

3 DAYS LINZ CITY BREAK



Day 1. Arrival & Hauptplatz

Arrive in Linz — Austria's third-largest city, the vibrant capital of Upper Austria and a UNESCO City of Media Arts (2014), spectacularly transformed from its industrial past into a world leader in digital culture and contemporary art. Begin at the Hauptplatz — one of the largest medieval market squares in central Europe (220 x 60 metres), dominated by the magnificent marble Trinity Column (Dreifaltigkeitssäule, 1723). Walk the Landstraße — the main shopping street — and explore the charming old town above the Danube. In the evening, visit the Lentos Kunstmuseum Linz — a stunning glass and steel building glowing red and blue beside the Danube, housing an outstanding collection of Austrian art (Klimt, Schiele, Kokoschka and Kiesler). Overnight in Linz.

Day 2. Ars Electronica & Postcity

After breakfast, visit the Ars Electronica Center — one of the world's most innovative museums of digital art and science, Linz's most extraordinary cultural institution. The Centre features the Deep

Space 8K — an immersive 16-metre projection room for experiencing art, science and knowledge in eight times the resolution of conventional cinema. Evening: explore the extraordinary Tabakfabrik Linz — the former Imperial Tobacco Factory (1936), now an extraordinary creative hub housing the Postcity and Festival Hall, venues for the world-famous Ars Electronica Festival. Also visit the Neue Galerie Linz — an exceptional collection of 19th and 20th-century art. Overnight in Linz.

Day 3. Postlingberg & Danube Cruise

Morning: ascent of the Postlingberg (537 metres) by the world's steepest adhesion railway (Pöstlingbergbahn, opened 1898) — a charming 2.9 km tram journey to the pilgrimage church above Linz, with extraordinary views over the Danube valley. Afternoon: Danube river cruise — a classic journey along one of Europe's great rivers, through the extraordinary Strudengau gorge and past the medieval cliff towns of the Danube Valley. Transfer to Linz Airport or Linz Hauptbahnhof for onward travel.

Must see ATTRACTIONS



Ars Electronica Center



Historical Linz Old Town



Postlingberg

ACCOMMODATIONS

Options

Linz



Hotel Schillerpark Linz
Courtyard by Marriott Linz
Hotel Wolfinger Linz



NH Hotel Linz
Arcotel Nike Linz
Radisson Blu Park Hotel Linz



ibis Linz City
Hotel Ibis Budget Linz
Hotel Kolping Linz



Must try FOOD



Knödel

A dish of boiled ball or oval shaped dumplings with a filling; the dough can be potato-based or made of choux pastry; sometimes it is curd-based; it is filled with fruits, mushrooms, curd cheese, meat, and other ingredients and served as a main or side dish.



Linzer Torte

A traditional Austrian pastry; the short-crust pastry is flavoured with lemon zest, cinnamon and lemon juice, then topped with red-currant, raspberry or apricot preserves and sliced nuts and finished with a distinctive lattice design on top.



Linzer Augen

Traditional Austrian sandwich cookies made from buttery, nutty shortbread mixed with ground almonds or other nuts, flavoured with lemon zest, cinnamon and vanilla and filled with tart fruit preserves.

RESTAURANT

Options

Halal Certified

Linz

1. Al Madina Linz – Moroccan halal restaurant near the Hauptplatz, couscous and tagines
2. Istanbul Linz – Turkish halal grill near the Bahnhof, kebabs and mezze
3. Taj Mahal Linz – Indian halal restaurant near the Lentos art museum, curry and biryani
4. Medina Linz – North African halal cuisine near the Nibelungenbrücke, shawarma and mezze platters
5. Halal Food Linz – Pakistani halal kitchen near Johannes Kepler University, popular with students

