includes regional produce. A true insider tip.

➔ Am Steinenbach 9, Bregenz, T +43 (5574) 42766-0

www.hotel-germania.at/de/restaurant

Restaurant Kornmesser

A baroque building from 1720, restored with a high degree of sensitivity, fantastic beer garden under a huge chestnut tree, with good home cooking. You get a lovely view of the lake from the balcony.

➔ Kornmarktstraße 5, Bregenz, T +43 (5574) 54854, II p. 19 – G3

www.kornmesser.at

Restaurant Hotel Mercure

The "Symphonie" restaurant and café in the Hotel Mercure is well known for its generous breakfast buffet. The large garden for guests offers a quiet place to sit directly on the lake promenade, with a view onto the Festival House.

➔ Platz der Wiener Symphoniker 2, Bregenz, +43 (5574) 461000, II p. 19 – B4

Umgebung

Restaurant Mangold

The toque-bearing restaurant is located in a small side street, has a romantic courtyard and offers some of the best food in the state. It is recommended that you reserve – the reputation of the Mangold goes well beyond the borders.

➔ Pfänderstraße 3, Lochau, T +43 (5574) 42431

www.restaurant-mangold.at

Restaurant Fritsch am Berg

A view across the lake and a mountain panorama coupled with traditional cuisine and modern architecture – this sets the scene for enjoying a glass of good wine and taking in the spirit of the establishment.

➔ Pfänder – Buchenberg, Lochau, T +43 (5574) 43029

www.fritschamberg.at

Restaurant Guth

A toque-bearing restaurant, an outdoor lounge, modern architecture, garden and the alchemy of exquisite food – you really should reserve in good time to get a seat here.

➔ Wälderstraße 10, Lauterach, T +43 (5574) 72470

www.restaurantguth.at

Gasthaus Käth'r

A lovely old country inn with beer garden right next to the village stream – an idyllic spot serving up home-style cooking, child-oriented and informal.

➔ Seestraße 22, Hard, T +43 (5574) 87588

www.hotelamsee.biz

Fischerstüble

Are you out and about on a sailing boat? The fish restaurant in Fußach is located right on the harbour and specialises in fish and in the flair of a Mediterranean oasis. As unpretentious as it is unforgettable.

🕒 Open between mid-April and mid-September.

➔ In der Schanz 30, Fußach, T +43 (5578) 75750

www.fischerstueble.at

Restaurant Hotel Schönblick

The hotel with the most spectacular view of Lake Constance and the Swiss mountains. The spacious terrace appears to float above the panorama. The food and selection of wines are good enough reasons to travel to Eichenberg.

➔ Dorf 6, Eichenberg, T +43 (5574) 45965

www.schoenblick.at

Gasthaus Stern

Creative reinterpretations of traditional dishes are to be found in the heart of Wolfurt, namely in a restaurant with a wooden shingle facade. The high standard typical of the region is applied to the cooking, with the owners placing great importance to the use of fresh products from the surrounding area and happy guests.

→ Sternenplatz 2, Wolfurt, T +43 (5574) 84301

www.gasthaus-stern-wolfurt.at

Fischerheim Schleienloch

A local restaurant in the middle of the Rhine Delta nature reserve, with wooden benches, a shaded terrace and fresh fish specialities. It is also the perfect place to stop off at the end of a long ramble along the Rhine embankment or to satiate your desire to experience nature and enjoy some delicious food.

→ Rechter Rheindamm 60, Hard, T +43 (5574) 78220

www.fischerheim.at



Dornbirn

Panoramarestaurant Karren

The location and the architecture are breathtaking. You won't forget the view across the landscape in a hurry. If you hiked here (976 m above sea level), we bet you won't be forgetting the first sip of a well-earned drink for a while, either. Rest assured: this climb is worth it!

→ Karren mountain station, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 54711, II p. 33 – D7

www.karren.at

Restaurant Rotes Haus

High-class cuisine which focuses on regional dishes can be found in the legendary restaurant on the market square – the historic building is listed. There are several reasons for paying it a visit – not least of all its cuisine!

→ Marktplatz 13, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 31555, II p. 33 – E3

www.roteshaus.at

Restaurant Schiffl

Regional plain fare, lovingly prepared in a restaurant which is about 130 years old and which was refurbished with a great deal of sensitivity. The small beer garden is located underneath an arbour with a view of an old alleyway which functions as a centre of its own in historical Dornbirn.

→ Mühlebacherstraße 25, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 33023

www.schiffl-dornbirn.at

Gasthof Gütle

The story about the first telephone call ever made by Emperor Franz Josef in the old restaurant is legendary – the industrialists and entrepreneurs of the state were up to date even then – indeed, even one step ahead of the emperor. The “Kaiserstube” is still a place of comfort, the good traditional cooking exactly what you would wish for, and you'd have to go a long way to find a more idyllic beer garden.

→ Gütle 11, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 201540

www.guetle-gasthof.at

Café Steinhauser

This café has been a meeting place on the marketplace for decades, and this is thanks not only to its location. It is a type of central gathering point for urban contemporaries who come here to breathe in the town air against this ambience.

→ Marktplatz 9, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 31333, II p. 33 – E2

Elfenküche Suppenmanufaktur

Soup, soup and more soup – in any combination you care to think of. Fresh, seasonal, regional ingredients without any artificial additives yet refined with the balanced five elements of eastern dietetics.

→ Bahnhofstraße 16, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 949393, II p. 33 – D1

www.elfenkueche.at

Innauer Restaurant-Bar

After-work meeting place in a centrally located establishment which is tastefully furnished and bears modern digital art. Good drinks, DJ culture and a small yet choice menu.

→ Marktstraße 33, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 203488, II p. 33 – E4

www.innauer.com

Gemsle

The time-honoured inn boasts a fine wine cellar which also serves as an original setting for events, and a summery garden with wine arbour and the romantic flair which characterises the entire establishment. The cuisine is traditional with a slight twist, greatly increasing the quality.

→ Marktstraße 62, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 200918

www.gemsle.at

Gasthaus Bierlokal

The garden that is open to guests fills up at practically any time of day as soon as the weather starts getting warmer. Appropriate dishes that go well with a cool beer, great quality hot food that's served all day, and the fast and friendly service guarantee that the tables are always full.

→ Marktstrasse 12/2, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 53850, **II** p. 33 – E3

www.bierlokal.at

Hohenems

Adler

"Despite its somewhat unusual interior, this restaurant has become an institution for gourmets and connoisseurs," writes Gault&Millau in a review. The restaurant has cult status, thanks to the original restaurant with its dry charm.

→ Kaiser-Franz-Josef-Straße 104, Hohenems, T +43 (5576) 72292

www.adlerhohenems.com

Café Lorenz

You'll have no problem making one of the cafés in Hohenems your favourite, so great is the choice. Café Lorenz is a traditional establishment. In the morning, it tempts you in with its fantastic breakfast, featuring any amount of produce from its own bakery, lunch is made from regional products, and you'll find it hard to resist the café's own cakes and gateaux.

→ Bahnhofstraße 17, Hohenems, T +43 (5576) 72332, **II** p. 51 – C4

www.hotel-cafe-lorenz.at

Restaurant Palast

Dinner with entertainment is not just a promise here – it is practised. The restaurant located in the palace offers guests an array of popular events, from the murder-mystery dinner through to the knights' meal, combined with culinary outings to the Middle Ages or to local game.

→ Schlossplatz 8, Hohenems, T +43 (5576) 77888, **II** p. 51 – F4

www.palast.at

Schlosskaffee

Countless guests have already enjoyed guided tours of the café's own chocolate production department. And the selection of home-made cakes, gateaux and chocolates is a great reason for many locals to visit Hohenems.

→ Schlossplatz 10, Hohenems, T +43 (5576) 72356, **II** p. 51 – F4

www.schokoladengenuss.at

Frida Bioladen & Café

The café serves breakfast, lunch and coffee and cake. The concept: healthy, conscious consumerism. You are immediately made to feel welcome as soon as you step into the small, cosy café, the food is excellent and, naturally, really healthy.

→ Marktstraße 28, Hohenems, T +43 (650) 2711125, **II** p. 51 – F2

www.frida-bio.at

Environs

Cantinetta Leonetti

Italy is sometimes really close – with crispy pizzas and genuine Italian pasta dishes, Cantinetta Leonetti offers its guests the opportunity to enjoy Italian food without having to spend hours in the car to do so. Let yourself be carried away to Italy for a wonderful evening at the heart of the Bodensee-Vorarlberg region and indulge in dolce far niente – with heavy red wine, fresh antipasti and seductive dolci.

→ Hauptstraße 23, Götzis, T +43 (5523) 62254

www.cantinetta-leonetti.com

Hubers am Garnmarkt

The IT restaurant that serves hot food throughout the day. Hubers already opens its doors in the morning and treats its guests to breakfast, lunch, snacks and dinner. Ideally located at the Garnmarkt Götzis, particularly the cosy sun terrace becomes a popular place in summer for a refreshing drink and the perfect starting point for a stroll afterwards. And how could a day end better than with a glass of wine at Hubers?

→ Am Garnmarkt 1, Götzis, T +43 (5523) 54388

www.hubersamgarnmarkt.at

Millrütte Resort

The Alpengasthaus Millrütte, at 1,100 metres above sea level, is an insider tip for a truly romantic alpine-hut experience. This rustic building has been sympathetically and respectfully restored and consequently presents visitors with a flavour of historical life in the mountains, peace and a sense of security combined with the classics of local cuisine. It has always been a popular destination for outings, its roots date back to 1746.

→ Millrütte 1, Götzis, T +43 (5523) 62291

www.millrueette.at

Feldkirch

Rauch Restaurant

Sit underneath the old arched ceiling and behind solid walls in a historical building, tastefully designed, and enjoy the perfect service. The "Rauch" is the heart of four Rauch restaurants which leave their mark on Feldkirch's urban life. It is not without good reason that all four are always full.

→ Marktgasse 12 bis 14, Feldkirch, T +43 (5522) 76355, **II** p. 67 – E5

www.rauchgastronomie.at

RIO: cinema, restaurant, pizza, bar

The cinema has a lounge, new bar and tasty pizzas in the restaurant.

→ Marktgasse 18, Feldkirch, T +43 (5522) 31464, **II** p. 67 – E4

www.rauchgastronomie.at/rio

Café Zanona

A traditional café in the old town of Feldkirch, cake shop and the closest thing to what is considered "coffee house culture" in Austria.

→ Monfortgasse 3, Feldkirch, T +43 (5522) 73635, **II** p. 67 – D4

www.zanona.at

Unterberger Espresso Bar

An urban meeting point for passers-by and regulars alike, for stopping off for a coffee, under the arcades or in the stylish interior: the perfect finish to your day in town.

→ Marktplatz 23, Feldkirch, T +43 (5522) 85280, **II** p. 67 – E4

Restaurant im Montforthaus

"Good catering is one of the most important parameters in an establishment for culture and congresses," says Edgar Eller, managing director of Montforthaus. In addition to its open, inviting architecture, the roof terrace restaurant on top of Feldkirch's Montforthaus uses regional products.

→ Montfortplatz 1, Feldkirch, T +43 (5522) 9009-3366, **II** p. 67 – F5

www.montforthausfeldkirch.com

Hotel-Landgasthof Schäfle

Hotel, beer garden and award-winning restaurant. It produces its own wine on Feldkirch's local mountain, keeping up the traditional aspect of the time-honoured country inn and good traditional cooking skills.

→ Naflastraße 3, Feldkirch-Altenstadt, T +43 (5522) 72203

www.schaeffle.cc

Cafe Hecht

There are good reasons why the tables are always occupied. The wonderful, very relaxed atmosphere under the arcade arches of Feldkirch's city centre attracts both regulars and passers-by. The art-loving landlady is a fan of discreet jazz and serves a great selection of wines, fine soups and tarte flambée. Cosy, friendly, inexpensive, just like a small restaurant and bar in town should be.

→ Neustadt 10, Feldkirch, T +43 (676) 6805928, **II** p. 67 – F5

Environs

Altes Gericht

The old court has been known for decades for its high-end cuisine which has received several awards, and the wine cellar is legendary. Enjoy romantic dining under the shade of old trees in the garden. A historic vaulted cellar is sometimes used as a theatre set. This establishment has a unique ambience of its own.

→ Taverneweg 1, Sulz, T +43 (5522) 43111

www.altesgericht.at

Alpengasthof Gamperdona

The Gamperdona alpine restaurant is the base for lovely rambles and hikes in the Nenzinger Himmel nature reserve – it is not without reason that people stop off at the so-called "heavenly restaurant"! Traditional dishes through to the enormous ice-cream sundae are served in the cosy restaurant or on the sunny terrace.

→ Löchera 126, Nenzing, T +43 (5525) 64606

www.himmelwirt.com



For more restaurant tips, go to:
www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com

Feldkirch

Altes Hallenbad D7
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RIO cinema E4
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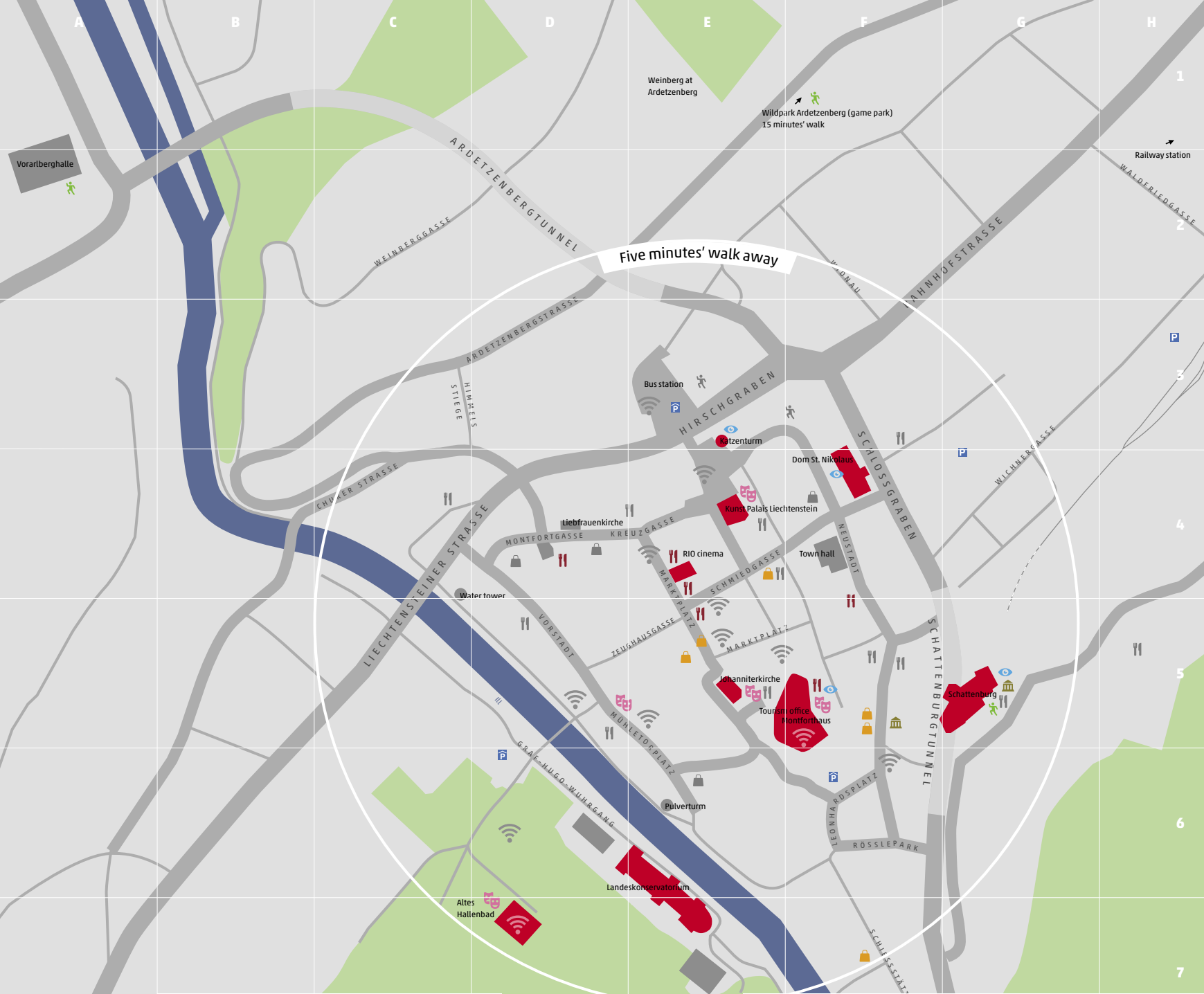
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Landeskonservatorium E6



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Gauklerfestival



Feldkirch

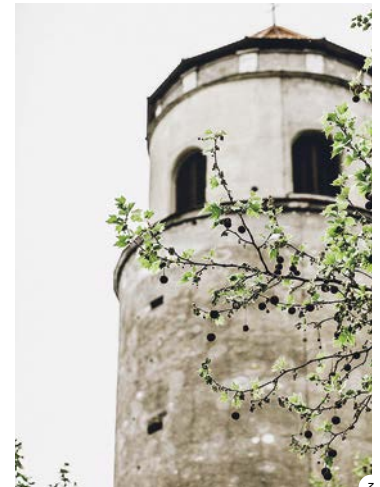


The town's name goes back to the time of the Roman settlement when there were two churches in the field, one of which was the ecclesia sancti Petri ad Campos, from which "Feldkirch" is derived. The well-preserved medieval centre at the foot of the Schattenburg, the ancestral seat of the Counts of Montfort, is a charming setting for the urban life which boasts excellent gastronomy, interesting cultural events and a busy market. James Joyce, who just managed to

escape arrest at Feldkirch station when fleeing over the border from Austria, was not the only one to stop over in Feldkirch: James Bond is also forever associated with the town. The former elite grammar school Stella Matutina progressed from a college established by the Jesuits in 1649 which contributed to the town's international religious, scientific and educational reputation between 1856 and 1979. Today, the six-week

Food is a means of exerting control in this world. Steamed, boiled, eaten, and digested – this is how the body reproduces a part of the world and remains connected to it. You'd best choose a restaurant with good food.

poolbar-Festival on this site is similarly well known, albeit by fans of cultural events. It utilises the old swimming pool of the Stella Matutina in the Reichenfeld complex. The town has had a new attraction since early 2015 – the Montforthaus is a great venue for a high-brow conference and culture programme. Naturally, Feldkirch is also a base for trips to nearby Liechtenstein. A Buddhist centre is located above the town for interested parties to rediscover themselves in a small, protected Tibetan world. There is plenty of space here – however, this only partly explains the attraction of Vorarlberg's second-largest town. The city of Feldkirch celebrated its 800th anniversary in 2018. Its history, the important role it played during the age of humanism as well as its time as a frontier city at the turn of the century were presented in exhibitions, festivals, events, concerts and publication releases that took place throughout the year.



1 + 4 Montforthaus | 2 Schattenburg | 3 Gaukler festival
5 Katzenturm | 6 Feldkirch in Winter

City Lights



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4 POTENTIAle | 5 Christmas market
6 Market | 7 Wildpark Ardetzenberg



SASU, Dornbirn

Shopping

A region is also defined by the items it produces. The following (small) selection of shopping options shows the high degree of professionalism and creativity of local entrepreneurs and craftspeople, featuring the smallest of product ranges through to internationally successful brands. It is no problem at all to find quite unique products in the region Bodensee-Vorarlberg for you to buy – things which you may never find anywhere else. However, there is now such a thing as online mail ordering!

Valentini Schuhe

Lovely shoes are an essential part of daily life – for most people at least. You are guaranteed to find an exquisite selection of the latest designers of shoes and bags at Valentini.
 ➔ Römerstraße 9, Bregenz
 T +43 (5574) 43533, 📞 p. 19 – E6
www.valentini-schuhe.com

allesGut Handwerk für dich

A lovingly furnished handicraft shop with a wide selection of high-quality, hand-made unique products. Children's shoes, bags and gifts.
 ➔ Anton-Schneider-Straße, Bregenz
 T +43 (650) 6301200, 📞 p. 19 – G3
www.alles-gut.at

4D Outfitters

The perfect range of clothing, literature and home accessories for people who have almost everything, but not quite.

➔ Kornmarktstraße 7, Bregenz
 T +43 (5574) 20710, 📞 p. 19 – G3
www.4dbregenz.at

Hops & Malt

300 types of beer from all over the world combined with the valuable consulting of connoisseurs and lovers – this is an awesome location for beer gourmets. Also, unique souvenirs can be found here. ➔ Maurachgasse 16, Bregenz, 📞 p. 19 – G5
 Eisengasse 2, Dornbirn, 📞 p. 33 – E2
 T +43 (664) 4178714
www.hopsandmalt.at

Wolford

Outlet or boutique – the high-class brand of hosiery and more has its headquarters here. Wolford collections are available at the best addresses in the world. It is in Bregenz, however, that the heart of the company palpably beats. Once you have finished shopping, the restaurant and café invite you to a drink in your new outfit.
 ➔ Wolfordstraße 1, Bregenz
 T +43 (5574) 690-0
www.wolford.com

Wolff Shop + Outlet

In addition to the actual WOLFF collection of underwear for him and her, the outlet shop stocks dessous and underwear from various manufacturers in a comparably high quality.
 ➔ Heimgartstraße 3, Hard
 T +43 (5574) 6781274
www.wolffshop.net

Christine Dünser MANUFAKTUR

Welt-sewn by hand, tree-nailed or double-stitched: our original custom-made shoes are the fantastic result of the old trade of shoemaking, which is enjoying a renewed burst of popularity with the new shoe workshop. Longevity is in.
 ➔ Eisengasse 11, Dornbirn
 T +43 (664) 2267738, 📞 p. 33 – F1
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Skinfit

Functional clothing made from high-quality, fast-drying, light and skin-friendly materials. Suitable for regular hiking purposes as well as for high-performance sports – now that is quality!
 ➔ Klostersgasse 2, Dornbirn
 T +43 (5572) 890179, 📞 p. 33 – F1
www.skinfit.at

Lingg Bekleidung

Department store boasting the latest fashion labels, plus a collection by the owner, everything a combination of top quality and care.

→ Marktplatz 16, Dornbirn
T +43 (5572) 34239, 📞 p. 33 – E3
www.linggfashion.com

Denz Herzen

The hand-made porcelain hearts by artist Margit Denz already adorn whole walls in galleries and homes alike, since they are addictive. Their presence alone takes their wit and charm out into the big, wide world. A gift that brings joy for a long time.

→ Egeten 7, Dornbirn
T +43 (5572) 200934
www.denz.at

DF Shop Lagerhaus

The company is producing its entire collection in Altsch, and stocked by exclusive stores worldwide. Your search for original gifts comes to an end in the outlet shop. You'll be spoilt for choice!

→ Schulgasse 70, Dornbirn
T +43 (5572) 398229
www.dfshop.at

SASU

From natural cosmetics to organic teas and matching designer teapots, SASU offers a wonderful selection of items that simply make people happy. The risotto package is just as lovingly wrapped here as the handbags or toys for young and older children. Apart from that, the goods here are displayed in what is probably the most beautiful apothecary cabinet in the whole city.

→ Schulgasse 20, Dornbirn
T +43 (699) 17153273, 📞 p. 33 – D2
www.sa-su.at

KLEIDERgrün

Responsible consumption is dear to your heart? Here you will find small, international labels such as Lanius, Armedangels and Wunderwerk – fairly and ecologically produced fashion and cool design.

→ Neustadt 38, Feldkirch, 📞 p. 67 – F5
T +43 (650) 4690606
www.kleidergruen.at

Loacker Schmuck & Steine

Precious stones, jewellery and everything you need to highlight your very own style.

→ Schmiedgasse 15, Feldkirch
T +43 (5522) 77672, 📞 p. 67 – E4

extrigs KUNST.HAND.WERK

It is about time that craftsmanship was appreciated again – “extrigs” is the name of the business behind the Association for the Promotion of Craftsmanship. Artists and craftspeople come here to display and sell their products.

→ Neustadt 44, Feldkirch
T +43 (650) 4009990, 📞 p. 67 – F5
www.extrigs.at

M3 Fashion & Shoes

M3 has been determining trendiness in Feldkirch for 20 years. The designers featured in this boutique aren't easy to find, except in the big cities – and in Feldkirch.

→ Marktgasse 3, Feldkirch
T +43 (5522) 31442, 📞 p. 67 – E5
www.m3fashion.at

Garten Eder Seifen

Hand-made soaps with fragrant flowers are unique specimens – herbs and flowers organically produced by Garten Eder, sustainable and regional.

→ Ofenstraße 10, Gaißau
T +43 (699) 81128614
www.garteneder.com

Hoferhecht Stickereien

The products of embroidery and sequin creations are at home on the catwalks of the fashion world. And here, in Lustenau's retailer as raw materials for individual creations.

→ Reichsstraße 68, Lustenau
T +43 (5577) 82525-0
www.hoh.at

Josefine Lustenau

Her own creations made from the finest embroidery, produced in her own studio using cashmere, loden, silk and the finest leather.

→ Reichsstraße 19, Lustenau
T +43 (664) 4658629
www.hoferdaniela-josefine.at

Kleidheit

Favourite garments for any occasion – leave work and go out for the evening, all you need is to slightly adapt your accessories and you are ready for anything! The fact that the entire collection has been produced under fair conditions and that, despite its feminine form, it is very comfortable, is the reason that customers keep on coming back to Susanne Bell's shop in Marktstraße, Hohenems.

→ Marktstraße 42, Hohenems
T +43 (664) 9407617, 📞 p. 51 – E1
www.kleidheit.com

Frida Bioladen.Café

It is a good idea to take a shopping bag with you when you come to Frida – Hohenems' model organic shop and café consistently avoids plastic waste, with the regional organic produce being delivered – and hence sold – void of packaging.

Marktstraße 28, Hohenems,
T +43 (650) 2711125, 📞 p. 51 – F2
www.frida-bio.at



Xocolat Manufaktur, Bregenz

Regional specialities

The region has culinary treasures which many a resourceful mind knows how to use – you'd be well advised to enjoy the taste of tradition and the treasures produced by the local soil. This wins international awards as well as loyal customers who arrive bearing long shopping lists.

Pfändergold

Pfändergold is awarded a Golden Pear in 2013. Sorry? This is a coveted award for home-made specialities pertaining to fruit and vegetable processing in jam jars whose creations obviously delight not only customers.

→ Seilerstraße 5, Lochau, T +43 (699) 11388027

www.pfaendergold.com

Xocolat Manufaktur

The whole world of quality chocolate is the title emblazoned across the chocolate paradise located right next to fesch LIVIN in Bregenz's Kirchstraße. Four hundred selected bars of chocolate and an incredible array of delicacies made from the cocoa bean – all this awaits true gourmets who are familiar with the happy-making properties of chocolate. You can throw together your own confectionery – the Xocolat Manufaktur not only produces its secret-recipe creations, it also shares many of its secrets with interested parties in the form of workshops.

→ Kirchstraße 12, Bregenz, T +43 (5574) 43157, 📄 p. 19 – F6

www.xocolat.at

Fein-Brennerei Prinz

A traditional company with over a century's worth of experience in the field of distilling schnapps, numerous awards and an extensive range of products.

→ Ziegelbachstraße 7, Hörbranz, T +43 (5573) 82203

www.prinz.cc

Dietrich Vorarlberger Kostbarkeiten

"It is our declared objective to prevent the extinction of raw materials such as old regional varieties of fruit or corn, at the same time revitalising their tradition for the Vorarlberg cuisine," says the inventor of "Vorarlberger Kostbarkeiten", Richard Dietrich. Fine spirits, semolina, "Mostler" and "Zider" apple drinks and even hand-crafted frying pans are on sale. Always a pleasure: tasting in the store.

→ Lerchenauerstraße 45, Lauterach, T +43 (5574) 63929

www.dietrich-kostbarkeiten.at

Michelehof

The Michelehof receives one award after the other with its enormous range of fine spirits. Over 50 gold medals, numerous silver and bronze medals, Distillery of the Year at the World Spirits Award, etc. A gift that is unlikely to go gathering dust.

→ Marktstraße 26, Hard, T +43 (5574) 72412

www.michelehof.at

Naturprodukte Flatz

The natural foodstuffs shop in the centre of Hard has been supplying the village with organically produced foodstuffs – including many grown on its own farm – for 20 years now. The farm breeds turkeys and keeps mother cows, hence the shop can guarantee healthy, additive-free meat from animals that enjoyed a dignified life before being processed at the farm.

→ Landstraße 30, Hard, T +43 (5574) 65974

www.naturprodukte-flatz.at

Schobel Höchstgenuss

A further specialist in the art of fine distillation. Above all, however, Schobl Höchstgenuss has made a name for itself with its exceptional range of dried fruit and the increasingly rare "black nuts" – where else can you get your hands on dried strawberries or the walnuts lavishly preserved according to an old tradition? Everything is lovingly done by hand. Tasting in the distillery is also a stimulating event.

→ Frühlingsgarten 7, Höchst, T +43 (664) 1245515

www.hoechstgenuss.at

S'Lädele Mohren Biererlebniswelt

Beery gifts from the Mohren traditional brewery. If you have always wanted to learn something different, you can train to become a beer sommelier at Mohren – the art of brewing is a broad subject, with over 1,000 different types of beer in Austria alone!

→ Dr.-Waibel-Straße 2, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 3777-224, 📞 p. 33 – F4

www.mohrenbrauerei.at

Sennereiladen

It goes without saying that some of the most important regional specialties are alpine cheese and its derivatives. It is available, as is fresh butter straight from the dairy, "Goaßkäsele" (goats' cheese), eggs, honey, jam, pasta, etc. in many places especially at the weekly markets – and in the alpine dairy shop.

→ Schlossgasse 9, Dornbirn/ Montfortplatz 1, Lauterach/

Radetzkystraße 20, Lustenau

www.alpenkaese.at

Schokoladengenuss Fenkart

The café and chocolate shop is the top establishment on the square. A new feature was added to the cake shop some years ago, making it even more special. You can look through a glass window in the cake shop and watch Gunter Fenkart, the boss, at work – adding a new dimension to sampling the wares afterwards. Even without taking a look behind the scenes, the establishment's own range tastes simply unique.

→ Schlossplatz 10, Hohenems, T +43 (5576) 72356, 📞 p. 51 – F4

www.schokoladengenuss.at

Vetterhof

The family-run Vetterhof has been in farming for 300 years, and has been supplying the region with a popular vegetable box for years. However, the organically produced products are also available at the weekly market and from the farm shop. → Alberried 14, Lustenau, T +43 (5577) 63395

www.vetterhof.at

Lustenauer Senf

There are quite a few people who have this mustard sent to them in their native countries as soon as they have tasted it just the once! The range offered by the family-run company, which is already over a century old, is continually expanding, with the products bearing names such as Black Gold, Mustard with Grappa and Raisins. Yet the classic mustard is – and remains – the best of all mustards!

→ Rheinstraße 15, Lustenau, T +43 (5577) 82077

www.lustenauer-senf.com

SchokoMus

Chocolates, chocolate bars, gateaux and drinking chocolate on a stick made from the best ingredients, by hand, without any preservatives, can be addictive!

→ Schießstätte 8, Feldkirch, T +43 (660) 2710792, 📞 p. 67 – F7

www.schokomus.at



Museum Mohren Biererlebniswelt, Dornbirn

Destillerie Harald Keckeis

Fine schnapps, whisky, gin and beer made from whisky malt are Harald Keckeis' passion and are on sale in the shop in Rankweil. Most of the apples and pears used in the schnapps are regionally sourced, contributing to the preservation of the meadow orchards characteristic of the region.

→ Sigmund-Nachbauer-Straße 9, Rankweil, T +43 (664) 1138868

www.destillerie-keckeis.at

Broger Privatbrennerei

They are known as "The Limitless" since they - the Broger family - know no limits when it comes to the creativity they employ in the production of their noble brandies and whiskies. These include apple and Williams pear brandies, and extend to cherry, orange and even Swiss pine schnapps. They even produce gin, with the gin tank being a popular souvenir. The distillery tour with tasting of the fine schnapps and whiskies takes about two hours and is available for parties of four or more. Sales times: please call ahead.

→ Dammweg 43, Klaus, T +43 (5523) 53546

www.broger.info

Zeughaus Spirituosen Fachhandel

The Zeughaus has long been a household name for those in the know. Rather than being a specialist retailer for high-quality spirits, the Zeughaus is an eldorado for whisky, rum and cognac fans in search of something really good, fine rarities and an expert's advice. Benedikt Fleisch knows the history of every bottle, the particular characteristics of its contents and not infrequently even the people working at the respective distilleries.

→ Zollwehr 2, Götzis, T +43 (5523) 53547

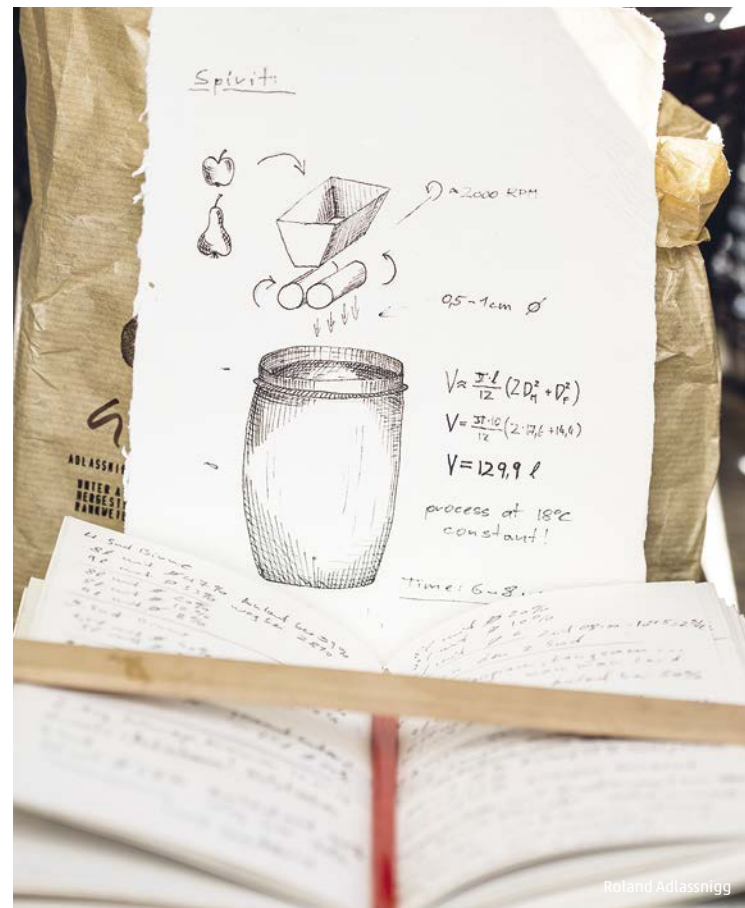
www.zeughaus-spirituosen.com

Genuss am Gaumen

Palatable pleasures are created when a 400-year-old vaulted cellar becomes the centre of enjoyment. The cellar with its stylish ambience is the place to discover more than 500 single malts, a broad variety of wines and first-class brandies and grappas. A range that is rounded off with typical 'alimentari' from Liguria, fine chocolate and many other delicious treats. Those who have the opportunity should not miss the monthly tasting of the finest spirits.

→ Im Buch 15, Götzis, T +43 (664) 4373847

www.genussamgaumen.at



Roland Adlansnigg



Bernd Levay

Musician and Filmmaker, Fux & Hase

"My favourite café is the Lieblingscafé in Bregenz.

They serve a great selection of vegetarian snacks and dishes there."

Lieblingscafé, Bregenz

Tipp

Markets

Naturally, stylish cooking and a healthy diet have their roots in shopping at the weekly market, where fresh produce straight from the farm, fish straight out of Lake Constance and home-made pasta can be found. The collection of home-made jams and herb cosmetics made mainly from regional, natural raw materials: for a great feeling when you know what you are buying.



Market in the Marktgasse, Feldkirch

Bregenz

Market at the **Kornmarktplatz**
Tuesday and Friday 7 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., p. 19 – F3

Market in the **Clemens-Holzmeister-Gasse**
Thursday 7 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Farmer's market in the **Kaiserstraße**
Friday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., p. 19 – E4

Market at the **Leutbühel**
Wednesday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (May to October), Saturday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., p. 19 – F5

Dornbirn

Market at the **Marktplatz**
Wednesday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., p. 33 – E2

Feldkirch

Market in the **Marktgasse**
Tuesday and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 1.30 p.m., p. 67 – E5

Farmer's market in the **Marktgasse**
April to November 8 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. (every first and third Saturday), p. 67 – E5

Hohenems

Market at the **Schlossplatz**
Thursday 8 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., p. 51 – F3

Hörbranz

Market at the **Kirchplatz**
Saturday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (mid-March to mid-December)

Hard

Market at the **Bagnoliplatz**
Wednesday 7 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Lauterach

Market at the **Montfortplatz**
Thursday (every second per month) 2 p.m. bis 6 p.m.

Wolfurt

Market at the **Marktplatz**
Friday 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Lustenau

The Luschnouar Market
Market at the **Kirchplatz**
Thursday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday 8 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Rankweil

Market at the **Marktplatz**
Wednesday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Götzis

Market at the **Garnmarkt**
Friday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Market at the **Pfarrkirche St. Ulrich**
Saturday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (mid-March to mid-December)



Christmas markets in the region

There is a magic spell over the countryside in the pre-Christmas season. Once it is already dark in the early evening and the first snowflakes fall, the small and large Christmas markets in the region spread the fragrance of almond, mulled wine and regional specialties. Small handmade presents and entertainment events for children vary from market to market – which is why it is best to let yourself be inspired everywhere.



Christmas market Bregenz

The Christmas market in Bregenz is open all day and attracts great attention in the inner city. The nativity scene with real animals for petting, a small ice rink, a puppet theatre and many other amusements for children's hearts act like a magnet for children. Sales stalls, tasting culinary delicacies and special meeting places create the contemplative atmosphere which is also part of Advent.

→ Kornmarktplatz, Bregenz,
👜 p. 19 – F3

A second Christmas market enchants the medieval lanes in the Bregenz Upper Town on the weekends before Christmas. The two markets clearly differ: small and fine in the Upper Town, larger and colourful in the centre of Bregenz.

→ Martinsplatz, Bregenz, 👜 p. 19 – G6

Christkindlemarkt Dornbirn

The attractions of the Dornbirn Christmas markets focus on the Marktplatz and the Pfarrpark, where pony riding, candle dipping and beautiful handicraft products are waiting. The ice-skating area in front of the church is also well-frequented, and the cheerful atmosphere is supported by the caterers around the Marktplatz, who provide traditional tasting sessions.

→ Marktplatz, Dornbirn, 👜 p. 33 – E2

Christmas market Feldkirch

Located in the middle of the historic Old Town, the Marktgasse in Feldkirch invigorates the Christmas market from the end of November. The setting of the venerable facades even contributes to the Christmas atmosphere, while decorated shop windows and arcades as well as a gingerbread house at Sparkassenplatz attract numerous visitors.

→ Marktgasse, Feldkirch, 👜 p. 67 – E5



For more shopping tips, go to:
www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com

Activities and Natural Experiences

It is well-known that the region of Bodensee-Vorarlberg has an abundance of developed hiking and cycle paths, skiing areas, swimming lakes and publically accessible shores to Lake Constance. It is also well-known that many of them

are associated with a varied range of leisure activities for children, families, sportspeople and hikers. However, we would like to take this opportunity to point out that you need time and peace of mind to not rush about from one place

The devastating rage of an ignored plant has to be avoided by all means.

another, but rather to emulate the pebble that falls into the water, i.e. slowly let yourself go in one place. Try standing still awhile and enjoying what you see. You will be rewarded. The tourist destinations close to Lake Constance and in the neighbouring countries also invite you, in concentric circles, to open yourself up to a very special holiday destination, and to come back next year!



Lustenhauer Hütte, Dornbirn

Naturparks

Alpenwildpark Pfänder

Pygmy goats, rabbits, deers, alpine ibex and wild boars – plan at least half an hour for taking a walk around the alpine wildlife park.

→ Pfänder 4, Bregenz | Lochau, T +43 (5574) 42184

www.pfaender.at

Rappenloch- and Alplochschlucht

Through one of the biggest gorges in Central Europe, the wooden bridges take you past seriously breathtaking scenes as far as the lake Staufensee, which feeds a 100-year-old power plant. Behind that lies the more gentle gorge Alplochschlucht.

→ Gütle, Dornbirn

www.rappenloch.at

Naturschutzgebiet Rheindelta

Nature reserve over 2,000 ha with alluvial forests, moist and straw meadows, reed areas and vast sandy beaches. It is home to over 300 rare species of bird.

→ T +43 (5578) 74478

www.rheindelta.com

Wildpark Ardetzenberg

Several forest paths suitable for prams and a forest nature trail cross the game park. Over 140 animals in their natural habitat and large enclosures allow an insight into the lifestyle and special features of the 21 species of wild animal. Free admission.

🕒 Open daily all year round.

→ Ardetzenweg 20, Feldkirch, T +43 (5522) 74105, 📍 p. 67 – F1

www.wildpark-feldkirch.at

Doppelmayr-Zoo

Doppelmayr Zoo in Wolfurt has been home to more than 400 animals from more than 70 species since 1963. The one or other animal – the pygmy goats and donkeys, for example – also enjoy being stroked. Alpacas, fallow deer, yaks, raccoons and more have found a home here. The exotic species include coatis, turtles and kangaroos. Parrots, cockatoos and parakeets, along with native bird species such as snowy owls and pheasants, inhabit the open-air enclosures.

🕒 Open daily all year round.

→ Bildsteiner Straße, Wolfurt, T +43 (5522) 74105

www.doppelmayr.com/unternehmen/doppelmayr-zoo

Cable cars

Pfänderbahn

The fastest way to the Pfänder. The tour, which departs on the hour and half-hour, offers an unparalleled view over the Lake Constance, indeed as far as Konstanz itself in good weather.

🕒 Daily 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

➔ Steinbruchgasse 4, Bregenz, T +43 (5574) 42160-0, 🗺 p. 19 – H2

www.pfaenderbahn.at

Karren Seilbahn

A panoramic view of the Swiss mountains, the Rhine valley and Lake Constance. The Karren cable car takes visitors, every fifteen minutes, up to the 976-metre mountain summit, which is a starting point for several beautiful hikes. The 12m-long "Karren-Kante" is a newly built jetty offering an additional impressive all-round view. 🕒 Mon to Thu 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., Fri 9 a.m. to 12 a.m., Sat 9 a.m. to 12 a.m., Sun 9 a.m. to 11 p.m.

➔ Gütlestraße 6, Dornbirn, T +43 (5572) 22140, 🗺 p. 33 – D7

www.karren.at

Seilbahn Schnifis, Schnifisberg

The nostalgic Schnifis cable car takes you to an area with magnificent views – perfect for hikers, paragliders and even parents with young children. The Henslerstübli at the mountain station is well-known for its culinary delicacies from the region.

🕒 Summer: Tue to Sun 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., 1 to 6 p.m.; Winter: Fri to Sun and on bank holidays 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., 1 to 5 p.m.

➔ Jagdbergstraße, Schnifis, T +43 (5524) 5161

www.seilbahn-schnifis.at



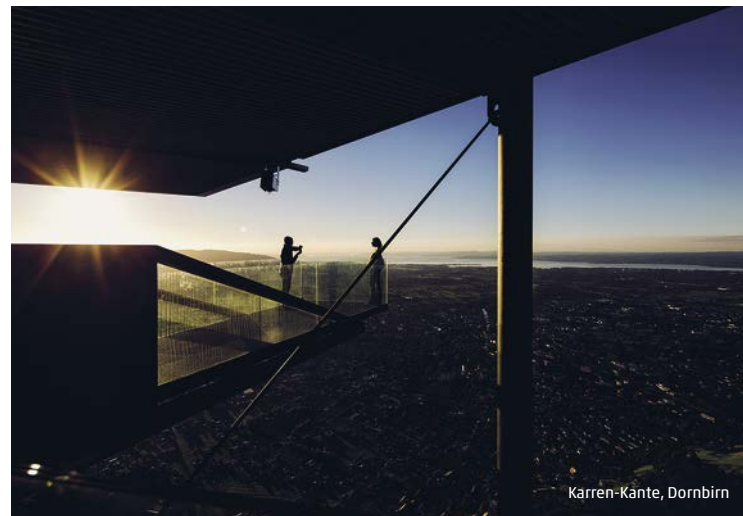
Erwin Reis

Managing Director, World Gymnaestrada 2019

"The chapel 'Kirchle', which is hidden high up in the Rappenloch Gorge, is one of my favourite destinations after a hike."

Rappenloch- und Alplöschschlucht, Dornbirn

Tipp



Karren-Kante, Dornbirn

Seil- und Sommerrodelbahn Laterns (cable car and summer toboggan run)

The safe run has 800 m of speedy bends and bridges. You can hear the delighted squeals of the kids – and adults – far and wide. 🕒 Operates on weekends between mid-May and the mid-June, and between early September and early October. For opening hours, please see www.laterns.net

➔ Kühboden 7, Laterns, T +43 (5526) 252

www.laterns.net

Cycling

Bicycle hire

Excellent maintained bicycles can be hired from most towns and villages, frequently in the central sport shops and often also in your hotel.

Radwelt Hard

🕒 Mon to Sat 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., 2 to 6 p.m. (except Thu and Sat)

➔ Seestraße 4, Hard, T +43 (5574) 89896, www.radwelt-hard.at

procycle Bregenz

🕒 Mon to Fr: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 14 to 18 p.m., Sat 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., Sun and on bank holidays 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

➔ Seepromenade, Bregenz, T +43 (664) 88785016, 🗺 p. 19 – F2

www.pro-cycle.at

Cycle paths

Whole new perspectives of a landscape are revealed when you cycle. The cycling paths take you through natural nature reserves, along the banks of the River Rhine, along the shores of Lake Constance, and up hills. The routes that follow are only a small selection of the many paths that cross one of the most attractive regions. This way of getting around becomes even more appealing when you think that you will get to see hidden inns, man-made lakes and rare species of birds and plants that you probably wouldn't get to hear about otherwise.

→ You can find a map of the new network of cycle paths in the jacket.

The classic: Around Lake Constance (approx. 260/120 km)

The large route around the lake is 260 enjoyable kilometres long. Or 120 km if you choose short cuts and cover some of the distance by boat.

Lake Constance – Rhine Valley – Walgau (approx. 70 km)

Cycle route along the Rhine dam, signposted in both directions, well suited to families: individual stages can be shortened by taking the train.

Rhine delta tour (approx. 22 km)

From the Lustenau-Höchst bridge over the Rhine, through the 2,000 ha nature reserve as far as Hard. Alternative starting points: Hard-Fußach bridge over the Rhine, Gaißau, Höchst.

Through Dornbirner Ried (approx. 10 km)

Leisurely stretch from Dornbirn through the fenland as far as Jannersee, an idyllic bathing lake. The return journey takes you through shaded paths along the Dornbirner Ach river.

Feldkirch: Family tour (approx. 15 km)

From the town centre as far as Illspitz (Rhine), continue in the direction of Meiningen, return to the artificial lakes, through Rüttenen and Rote Au to Gisingen and Feldkirch.

Feldkirch: Tour of three countries (approx. 35 km)

Along the River Ill to the Rhine dam as far as Liechtenstein, continue to the Swiss bank of the River Rhine, turn off to Werdenberg, continue to Vaduz. Return via Schaaner Ried.

For a more detailed description of the cycle paths, go to:
www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com



"Mili" (former army swimming pool)

Pools and outdoor pools around Lake Constance

Numerous natural bathing spots on the shores of Lake Constance and along the Old Rhine provide areas of relaxation on hot summer days. You will come across secluded bays as well as public baths offering fun and games, historical baths as well as the chance to take a refreshing dip. The water quality in the bathing lakes also corresponds with the high quality of life in these parts. The two indoor swimming pools reflect the region's unique architectural scene and natural landscape – you can choose between a view of the lake and a superior use of form.



Hannes Hagen

Managing Partner at Conrad Sohm

"The Old River Rhine becomes my home during the Szene Openair (music festival) in summer."

Alter Rhein, Lustenau

Tipp

Bregenz

Strandbad

Two 50-m outdoor pools (one of them heated), 500 m lakefront, kids' pool, slide, playground, beach volleyball, beach football, climbing wall, table tennis and a lot more.

☉ Early May to early September: Daily 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. (in good weather)

→ Strandweg 1, Bregenz

T +43 (5574) 44242-0

www.stadtwerke-bregenz.at

“Mili” (former army swimming pool)

A historical wooden stilt construction above the water, regular bathing spot for the people of Bregenz. The lovingly named “Mili” is definitely worth a visit!

☉ Early May to mid-September: Daily 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. (in good weather)

→ Reichsstraße, Bregenz

T +43 (5574) 44242-0

www.stadtwerke-bregenz.at

Lochau

Strandbad Lochau

With a view of the festival stage, right on the shore of the lake, with many amenities. ☉ 8 May to 11 September: Daily 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; July and August: Daily 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

→ Lindauer Straße 1, Lochau

T +43 (5574) 43386

www.lochau.at

Hard

Strandbad Hard

One of the largest pools on Lake Constance, featuring Grander water in the outdoor pool, slides, playground, beach volleyball and much more. Take your own journey of discovery in the tranquillity of the lake.

☉ May and September: Daily 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; June to August: Daily 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. (in good weather)

→ Kohlplatzstraße 15a, Hard

T +43 (5574) 8368220

www.hard-sport-freizeit.at

FKK-Strandbad

Spacious nudist beach in a lovely nature reserve on Lake Constance, close to Hard. Table tennis, beach volleyball court, bocchia lanes, playground, self-service restaurant, barbecue sites.

☉ April, May and September: Daily 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; June to August: Daily 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

→ Im Böschen 43, Hard

T +43 (5578) 8368230

www.hard-sport-freizeit.at

Lustenau

Parkbad Lustenau

Long slide, wild water channel and air bubbles are only three of the many reasons for taking a trip to Lustenau.

☉ 5 May to 9 September:

Daily 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

→ Mühlefeldstraße 21, Lustenau

T +43 (5577) 8181-3210

www.lustenau.at

Dornbirn

Waldbad Enz

On hot summer days, the best place to cool off is the forest pool, which enjoys a shady location next to the cooler mountain water of the Dornbirn Ach. Open-air forest swimming pool, 50 m sports pool, children's pool, slide, playground, diving platform, beach volleyball courts – this pool is also worth a visit!

☉ May to September: Daily 8.30 a.m. to 7.45 p.m., in bad weather until 11 a.m.

→ Gütlestraße 16, Dornbirn

T +43 (5572) 20850

www.waldbadenz.at

Hohenems-Altach

Erholungszentrum Rheinauen

Even if the car park looks full: once you are in, there is a suitable place for everyone on the spacious area right on the bank of the Old Rhine.

☉ May to August: Daily 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; September: to 7 p.m.

→ Rheinauen, Hohenems

T +43 (5576) 73571

www.rheinauen.at

Sulz

Erlebnisbad Frutzzau

A climbing net in the water, a stream for playing in, bubbles from the bottom and flood shower: you are not likely to get bored in Frutzzau pool!

☉ 1 May to 11 September:

Daily 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; July to 8 p.m.

→ Frutzzstraße 5, Sulz

T +43 (5522) 44198

www.gemeinde-sulz.at

Frastanz

Schwimmbad Felsenau

It is Vorarlberg's oldest preserved swimming pool (one pool). Built and opened in 1903, these days it is solar-heated and uses Grander water.

☉ 1 May to 9 September: Daily 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; June to August: Guaranteed opening times: Daily 9 a.m.

to 12 p.m. (whatever the weather)

→ Mariagrüner Straße, Frastanz

T +43 (5522) 76001-3150

www.feldkirch.at/felsenau

Naturbad Untere Au

The clear water of the natural lake, diving tower, sandy beach, a 40-metre long zip wire, slacklines – there is something for all ages here.

☉ May to September: Daily 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. (in good weather)

→ Satteinser Straße 9, Frastanz

T +43 (5522) 52729

www.frastanz.at/naturbad

Nenzing

Walgaubad Nenzing

Wave pool, lazy river, 5-m-diving platform, 30°C-pool, slides, 50-m-pool, 25-m-pool, aquafit programme and all of that in all weathers!

🕒 Mid-April to late September:

Daily 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

➔ Illstraße 36, Nenzing

T +43 (5525) 62343

www.wfigmbh.at

Feldkirch

Erlebnis Waldbad Feldkirch 🏠

Everything a water lover's heart desires: sports pool, adventure pool, sports, shady meadows.

🕒 1 May to 9 September: Daily 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. (depending on the weather); June to August: Guaranteed opening times: Daily 4 to 7 p.m. (whatever the weather)

➔ Stadionstraße 7, Feldkirch

T +43 (5522) 76001-3180

www.feldkirch.at/waldbad

Götzis

Swimming pool Riebe

The Götzner open-air swimming pool in the Riebe has been 'the place to go' for a splash in summer for more than 50 years. While the grown-ups may count the laps they swim in the 25-metre pool, the little ones are able to let off steam in the adventure pool with slides and a diving platform or play on the sports field and playground. The very little ones have their own toddler area with paddling pool, sunshades and seating. Food and drink are available at the kiosk.

🕒 4. May to 8. September 2019: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

➔ In der Riebe 7, Götzis

T +43 (5523) 62054

www.goetzis.at/schwimmbad

Indoor swimming pools

Bregenz

Seehallenbad

Sports pool, training pool, kids' area, lovely view of the lake.

🕒 Tue to Fri 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sat 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sun and on bank holidays 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; May to mid-August: only in bad weather

➔ Strandweg 1, Bregenz

T +43 (5574) 44242-0

www.stadtwerke-bregenz.at

Vitalium

Sauna paradise in the lake swimming pool, with sauna, steam bath, Sanaarium®, solarium, whirlpool, spacious roof terrace and separate ladies' area.

🕒 Tue to Thu 2 to 10 p.m., Fri 12 to 10 p.m., Sat 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Sun and on bank holidays 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

➔ Strandweg 1, Bregenz

T +43 (5574) 44242-0

www.vitalium.at

Dornbirn

das stadtbad 🏠

The indoor swimming pool in Dornbirn offers something for everyone, with a sports and multi-purpose pool, children's area and slide, as well as a wellness and sauna area.

🕒 Tue 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., Wed to Fri 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sat 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Sun and on bank holidays 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; September to April: Thu 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

➔ Schillerstraße 18, Dornbirn

T +43 (5572) 22687, 📞 p. 33 – F6

www.stadtbad.at



Bernd Levay

Musician and Filmmaker, Fux & Hase

"You'll frequently find me at the Achmündung in Bregenz – that's where I like to walk my dog."

Achmündung, Bregenz

Tipp



Boat trips on Lake Constance

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Die Weiße Bodenseeflotte (White Lake Constance fleet)

The best way to reach the loveliest tourist attractions on Lake Constance is by boat. For a short trip to Lindau, to the botanical rarities on the Mainau Island, Sea Life in Konstanz – the time on board is a pleasure. Yet the thematic trips such as the three-country panorama trip and others are also very popular, for a good reason.

➔ Vorarlberg Lines – Bodenseeschiffahrt, Seestraße 4, Bregenz
T +43 (5574) 42868, 📞 p. 19 – F2
www.vorarlberg-lines.at

Tour of Bregenz Bay 📍

Bregenz as seen from the lake – Vorarlberg Lines take tours of Bregenz Bay 📍 between 30 March and 28 October. Please see brochures available at the ticket office or the Internet for departure times and dates.

Three-country panorama trip 📍

Extensive trip of Lake Constance which takes you along the Swiss, German and Austrian shores of the lake. Enjoy the lovely views of the shores of the three countries of Lake Constance.

📍 1 April to 30 September: Daily from Bregenz

Hohentwiel (steam ship)

The old paddle steamer is the perfect way to approach the Bregenz Festival. It has been so lovingly restored that you imagination is immediately transported back to centuries gone by. It is only the on-board gourmet cuisine that is undeniably part of today, as are the trips with Dixie music and the leisurely brunch and literature trips. You won't forget an evening on board.

➔ Hard, T +43 (5574) 63560
www.hohentwiel.com

Boat hire

It was in 43 AD that the upper lake of Lake Constance was first referred to by the Roman geographer Pomponius Mela as Lacus Venetus and the Untersee (lower lake) as Lacus Acronius. "Bodensee" – the German name for the lake – is derived from the place name "Bodman", a small town close to Überlingen which was important during the Middle Ages. It is natural to explore Central Europe's third-largest lake along its shores – however, taking a boat trip along its shores under your own steam is at least just as recommendable. The Ancient Romans knew that.

Bregenz: Boat hire by Hardy Feurstein (promenade next to the gondola harbour)

Rental of paddle, rowing and electric boats, lake taxi, speedboat trips.
➔ Seepromenade 2, Bregenz, T +43 (650) 6540012, 📞 p. 19 – C3
www.seetaxi.at

Hard: Boat hire (next to the bathing beach)

Paddle and electric boat hire.
➔ Kohlplatzstraße 12, Hard, T +43 (664) 1487017
www.bootsverleih-hard.at

Segel- und Motorbootschule Hard

Thomas Garnitschnig, sailboat hire.
➔ Kohlplatzstraße 12, Hard, T +43 (5574) 78840
www.segelschulehard.at

Lochau: Sporer Yachting

Sailboat hire.
➔ Alte Fähre im Yachthafen, Lochau, T +43 (5574) 52247
www.sporer-yachting.com

Sailing and motorboat schools

Segel- und Motorbootschule Hard

Lake Constance skipper licence, pleasure boat licence for lakes, sailing courses for kids, maritime radio.

→ Kohlplatzstraße 12, Hard, T +43 (5574) 78840

www.segelschulehard.at

"Surf Max"

Offers wind surfing courses for beginners and advanced surfers, and rents out surfboards and stand up paddle boards.

→ Grüner Damm, Hard, T +43 (650) 3605400

www.surfmax.at

Sporer Yachting

Taster courses, basic courses, weekend courses, Lake Constance skipper licence, ÖSV and DSV licences, A licence, SKS and SSS licence.

→ Alte Fähre im Yachthafen, Lochau, T +43 (5574) 52247

www.sporer-yachting.com



Surf Max, Hard

Climbing

K1 climbing hall

Over an area of around 2,000 m² and a climbing wall area totalling 3,000 m², the K1 climbing hall in Dornbirn offers climbing fun for all levels of proficiency. A taster course provides an introduction into the basic techniques of climbing, imparts basic knowledge about safety and equipment for indoor climbing.

🕒 Mon to Wed 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Tue, Thu and Fri 12 to 10 p.m., Sat, Sun and on bank holidays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

→ Bildgasse 10, Dornbirn

T +43 (5572) 394810

www.k1-dornbirn.at

Steinblock boulder hall

All levels of difficulty over 571 square metres – that is the Steinblock boulder hall in Rankweil. It offers courses for beginners, advanced climbers, children and adults.

🕒 Mon to Fri 2 to 10.30 p.m., Sat, Sun and on bank holidays 10 a.m. to 10.30 p.m.

→ Alemannenstraße 49, Rankweil

T +43 (5522) 22217

www.steinblock.at

Via Ferrata, Götzis

The Kapfwand is doubly tempting for experienced climbers: the Via Kapf and Via Kessi run almost parallel upwards and require both sure-footedness and strength. The Via Kessi leads steeply over a smooth starting wall to the key passage, which includes a challenging overhang (D/E) and a difficult crack. The Via Kapf is also characterised by overhangs and rarely easier than D but rewards its climbers with a magnificent view across the Rhine Valley.

→ Spallerweg 3, Götzis



For more activity tips, go to:
www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com

Hiking

We want to list just a few of the particularly scenic hiking routes to whet your appetite, since it is impossible to introduce them all here. Whether you go hiking alone or with a companion, it will become second nature to constantly stop to reflect and scan the scenery. Since that which awaits you is simply incredibly beautiful.

Langen:

Tour Pfänder Hirschberg

The Pfänder presents a magnificent panoramic view across all of Lake Constance and the mountain peaks of Switzerland, Liechtenstein and Vorarlberg. Several inns and places for snacks are to be found around the mountain station and along the route.

🕒 Walking time: 3.45 hours,
262 altitude metres

Bregenz: Walk along Lake

Constance – from the Festspielhaus to where the River Ach flows into the lake

This walk along the shores of Lake Constance is suitable for young and old, with prams, balance bikes or similar walking aids. It starts at the Festspielhaus and heads towards Kloster Mehrerau. The monastery complex is home to many things of interest – the church, for example, is usually open for the public. 🕒 Walking time: 1.40 hours, 22 altitude metres

Bildstein:

From Bildstein to Lake Constance

A forest nature trail takes visitors from Bildstein along the Bregenzerach to Lake Constance. The trip may be concluded with a tour of the Bregenz Festival's lake stage.

🕒 Walking time: 4.15 hours,
400 altitude metres

Dornbirn:

Bödele to Lustenauer Hütte

The trail to the Lustenauer Hütte leads from Bödele via the Spechtweg up to 1250 metres. The hike starts at the Bödele pass from where the Hämmerlealp and Moorsee are left behind in just over an hour's walk – with great views across Bregenzerwald.

🕒 Walking time: 1.15 hours,
42 altitude metres

Hohenems: On the Schlossberg

The 3.7-km long route commences and ends at the church in Hohenems. From here, you go up to Alt-Ems ruins, to the "Gsätzli" lookout point, and return to Hohenems via an agricultural path. 🕒 walking time: 1:20 hour, 290 hm

Feldkirch:

The Feldkirch Wildlife Park with its cleared paths, wildlife feeding and a forest experience is the place to go all year round for short family-friendly hikes on the Ardetzenberg – and all this in the immediate vicinity of the town and boasting views across the roofs of the old town.

🕒 Walking time approx. 1:30 hours,
219 altitude metres



Erwin Reis

Managing Director, World Gymnaestrada 2019

"The Ebnit is my place of refuge: when I start to miss the fresh air, I get on my young gelding or one of my 15 horses to take a ride through the Ebnit – it's the perfect way for me to clear my mind."

Ebnit, Dornbirn

Tipp

Übersaxen: Panorama circuit

This family-friendly hike presents magnificent views and takes visitors across meadows and forest paths. The tour is 7.2 km long and leads back to the starting point in the centre of the village of Übersaxen. Perfect for a spontaneous afternoon hike. 🕒 Walking time approx. 2.45 hours, 555 altitude metres

Laterns: Üble Schlucht (ravine)

The ravine in Laterns is extremely impressive - and natural, above all. Along lovely meadows, you leave the village and go downwards towards the gorge, where the River Frutz has made its way through the rock faces. The path is demanding, wet close to the water. Good footwear is recommended. 🕒 walking time: 1 hour.

Nenzing: Nenzinger Himmel

Nenzinger Himmel:

A legendary thematic path on "Lovers' Lane" between the alp settlement of Nenzinger Himmel which is 8.7-km long and passes through Setschalpe taking you to Hirschsee, Panüelalpe and back to Nenzinger Himmel. A well-kept secret amongst connoisseurs of particularly lovely places on earth. 🕒 walking time: 3:15 hours, 423 hm

For a more detailed description of the hiking paths, go to:
www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com

Skiing

Skiing is for Vorarlberg what the gondola is for Venice. Even the small, unknown skiing areas of the region of Bodensee-Vorarlberg possess fine slopes and serious runs, family-friendly small areas (for example with lift tickets) or even concealed dream slopes for those who don't fancy waiting.

Möggers: Luggi-Leitner lifts

Two lifts, ideal for children and beginners. With magic carpet and rope tow.

→ T +43 (676) 9313897
www.skilift-scheidegg.de

Bregenz: Pfänder

Take the cable car up – and back down if you like. There are two lifts at the top. Observe the snow conditions.

→ T +43 (5574) 42160-0
www.pfaenderbahn.at

Buch: Schneiderkopf

Two ski tows and one moving walkway for the kids.

→ T +43 (5579) 8212
www.gemeinde-buch.at

Dornbirn: Bödele

Family-friendly ski area between Dornbirn and Schwarzenberg where snow is particularly assured. It has a good selection of gentle and demanding pistes. Ten lifts, two ski schools, ski rentals, cosy huts and sun terraces.

→ T +43 (5572) 7214
www.boedele.info

Übersaxen: Gröllerkopf

Two lifts, night-time skiing and authentic Käsespätzle, very popular amongst families.

→ T +43 (5522) 41311
www.uebersaxen.at

Dornbirn-Ebnit: Heumöser lifts

Two lifts and 3 km of pistes offer enough space for advanced skiers and newcomers to the sport alike.

→ T +43 (664) 1482586
www.ebniterleben.at

Hohenems: Schuttannen

With its two ski tows and a cosy mountain hut, it is an inside tip.

→ T +43 (664) 8771041
www.sv-hohenems.at

Latensertal: Laterns-Gap-fohl

The largest skiing area in the region offers six lifts and 27 km of well-tended runs for all levels of proficiency. Skiing routes for tourers, natural toboggan run, free child care on the mountain. Well-known for its good price-performance ratio.

→ T +43 (5526) 252
www.laterns.net

Frastanz: Skilift Bazora

Next to the Bazora ski tow, three further ski lifts provide access to flat pistes. Lovely view, nostalgic wooden lift supports (still working).

→ T +43 (664) 7973659 oder
 T +43 (5522) 53371
www.frastanz.at/bazora

Nenzing-Gurtis: Gurtis

With four ski lifts, a ski school and ski and snowboard rental, it has everything you need for spending a day in the snow.

→ T +43 (5522) 51589
www.nenzing-gurtis.at



Hannes Hagen

Managing Partner at Conrad Sohm

"Besides music, my passion is the mountains. I most enjoy hiking up the Hochälpele across the Bödele or directly up from Conrad Sohm."

Bödele, Dornbirn

Tipp

Cross-country skiing and winter rambles

When the snow conditions are favourable, several cross-country courses are groomed in the region of Bodensee-Vorarlberg. The near-by mountains also offer a limited selection of cross-country courses. On deep-snow days, snowshoe hikes take you to otherwise practically impassable areas, where the peacefulness and the natural experience are simply enchanting. On most routes, spectacular views of the Rhine Valley and lake keep revealing themselves.

Bildstein

Winter hiking paths

→ T +43 (5572) 58384
www.gemeinde-bildstein.at

Dornbirn: Bödele and Karren

Cross-country ski course (ca. 9 km) and winter hiking paths.

→ T +43 (5572) 22140
www.boedele.info oder
www.karren.at

Fraxern

Winter hiking paths

→ T +43 (5523) 64511
www.fraxern.at

Nenzing

Approx. 8 km of groomed cross-country course on the Latzwiese in Nenzing, winter hiking paths in Nenzing and Gurtis. → T +43 (5525) 63031
www.nenzing-gurtis.at

Übersaxen

Two Cross-country ski courses
 → T +43 (5522) 41311
www.uebersaxen.at

Ice-skating

The lake and ice are inseparable – Hard sporting and leisure facilities

Ice-skating on Hard's lakeshore – it is hard to imagine a more lovely backdrop for the spirited laps on the shiny surface. If you have always fancied yourself as an ice-hockey player, you can rent the entire kit to try it out first.

☺ October to March: Mon to Fri 9.30 a.m. to 12 p.m., except Wed; Sun 9.30 to 11.30 a.m., Mon to Wed 2 to 4.30 p.m., Thu to Sun 2 to 6 p.m.

➔ Seestraße 63, Hard,
T +43 (5574) 8368220
www.hard-sport-freizeit.at

Ice-skating on a large scale: Vorarlberghalle Feldkirch

It offers a massive space for all ice-skating fans – whatever the weather. Freely move between the indoor and outdoor rink, do your laps beneath the shiny stars: if the temperatures allow it, the popular Stellafeld is open from November for all types of fun on blades. The ice rink offers protection against bad weather.

☺ 3 October to 10 April: Tue to Fri 9.15 a.m. to 11.45 a.m., Sun 9 to 10.45 a.m., Tue, Thu to Sun 2 to 4 p.m., Thu and Sat 8.15 to 10 p.m.

➔ Am Breiten Wasen 4, Feldkirch,
T +43 (5522) 760013160, 📍 p. 67 – A2
www.feldkirch.at/fbf/vorarlberghalle

Guided tours

Guided tours of Feldkirch, every Wednesday

Accompanied by a competent guide, gain new insights rambling through a small yet important historic centre of humanistic history. The guided tours of Feldkirch town centre with a licensed "austriaguides" guide last around one and a half hour and impart sound knowledge in short tours.

☺ May to early October: Wed 4.30 p.m.

➔ Registration: T +43 (5522) 73467, tourismus@feldkirch.at
www.feldkirch.travel

Game of chance

Casino Bregenz

You can try your luck in the Bregenz Casino, and start the evening off in the Restaurant Falstaff.

➔ Platz der Wiener Symphoniker 3, Bregenz, T +43 (5574) 45127, 📍 p. 19 – B4
www.casinos.at

Golf and crazy golf

Golfing has also arrived here. For instance in Rankweil.

Golfclub Montfort Rankweil

A round of golf in the Golfpark Montfort in Rankweil is not just a sports highlight but also a very special kind of nature experience. The ultra-modern club house in the centre of the golf park is the start and end point of the newly-created 18-hole course, and is also a meeting place for golfers and non-golfers alike.

➔ Kirchstraße 70, Rankweil, T +43 (5522) 72000
www.golfclub-montfort.com

Crazy golf course, Bregenz

The crazy golf course is located right next to the lake stage and the Bregenz Festival House, right on the lake shore promenade. ☺ Open between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. in the summer (depending on the weather).

➔ Seepromenade, Bregenz,
T +43 (5574) 53185, 📍 p. 19 – B3

Crazy golf course, Hard

Crazy golf with a view of the lake – the course with international dimensions has already hosted two European Championships and one World Championship.

☺ May to August: Daily 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; September: Daily 1 to 6 p.m.

➔ Kohlplatzstraße 15a, Hard,
T +43 (5574) 8368220
www.hard-sport-freizeit.at

Hohenems Indoor crazy golf

Fans of crazy golf and tournament players can now pursue their passion irrespective of the weather – and even in the winter!

☺ Mon to Fri 5 to 10 p.m., Sat 2 to 10 p.m., Sun 2 to 8 p.m.

➔ Markus-Sittikus-Straße 20, Hohenems
www.vbgv.com/cms/index.php/indoorhohenems

Crazy golf course beneath the Schattenburg

Amateur crazy golfers enjoy the 18 different challenges presented to them by the pyramid, wavy, somersault and maze holes in the park of the Schattenburg. Families and aficionados alike can tee-off at the foot of the castle tower, against a historic background, between May and October.

☺ April to May: Wed to Sun 2 to 7.30 p.m.; June to August: Tue to Sun 10.30 a.m. to 8.30 p.m.; September to 9 October: Wed to Sun 1 to 7.30 p.m.

➔ Burggasse 1, Feldkirch, 📍 p. 67 – G5
www.schattenburg.cc

Excursions

Vorarlberg is made up of six regions, each of which is capable of filling an entire holiday with their beauty, their culture and pleasure. Naturally, however, they are also great for day trips, with the mountain roads and ranges you encounter en route making your trip worthwhile. You are already holding a plethora of information about the region Bodensee-Vorarlberg. The following overview only gives you an outline at most of the five regions in Vorarlberg. Yet rest assured: behind the concise chunks of information lies a rich world of discovery.



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Lech-Zürs am Arlberg

The famous winter ski resort which, despite its extensive skiing areas, classy hotels and high-society guests, has managed to retain its original charm. It offers a discerning, cultural range of activities far from the events scene and party zones. The region is an inside tip for summer guests, a greater number of whom are discovering that the hiking routes and spectacles of nature have a particular charm of their own in summer – something the ski enthusiasts couldn't even begin to imagine. For its part, the Philosophicum attracts a clientele of its own to the idyllic location in autumn, turning it into the focal point of philosophical examinations of society.

www.allmeinde.org

Bregenzerwald

In the region of the Bregenzerwald, tradition and design, construction with timber and architecture, rural life and internationally recognised craftsmanship live in harmony. A lot has been written about the Bregenzerwald alpine cheese – you really must try it and see for yourself. On the way to the village alpine dairy, don't forget to take a detour to the Werkraumhaus in Andelsbuch and to the Women's Museum in Hittisau. Both institutions can slightly alter your world view, and wouldn't that be a good thing? If you think that nothing can take you by surprise – go along to one of the numerous gourmet establishments for dinner. Maybe you'll get the surprise of your life!

www.werkraum.at

www.frauenmuseum.at

Montafon

Two impressive mountain ranges surround the Montafon – the Silvretta massif with the Piz Buin, which dwarfs everything else at 3,312 m, and the Rätikon with its glacier slopes. The Silvretta alpine road is considered the "dream road of the Alps" and offers an unforgettable drive – not only for motorcyclists. People started settling in the then undoubtedly inhospitable region 5,000 years ago. Today, 61 cable cars, over 1,100 km of signposted hiking paths and plenty of hotel beds are proof that the region is now a place of hospitality.

www.silvretta-bielerhoehe.at

Alpenregion Bludenz

From the town of Bludenz, the alpine region extends as far as three valleys, including the biosphere park of Großes Walsertal. They are all home to mountains, glaciers, forests, mountain lakes and rivers. The Lünsee is situated at the foot of the Schesaplana at an altitude of 1,970 m, shimmering like a crystal-clear, blue glass bead in the beautiful landscape. At 2,965 m, the Schesaplana is the highest mountain in the Rätikon, with the history of the Rhaetians still living on in the names of many places. Hundreds of kilometres of hiking paths, ski lifts, golf courses, summer meadows and farms show themselves at their best. Cultural landscapes which have been lavishly tended for centuries characterise the Großes Walsertal. The recognition of it as a UNESCO biosphere park is a guarantee that these cultural treasures will be preserved. The parish of St Gerold is also a very special place not only because, for decades, it has been the meeting place for internationally successful musical talents who come here to give concerts or record albums – it lies nestled in a valley so narrow and so beautiful it is hard to put into words.

www.grosseswalsertal.at
www.propstei-stgerold.at

Kleinwalsertal

The Kleinwalsertal is almost completely surrounded by high mountains. Its geographical location in the Allgau Alps means that it has no direct connection with Vorarlberg. It was a duty-free zone for a long time. Since the establishment of the EU, however, this has lost its significance. The diversity of the region, from beginner's runs through to alpine runs for advanced skiers – the skiing area of Kanzelwand-Fellhorn is considered an inside tip, for instance – is what characterises it. Whether it is relaxation, sports or a family holiday you are after, the wealth of options available make sure that many visitors will soon become regular guests. A look into the "Walser Gipfelbuch" explains online why it is set to stay this way!

Around Lake Constance

Fantastic spectacles of nature, art and culture, historic places and technical features – whatever your senses long for, the shores of the lake offer untold numbers of attractions for your journey of discovery. Maybe you just want to relax, take a lakeside seat and stare off into the distance – with a bit of luck a little steam yacht will sail past.

Blumeninsel Mainau (island) (D)

www.mainau.de

Wallfahrtskirche Birnau (pilgrimage church) (D)

www.birnaue.de

Kloster und Schloss Salem (Salem monastery and palace) (D)

www.salem.de

Affenberg Salem (monkey zoo) (D)

www.affenberg-salem.de

Pfahlbauten (lake dwellings) (D)

UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site
www.pfahlbauten.de

Meersburg (castle) (D)

www.burg-meersburg.de

Neues Schloss Meersburg (new palace) (D)

www.neues-schloss-meersburg.de

Zeppelin Museum Friedrichshafen (airship museum) (D)

www.zeppelin-museum.de

Dornier Museum Friedrichshafen (aerospace museum) (D)

www.dorniermuseum.de

Sea Life Konstanz (D)

www.visitsealife.com

Der Rheinfall (The Rhine falls) (CH)

The biggest waterfall in Europe.
www.rheinfall.ch

Kunstmuseum Liechtenstein (art museum) (FL)

www.kunstmuseum.li

Ravensburger Spielaland (theme park) (D)

www.spielaland.de

HopfenMuseum in Tettnang (hops museum) (D)

www.hopfengut.de

Kunstmuseum Ravensburg (D)

www.kunstmuseum-ravensburg.de

Säntis-Schwebbahn (Säntis cableway) (CH)

www.saentisbahn.ch

Stiftsbibliothek St. Gallen (abbey library) (CH)

www.stibi.ch

It is agreed that the below conditions shall apply to the issuance and use of the Bodensee-Vorarlberg Freizeitkarte (Leisure Card), hereafter known as BVFK:

1. Service content:

Upon purchasing the BVFK, the purchaser (BVFK holder) is entitled to use the services of the service partners set out in the Compact Folder. A direct contract is in place only between the BVFK holder and the service partner. The included services ■ cover the entitlement to make use of the respective service already paid for with the purchase of the BVFK. Bonus services ■ entitle the holder to a reduction on the fee payable for the respective service of the service partner being used.

2. Scope of service/Liability:

All service partners undertake to make available to the BVFK holders, in terms both of scope and time, the services labelled as BVFK services to their full extent during the promotion period in question, in line with their usual business hours and general terms & conditions of carriage and business. Bonus partners are subject to the best-price guarantee for individual customers.

Restrictions on taking up services under the BVFK may generally be derived from the operating hours of individual BVFK partner businesses that do not cover the entire BVFK promotion period, due in particular to meteorological conditions. Additionally, limitations may arise due to circumstances in the operating company (e.g. technical faults) and blocking periods – defined by one usage per day and per service partner. The published opening times and conditions of use in the Compact Folder, and according to the annex with the service partner, shall be the basis for the given service, but shall not be binding.

Bodensee-Vorarlberg Tourismus GmbH reserves the right to terminate the agreement with individual BVFK partner companies and bonus partners for good reason at any time, even during the promotion period, without having to provide the BVFK holder with any compensation for this lost opportunity to make use of the services offered. In particular, Bodensee-Vorarlberg Tourismus GmbH accepts no liability of any kind for any damage suffered by the BVFK holder in connection with using the services. Upon using the services offered under the BVFK, the BVFK holder only becomes the contractual partner of the BVFK partner company, to the extent that claims of any kind may be enforced exclusively against the service partner in question.

3. Particular restrictions of individual companies:

Ship and cableway:

- Vorarlberg Lines (boat trips on Lake Constance) -10% for the special trips publicised in the Compact Folder, but not for scheduled services.
- Cableways and summer toboggan run Laterns trip at group tariff prices (-15 to 20 %).

Others:

- Theater am Sammarkt -10% on tickets at the evening box office.
- Poolbar Festival Feldkirch -20% on tickets at the evening box office.

The BVFK is a leisure card and the services included on it can be used for free once a day for each service partner, with a set blocking time of 00:00. Repeated use with a single partner several times on the same day is not permitted.

4. Validity conditions:

The BVFK card is issued in the name of the holder, is non-transferable and applies only in conjunction with a valid form of photographic ID. The services connected to the BVFK may therefore be used only by the named purchaser within the period of validity of the BVFK (promotion period). The BVFK is valid for one, two or three consecutive calendar days (valid from the date of issuance).

5. Use:

In order to claim the services included, the BVFK holder must present his or her card with the BVFK barcode so that its validity and the holder's identity may be verified by the BVFK partner company with a terminal or by simple visual inspection.

In order to claim the bonus services, the BVFK holder must present his or her card with the BVFK barcode so that its validity and the holder's identity may be verified by simple visual inspection.

The BVFK holder is required to present a valid form of photographic ID upon request. If he or she is unable to do so, free entry to the BVFK partner companies and/or price reduction with the bonus partners may be refused.

6. Misuse:

In the event of misuse or the suspicion of misuse, the BVFK partner companies are entitled and required to confiscate the card without any replacement. The BVFK may not be transferred to third parties – to do so may result in criminal proceedings.

7. Prices and reductions for children:

The prices set out in the Compact Folder (inclusive of value-added tax) are valid for children and adults (one-day card €16.00 or €8.00, two-day card €25.00 or €12.50 and three-day card €32.00 or €16.00). Children under the age of five are exempt from paying entrance fees. Children and young people up to the age of 15 are entitled to the reduced tariff.

8. Theft/loss:

If the BVFK is lost or stolen, the purchaser may report this on +43 (5574) 43443-0. Bodensee-Vorarlberg Tourismus GmbH accepts no liability in the event of the theft or loss of the BVFK.

9. Applicable law and place of jurisdiction:

Austrian law is exclusively applicable to all contractual relationships. The sole place of jurisdiction is the court legally responsible for Bregenz.

10. Data protection declaration:

When the BVFK is issued, personal data are processed; the BVFK holder consented to this by purchasing the BVFK. The data notified are used to develop and process the BVFK. The BVFK holder agrees that his or her data may be collected and saved on electronic data carriers for the purposes of bookkeeping, contractual fulfilment, etc. Personal data will be passed on to third parties without the consent of the client only in the event of urgent legal requirements or to the extent necessary for the use of the BVFK. Amongst other things, the data may be transferred to the relevant service partners in order to fulfil their service provision or used for statistical and administrative purposes.

Bodensee-Vorarlberg Tourismus GmbH takes organisational, contractual and technical security measures, corresponding to the state of the art, to ensure that the requirements of the data protection laws are complied with and that the processed data are protected from any accidental or intentional manipulation, loss, destruction and from access by unauthorised persons.

After the end of the card usage period, these data are blocked from further use and deleted after the retention periods laid down in taxation and commercial law, unless the BVFK holder has expressly agreed for his or her data to be further used or Bodensee-Vorarlberg Tourismus GmbH reserves the right to a more extensive use of these data that is legally permissible and of which the BVFK holder is informed below. The client account may be deleted at any time by sending a message to the email address datenschutz@bodensee-vorarlberg.com.

The BVFK holder is entitled to receive information free of charge concerning saved data regarding his or her person and to amend incorrect data, withdraw permissions or to transfer, block or delete these data. In the event of any questions concerning the collection, processing or use of personal data, of information requests, amendments, transfer, blocking or deletion of data and the withdrawal of permissions granted or objection to a particular kind of data use, the BVFK holder may contact Bodensee-Vorarlberg Tourismus GmbH directly, using the contact data in the legal notice of the folder.

If the BVFK holder believes that the processing of his or her data infringes the data protection law or that his or her data protection rights are being infringed in any other way, he or she is entitled to complain to the data protection authority as supervisory authority.

Further details are available in the data protection notice on the homepage www.bodensee-vorarlberg.com/en/datenschutz.

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