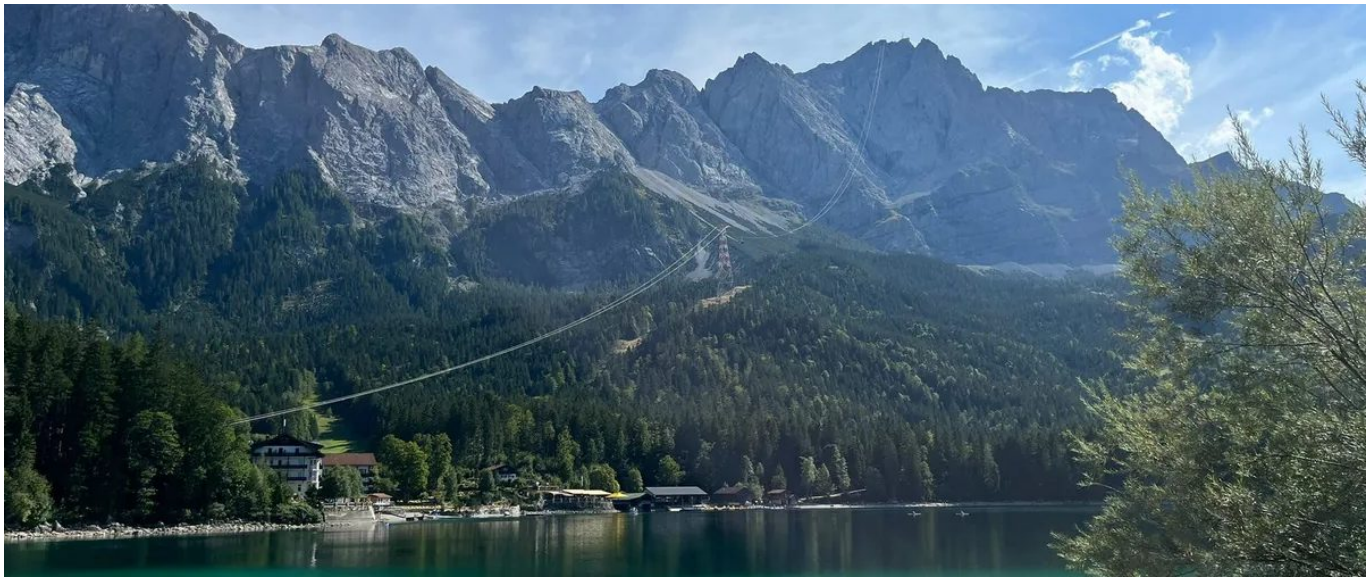
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A 3-Day Munich Day Trips Itinerary

From our guide **Top 10 Best Day Trips from Munich**. Print it or save it to your phone.



Three days give you a mix of landscapes and cities without rushing, and the plan keeps each day to one direction so travel time stays realistic. It is also available as a free printable PDF.

Day 1: Fairy-tale Bavaria

Take an early train to Füssen for Neuschwanstein Castle, with your timed tour booked in advance. After the castle, walk up to the bridge viewpoint if conditions allow, then have lunch in Hohenschwangau or Füssen. Return to Munich in the evening.

Day 2: History and old towns

Catch a fast train to Nuremberg and spend the morning in the old town and the Imperial Castle. In the afternoon, visit the Documentation Centre at the Rally Grounds if you want the history. If you prefer a gentler day, swap Nuremberg for Regensburg and stroll across the Stone Bridge and around the cathedral.

Day 3: Lakes and mountains

For a relaxed finish, take the S6 to Lake Starnberg and travel by boat to Berg or Possenhofen. If the weather is clear and you want a big view, go to Garmisch-Partenkirchen instead and ride up the Zugspitze. For a quick trip abroad, Salzburg is also a good last day.

The 10 places at a glance

1. Neuschwanstein Castle

How to get there: Train from Munich Hauptbahnhof to Füssen, often with one change, then a local bus to Hohenschwangau.
How long to spend: A full day, with the tour itself fairly short but the walk up and the queue adding time.
Best time to go: Spring and autumn, or weekday mornings in summer. Winter can be atmospheric but check conditions on the paths.
Tip: Book your timed tour first, then build the rest of the day around it.
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2. Salzburg

How to get there: Regional or direct train from Munich Hauptbahnhof to Salzburg Hauptbahnhof, about an hour and a half to two hours.
How long to spend: A full day. An early train gives you time for the fortress, old town and gardens.
Best time to go: Late spring to autumn for the gardens, or December for the Christmas markets.
Tip: Bring your passport or ID in case of border checks, and check whether your ticket is valid on the exact train.
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3. Nuremberg

How to get there: Fast train from Munich Hauptbahnhof to Nuremberg Hauptbahnhof, about an hour to an hour and a half.
How long to spend: A full day.
Best time to go: Spring to autumn, or late November and December for the Christmas market.
Tip: Walk the old town and castle in the morning, and leave the Rally Grounds for the afternoon or a later visit.
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4. Regensburg

How to get there: Regional train from Munich Hauptbahnhof to Regensburg Hauptbahnhof, usually about an hour and a half to two hours.
How long to spend: Four to six hours.
Best time to go: Spring to autumn, when beer gardens and riverside terraces are open.
Tip: The old town is a short walk from the station, so you can see the main sights without any local transport.
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5. Garmisch-Partenkirchen and the Zugspitze

How to get there: Regional train from Munich Hauptbahnhof to Garmisch-Partenkirchen, then the cog railway to Eibsee and the cable car to the summit.
How long to spend: A full day, with extra time if you walk around Eibsee.
Best time to go: Clear summer and early autumn days. Check conditions before you leave.
Tip: Buses and the cable car get crowded around midday, so aim to start early and to be back down before the late afternoon rush.
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6. Dachau Memorial Site

How to get there: S2 from Munich Hauptbahnhof to Dachau, then bus 726 to KZ-Gedenkstätte.
How long to spend: Half a day.
Best time to go: Weekday mornings are usually quieter. Check opening days before you go.
Tip: A Munich public transport day ticket can cover the train and bus, so check the zone before you buy.
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7. Lake Starnberg

How to get there: S6 from Munich to Starnberg, then a boat or walk along the shore.
How long to spend: Half a day to a full day.
Best time to go: Late spring to early autumn, when boats are running and the water is warm enough to swim.
Tip: Plan a one-way boat trip and return by S-Bahn from another lakeside station, and check the timetable before you set out.
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8. Herrenchiemsee

How to get there: Train from Munich to Prien am Chiemsee, then walk or take the steam train to the harbour and the ferry to Herreninsel.
How long to spend: A full day.
Best time to go: Late spring to early autumn, when the ferries and steam train run most often.
Tip: Take an early ferry to avoid midday tour groups.
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9. Augsburg

How to get there: Regional train from Munich Hauptbahnhof to Augsburg Hauptbahnhof, then walk or take a tram into the old town.
How long to spend: Four to six hours.
Best time to go: Spring to autumn, for walking the canals and enjoying a beer garden.
Tip: Take whichever direct train leaves first, and check that your ticket is valid on it.
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10. Königssee and Berchtesgaden

How to get there: Train from Munich to Berchtesgaden via Freilassing, then a bus to Königssee and a boat on the lake.
How long to spend: A full day, or a night in Berchtesgaden if you want to avoid rushing.
Best time to go: Summer and early autumn. Check boat operation in winter.
Tip: Check the last boat back and the last train from Berchtesgaden, as this is the day trip with the least slack in the schedule.
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Getting around from Munich

Munich Hauptbahnhof is the hub for every trip in this guide. Regional trains, long-distance trains and the S-Bahn all leave from or near the station, and the DB Navigator app shows timetables and tickets. The Bayern-Ticket covers regional trains, S-Bahn and many buses within Bavaria, and on some cross-border regional routes such as Salzburg, but it does not cover long-distance trains. Check the rules for your exact route.

For Dachau and Lake Starnberg, a Munich public transport ticket may cover the whole trip, so check the zones. Some trips, such as the Zugspitze and Königssee, involve separate tickets for cable cars, cog railways or boats. Driving is possible, but parking at popular spots such as Eibsee and Neuschwanstein fills up fast in summer, and trains are usually the easier option.

Opening times, prices and transport change often, so check with each venue or operator before you go. For the full guide, photos and FAQs, see https://toptravelinsider.com/top-10-best-day-trips-from-munich/.