



The new city district **Nordhaide** was developed on the so-called "Panzerwiese", a former military training area at Munich's northern edge, which as a primary limestone grassland is unique in Europe and of extraordinary ecological value.



New City District and Panzerwiese

The new development complements the existing quarters, gives the entire district a distinctive urban impulse, and terminates with a clearly defined border toward the grassland. The arrangement of the buildings in rows brings the landscape deep into the development and creates visual relationships. The primarily

three-story construction with the seven-story high points takes up the varying building heights of the surroundings and divides the structures very naturally. A great part of the 2,200 residential units for 5,500 inhabitants are publicly subsidized rental apartments and condominiums.



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The grassland landscape is the central element of the green space concept with its meadow areas, playgrounds, and residential gardens. The „Anger“ which provide local infrastructure and the "Diagonale" create a differentiated succession of public spaces. There are numerous squares of varying design and infrastructure facilities that promote neighborly communal life across all generations. Architecturally prominent individual structures set accents. Above the subway line, a special green trail runs diagonally through the residential development – the **Diagonale**. Along the curved promenade, six miniature parks offer an extensive array of options for play and relaxation. The Dominikuszentrum and the MIRA shopping center mark its end points.

The **Student Housing Complex** with 550 apartments offers exceptional quality in communal living. The design in the red color of the Tunic flower is charming and pleasing. The complex was awarded the BDA Builder Prize 2006 and the prize of the City of Munich for good residential construction in 2005.



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Aspects of **Gender Mainstreaming** were already included in the planning process. The car-free infrastructure band along the Diagonale and the complementary system of paths give residents options for carrying out their daily errands by way of short and safe routes. The public space promotes identification and ensures a vitality that conveys a feeling of security. This is also confirmed by residents in the film documentation "The Nordhaide – Life in a New District", which was produced in 2009 on behalf of the City.



The colorfully designed **MIRA** shopping center serves the district's residents with large and small stores and restaurants. With the help of innovative building technology it was possible to reduce the total energy consumption. The German Sustainable Building Council accordingly recognized the building with its gold certificate in 2009.



The expansive front of the **Primary School** marks the eastern boundary of the district. Two courtyards model the three-story structure and divide the school-house into units commensurate in scale to a child's experience.



The **Dominikuszentrum** (Church Center) forms the spiritual and cultural center of the district. In addition to a chapel, the introverted complex houses various social facilities that are accessed from the central interior courtyard.

The lively **Nordhaideplatz** is located directly at the subway station. A special draw is a fountain designed by the artist Alexander Laner. The moving fountain runs through a shallow basin and invites children to play.



With its open and inviting design, the **Dominikusplatz** presents itself as a meeting place. A grove of plane trees offers shade and invites people to rest on the benches below. The adjacent social facilities bring vitality to the area.



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