

Amberg-Sulzbach District Is Bavaria's Wilderness Wonderland

The Amberg-Sulzbach District features the [Franconian Jura](#), heavily wooded alpine vistas second to none. Here you will discover a rich trove of jagged peaks, limestone cliffs, steep gorges, sinkholes and caves, as well as verdant forests, fragrant heaths of juniper, bubbling creeks, and idyllic ponds.

Amberg-Sulzbach District Map

Towns & Villages in the Amberg-Sulzbach District

- Ammerthal
- [Auerbach in der Oberpfalz](#)
- Birgland
- Ebermannsdorf
- Edelsfeld
- Ensdorf
- Etzelwang
- Freihung
- Freudenberg

- Gebenbach
- [Hahnbach](#)
- [Hirschau](#)
- Hirschbach
- Hohenburg
- Illschwang
- Kastl
- Königstein
- [Kümmersbruck](#)

- Neukirchen
- Poppenricht
- Rieden
- Schmidmühlen
- Schnaittenbach
- [Sulzbach-Rosenberg](#)
- Ursensollen
- [Vilseck](#)
- Weigendorf

As you might guess, this is the place for climbers and hikers, skiers and cave explorers, anglers, boaters, and sports lovers. For example, [Hirschau](#), between [Nuremberg](#) and the Czech border, was home to the International Sandboarding Championships, held on a huge mound of quartz sand towering 120 meters high.

Numerous castles, ruins, and monasteries give evidence to the historic significance of this once mighty iron-ore region. Pay a visit to the ancient castle towns of [Sulzbach-Rosenberg](#) and [Vilseck](#), with the latter featuring the country's first-ever tower museum. Or stay a while in [Auerbach in der Oberpfalz](#), where an old Benedictine monastery has been renovated as nursing home.

Interested in more sightseeing? Visit the abbey in Hohenberg. Go to Königstein to view Breitenstein Chapel, two stories tall and built into a rock out-cropping. Both structures trace back to the 12th century. And in [Hahnbach](#), you can see a renowned sculpture of a man pushing a bicycle — the *Radlträger* Monument.

Take your pick of farm tours, guided walks, bicycle tours, bus groups or go it alone. But by all means visit the Amberg-Sulzbach District. You will be so glad you did.