

Principality of Liechtenstein

Multifaceted adventure paradise at the heart of Europe

The 300-year-old Principality is nestled in the Alps between Switzerland and Austria. With a total surface area of 160 km², it is the sixth smallest country in the world and has a population of about 39,000. The head of state is Prince Hans-Adam II. With its restaurants, museums, festivals and natural diversity in the valley and mountain regions, it has much to offer families, gourmets, those interested in culture and those seeking relaxation. The Principality is easy to reach from Zurich, Innsbruck or Milan airports.



View of Vaduz Castle from the Princely Winery, Liechtenstein



Vaduz – Liechtenstein's cultural treasure chamber

In Liechtenstein's capital Vaduz, you will find impressive historical and contemporary architecture, art, museums, shopping opportunities and many sights within a few hundred metres. Along the cultural promenade, six outstanding museums present international art and traditional culture in close proximity.

- The <u>Liechtenstein Kunstmuseum</u> for modern and contemporary art exhibits works from the state art collection on two floors. Arte Povera and Post-Minimal Art form focal points in terms of content.
- The Kunstmuseum is augmented by the <u>Hilti Art Foundation</u>, which presents outstanding works of classical modern and contemporary art.
 - <u>Liechtenstein LandesMuseum</u>, which is located only a few steps away, provides an artistic contrast and showcases the archaeology, history, culture and natural history of the Principality.
 - The <u>Liechtenstein Postal Museum</u> presents the history of Liechtenstein philately and shows all Liechtenstein postage stamps created since 1912.
- Directly opposite is the <u>Liechtenstein Treasure Chamber</u>. In a permanent exhibition, it shows the treasures of the Princely Collections, such as the Princely Coronet and the "Apple Blossom Egg" by Fabergé.
- The sixth museum in the collection is the <u>Kunstraum Engländerbau</u>. The exhibition space, run by the Liechtenstein Cultural Foundation, presents exhibitions and installations by regional artists on an area of around 400m².

Between the museums, 28 works of art by world-famous sculptors adorn the town along the <u>Sculpture Park</u>. Inter alia, Nag Arnoldi's "Grande Cavallo", Henry Moore's "Figure in a Shelter" or Fernando Botero's "Reclining Woman" can be seen. A wonderful way to experience this cultural diversity of Vaduz is the <u>City Train tour</u>. The tour takes you through historic Old Vaduz, past vineyards and the beautiful countryside around Vaduz. The <u>Princely Theatre</u>, a 20-minute virtual tour gives an insight into life behind the walls of Vaduz Castle.

Malbun – natural paradise in an idyllic setting

It takes 20 minutes to get from the cultural centre of Vaduz to the mountain village of Malbun at an altitude of 1,600 metres above sea level. It is the highest village in the Principality and is an idyllic outdoor and family paradise. Over 400 kilometres of well-maintained hiking trails, family-oriented experiences and alpine huts invite you to enjoy summer adventures in the mountains. A unique experience is the eagle hike with falconer Norman Vögeli and his golden eagle Taiga, during which you will be able to witness the flying skills of the queen of the skies. The Swing Trail, which opened in 2021, invites you to take a "swinging" hike along a series of 10 swings and offers wonderful views across the valley and the adjacent mountain meadows again and again. In the winter, the mountain village is transformed into an idyllic winter paradise. Ski pistes, cross-country ski trails, snow yoga and animal tracking offer a varied programme of activities for young and old alike.

Liechtenstein Trail and Route 66 - hiking across an entire country in just a few days

If you want to hike across the entire country in a few days or discover it by e-bike, you should put the <u>Liechtenstein Trail</u> on your bucket list. This connects all eleven municipalities in the country over a distance of 46 miles. It leads along picturesque vineyards, through nature reserves, to quaint village centres, past idyllic farm shops and sites that are steeped in history. The associated free <u>Listory App</u> makes the history and culture of Liechtenstein vivid and tangible at 147 points along the trail. Depending on your fitness level and mode of transport, an entire country can be hiked across or experienced in two to five one-day stages. A luggage transport service ensures that hikers and bikers can enjoy Liechtenstein's beautiful attractions completely unencumbered. Those who wish to go a little higher shouldn't miss <u>Route 66</u>. The 38 miles panorama trail, signposted with the sign 66, leads from Malbun in the south to Ruggell in the north, across the entire



Principality. A path like something out of a picture book: wild, pristine, over peaks and paths carved into the rock and always with wonderful views.

Princely delights on the plate and in the glass

Gourmets get a good deal in Liechtenstein too - relative to its population of 39,000, Liechtenstein probably has the highest density of gourmet restaurants of any country in the world, with five Gault Millau restaurants. The culinary spectrum within the Principality ranges from exquisite gourmet dishes to traditional meals in "rustic taverns" and alpine huts. Typical specialities are "Käsknöpfle" pasta with sour cheese and apple purée as well as "Ribel" (cornmeal). Wine aficionados are also well catered for in Liechtenstein. Over 2000 years ago, the Romans introduced the first vines into the country. Today, over 100 part-time winegrowers and six full-time winegrowers produce their fine wines. The best known is the Princely Winery under the direction of cellar master Sebastian Gunsch. Over the centuries, the effects of the foehn wind on the southern slopes of the mountains and the long-standing experience of the local winemakers have made excellent wines possible - from Chardonnay to Pinot Noir and Riesling. Further culinary delights include the country's own beer, Liechtenstein gin and a variety of fine distillates.

Further information: www.tourismus.li



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