

# Discovering Munich

# Out and about in my city



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# Many roads lead through Munich

Munich has many options for getting around. So much choice begs the question: what is the best way to reach my destination? One thing's for sure – in Munich, you don't need your own car to get from A to B conveniently and cost-effectively.



#### In your free time

There's a lot to do in Munich and the surrounding area. Whether hiking, attending a cultural event or a trip to a lake – you won't be bored with our tips. And the best thing: by using public transport, walking or cycling, you will reach your destinations in a relaxed and environmentally friendly way. More on this topic from **page 04**.





#### Sharing is the future

If you ever need a car, you can choose from many different carsharing services. Vehicle-sharing services are also available for bicycles, e-mopeds and e-scooters. More on this topic from page 06.

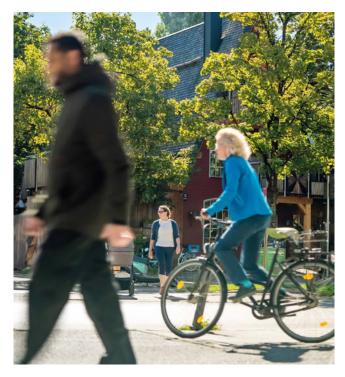
#### **Relaxed through the city**

You can get to your destination quickly and safely by tram, bus, underground or suburban railway. There are many different tickets. The Deutschlandticket is convenient and simple. You will find the right ticket in our overview. More on this topic from **page 08**.



#### Out and about on your bike

Cycling is good for your health and for the environment. You can set off when you want and improve the air in the city. More on this topic from **page 11**.



#### **Changing traffic in Munich**

There are many apps that show you the right way, the available means of transport and charging stations for e-cars. You can use apps to rent cars, bicycles and e-scooters or buy tickets. More on this topic from page 14.

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#### List of abbreviations

| ADFC        | Allgemeiner Deutscher Fahrradclub e. V. |
|-------------|---|
| MVG         | Münchner Verkehrsgesellschaft           |
| <b>MVHS</b> | Münchner Volkshochschule                |
| MVV         | Münchner Verkehrs- und Tarifverbund     |
| DB          | Deutsche Bahn                           |

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# In your free time

#### **Cultural and sports activities in Munich**

Cultural attractions, lakes, mountains and numerous other destinations are easily accessible by bike or public transport. This means you can reach your destination in a relaxed and climate-friendly way.

#### Virtual memorial "Memory Loops"

The artist Michaela Melián commemorates the victims of National Socialism with "Memory Loops". Three hundred audio clips are stored online on a city map. You can listen to them free of charge. There is also an app with all the clips, some of which are also offered in English. More at **memoryloops.net**.

#### The museum line – Bus 100

There's a good reason that city bus line 100 has an alias: starting at the main station, the bus travels past the Glyptothek, the Egyptian Museum with its collection of antiquities, the three Pinakothek art galleries, the Brandhorst Collection, Villa Stuck and the Schack Collection, among others. The route also includes the Angel of Peace and the square "Prinzregentenplatz".

#### Munich's pools

There are 14 indoor and outdoor pools to enjoy in Munich. Many pools also have a fitness area and saunas. Directly on the Isar lies Müller'sches Volksbad, an indoor pool housed in a historic art nouveau building. The outdoor pools open in May and close in mid-September. All pools are easy to reach by bus and rail or by bike.







#### A special walk through Fröttmaninger Heide

Enjoy a five-kilometre walk through a beautiful natural landscape on the outskirts of Munich. Fröttmaninger Heide is one of the largest heaths in Europe and is in pristine condition since it was closed off for military use for around 150 years. You can quickly reach the starting point in Fröttmaning with the U6 underground railway line.

#### **Guided cycling tours**

The Mobility Department offers free bike tours through the districts. More at muenchenunterwegs.de/ angebote/muenchen-neuentdecken.

The German Cycling Association also organises many bicycle tours for groups through Munich and the surrounding area.

# Cycling in the surrounding area

The Munich Transport and Tariff Association (MVV) has put together a large selection of cycling tours in cooperation with the German Cycling Association (ADFC). Each tour starts and ends at a suburban or underground railway station. Offers include tours to alpine pastures and monasteries. You will find more information on the tours, such as distances and tour descriptions, online at **mvv-muenchen.de/ mobilitaetsangebote/radfahren**. Or order one of the tour booklets from the Mobility Department.

#### Climb the Wank – hiking with a view of the Zugspitze

There's a beautiful view to be seen from the 1,780-metre-high Wank near Garmisch-Partenkirchen. You can hike up to the summit or take the cable car conveniently to the top.

It's a one-and-a-half-hour journey by regional train from Munich's main station to Garmisch-Partenkirchen.

There are many other leisure destinations around Munich that you can reach by bus and train. More at geheimatorte.de.





# **Sharing is the future**

More specifically: sharing forms of transport. For example, bicycles, e-bikes, e-mopeds, e-scooters, cars and e-cars can be rented. This offer has many advantages: you save the costs of owning your own vehicle, have full flexibility when choosing your mode of transportation, and you protect the environment.

#### Bike sharing in Munich

There are various bike-sharing providers in Munich. There's a suitable bike for every journey, whether it's a spontaneous shopping trip, visiting friends or to borrow for a few months.

You can choose from the following offers:

## Sharing bikes with fixed parking spaces

This offer involves a fixed place where you can rent bikes; the bikes are also returned to the same place. Lastenradl München e.V. even offers cargo bikes free of charge. More at **freie-lastenradl.de**.

## Sharing bikes without fixed parking spaces

Some providers allow a bike to be taken from where it is currently parked and returned anywhere within a specific area. Bikes and pedelecs without fixed stations can be rented, for example, from MVG Rad or Call a Bike. MVG bikes can be rented from both fixed stations and on the street.

#### **Rental bikes**

Are you in Munich for a few months? Or your newly ordered bike won't be delivered for a few weeks? In Munich, you can also rent bikes for a longer period of time. Swapfiets rents out bikes and pedelecs on a monthly basis. Defective rental bikes are repaired or replaced.



# E-mopeds and e-scooters

You can find e-mopeds and e-scooters on almost every corner in Munich to cover short distances comfortably.



#### **E-mopeds**

You can ride silently through the city on an e-moped. The maximum speed is 45 kilometres per hour. You must have a driving licence to use the moped. E-mopeds are currently offered in Munich by emmy. A second person can ride along – emmy provides two helmets. The moped models are emission-free and climate-neutral since they run on green electricity. They are parked in a parking space. More at **emmy-sharing.de/en**.

#### E-scooter

E-scooters travel at a maximum speed of 20 kilometres per hour and can only transport one person. They are suitable for shorter journeys, for example to work or for meeting up with friends. E-scooters can be parked in the old town in specially designated parking areas. In the rest of the city, e-scooters are best parked at the side of the pavement, leaving space for buggies, wheelchairs and pedestrians. All offers can be found at **muenchenunterwegs.de/** angebote/elektrotretroller-sharing.

#### Rental

You can rent e-mopeds and e-scooters via app using your smartphone. You can get more information from the providers. Please note: road traffic regulations apply.



# **Carsharing**

Having your own car is expensive and takes up space. In Munich, you can borrow a car temporarily from many providers. As with rental bicycles, you can either pick up the car at a fixed parking space and return it there or use offers with no fixed parking space.

#### Advantages at a glance:

- There are no purchase costs.
- The price depends on how long you use the vehicle and how many kilometres you drive.
- The price includes repairs, insurance, winter tyres and maintenance.
- There is no searching for a parking space in the case of offers with a fixed parking place.
- Carsharing includes free parking.
- There are no additional costs for your own garage space.
- Carsharing includes many different types of vehicles.



# **Relaxed through the city**

#### **Bus and rail in focus**

More and more people are moving to Munich. Bus and rail services are gradually being expanded to transport them. There is a public transport stop approximately every 500 metres. More and more vehicles run on electricity and help to protect the climate.

#### **Buses**

There are many different types of bus lines in Munich. MetroBuses always have two numbers and run every 5 to 10 minutes during the day and every 20 minutes in the evening. Express buses only stop at a few stops and are therefore very fast. They are easily identified by the "X". The 58/68 buses (CityRing bus) go around the city centre every 10 minutes. Buses numbered 100 to 199 are the Stadt Bus lines and run less frequently.



#### Trams

Trams in Munich run very quietly on grass-covered tracks and are very environmentally friendly since they use green electricity. The trams run at least every 10 minutes during the day and every 20 minutes very early and late in the evening.

#### **Underground railway**

More than one million passengers on eight lines with 100 stations use the underground railway every day. Trains run regularly every 10 minutes; sometimes even every 5 minutes at peak times on some lines.

#### Suburban railway

The eight suburban railway lines in Munich run every 10 to 20 minutes. The fastest means of transport is the so-called "Stammstrecke" (main axis) from Laim to Ostbahnhof (Munich East Station).

#### **Regional trains**

Regional trains stop at many stations in and around Munich. These include Hauptbahnhof (Munich Main Station), Ostbahnhof (Munich East Station) and Pasing. Some trains also stop at Solln, Harras, Siemenswerke and Donnersbergerbrücke. Regional trains get you quickly to the lakes and the mountains.

### Well informed with apps and the internet



There are several apps that provide public transport information. The apps MVGO, MVV App and München Navigator provide information about journey times, delays and the walking distances between stops. Mobile tickets can be purchased via the apps. These can also be viewed offline during checks.

The MVGO App also provides information about the location and functionality of escalators and lifts. Cars, bicycles, e-mopeds and e-scooters located near the stops can be rented directly via the app. The MVG, MVV and S-Bahn München websites also provide all the important information on journeys by public transport.

#### **Tickets for frequent travellers**

Anyone who travels by bus and rail several times per week does not have to buy a new ticket every time. It's much easier and even cheaper to travel with weekly tickets, monthly tickets or a season ticket, such as the IsarCard or the Deutschlandticket.

The IsarCard is available as a weekly or monthly ticket, either as an annual subscription or as a one-off purchase, as a personalised or transferable ticket. With the Isar Card, you can take three children under 14 with you free of charge after 9 a.m. and an unlimited number of your own children and grandchildren. The Deutschlandticket is a personalised monthly ticket valid for one person. It allows you to travel conveniently and easily – not only in all MVV fare zones, but also throughout Germany on local public transport!

| Ticket                            | Which ticket suits me  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Deutschland-<br>ticket            | The Deutschlandticket allows you to travel through-<br>out Munich and Germany on local public transport.<br>The Deutschlandticket is a personalised season<br>ticket and can be cancelled monthly. |
| IsarCard                          | The IsarCard allows you to travel anywhere in<br>Munich at any time in the selected zones. Children<br>can be taken along from 9 a.m.  |
| IsarCard9Uhr                      | Valid Monday to Friday from 9 a.m.; all day at weekends. Children can be taken along.  |
| IsarCard65                        | This transferable ticket allows people over 65 to travel throughout Munich in the selected zones for less money.   |
| IsarCard S                        | A "München Pass" card allows you to travel more<br>cheaply in Munich. Valid Monday to Friday from<br>9 a.m.; all day at weekends. Children can be taken<br>along.                                  |
| Reduced<br>Deutschland-<br>ticket | For trainees, students and volunteers; available as a cell phone ticket and chip card.   |
| 365-Euro-Ticket                   | For students and apprentices. It is valid for 12<br>consecutive months on the entire MVV network at<br>any time. Your place of residence, school or place of<br>training must be in the MVV area.  |

#### **Buying an IsarCard**

You can buy your IsarCard almost anywhere in Munich:

- via app on your smartphone payment by credit card or direct debit
- at home on your computer as a ticket to print out yourself (also possible without registration) – payment by credit card
- at the ticket machines at all underground and suburban railway stations
- at the MVG and suburban railway customer centres at Marienplatz, Hauptbahnhof (Munich Main Station) and Ostbahnhof (Munich East Station)
- at DB travel centres at various railway stations and Munich Airport

#### Summary of the IsarCard annual subscription

- If you pay once a year, you travel 2.5 months free of charge.
- If you pay every month, you travel 2 months free of charge.
- You are free to choose the starting date.
- Transferable tickets can also be used by other people.
- In case of long-term illness, your ticket costs can be reimbursed (except for Isar-Card65 and IsarCard9Uhr).
- The ticket can always be cancelled or changed – for example, if you move house or change your route to work.
- If a personal ticket is lost, it can be replaced once for euros 5.

## The Deutschlandticket in brief

- personal subscription ticket, can be cancelled monthly
- valid throughout Germany on local and regional transport (second class)
- will be offered online as a digital ticket



## The IsarCard as an annual subscription

All IsarCards are available as one-off purchases or as an annual subscription and are particularly handy for people who regularly use buses and trains. You can get the annual subscription:

- with expert advice at MVG outlets and DB travel centres
- online at mvg.de



# Local public transport is for everyone

Are you returning from a trip and have luggage with you? Do you need to get around the city with a buggy? Do you have reduced mobility? This is why accessible bus and rail is important.

#### Suburban railway

If you need help getting on or off the train, please move to the front of the train so that the train staff can see you and put out a ramp. Information on the operating status of lifts and escalators can be found on the DB Bahnhof live app, on the **bahnhof.de/en** website and via the Munich station management control centre on **089 1308 1055**.

#### **Underground railway**

Almost all underground railway stations are accessible for passengers with reduced mobility. The yellow ramp at the first door can help you get on the train. All important information on lifts and escalators is available in the MVG Fahrinfo München app, at **mvg-zoom.de** or by calling **089 2191 3333**.

#### Tram

The tram network almost exclusively uses accessible vehicles with a wheelchair lift at the first door.

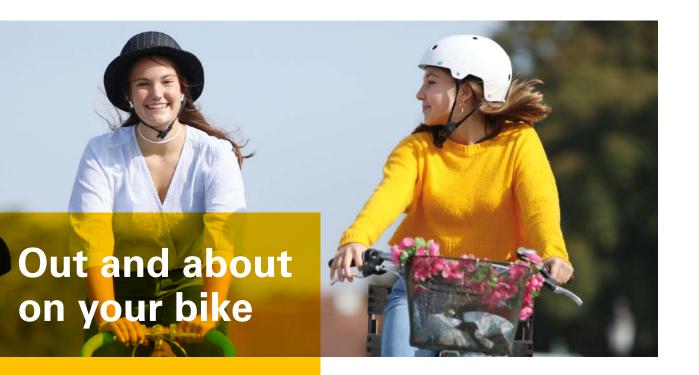
#### Bus

Low-floor buses with folding ramps are generally used in Munich. One third of the stops have raised platforms at bus-floor level and are equipped with a guidance strip for blind passengers. If you need the ramp to get on or off the bus with your wheelchair, wave to the driver when the bus approaches your stop. Then make your way to the second door and the ramp will be laid out for you there.

#### Assistance service for passengers with reduced mobility

An assistance service can be booked by passengers aged 16 and above who have reduced mobility and require help using buses and trains. This service is free of charge and can be used during the week from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. by anyone with reduced mobility. Journeys must be booked at least two days in advance; for further information and reservations, please call 089 544 918 920 or write to bbs@kmfv.de. You can find an overview of the services in Munich at muenchen.de/mobil-in-muenchen.





#### **Cycling routes**

Munich has developed relaxed cycling routes for cyclists. All 14 of the main routes start at Marienplatz and then extend like the spokes of a wheel to the districts on the outskirts of the city. To ensure that the routes are particularly safe, they mostly run through 30 km/h speed zones and parks. There are signposts at larger crossroads and where there is a change in direction.

### Getting around safely on bicycle roads

A bicycle road is when the entire road is for cyclists. Cyclists can ride side by side. Cars only use the cycle road if it is marked accordingly. They must follow the cyclists and must not exceed a speed of 30 kilometres per hour. A bicycle road can be recognised by the corresponding signs and the large picture icons on the road.

#### Old town cycling ring road

Many new, especially wide cycle lanes are currently being built around the old town. There is also a 50-centimetre-wide safety strip. Drivers will then only have one lane in each direction.

### Route planner: One click to the right route

The MVV-Radroutenplaner app shows all of Munich's cycle routes at a glance. Plan your own journey online at **muenchenunterwegs.de/** service/radroutenplaner.

#### Cycle paths - an overview

- Munich has 1,400 kilometres of cycle paths.
- More than half of the 700 one-way streets can be used by cyclists in the opposite direction.
- There are over 90 bicycle roads, where cyclists are allowed to ride side by side. Car traffic must adapt to cyclists' speeds.
- Signposted routes and welllit paths suitable for cyclists run through the city.





## Getting to the surrounding areas faster by bike

Munich is planning to have six fast cycle routes in the future that will enable people to get to the surrounding areas particularly quickly and safely. The first will be a nine-kilometre route from the city centre towards Garching and Unterschleissheim. It will lead out of the city past Karlsplatz-Stachus, Ludwigstrasse, Leopoldstrasse and Ingolstädter Strasse. Other fast cycle routes are currently being considered.

## Bike+Ride – the perfect connection

Bike+Ride is just the thing for those who like to travel fast but still want to be environmentally friendly. Start by riding your bike to the nearest train station, bus stop or tram stop and then park it in one of the many bicycle parking spaces. There it will be safe and secure and you can continue your journey by public transport.



#### Taking your bike on the underground and suburban railway

You can take your bike with you on the train.

The following rules apply:

- Bikes can be taken on all underground and suburban trains as well as approved regional trains.
- You cannot take your bike with you: Monday to Friday, 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. You can take your bike with you in the afternoon during school holidays.
- A bike ticket is valid throughout the MVV. It's free to take folding bikes and bikes with wheels smaller than 20 inches.



# More space for pedestrians in Munich

There is more and more space for pedestrians in the city of Munich. As a result, it's a more pleasant place to go for a walk and there are also more and more open spaces where you can relax.





#### **Orientation for pedestrians**

There is an orientation system to make it easier for pedestrians and visitors to get around in Munich's city centre. Large boards with information about where you are and other interesting information can be found at Isartor and on Brienner Strasse. More are already being planned.

# Munich's open spaces are becoming more beautiful

Numerous squares and open spaces in Munich are being made more attractive with new benches, trees, flowers, shrubbery and water fountains. Successful examples are the squares at the Siegestor and Paulskirche.

#### Summer in Munich

There are plenty of parks and green spaces to enjoy around Munich like the Englischer Garten, the Ostpark and the Isarauen. Fewer cars on the road make the old town a pleasant place to go for a walk; Sommerstrassen (summer streets) and the "Schanigärten" provide places for recreation and relaxation in the city. Normal streets temporarily be-come traffic-reduced areas, inviting you to linger or children to play outside. The popular "Schanigärten" are parking spaces that restaurants or cafés transform into an extended outdoor area.

## Discovering Munich's districts on foot

There is much to learn about Munich's history and culture on the "KulturGeschichtsPfaden" (cultural history paths). They lead past famous buildings and places. All tours are available online at **muenchenunterwegs.de/ angebote/kulturgeschichtspfade** and printed out at the City Information Centre at the Town Hall.



Walking to school – safely!

The "Bus mit Füßen" (bus with feet) project helps children get to school safely. Parents can register their children to be taken to school in a group with other children by an adult. Parents can also look up the safest way to school on the internet. All information can be found at **muenchenunterwegs.de/bus-mit**fuessen.





# **Changing traffic in Munich**

Driving in the city often goes hand in hand with a lot of congestion and usually a long search for a parking space.

#### Less is more

Bus and train services as well as services for cyclists and pedestrians are to be expanded. This is just one of the reasons why parking spaces are disappearing. Visitors are advised to park their car at a Park+Ride car park and then use public transport so that they are able to get around Munich without any problems. There are many car rental providers in Munich from which you can rent a car if you do need one – for example for moving house, a big shopping trip or a weekend away.

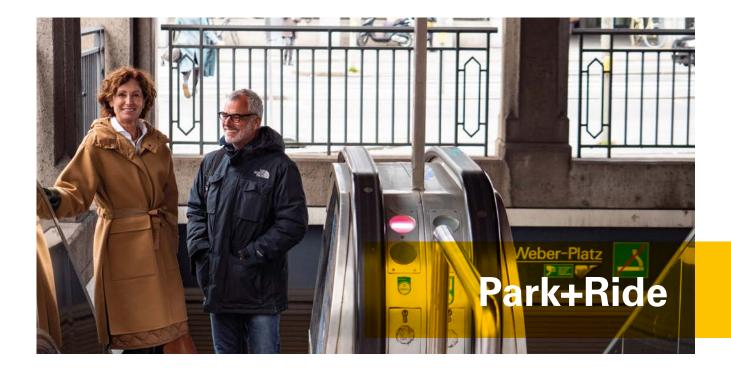
# Munich supports getting around in a climate-neutral way

The city of Munich supports measures to improve air quality and reduce noise. For example, part of the cost is reimbursed when buying an e-cargo bike or bike trailer. A funding application must be submitted for this. Find out more at **muenchen.de/emobil.** 



#### Low-emission zone

The use of diesel vehicles within the Munich low-emission zone will be gradually restricted in order to improve the air quality in Munich. All information on the individual stages and the exemptions can be found at **muenchen.de/umweltzone**.



### Relaxed and affordable parking

Park+Ride allows you to park your car and then take the bus or train to the city centre. There are almost 29,000 parking spaces for this purpose, 7,500 of which are directly in Munich.

### Park+Ride prices are very affordable:

 euros 2 per day if you are close to the city centre

- euro 1.50 per day outside the city, Karlsfeld, Vaterstetten and Unterföhring
- euro 1 per day in Garching, Hallbergmoos, Grafing Bahnhof, Petershausen and Aßling
- free of charge at various car parks in the surrounding area

You can find more information here: parkundride.de/parken/ preise-tickets.

#### Tip

A season ticket will save you money if you frequently use Park+Ride spaces. Season tickets are available as ten-day, monthly and annual tickets.

# **Carsharing agencies, carpooling and taxis**

Getting around the city without your own car

#### Getting around together

Carpooling is a good solution for people who commute from one place to another or even for those who are only on the road sometimes. It's also good for the environment and saves money. There are many virtual carpooling agencies that cost little or no money. You can find an overview here: **muenchenunterwegs.de/angebote/** fahrgemeinschaften-fuer-pendelnde.

### Taxi – let someone else take the wheel!

Travel flexibly and safely in Munich with a taxi.

The price is fixed in Munich. A ride always costs a minimum price. The total price depends on how far the journey is. There are also fixed rates for downtimes, for example when the taxi is waiting. The women's night taxi gives women, trans women and people



who identify as non-binary a subsidy for taxi rides between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. The subsidy is euros 10. You can find more information on the respective vouchers at **muenchenunterwegs.de/angebote/** frauen-nacht-taxi.





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