Accessing the Kinderwald

The Kinderwald is located in north-western Hannover, and is easily accessed by the city railway or bus.

City railway
Line 6 to the terminus at Nordhafen, and from there it is an approx. 25-minute walk down Schulburger Landstraße through the Mecklenheimer Forst.

Bus
Line 490/491 to the Hansastrasse stop, and from there it is an approx. 15-minute walk down Stelinger Straße.

Car
Take the A2 to exit 44 – Hannover/Langenhagen, and from there head onto Schulburger Landstraße, northbound, via Vahrenwalder Straße, Industrieweg and Benceckeallee. The car park is located at the Mecklenheimer Forst. From there, it is an approx. 20-minute walk through the Mecklenheimer Forst.
The Kinderwald

At the Kinderwald Hannover, it is the children and teenagers who usually call the shots. It is a place where they can make their own experiences with nature and build closer ties to nature. They come into contact with growing things. This not only refers to nature, but also to people’s attentive understanding for and with one another.

The Kinderwald provides space to grow:

- Space to develop values together
- Space for enjoyment in an urban environment
- Space for creativity
- Space for free movement
- Space for designing
- Space for involvement
- Space for responsibility
- Space for learning by experiencing nature
- Space for team experiences and personal development

(excerpt from the educational philosophy)

The Kinderwald is also a meeting place, backdrop, research project and refuge. It provides opportunities for fun, games and all kinds of forest adventures – to experience nature with all the senses as something beautiful and precious.

Children shape the future

Groups, choirs, workshops, family activities, camps and festivals – there are many ways for children, teenagers and adults as well to realise their ideas and shape a piece of their future and that of the Kinderwald. They are involved in designing and developing the grounds and services right from the outset, and chip in everywhere.

The Kinderwald’s services are primarily aimed at children and teenagers aged between 4 and 18. It allows them to gain experience in nature, ecology, art, designing, building and landscaping, and give free rein to their creativity and imagination. It is also a practical way for them to better understand their strengths and limits, and then apply these appropriately.

The Kinderwald is open to young and old at any time, even without prior notice, as a means of discovering nature ‘of one’s own accord’. Children and teenagers can, however, also join the children’s group and youth group, which meet regularly and are led by a fixed parental figure.

The workshop programme with nature workshops, nature research workshops and land workshops can be booked all year round by child day-care centres, schools and groups.

For more information, see our workshop flyer or our website at www.kinderwald.de.