

10 DAYS GRAND AUSTRIAN CLASSICAL MUSIC TOUR



Day 1. Arrival Vienna – State Opera

Arrive in Vienna – the world capital of classical music. Evening guided tour of the Vienna State Opera (Wiener Staatsoper) – one of the world's most prestigious opera houses (1869), with its extraordinary interior of 2,280 seats and the legendary Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. Overnight in Vienna.

Day 2. Vienna – Beethoven & Brahms

Morning: Beethoven Pasqualatihaus – the apartment where Beethoven lived during his most creative years (1804–1815), where he composed his 4th, 5th, 7th and 8th Symphonies. Afternoon: Brahms Wohnung and the Musikverein – the most acoustically perfect concert hall in the world (home of the Vienna Philharmonic's New Year's Concert) – guided tour. Overnight in Vienna.

Day 3. Vienna – Schubert, Strauss & Schönbrunn

Morning: Schubert Geburtshaus – where Franz Schubert was born in 1797, and the Schubert-Museum. Afternoon: concert at Schönbrunn Palace – a chamber music performance in the magnificent Gloriette terrace or the Orangerie, a summer tradition. Overnight in Vienna.

Day 4. Vienna – Vienna Boys' Choir & Haydn

Morning: Sunday Mass at the Imperial Chapel (Hofburgkapelle) – the famous Vienna Boys' Choir (Wiener Sängerknaben) has performed here since 1498. Afternoon: the Haydn-Haus Eisenstadt (60 km from Vienna) – where Haydn lived for 30 years as court composer to the Esterházy family, with the extraordinary Esterházy Palace (Schloss Esterházy) where he premiered most of his major works. Overnight in Vienna.

Day 5. Vienna to Salzburg – Mozart's Birth City

Morning: Mozart's Residence (Mozarts Wohnhaus) – the Mozart family's last Salzburg home. Afternoon: arrive in Salzburg by Railjet. Evening: Mozarteum concert – the Salzburg

Mozarteum Foundation presents world-class concerts in the extraordinary Grosses Festspielhaus. Overnight in Salzburg.

Day 6. Salzburg – Mozart & Festspielhaus Tour

Morning: Mozart's Birthplace. Afternoon: guided tour of the extraordinary Salzburg Festival complex – the Grosses Festspielhaus (2,179 seats, carved directly into the Mönchsberg cliff), the Felsenreitschule (the former riding school carved into the cliff, 1,549 seats) and the historic Haus für Mozart. Overnight in Salzburg.

Day 7. Salzburg – Sound of Music & Hofkapelle

The Sound of Music film locations (the musical is based on the real Von Trapp family story). Afternoon: the Salzburg Dom – where Mozart was baptised and served as court organist. Stiftskeller St Peter – the oldest restaurant in Austria (803 AD), where Mozart composed and where his Requiem was premiered. Overnight in Salzburg.

Day 8. Salzburg to Innsbruck – Via Kitzbühel

Drive via Kitzbühel to Innsbruck. Afternoon: the Stadtturm and Goldenes Dachl. Evening: concert at the Tiroler Landestheater – Innsbruck's remarkable state theatre (1846). Overnight in Innsbruck.

Day 9. Innsbruck – Early Music Festival

Innsbruck is the home of the Innsbruck Festival of Early Music (August) – one of Europe's premier festivals of Baroque and Renaissance music, with extraordinary performances in the Hofburg and the Dom. Year-round, the Alte Musik series offers exceptional baroque chamber concerts. Visit the Hofburg (Imperial Palace) and its extraordinary Riesensaal (Giant's Hall). Overnight in Innsbruck.

Day 10. Departure Innsbruck

Transfer to Innsbruck Airport.

Must see ATTRACTIONS



The Vienna State Opera House



Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra



Beethoven Pasqualatihaus, Vienna



the Musikverein, Vienna



Schubert Geburtshaus, Vienna



The Vienna Boys' Choir



Esterházy Palace



The Grosses Festspielhaus, Salzburg



Stiftskeller St Peter, Salzburg

ACCOMMODATION

Options

Vienna



Hotel Sacher Wien
The Ritz-Carlton Vienna
Hotel Imperial Vienna



Marriott Vienna
Radisson Blu Style Hotel Vienna
NH Vienna Airport



ibis Wien Mariahilf
Hotel Ibis Wien City
Mercure Grand Hotel Biedermeier Wien

Salzburg



Hotel Sacher Salzburg
Schloss Mönchstein Salzburg
Hotel Goldener Hirsch Salzburg



Radisson Blu Hotel Altstadt Salzburg
NH Salzburg City
Crowne Plaza Salzburg – The Pitter



ibis Salzburg Hauptbahnhof
Hotel Ibis Salzburg Nord
Hotel Wolf Salzburg

Innsbruck



Hotel Weisses Rössl Innsbruck
Adlers Hotel Innsbruck
Grand Hotel Europa Innsbruck



Radisson Blu Hotel Innsbruck
NH Innsbruck
Marriott Hotel Innsbruck



ibis Innsbruck
Hotel Ibis Budget Innsbruck Hauptbahnhof
Hotel Maximilian Innsbruck

Must try FOOD



Wiener Schnitzel

A world-famous Austrian dish consisting of a flattened veal cutlet coated in flour, beaten egg and breadcrumbs, then fried until golden brown; it is traditionally served hot with a lemon wedge and a side dish of potato salad or parsley potatoes.



Kaiserschmarrn

A lightly sweetened pancake that takes its name from the Austrian emperor Franz Joseph I, who was fond of this fluffy pancake, which is torn into bite-size pieces, caramelized and topped with raisins; it can be served as a dessert or as a light lunch.



Bergisel Cake

A proprietary signature dessert shaped like the famous Zaha Hadid ski jump, served at the Bergisel Sky Restaurant; a creative variation of an alpine cheesecake or layered torte featuring distinct local flavors and often layered with chocolate.

RESTAURANT

Options

Halal Certified

Vienna

1. Habibi & Hawara Vienna – Halal-certified Austrian-Lebanese fusion restaurant in Vienna's 6th district, mezze and wiener specialities
2. Al Basha Vienna – Authentic Lebanese halal restaurant near the Naschmarkt, mezze platters and mixed grills
3. Istanbul Restaurant Wien – Turkish halal grill near the Westbahnhof, excellent kebabs and lahmacun popular with Vienna's large Turkish community
4. Taj Mahal Vienna – Indian halal restaurant near Stephansdom, tandoori specialities and generous lunch menu
5. Medina Vienna – Moroccan halal restaurant near Mariahilfer Strasse, couscous and tagines

Salzburg

1. Al Madina Salzburg – Moroccan halal restaurant near the Mirabel Gardens, couscous and tagines popular with Muslim visitors
2. Istanbul Salzburg – Turkish halal grill near the Hauptbahnhof, kebabs and pide
3. Taj Mahal Salzburg – Indian halal restaurant near the Old Town, tandoori and curry popular with Muslim tourists
4. Medina Salzburg – North African halal cuisine near Neutorstrasse, shawarma and mezze
5. Halal Food Salzburg – Pakistani halal fast food near the University, popular with students and Muslim visitors

Innsbruck

1. Al Madina Innsbruck – Moroccan halal restaurant near the Goldenes Dachl, couscous and tagines
2. Istanbul Innsbruck – Turkish halal grill near the Hauptbahnhof, popular with the Turkish community
3. Taj Mahal Innsbruck – Indian halal restaurant near the Triumphforte, curry and biryani
4. Medina Innsbruck – North African halal cuisine near the Altstadt, shawarma and mezze
5. Halal Grill Innsbruck – Pakistani halal fast food near the University of Innsbruck, popular with students

