

History of the Parkhotel Igls

1905

Originally the right section was built in 1905 and the left part in 1908, as the sanatorium section. Igls was made an official climatic health resort in the time of Kaiser Franz Joseph. A catalogue from the years 1918 until 1930 confirmed this impressive house as being a high quality, physical and dietary sanatorium. Among other things, the following was written:

"The Hotel-Sanatorium Igls is not a clinical institution for the critically ill, but a bourgeois family hotel with doctors, treatments, baths and special dietary cuisine."



In 1945

In 1945, the time of the 'Great Empire', the hotel housed evacuees from South Tyrol, becoming a rest home for 'mother and child.' Until 1955 not only were French occupying forces accommodated in the years after the war, but also the homeless. What was previously a high-class sanatorium became a temporary facility with only breakfast after the liberation.



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1959

In 1959, Hertha Balzar and her husband, Dr. Egon Balzar, took over running the house. They intended to reconfigure the hotel, in order to make it a sanatorium once again, but the sudden death of Dr. Balzar hindered plans. Systematic construction of the old facilities (without central heating or baths) created a category A hotel with 90 beds, individually arranged rooms and apartments, an indoor swimming pool on the roof, tennis court and restaurants, as well as an expansive park.



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1993

In the beginning of the 90's, Mrs. Balzar's nephew, Dr. Stephan Beck, took over the Parkhotel with the vision of his aunt – to build a sanatorium. He founded the 'Kurzentrum Parkhotel Igls' together with Dr. Martin Winkler, bringing the guests' health back into focus. The medical facilities were placed in the practically new east wing.

The Parkhotel Igls found an experienced medical leader in Dr. Martin Winkler, who, working together with his team, skillfully applies the medical diagnosis and therapeutic methods developed by Dr. Franz Xaver Mayr.

1997

In the mid-90's, an operating company took over the Parkhotel and made it the 'F.X. Mayr Zentrum Parkhotel Igls'. In the course of a two-month renovation in 1997, much of the Parkhotel Igls was refurbished and re-arranged. In many rooms the windows, bathrooms, and sanitary facilities were completely renewed. The focus was not on any spectacular re-organization, but on sophisticated renewal to offer guests optimal accommodations for the duration of their treatment stay.



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2005

Through the advancement of medical knowledge using the F.X. Mayr methods, the Parkhotel was renamed 'Parkhotel Igls – Zentrum der Modernen Mayr-Medizin.'

2009

The Parkhotel was closed for six months for reconstruction and expansion. The indoor swimming pool was relocated from its original location on the third floor to the park. It was replaced by the panorama fitness room. The top floor now contains luxury rooms. The medical department was expanded and wheelchair accessible routes from the top floor to the hotel were constructed. An underground car park was also built.

Reopening as:

Parkhotel Igls – Health is Central

