

Bamberg District -- The Switzerland Of Franconia

The Bamberg District is to [Upper Franconia](#) what Switzerland is to Western Europe in terms of natural wonders. With towering limestone cliffs, deep river valleys, and more than a thousand mysterious caves, it is among the most popular vacation regions in Germany.

Bamberg District Map

Towns & Villages in the Bamberg District

- Altendorf
- Baunach
- [Bischberg](#)
- Breitengüßbach
- [Burgebrach](#)
- Burgwindheim
- Buttenheim
- Ebrach
- [Frensdorf](#)
- Gerach
- Gundelsheim
- [Hallstadt](#)

- Heiligenstadt

- [Hirschaid](#)
- Kemmern
- Königsfeld
- Lauter
- Lisberg
- [Litzendorf](#)
- [Memmelsdorf](#)
- Oberhaid
- Pettstadt
- Pommersfelden
- Priesendorf

- Rattelsdorf
- Reckendorf
- [Scheßlitz](#)
- [Schlüsselfeld](#)
- Schönbrunn
- Stadelhofen
- [Stegaurach](#)
- [Strullendorf](#)
- Viereth-Trunstadt
- Walsdorf
- Wattendorf
- [Zapfendorf](#)

Although the Bamberg District politically excludes the urban district and UNESCO Heritage Site of [Bamberg](#), it does hold more than a few intriguing places you will not want to miss. For example, Baunach, the “Franconian Three-River Town,” boasts many historic buildings, including the 15th-century Magdelene Chapel built in the late Gothic style.

You will find [Schlüsselfeld](#) in the southwestern [Steigerwald](#) forest to be a virtual bank vault of well preserved architecture. Here you will see half a dozen acclaimed churches, such as the Evangelical Church with its venerated Marienaltar, and two historic castles, the Baroque fortifications in rural Aschbach and the Dientzenhofer Castle in Reichmannsdorf.

In [Hallstadt](#), you can tour the magnificent St. Ann’s Chapel. In Breitengüßbach, there is a fully developed waterside recreation area, the Kiesbaggerseen. And the town of [Scheßlitz](#), with its Giechburg Castle and pilgrim-destination Gügel Church, is certainly worth a visit, too.

Around Easter time, a stop at Heiligenstadt in the southeast is in order. The town decorates elaborately for this special holiday, and tourists come from all over Germany to view its famous Easter fountains.