Amenities

Rooms

- 103 beds in 28 rooms
- 2 single rooms of which 1 with shower/toilet
- 6 two-bed rooms of which 4 with shower/toilet
- 4 three-bed rooms of which 1 with shower/toilet
- 10 four-bed rooms of which 1 with shower/toilet
- 1 five-bed room
- 4 six-bed rooms
- 1 eight-bed room
- 8 rooms for group leaders
- 4 recreation rooms

Amenities for groups

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Conference equipment: CD player, digital camera, DVD player, flip chart, internet access (WLAN), overhead projector, projector, screen, stereo system, TV set.

Arriving by train/bus/metro

The nearest station is Balingen. From there, you can take bus number 17, which stops right at the hostel.
You can count on us!

For 100 years, youth hostels have embodied values that make life richer. Hostels are for all those who go through life open-mindedly, who want to experience togetherness and who actively approach others, who are courageous, even adventurous at times. Because young people don’t need a corset if they’ve got a backbone of their own. The only time they twist and bend is for sports or with laughter. They are people who live a life worth living, worth envying, and they make more of it.

Location & Directions

The hostel is situated 10 km southern of Balingen in the Hülenbuch Nature Reserve, on the highest point between Weilstetten and Tieringen below Lochenstein mountain.

Enjoy your meal

The greater the variety, the more yummy it is. We are happy to satisfy individual guest wishes. According to prior agreement, we are prepared to adjust to vegetarian and religious conditioned food and offer special meals for sportsmen and seminar attendees.

For day trips we are happy to provide you with a lunch package and a hot dinner in the evening. For reasons of environmental protection, we kindly ask you to bring a appropriate lunch box for the packed lunch.

Leisure activities

Barefoot trail, tartan track with floodlights at the youth hostel, bathing lakes, “Bad-Kap” fun pool, sauna & spa in Albstadt, swimming pool, bowling/billiards, tennis court, sports ground Tieringen (5 km), ice rink, Albaquarium.

Hiking – nothing but nature

- Lochenstein (964 m) (about 20 minutes)
- Wenzelstein (951 m) (1 hour)
- Schafberg, split rocks (999.8 m) (1.5 hours)
- Steinernes Meer (“sea of stones”) – Hörnle – Schlichemquelle (source of the Schlichem) (2–3 hours round trip)
- Schinderluke, Hörnle (956 m) Schlichemquelle (2–3 hours)
- Schafberg (996 m) – Plettenberg (1002 m) (3 hours)
- Worthwhile circular walk across the wide plateau of Plettenberg mountain (3.5–4 hours)

Lots to experience

- Balingen (9 km)
- Fossil Museum Dotternhausen (15 km)
- Schömberger Reservoir (12 km)
- Hohenzollern Castle near Hechingen (20 km)
- Black Forest (50 km)
- Hohenzollern Castle & the Danube Valley in Sigmaringen
- Lichtenstein Castle, caves of Bärenhöhle & Nebelhöhle (summer toboggan run) (50 km)
- Bodensee (lake dwellings, SeaLife, “Monkey Mountain”) (60 km)

Portrait

Welcome to the Jurassic Park of the Swabian Alb region. Where can you directly experience different epochs and phenomena of geological history that’s been in progress for some 200 million years? Maybe at the cinema. But definitely here in the Swabian Alb region. The White Jura of the Lochenstein mountain shines out brightly. The Swabian Alb landscape looks really spectacular here. The right place to really enjoy pure nature. The Schafberg-Lochenstein Nature Reserve is just a few metres away. Come on, explorers!