## Vienna Travel Guide

Vienna is considered one of the most beautiful and interesting capitals in the world. A city of waltzes, art, royal tradition, and exquisite cuisine. Both imperial in spirit, but also smart and modern – Vienna is an experience that will definitely leave you wanting more.

### **Travelling to Vienna**

The Austrian capital is well-connected with the rest of the world thanks to its location in Central Europe. Whether by plane or by train, by car or by ship on the Danube River – many paths lead to Vienna.

#### By plane

Vienna's central position in Europe makes it a hub offering optimal transportation connections to the whole world. 205 destinations across 71 countries are regularly served from Vienna by 74 airlines.



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#### By train

A very comfortable way to travel to Vienna. The ÖBB (Austrian Federal Railways) and the Westbahn will serve all your travel needs.



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#### By car and bus

There's an excellent network of motorways and expressways that lead to Vienna.



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# From the airport to Vienna city centre

Options are the City-Airport-Train (CAT), the ÖBB Railjet, bus, or rapid transit railway.



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The Railjets run twice every hour from Vienna Airport to

Vienna Main Station(U1) and Wien Meidling Station(U6) so you can get quickly and comfortably to the heart of the city. The CAT is the quickest connection from the airport to downtown Vienna (Wien Mitte, connections to U3, U4, rapid transit railway). It runs every 30 minutes. The buses of Vienna Airport Lines take you directly to Vienna city centre, to the Donauzentrum via Messezentrum and Vienna International Centre (VIC), or to the Westbahnhof and Vienna Main Station. The Blaguss Airliner offers non-stop connections via Erdberg and Vienna Main Station.

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#### Music

Vienna is called The City of Music, as more famous composers have lived and worked here than anywhere else in the world, including 4 of the top 10 classical composers in history. The fascinating world of Viennese music is at every corner of the city, but for an immersive experience visit the <u>Vienna State</u> <u>Opera</u> and the <u>House of Music</u>.

#### Architecture

The Gothic and Baroque buildings such as <u>St Stephen's</u> <u>Cathedral</u>, the historic stairways of <u>Kunsthistorisches</u> <u>Museum</u> and the <u>Schönbrunn Palace</u> courtyards, will charm you with elegance. However, classic blends perfectly with modern Vienna — innovative, green, smart and diverse.

#### Art & Culture

The <u>Museum Quarter Wien</u> has about 70 cultural facilities, making it the largest art & culture complex in Europe. Whether you prefer contemporary art, the classic imperial collection at the <u>Art History Museum</u>, natural history at the <u>Natural</u> <u>History Museum</u>, or literature, in Vienna there is something for everybody.

#### Symbols of the City

<u>Wiener Riesenrad</u> is the oldest, still operating, Ferris wheel in the world. Located in the Prater amusement park, it's one of Vienna's best tourist attractions and even considered a symbol of the city! Another symbolic building is undoubtedly the <u>Danube Tower</u>. Its observational tower reveals a 360° spectacular view and the restaurant at the top rotates around its axis, allowing you to enjoy the panoramic scenery.

#### Taste of Vienna

Vienna's exquisite cuisine is known for culinary staples such as the Viennese schnitzel, the strudel, and, yes, the croissant! The city is also called the Wine Capital of the World, being home to over 1,700 vineyards. And Vienna's trademark cake, Sacher, served with a cup of warm coffee, perfectly describes the Viennese spirit—always combining love, tradition, and culture. You can taste Vienna everywhere — in the coffee shops and restaurants, at the local hot dog stands or over a glass of wine in a Heuriger (wine tavern). Dig in and enjoy!

#### **Getting Around Vienna**

The City of Music is voted one of Europe's top pedestrianfriendly cities. With its vast pedestrian zones and promenades along the Danube Canal, there is no better way to explore the Austrian capital than by foot.

The city is bicycle-friendly too, so consider renting two wheels for your stay if you've got the legs for it!

#### Other useful links

- Vienna Tourist Information
- <u>Vienna International Airport</u>

And, if you decide to use public transportation, Vienna can offer you a big network of buses, trams, trains, and metro (U-Bann Subway), to get you around the city easily and comfortably.

- <u>Vienna Public Transport</u>
- <u>Taxis in Vienna</u>
- Cycling in Vienna

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