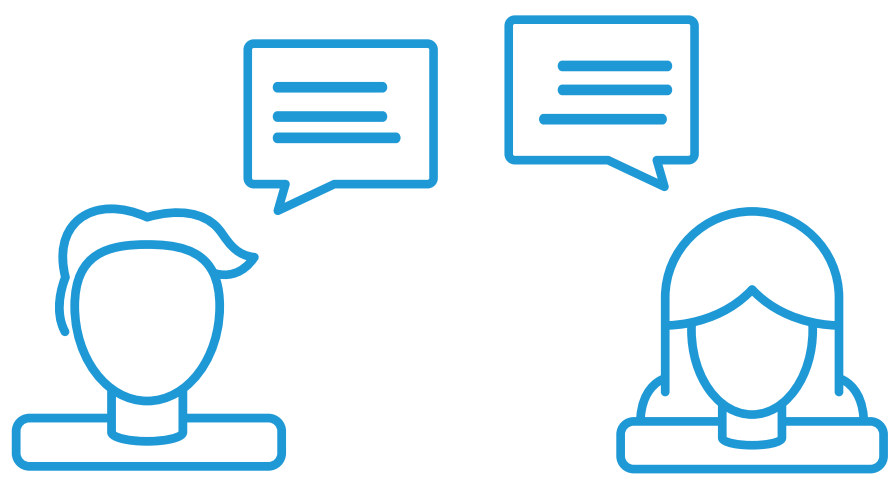




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# Bavarian Business Etiquette. From Meeting to Business Lunch.

## Useful words & phrases.



### Smalltalk

Impress your business partner with a Bavarian greeting & you will easily break the ice.

Servus [zæpʁʊs]  
Griaß di (God) [gʁi:a:s di:(gɔt)]  
Wiederschaun [vi:deʃaʊn]  
Pfiat di (God) [pfi:at di: (gɔt)]  
An Guadn [an gʊa:dn]  
Bassd scho [basst ʃɔ]  
Ja mei [ja: maɪ]

Hello, bye  
Hello  
Goodbye  
Goodbye  
Enjoy your meal!  
It's ok  
It's ok/ I cannot change it

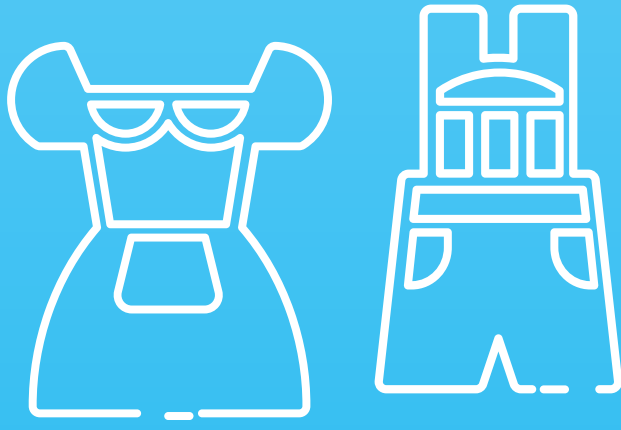
## Etiquette.



### Timing is key

Be on time – always.\* Bavarians as Germans need their punctuality – otherwise, you will be perceived as unorganized.

\*if you cannot make it, at least blame it on the public transport.



### What to wear to a meeting

We love our Dirndl and Lederhosen. During Oktoberfest-season we even wear them to the office.

Otherwise smart casual is the way to go at the office – start-ups tend to be just casual.

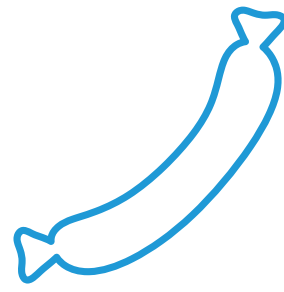


### Gifts for business partners

Bring a typical gift from your hometown to your business meeting - within the compliance regulations.

It does not have to be something big, Bavarians like to keep it simple.

## Lunch dishes (and problems they might cause).



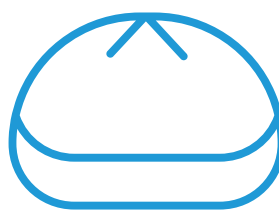
### Sausage

Franconian sausages with sauerkraut – Don't ever eat them with ketchup!



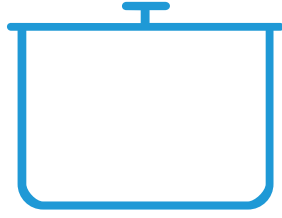
### Brezn

Brezn with Obazda: The delicious cheese-snack is typical for beergardens – but beware of the onions!



### Leberkasemmel

Leberkasemmel – despite translating as “liver cheese” it has nothing to do with either liver or cheese.



### Maultaschen

Swabian ravioli (Maultaschen) soup: Their origins are said to be in the Middle Ages.



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### Sources