Did You Know...?

Did you know that we carry Michigan's greatest selection of German beers? We also use numerous Michigan-made products and home-grown produce in many of our specialty items and recipes we serve daily. We continue to strive to be the number one user of Michigan products and take pride in supporting our local farmers and manufacturers.

The Bavarian Inn Restaurant has become one of the oldest eateries in the country. But today, it is more than just the family style chicken dinners that have made us famous. There are vegetarian and gluten-free items, take-out service, wedding and private party packages, dinner shows, and even off-site catering. Don’t forget that we also have the daily pretzel rolling experience, where you can be transformed into a German baker!

Willkommen
To Frankenmuth!

We’re just 10 minutes east of I-75 between Flint and Saginaw, MI. Use Birch Run exit 136 or Bridgeport exit 144A, and follow the signs to Frankenmuth.

Our Family
Proudly Serving Yours

The William “Tiny” and Dorothy Zehnder family currently has members of the second, third and fourth generation in management.

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Remember when you had Sunday dinners as a family? We still do, every day! Many families, near and far, have made our dinners their tradition when visiting Frankenmuth. The Bavarian Inn tradition started in 1888 when Theodore Fischer built the Union House on Main Street. The Fischer family operated the restaurant for three generations and created the “all you care to eat” Frankenmuth family style chicken dinners. In 1950 the Zehnder family bought the restaurant and has continued creating enjoyable experiences for you and your family to the present day!
Take The Bavarian Inn Restaurant Home With You!

After enjoying your favorite Bavarian Inn meal, head downstairs to the Castle Shops where you can find a little something for everyone as you walk along our winding cobblestone. Thousands of unique items in a charming fairy tale atmosphere have made the Castle Shops a Frankenmuth favorite for years! Take a stroll through the Doll & Toy Shop, Royal Gift Shop, Souvenirs & Cheers Shop, Wine & Beer Shop, the Candy Corner & Chocolate Shop and the Castle Shop Bakery & Take-Out.

Shop at Frankenmuth River Place Shops

Shop to your heart's desire at over 40 unique shops and attractions. Styled in Frankenmuth's European village theme, River Place Shops include Yankee Candle, women's clothing and accessories, gifts for your pets, a day spa, home décor, jewelry, toys, leather wear, fudge and other tasty goodies, as well as an arcade. For more information visit www.frankenmuthriverplace.com.

Stay & Play at the Bavarian Inn Lodge

Stay the night at the Bavarian Inn Lodge located just across the Covered Bridge. Our 360 room German themed resort offers something for all ages including 2 Water Slides, 4 Indoor Pools (one is for adults only), 3 Whirlpools, the Family Fun Center with 18 Holes of Indoor Mini-Golf and over 150 Redemption and Video Games, 2 Restaurants and the Lorelei Lounge featuring free nightly entertainment.