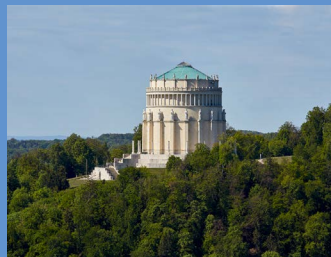
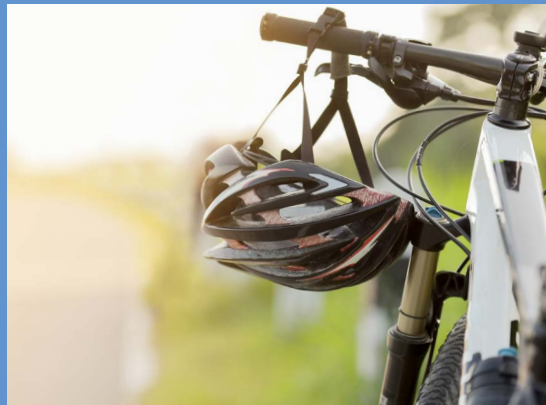
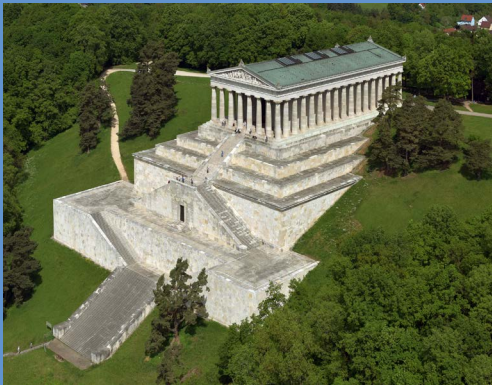


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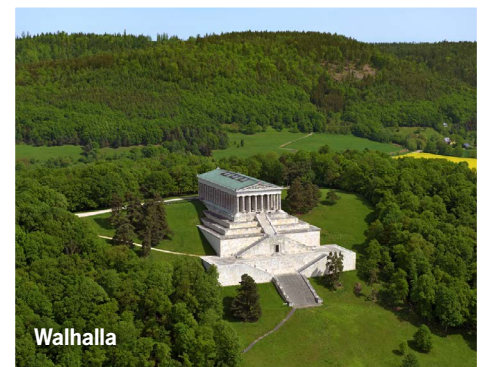


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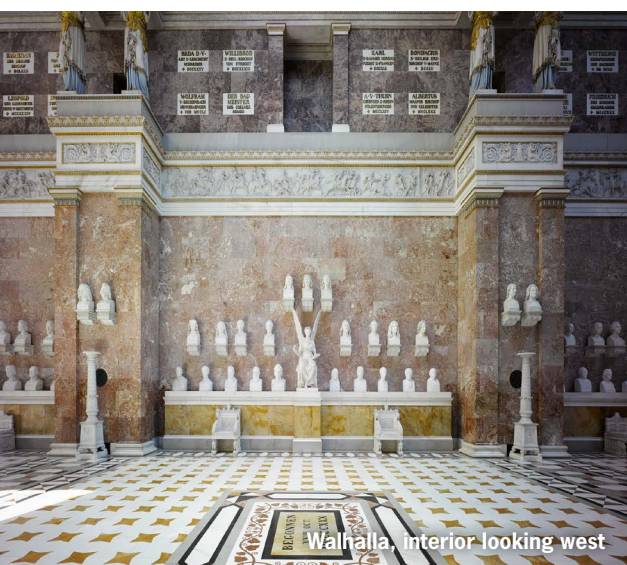
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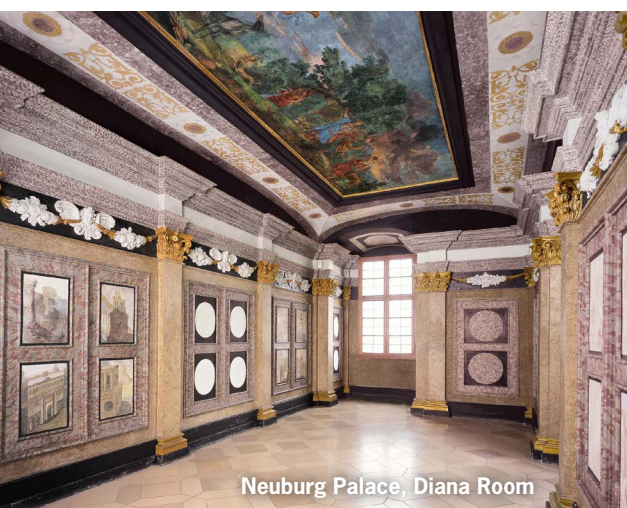
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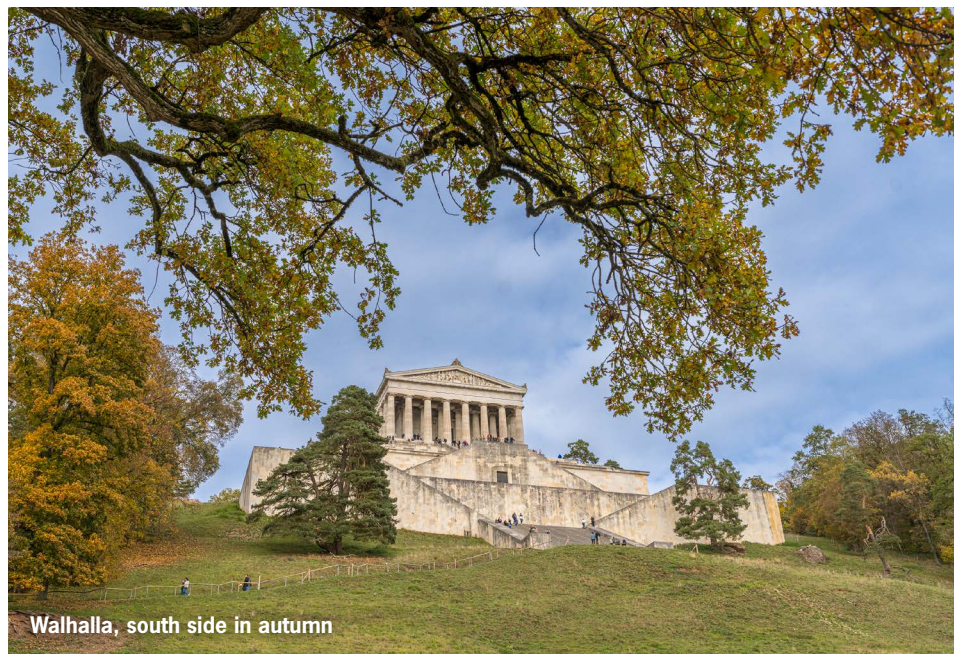
Neuburg Palace, view across the Danube of the east wing



Walhalla, interior looking west



Neuburg Palace, Diana Room



Walhalla, south side in autumn



Hall of Liberation at Kelheim with the River Altmühl in the background



Höchstädt Palace, aerial view from the southwest

Danube Cycle Route

Brief description

The Danube Cycle Route in Germany extends over 600 kilometres (of which 411 km are in Bavaria), which can be covered comfortably in daily stages. Whether you like a sporty or a more leisurely tempo, the Danube is ideal bike territory. Since for centuries no-one has been able to agree where the Danube really starts, it was decided to count the kilometres backwards from the Danube Delta in the Black Sea to the Black Forest and not as is usually the case from the source to the mouth.

The route, which is often close to the river, runs on cycle paths to Jochenstein, then continues in Austria to Vienna and on from there to Budapest.

The journey takes you past numerous natural phenomena. Sometimes the Danube doesn't seem to move and sometimes it's a raging torrent, and it can be bordered by high chalk cliffs, spreading fields, woods and meadows. No less impressive are the cultural highlights: in Höchstädt the massive four-winged palace awaits discovery, and in Neuburg there's the Residence, which dominates the old town. At Kehlheim there are two sights close together, the Hall of Liberation and Weltenburg Monastery, which are framed by the Danube loop and the Danube gap. Only a few kilometres from Regensburg is the Walhalla, one of the most important German monuments from the 19th century.

Distance:	411 km
Total ascent:	1 762 m
Total descent:	1 938 m
Highest Point:	467 m
Lowest Point:	284 m

Link to the map

Cycle map – Radlland Bayern: This includes various options for displaying information about charging stations, repair shops and catering facilities etc. along the route.

Links to further information

Information about further sights, possible accommodation, signposting etc.:

- [Danube Cycle Route – Radlland Bayern \(radlland-bayern.de\)](https://www.radlland-bayern.de)
- [Danube Cycle Route – ADFC](#)
- [Danube Cycle Route – Die Deutsche Donau](#)

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HÖCHSTÄDT – HÖCHSTÄDT PALACE



Höchstädt Palace is one of the most outstanding monuments of the principality of Palatinate-Neuburg. The palace chapel painted with Protestant themes is one of the very rare examples of this era in Bavaria.

Inside the palace is an exhibition on the Spanish War of Succession and the Battle of Blenheim in 1704 that marked a turning point in the conflict. The Museum of German Faience tells the story of faience in the 17th and 18th centuries. The Forum of Swabian history presents changing exhibitions in restored rooms.

Further information (e.g. guided tours, current opening times and admission fees) can be found on the [website](#).

Information and facilities for cyclists

- Bikes can be left in the inner courtyard (do not lean them against the wall) or on the car parks in front of the palace.
- (Coin-operated) lockers for small pieces of luggage can be found near the cash desk.
- The nearest official charging option for e-bikes can be found on the [Marketplace Höchstädt](#).



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NEUBURG ON THE DANUBE – NEUBURG PALACE



Neuburg Palace, view north across the palace courtyard

Count Palatine Ottheinrich had the Renaissance palace built as the residence of the principality of Palatinate-Neuburg. From 1665-1670 the Baroque east wing was added with the round towers that can be seen from a long way off. The courtyard façade decorated in sgraffito technique and the palace chapel, the earliest Protestant church in Germany with a cycle of pictures on its walls dating from 1543, are unique features of the palace. In addition to the Knights' Hall from the Renaissance era and the Baroque grotto, it also has works of art from the history of the principality. The State Gallery in the west wing shows 120 works of Flemish Baroque art by important masters such as Rubens, van Dyck and Brueghel.

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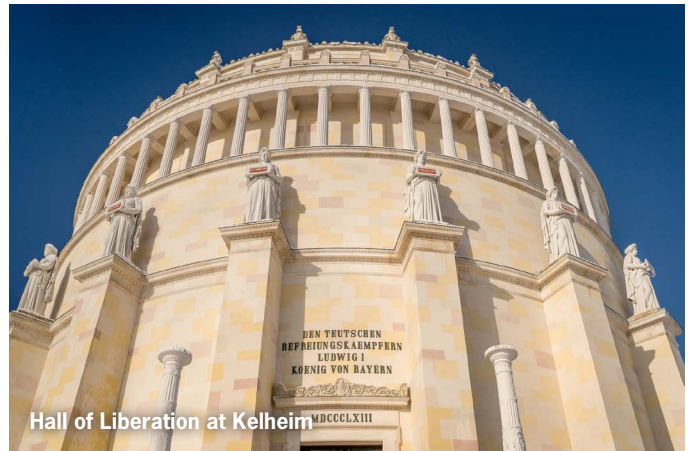
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- Bikes can be left in the inner courtyard (do not lean them against the wall).
- [Free bike boxes](#) with e-bike charging stations can be found in the inner courtyard of the historical Marstall (royal stables) on Ottheinrichplatz. Keys for the boxes can be obtained from the Tourist Information.
- There is an overview of charging stations and repair and renting facilities on the town's [website](#).
- Lockers for visitors to the palace are located near the cash desk.



Neuburg Palace, east wing

KELHEIM – HALL OF LIBERATION AT KELHEIM



Hall of Liberation at Kelheim

The Hall of Liberation is an architectural masterpiece and an important monument of German history. It was commissioned by King Ludwig I to commemorate the victorious battles against Napoleon in the Wars of Liberation as well as German unity. The 34 monumental goddesses of victory made of splendid white Carrara marble that join hands in a ceremonious round dance in the interior never fail to impress.

Further information (e.g. guided tours, current opening times and admission fees) can be found on the [website](#).

Information and facilities for cyclists

- Access to the Hall of Liberation is only permitted via Hienheimerstrasse and Befreiungshallestrasse (not via the footpath from Kelheim).
- Cycling is prohibited throughout the grounds for the safety of the other visitors.
- There are bike parking places in the grounds by the car park and opposite the visitor service centre.
- Kelheim has e-bike charging stations; lockable storing boxes for bikes can be also found in the town at the [Main-Donau-Kanal](#) and at [Wöhrdplatz](#).



Hall of Liberation at Kelheim, mosaic floor and goddesses of victory

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DONAUSTAUF (NEAR REGENSBURG) – WALHALLA



Walhalla, aerial view from the east



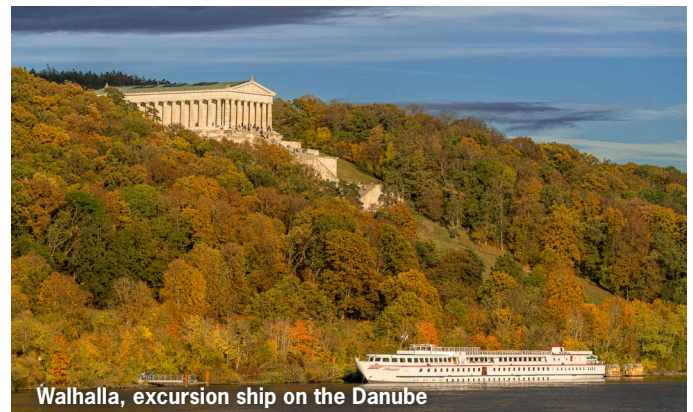
Walhalla, view of the Danube plain from the northwest

The Walhalla near Regensburg is one of the most important German national monuments of the 19th century, and was built for Ludwig I between 1830 and 1842. The temple building was based on the Athens Parthenon, and created to commemorate German men and women of outstanding merit. The magnificent interior currently contains 132 busts of the 'Walhalla comrades', most of whom were selected by Ludwig I and his advisers. This collection of rulers, generals, scientists and artists considered exemplary in the 19th century has been regularly expanded since 1966.

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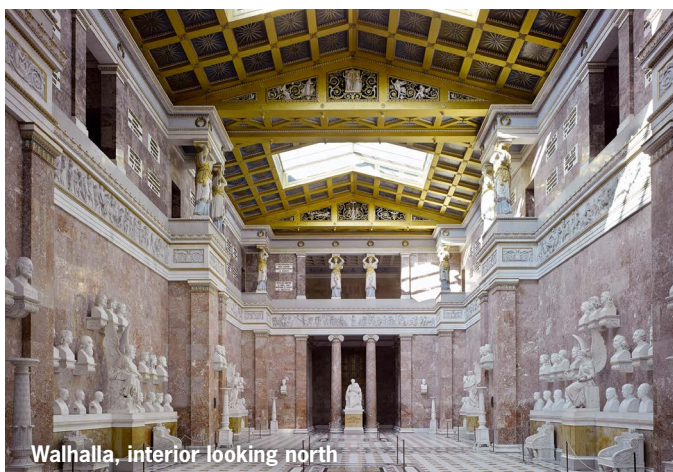
- Cycling is not permitted in the grounds for the safety of other visitors.
- Bikes can be parked on the car park or on the Danube Cycle Route south of the grounds (from here there are 358 steps to the entrance of the Walhalla).
- There is no charging station at the Walhalla. Charging facilities for e-bikes are listed on the Deutsche Donau Tourismus e.V [website](#).



Walhalla, excursion ship on the Danube



Walhalla, south façade



Walhalla, interior looking north

Want to know more? Information about all 45 palaces, castles and residences as well as other monuments or artist's houses under the responsibility of the Bayerische Schlösserverwaltung can be found on our website.

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