

## **Ammergau Alps Nature Park**

The Ammergau Alps – situated between Germanys´ highest mountain, the Zugspitze and the fairy tale castle Neuschwanstein in the heart of the Bavarian Alps – stands for the unique combination of a pristine mountain environment with cultural treasures along with a touristic infrastructure that is environmentally friendly.

This region unites an incredible richness in species and different landscapes within a small area and has been nominated officially in 2017 as "Nature Park" – the first one in the Upper Bavarian Alps.

Oberammergau is inextricably linked to the Passion Play – the inhabitants stage only every ten years the suffering and death of Jesus Christ in more than 100 performances. The roots of the Passion Play date back to a vow made by the citizens of Oberammergau in 1633. The next season will be in 2030. But Oberammergau however is also well known for the beautifully paintings and its wood carvers. Like Oberammergau, many other communities in the Ammergau Alps Nature Park demonstrate the unique symbiosis between in intact mountainous landscape and the region's cultural treasures. Ettal, with its world-famous Benedictine abbey is one of the major attractions. Its abbey brewery and the monastical distillery, is also truly special. Just 7 miles from Ettal are the singularly beautiful gardens of Linderhof Palace, which is said to have been the favourite spot of the Bavarian King Ludwig II. The villages Unterammergau an Saulgrub represent traditional towns, proud of their Bavarian heritage and with a rich social life, while the spa villages Bad Kohlgrub and Bad Bayersoien stand for natural healing power.

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