

Allgäu®

# Scheidegg's waterfalls



SCHEIDEGGER  
WASSERFÄLLE

Feel  
the power  
of water



## IMPRESSIVE NATURAL SPECTACLE WITH INTERESTING GEOLOGY

The Scheidegg waterfalls, the gateway to the mighty Rohrach gorge, which is cut into the rock at depths of up to 200 metres, are one of the 100 most beautiful geotopes in Bavaria. Here, the Rickenbach's water plummets down over two enormous stone steps in an ear-splitting roar. Located close to one another, the two 22-metre and 18-metre-high waterfalls were formed due to the alternating layers of hard nagelfluh rock and soft marl rock.



Photography: Thomas Krüger

In combination with the roughly 170 hectare **Rohrach gorge nature conservation area**, they form a highly dynamic habitat that is one of the region's most precious natural treasures. Visitors can either marvel at the two waterfalls as an impressive panorama from a viewing point or descend over 200 steps to the individual falls to admire them up close.

## EXCITING ADVENTURES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

By incorporating digital content, the unique **geo adventure trail** enables you to actively experience geological processes that took place many millions of years ago. This digital content can bring fossils to life, for example, or let you enjoy a virtual dip in the Riedbach

The Rohrach gorge's **species-rich flora** can be experienced in various beds and planted areas. The gorge plants that have been cultivated include orchids, Turk's cap lilies, ferns, grasses and various tall perennials. The small herb garden, the cottage garden and the rock garden with alpine plants are also well worth a look. Children can look forward to the **fairy tale trail**, which lets them in on the secrets of the mountain forest and its animal and plant








Photography: Scheidegg Tourism/Beate Krüger

inhabitants with an audio track. The **water playground** invites them to build dams, ride on a water carousel or have fun splashing around in the water.

# PARK MAP

- 1 Arrival area
- 2 Event area
- 3 Cottage garden
- 4 Useful plants
- 5 Orchid garden
- 6 Natural Kneipp pools
- 7 Rock garden
- 8 Hydraulic ram
- 9 Water turbine
- 10 Net loungers
- 11 Water wheel
- 12 Ear trumpet
- 13 Place of tranquillity

-  Fairy tale forest stations
-  Entrance to geo adventure trail/geo models
-  Classroom
-  Baumeister stream
-  Hard rock – nagelfluh
-  Soft rock – marl
-  Geo memory
-  Researcher's cabin



## A JOURNEY IN TIME THROUGH THE EARTH'S HISTORY

The geo adventure trail, which is unique throughout Germany in this form, is really something special. It not only explains how Scheidegg's waterfalls came into being, but also enables you to actively experience geological processes that took place many millions of years ago. All of this is made possible by the use of augmented reality. In this process, special technology is used to superimpose digital content onto the real-life environment when you look through the camera on your smartphone or tablet. At seven interactive stations dotted along the circular trail around the small waterfall, this offers you various ways to find out more about the earth's history, such as why there are waterfalls here and how they formed.

## HAVE FUN ON YOUR ADVENTURE!



Our mascot **Steiny** accompanies you along the geo adventure trail. Steiny gives you hints about the adventures awaiting you at the individual stations and explains how you can experience more than what you can see with just your eyes. The augmented reality part of the trail is used by downloading the "Scheidegger Geopfad" app: this enables you to experience long-forgotten times at the "classroom", for instance. At the "Baumeister stream", you can take a virtual dip in the Riedbach and can see how it carved its path thousands of years ago. Spectacular prehistoric animals are brought to life at the "soft rock – marl" station – from a prehistoric elephant with four tusks to a gigantic shark. At the "researcher's cabin", you finally become an explorer yourself.

You can download the app right away by scanning this QR code.



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## THE FAIRY TALE TRAIL THROUGH THE MOUNTAIN FOREST

Our mascot “Ludwig the alpine salamander” takes children by the hand along the fairy tale trail. He guides them through the mountain forest and lets them in on the secrets of this enchanted habitat. Youngsters can also look forward to an exciting audio track: “Three treasures in the forest” is the name of the fairy tale that a grandfather tells his granddaughter. Carved fairy tale figures, wooden forest animals and a play tower complete with a princess and a slide await the little explorers along the trail. Adults are additionally provided with interesting information about the mountain forest and its inhabitants at three interactive stations.

Illustration: J. Brandstetter



### THE “THREE TREASURES IN THE FOREST” AUDIO TRACK

Whoever has a smartphone with them can scan in a QR code at three stations and download part of the story at each one.

You will then have heard the whole fairy tale when you reach the end of the trail. Alternatively, you can also scan in the QR code shown here.



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A JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY IN NATURE

Let the members of "Naturfreunde Scheidegg e.V." (Scheidegg Friends of Nature Association) guide you around Scheidegg's waterfalls and find out lots of interesting information about animals and their protection. Under expert guidance, you will learn all about the characteristics and distinctive features of native bird species. You will find out which feed mixtures are suitable for supporting our wild birds. The association produces a wide variety of nest boxes and feeders itself. Some of them can be seen at the Scheidegg waterfall site and will be pointed out during the guided tours. On site, the association takes care of an area with 16 tit boxes and also enables the birds to obtain suitable feed.



Photography: Thomas Walter

The association's members look after a total of one bat territory, 11 feeding territories and 16 breeding territories offering more than 250 tit boxes. They are supported in this by Donath, a family-run company from Weingarten in Upper Swabia.

OUR SUGGESTED TOURS

Why not combine your visit to Scheidegg's waterfalls with an exhilarating hiking or cycling tour?

**Scheidegg circular hiking trail**

Impressive viewing points, adventurous tourist destinations and historic chapels await you on the roughly 16-km-long hiking route.

**Cycling tour around Scheidegg**

This e-bike tour takes you past numerous Scheidegg highlights – from Scheidegg's waterfalls and the "skywalk allgäu" treetop trail to various historic chapels.

Leiblach  
Tours  
1 | 2 | 31

WESTALLGÄUER  
WASSERWEGE

**West Allgäu waterways**

The Scheidegg waterfalls are a good starting point for numerous hikes around the West Allgäu waterways:

**Tour 1** takes you along tranquil routes to the Hasenreuter waterfall. Like the Scheidegg waterfalls, the Rickenbach plummets down into the depths there over a step consisting of hard nagelfluh rock. The "Waldsee" lake, which is situated amidst a moor landscape near Lindenberg, is the destination of **tour 2**. Breath-taking panoramic views of Scheidegg and the mountains can be enjoyed time and again on the way there. On reaching the "Waldsee", bathing in the dark moor water is possible in the summer. **Tour 31** is particularly demanding: this one-day tour runs partly along the river Leiblach on the border and takes you into neighbouring Austria. Secluded riverbanks, shady gorge forests, roaring waterfalls and views far across the Alpine foothills and Lake Constance await hikers.

## ADMISSION PRICES

	Standard	Discounted*
Adults	€4.50	€3.00
Children aged 5 to 13	€3.00	€1.50
Groups of 10 persons and over:		
Adults	€3.00	-
Children aged 5 to 13	€1.50	-

\* Discounted price with the "Allgäu-Walser Card" and "Echt Bodensee Card".

Free admission with the "VIELcard" and the "Bodensee Card Plus". Both cards are available in the Scheidegg Tourism office.

## OPENING HOURS

The waterfalls are open daily from **9 a.m. to 7 p.m.** from April to October in good weather. They are closed in poor weather, snow and icy conditions.

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The logo for Scheidegg features the name 'Scheidegg' in a blue, cursive script font. A red circular graphic element is positioned behind the 'g'. Below the name, the word 'SCHEFFAU' is written in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font.

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