

Holiday Homes In Germany Provide Unique Experiences

It's easy to travel thousands of kilometers (or miles) and stay in a [German hotel](#) you could have booked down the road from your house. But it may not be memorable.

In a country with as rich an architectural history as Germany — why not avoid anything cliché and rent yourself one of the many unique and fascinating [holiday homes in Germany](#). Not only will you have privacy, autonomy and a truly authentic local holiday experience, you could potentially save yourself a lot of money.

With a basic hotel costing anywhere from €80 – €100 per night, it is easy to see why many tourists prefer a holiday home or villa at as low as €250 a week. Of course prices will vary the same way hotels do — with location and season — but it's certainly worth looking at the sort of places where you can rent holiday homes.

First you will need to decide if renting a holiday home in Germany fits with your travel needs. If you are only passing through it would be more efficient to use a hotel or bed and breakfast, and, if you're on a very tight budget, a [hostel](#) will usually be cheaper. But if you are looking for a reasonably long term stay for a week or more, German holiday homes will provide you with privacy and independence and often, save you money.

There are a huge variety of buildings to choose from. In the main [German cities](#) you can rent apartments, townhouses and even small one-roomed flats. You need to consider what you need for your traveling party. Perhaps create a wish list of what you are looking for before you start to look at holiday homes.

- How many beds and bathrooms do you need?
- Do you require living space or will you be out exploring most of the time?
- Will you be eating out or do you need a kitchenette?

Once you have made a plan, hop online and start searching for properties using your criteria.

The part of the country you are visiting will make a difference as to what type of holiday homes are available. Along the Romantic Road and in many parts of [Bavaria](#) there are huge estates and ancient castles available for hire. They are not a budget option but if you are looking for luxury or traveling with a large group they are a unique and memorable option.

Most towns have small apartments available. In the [Alps](#) in the ski side towns, for example, there are often flats and apartments attached to local homes. These can be a great experience as you have autonomy and your own place, but can also spend some time with a local person who will know better than anyone, the best restaurants, bars and sights.

A few features of a German holiday home may be different to what you are used to at home. So it is worth being aware that most holiday homes in Germany will not have a built-in wardrobe — we Germans tend to have freestanding cupboards or a *Kleiderschrank*. The beds don't usually have linen but rather a mattress cover and a *Federbett* (down comforter).

German kitchens also tend to be smaller than American or British ones with small, economical appliances. Often apartments are rented out with “bare” kitchens, which means they have no appliances in them. Check that your holiday home has everything you will be needing before you rent it.

There is something about staying in a truly local home that makes a holiday more authentic. There are things you cannot learn about Germany staying in a hotel designed for tourists.

With so much interest real estate on the market, it's a good idea to have a look at [holiday homes in Germany](#) when planning your vacation. It could save you money, you will meet interesting local people, and you will gain experiences that are unlike anyone else's. :-)