



## Dear visitors and guests of Abensberg!

Come and discover romantic spots and narrow winding lanes and alleys that once upon a time provided sanctuary from the enemies while housing the colourful hustle and bustle of medieval market life. Come and relax on one of the many benches along the banks of the Abens River, or in one of the countless cafés and restaurants. Come and find out much, much more on our sign-posted tour around the Old Town.

## Main attractions of the guided tour around the Old Town

### 1 Stadtplatz (Town Square)

Upon entering the Town Square, your eyes will first alight on the attraction to the North, the „Silberkramerhaus“ (Silvermonger’s House) adorned with a statue of the Virgin Mary and large bay windows designed in the shape of a polygon. This building was “gothified” by Abensberg stonemason Gallus Weber. Diagonally across, to the Northeast, you will see the late Gothic „Weinbergerhaus“.

A gorgeous sight to look at, with its neo-classical window grilles, is the parent house of the Kuchlbauer brewery. The Gothic Town Hall to the South boasts a Renaissance gable and a Baroque ridge turret, the Glockenspiel (carillon) donated by Senator Stanglmeier being the latest adornment to the building’s façade. Right next to it is the proudly rising „Holzapfelhaus“, formerly known as the „Kagerhuber-Haus“, with its façade dating back to the 17th Century. Looking back to the West, you will finally see the birthplace of Aventinus, today’s „Hofbräuhaus“ beer hall. In the entrance area, a cast taken from Aventinus’ commemorative bust in the Valhalla temple, reminds visitors of the city’s most famous son.



## 2 Herzogskasten (Old Ducal Granary) – the Abensberg Town Museum

The „Herzogskasten“ (Old Ducal Granary), a majestic six-storey building dating back to the 15th Century, served as granary to the dukes and masters of Abensberg. Following extensive refurbishment works, this building now houses tourist information and the town museum.

The museum's main focus is on the urban history of Abensberg with its multi-faceted and interesting aspects like the founding of the town, the dynasty of the Counts of Babon, the guilds and associations, municipal trades and crafts, the Gillamoos, and the late Neolithic flint mine.

Visitors can embark on an exciting realistic journey through Abensberg's history with the audio guide or immerse themselves in films or computer animations on the central media stations.



## 3 Aventinusplatz

To the North, in front of the Abensberg Castle, are the former parade grounds adorned with a statue of „Aventinus“, or the „Man from Abensberg“ (Aventinus being the Latin name of his birthplace), whose real name was Johannes Turmair (1477-1534). His merits as founder of Bavarian scholarly historiography (he wrote the Annals of Bavaria, a valuable record of the early history of Germany and the first major written work on the subject) have made him Abensberg's most famous son. He kept up a correspondence with Europe's most important humanists.



## 4 Schlossgarten (Castle and Castle Garden)

100 metres further along the city wall, visitors will see the remnants of the eminent Abensberg Castle dating back to the 12th Century. Fortified by massive ring walls in the South and East and separated from the terrain by a moat in the North and West, it was virtually impossible to capture. Access in former times was possible only from the North, via a drawbridge leading to the front yard (today's Municipal Surveyor's Office). From there, visitors had to pass yet another drawbridge (today's bridge to the garden) to get to the manor-house, which unfortunately no longer exists today. The 60\*60-metre large Castle Garden serves a beautiful and romantic backdrop for events and scenic strolls all year round.

## 5 Zollhäusl (Medieval Customs House)

A few steps to the East along the Abens River will take you to the neo-Gothic Zollhäusl (Medieval Customs House). The coat of arms adorning the south gable is a relic from the former „Abenstor“ town gate which once allowed access to travellers coming from Munich. The coats of arms are reminders of the eras under the rule of the Babon and Wittelsbach dynasties (from 1485).



## 6 Maderturm (Town Tower)

The walk leads visitors further down to the south-western part of the medieval town wall which boast the best preserved of the round towers, one of Abensberg's most famous landmarks. The wall was originally equipped with a total of 8 corner towers and 32 round towers representing the 8 daughters and 32 sons of the legendary „Count Babo of Abensberg“.

### 7 Von-Hazzi-Haus

This is the birthplace of Joseph von Hazzi (1768-1845), Bavarian Privy Councillor of the Grand Duchy of Berg and promoter of agriculture. He is also the author of the „Bayerische statistische Aufschlüsse“ (Bavarian Statistic Data). This place also offers a lovely view of the western wing of the Carmelite Convent which has a stork's nest on its chimney.

### 8 Aventinum

The Aventinum, a part of the original convent building, used to be the home of the municipal hospital. It is now home to a number of municipal function rooms, the museum depot, and the Adult Education Centre. The Aventinum was named after Aventinus, whose real name was Johannes Turmair.

### 9 Kuchlbauer Turm (Kuchlbauer Tower)

This landmark of Kuchlbauer's Bierwelt (World of Beer) is an architectural project by world-famous artist Friedensreich Hundertwasser. Pleasantly rounded shapes, "dancing" windows, wavy floors and organic lines, onion towers and plants – these are the elements used by Hundertwasser for human-friendly building in harmony with nature.

The Kuchlbauer Tower with its world-unique interior and exterior design is an homage to Bavarian beer and its breweries.



### 10 Klosterkirche (Monastery church with cloister)

Ulrichstraße, Abensberg's main shopping street, takes visitors to the Karmelitenplatz (Carmelite Square) and the monastery church. The Carmelite Convent endowed in 1389 was once Abensberg's pride and joy. Secularisation, however, led to the monastery's enforced dissolution in 1802. The cloister is now being used for a series of festivities and events.

### 11 Regensburger Tor (Regensburg Gate)

Located in the town's North-East, it is the only town gate still preserved to this date and in former times provided access to travellers arriving from the direction of Regensburg. Regensburger Tor gate, like the Maderturm tower, are both privately owned.

### 12 Stadtpfarrkirche (Town Parish Church)

From the Town Square you can walk via "Kirchgasse" (Church Alley) to the town's parish church consecrated to Saint Barbara. Construction of the church was commenced after Abensberg became a parish in its own right in 1380. By 1516, the three-naved late-Gothic hall church was finally completed. In 1731, the Gothic tower burned down together with the sacristy after lightning had struck, and its Baroque renovation using rocks from the castle ruin did not commence until 1762.



- 1 Stadtplatz
- 2 Herzogkasten
- 3 Aventinusplatz
- 4 Schloßgarten
- 5 Zollhäusl
- 6 Maderturm
- 7 Von-Hazzi-Haus
- 8 Aventinum
- 9 Kuchlbauer Turm
- 10 Klosterkirche
- 11 Regensburger Tor
- 12 Stadtpfarrkirche



Vogelpark

Schwefel-  
schwamm  
Knepp-  
anlage

< nach Sand-  
ärländen

Bahnhofstraße

Römerstraße

Abensstraße

Von-Hazzi-Straße

Bahnhofstraße

Abensstraße

Münchhaus Straße

Lebesinsel

Schraubinger Straße

Max-Bronold-Straße

Lebesinsel

Gilgenwiese

Kloster

Bahnhofplatz

Schloßgarten

Carl-Jäger-Straße

Schwefel-  
schwamm  
Knepp-  
anlage

## Guided tours:

### Classic guided town tour and guided town tours with Ulrich III of Abensberg

Find out more about Abensberg's colourful history on a classic guided town tour or on a tour with Ulrich III of Abensberg.

Duration: approx. 1.5 - 2 hours

Rates: 40.00 €

Contact:

Abensberg Tourist Information

Tel.: 0 94 43-91 03-59

Fax: 0 94 43-91 03-18

Email: fremdenverkehr@abensberg.de



### Guided town tour with "Lampenfieber" Theatre Company

The theatre company's team will take you through the history and stories Abensberg. Allow yourself to be surprised!

Fixed dates –at 14:00 hrs on the dot:

Duration: approx. 45 - 60 minutes

Guided tours for groups available on request

Rates: 3.00 € per person, reduced rates: 2.00 €

Contact:

Abensberg Tourist Information

Tel: 0 94 43-91 03-59

Fax: 0 94 43-91 03-18

Email:

fremdenverkehr@abensberg.de



### Guided cellar tours

Immerse yourself in the secrets of Abensberg and embark on an underground discovery tour. Find out exciting things about houses and their cellars, about their origins and function, and hear interesting stories about their role for gastronomy and beer.

Meeting point: Schulhausplatz (School Square), fountain area

Duration: approx. 1.5 hours

Rate: 5.00 € per person

reduced rates: 3.00 €

Fixed dates and guided tours for groups (15 persons and up) on request

Contact: Robert Jahny

Tel: 0 94 43-79 83

Email: robert.jahny@freenet.de



### Guided museum tours

The town museum offers general and customised guided tours for groups. Whether „Life and Work“ or „A Town in the Middle Ages“ – the museum's guided tours are didactically edited to focus on topics specifically agreed with the group.

Meeting point: „Herzogskasten“ (Old Ducal Granary)

Rates: 25.00 € per guided tour plus museum admission fee

Opening hours: Tuesdays thru Sundays, 10:00 - 16:00 hrs.

Contact: Abensberg Tourist Information, Tel: 0 94 43-91 03-59,

Fax: 0 94 43-91 03-18, Email: fremdenverkehr@abensberg.de

### Guided tours of the churches and church towers

Find out all about the facts and background details on Abensberg's churches or climb one of Abensberg's church spires.

Detailed information on the various guided tour offers is available from the Abensberg Catholic Rectory  
Tel: 0 94 43-13 42.



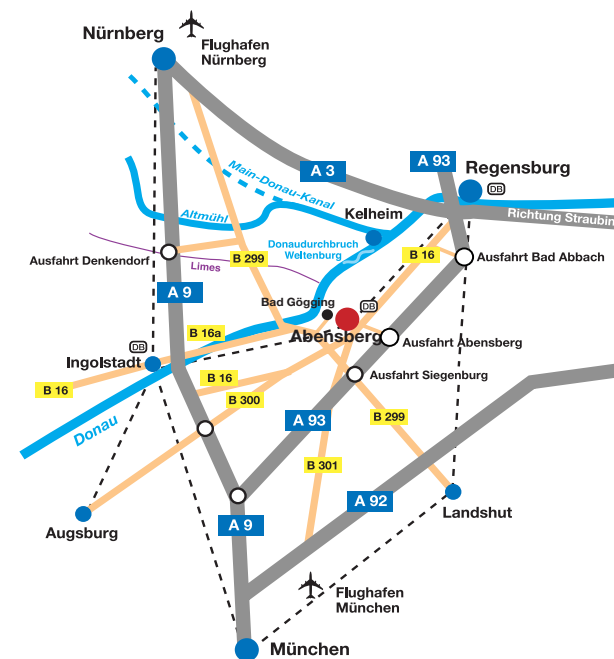
## How to get there

Abensberg is located in the centre of Kelheim County, Lower Bavaria, 30 kilometres south of Regensburg, 40 kilometres to the East of Ingolstadt, 50 kilometres north of Landshut, and only 100 kilometres to the North-East of Munich.

By motorway, Autobahn A 93 Holledau-Regensburg, Abensberg can be conveniently reached via the Abensberg exit.

By railroad, the Abensberg station (Bahnhof) is in the centre of Donautalbahn Regensburg-Ingolstadt railroad network.

The parking time of the downtown parking spaces is limited to 2 hours; use of a parking disc is compulsory.



## Contact and Information

Tourist Information in „Herzogskasten“ (Old Ducal Granary)  
Dollingerstraße 18 · 93326 Abensberg  
Tel: 0 94 43-91 03-59, Fax: 0 94 43-91 03-18  
Email: fremdenverkehr@abensberg.de  
www.abensberg.de