## THE BAVARIAN FLAG



WHY SHOULD YOU VISIT MUNICH?

Munich isn't just the home of the "Oktoberfest".

There is so much more to see and to do in Bavaria's capital. As well as the many beautiful sights and museums in the city, it also makes the perfect base for exploring southern Germany and its many alpine lakes. There are many amazing tourist attractions, important historic sites, beautiful parks and castles, an active nightlife, good shopping opportunities and famous festivals.

Munich has something for everyone!

## FACTS ABOUT MUNICH

STATE: Bavaria

POPULATION: 1,5 million inhabitants

TYPICAL WEATHER: The climate is mild, generally warm and temperate



# TRAVEL TO MUNICH



Munich's history began with the arrival of a community of Benedictine monks. Searching for fertile farming land, they settled on the site of the present-day city. Its name reflects its origins – it is derived from the medieval German word "München", which can be translated as "monks".

## WHAT KIND OF GEOGRAPHY IS THERE?

Munich is the capital of Bavaria. It is placed in the south part of Germany. The square is about 310 km<sup>2</sup> and it has more than 1,471 million inhabitants, more than other cities around it, for example Ingolstadt or Augsburg. The "main river" is the Isar with 295 km. Not that far away from Munich is the Bavarian forest with 24 000 h. It is popular for the biggest forest reserve in central Europe.

#### **Climate:**

The average temperature is about 11, 4 °C. Munich is one of the warmest parts of Germany (20-35°C). But in winter it might get very cold, -31,6°C was the deepest temperature in Munich, which was measured.



### FUN THINGS TO DO:

- 1. Wildwater rafting on the <u>Isar</u>
- 2. Visit one of the skate parcs
- 3. Visit the "<u>Peterskirche</u>"
- 4. Taste the traditional food
- 5. Go to the "Eisbach" to see surfers!

## FOODS TO EAT:

In Munich you get every typical Bavarian food. The traditional "<u>Wirtshäuser</u>" or beer gardens guarantee an awesome and delicious time.

Tasty food everybody has to enjoy:

Hearty:	Sweet:
-Weißwürste mit Brezel Und süßem Senf	-Dampfnudeln
-Schweinshaxen mit Obatzer	-Germknödel
-Leberkäse	-Buchteln

-Käsespätzle



## THE FESTIVALS:

"Oktoberfest", the largest folk festival in the world, is placed in Munich. It takes place almost every year since 1810. About 6-7 million people from all over the world visit the festival each year. Usually, it begins in the middle of September and ends in the beginning of October. The folk festival is an important economic factor for the city, because the visitors drink a lot of beer. So, it is a big deal for the beer breweries and the hotels profit, too. A lot of Bavarian specialties like "Weißwürste" (sausages) and pretzels are eaten as well.

A traditional thing is, that women wear a German dress called "Dirndl" and men wear leather pants.