

Augsburg

Augsburg is a lovely city of about 300,000 people in the German *Bundesland* (Federal State) of Bavaria (German: *Bayern*).

Get in

Augsburg is most easily reached via **bus** or **private transfer** from Munich Airport (German: *München Flughafen*). <http://www.munich-airport.de/en/consumer/index.jsp>

- **Bus**

A few times during the day Lufthansa offers a bus service from the Munich Airport to Augsburg's main train station (which is near the city center). This trip last about an hour and cost about 15 Euro for a one-way ticket.

- **Private Transport**

A private transfer service (like Supershuttle in the U.S.) is also a good alternative. Costs are about 25 Euro per person per way. The main advantage is they pick you up at the time you want and drop you off in the Augsburg area where you want. Examples: <http://www.bavaria-schoenegger.de/>

- **Train**

If you arrive in Munich at the airport then you will need to take the S-Bahn S1 or S8 to the *Hauptbahnhof* (main train station), an almost 45 minute ride, before you can catch a train bound for Augsburg. At least once per hour a *Regional Bahn* train leaves from Munich's *Hauptbahnhof* (Main Train Station) towards Augsburg. The ride last about **forty-five to fifty** minutes. Plan at least two hours in total from Munich Airport to Augsburg (as you can see taking a bus or private transfer will be much faster). The best bet is to purchase a *Bayern-Ticket* (Bavaria Ticket) from one of the ticket machines located in the train station. A *Bayern-Ticket* allows one (along with up to four other friends) to travel within Bavaria using all **regional trains** (no InterCity Express) and city transportations (for example, trams, buses, etc.) from the time of purchase until 3AM the following day. The *Bayern-Ticket* costs 27 Euro when purchased from the ticket machines and 29 Euro when bought from the counter.

Get around

Augsburg has a small but efficient transportation system with four main streetcar (German: *Straßenbahn*) lines and several bus lines which cover the whole urban and suburban areas. These lines run Monday through Sunday from around 5AM until 11:30

p.m. On Saturday and Sunday evenings a "Night Bus" runs from 12PM-3AM making limited stops along all Augsburg stations.

If you purchase a *Bayern-Ticket* (Bavaria Ticket) then you will be covered during your stay in Augsburg and will not be required to purchase additional tickets for using the Augsburg transportation system. However, if you did not purchase a *Bayern-Ticket* then you **must** purchase a ticket (1 Euro) and stamp it **each** time you enter a streetcar or bus. Riding without a ticket (German: *schwarzfahren*, "black driving") will get you a 40 Euro fee and a visit with the police.

Eat

If its local flavor and cheap liters you are hunting, Bine's is the best bet. Take the #3 tram toward Inniger Stasse and get off at the Schertlin Strasse stop. take a left and its about a block up on the left. you can also take the #41 bus from Konigsplatz to the Prinz-Karl stop. Bine's is great and the people who own and operate it are friendly to Americans.

Get out

- **Dachau**
- **Munich**
- **Ulm**

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