

Schwäbisch Gmünd -- Beauteous Nature Meets Vibrant Culture

Facts, fancy, and the fantastic merge into the landscape of Schwäbisch Gmünd to prepare a feast for the senses of the visitor. Donning a rich tapestry of flowers in spring or a thick cloak of snow in winter, this fabulous town has changing moods that will fascinate you any time of the year.

Under the watchful gaze of the Three Emperors — the Rechberg, Stuifen and Hohenstaufen mountains in the Rems Valley — lies the little town of Schwäbisch Gmünd.

You'll certainly be amused by the **unique slang** these people speak as the town lies in [Swabia](#), an exceptional area that spreads centrally through [South Germany](#), connecting the states of [Baden-Württemberg](#) and [Bavaria](#).

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Gurgling brooks, meadows dotted with content sheep, mysterious woods, and the bluest of skies impart an ethereal beauty to this land that the lucky visitor gets to experience firsthand.

From the pastoral to the architectural is no big step, for the medieval buildings possess the same timeless quality that makes you want to linger and gaze appreciatively. The St. John's Church, the Holy Cross Cathedral, the St. Franciscans' Church and even the *Kornhaus*, *Amtshaus* and *Grät* are all monuments to fascinating periods of history with their own tales to tell.

The Ott Pauser Factory takes you back to the time when jewelery manufacturing was more a dedicated art than a commercial venture. You will be pleased to know that you can still find jewelery with traditional designs in the little shops that abound.

For a quick update on the history of this town, you need to go no further than the Museum of Nature and Urban Culture. In fact it would be a good idea to start your tour here so you can go forth well informed.

Fairs, markets, and carnivals dot the town's annual calendar with gaiety and excitement. If you feel the need to know the real Schwäbisch Gmünd, make the effort to go through the social calendar before booking your trip.