



The Best of the forest for families

In the Ferienregion Nationalpark Bayerischer Wald guests of all ages experience the perfect family vacation.



Vacation with the whole family, Photo: @FNBW

Planning a vacation with children can quickly become a real challenge: The little ones just want to run around in the playground every day and the older ones want to "finally do something cool" - and the parents? They just want to relax, go for a hike and enjoy nature. As we all know, tastes differ, especially when it comes to vacations. To ensure that so many different wishes don't get in the way of a good vacation, the Ferienregion Nationalpark Bayerischer Wald (FNBW) has set itself the goal of offering families the perfect vacation.

Animal family fun

As the region with the oldest forests in Europe, it is home to unique flora and fauna. So if you've always wanted to see rare animals in the wild, you don't have to go on a safari halfway around the world - simply visit the animal enclosures in the Lusen and Falkenstein national park centers. Animal lovers can discover bears, lynxes

and other wild animals in their natural habitat in large aviaries and extensive open-air enclosures. A real highlight, especially in spring, when the animal offspring enchant visitors.

Why not see the world from an animal's perspective? For example on the treetop walk in Neuschönau. On the 1,300-metre-long and barrier-free wooden path, visitors can experience nature from a bird's eye view at a height of up to 25 meters above the ground. There is much to discover that is normally hidden from the human eye: the forest from above.

The guided tours offered by the Bavarian Forest National Park are also highly recommended. On the guided tour "Nachts im Reich der Tiere", you can discover one or two animals that are well hidden during the day. Guided alpaca tours offer another animal experience for the whole family. Here, animal lovers can get up close and personal with the cuddly South Americans with the big googly eyes and soft fur. One to three-hour tours with the four-legged friends are offered all year round.

Real adventures for young and old

How do you turn an ordinary vacation into a real adventure? Simply immerse yourself in another century on vacation. If you think you need at least a time machine to do this, you're wrong. All you need is an excursion on vacation in the Ferienregion Nationalpark Bayerischer Wald, for example to St. Oswald-Riedlhütte. Curious treasure hunters can dig for hidden gold nuggets at the community's historically reconstructed gold panning site, just like our Celtic ancestors once did, with their feet in the water and a washing bowl in their hands. Plenty of adventure and gold fever guaranteed.

Adventurers of all ages can also follow in the footsteps of the past at the Farmhouse Museum in Lindberg or the Finsterau Open-Air Museum. Faithfully reconstructed farmhouses provide an interesting insight into the laborious lives of people in the past. Particularly exciting: bake your own bread or make your own necklace pendant with the blacksmith.

Play train driver in locomotives from 1876 to 1955 at the Localbahnmuseum Bayerisch Eisenstein. Various locomotives, carriages and service vehicles can be admired in the originally restored roundhouse.

Another journey through time takes you underground: children can discover the mysterious underground passages beneath the town of Zwiesel with or without their parents on a special children's tour. The interaction between forest and man is examined in the Waldgeschichtliches Museum in St. Oswald-Riedlhütte. or in the Zwiesel Waldmuseum. In addition to the geological origins of the region, you can also discover the work of man in the "Woid". For children, the museum promises an adventurous journey of discovery through time. And on the forest play area near Spiegelau with swings, slides, climbing equipment, a locomotive and a small drift, even more adventures await little adventurers.

Even more fun for the whole family

If you feel like relaxing after so much adventure, you can unwind on sunny days at one of the numerous bathing lakes and ponds, for example in Neuschönau, Mauth, Hohenau and St. Oswald or in any weather in the extensive "Erlebnisbad" in Zwiesel. You can also relax and enjoy the nature of the Bavarian Forest on a horse-drawn carriage ride. And to recharge your batteries, a tour on one of the many family-friendly hiking and themed trails through the wild forest nature is one of the best ways.

Varied accommodation options

The Bavarian Forest National Park vacation region offers a particularly wide range of vacation accommodation options for families. The numerous family farms, for example, are very popular, with pony rides, petting animals and great extras such as play barns with hay slides for the little ones. Those who prefer to sleep in a hotel and want to be pampered a little can book one of the special children's hotels with their kids. However, there are also many family-friendly campsites in addition to affordable and lovingly run guesthouses and spacious apartments. A special tip here is the Schlawassdorf at the campsite in the national park.

aktivCARD - use 130 leisure facilities free of charge

A vacation at one of the partner businesses of the aktivCARD Bavarian Forest is particularly attractive for a vacation with the family. The aktivCARD is issued as a guest card by these hosts. With the aktivCARD Bavarian Forest, guests receive free admission to many leisure facilities. Among other things, the card is valid at various ski lifts, swimming pools, saunas, museums and sports facilities. The treetop walk is also one of the 130 points of acceptance.

Experience a lot for little money - offers especially for families

A real bargain is the "Bavarian Forest Discovery Days", a package deal that can be booked all year round, especially for vacations with children. You can book 5 or 7 nights in different categories and for every budget, from a cozy vacation apartment to a 4-star hotel. The highlight of the package is the aktivCARD. This allows you to do and experience a lot without any major additional costs, as many outdoor and indoor swimming pools, museums, summer toboggan runs, leisure parks and mini golf courses are included when you present the card. Another highlight is the gondola ride up to the highest mountain in the Bavarian Forest, the Großer Arber, with distant views over the forests and mountain ranges and, on a clear day, as far as the Alps. Information on the Bavarian Forest National Park vacation region at www.ferienregion-nationalpark.de

Vom Wald das Beste – Die Ferienregion Nationalpark Bayerischer Wald

Die Ferienregion Nationalpark Bayerischer Wald besteht aus 12 Gemeinden, die an das Kerngebiet des Nationalparks angrenzen. Die Gemeinden Bayerisch Eisenstein, Eppenschlag, Frauenau, Hohenau, Kirchdorf, Lindberg, Mauth-Finsterau, Neuschönau, Sankt Oswald-Riedlhütte, Schönberg, Spiegelau und Zwiesel haben sich zusammengeschlossen, um die einzigartigen Naturerlebnisse rund um den „Urwald“ Bayerischer Wald erlebbar zu machen. Die spannende Ganzjahresdestination punktet dabei mit ihrer Unverfälschtheit, Naturvielfalt, der Vielzahl an spannenden Freizeitaktivitäten und mit der stark von der Glasherstellung geprägten Kultur im Bayerischen Wald. Mit diesem vielfältigen Angebot genießen in der Ferienregion nicht nur Familien und Paare ihren Urlaub, sondern im gleichen Maß auch Naturliebhaber, Erholungssuchende und Aktivurlauber. Weitere Informationen unter: www.ferienregion-nationalpark.de.

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