



Point Alpha: A Memorial to Peace in the Rhön

Step back in time at the Point Alpha memorial, where the tensions of the former inner-German border are palpable. Witness how nature is thriving again in the Green Belt, a place of profound history and renewal.

Wasserkuppe: The Peak of Adventure

Ascend the Wasserkuppe, Hesse's highest peak and the legendary "Mountain of Aviators." Discover the heart of gliding history, slide down the summer toboggan run, or embrace the winter sports park. Feel the pulse of the Rhön in every adventure that awaits.

Kreuzberg: Spirit and Brews

Kreuzberg blends spirituality with earthly pleasure. Here you'll find Germany's oldest Way of the Cross, a Franciscan monastery and pilgrimage church, and distinctive beer from the monastery's own brewery. A place of views and history in the land of open horizons.

Meiningen: Theatre town in the Rhön

Founded in 1831, the Meiningen Theatre is renowned as the birthplace of modern stage direction, a tradition shaped by Duke George II. This historic stage continues to offer impressive performances and a vibrant cultural flair.

Ostheim Fortified Church: Historic Architecture

The Ostheim Fortified Church is the largest and best-preserved of its kind in Germany. With the Renaissance St Michael's Church at its core, ringed by historic towers and bastions, it has offered an authentic glimpse into fortress life since the 15th century.

Reach the Heart of the Rhön with Public Transport

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St. Salvator Cathedral: Baroque Splendour in Fulda

Discover Fulda's Baroque heart: St. Salvator Cathedral, an architectural masterpiece and the final resting place of St. Boniface. Stroll through the historic old town that flows around this landmark and immerse yourself in a lively cultural scene, your gateway to the Rhön.

Rotes Moor: A Natural Treasure

The Rotes Moor, the Rhön's second-largest raised bog, reveals a unique 50-hectare moorland. In winter, 60 kilometres of groomed trails create a cross-country ski paradise. In summer, a boardwalk offers an intimate look at its rare flora and fauna, where the Rhön's natural drama unfolds.

Merkers Adventure Mine: A Journey Below

Travel 800 metres underground at the Merkers Adventure Mine, where the story of potash mining comes to life. A thrilling ride takes you through the shafts, past a glittering crystal grotto to the "Gold Room". A vast chamber with a unique acoustic and an unforgettable atmosphere hosts special events and inspires visitors.

Franconian Open-Air Museum: A Trip Back in Time

Step into a bygone era at the Franconian Open-Air Museum in Fladungen. Amidst historic buildings, blooming gardens and heritage orchards, you'll meet farm animals and see traditional crafts demonstrated. Hop aboard the departing Rhön-Zügler steam train to complete the experience.

Schwarzes Moor: A Natural Wonder

At the Schwarzes Moor, discover one of Central Europe's most captivating moorlands. Walk the boardwalk, wrapped in the moor's profound silence. See the round-leaved sundew bloom from June to August, learn about rare species and take in the panoramic view from the observation tower.

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Bad Kissingen: Historic Spa Gardens

Step into the world of the famed spa town of Bad Kissingen, where majestic Art Nouveau architecture and the KissSalis Therme create a regal experience. Explore the historic spa gardens and enjoy the city's vibrant cultural life.

Bad Salzungen Graduation Tower: A Historic Wellness Oasis

Visit the graduation tower, where history and health converge. Originally built for salt extraction, today it's an oasis of calm. Inhale the salty air, atomised from a 27% brine solution cascading over brushwood, and feel its soothing effect during a peaceful walk.

Arche Rhön and Noahs Segel: An Adventure for the Family

Discover Arche Rhön and Noahs Segel (Noah's Sail), two windows into nature connected by the "Hohe Rhön" discovery trail. With interactive exhibits, stunning views, and an artificial bat cave, it's perfect for a family day out learning about the region's flora and fauna.

Aschach Castle Museums: A Glimpse of the Past

In the scenic Saale Valley, the historic gem of Aschach Castle awaits. Its three museums transport you to the world of nobility, commoners, and school life a century ago. Stroll through the castle park and relax afterwards with coffee and cake in the café.

Kleinsassen Art Station: At the Foot of the Milseburg

Visit the Kleinsassen Art Station for a dose of creative inspiration. At this unique venue, admire fascinating artworks and unwind in the cosy café. End your day with a trip to the Milseburg peak, another regional highlight.

Discover More

A sustainable Rhön: Raised bogs, flowing streams, boulder fields, meadows, and near-natural forests shape our UNESCO Biosphere Reserve.

Discover the 'Land of Open Horizons' and its unique landscapes and regional specialities, all created in harmony between people and nature.

The "Biosphärenreservat Rhön" app is your perfect companion, with offline maps, 360° panoramas, and expert insights – all in your pocket.

Be an Explorer

Sights in the Rhön



FrankenTherme Bad Königshofen: Pure Relaxation

At the heart of Bad Königshofen lies the FrankenTherme, with Germany's first natural healing-water lake. Enjoy the therapeutic thermal water in relaxing pools, saunas, and first-class wellness areas. The unique lakeside setting is perfect for both rest and outdoor activity. Dive in and recharge.

Gersfeld Wildlife Park: An Animal Adventure

This idyllic wildlife park offers 50 hectares of natural habitat for red deer, fallow deer, wild boar, ibex, and more. Observe wildcats, otters, and Tarpan horses in a near-natural setting. It's a paradise for families, with a petting zoo that will delight younger visitors.

Hohe Geba: A Natural Spectacle with Panoramic Views

At 751 metres, the Hohe Geba offers perfect darkness for stargazing. Where sky and nature meet, you experience the vastness of the land and the magic of the universe. Discover local history at the Druschba Border Museum and enjoy the hospitality of the Meininger Hütte mountain lodge.

Fasanerie Palace, Eichenzell: Elegance and History

Known as Hesse's most magnificent Baroque palace, Fasanerie and its 100-hectare park are a sight to behold. Step into the 18th and 19th centuries and admire a porcelain and antiques collection of national importance. The formal garden transforms into a romantic landscape, perfect for a quiet stroll.

Weinberg & Rößberg with the Via Regia Lookout Tower

From Haselsee, an idyllic spot in Hünfeld with a fairytale path, your gaze is drawn up to the Weinberg, the town's green landmark. Climb the Via Regia lookout tower on the Rößberg for panoramic views and discover rare flora like wild orchids and pasque flowers.

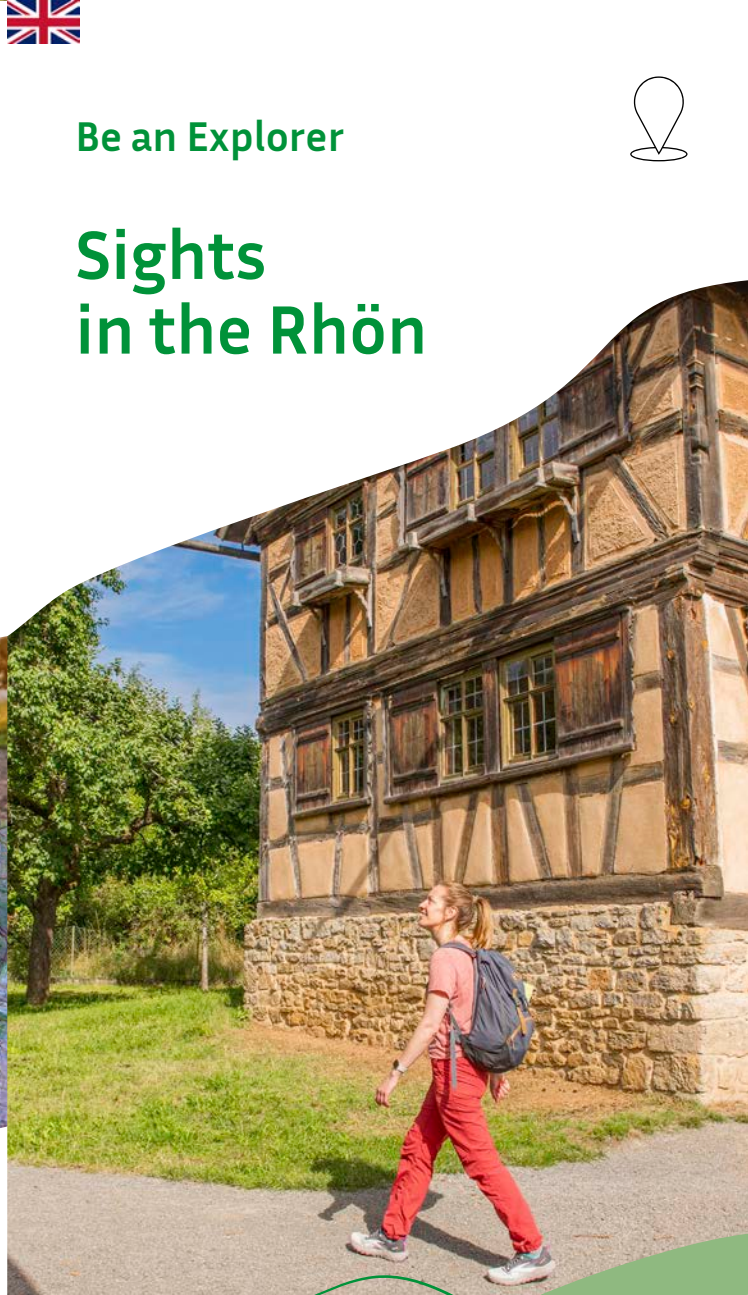
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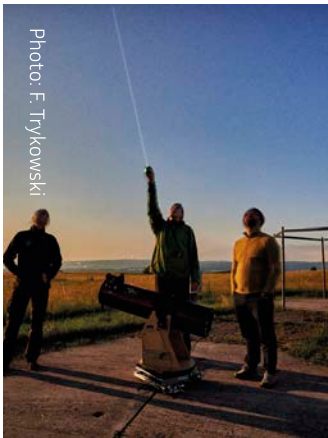
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Welcome

The Rhön is calling. With every step, you'll discover a world of wonders where nature and culture have formed a centuries-old bond. A sense of history accompanies you on the Path of Peace and along the Green Belt, where Point Alpha stands as a powerful testament to Germany's former division.

Tradition is interwoven with a vibrant present, whether you're following pilgrimage paths to Kreuzberg or gazing up at the pristine night sky in the star park. The volcanic soil of the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve tells ancient stories and today provides a home for diverse flora and fauna.

In the Rhön, craftsmanship thrives with creativity. From local brewers delighting with their creations to local brass bands filling the air with music, you can feel the region's lively spirit everywhere.



This brochure invites you to explore the Rhön in all its facets—from ancient customs to modern festivals, from starlit nights to bustling markets. Come and immerse yourself in the heritage of this unique landscape. The Rhön is waiting to share its secrets with you.

Be a Connoisseur

To discover the Rhön culinarily is to savour true craftsmanship. This is a landscape you can taste. Regional products reflect the land's unique character, form the aromatic „Rhön Biosphere Ham“ to hearty sausages and robust Franconian wines.

In cosy guesthouses and welcoming farm shops, you'll find a cuisine that blends timeless knowledge with fresh ideas. Look for the "Qualitätssiegel Rhön" (product quality seal), your guarantee of sustainably crafted products that celebrate the deep connection between tradition and home.



Photo: A. Martin



Be an Explorer

Discover the Rhön – a land brimming with life and history. Its unique flora and fauna will move you, while local festivals connect you to a world of living tradition.

Explore the silent ruins of ancient castles and feel the immense sweep of history beneath the brilliant, unpolluted night sky of the star park. This is a place for quiet reflection and grand discovery.

You are not just a visitor, but part of a living mosaic where a new story unfolds around every corner.

Be an Adventurer

The Rhön offers diverse adventures day and night. Soar over wide, rolling hilltops and feel the incredible lift of the wind as you paraglide—a true dance with the air against a backdrop of breathtaking vistas.

Or embrace the meditative rhythm of cross-country skiing on pristine, snow-covered trails. For those who love the mountains, explore challenging paths by bike or push your limits on a demanding summit run.

The Rhön is a natural playground, ready for every adventurer.

Be Relaxed

In the Rhön, you can truly disconnect from the noise of the everyday and let your soul find its own, quiet rhythm. The UNESCO Biosphere Reserve provides the perfect, tranquil setting for deep relaxation and renewal.

Breathe in the exceptionally clean air and feel the therapeutic benefits of the region's mineral-rich healing waters, the foundations of a wellness tradition that goes back centuries. Our ancestors knew of the Rhön's healing powers, and today that ancient wisdom is combined with modern comforts in serene spas and health resorts.

Discover the profound serenity and wholesome atmosphere of this place. Here, you will find the quiet and space needed to bring your body, mind, and soul back into perfect harmony.



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Domplatz, 36037 Fulda
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Wasserkuppe 1, 36129 Gersfeld
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Wanderparkplatz "Moordorf", 36129 Gersfeld
- 5 – Kreuzberg Monastery and Pilgrimage Site
Kreuzberg 1, 97653 Bischofsheim in der Rhön
- 6 – Merkers Adventure Mine
Zufahrtsstraße 1, 36460 Kraysenberggemeinde
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Bernhardstraße 5, 98617 Meiningen
- 8 – Franconian Open-Air Museum, Fladungen
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