



Left-to-right: OBB train, Cafe in Graz, Mirabell Gardens Salzburg and Vienna



SCHLOSSBERG OF GRAZ

The Schlossberg (English: Castle Hill) is a tree-clad hill, and the site of a fortress, in the centre of the city of Graz. The hill is now a public park and enjoys extensive views of the city. It is the site of several entertainment venues, cafés and restaurants. The fortification of the Schloßberg goes back to at least the 10th century. In the mid-16th century, a 400 m (1,300 ft) long fortress was constructed by architects from the north of Italy.

The castle was never conquered, but it was largely demolished by Napoleonic forces under the Treaty of Schönbrunn of 1809. The clock tower (the Uhrturm) and bell tower (the Glockenturm) were spared after the people of Graz paid a ransom for their preservation.

The remains of the castle were turned into a public park by Ludwig von Welden in 1839. The park contains the Uhrturm, the Glockenturm, a cistern (the Türkenbrunnen) and two bastions from the old castle. The Uhrturm is a recognisable icon for the city, and is unusual in that the clock's hands have opposite roles to the common notion, with the larger one marking hours while the smaller is for minutes. The Glockenturm contains Liesl, the heaviest bell in Graz.



AUSTRIAN RAIL ADVENTURE

6 Days / 5 Nights - All Seasons

Price Includes:

- 5 nights accommodation in your chosen hotel category in a room with private facilities and breakfast daily
- Austrian Rail Pass with 3 first class rail transfers (Vienna - Graz, Graz - Salzburg, Salzburg - Vienna) including seat reservations
- One 3-course traditional Austrian dinner with a ¼ litre of house wine and a bottle of mineral water, at Vienna's historic Griechenbeisl Inn
- 24-hour Salzburg Card
- Coffee and cake at the famous Café Sacher, Salzburg
- Mozart Dinner Concert at Stiftskeller St. Peter Restaurant, Salzburg
- Salzburg City Coach Tour - 1½ hours (T1C)
- Service charges, taxes & VAT

Day 1 | Vienna

Transfer by own arrangements from Vienna Airport or Railway Station to your hotel. Vienna, a sophisticated and elegant city, will soon make you feel at ease with its Austrian Gemütlichkeit - warmth and friendliness! In the evening dine at the Griechenbeisl Inn. Overnight in Vienna.

Day 2 | Vienna - Graz

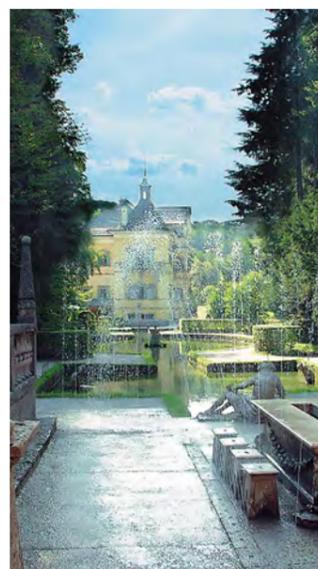
After breakfast, travel by train to Graz and spend the afternoon at leisure in a city that has many tales to tell. The Old Town is one of the best preserved in central Europe. Travel on the Schlossbergbahn to visit the Clock Tower, a highlight of any Schlossberg tour and the symbol of the city. Its heart has been beating for Graz since 1712 - with the original works and one of the oldest bells in the province, made in 1382. Overnight in Graz. (B)

Day 3 | Graz - Salzburg

Today, travel by train to Salzburg, the city of Mozart and Music. The city will enchant you with its tiny, intriguing lanes, its magnificent churches and monasteries and the wonderful Mirabell Gardens. Salzburg is full of romantic charm and surprises. In the afternoon, enjoy coffee and cake at Cafe Sacher and in the evening, attend the Mozart Dinner Concert. Overnight in Salzburg. (B)

Day 4 | Salzburg

The day is yours to explore the city. Join the Grand Salzburg City Tour which includes Hellbrunn Palace and a 24-hour Salzburg Card, offering free admission to all major Salzburg sights and free travel on public transport within Salzburg city limits. Highly recommended is an elevator ride up to the 'Winklerterrace' to enjoy the view over the roofs of Salzburg. With all this history, perhaps it's time to bring yourself back to the modern world with a visit to the Mönchsberg Museum of Modern Art. Austria is not just about the past - it's a vibrant, modern country with a respect for what has been, and a firm gaze fixed to the future. Overnight in Salzburg. (B)



Trick Fountains at Hellbrunn Palace

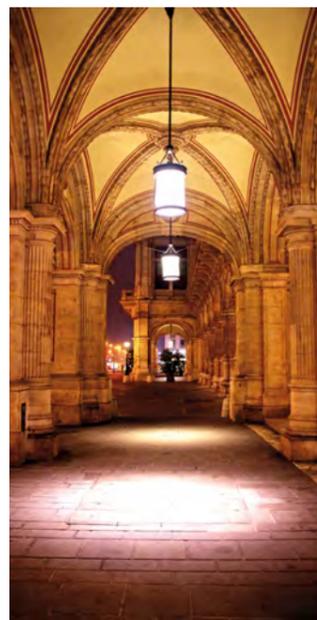
Austrian Rail Adventure 6 Days / 5 Nights

Hotels	1	2	3
★★★ Hotels	1425	1775	o/r
★★★★ Hotels	1532	1989	o/r

Excludes Advent Weekends: o/r = Triple on request

Hotels used with this Package (or similar):

City	★★★ Hotels	★★★★ Hotels
Vienna	Capri	Kaiserhof
Graz	Drei Raben	Europa
Salzburg	Amadeus,	NH Salzburg City



Vienna State Opera House

Day 5 | Salzburg - Vienna

After breakfast, take time to enjoy more of Salzburg. Perhaps the optional day tour 'Original Sound of Music' may be of interest (4 hours, departs 9:30am). Make your way to Salzburg railway station for your train journey to Vienna. On arrival in Vienna, transfer to your hotel by own arrangements. Overnight in Vienna. (B)

Day 6 | Vienna

Your Austrian Rail Adventure ends this morning. Consider extending your stay in Vienna to further explore this modern metropolis and its imperial past! (B)

Left: OBB train

AUSTRIAN RAIL HIGHLIGHTS

8 Days / 7 Nights - All Seasons

Price Includes:

- 7 nights accommodation in your chosen hotel category in a room with private facilities and breakfast daily
- Private car transfer from Vienna Airport or Railway Station to your hotel and vice versa
- Austrian Rail Pass with 3 first class rail transfers (Vienna - Salzburg - Innsbruck - Vienna) including seat reservations
- Half day Vienna & Schönbrunn Palace Tour (T1)
- Coffee and cake at the famous Cafe Sacher, Vienna
- 2-course lunch with ¼ litre of wine and mineral water at the Griechenbeisl Inn, Vienna
- Half day sightseeing Sound of Music Tour (T1A) in Salzburg
- Mozart Dinner Concert at Stiftskeller St. Peter Restaurant, Salzburg
- Return public bus ticket, Innsbruck - Wattens
- Entrance ticket Swarovski Crystal World, Wattens
- Service charges, taxes & VAT

Day 1 | Vienna

Transfer by private car from Vienna Airport or rail station to your city hotel. After check-in, take time to stroll through the historic heart of the city. Overnight in Vienna.

Day 2 | Vienna

After breakfast depart on a guided morning sightseeing tour of the city. Your tour includes a visit to Schönbrunn Palace. Enjoy lunch at the famous Griechenbeisl Inn! In the afternoon you have your own free time to explore Vienna. Enjoy coffee and cake at the Cafe Sacher. Overnight in Vienna.



The Graben, Vienna

Day 3 | Vienna - Salzburg

This morning transfer by own arrangements to Vienna Westbahnhof Rail Station and depart for Salzburg. You will see some beautiful scenery before arriving in Salzburg. Time on your own followed by Mozart Dinner Concert at Stiftskeller St. Peter Restaurant. Overnight in Salzburg.

Day 4 | Salzburg

Today enjoy a "Sound of Music" sightseeing tour (4 hours). Tour highlights include some of the original locations used in the film: Leopoldskron Palace, the Pavilion, Nonnberg Convent, Lake Wolfgang and Mondsee. Overnight in Salzburg.

Day 5 | Salzburg - Innsbruck

After breakfast, transfer by own arrangements to Salzburg Railway Station for your journey to Innsbruck, the capital of Tyrol. The city combines Tyrolean tradition with all the vitality of a modern city. Overnight in Innsbruck.



Salzburg

Austrian Rail Highlights Price From

Hotels	1	2
★★★ Hotels	2053	2215
★★★★ Hotels	2267	2209
★★★★★ Hotels	2446	2077

Single and triple rates on request

Hotels used with this Package (or similar):

City	★★★ Hotels	★★★★ Hotels
Vienna	Capri	Kaiserhof,
Innsbruck	Weisses Kreuz	Central
Salzburg	Amadeus,	NH Salzburg City



View of Innsbruck

Day 6 | Innsbruck

After breakfast, take the bus from the centre of the city direct to the town of Wattens and the Swarovski factory. Visit Swarovski's "Crystal World", both a museum and showroom in one. Return to Innsbruck by public bus service. Overnight in Innsbruck.

Day 7 | Innsbruck - Vienna

Board the train at Innsbruck Railway Station for the return journey to Vienna (approx. 5 hrs). Arrive Vienna in the afternoon. Transfer to your hotel by own arrangements. Overnight in Vienna.

Day 8 | Depart Vienna

Transfer by private car from your hotel to Vienna Airport or rail station. Alternatively, extend your stay in Austria.



GOLDEN ROOF OF INNSBRUCK

The Goldenes Dachl (Golden Roof) is a landmark structure located in the Old Town (Altstadt) section of Innsbruck, Austria. It is considered the city's most famous symbol. Completed in 1500, the roof was decorated with 2,738 fire-gilded copper tiles for Emperor Maximilian I to mark his wedding to Bianca Maria Sforza. The Emperor and his wife used the balcony to observe festivals, tournaments, and other events that took place in the square below.

The entire oriel is decorated in sculpted reliefs and mural paintings. The first-floor balustrade is adorned with eight sculpted coat of arms, six facing the square and two flanking panels, representing Maximilian's territories. Above the coats of arms are frescoes by Jörg Kölderer, painted in 1500, showing two knights bearing heraldic flags representing the Holy Roman Empire and Tyrol.



Salzburg