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Mountain lakes experience in the Fuschlsee Region

Relaxation, fun and enjoyment in Nature throughout the year

The turquoise-blue lake Fuschlsee and the moss- green lake Hintersee are the heart of the holiday region of the same name. Just a few kilometers from the festival city of Salzburg, you are at the gateway to the world famous Salzkammergut. Kings, statesmen and actors have also enjoyed this magical landscape and enjoy it even to this day. In the six holiday resorts, Fuschl am See, Faistenau, Koppl, Hintersee, Ebenau and Hof bei Salzburg, all year round one can find one's personal holiday paradise.

Quiet woodlands, green alpine pastures, hidden valleys, dreamlike beautiful lakes, cool gorges, houses decorated with flowers and well-cared for villages await guests in the Fuschlsee Region. It is an addictive place for summer guests and all those who are in search of the true holiday feeling: Here live traditionally connected people whose roots and customs are not forgotten. These villagers have also acclaimed the reputation of being excellent hosts. It is no surprise therefore that the holiday region has attained an excellent infrastructure. The variety is wide and ranges from the 5 star Schlosshotel Fuschl and excellent 4 and 3 star hotels as well as special biking or hiking businesses, comfortable homely hotels and private pensions, farmhouse holidays and a camping site.

In and on the water: An invitation to prickling cool fresh summers

Crystal clear and magical: Nature at its best - Lake Fuschlsee

Water plays an outstanding role in the Fuschlsee Region: So fresh, so clear, so refreshing it is a permanent companion when walking by the lake, cycling or hiking. However, the wet element invites one to enjoy to the full.

When bathing and swimming, paddle boating or Stand Up Paddling on **Lake Fuschlsee**. The **Fuschl lido** with large lawns on the east shore of the lake offers all that a water sportsman could wish for. For example, the giant slide which falls directly into the lake, or the heated outdoor pool. Cool is also the hire of different equipment such as canoes, roller skates or bikes. For those who seek a quieter place then the **natural bathing beaches** on the southern shore of Lake Fuschl with beautiful panorama or the **Hofer Bathing Beach** at the west shore with a view of the splendid Hotel Schloss Fuschl.

Sportive active and adventurous is a tour with a **Stand-Up Paddle (SUP)**. The turquoise coloured Lake Fuschl is just perfect for SUP fans for the water surface is usually calm and is transmissibly large that this is great for paddlers to reach the shore.

One has a different perspective view from the water when one is exploring from the water. One finds little secluded bays, sees architectural interesting summer houses and when one is lucky, then maybe a member of the beaver family which have found their home at Lake Fuschl.

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Hotels and bathing beaches around the lake offer hire equipment of SUPs but the inside tip is the **Sundowner Tour of the SUP box**. This is an unforgettable experience when one stands on a SUP and paddles towards the bright red sunset.

Particularly romantic is a tour with “**The Fuschlerin**”. The electric wooden boat glides quietly across the lake and is the only “official transport” on the lake. The Fuschlerin brings guests from the promenade in Fuschl to the docking jetty at the Schloss Fuschl Fischerei (Castle fishery) at the far end of the lake where the aroma of freshly smoked fish from the lake is a culinary highlight.

Far from hustle and idyllicly beautiful, is Lake Hintersee

At the end of a hidden side valley on the outskirts of the Salzkammergut, lies the second lake in the region, Lake Hintersee. The village of the same name with 450 inhabitants is the smallest in the Salzburger alpenes. At the beginning of the magical mountain world of the Osterhorn group the Lake Hintersee entices one with its large lawns and bathing beach at Hirschpoint with a children´s playground. Here is also the possibility to play beach volleyball. Tip: The path around the lake is almost 5 km which is half the distance of the Lake Fuschl round path, and therefore attractive for walkers, runners and dog owners.

For those who look for something different, then the little **Lake Filbling** is a challenge for keen hikers. Also our secret tip is the **Eibensee** which is also waiting to be explored.

Hiking in the Fuschlsee Region

Unforgettable mountain summer

The region is a fantastic hiking paradise with numerous possibilities: here you will find challenging mountain climbs to culinary alpine pasture tours. The area around **Faistenau and Hintersee** guarantee fascinating impressions and views and managed pasture huts invite you to rustic fayre.

The biologically farmed **Mayerlehen hut** of the Matieschek family on the Gruberalm, is a destination with incomparable atmosphere. Here one can sleep in the hay, camp by a camp-fire and play with animals.

Throughout the holiday region there are many well-loved Long Distance Hiking Paths such as the St. Rupert Pilgrim´s trail, the Salzburger Mariazeller trail and the Arno trail. Top is the local **Multi-day Hiking tour “4 Peaks, 3 Lakes”** which in 4 stages leads from Lake Fuschl to Lake Wolfgang and to Lake Mondsee. The transport of your baggage is also included.

For those who enjoy **Culture and Hiking Experience**, then a visit to the “Ploetzhof”, a former **prison on the Badebach** is your venue. This newly opened museum in 2021 shows the fascinating history of bygone years. What was life like, what happened to the convict, how was law enforced and with what punishment one could reckon with? Not far from the Fuschl lake round hike in the woods, directly next to the Plötz waterfall in Hof, this little house and prison can be viewed independently. And for those who have a little more time, then we recommend a further hike to the 500 year old **Rauchhaus Mühlgrub (Smoke house) in Hof bei Salzburg**.

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Hike along the lakeside to the mills or through the moor

The **Koppler Moor** is a varied and attractive, also to be viewed with the care of nature. Due to the cared seclusion over the centuries, here you will find a refuge for rare plants and animals, through which one can walk. A romantic **Mühlenwanderweg (Mill trail)** in Ebenau dates back to the 16th and 17th century to lovingly restored mills in which the farmers ground rye and wheat. The village of the old mills is the appropriate name. On this mill hike is also the **Nature Reserve Plötz** with its imposing waterfall in a wild romantic gorge. Also the **Fürstenstöckl Museum** in Ebenau, a former prince bishop's weaponry is worth a visit.

Enjoyable family and theme hikes

The **Waldkletterweg (Woodland Climbing Park)** in Faistenau leads one through differing and challenging stations of wood and ropes through a shady woodland. Exciting climbing and exercise for children from 4 years is guaranteed. The special attraction is that this is all at low-level therefore no safety ropes are necessary.

For the second time this summer in June to September, there are **Yodel afternoons in Hof**. After a gentle walk and snack, this art of singing will be taught in the garden of the Rauchhaus Mühlgrub in Hof by Salzburg.

On the short walk to the **"Zwerglerweg" (Gnomes path)** near the Rumingmühle in Fuschl am See, small guests will learn about the work and life of the gnomes from the information boards. The Rumingmühle itself is an old watermill where from the end of May bread-making and tours of the mill are offered. On the way to the mill lies the idyllic herbal garden with over 150 different herbs and here also from May to September weekly tours are offered.

There is also a **Fairy tale path** in the Tiefbrunnau by Faistenau up to the Hatzenalm. When one arrives at the mountain hut, a children's playground and a tasty snack are your reward.

Exploring by road bike, e-bike or mountain bike

The Fuschlsee Region offers ideal conditions for pleasure and those who want to take a sporty approach. Whether on the streets, over challenging trails or along the glittering shoreline: the region has a well-signposted network of cycling paths and can also be explored on tours lasting several days.

Maps, GPS data for selected tours, e-bike rental stations in Fuschl am See, at Berni's Bikeshop in Hof bei Salzburg and in Faistenau at the Self-Service e-Bike station in the centre of the village, offer the best conditions for a successful cycling holiday. EMTB guide Franz Mayer shows you the most beautiful places in the Fuschlsee region during a guided tour.

The Salzkammergut BergeSeen eTrail offers daily stages through the Salzkammergut for E-mountain bikers, with two sections leading through the Fuschlsee region.

New since summer 2022: In Hintersee, the eBike Academy and the hotel "DAS Hintersee" offer a 2,000 m² e-bike training area and rental bikes and guided tours at the KTM e-bike competence centre.

Season opener in May 2023: Salzkammergut cycled "up and

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down" between mountains and lakes from 28th April to 22nd May. Whether by mountain bike, e-bike, road bike or gravel bike - there were spectacular cycling experiences, unforgettable bike adventures and a varied program to experience at the season opener in the Salzkammergut.

Up high with the mountain bike

A special highlight is the famous Salzkammergut Cycle Path, which leads along the Fuschler Ache from Thalgau via Mondsee into the Salzkammergut. Sporty cyclists are recommended to cycle via Thalgauweg to the Fuschlsee region and then reward themselves for their efforts with a jump into the cool water.

More than 25 tours in the racing bike region SalzburgerLand Salzkammergut.

The Fuschlsee region is part of the "racing bike region SalzburgerLand Salzkammergut". Since its establishment, this region has become a real insider tip among racing cyclists. There are now 25 differently challenging racing bike and gravel bike tours that lead through the wonderful natural landscape between the northern Salzburger lakes and the Dachstein-Salzkammergut region.

Two cycling-friendly hotels in the Fuschlsee region fulfil numerous quality criteria, guarantee all-round service and offer additional services such as rental bikes, wellness treatments or attractive weekly or short holiday packages for groups and individual travelers.

Guided road bike, gravel bike or (E-)MTB tours

Several providers and hosts in the Fuschlsee region also offer weekly guided road bike and MTB tours between May and September, such as Harry Kantsperger from Casa Bicletta or the team from Hotel Jakob in Fuschl am See and, since 2022, also the Hotel and E-MTB Competence Centre DAS Hintersee, they also offer bike rental. New gravel tours are currently being developed together.

New since summer 2022: Culinary-cultural cycling adventures

On unique cycling adventures, guests can discover the region's treasures, insider tips and lost places of the region. Whether an old prison, a noble brandy sommelier, a waterfall, a typical weekly market, a mini glacier, a farm confectionery, a "bear's cave", an inn brewery, a deep gorge, and much more. The cycling adventures are currently growing, starting with the (E-)MTB Tour S528 the Fuschlsee region round.

Experience culinary delights around Lake Fuschl

Indulgence is written large around Lake Fuschl: Trademark of the holiday region is a varied and down-to-earth culinary delicacy. The focus is on fresh, seasonal, and high-quality products from the farm or from the crystal-clear Fuschlsee, which are refined or prepared in a traditional way.

Via Culinaria - Pleasure Trails and Food Trips

The "Via Culinaria" catalogue is considered the standard work for good cuisine and excellent producers in the SalzburgerLand. Clearly structured, the gourmet trails promise comprehensive tips all



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year long. In the traditional 3-toque restaurant Brunnwirt, you sit either under the 300-year-old linden tree or in the cosy warmth of an old tiled stove. Top chef Johannes Brandstätter serves refined, down-to-earth and straightforward dishes and fish specialities. At Schloss Fuschl you can enjoy traditional Austrian kitchen classics and international specialities at 3 toque level from top chef Johannes Fuchs. But the freshly caught fish from the lake is not just reserved for the chef: At the Schloss-fishery on the lake you can settle down for a snack and eat the delicacies from the smoker right on the shore. Ebner's Waldhof in Fuschl am See also places great emphasis on vital herbal cuisine, regional specialities and local fish.

At **Oberhinteregger's adventure farm** in Faistenau, guests get an insight into Salzburg farm life while baking bread, in the herb show garden or on the elderberry trail. The farm shop sells organic products and cheese from the farm.

New since summer 2022: **Fuschlsee Region Food Trips**

The exclusive culinary experience trips take guests through the unique world of indulgence in the Fuschlsee region. From the pasture and the castle fishery via the inn, to the organic farm and to the gourmet restaurant. The guests get to know the region's gourmet craftsmen and experience the origins of the region's typical products. The Fuschlsee Region Food Trips combine genuine traditional crafts and agriculture with unique nature and taste experiences. The two-to-five-night packages can be booked exclusively through the Fuschlsee Region.

New since summer 2022: **Alpine Culinary Cookery School in Fuschl am See.**

Top chef, cuisiniers and keeper of old recipes Roland Essl has fulfilled a lifelong dream. In his cooking school, he passes on old, regional culinary knowledge in his courses and contributes to the preservation of Alpine culinary and the further development of Alpine cuisine.

New since autumn 2022: The **culinary craftsmen** of the Fuschlsee region are currently working on a pleasure circle, which will excite guests with culinary experiences and events.

Farmer's Autumn in the Fuschlseeregion

Every year from mid-August to the end of October, the Farmers' Autumn takes hold in the country: for a quarter of a century also in the Fuschlsee region. In Hof, guided tours and fun yodelling afternoons invite you to the 500-year-old "Mühlgrub" smoke house. In Faistenau, people get amazed at the alpine wreath tying or tractor meetings. But the most brilliant are the big farmers autumn festivals in Faistenau & Hof bei Salzburg, where locals and guests celebrate the "fifth season" in Salzburg Land with folk music and dancing.

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