



Schwendau Community

Interesting facts about the Mayrhofen-Hippach Holiday Region

Geographical location

Schwendau is located in the Upper Zillertal Valley at 620 m above sea level, west of the Ziller River and extends up to Hoarbergjoch at 2,590 m above sea level. The municipal area, which extends over the alluvial cones of several streams, includes the villages:

- **Astegg**
- **Burgstall & Neu-Burgstall**
- **Kohlstatt**
- **Kleinschwendberg**
- **Kreuzlau**
- **Mühlbach & Mühlen**
- **Schwendau Village & Schwendau-Leiten**
- **Schormis**
- **Stockach**
- **Sidan estate**
- **Johann-Sponring-Strasse, Lindenstrasse & Augasse**

Schwendau borders on the following communities

- **Hippach**
- **Ramsau im Zillertal**
- **Mayrhofen**
- **Finkenberg**
- **Tux**

Schwendau is an up-and-coming village with a healthy structure established on a balanced foundation of farming, commercial and tourism enterprises.

The village shares many facilities with the neighbouring community of Hippach, for example, the two municipal offices are in the same building in Schwendau (only 30 m from the common municipal border).

Getting here

Car: Via the Inntalautobahn A12 (Inn Valley Motorway) until the exit for Zillertal, then 30 km along the Zillertaler Bundesstrasse B169

Rail: Travel to Jenbach (inter-city station) then take the Zillertalbahn train or bus service for the remaining 35km to Mayrhofen

Plane: Munich Airport / Franz-Josef-Strauß – 190 km
Salzburg Airport / Max-Glan – 175 km
Innsbruck airport - 75 km



Places of interest

- **Village chapel: "Kiendler Chapel"** was built by Kiendler doctor Alois Neuner in 1870, as a symbol of gratitude for the healing of many of his patients.
- **Village fountain: "Johann-Sponring Fountain"** was erected by Tyrolean sculptor Hans Rieser in 1992, in memory of the long-time pastor of Hippach and Schwendau, Johann Sponring.
- **Burgschrofen Chapel:** new-baroque pilgrimage church, built in 1844.
- **Keilkeller Waterfall:** the waterfall is located on Horbergbach stream and cascades over partially bare rock faces. The boulders and rock formations have fascinated people since time immemorial.
- **Wilde Mann Schrofen:** this special rock is located above the village of Mühlen in Schwendau on the way to the Keilkeller waterfall.
- **"Zimmerhäuslmühle" show mill:** the interior can be viewed on certain days and the mill is put into operation for guests in summer.
- **17th century farms**
- **The historic "Drei Linden" cultural site**
- **The old "Stiendl-Brennhütte" - distilling schnapps "then and now";**
- **"Stiegenhaushof" show & schnapps distillery**
- **"Thun" to Schwendau:** simple "tower-like" house, the "core" of which dates back to 1,400 AD
- **ZillertalBahn Railway:** one of the most famous narrow-gauge railways from Jenbach to Mayrhofen with a length of 35 km. Operates with modern railcars and romantic steam trains.
- **Horbergbahn cable car:** mono-cable circulating cableway

- **Cultural hiking trails:**
 - River Art along the Ziller Promenade**
 - Swendau Trail**
 - Burgschrofen Themed Trail**

Infrastructure

- **Sommerwelt Hippach** adventure swimming pool with water slides, sports pool, beach volleyball courts, ball game and trampoline facilities, bouncy castle, climbing wall, sand world, children's playground and much more.
- **Several indoor hotel pools** open for public use, saunas, steam baths, hot whirlpools and sun beds, etc.
- **Shopping facilities, sports equipment rentals** and much more.
- **Outdoor tennis courts, sports fields, mini golf course, riding stable, "Auenland Sidan" adventure playground** and much more.
- **Cultural hall**

Cuisine

Dining in the Mayrhofen-Hippach holiday region has its' own special culture – be it at an alpine hut on the mountain, or in a gourmet restaurant down in the valley.

Zillertal cuisine has its own inimitable flair, with traditional recipes handed down the generations: strange sounding but delicious tasting dishes such as Graukassuppe, Schlichtanudeln, Zillertaler Krapfen and Zerggl, delight the palates of our aficionados. Many inns and taverns still serve traditional Zillertal fare made to original recipes, such as "farmer's roast, cheese and spinach noodles, dairyman's omelette, roasted liver, potato pan, bacon dumpling soup, filled pasta served with browned butter and butter milk pancakes".



SUMMER

Hiking in the Mayrhofen-Hippach holiday region.

Over 532 km of marked hiking trails, Zillertal Alps Nature Park summer programme, "Die Ewigen Jagdgründe" climbing and bouldering area in Ginzling, Adlerweg (Eagle Walk) variant Zillertal, Berliner Höhenweg tour, Peter Habeler Route, Alpine Crossing, reservoirs: Stillup, Zillergrund, Schlegeis; two ascent options with state-of-the-art cable cars directly from the village, mounts Ahorn and Penken, large selection of hiking options.

Outdoor, adventures & more:

Summer skiing on the Hintertux Glacier, rafting, flying fox, abseiling station, giant swing, canyoning, tubing, paragliding, hang-gliding, kayaking, paintball, mini-golf, tennis, squash, hunting, fishing, swimming, archery, geocaching, mountain bike, e-bike & racing bike tours, guided mountain & bike tours, run and walk park, easy trail, bouldering, via ferrata & climbing courses and much more.

WINTER

Action on the Mountain

Zillertal Superskipass (use of all lifts in the Zillertal Valley including the Hintertux Glacier). Free ski buses throughout the entire Zillertal Valley! 2 cable car systems in the immediate vicinity: Penken: at 1,800 m and Ahorn: at 1,955 m; a total of 60 lifts and 142 km of slopes, the Horbergbahn lift in Schwendau (at 1,645 m) and Möslbahn lift at Schwendberg (at 1,915 m), 9 ski and 8 snowboard schools throughout the region.

Away from the slopes

There are also plenty of opportunities to indulge in winter adventures of a special kind away from the regular slopes.

- **11 cross country ski trails with a total length of 35 km**
- **98 km cleared winter hiking trails**
- **4 natural toboggan runs, and the longest floodlit toboggan run in Zillertal (7.5 km)**
- **Ice skating and curling at the artificial ice rink**
- **Horse-drawn sleigh rides**
- **Snowshoe hiking, snow tubing, ice climbing**
- **Guided ski tours**
- **Swimming and sauna at Erlebnisbad Mayrhofen leisure pool and much more.**

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