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Christiane is excited

The Zeppelin Museum Friedrichshafen 47°39'3" N 9°28'59" E

The Zeppelin Museum Friedrichshafen is unique in Germany. It houses the world's largest collection on aviation. In addition, it is the only museum in Germany which combines technology and art.



Milind and Mohine like the Maybach

**Old advertisement in
the Zeppelin
Museum**



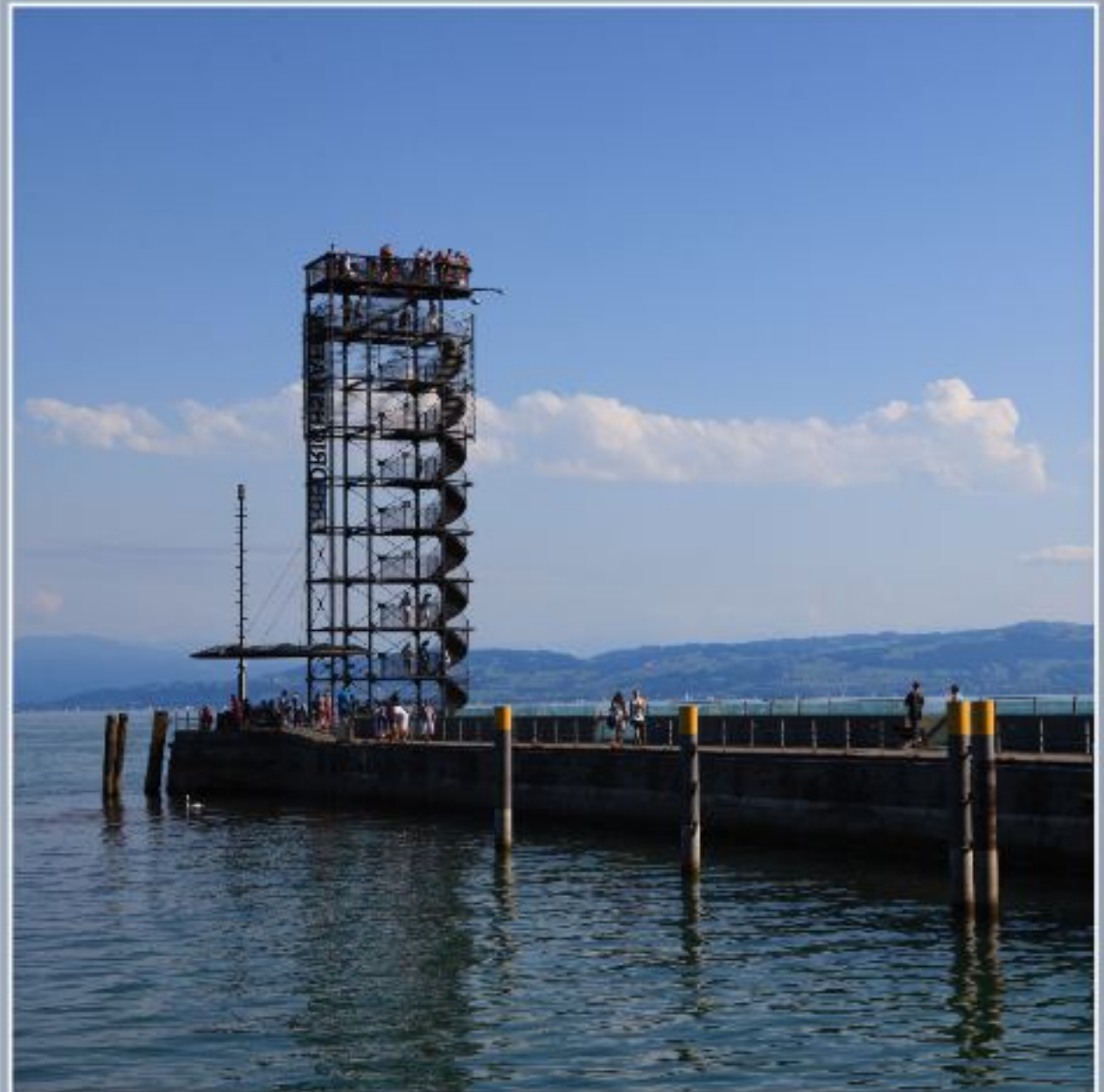
The Zeppelin Museum Cinema.



Two hours later, back in the sun.



At the harbour in Friedrichshafen.





**On top
of the harbour tower.**





Lake Constance shuttle

Harbour dock



Daggi test rides her bicycle.



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Ram likes his bike.



Mohini is pleased.

**Hotel Foehr,
the bikers hotel in Friedrichshafen.**



Last preparations, before we start.





Daggi and Christiane exchange tips to ride the bike professionally.



On the cycle route to Bregenz, Austria.

Milind leads the group - for a few meters.





**First stop in Langenargen.
47°35'58" N 9°32'8" E**

Hans ist really hot.





**Ram in front of a
Zeppelin.**



Hurray a break!





What a man!

Langenargen from the top.



A Zeppelin passing by.



Ferries



Castle Montfort at Langenargen

47°35'47" N 9°32'22" E

The Counts of Montfort were a German noble dynasty. They held the lordships of Feldkirch, Tettnang and Bregenz and had territorial impact in Upper Swabia and Voralberg.





Birds on the roof top.

Bronze statue "Dammglonker"
Artist: Roland Martin
Port of Langenargen



"Herr" Dammglonker



**Large dockside crane (about 1900)
Port of Langenargen**

Several "Dammglonkers".









The whole bike gang.

Maypole in Langenargen



Waiting for a train to come.





Quickly seated on the bicycle.



**Lindau island with the old city.
47°32'39" N 9°41'6" E**

First mentioned by monks in 882 A.D. Remains of an early Roman settlement dating back to the 1st century. Lindau is located near the meeting point of the Austrian, German and Swiss borders. It nestles on the lake under Pfänder mountain.



**The famous harbour
entrance of Lindau
with lighthouse and
Bavarian Lion
sculpture.**



**The reverse side of the
old town hall of Lindau.**





A leisurely walk through the town.





The old town of Lindau.





Mangen Tower





Floating stage of the Bregenz Festival - 47°30'19" N 9°44'17" E

The Bregenz Festival is a performing arts festival which is held every July and August in Bregenz, Austria.

Public swimming pool.



Mohini is climbing stairs.



Milind and Hans posing.





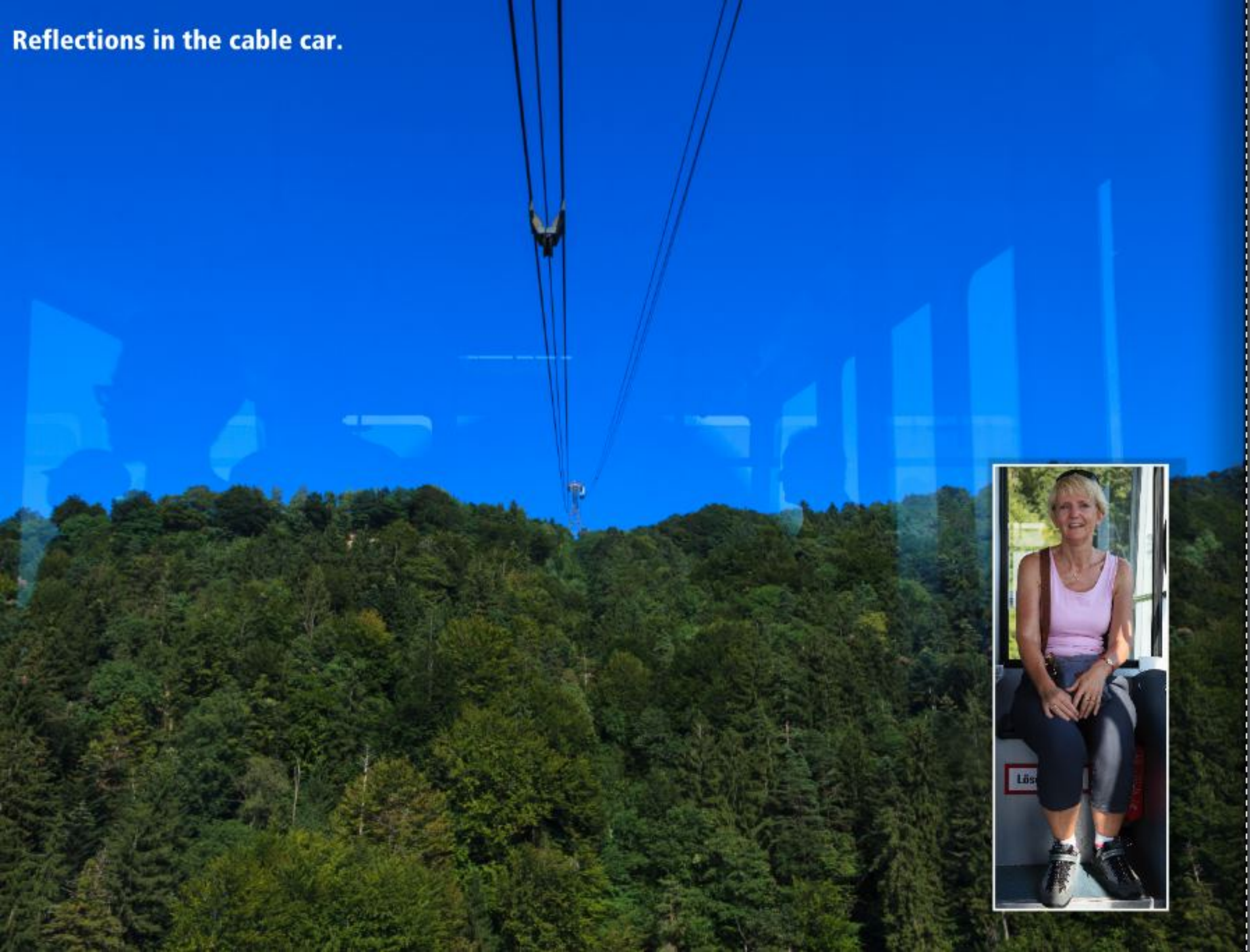
In a cable car to Pfänder Mountain.

47°30'21" N 9°46'45" E

The Pfänder is a mountain in western Austria close to Lake Constance. The view from the summit reaches from the Allgäu and Lech valley Alps in the east, over to the Bregenz Forest, the steep mountain peaks of Arlberg region, Silvretta and the Rätikon to the Swiss mountains and the foothills of the Black Forest in the west.



Reflections in the cable car.





Relaxing in the shade on top of the Pfänder mountain.



A lovely couple.



Refreshments for everyone.



Austrian telecom tower.



Restaurant Pfänderspitzze.
47°30'27" N 9°46'48" E



How refreshing.



Daggi and her ice-cream.





**Hotel Bregenz,
Gasthof Lamm,
Austria
47°30'10" N
9°43'40" E**

**Dornbirner Ach bridge,
close to the River Rhein Delta.
47°29'20" N 9°40'30" E**



**Early morning warm-up
workout.**

Roofed wooden bridge.



View to Lake Constance.





Rheinroad, Hard, Austria.
47°28'42" N 9°40'30" E

Heading to Switzerland.



Joyride in the Nature Reserve Rheindelta, Vorarlberg, Austria
47°29'39" N 9°38'17" E





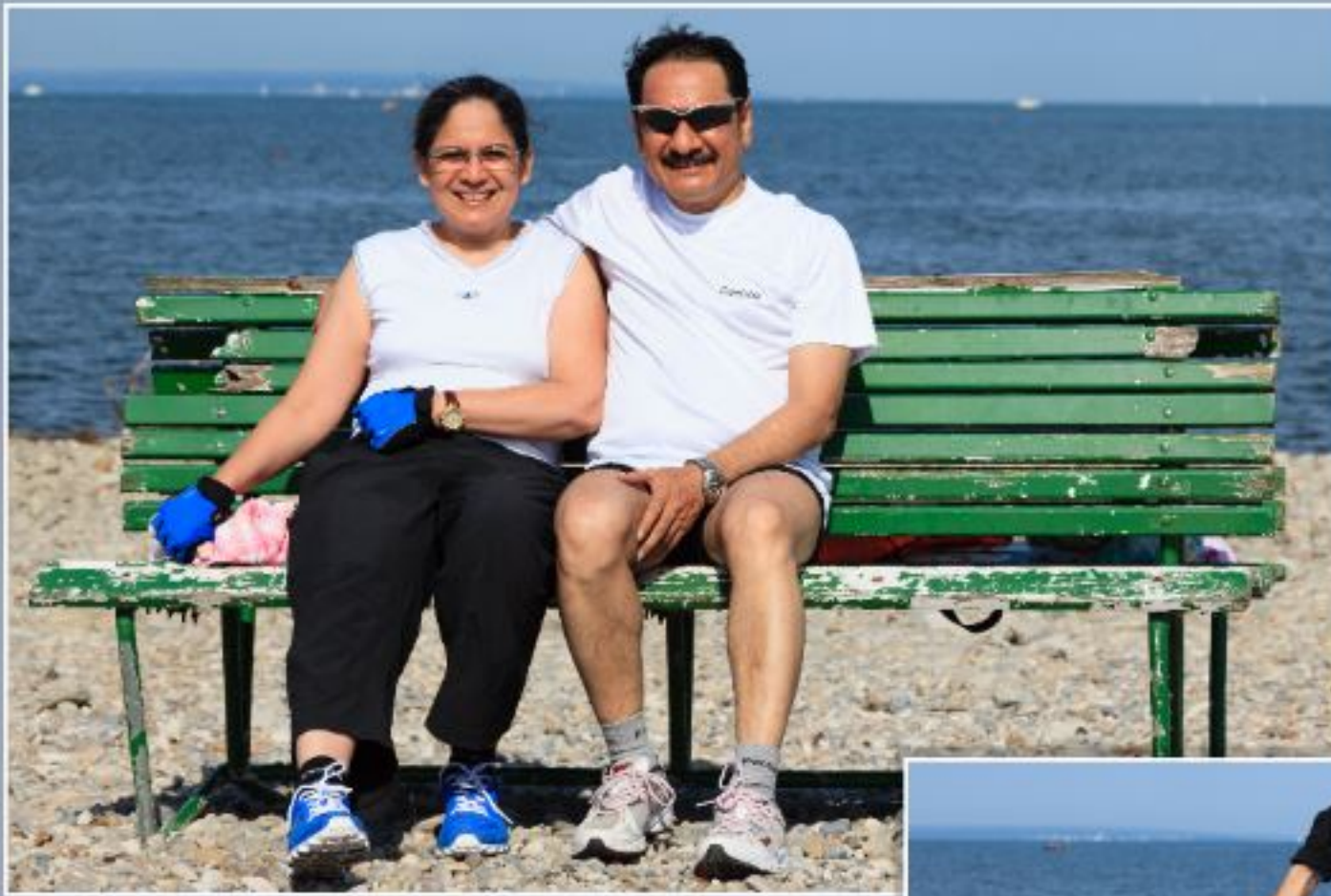


Rohrspitz Yachting Salzmann, Austria
47°29'51" N 9°37'49" E





**Rohrspitz Yachting
Salzmann, Austria**



Holiday couples.





**Christiane
becomes a
burden for
Hans.**



Nature Reserve Rheindelta, Austria - 47°29'50" N 9°37'48" E

2000 Hectares in size. Here grow about 600 different plants and live over 300 different bird species.





**We cross the border between Austria and Switzerland.
47°27'50" N 9°35'41" E**

**Altenrhein
Thal, Sankt Gallen, Switzerland.
The Boundary is in the middle of the old river
Rhein.**





Marina Rheinau, Switzerland.





Sue - a shadow in the wall.





**A good meal at the
Restaurant Seehof,
Osci's Seemannsstube.
47°29'35" N 9°28'12" E**





Exemplary parked bikes.



Intensive discussions.



Behind railway barriers.



Arbon, Canton of Thurgau

47°30'60" N 9°26'6" E

Arbon is situated on a peninsula on the southwest shore of Lake Constance between Romanshorn and Rorschach. The shores of Lake Constance near Arbon have been inhabited since the Stone Age. The castle of Arbon in its present form was built in 1515 by Bishop Hugo von Hohenlandenberg. The tower is older and dates to 993.







O Herr,
so gib uns
Petri-Heil
und jag die Fisch
ins Netz hinein.

gehört der mehr dazu
das Kitzbühner schüler
tun es auch hier
das ist der allerbeste

Fish Market square in Arbon with fountain.



A good refreshing swim in the Lake Constance.



Look at those wet butts..





A very good dinner at the hotel.

**Hotel & Restaurant Seegarten,
Arbon, Switzerland
47°31'17" N 9°25'17" E**





Romanshorn, Seapark

47°34'3" N 9°23'5" E

Romanshorn was probably settled in the 7th Century, and is first mentioned in 779. Romanshorn has a population of 10.200, 27% of the population are foreign nationals.



Pedaling to Kreuzlingen.





**A life without shopping
is no life.**



A rest on a world war II bunker.





Daggi

Sue and Mohini along the swiss railway track.





**Milind and Ram
can ride a bike
one handed.**

**Time to enjoy
an ice-cream.**



**Daggi and Hans
are interested in sleeping in hay
with a bottle of wine.**



**Bernina, Steckborn, swiss
sewing machines factory.
47°39'46" N 8°58'36" E**



Let's do a test with the tandem bike.

**A real green house in
Eschenz, Switzerland.
47°38'45" N 8°52'48" E**



Stein am Rhein, Canton of Schaffhausen, Switzerland.

47°39'34" N 8°51'34" E

Stein am Rhein has a well-preserved medieval town centre, retaining the ancient street plan. Many of the medieval buildings are painted with beautiful frescoes.



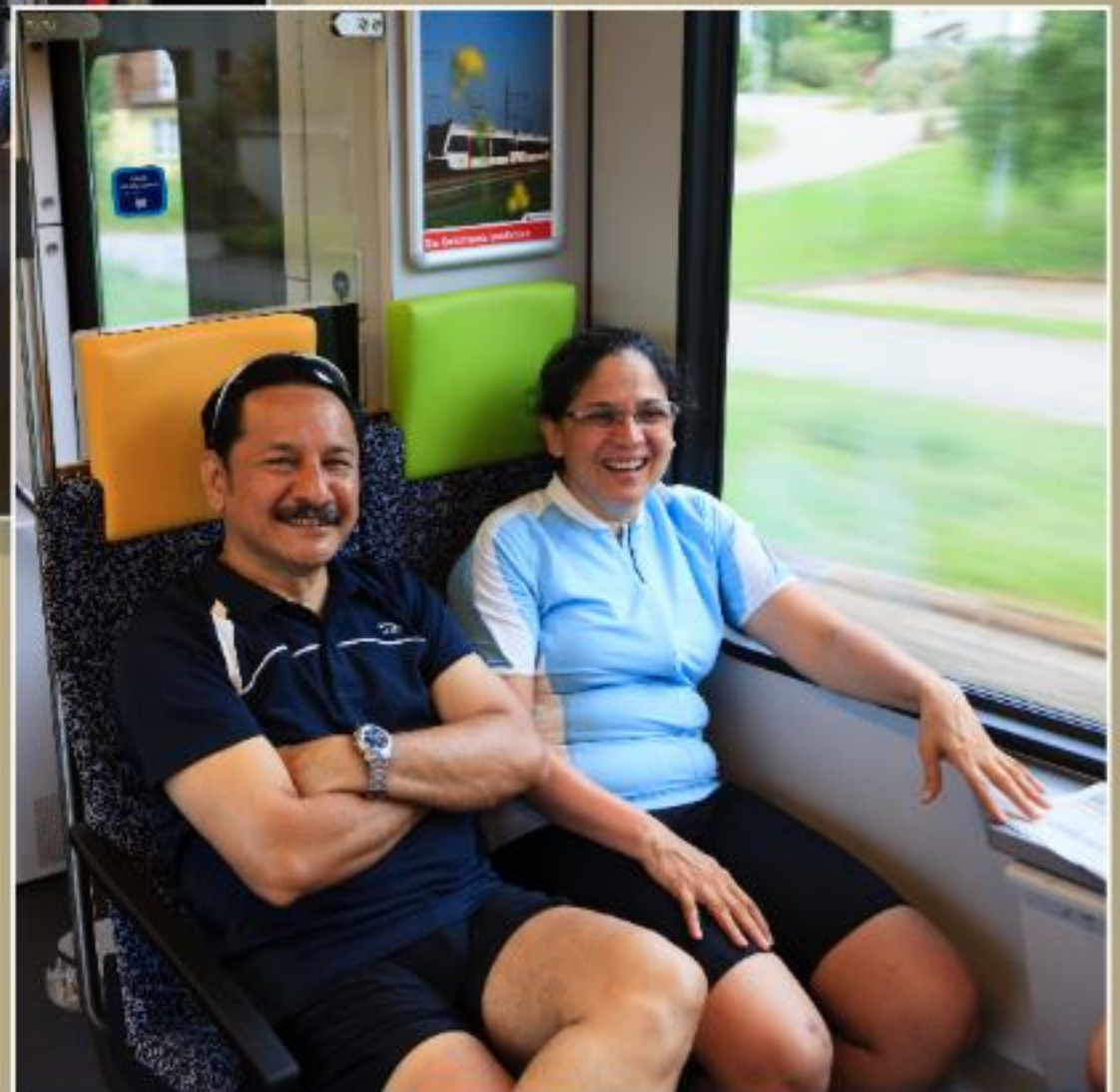
The cycling group enjoys the medieval town.





Market place
and town hall,
Stein am Rhein.







Bike riding in a train is real fun.





Steckborn

STOP

BioMarkt
Marktplatz, Steckborn, 8400
www.biomarkt.ch



Hans found new friends in Konstanz.



A very steep hill to climb.





Hotel Volapük, Konstanz-Lützelstetten
47°42'34" N 9°10'17" E





**The entrance of Mainau Island.
The rain can not stop us.**





Mainau Island.

47°42'5" N 9°11'5" E

Count Lennart Bernadotte transformed the overgrown park into the flower and plant paradise of Mainau Island. The first evidence of settlement on Mainau Island can be traced back to 3,000 years before Christ.





Plants and flowers everywhere.





**Mohini, Sue and Reiner
with a sitting peacock.**



Wonderful botanical treasures!



**The group on top of the
Italian Floral-Water Staircase.**

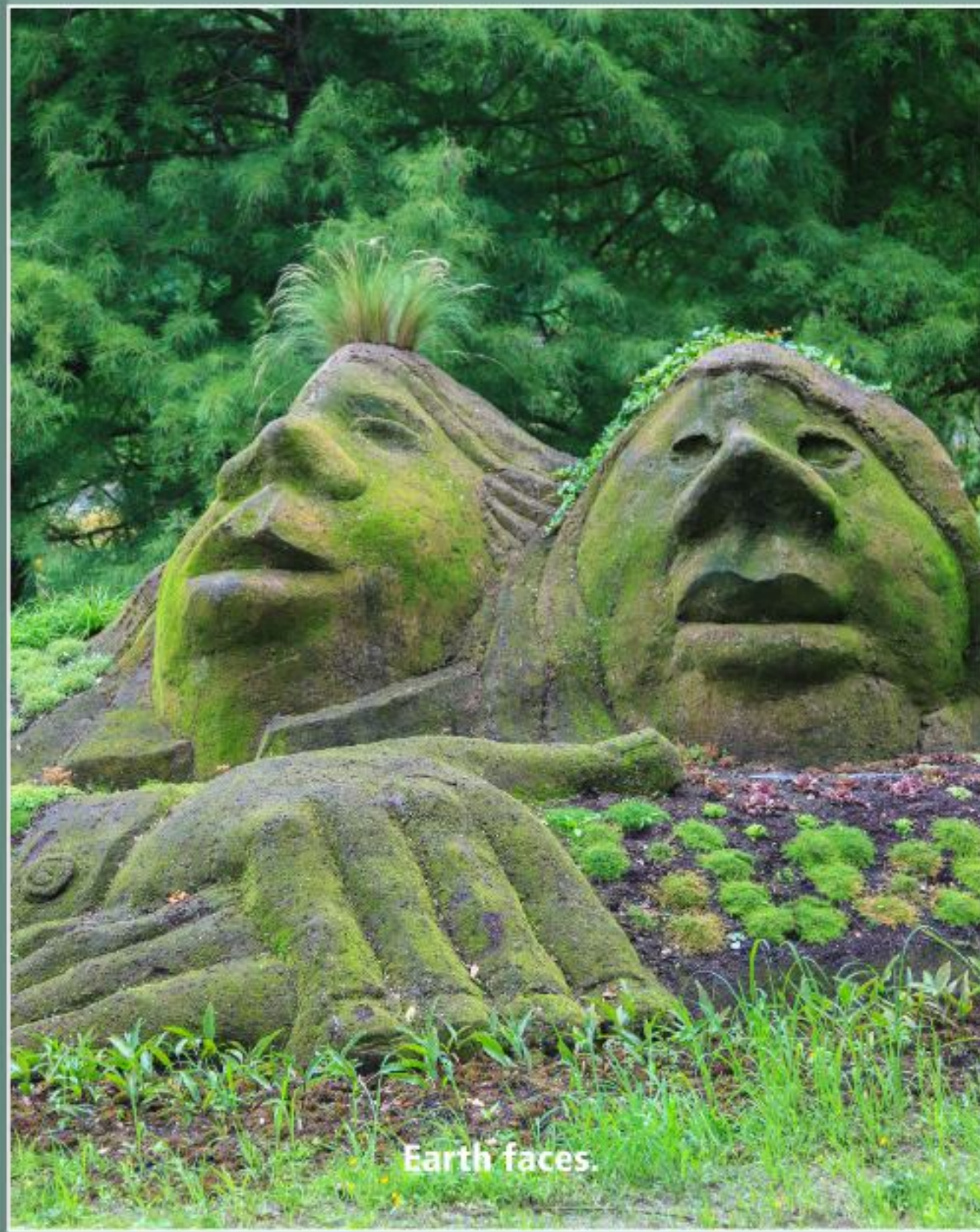


The Castle of the Teutonic Order.





**Italian
Floral-Water
Staircase.**



Earth faces.

Lake Constance ferry to Überlingen.



It has started to rain.



Überlingen

47°45'58" N 9°9'32" E

Überlingen is a city on the northern shore of Lake Constance. It is the second largest city in the district.

**Lake Constance equestrian, Überlingen.
Fountain by Peter Lenk.**





**We have now become
accustomed to the rain.**





Basilika Birnau.





Restaurant Birnauer Oberhof.

Stork nest.



School of Salem Castle

47°46'33" N 9°16'30" E

The School of Salem Castle is a boarding school with campuses in Hohenfels, Salem and Überlingen. It is considered one of the most elite schools in Germany and Europe.

Notable alumni

Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh - Queen Sofía of Spain - Princess Irene of Greece and Denmark - Begum Inaara Aga Khan - Berthold Maria Schenk Graf von Stauffenberg - Golo Mann - Elisabeth Noelle-Neumann - Ferdinand, Prince of Bismarck - Rudolf August Oetker - ...



Hauptausschank der Markgr. Bad. Kellerei

**Hotel Schwanen,
Salem.**



Das ehemalige Zisterzienserkloster Salem, 1134 gegründet, gehört zu den bedeutendsten Kulturdenkmälern Süddeutschlands. Seit 1802 im Besitz des Hauses Baden ist es heute Schloss und Weingut des Markgrafen von Baden. 1920 gründete Prinz Max von Baden zusammen mit dem Reformpädagogen Kurt Hahn die Schule Schloss Salem. Seit 2006 beherbergt Schloss Salem das Kulturamt des Bodenseekreises.

Ein vielfältiges Besucherprogramm lässt Salems spannende Geschichte lebendig werden.

2009 wurde Schloss Salem vom Land Baden-Württemberg erworben und gehört nun zu den Staatlichen Schlössern und Gärten Baden-Württemberg.



Schloßanlage
Eingang



Castle of Salem.



Margraviate of Baden

47°46'40" N 9°16'46" E

The Margraviate of Baden was a historical territory of the Holy Roman Empire. Spread along the east side of the Upper Rhine River in southwestern Germany. It was named a margraviate in 1112. The Margraves of Baden own 135 hectares of vine area in Baden. The wines are produced in Schloss Salem at Lake Constance and at Schloss Staufenberg in Ortenau at the River Rhine.





Wine tasting at Salem.









**Statue of
Prince Wilhelm of Baden.**





Sue and the bike fleet at Salem.



Everyone enjoys the weather.







Stilt House Museum of Unteruhldingen

47°43'31" N 9°13'43" E

The museum consists of a number of exhibits displaying archeological finds from the area and period. The archaeological open air museum is laid out over a large area with reconstructions of lake pile dwellings from 4000 BC to 850 BC. The museum was opened in 1922 with various reconstructions being added up until the present day.



Ram and Milind exploring the museum.





1000 v. Chr.: Das bronzezeitliche Dorf

5. Im Haus des Töpfers



Text: Die Töpferwerkstatt war ein zentraler Bestandteil des Dorfes. Hier wurden die irdenen Gefäße, die für den täglichen Gebrauch und für rituelle Zwecke benötigt wurden, hergestellt. Die Töpfer verwendeten Ton, den sie aus der Umgebung gruben, und formten ihn zu verschiedenen Formen wie Töpfen, Schalen und Krügen. Die Gefäße wurden in einem speziellen Ofen gebrannt, um sie haltbar zu machen.



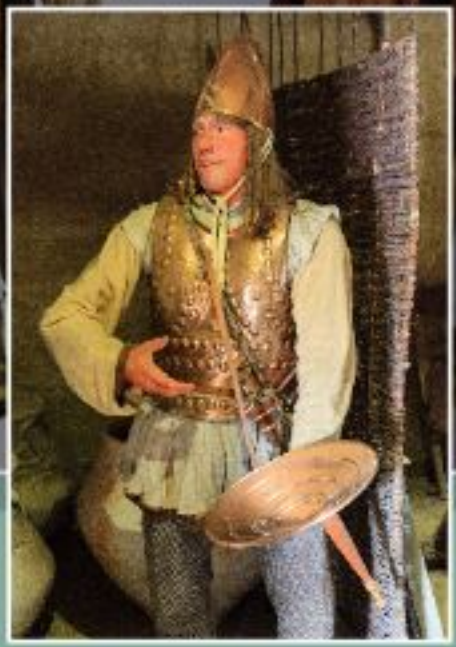
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Ram in the Bronze Age Village.







On the walk through six villages on stilts Sue, Milind and Ram learnt about life 5,500 and 3,000 years ago.



Ferry at Meersburg.





Lake Constance - 47°41'44" N 9°15'52" E

Lake Constance, which is sited at the tripoint of Germany/Austria/Switzerland near the Alps, is the third largest lake in Central Europe. The freshwater lake sits at 395 m above sea level and is measuring 64 km in length and 14 km at it widest point. The Lake was formed by the Rhine Glacier during the ice age.



Heading to Friedrichshafen.



We made it! About 250 Km on the bike.
Back at the Hotel Föhr in Friedrichshafen.







The final day in Friedrichshafen.







At the Basilika Birnau.



Groß Vater,
Dir sei Dank gebracht,
Du hast den See
so schön gemacht,
inmitten Deiner Schöpfung
Du bist der Herr
der ganze
der sie erschuf
und
Dir sei Lob
Preis



Fortress Hohentwiel

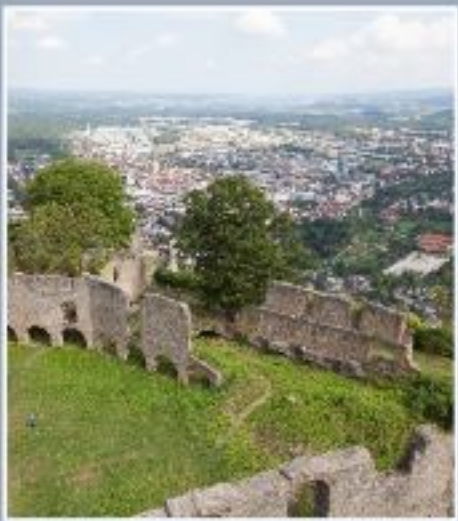
47°45'52" N 8°49'7" E

The fortress, whose ruins lie on top of Hohentwiel (686 m), was constructed in 914 using stone taken from the mountain itself. Originally, the Monastery of St. Georg was contained within the fortress. Later the fortress served as a prison and was destroyed in 1800. Today the former fortress Hohentwiel is the biggest castle ruin of Germany.









View to the city of Hohentwiel and Lake Constance.





Reiner in front of the ruins of the fortress of Hohentwiel.









Meersburg, Germany
47°41'38" N 9°16'16" E

Meersburg is famous for its charming medieval city. The lower and upper town are reserved for pedestrians only and connected by two stairways and a steep street. The town is home to the Old Castle (built in 630) and the New Castle (1710).





Das Neue Schloss Meersburg

Ein Kulturdenkmal des Landes Baden-Württemberg

Das Neue Schloss Meersburg gehört zu den bedeutendsten Kulturdenkmälern der Bodensee-Region.

In diesem Schloss residierten bis 1802 die Fürstbischöfe von Konstanz, die ihren Regierungssitz ab 1526 von Konstanz in die „Alte Meersburg“ verlegt hatten. Im Laufe des 18. Jahrhunderts bauten sie ihre mittelalterliche Residenz in barockem Stil aus. Der Benediktiner Baumeister Christoph Gessinger (um 1690–1732), Balthasar Neumann (1687–1755), der berühmte Architekt der Familie Schönborn, und Franz Anton Bagnato (1751–1810) gaben dem Schloss seine heutige Form.

Die Freskenausstattung übernahmen in den 1740er Jahren der Augsburger Gottfried Bernhard Götz (1708–1774), in den 1760er Jahren Andreas Brugger (1737–1812) und Giuseppe Appiani (um 1705–1786). Bemerkenswert originelle Stuckaturen, insbesondere in den Staatsappartements der Bel étage, fertigte Carlo Luca Pozzi (1734–1812) und seine Werkstatt. Erster Bewohner der fürstbischöflichen Residenz war Fürstbischof und Kardinal Franz Conrad von Rodt (reg. 1750–1775). Carl Theodor von Dalberg (reg. 1800–1802) residierte hier als letzter konstanzer Fürstbischof.

Im Zuge der Säkularisation gelangte das Schloss an die späteren Großherzöge von Baden, die den Bau ab 1865 für die Unterbringung einer Taubstummenanstalt räumen ließen.

Das Neue Schloss Meersburg, seit 1955 im Eigentum des Landes Baden-Württemberg, konnte 2012 umstrukturiert, modernisiert und einschließlich eines neu eingerichteten Schlossmuseums in der Bel étage wieder an die Öffentlichkeit übergeben werden.

Schlossterrasse und Cafe ↗

← Haupteingang Schlossmuseum





**Annette von Droste-Huelshoff.
Famous Writer (1797-1848)**

Mohini and her new boy friend.



**Sue, Reiner and Mohini
at the New Castle, Meersburg.**







Rhine Falls Schaffhausen

47°40'46" N 8°36'53" E

The Rhine Falls is the largest plain waterfall in Europe. The falls are located near the town of Schaffhausen in northern Switzerland. The Rhine Falls were formed in the last ice age, approximately 14,000 to 17,000 years ago, by erosion-resistant rocks narrowing the riverbed.



**In front of the Rhinefalls, near Schaffhausen,
Switzerland.**







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