

The County of Pinneberg

Passing the "Elbtunnel" right on the lefthand side northern directory, lies the County of Pinneberg. Related to its expanse of 664 qkm? it is the smallest one of Schleswig-Holstein, even though 10 percent of the inhabitants of our federal state live here. Therefore the County Pinneberg with its 304.806 inhabitants at the same time is the biggest district of Schleswig-Holstein.

The region's length is about 35 km and is right next to Hamburg. To the east the County of Segeberg borders on, to the north the County of Steinburg and to the south - beyond the Elbe - lies the County of Stade, a district of the federal state Niedersachsen.

The most southwestern County of the northernmost federal state offers its visitors lots of features, they wouldn't get elsewhere. Such as Helgoland, Germanys one and only open sea isle, belongs to the County Pinneberg.

In the district of Pinneberg you 'll only find view of the conventional ongoing tourist events. So you can't match it with the classical tourism in other counties. It's more! So, whenever it comes up to you to leave the highway just when you passed Hamburg and move into the County of Pinneberg, you decided to go on a special expedition.

Our guests haven't to move far on, to notice the numerous tree nurseries. They made the region popular in Europe and cross-border as well. The district of Pinneberg is the world biggest coherently area of tree nursery nowadays. Occasionally it's called "The cradel of forest", though the County of Pinneberg has one of the smallest share of wood in Schleswig-Holstein. So it's thanks to the tree nurseries, that inspite of sparsely wooded, it can refer to own the most trees in the federal state. In a showcase in the Arboretum Ellerhoop-Thiensen (a place between Elmshorn and Pinneberg) the whole knowledge "around trees" is documented.

The emblem of many of the 49 communities of the County of Pinneberg shows a tree or a rose. Even the County of Pinneberg itself . The emblem shows a green fair with golden roots - a hint to the traditional tree nursery.

With 8 towns, 3 independent communes and 38 rural communes the district of Pinneberg has an urban structure.