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Holiday with your dog

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1) Dogs are warmly welcomed in Carinthia!

Please observe the following guidelines to ensure that you feel comfortable with your four-legged friend.

Transport checklist

- Do you have a valid pet passport with you, depending on the holiday country with rabies vaccination and rabies antibody test?
- Is the dog used to travelling in the car?
- Can you avoid heat and traffic jams during the car journey?
- Have you planned a break every 2-3 hours?
- Have you provided enough food for the first few days?
- Is the dog secured in the car with a transport box, seat belts or nets?

Tip: Your dog will feel more comfortable in unfamiliar surroundings if it has its own blanket.

Never leave your pet alone in the car!

A build-up of heat can endanger your pet's life in a short time.

Travel regulations

For travel to non-EU countries, special regulations apply for each country. Check with the relevant embassy before travelling.

Within the EU, please note the following:

- Only healthy animals may be transported.
- Dog and cat puppies must be at least eight weeks old before traveling.
- Pet passport with valid rabies vaccination for dogs, cats and ferrets from the age of 3 months.
- Identification (chip)
- Some EU member states require additional regulations on parasite treatments.

Holiday destination in Austria Please enquire at the competent district administrative authority or municipal office about regulations regarding dog licenses, leashes and muzzle requirements.

You can find more information at:

<https://www.sozialministerium.at/Themen/Gesundheit/Tiergesundheit/Tierschutz/Heimtiere/Mit-Hund-auf-Reisen.html>

https://www.oesterreich.gv.at/themen/freizeit_und_strassenverkehr/haustiere/Seite.742050.html#ZustaendigeStellen

2) Swimming with your dog

In general, swimming in public bodies of water is prohibited according to the water regulatory authority. However, there are some exceptions that are however subject to withdrawal.

Lake Wörthersee - Rosental

Dogs are not allowed to swim at the public bathing beaches on Lake Wörthersee.

Some hotels have a rule at their own beach that dogs are allowed on the beach and in the water early in the morning and in the evening.

The Saissersee is located above Velden at 593 m above sea level. The surrounding dark moor soils colour the water slightly brownish. The shores are largely natural. Dogs are allowed to cool off and play in the lake at Saissersee.

The Forstsee is located in the Techelsberg municipal area on Lake Wörth between Pörtschach and Velden. The idyllically situated Forstsee is not built up. It is available to bathers in its entirety for unadulterated bathing pleasure.

A car park is available for motor vehicles.

A parking fee is charged for the use of the car park.

Forstsee - Tel.: +43 4272 6211 or 2248

On the southern shore of Lake Wörthersee near the village of Schiefeling is the **Trattnigteich**. This is also an artificial body of water with bathing facilities. As with the Forstsee, the shores are natural and surrounded by forest. Dogs are allowed to swim here in certain areas.

Lake Keutschach:

- Strandcamping Süd - dogs are welcome, but no bathing facilities. Swimming in the nearby bay is open to the public!
- Next to Strandcamping Süd is a dog corner, here dogs are allowed in the water free of charge.
- FKK-Großcamping Sabotnik/Kaufitschach has its own dog corner,
- Camping Brückler Nord at Keutschachersee offers dogs free of charge! In addition, there is free veterinary advice from a veterinarian (Dr. Mag. med Vet Seger Verena) veterinary practice on site. Own bathing area for the dog, dog shop for small daily necessities (treats, specialist literature, food bowls etc.) and regular events with in-house dog trainers.

Hafnersee the areas for bathing are mainly on the north shore - on the west shore is a wide shallow marsh.

Laghetto balneare a Ressnig:

Bathing pond in Ressnig:

The Ressnig bathing lake is small but nice and has its own charm and private character. The bathing lake is readily accessible both by car and by cycle along the Drava Cycle Path. You can indulge yourself in the southern Carinthian sun here and spend the day comfortably secluded from the crowded bathing beaches. - **Separate dog bathing areas**

The Freibacher Stausee is located in Zell - its crystal-clear water provides ideal living conditions for local trout. Dogs are allowed to paddle in the cool water at the Freibacher Stausee.

Klagenfurt

You can find suitable bathing spots for dogs along the Sattnitz range. There is a 'dog park' next to the Klagenfurt bathing beach.

Region Villach

Bathing areas for dogs in the Villach region

- **In Landskron near the outlet of Lake Ossiacher See**, there are several sites where visitors can swim with their dogs.
- On the **Gail River near the Gailspitz** or near the Gailauen, at the ecological restoration sites of the Gail, there are several sites where dogs can run riot in the water.
- Visitors can also let their four-legged friends swim in the **Zillerbachl in Warmbad**.

Lake Afritzer

Lake Afritz is nestled in the valley furrow in the Gegendtal in Carinthia between the Nock mountains Mirnock and Wöllaner Nock, which slope steeply down to the lake. The lake lies at 750 m above sea level with a water temperature of more than 23° in summer and belongs to the landscape conservation area of the same name.

Dogs are allowed at the **lido Afritzersee**. There is a bathing opportunity for dogs at the outlet and in the evening when there are no more bathers at the lido.

The **Tauchhammer dog paradise on Lake Afritz** has its own private pool with a sunbathing lawn for dog and master.

At Lake Afritz there is access for dogs at the **Friessner lido**.

Faaker See

In general, bathing is prohibited for dogs at Lake Faaker See.

Worounitza Sandbank: The Worounitza River constantly supplies Lake Faak with fresh water from the Karawanken. The Worounitza River is located opposite the Sandbank lido on the eastern shore of Lake Faak.

Additional bathing options for dogs: in the **Gail and Drava rivers**.

Katschberg - Lieser-Maltatal

At the numerous bodies of water, or along the Lieser and Malta cycle paths.

Lake Millstätter See - Bad Kleinkirchheim - Nockberge

On the southern bank of Lake Millstätter See, there are bathing areas for dogs here and there; these can only be reached on foot.

Nockberge

Lake Falkertsee is a high mountain lake at 1872 m above sea level in the Nockberge - Gurktaler Alps in Carinthia. The surface temperature can reach 13 °C in summer. Lake Falkertsee is suitable for dogs who like it really fresh.

Lake Maltschacher See - The small natural bathing lake Maltschacher See is located southeast of Feldkirchen in a depression south of the Glantal valley. It is about 600 metres above sea level and surrounded by flat hills. Due to its shallow water depth of around seven metres, it is one of the warmest bathing lakes in Carinthia, with temperatures of up to 27° C.

Dogs are allowed at Lake Maltschach, and there are also **separate dog bathing areas**:

- Family-Camping Sonnenresort Maltschachersee - bathing facilities for dogs.
- Sonnenresort Maltschacher See - own dog bathing section at the lake

Lake St. Urban in Feldkirchen in Carinthia is located in the landscape conservation area of the same name. Dogs have the possibility to go into the water at the Urbansee.

The Lake Goggausee is located north of Feldkirchen in the area of the Gurktaler Alps. At the **Prodinger lido** (free admission) dogs can be taken along, there is a small bathing beach at the edge of the lido where dogs are allowed in the water.

Lake Klopeiner See - Südkärnten - Lavanttal

Bathing is unfortunately not permitted for dogs in the lakes of the region. However, there are numerous bathing beaches that allow access to dogs on leads:

- Bad Süd
- Strandbad Unterburg
- Strandbad Mori
- Strandbad Landhaus Klopein
- Strandbad Reichmann-Rosenheim Lubas

Dogs in the region are permitted to bathe in the Drava River.

Lake Turner See

Dogs are allowed in with a leash but are not allowed in the water, bathing possibilities outside the beach baths.

- Terrassencamping Turnersee Ilsehof
- Strandbad Pension Bauernhof Skof
- Strandbad Hribernig 6

The Lake Kleinsee

lies to the west of Lake Klopein. The shores are still largely in a natural state. Dogs can let off steam in the water at Kleinsee.

Lake Linsendorf was created in the course of the construction of the Annabrücke power plant on the Drau River from a former loop of the Drau River. It lies at 403 metres above sea level next to the Drau cycle path and is only slightly flowed through. Surrounded by mountains with a natural green lawn, it offers the best water quality. Dogs can swim here and cool off in the water.

The Lake Gösseldorfer See is located south-east of the Turnersee lake in the middle of the nature reserve in the market town of Eberndorf.

Swimming facilities for dogs at the campsite: <https://www.goesselsdorfersee.com/Hunde/>

The **Lake Sonnegger See** is an artificially created bathing lake in the municipality of Sittersdorf embedded in a natural landscape. There is a separate bathing area for dogs at the Sonnegger See.

Nassfeld - Lesachtal - Weissensee

Lake Pressegger See is the ninth largest lake in Carinthia and is located in the Lower Gail Valley east of Hermagor. Large natural reed beds characterise the lake. Dogs can jump into the cool water at Lake Pressegger See.

Weissensee

2/3 of the lake shore at Lake Weissensee is unobstructed. Day visitors therefore have plenty of opportunities to let their four-legged friends take a dip in the cooling water during a leisurely walk along the lake.

3) An active holiday with your dog in Carinthia

Athletic options with four-legged friends

There are many options for actively exploring the charming region of Carinthia with 'man's best friend'. This can be through the abundant hiking options, on the golf course or on a cycle outing together – in every respect, Carinthia proves to be well equipped for your exciting holiday, and your furry companion can also get his money's worth!

Golfing with your dog

If you're a keen golfer, make sure your dog-friendly holiday cottage is near a course that welcomes well-behaved canines. Just a few examples are the **Golfpark Klopeiner See** in southern Carinthia, the 9-hole Golfanlage **Klagenfurt-Seltenheim** golf course, and the **Moosburg, Velden/ Köstenberg, Bad Kleinkirchheim** and **Nassfeld** golf courses.

www.golflust.at

Cycling with your dog

Cycling is a wonderful way to discover the diverse landscape of Carinthia. The atmosphere is created not only by the unique lake setting but also the well-maintained cycle path network that leaves no wish unfulfilled. You can also discover many routes together with your dog. The **Drava Cycle Path R1** is especially lovely – and, not least, one of the best known cycle paths in the cyclist's paradise of Carinthia. It runs through impressive landscape from Sillian in East Tyrol across all of Carinthia to Lavamünd. Some sections of the route also occasionally offer the opportunity for your dog to cool off in the Drava River – perfect during the hot summer months!

The cycle tour that runs through the **Lake Keutschacher Seental (R4 A)** is especially beautiful and unspoilt. This route leads past Lakes Rauschelesee, Bassgeigensee, Keutschachersee and Hafnersee.

Here in Austria's southernmost state, not only can you enjoy a distinctive natural landscape, but you can also find bathing opportunities that provide your four-legged friend with loads of fun. Around Velden and Schiefing, dog owners can **try out the Lake Wörthersee cycle tour**. The route is far removed from the traffic on the state highway, offers a wonderful view of Lake Wörthersee and can also be mastered by those with less physical training due to the low altitude.

www.kaernten.at/rad

Hiking with your dog

Walking the Alpe-Adria Trail on four legs

The hiking route network in Austria's southernmost state is diverse – the range spans from easy hikes to challenging tours up to spectacular mountain peaks. With its 43 stages from the Grossglockner to the Adriatic Sea, the Alpe-Adria Trail offers a special experience of nature.

www.alpe-adria-trail.com

Long-distance hiking with your four-legged friend in Bad Kleinkirchheim

Long-distance hiking with your four-legged friend in Bad Kleinkirchheim – humans and animals feel completely content on a hiking route network that encompasses roughly 1000 kilometres. The first choice of these is – depending on stamina and preference – six perfectly signposted nock/art hiking routes on which art and exercise go hand in hand.

Information on the dog-friendly hotels as well as the mountain railways can be found at:

www.badkleinkirchheim.at



4) Tips for outings with your dog

There are many excursion destinations that allow you to bring your dog along everywhere with countless athletic activities for you and your pet to participate in. According to legal regulations, dogs must wear a muzzle and be guided on a lead. As long as you meet these conditions, your furry companion can ride along at no charge. There are countless points of interest that allow free access for dogs provided that they are kept on a lead.

<https://www.kaernten.at/aktivitaeten/sommer/hunde-willkommen/urlaub-mit-hund>

5) Correctly assess the behavior of grazing animals

Hikers are recommended to exercise caution when encountering grazing animals. In order to avoid potentially dangerous situations, certain guidelines should be followed and one should be aware of common behavioural patterns of grazing animals.

Details under:

<https://www.austria.info/en/things-to-do/walking-and-hiking/useful-tips-alps>

6) Tips for accommodation

You can find dog-friendly accommodations and tips at:

<https://www.visitcarinthia.at/book-dog-friendly-accommodation/accommodation>

A small selection

Region Villach	https://www.visitvillach.at
Ferienhaus Saak	https://ferienhaus-saak.at/tierisch-starker-service/
	Your dog is very welcome. And: your host Alianne is a qualified dog trainer and dog masseuse! A heart and lots and lots of space for dogs. The holiday homes in Saak are specially designed for holidays with dogs. Together you can start your walks or hikes directly from here and enjoy many other amenities.
Gasthof Laggner	www.gasthof-laggner.at

	Special features: Own restaurant area for dog owners, dogs are allowed to stay alone in the room, dogs are welcome in the courtyard and garden and much more.
Apart Hotel Legendär	www.aparthotel-legendaer.com
	Your four-legged dog stays free of charge, own dog menu, dog utensils in the room.
Ferienhotel Hollinger	www.appartement-hollinger.at
	Special features: Complete freedom of movement, swimming in the pond possible!
Erlebnis-Hotel-Appartments	www.erlebnis-hotel.at
	Welcome treats for the dog, dog package, information for dog families on having fun, romping and bathing with the dog.

Nassfeld, Lesachtal, Weissensee	https://www.nlw.at/de
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Nassfeld

Das Kleine Feriendorf Jenig	https://www.daskleineferiendorf.at/urlaub-mit-hunden.php
	In the mini village for dog lovers in Carinthia, all furry noses can be dogs naturally. You are with dog friends and whether alone or with several - all are welcome here.
Hotel Kärntnerhof	https://www.kaerntnerhof-hermagor.at/zimmer/zimmer_hunde/
	Dogs are very welcome in our hotel. On request also with board. Ideal for your best friend are the surroundings and the nature, which you can enjoy without using the car. Bathing possibilities for your four-legged friend are also given in our wonderful surroundings.

Lesachtal

Paternwirt	https://www.paternwirt.at/
hep Lodge	https://www.hepilodge.at/
Bauerhof Stemberger	https://www.bauernhof-stemberger.at/

Weissensee

The perfect combination of a mountain-lake holiday can be found in the Weissensee Nature Park. Numerous establishments have their own bathing beach, where dogs are also conditionally allowed to the and into the water.

Hotel Haus am See	https://www.haus-am-see.at/hunde
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	A separate lake beach section with a large garden and its own lake access is reserved especially for dogs with a family connection.
Haus Lackner	https://hauslackner.info/appartement/
Ferienhof Obergasser	https://www.obergasser.at/chalets/chalet-wiesenbungalow.html

Millstätter See- Bad Kleinkirchheim - Nockberge	https://www.millstaettersee.com https://www.badkleinkirchheim.at/de/ https://www.nockberge.at/de/
Millstätter See	
Hotel Bellevue	https://www.bellevue.or.at/de/informationen/hunde.html
Ferienwohnungen Eisende	https://www.ferienwohnungen-eisendle.at/
Alexanderalm	https://www.alexanderalm.at/zimmer-und-preise/
Seehaus Weiss	https://seehaus-weiss.business.site/#summary

Bad Kleinkirchheim

Hotel Eschenhof	https://www.eschenhof.at/de/k%C3%A4rnten-mit-hund/25-0.html
Hotel Prägant	https://www.hotel-praegant.at/zimmer-preise/hunde-und-haustiere.html
Nockberge Lodge	https://www.nockberge-lodge.com/de/informationen.html
Slow Travel Resort Kirchlein	https://www.kirchleitn.com/urlaub-mit-hund/

Nockberge

In the Nocky mountains, numerous hikes invite you to experience and enjoy the natural beauty with your four-legged friend. Dogs are also welcome at the mountain lifts, but don't forget a leash and muzzle! Dogs are also welcome to take a refreshing dip on the "3 Lakes Circuit" on the Turracher Höhe.

take a refreshing bath. However, dogs should always be kept on a leash in the alpine pasture area (game, cows...) on a leash.

Hotel Hochschober	https://www.hochschober.com/ihr-urlaub-mit-hund-in-kaernten/
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	In the fresh air, in the mountain nature and of course in the Hotel Hochschober, your dogs will feel extremely comfortable. For you as dog owners, the hotel offers a range of services and asks for considerate cooperation.
Almdorf Turracher Höhe	https://www.marktlalm.at/urlaub-mit-hund/
	Special features: Dogs are allowed in the restaurant, dogs are allowed to stay alone in the hut, Bathing facilities, free-range area.
Nudelbacher-Das Landhotel	https://www.nudelbacher.at/urlaub-mit-hund-kaernten.htm
	Carinthia is a true paradise for dogs. At the Hotel Nudelbacher, there are numerous amenities that can bring you great relaxation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - huge hotel garden away from traffic - hiking trail leads from the hotel to the Pollenitz, our local mountain - a healthy moor brook runs along the hotel grounds for a quick cool down - Dog salon Sammy's Dogstylestyle

Hohe Tauern - die Nationalpark Region in Kärnten

<https://www.nationalpark-hohetauern.at>

Landgut Moserhof	https://www.landgut-moserhof.at/de/landgut-chaletdorf/urlaub-mit-hund.php
	Special features: Dog basket, dog blankets, food and water bowl, dog bathing beach and much more. The spacious facility in alpine ambience offers space and freedom for relaxed togetherness.
Hotel Glocknerhof	www.glocknerhof.info https://www.nationalparklodge.at/urlaub-mit-hund/
Eggerhof	https://www.eggerhof-mallnitz.at/en/urlaubszeit/holidays-dogs

Region Mittelkärnten	https://www.kaernten-mitte.at
Ferien am Biohof Ratheiser	https://www.rabingerhof.at/
Panoramadorf Saualpe	https://www.panoramadorf-saualpe.com/index.html
Biolandhaus Arche	https://www.bioarche.at/index.html
Ferienwohnung Schrattenfeld	https://schrattenfeld.at/

Klopeinersee - Südkärnten	https://www.klopeinersee.at/
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Bio-Reiterhof Petschnighof	https://petschnighof.at/erlebnisbauernhof#hundurlaub
	Our five rustic natural wood chalets are generously fenced and offer your four-legged friend up to 1,550 square metres to run around freely.
Ferienhaus Bela	https://www.ferienhaus-bela.at/hundurlaub/
	Dogs are welcome and of course stay free of charge. There is a large garden for playing and romping.
Familien- Strandhotel Orchidee	https://orchidee.at/index.php/hunde
	As the first and only hotel directly on Lake Klopein, our family has been offering guests with dogs superlative guests with dogs a superlative holiday at extremely reasonable prices!

Wörthersee - Rosental	https://www.woerthersee.com/dc/detail/artikel-urlaub-mit-hund-am-woerthersee
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Naturhof Hojoutz	http://www.naturhof-hojoutz.at/kontakt.html
	Besides the many animals on our organic farm, we are always happy to welcome guests with dogs. The dogs are allowed to swim in the farm's own pond and play on the approx. 5 ha unfenced meadow!
Gasthof Bärenwirt	https://www.baernwirt.at
	The family's dog is also welcome, but please make arrangements to bring it into the dining room.
Hotel Schabus	https://www.hotel-schabus.at
Flair Hotel	https://flairhotel.at
	Don't miss out on that certain flair even on holiday with a dog! A dog-friendly hotel is the best prerequisite for a happy holiday with your own pet.

8) Campingplätze

Camping	https://www.camping.at/de/
Draucamping Sachsenburg	https://www.draucamping.at/de/campingplatz
Aktiv-Sport-Erlebnis-Camp	https://www.sporterlebnis.at/artikel/tiny-house-hunde-erlaubt-kinderspielplatz-molltaler-gletscher
Möll Camping	https://www.lurnfeld.gv.at/tourismus/campingplatz.html
Sonnencamp Gösselsdorfersee	https://www.goesselsdorfersee.com/Hunde/
Fishery Stefan	https://www.fishery-steffan.at/ueber-uns/faq
Camping Brückler	https://brueckler.co.at/camping/unser-campingplatz/
Camping Juritz	https://www.camping-juritz.com/de/

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