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Sports, Fun, and Action all year!

The Wasserkuppe isn't just about flying—it's also a top destination for winter sports, sledding fun, and endless adventure. Whether you're skiing, snowboarding, snowkiting, cross-country skiing, snow hiking, or sledding, the Ski and Toboggan Arena Wasserkuppe offers ideal conditions for active recreation. Thanks to the two 700-meter-long summer toboggan runs and the Rhönbob coaster, the fun continues all year round! Race down the slopes at up to 40 km/h—and then comfortably return to the top with the ski lift.



All that activity is sure to work up an appetite: luckily, the Märchenwiesenhütte is open year-round, serving delicious food and drinks to recharge your energy for even more Wasserkuppe adventures.

Find all winter trails: www.touren-rhoen.de/en/

On our website you'll find the daily updated winter conditions like snow depths and open lifts.

More information:
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„Mountain of Aviators“ – Take off and take flight

Flight school Wasserkuppe

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(School for Gliding, Engine powered flight, Motor glider and Model Airplane)

Deutsches Segelflugmuseum mit Modellflug

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segelflugmuseum.de



Papillon Paragliding Rhöner Drachen- und Gleitschirmflugschulen

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papillon.de



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...make sure to stop by the source of the Fulda River during your visit to the Wasserkuppe and imagine how this idyllic, gently babbling stream grows into a major 220 km river that eventually flows into the Weser. An information board provides details about the Fulda, its history, and its course. A small picnic area invites you to take a break, and the crystal-clear spring water offers a refreshing treat for hikers and bikers in the summer.

Close to the Stars



The night sky as a place of peace, observation, and learning: in the Rhön Dark Sky Park, where there is very little light pollution, the sky becomes a spectacular experience for amateur astronomers. Recognized as an International Dark Sky Reserve, the park is the perfect place to spot constellations and the Milky Way in near-total darkness.

All you need to explore the night skies over the Rhön are sturdy shoes and clothing, some tea, a few cookies, and a star map available on site.



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More information about the Dark Sky Park:
Dark Sky Park in the Rhön Biosphere Reserve
Telefon: 0800/971 9772
sternenpark-rhoen.de (In German)



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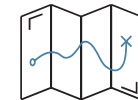


By Bus to the Wasserkuppe

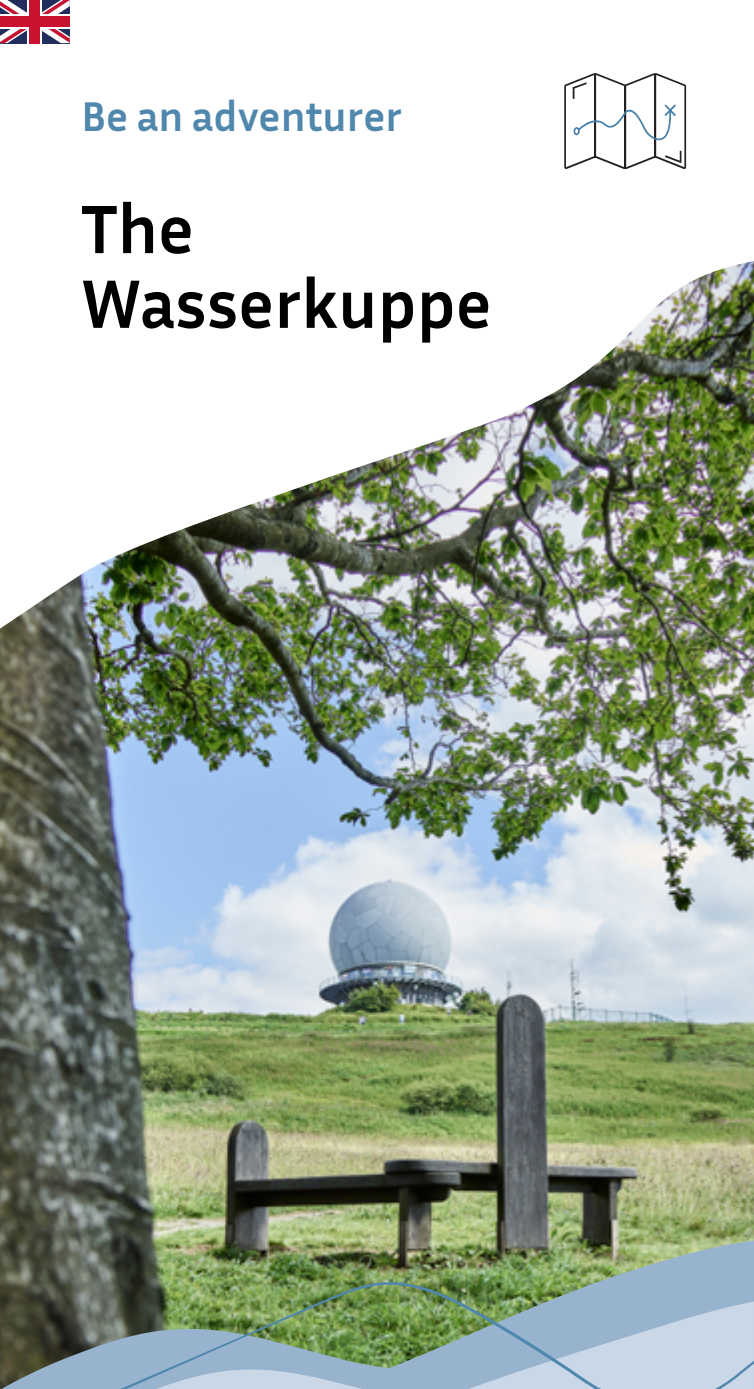
The Wasserkuppe is accessible by public transport—via Line 35 (Fulda–Wasserkuppe) and Line 37 (Gersfeld–Wasserkuppe–Ehrenberg). From May 1st to October 3rd, the mountain is also served on weekends by Line 90, a bike and hiking bus.

For more information, visit:
LNG-Fulda.de

Be an adventurer



The Wasserkuppe



Die Rhön



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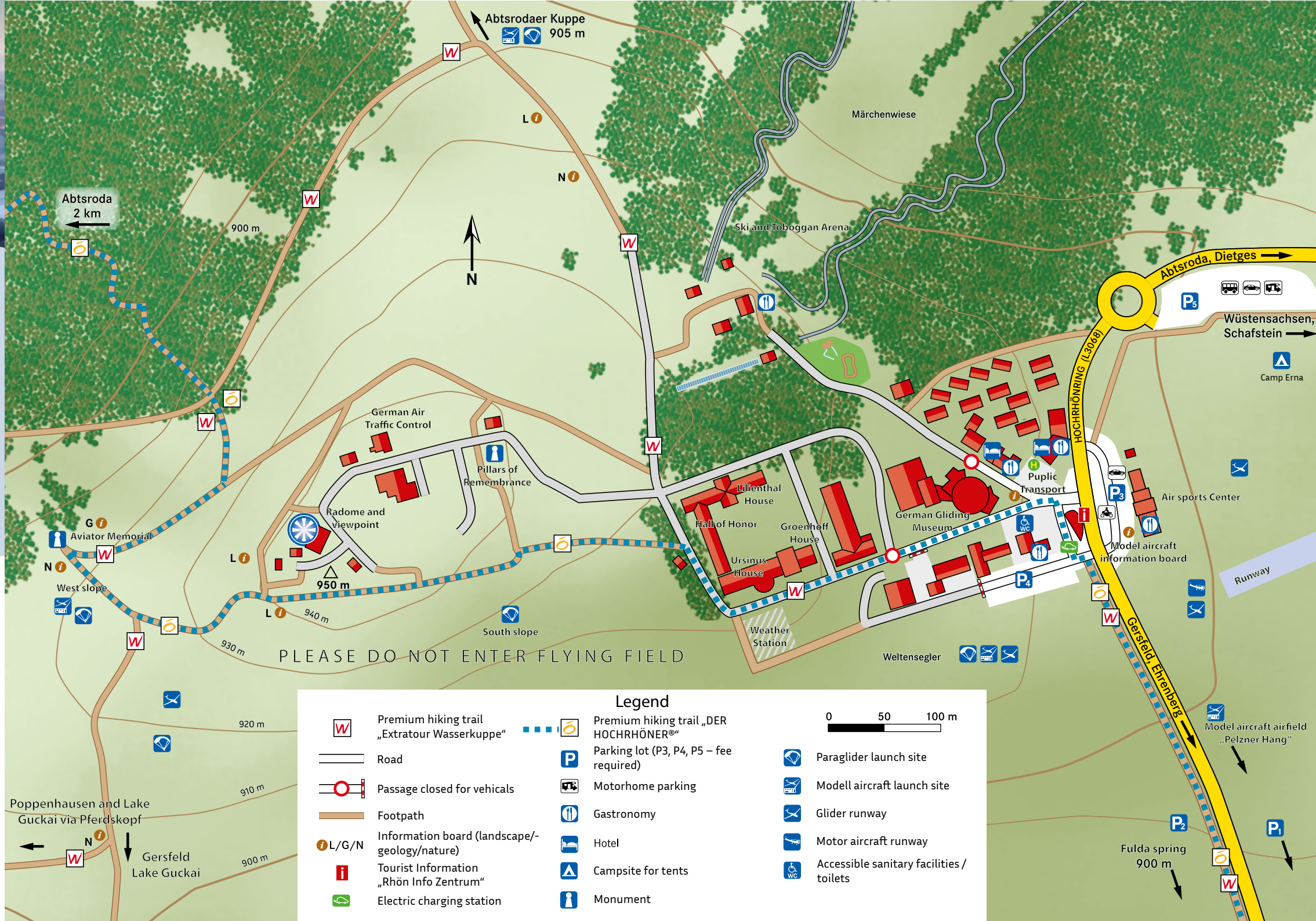
Greetings!

Stand on the high mountaintop and look far across the land. Feel the Rhön wind on your face. Let your thoughts take flight with the gliders. Discover new perspectives while paragliding. Or race back down into the valley with plenty of momentum. You can experience all of this during a visit to the Wasserkuppe.

At 950 meters, the Wasserkuppe is the highest mountain in the Rhön and can be spotted from afar thanks to its distinctive radome. Whether you keep your feet on the ground or actually take to the skies, the panoramic view from the Wasserkuppe into the „land of open distances“ – the Rhön – is always breathtaking.

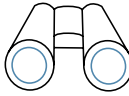
The Wasserkuppe – the “Mountain of Aviators” – is a paradise for flight sports enthusiasts. Whether it's gliders, powered aircraft, or paragliders, good weather offers spectators an impressive show. But it's not just aviation fans who are welcome here. The Wasserkuppe is also perfect for hiking or exploring by bike. Set off on a journey of discovery and get to know the local wildlife and plant species up close. Plenty tobogganing options and the ski facilities at the Wasserkuppe Ski and Toboggan Arena also guarantee fun for young and old alike throughout the year.

All that adventure works up an appetite and wears you out. Take advantage of the many culinary options available on the Wasserkuppe—local restaurants and eateries will keep you well-fed and energized. Then spend the night on Hesse's highest mountain in one of the many accommodation options available.



Useful Information and Insights

At the tourist information „Rhön Info Zentrum“, you can learn all about the „Mountain of Aviators“ and discover the many tourist offerings of the Rhön travelling destination, including hiking routes and multi-day tours. The „Rhön Info Zentrum“-team offers tips for exciting summer and winter activities, shares insights into the history of the „Mountain of Aviators,“ helps you find accommodation, and supports you in planning your stay in the Rhön. Naturally, you'll also find extensive information about the Wasserkuppe experience. The tourist information also provides brochures, hiking maps, flyers, souvenirs, and keepsakes. Recognized as “accessible for people with limited mobility,” the center is open to all visitors.



The Radome – Landmark of the Wasserkuppe

Cultural monument – Landmark – Museum and event venue. During a tour or guided visit, you'll learn about the mountain's aviation and military history and experience the unique acoustics of the nearly 15-meter-high radar dome.

The viewing platform surrounding the Radome offers a 360° panoramic view across the entire Rhön region. In clear weather, you can even see the Feldberg in the Taunus, the Brocken in the Harz, and the Thuringian Forest.



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Here, at Hesse's highest registry office—the “Summit of Love”—you can celebrate an unforgettable wedding.

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Tradition with a Future

Get to know and fall in love with the “Mountain of Aviators” and its wide range of aviation and leisure activities! The Wasserkuppe is considered the birthplace of modern gliding. Over a hundred years ago, the first world record in gliding was set right here. One of the mountain's most iconic landmarks, the Aviators' Memorial, was inaugurated in 1923. Just two years later, the world's first gliding school opened on the Wasserkuppe. None other than Neil Armstrong, the first man on the moon, attended the 50th anniversary celebration! With around 20,000 takeoffs and landings annually, the highest mountain in the Rhön ranks as the number one destination for gliding in Germany, and it's also popular with pilots of small motorized aircraft.

Your Slice of Happiness

Times are changing – and so are the many ways to enjoy active experiences on the Wasserkuppe. Gliders and motor planes still take to the skies over the Rhön. For those who prefer something smaller, model aircraft offer a thrilling way to explore the “open horizons.” The modern aviation center—with its hangar, tower, visitor deck, self-service restaurant, café, and children's airfield—invites you to get involved, even as a co-pilot on board a glider.

If you'd rather keep your feet on solid ground, you can simply watch the action from below, visit the vintage glider club, or experience living aviation history at the German Glider Museum.



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