

A family weekend in Dornbirn in the summer

The summer in Dornbirn has a great deal to offer – the possibilities are almost unlimited, especially for families.

The summery **Saturday morning** begins with a substantial **breakfast** in the city centre, along with a brief tour of the popular Dornbirn **weekly market** with its regional and international specialities. Then you can take the whole family up to the valley station of the **Karren cable car**. Here, there's a simple hiking trail to the mountain station, which is 976 metres high. On the way up, you can look for the legendary "**Karren treasure**" for some puzzle fun and great entertainment for your little ones (the treasure maps are available for € 3 each at the valley station). Once you have reached the top, you can enjoy a marvellous **panorama view** of the Rhine valley, Lake Constance and the Swiss mountains, and can use the glazed Karren bridge for a family photo with a wonderful backdrop. A cosy lunch on the large sun terrace of the panorama restaurant will quickly evaporate the effort of the climb and the commotion of the treasure hunt. Re-invigorated, you can take the Karren cable car back to the starting point in less than five minutes.

In the afternoon, it's time to pack your bathing things – time to go to **Waldbad Enz**. Located in the shade at the cool mountain water of the Dornbirner Ach, the idyllic outdoor swimming pool complex has a lot of bathing fun to offer for young and old! Whether you like to swim, dive, play or relax, every visitor to the Waldbad Enz will find the right pool to suit them. Experience pools with slides, massage benches, a 50-metre sports pool and diving tower, not to mention children's pools and a play area to complete the offer.

The best way to end such an adventurous day is with a fine **evening meal** in one of the **excellent bars and restaurants** and a short **walk** through Dornbirn's city centre.

And on **Sunday** too, Dornbirn awaits its guests once more with a varied range of activities. In the morning, there is an opportunity to hike from Ebnit into the **Rappenloch** and **Alploch gorges**. These are some of the largest gorges in Central Europe – adventurous footbridges take you past the most extraordinary rock formations. It takes around one hour from the starting point in Gütle to reach the first gorge, then you hike past the Staufensee and through the Alpenloch gorge until you reach Ebitner Straße. A perfect day trip destination for families.

The afternoon is a little more peaceful but no less fun: At **minigolf**, the kids can compete against the adults and show off how great their aim is. The Petit minigolf course embedded in a beautiful green landscape is the perfect day out for children and adults. 18 different, newly renovated holes and the comfortable guest garden with terrace bar invite you to spend some time there.

If you still haven't had enough action, your needs will be well taken care of in the **Spielfabrik** play centre or at the **Highmatrausch** trampoline park.

You can end the weekend nicely with a relaxed evening meal together.

Useful links:

<https://www.karren.at/>

<https://www.waldbadenz.at/>

<https://www.rappenloch.at/>

<https://www.petit-barbara.at/minigolf>

<https://www.spielfabrik.at/>

<https://www.highmatrausch.at/>