

Brandberg Community Interesting facts about the Mayrhofen-Hippach Holiday Region

Geographical location

The holiday village of Brandberg extends from 800 to 1,350 m above sea level and can be found on the south-facing slope of Zillergrund, a tributary valley of the Upper Zillertal, through which the Ziller River flows. The municipal area encompasses almost the entire Zillergrund Valley and extends to the border with South Tyrol (Italy). The main village of the same name lies around 200 m above the Ziller River, while the rest of the settlement is characterised by several farms and hamlets. Thanks to its south-facing position, the municipality enjoys all-day sunshine.

The highest farms are at around 1300 m above sea level. The community's local mountain, the Brandberger Kolm, towers magnificently over the village.

The following sub-districts also belong to the municipality

- Pignellen
- Steglach
- Dorf
- Windhag
- Emberg
- Stein
- Ahornach
- Gruben
- Ritzl-Pötzmann
- Nößlrain-Klaushof
- Häusling
- Au
- Bärenbad

Brandberg borders on the following neighbouring communities

- Mayrhofen (Schwaz district)
- Ramsau (Schwaz district)
- Hainzenberg (Schwaz district)
- Gerlos (Schwaz district)
- Krimml (Zell am See / Salzburg district)
- Prettau (South Tyrol)

Agriculture and tourism form the main sources of income in the community of Brandberg. The generation of electricity (Zillergründl hydro-electric power station) also plays a significant role. The tributary valleys of Zillergründl are mainly used for seasonal alpine farming. Two mountain refuge huts, Kolmhaus 1845 m and Plauener hut 2373 m, are located within the municipality.

Getting there

Car: Via the Inntalautobahn A12 (Inn Valley Motorway) until the exit for Zillertal, then 30

km along the Zillertaler Bundesstrasse B169

Rail: Travel to Jenbach (inter-city station) then take the Zillertalbahn train or bus

service for the remaining 35km to Mayrhofen and change from there to the

regular bus service to Brandberg.

Plane: Munich Airport / Franz-Josef-Strauß – 190 km

Salzburg Airport / Max-Glan - 175 km

Innsbruck Airport - 75 km





Places of interest

- Parish Church of the Holy Cross: built in 1787 by the famous Tyrolean master builder, Andrä Hueber.
- Brandberg Chapel of Mary: completed in 1849.
- Maria Schnee- Our Lady of the Snows Chapel in Häusling Zillergründ: Neo-Gothic church, built in 1857.
- Schrofen Mill at Mühlbach
- Mitterstall Barn and Cultural.(Land).Scape World Nature Park exhibition
- "Hanserhof" Historic Farm
- Themed trails such as the Cultural Landscape Trail, the "Bergmähderweg" (Alpine Pasture Trail) and Nature Park "Flurnamen" Trail
- Beautiful mountain huts such as the Kolmhaus, Plauenerhütte, Hohenaualm and many more.
- Excursions to the Zillergrund Reservoir (regular bus service in summer)

Infrastructure

- Sports & children's playground
- Guesthouses

Great food

The range of culinary delights extends from snack bars and rustic alpine huts, to traditional inns.

Zillertal cuisine has its own inimitable flair, with traditional recipes handed down the generations: strange sounding but delicious tasting dishes such as Graukassuppe, Schlichtanudeln, Zillertaler Krapfen and Zerggl, simply melt on the tongue. Many inns and taverns still serve traditional Zillertal fare made to original recipes, such as "farmer's roast, cheese and spinach noodles, dairyman's omelette, roasted liver, potato pan, bacon dumpling soup, filled pasta served with browned butter and butter milk pancakes".

SUMMER

Hiking in the Mayrhofen-Hippach holiday region.

Over 532 km of marked hiking trails, Zillertal Alps Nature Park summer programme, "Die Ewigen Jagdgründe" climbing and bouldering area in Ginzling, Adlerweg (Eagle Walk) variant Zillertal, Berliner Höhenweg tour, Peter Habeler Route, Alpine Crossing, reservoirs: Stillup, Zillergrund, Schlegeis; two mountain ascent options with state-of-the-art cable cars directly from the village, mounts Ahorn and Penken, large selection of hiking options.

Outdoor, adventures & more

Summer skiing on the Hintertux Glacier, rafting, flying fox, abseiling station, giant swing, canyoning, tubing, paragliding, hang-gliding, kayaking, paintball, mini-golf, tennis, squash, hunting, fishing, swimming, archery, geocaching, mountain bike, e-bike & racing bike tours, guided mountain & bike tours, run and walk park, easy trail, bouldering, via ferrata & climbing courses and much more.





WINTER

Mountain adventures

Zillertal Superskipass (use of all lifts in the Zillertal Valley including the Hintertux Glacier). Free ski buses throughout the entire Zillertal Valley! 2 cable car systems in the immediate vicinity Penken: at 1,800 m and Ahorn: at 1,955 m; a total of 60 lifts and 142 km of slopes, the Horbergbahn lift in Schwendau (at 1,645 m) and Möslbahn lift at Schwendberg (at 1,915 m), 9 ski and 8 snowboard schools throughout the region.

Away from the slopes:

There is also plenty of opportunity to indulge in winter adventures of a special kind away from the regular slopes.

- 11 cross country ski trails with a total length of 35 km, 98 km winter hiking trails
- 4 natural toboggan runs, and the longest floodlit toboggan run in Zillertal (7.5 km)
- Ice skating and curling at the artificial ice rink
- Horse-drawn sleigh rides
- Snowshoe hiking, snow tubing, ice climbing
- Guided ski tours
- Swimming and sauna at Erlebnisbad Mayrhofen leisure pool and much more.

Further information can be found under: www.mayrhofen.at/presse/

