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## **Lindau in Lake Constance**

### **Island and garden city with mediterranean flair**

A historic old town, mediterranean ambience and modern lifestyle: The island and garden city Lindau is an internationally known and popular travel destination. Whether you stroll through the romantic, winding alleys of the island, spend a relaxing day by the water in the spacious Lindenhofpark or visit the small galleries and the Lindau Art Museum: guests of all ages will find a wide range of activities on offers here - in every season. Events such as the sailing regatta "Rund Um", numerous wine festivals or the harbour Christmas enthuse thousands of visitors from near and far every year. Germany's most southern lighthouse and Bavaria's only lighthouse - together with the Bavarian Lion - also forms an unmistakable historical ensemble at the harbour of Lindau Island.

### **The eventful history of the city is still present today**

With an area of around 70 hectares, Lindau Island is the second largest island in Lake Constance. Its shape is reminiscent of a linden leaf - and thus of the tree that gave the city its name: in 882, a monk first mentioned in a document the "island where linden trees grow". The small settlement with fishermen's houses and a noble convent became a prosperous town, which today is well connected due to its central location in the border triangle Germany - Austria - Switzerland. The eventful history of the city can still be seen today in the historic buildings and squares: On the island, centuries-old houses crouch close together and form narrow alleys; the spacious promenade Maximilianstrasse is lined with magnificent patrician houses; on the harbour promenade, traditional hotels welcome their guests with an impressive view of the Austrian and Swiss Alps.

### **Marvel at the sights, enjoy the Mediterranean flair**

The 36-metre-high lighthouse, the lavishly decorated Old Town Hall, the baroque house "Zum Cavazzen", the 1000-year-old St. Peter's Church or the fortified "Pulverturm" as part of the city wall: Historical sights can be discovered almost at every corner, and the city guides know how to tell many an amusing anecdote. In between all the medieval splendour, a modern, fresh wind is blowing: many guests feel transported to Mediterranean regions by the charming flair of the Lindau island. Small galleries and individual shops invite you to stroll and shop, in many places on the island you can enjoy a refreshing

swim in the summer, and in one of the numerous cafés guests can linger and let the ambience take effect.

### **Swimming, paddling, sailing - water sports are booming**

In summer, guests can sunbathe and swim at lido pools such as the Lindenhofbad, the outdoor area of the Therme Lindau or the Art Nouveau pool at Lindenhofpark. The lake is also accessible at several places on the island. Of course, canoes, kayaks, pedal boats or stand-up paddling boards can also be rented. Those who like to go a little further afield can rent a motor or sailing boat or charter one for several days and enjoy the peace and quiet of Lake Constance on a private tour. Of course, during the season (April to October) the excursion boats of the “White fleet” (Bodensee Schifffahrtsbetriebe) are also on the way, from which the alpine panorama can be admired in a relaxed manner.

### **Enjoy nature with all senses**

Lindau's gardens and parks offer a particularly relaxing ambience - for picnicking, jogging or walking. Especially the Lindenhofpark along the Bavarian Riviera – a shore lined with picturesque villas – fascinates with its vastness, the mighty old trees and the magnificent view of the Lindau Island. Lindau's surrounding area, which is characterised by apple orchards and orchard meadows, also appeals to all the senses - for example on a cycling or hiking tour. For breaks in between, wine and fruit growers serve delicious home-grown food in farm shops and the seasonally open "Rädlewirtschaften".

### **Regional and seasonal products ensure lasting enjoyment**

Those who vacation in Lindau literally benefit from a culinary melting pot: many innkeepers rely on seasonal products and the special quality of local produce. They spoil their guests with the best ingredients from the Lake Constance region, the nearby Allgäu, the Austrian Vorarlberg or, for example, the Appenzeller Land in Switzerland. Of course, vegetarians and vegans will also find a wide selection of delicious dishes.

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