



# Summer News 2025

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# Dear readers,

As many of our guests will tell you, Austria combines a pinch of nostalgia, a good portion of charm, an exciting blend of art, culture, first-class cuisine and impressive landscapes. The alpine republic also makes a "Lebensgefühl" palpable that leaves room for authenticity and celebrates innovation.

This combination is well received. In 2024, the number of arrivals in Austria increased by 3.3%. This surge in demand is encouraging the Austria Tourism and Austria's tourism professionals to focus on year-round experiences in particular. Together with the provincial tourism organisations, restaurateurs, producers and tourism experts, the Austria Tourism has developed a new culinary positioning: Austria is to become the leading culinary destination in Europe. The aim is to make our multifaceted landscapes tangible on the plate. An important communicator of this message is the MICHELIN Guide. After a break of more than 15 years the renowned guide has been rating restaurants throughout Austria again and showering us with stars: Austria now has a total of 82 MICHELIN Star restaurants, 33 restaurants with a Green MICHELIN Star and 43 restaurants with the title "Bib Gourmand".

The return of the MICHELIN Guide could be seen as a birthday present for the Austria Tourism: the organisation is celebrating its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year.

And there is plenty of other news this summer, spanning from refreshing Cool Down Places in Carinthia to new routes for hiking enthusiasts, trail runners and gravel bikers or culinary hotspots such as the mundART Festival at Lake Wolfgangsee. Numerous hosts also have news to report, with new holiday accommodations having been completed and existing ones refurbished. The range of regional guest cards, which include journeys on public transport, is growing steadily. With the Guest Mobility Ticket, overnight guests will even be able to travel by train and bus almost free of charge throughout SalzburgerLand from May 2025. We have also included some special recommendations from the editors.

Are you particularly interested in one or more of the topics? We would love to arrange a press trip for you.

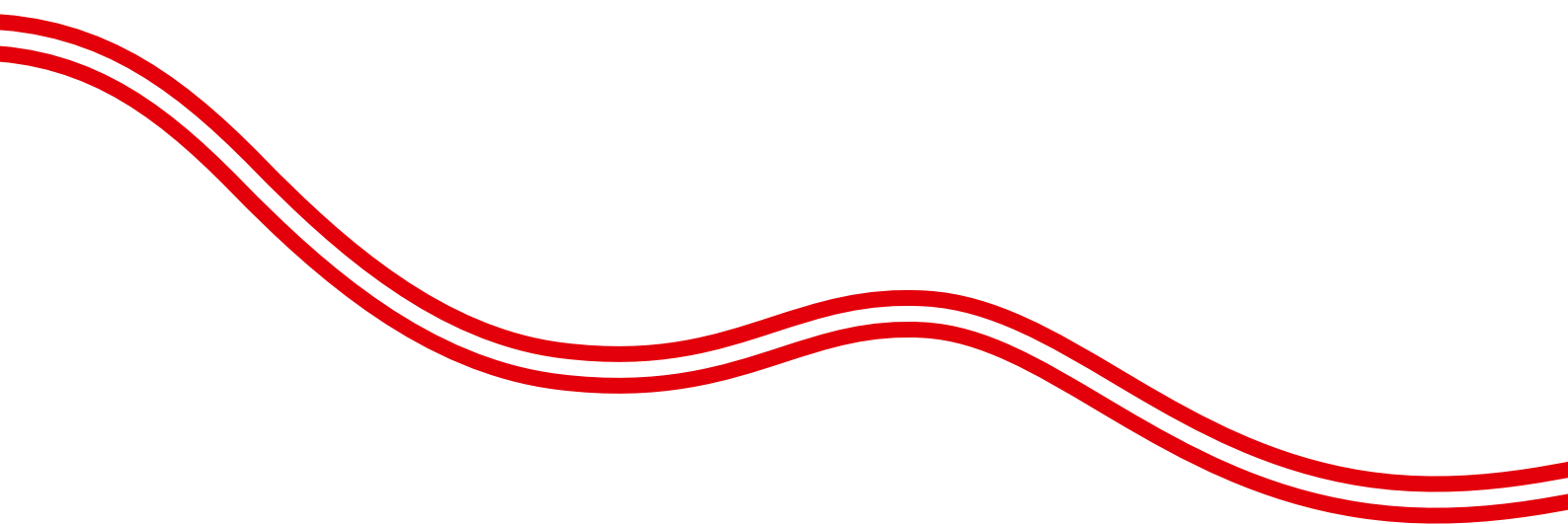
Happy reading!

**The Austria Tourism Team**



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# Where every season makes you shine!

## Holidays in Austria 2025

Forget everyday life, unwind amidst nature and feel what really matters. This can be done as early as spring, while cycling along a river or hiking on tranquil high-altitude trails. Families find their holiday bliss between bathing lakes and alpine pastures. And city trips promise to spoil the senses all year round. The Austrian "Lebensgefühl" has so many facets.

### Desire to move. Hiking, biking, canyoning & co.

Cycling and hiking enthusiasts rejoice just beyond the Bavarian border. **The Danube Upper Austria region** delights with its unique river landscape. The Donausteig long-distance hiking trail and legendary Danube Cycle Path lead through the UNESCO World Heritage region. Bikers will find a wealth of MTB and gravel bike routes in the **Tiroler Zugspitz Arena**. The new escape trails through the impressive mountains are as tricky as they are entertaining. Another tip for thrill seekers is the nearby **Imst Outdoor Region** with Austria's largest outdoor adventure park, AREA 47. Look forward to rafting, climbing and more.

Mountain lovers have always been drawn to the **Tirolean Zillertal**, but trend sports such as canyoning and countless culinary huts also impress in the "Valley of the Three-Thousand-Metre Peaks". Paths steeped in history await you in the **TirolWest Holiday Region**, such as the Castle Trail or the Stanzer Zwetschke route with its distilleries. The **Bregenzwald** in Vorarlberg is also a great place to "actively enjoy" with its Culinary Hikes and cycle paths. Here you will also discover old and new wooden architecture on tours of the local villages. In the **Montafon**, on the other hand, a number of hiking routes lead into a fascinating realm of water, from the Aquaweg in the valley to the glacier stream in the high mountains.

### Time together. Memorable moments with loved ones

The Tirolean Mountains conceal your new favourite spots at all altitudes. At Lake **Achensee**, families can look forward to hikes through Karwendel Nature Park and adventures on the water or via ferrata. There's no chance of boredom in the **Alpbachtal** either, with its fun-filled mountains and refreshing bathing lakes. The region's three gorges are a must for nature lovers. A family holiday that is just as heart-warming and close to nature awaits you in the **Wildschönau**. There's extra fun to be had here at Drachental Family Park. And on the high plateau of **Serfaus-Fiss-Ladis**, adventure mountains and bike trails promise action, fun and discovery.

In the **Murau region of Styria**, pine forests and lofty heights become a discovery zone, while sun-drenched and lake-rich **Carinthia** scores with swimming and cycling as early as May. Leisurely mountain biking and exciting themed trails delight families in SalzburgerLand, and in **Altenmarkt-Zauchensee** the Erlebnis-therme Amadé also entices you to dive right in. In **St. Johann** the "Salzburg Summit Game" leads to ancient places of power. The varied holiday programmes across Austria's regions guarantee good moods all round – for kids and teens, parents and grandparents.

### On a journey of discovery. Enjoy city and countryside

The beauty of Austria: cities and countryside lie side by side. This is also the case in the **UNESCO World Heritage City of Salzburg** with its baroque gardens, squares and churches. Music and theatre festivals as well as the Salzburg Festival draw visitors here year after year. Those looking for some downtime will find it on the green local mountains of the City of Mozart. In **Austria's Small Historic Towns**, historical flair intertwines with enchanting landscapes, such as in **Radstadt** in SalzburgerLand or in the **Hall-Wattens** region with the medieval Hall in Tirol. Cultural enjoyment meets southern lightness in **Klagenfurt am Wörthersee**, which surprises with festivals ranging from literature to Alps-Adriatic cuisine and great bike tours. The love of life is also at home in **Southern Burgenland**, where three wine routes invite you to hike, e-bike and enjoy.

### To Austria by train. Convenient, affordable, climate-friendly

With more than 50 direct train connections by day or night, travellers can get to Austria quickly and in a climate-friendly way. Tickets are available from 37.99 euros, and from 19.99 euros for short distances (e.g. Munich-Tirol). Children up to 15 years even travel free of charge with an accompanying person (from 15 years of age). Bookings for journeys from Switzerland can be made via SBB or ÖBB. Shuttles, public and regional transport can be used to get around locally and are usually included in the guest cards. Further information on holidays in Austria and a variety of hotel tips can be found online.

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# Hiking



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## Burgenland

### Bad Tatzmannsdorf is a certified hiking village

At the beginning of 2025, Bad Tatzmannsdorf, the starting point of many delightful hikes, became Southern Burgenland's first certified hiking village. To celebrate this award, the village is inviting guests on a hike along the Friedensweg on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2025. The trail connects Bad Tatzmannsdorf with its neighbouring villages. Six of Bad Tatzmannsdorf's hotels and inns can also call themselves certified hiking hosts.

[bad.tatzmannsdorf.at](http://bad.tatzmannsdorf.at)  
(German only)

## Carinthia

### Path of the Planets

The so-called "Weg der Planeten" (Path of the Planets), which is barrier-free in sections, will open in summer 2025 on the Gerlitzten, where a solar observatory is located. Along the 2.5 km trail, visitors will learn more about the solar system and natural history. The newly designed path replaces the previous Kanzelhöhe circuit. Part of it is designed to also accommodate those with limited mobility.

[www.gerlitzten.com](http://www.gerlitzten.com)

## Upper Austria

### Bad Kreuzen: Upper Austria's first hiking village

In the Strudengau region lies Bad Kreuzen, Upper Austria's first certified hiking village. Hiking trails run through the impressive river landscape along the Danube, across green hills and through refreshing gorges and ravines such as the Wolfsschlucht and Stillensteinklamm. Bad Kreuzen is located on the 450 km long Donausteig long-distance hiking trail. The approximately 10 km long Herzklopfen circuit, which starts at Kreuzen Castle and has plenty of viewpoints, is also a lovely walk. Four certified hiking establishments and experienced guides ensure that hiking enthusiasts are well looked after.

[www.donauregion.at](http://www.donauregion.at)

# Upper Austria

## Uniform signage in the Innviertel

The Innviertel has optimised its network of hiking trails on an Austria-wide unique scale. Since autumn 2024, new, uniform signage has been providing a better overview across 30 municipalities, 131 connected routes and 1,000 km of trails. QR codes on each signpost and the GPS localisation of all trails provide hikers with modern tools to find their way and link excursion tips, sights, events and restaurants. In addition, the main map (print) gives a good overview of all hiking trails. Large overview boards in the 30 local centres complete the range of information offered.

[www.innviertel-tourismus.at](http://www.innviertel-tourismus.at)

## "Path of Mindfulness" in Grünau im Almtal

The 96 km long "Path of Mindfulness" will open in the Almtal in spring 2025. The spiritual hiking trail leads from the "House of Mindfulness" in Grünau im Almtal via the Brunnental, Steyrtal and Kremstal back to the Almtal in five daily stages. Stations provide impulses for meditation along the way. Accompanying brochures provide further information on the trail. Guided mindfulness tours complete the offer.

[www.wegderachtsamkeit.com](http://www.wegderachtsamkeit.com)  
(German only)

# SalzburgerLand

## Schwaighofener Bankerl circuit

Since the summer of 2024, hikers have been able to learn interesting facts about the local area on the Schwaighofener Bankerl circuit. From the centre of Eugendorf, the 13 km long trail leads through gently rolling countryside. Display boards and stories that can be accessed via QR codes convey more about local history, culture, particularities and agriculture. Numerous benches invite you to have a seat, listen and look around along the way.

[www.eugendorf.com](http://www.eugendorf.com)

## Agriculture-themed trail

Since October 2024, a family-friendly theme trail has been revealing interesting facts about living and working on a farm in Uttendorf, Schwarzenbach district. Twelve child-friendly boards provide insights into the processes on a farm along the almost 4 km long route. Families will also find benches to take breaks.

[www.uttendorf.com](http://www.uttendorf.com)

## Kringsalmbahn chairlift in Obertauern

In addition to the Grünwaldkopfbahn and the Hochalmbahn, the Kringsalmbahn will also be in operation in Obertauern from summer 2025. The 6-seater chairlift takes hikers from 1,800 to 2,025 m above sea level in just under four minutes and to the starting point of picturesque hikes.

[www.ski-obertauern.at](http://www.ski-obertauern.at)

## Kolm Saigurn circuit

The popular Kolm Saigurn circuit in the Rauris Valley has been shining in new glory since summer 2024. Mudslides in the previous year made it necessary to rebuild the path. The almost 3 km long, family-friendly circuit takes about one and a half hours to complete on foot. Highlights along the way include five waterfalls and a suspension bridge, which leads over a roaring torrent to the Naturfreundehaus.

[www.salzburgerland.com](http://www.salzburgerland.com)

## Adler Toni adventure trail

There will be a new attraction for families and nature lovers in Neukirchen am Großvenediger from June 2025 in the shape of the "Adler Toni" theme trail. The approximately 1 km long path runs from the end of the popular slide trail at Gasthof Stockenbaum to the centre of Neukirchen. En route, eight child-friendly activity stations invite you to take an imaginative journey through the local flora and fauna. The attractions include a suspension bridge, balancing course, marmot burrow and cool water station.

[www.wildkogel-arena.at](http://www.wildkogel-arena.at)

# Styria

## Vegan high-altitude circuit in the Gesäuse

The Gesäuse Hut Tour leads around 90 km through one of the last authentic natural landscapes in the Alpine region in seven stages (which can also be hiked individually). From summer 2025, six huts have a new treat in store: each will offer at least one vegan dish. The idea behind it: Hiking and connecting with nature go hand in hand – so why not on your plate too? This is how Europe's first vegan mountain trail was born, which invites hikers to enjoy plant-based versions of traditional hut dishes for seven days.

[www.steiermark.com](http://www.steiermark.com)

# Styria

## Mountain experiences with the Loser panorama lift

The Loser Panoramabahn launched into operation in autumn 2024 with its valley station in Altaussee. Thanks to the new cable car, it will be possible for hiking enthusiasts to travel comfortably from Altaussee to the 1,600 m high Loseralm from summer 2025. From the Loser Plateau, numerous hiking trails and mountain tours lead to peaks and lovely lookout points. The cable car is barrier-free. Its cabins can also be used to transport buggies and mountain bikes.

[www.steiermark.com](http://www.steiermark.com)

## Pleasure tour Bad Waltersdorf

Bad Waltersdorf celebrated the launch of its new "Genusstour" (pleasure tour) in October 2024. The 12 km route leads around the town under the motto "stop and taste". There are 19 adventure stations and 13 culinary stations along the way. The adventure stations encourage you to stop and take a look, solve a puzzle or have a play. Sweets, savoury snacks and refreshments are offered at the culinary stations, which include cafés, inns and wine taverns.

[www.steiermark.com](http://www.steiermark.com)

# Tirol

## Leutasch hut hike for families

For families who enjoy hiking, Leutasch offers a new three-day hut tour through the Gaißtal. Hikers cover around 5 km per day, which should comfortably be managed by children from the age of five. This also leaves enough time to observe the wildlife and enjoy plenty of outdoor play. There are several huts that can be booked for overnight stays along the way.

[www.seefeld.com](http://www.seefeld.com)

## Leutasch farm shop tour

The newly designed, 10 km long Leutasch Farm Shop Circular Hike combines nature adventures with culinary delights and unique shopping opportunities. Nine traditional farms offer their own specialities en route, ranging from fresh cream cheese and organic free range eggs to meat from highland cattle and handmade products such as soaps and pine cushions.

[www.seefeld.com](http://www.seefeld.com)

## "Wildschönau Whirlwind" family hiking trail

Games, adventure and lots of fun – the new "Wildschönau Whirlwind" trail between Niederau and Oberau will be granting all three wishes from summer 2025. Across 4 km, several stations encourage kids to play, embark on adventures and make discoveries in the midst of nature. There are also rest and lookout points by a small stream and in particularly idyllic places to take breaks along the way. The proximity to the edge of the forest provides refreshing shade in summer. Without any major climbs, young hikers stay motivated for a long time, meaning adults can relax and enjoy the view of the high valley and Tirolean mountains.

[www.wildschoenau.com](http://www.wildschoenau.com)

## Digital hiking trails in the Silberregion Karwendel

Accompanied by the Locandy app, adventurers will be able to explore the Silberregion Karwendel along three new digital hiking trails from summer 2025. On the 3 km long "Way of the Senses" in Hochpillberg, works of art encourage you to stop and reflect. The 2.5 km long "Planet Trail" in Terfens depicts the planets of our solar system, whilst the 2.6 km long "Miners' Trail" near Schwaz provides insights into the mining history of the region, leading (amongst other things) to an original tunnel from the 16<sup>th</sup> century.

[silberregion-karwendel.com](http://silberregion-karwendel.com)

# Vorarlberg

## Improvements along the Green Ring

Lech am Arlberg is pushing summer tourism and, among other things, making the Green Ring even more attractive. The 28.5 km long hiking trail leads around Lech Zürs, following the legendary White Ring ski circuit. From summer 2025, the loveliest spots along the trail will be easier to reach. In addition to the Rüfikopf, Seekopf, Oberlech and Petersboden lifts, the new Zugerbergbahn will also take hikers up and down. But that's not all. Well-known architectural firm Snøhetta is designing the roof of the Zugerbergbahn, so that the mountain landscape is reflected in the water surface of the flooded roof, depending on light and weather. The Balmalp will have a lounge for children and families as well as a circular trail, whilst a barefoot path is being created on the Rud-Alpe and the water playground is being updated.

[www.lechzuers.com](http://www.lechzuers.com)

## New culinary hiking tour in the Bregenzerwald

For those who like to combine walking with pleasure, the Bregenzerwald offers six "Culinary Hikes". The hikes can be booked as day packages, leading step by step from one course to the next. Guests get to enjoy their breakfast, lunch and dessert at various mountain inns and restaurants. A new addition from summer 2025 is the hike from Bezau up the Nedere and back down to the valley – with mountain breakfast, lunch on an alpine pasture and dessert in Bezau. The pure walking time is around four hours. The hike can be booked between 30<sup>th</sup> May and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025.

[www.bregenzerwald.at](http://www.bregenzerwald.at)

## New variants along the Arlberg Trail

The approximately 50 km long Arlberg Trail connects the five Arlberg resorts of Lech, Zürs, Stuben, St. Anton and St. Christoph amidst spectacular alpine scenery. In addition to the relatively demanding original route, there will be less strenuous trail variants from summer 2025. They will cater for those who would prefer to take it easy, making more frequent use of cable cars and leading along less steep sections.

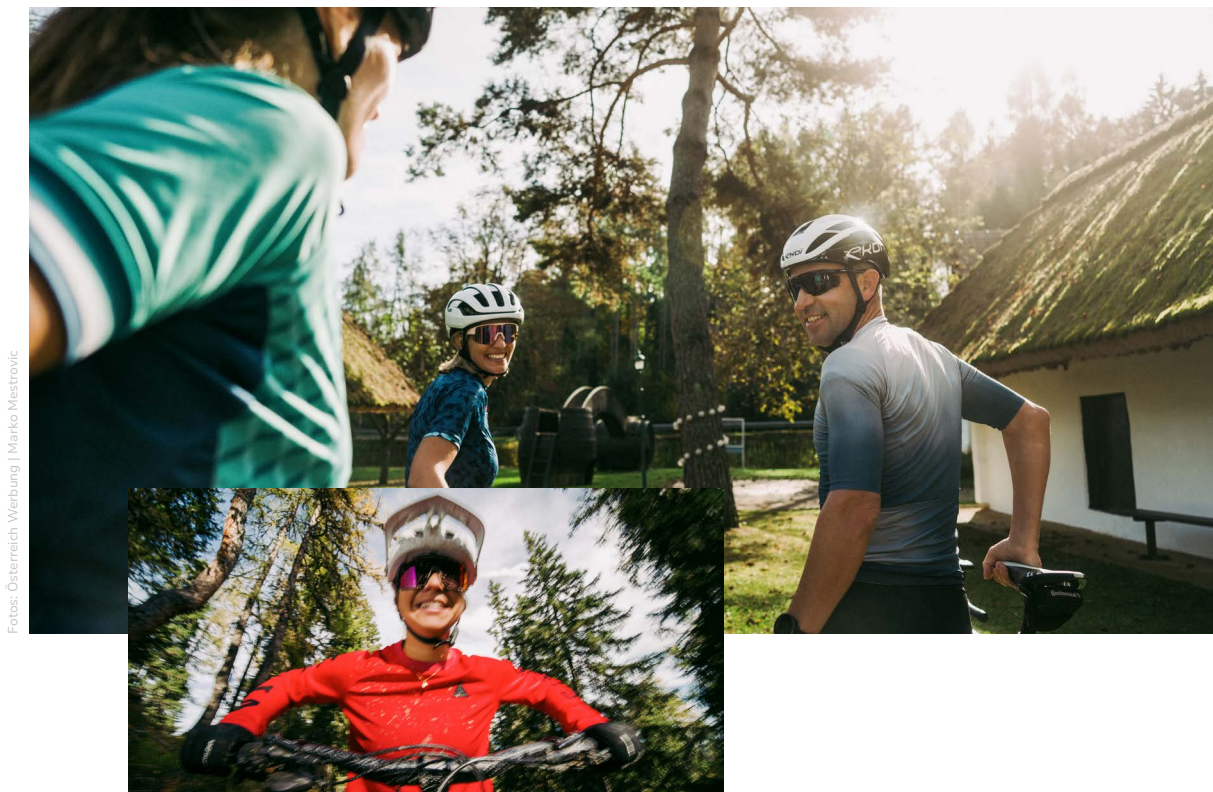
[arlbergtrail.com](http://arlbergtrail.com)

## Playful hiking in Oberlech

From June 2025, a new theme trail between Oberlech and Petersboden will invite children to embark on playful nature adventures. Along the almost 3 km long, leisurely path, eight nature games make the "Gipslöcher" nature reserve come alive. The games involve what lies along the way, prompted by signboards. Around a thousand craters (so-called dolines) form this geologically unique area. They are a treasure trove for botanists, with around 20 different types of orchids growing here.

[www.lechzuers.com](http://www.lechzuers.com)





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## Carinthia

### Skillcenter Obermillstatt

A new skill centre for mountain bikers will open in Obermillstatt in the Millstätter See – Bad Kleinkirchheim – Nockberge region at the beginning of June 2025. It includes practice trails in the difficulty levels blue, red and black, forming a total trail length of about 1.2 km.

[www.lakeandmountain.at](http://www.lakeandmountain.at)

### Two new routes in the MTB ZONE Bikepark Petzen

For 40 years, MTB ZONE manager Diddie Schneider has been planning and creating the best bike trails around the globe. Over 10 years ago he opened Europe's longest flow country trail at the time on the Petzen, which the International Mountain Bicycling Association recognised as the world's best of its kind. Since then, the park has welcomed bike enthusiasts with trails of all difficulty levels – and in 2025 two new ones leading through the forest will be added to the offer. One is a 1.5 km trail with several jumps, wooden elements, and drops (moderate to difficult), while the other one, 1.4 km long and with several jumps, rocky steps, and gaps, is more natural and requires good technique from bikers (moderate).

[www.mtbzone-bikepark.com](http://www.mtbzone-bikepark.com)

## Upper Austria

### Discovery Bike Tour

In the west of Upper Austria, between the Salzach, Inn and Mattigtal, lies the "Entdeckerviertel" region of discovery. Those who would like to explore the gently rolling landscape by bike will be able to head out on the new Discovery Bike Tour from May 2025. The 180 km route leads around the region and can be easily completed in three to four days. Small historic towns lie along the cross-border route, including the Gothic trading town of Braunau and Burghausen in Bavaria, known for its impressive castle. There are also numerous natural landmarks to discover, such as Ibmer Moor and Weidmoos bird paradise.

[www.entdeckerviertel.at](http://www.entdeckerviertel.at)  
(German only)

### Bike Trail Area Obertraun

There has been a new trail area at the foot of the Krippenstein since autumn 2024, located above the Austrian Sports Resorts BSFZ Obertraun. On the freely accessible area in the forest, mountain bikers can ride five single trails of different difficulty levels. The routes, which were carefully inserted into the surrounding environment, are 1.5 km long in total. They are also integrated into the 11.5 km long "S218 Koppenwinkel Runde" mountain bike route with a difficulty level of "easy" and serve as attractive connections to the Dachstein-Krippenstein cable car.

[dachstein.salzkammergut.at](http://dachstein.salzkammergut.at)

# SalzburgerLand

## New lines and trails at Epic Bikepark Leogang

With over 105 km of lines and trails, Leogang is Austria's largest bike region. The centre of the action is Epic Bikepark Leogang, where there is always something new. From summer 2025 there will be a new 1.3 km long red line between Valis Hölle and Bongo Bongo for freeriders. A new 600 m long blue line connects the middle station of the Steinbergbahn with the Steinberg Line by FOX. And on the popular Hangman I, three additional trail variants in black and red promise even more variety.

[bikepark.saalfelden-leogang.com](http://bikepark.saalfelden-leogang.com)

## Königslehen Round Tour Radstadt

Radstadt has created a new route for mountain bikers. The moderately difficult, approximately 20 km long Königslehen Round Tour leads from Radstadt in a large arc to the 1,544 m high Kemahdhöhe and back. The beautifully situated Berggasthof Bliembauer is a great place to stop for a bite to eat when you have reached the last third of the route.

[www.radstadt.com](http://www.radstadt.com)

# Styria

## Kreischi Bikeland

At the foot of the Kreisberg near Murau, the newly created "Kreischi Bikeland" opened in summer 2024. Here, mountain bikers, beginners and children in particular can improve their skills on practice elements of varying difficulty levels. A bike rental and bike school are located nearby.

[www.steiermark.com](http://www.steiermark.com)

## First barrier-free mountain bike trail

At the end of October 2024, the first barrier-free mountain bike trail in Austria and probably even Europe opened in Kobenz in the Mur Valley. The approximately 2 km long flow trail is designed in such a way that it can also be ridden by people with limited mobility using adaptive bikes. Not far from the trail the municipality is also building a barrier-free exercise park, which is to be completed in the course of 2025.

[www.steiermark.com](http://www.steiermark.com)

## Bikeland Heroes

Spring 2025 will see the launch of the Bikeland Heroes treasure hunt at the Haus-Aich singletrack in the Schladming-Dachstein region. Solve all of the quizzes on three different loops together with Madame Flow, Jumper and Dr. Drop to receive the Bikeland Hero Award and a small gift. The trails are between 1 and 3 km long and can be ridden by all ages. Admission is free for children under the age of six.

[www.schladming-dachstein.at](http://www.schladming-dachstein.at)

## Bikepark Schladming news

The extended Stadium Flowline will open at Bikepark Schladming at the end of May 2025. Riders will be able to follow the almost 7 km long route all the way from the mountain to the valley, ending at the well-known stadium where the ski races on the Planai also end. Downhillers overcome 1,000 m of altitude on the Stadium Flowline. It has the difficulty level blue (= easy) and is suitable for experienced riders as well as beginners.

[www.schladming-dachstein.at](http://www.schladming-dachstein.at)

# Tirol

## Bike Republic Sölden celebrates in style

Bike Republic Sölden will be celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary in June 2025. To mark the occasion, the XXL-Dirtpark "Dirt District" of the Swatch Nines media event will be open to the public from summer 2025. The opening of the Freeride and Slopestyle Line promises even more airtime, adrenaline and challenges. What's more, the revised "Bartigs Bödele" trail with optimised flow provides even more riding fun.

[www.soelden.com](http://www.soelden.com)

## Family trail park in Imst

Active families and bike fans can look forward to a new, family-friendly trail park in Nassereith in the Imst Outdoor Region from summer 2025. The new park consists of three trails: a flow trail, a kids trail and a feeder/uphill trail. An innovative mobile pump track that is easy to set up and dismantle as well as a technique area for practicing complete the offer.

[www.imst.at](http://www.imst.at)

## Tirol

### Bettelwurf Bike Park in the Hall-Wattens region

A new bike park with a practice area and small trail park will open in Gnadenwald in the Hall-Wattens region in summer 2025. The practice area is ideal for perfecting riding techniques. It includes a pump track, jumps and balancing elements as well as short, entry-level trails. The trail park with several easy to more difficult trails and lines is suitable for beginners as well as advanced trail riders.

[www.bettelwurfbikepark.at](http://www.bettelwurfbikepark.at)  
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### Goldseetrail with jumpline in Nauders

From summer 2025, a new trail will expand the 3-country enduro trails in Nauders in the Tyrolean Oberland. The approximately 1 km long Goldseetrail scores with its perfect balance between flow and challenge. With elements ranging from stone to wood and earth, plus a well-thought-out route, it will appeal to beginners and experienced bikers alike.

[www.nauders.com](http://www.nauders.com)

### New mountain bike tours in Paznaun-Ischgl

A new 30 km mountain bike tour will connect Ischgl with Ramosch (Scuol) in Switzerland from summer 2025. In addition, the new Fimbapass Marathon (an 80 km round trip) leads from Ischgl across the Fimbapass to Ramosch, via Martina to Samnaun and from there back to Ischgl by cable car. Galtür has also expanded its routes, with a new 1 km long circuit around Faulbrunn Alm that is suitable for beginners and advanced riders alike. Three variations offer technically challenging experiences for advanced bikers. From summer 2025, the Silvretta Bike Arena Ischgl/Samnaun and Silva Trails Galtür will be part of the Gravity Card network. It provides access to 30 top mountain bike destinations in seven European countries.

[www.ischgl.com](http://www.ischgl.com)

## Vorarlberg

### Five new gravel bike tours

Starting from Dornbirn, Bregenz, Feldkirch, the Bregenzerwald and Bludenz, gravel bikers will be able to ride five new routes from May 2025. The tours are between 30 and 40 km long and overcome a maximum of 500 m in altitude. Gravel segments make up around 30% of the routes and do not require any special riding skills. This makes them ideal for those who want to give gravel biking a go.

[www.vorarlberg.travel](http://www.vorarlberg.travel)

### Pump track in Silvretta Park Montafon

At the beginning of the 2025 summer season, a pump track will open in St. Gallenkirch, Silvretta Park Montafon. The circuit with curves and jumps will be suitable for bikes of all kinds, scooters, longboards, skateboards and inline skates.

[www.silvretta-montafon.at](http://www.silvretta-montafon.at)



# Nature experiences



Von oben nach unten: Österreich Werbung | Linda Schiffler  
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## Carinthia

### Cool Down Places in Carinthia

Together with local residents, Carinthia's KLAR! Regions (Climate Change Adaptation Model Regions) have selected so-called Cool Down Places. These are freely accessible, shady spots located amidst nature where people can relax and cool down on hot summer days. At the same time, these places provide information about the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Cool Down Places in the Millstätter See – Bad Kleinkirchheim – Nockberge region include the natural wonder of the "Tiebelquellen" springs, the "Schluchtweg" gorge path near Millstatt, St. Lorenz moor and small lakes such as the Urbansee.

[www.lakeandmountain.at](http://www.lakeandmountain.at)

## Lower Austria

### Learn more about Donau-Auen National Park

The schlossORTH National Park Centre in Donau-Auen National Park will be revealing some updates at the end of March 2025. In the Schlossinsel area a new, covered shelter offers school classes in particular the opportunity to take a closer look at the river landscape. The national park has also expanded its barrier-free offer with additional 3D models for the visually impaired, new audio stations and information in plain language.

[www.donauauen.at](http://www.donauauen.at)



# SalzburgerLand

## Alpaca picnic at the Königshof

Around 20 alpacas live on the König-Hirsts' farm in Eben im Pongau. The family has been offering alpaca hikes and tours of the farm for many years, and from summer 2025 visitors will also be able to enjoy a lovingly prepared picnic. Surrounded by alpacas, guests tuck into delicacies from the farm in a delightful spot on the meadow.

[www.koenigshof-alpaca.at](http://www.koenigshof-alpaca.at)  
(German only)

## 25 years of Europe's largest waterfalls

The Krimml Worlds of Water are celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year and will be making a splash with new attractions from 20<sup>th</sup> May. The new cinema follows the journey of a funny little drop of water from creation to its Krimml Waterfalls adventures. In the new outdoor park, visitors dive right into the magical world of water. 25 interactive stations will have you amazed and encourage you to play and discover. There are installations that create optical illusions, as well as plays of light and colour. The little drop of water "Wassili" accompanies children through the park with games and puzzles.

[www.krimmler-wasserwelten.at](http://www.krimmler-wasserwelten.at)

# Styria

## Fürstenfeld World of Experience

Fürstenfeld World of Experience has been open since March 2025, extending across fields and forest. It comprises three areas, beginning with a motor skills park with 22 exercise stations for nature lovers of all ages. Then there's an almost 5 km long Legend Trail, on which visitors can listen to eleven exciting legends that surround Buchwald forest via audio guide. Highlights of the 6 km long Adventure World Circuit include a heart-shaped viewpoint, a forest playground, an educational tree trail, motor skills stations and the sights of the town. All facilities can be used year round.

[www.steiermark.com](http://www.steiermark.com)

## "Wild John" legend trail

The newly designed "Wild John" themed trail will reopen in the Gesäuse National Park on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2025. The approximately 3.5 km long, family-friendly trail follows the Johnsbach stream, hence its name. Bizarre rock monuments, which have always captured people's imagination, characterise the Johnsbach valley. This is how myths and legends were created, which the legend trail introduces hikers to at ten stations.

[nationalpark-gesaeuse.at](http://nationalpark-gesaeuse.at)

## Starry skies in the Schladming-Dachstein region

To draw attention to the importance of the night sky, the Schladming-Dachstein region is currently rolling out the "Sternenplätze" project. The project is funded by the EU LEADER programme for innovative implementation measures for the development of rural regions. Across the region, spaces are being created where you can look at the night sky without disturbing wild animals and nature. In addition to two existing star sites in the Sölkaler Nature Park, there will be four more locations around Schladming from May 2025. The sites are equipped with rotatable star maps and provide astronomical information. At individual events, visitors can experience the starlit sky under expert guidance.

[www.schladming-dachstein.at](http://www.schladming-dachstein.at)

# Tirol

## Tranquillity and nature on the Ochsenkopf

On the almost 2,000 m high, wooded Ochsenkopf in the Ötztal, nine unique installations encourage hikers to stop and observe nature. Two of the installations are tree houses with loungers and the others are differently shaped wooden loungers. It takes about one and a half hours to complete the 4.5 km long Ochsenkopf circuit without breaks.

[www.gurgl.com](http://www.gurgl.com)

## Digital theme trails Achensee

Two new digital theme trails lead guests through the Achensee region in a playful way. On the 2 km long Path of Reflection at Lake Achensee, nine stations invite you to try guided meditations and mindfulness exercises. Along the 3.4 km Achensee Nature Adventure Path, eight stations teach you more about the flora and fauna of Karwendel Nature Park. Interactive learning modules and quizzes encourage visitors to learn about the biodiversity of the region.

[app.wunderweg.com/achensee](http://app.wunderweg.com/achensee)

## Moor & More, Going am Wilden Kaiser

Moor elf Törfchen and her friend Rocky accompany families through the high moor landscape on the southern slopes of the Wilder Kaiser. Under the motto "Moor & More", an "outdoor classroom" has been created, which invites visitors to embark on an excursion on their own with themed boards. From summer 2025, new play stations with moor quizzes, photo walls and rest areas will invite visitors to learn even more about the moor.

[www.wilderkaiser.info](http://www.wilderkaiser.info)

## New "GreifenBrücke" bridge in Mayrhofen-Hippach

Enjoy wonderful views from the new, free-floating "GreifenBrücke" bridge on the AlbertAdler Adventure Trail, which leads around the Ahorn above Mayrhofen and is suitable for buggies in parts. In addition to the existing AdlerBühne Ahorn, Europe's highest bird of prey sanctuary at over 2,000 m above sea level, the new bridge along the two-hour trail, which is over 60 m long, is the highlight of the two-hour circular route. From summer 2025, the new SkyRide Ahorn will be added: On the open panorama deck of the Ahornbahn cable car – Austria's largest of its kind – guests can enjoy a unique open-air gondola experience with 360° views of the Zillertal Alps.

[www.mayrhofen.at](http://www.mayrhofen.at)

## Path of the Senses in Osttirol

The 2 km long Path of the Senses near Virgen in Osttirol will reopen with a new look in summer 2025. 19 experience stations prompt visitors to engage with the five senses in a fun way. The trail also explores the further meaning of senses beyond taste, smell, touch, hearing and sight.

[www.osttirol.com](http://www.osttirol.com)

## Forest Gnome Trail in Silvian

There will be a new attraction for families in Wichtelpark Sillian from summer 2025. The 500 m long "Waldwichtelweg" (Forest Gnome Trail) with seven stations sends you in search of mascot Willi Wichtel's lost treasure. Those who find the treasure and enter the correct word on the map receive a reward at the end of the adventure.

[www.osttirol.com](http://www.osttirol.com)

# More experiences

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## Carinthia

### Workation between lake and mountain

Those looking to combine work and holiday will find the right offers in the Millstätter See – Bad Kleinkirchheim – Nockberge region from May 2025. A range of certified accommodation and catering establishments provide for the specific needs of a workation. High-speed internet and a modern digital infrastructure create ideal conditions for productive working hours, while the beautiful surroundings and plenty of leisure activities promise relaxation and inspiration.

[www.lakeandmountain.at](http://www.lakeandmountain.at)

### ZEITpass regional app Millstätter See – Bad Kleinkirchheim – Nockberge

From 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025, the new ZEITpass app will offer guests even better orientation and a comprehensive overview of offers and opening hours of restaurants and cafés in the Millstätter See – Bad Kleinkirchheim – Nockberge region. With the app, visitors will also be able to book day spa and wellness packages as well as places for breakfast or dinner online. Other app services include a weather report, an event calendar and maps.

[www.lakeandmountain.at](http://www.lakeandmountain.at)

## Upper Austria

### North Trails in the Bohemian Forest

Forests, streams, hills and peaks characterise the landscape in the Bohemian Forest in the north of Upper Austria, ideal for trail running. This gave the region the idea of expanding its trail running offer and re-signposting twelve routes of different difficulty levels. With the addition of four new trails since autumn 2024, the North Trails comprise a network with a total length of 220 km. Together the trails overcome 8,000 m in altitude. The new routes include the 25 km long Bavarian Au Trail, which covers an altitude difference of 590 m. Top physical condition is required on the Ultratrail Böhmerwald. It is 70 km long and leads over 2,150 m in altitude.

[www.north-trails.at](http://www.north-trails.at)  
(German only)

### Escape-Room in the Würfelspielhaus

For 400 years, Frankenburg has been the venue for the "Frankenburger Würfelspiel", which commemorates a historical event. To mark the anniversary, a new escape room opened in the Würfelspielhaus in January 2025 with the theme "1625 – the Dice of Fate". The challenge is to find the dice hidden in the castle in one hour and thus avert great disaster from Frankenburg.

[www.wuerfelspielhaus.at](http://www.wuerfelspielhaus.at)  
(German only)

# SalzburgerLand

## SmartGuide audio tours through SalzburgerLand

Anyone looking for excursion ideas in SalzburgerLand will find plenty of suggestions with the SmartGuide app. The digital travel companion provides interesting facts and entertaining stories about individual places and sights. In this way numerous sights in the city of Salzburg, the ice caves in Werfen or the Krimml Waterfalls, for example, can be explored on your own.

[www.salzburgerland.com](http://www.salzburgerland.com)

## Kaiserblick panorama platform

Since the summer of 2024, visitors have been able to enjoy the best views of Lake Zell and over 30 three-thousand-metre peaks from the newly built Kaiserblick panorama platform on the Schmitenhöhe near Zell am See. You can see the Grossglockner (Austria's highest mountain), for example, and the Dachstein. Those brave enough can also look into the depths through a glass panel in the floor.

[www.zellamsee-kaprun.com](http://www.zellamsee-kaprun.com)

## Fort Kniepass

Brand new Fort Kniepass combines culture, action and culinary delights in Unken in the Saalachtal, which is situated between the borders of Bavaria and Tirol. The new excursion destination is named after the Kniepass, a mountain pass that runs between Unken and Lofer. It is there that Fort Kniepass is being built, around the historic fortress. Fort Kniepass will open with a large family festival on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2025 and will include an adventure trail on the theme of borders with twelve play stations, the longest and highest tube slide in western Austria, an open-air arena for events and a restaurant. It will be open all year round.

[festung-kniepass.at](http://festung-kniepass.at)  
(German only)

## One for all: new public transport ticket in SalzburgerLand

It will be possible to use all public transport in the province of SalzburgerLand with just one ticket from May 2025 with the new Guest Mobility Ticket. It is available to all guests who stay overnight in SalzburgerLand as a PDF or electronically and, subject to pre-check-in, can already be used within the province on the day of arrival. The Guest Mobility Ticket is valid for the duration of the stay for city and regional buses, S-Bahn, regional and long-distance trains as well as micro-mobility services in some municipalities. Guests receive the ticket upon check-in at their accommodation establishment. It is calculated as a mobility fee and thus charged as an addition to the overnight accommodation tax at 0.50 euros per person and night.

[www.guestmobilityticket.at](http://www.guestmobilityticket.at)

# Steiermark

## Murau GuestCard

Murau is introducing a new GuestCard from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025, which all guests staying overnight at one of the partner establishments will receive. It is valid on public transport throughout the region and grants free admission to over 25 attractions including outdoor pools, the Grebenzen summer cable car and the Kornockbahn on Turracher Höhe, as well as several local museums. GuestCard holders also enjoy discounts at more than 30 bonus partners.

[www.steiermark.com](http://www.steiermark.com)

# Tirol

## Wildschönau Premium Card

From summer 2025, the Wildschönau is expanding its offer with the Wildschönau Premium Card, which is valid for journeys on the Wildschönau cable cars. The card is available to all guests staying overnight at one of the partner establishments. Guests can also make use of the existing Wildschönau Card offers with the new card. These include use of the hiking buses, guided hikes and admission to the outdoor pools.

[www.wildschoenau.com](http://www.wildschoenau.com)



# Tirol

## Panorama Shell at Triassic Park

Since autumn 2024, the Triassic Park near Waidring in the Kitzbühel Alps has (quite literally) boasted an additional highlight. From the barrier-free viewing platform named Panorama Shell, which is made of larch wood, visitors can enjoy particularly fabulous views of the mountains. The platform protrudes 70 m above the abyss and is shaped like a fan coral. Those who appreciate solid ground can walk out on the wooden sections. The more daring, on the other hand, can venture out on the mesh grating.

[www.steinplatte.tirol](http://www.steinplatte.tirol)

## Three new multi-pitch sectors in Paznaun-Ischgl

The Climbers Paradise region of Paznaun-Ischgl will offer three new multi-pitch sectors in Galtür from summer 2025. With the Jamtal multi-pitch routes (difficulty level 4+ to 7), the alpine climbing routes on the Ballunspitze Galtür (difficulty level 3+ to 6a) and practice via ferrata Alpinarium (difficulty level A/B), both passionate climbers and beginners will have a wide range of routes to choose from against the spectacular backdrop of the Silvretta Alps.

[www.climbers-paradise.com](http://www.climbers-paradise.com)

## Keilschrofen via ferrata Kاونertal

The new Keilschrofen via ferrata will open in Feichten in summer 2025, close to the village centre. It leads over a length of 180 m (rated difficulty level B/C) to a magnificent viewing platform. At the foot of the via ferrata there is also a new climbing loop, which is ideal for practicing purposes and for beginners to develop their technique.

[www.kاونertal.com](http://www.kاونertal.com)

## Trail running retreats in the Wipptal.

The Wipptal is hosting its first trail running retreats in summer 2025. The focus of the three-day events is on technique, endurance and mental strength. Beginners kick things off at the Training Retreat in May, whilst the Alpine Performance Retreats cater for more experienced runners in July and September. All participants benefit from the support of ASTA-certified trail running guides, qualified physiotherapists and nutrition coaches.

[www.wipptal.at](http://www.wipptal.at)

## Seebi's Bear World in Ischgl

The Medrigalm in See in Paznaun-Ischgl is a paradise for explorers of all ages and with Seebi's Bear World it will have a new adventure playground from summer 2025. Stations such as the 6 m tall wooden bear, water features and a variety of climbing and balancing activities encourage exercise and play amidst the mountains.

[www.see.at](http://www.see.at)

## TirolLand expansion in the Silberregion Karwendel

In addition to the crazy upside down house and Dinoland, there have been two new attractions at TirolLand in the Silberregion Karwendel since autumn 2024. Visitors can experience the world of stars – from sports to music, film and art – up close at the wax figure museum, capturing their encounters with selfies. At the new building block exhibition, gigantic works of art made out of Cobi building blocks are waiting to be explored.

[www.silberregion-karwendel.com](http://www.silberregion-karwendel.com)

## Tirol

### New station along the Stubai Tree House Trail

From summer 2025, the 2.5 km long Tree House Trail at the middle station of the Kreuzjochbahn in the Stubai Valley will become even more inviting. In addition to the existing seven tree houses within the almost 5,000 m<sup>2</sup>, buggy-friendly world of adventure, a Dwarves' Fire Station will be added. In keeping with the trail's mascot, Bardin the dwarf, all tree houses are dedicated to the world of dwarves, from the Dwarves' Kitchen to the Dwarves' Treasure Chamber and the Dwarves' Music Room.

[www.stubai.at](http://www.stubai.at)

### Interactive adventure tour in the Zillertal

A special audio adventure awaits young mountain enthusiasts on the Spieljoch in the Zillertal from summer 2025. "The Mystery of the Wünschel Route" takes families on an adventure with Alwin, the little miner from the Spieljoch. The 2.2 km route leads from the mountain station of the Spieljoch along ten interactive stations to the summit in the direction of Onkeljoch. From there it takes you back to the starting point. It takes about two to two and a half hours to complete.

[www.spieljochbahn.at](http://www.spieljochbahn.at)

### Galtberg slide park in the Stubai Valley

The new slide park on the Galtberg in the Schlick 2000 hiking centre in the Stubai Valley promises fun and thrills for children of all ages. Seven stations with nine different slides extend along the approximately 2.5 km long path, which is suitable for buggies and covers a 400 m difference in altitude. The slide trail begins below the Galtbergbahn mountain station, where you can also hire slide mats. The route continues past the idyllic Galtalmsee lake and rustic Galtalm to the Bruggeralm.

[www.stubai.at](http://www.stubai.at)

## Vorarlberg

### Seebad Bregenz

The new Seebad Bregenz will open in May 2025. Across 5,500 m<sup>2</sup> it combines four indoor pools, including a 25 m competition pool and a height-adjustable pool with movable floor, which is suitable for hydrotherapy and children's swimming. Other facilities include a sauna area with access to Lake Constance and a rooftop terrace with hot tub, as well as a 77 m long water slide. The adjacent Strandbad lido was also updated in the course of the new construction and its renovated 50 m sports pool is right next to the Seebad. Further updates to the lido include a new children's pool with water playground, an adventure pool with wave slide and lazy river, as well as the lido building and cloakrooms.

[www.seebad-bregenz.at](http://www.seebad-bregenz.at)  
(German only)

### Book: Second Home – Alps in the Klostertal

Anna Engstler and Mathias Klocker have visited all 17 Alps (In the other Austrian provinces they use the name "Alm") in the Klostertal. They wanted to find out what drives people to spend busy summers in the mountains with the cattle. The result is a book with documentary texts by Anna Engstler and photographs by Mathias Klocker. The images and texts not only portray local landscapes and nature, but also the stories and perspectives of alpine life. Without romanticising, the book tells of a second home in which life follows its own rhythm.

[www.annawandert.at](http://www.annawandert.at)  
(German only)

# Cuisine



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## Lower Austria

**"Gedanken-Gänge": favourite dishes and stories**

The new event series "Gedanken-Gänge" invites you to savour, chat and come together in the Vienna Alps. On each date, a host invites a prominent personality to the establishment. They both share anecdotes and experiences, funny and thought-provoking stories with each other and with the audience. This all takes place during an exclusive menu that everyone enjoys together. Dates are scheduled between April and October 2025.

[www.wieneralpen.at](http://www.wieneralpen.at)

## Upper Austria

**The path to becoming a speck master in Helfenberg**

Traditional Gasthof Haudum in the heart of the weaving village of Helfenberg in the Mühlviertel is known for its home cooking, tasteful parlour with tiled stove and legendary Tarock games. It also has its own bacon workshop. Here you can learn how traditional speck is made in a course called "The path to becoming a speck master". Participants learn how to choose the right meat and more about curing, seasoning and smoking it. The course can cater for groups of up to 15 people. Individuals and couples are also welcome to sign up for it.

[www.haudum.at](http://www.haudum.at)  
(German only)

# SalzburgerLand Upper Austria

## mundART Festival at Lake Wolfgangsee

From 25<sup>th</sup> April to 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025, it's all about culinary delights at the new mundART culinary festival in St. Gilgen, Strobl and St. Wolfgang am Wolfgangsee. The programme includes a gourmet market, wine tastings, a sushi workshop and the mundART Roas, where guests enjoy five courses at five different establishments. Things will get really exciting at the mundART Mystery Box Cooking Show on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025, hosted by TV presenter Silvia Schneider. Top chefs from renowned restaurants are given a "Mystery Box" with regional ingredients and have the task of conjuring up show-stopping dishes from them.

[wolfgangsee.salzkammergut.at](http://wolfgangsee.salzkammergut.at)

# Styria

## Fullmoon culinary event series

With Fullmoon, the Graz Region launched a new culinary event series in 2024. It harnesses the magic of full moon nights and invites you to dine on curated menus in extraordinary locations from June to October. On each date a maximum of 50 guests enjoy five courses under the night sky. And stars play an important role in more than one way, as it is largely award-winning chefs who prepare the dishes. On 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025, for example, the natural backdrop of the Packer Reservoir will provide the setting for the Fullmoon evenings. On 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> August 2025, guests will dine in a park by the Mur River in Frohnleiten. And the Fullmoon evenings on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025 will take place above the rooftops of Graz.

[www.steiermark.com](http://www.steiermark.com)

# Vorarlberg

## The Taste of Kleinwalsertal

From 23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> June 2025, the Kleinwalsertal is hosting a festival that revolves around the culinary delights of the valley for the first time. Visitors can sample specialities at various stalls – from regional products to traditional dishes.

[kleinwalsertal.com](http://kleinwalsertal.com)

## On the alp – nature, enjoyment and tradition

Alpine life is steeped in tradition and history in Kleinwalsertal. Those who would like to learn more about it and try alpine products at the same time can take part in a guided hike every Friday from the end of June to mid-September. The hiking guide and local farmer tells you all about working on an alpine farm and the challenges of today as you walk. The approximately five-hour adventure tour ends with a delicious lunch of alpine products.

[www.kleinwalsertal.com](http://www.kleinwalsertal.com)

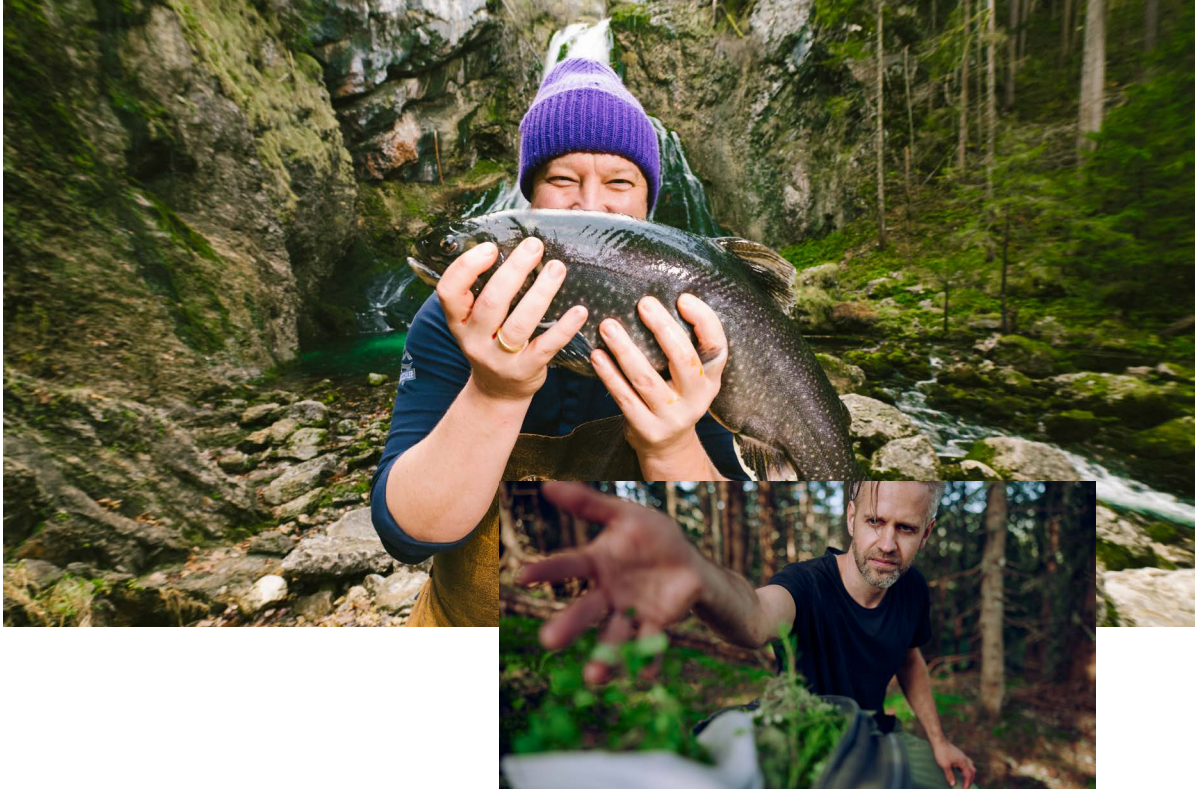
## Käsknöpfele cooking class

Flour, eggs, water, salt and cheese, of course: these are the ingredients for the classic Bregenzwald Käsknöpfele. But which mixing ratio works best and is there a particularly flavoursome cheese? What should you bear in mind when frying the onions that garnish the Knöpfele and which side dishes go well with it? All is revealed at the Käsknöpfele cooking class, which the Schopperrau mountain cheese dairy has been offering since autumn 2024. Led by farmers, the session begins in the late morning and ends with a joint Käsknöpfele meal. The Käsknöpfele cooking class will be held on eight dates in 2025, between May and September.

[www.bergkaeserei.at](http://www.bergkaeserei.at)  
(German only)



# Guide MICHELIN



Von oben nach unten: Österreich Werbung | Karolin Pernegger  
Österreich Werbung | Konstantin Reyer

## Star shower for Austria

After a hiatus of more than 15 years, the renowned Michelin Guide rates restaurants across Austria again, bringing a veritable shower of stars to the country. As of this year, Austria boasts a total of 82 star-rated restaurants. The highest distinction of three stars goes to the Steirereck am Stadtpark restaurant and the Amador restaurant, both in Vienna. The Michelin Guide awarded 33 restaurants a Green Star for their sustainable concepts. Criteria include the origin of the products, the type of cultivation, and the transport routes. A further 43 restaurants now hold the "Bib Gourmand" seal, which stands for excellent value for money. We have listed all 158 of these restaurants for you on the following pages.

The return of the Michelin Guide is an essential part of highlighting Austria's culinary scene. The goal is to showcase Austria as Europe's leading culinary destination and to bring its diverse landscapes to life on the plate. To support this communication, Austria Tourism, together with the nine regional tourism organisations, is presenting the new "Culinary Showroom," featuring artistic approaches to culinary arts and portraits of selected personalities who are shaping Austrian cuisine.

[guide.michelin.com](https://guide.michelin.com)  
[www.austria.info](https://www.austria.info)

## 3 Stars

### Vienna

#### **Amador**

Vienna  
restaurant-amador.com

#### **Steirereck im Stadtpark**

Vienna  
www.steirereck.at

## 2 Stars

### Burgenland

#### **Taubenkobel**

Schützen am Gebirge  
www.taubenkobel.com

### Lower Austria

#### **Landhaus Bacher**

Mautern an der Donau  
www.landhaus-bacher.at

### Upper Austria

#### **Ois**

Neufelden  
www.muehltalhof.at

### Salzburg

#### **Döllerer**

Golling an der Salzach  
www.doellerer.at

#### **Ikarus**

Salzburg  
www.hangar-7.com

#### **Kräuterreich by Vitus Winkler**

Sankt Veit im Pongau  
www.sonnhof-vituswinkler.at

#### **Obauer**

Werfen  
obauer.com

#### **SENNS.Restaurant**

Salzburg  
www.senns.restaurant

### Tirol

#### **Gourmetrestaurant Tannenhof**

Sankt Anton am Arlberg  
www.hoteltannenhof.net

#### **Restaurant 141 by Joachim Jaud**

Mieming  
www.schwarz.at

#### **Schwarzer Adler**

Hall in Tirol  
www.schwarzeradler-hall.tirol

#### **Stüva**

Ischgl  
www.yscla.at

### Vorarlberg

#### **Griggeler Stuba**

Lech am Arlberg  
www.burgvitalresort.com

#### **Rote Wand Chef's Table**

Lech am Arlberg  
www.rotewand.com

### Wien

#### **Doubek**

Wien  
restaurantdoubek.at

#### **Konstantin Filippou**

Wien  
konstantinfilippou.com

#### **Mraz & Sohn**

Wien  
www.mrazundsohn.at

#### **Silvio Nickol Gourmet Restaurant**

Wien  
www.palais-coburg.com

# 1 Star

## Carinthia

**Die Forelle**  
Weissensee  
www.dieforelle.at

**Hubert Wallner**  
Maria Wörth  
hubertwallner.com

**Moritz**  
Grafenstein  
www.restaurantmoritz.at

**Rouge Noir**  
Weissensee  
www.rougenoir.at

## Lower Austria

**Esslokal**  
Hadersdorf am Kamp  
www.esslokal.com

**Mörwald „Toni M.“**  
Feuersbrunn  
www.moerwald.at

## Upper Austria

**Bootshaus**  
Traunkirchen  
www.dastraunsee.at

**Lukas Kapeller**  
Steyr  
www.lukas-kapeller.at

**Lukas Restaurant**  
Schärding  
www.lukas-restaurant.at

**Paula**  
Sankt Wolfgang im Salzkammergut  
www.weisserbaer.at

**RAU nature-based cuisine**  
Großraming  
www.im-rau.com

**Rosbarth**  
Linz  
rossbarth.at

**Tanglberg**  
Vorchdorf  
www.tanglberg.at

**Verdi**  
Linz  
verdi.at

**Waldschänke**  
Grieskirchen  
www.waldschaenke.at

## Salzburg

**Atelier Fischer**  
Sankt Gilgen  
restaurant-atelier.eatbu.com

**dahoam by Andreas Herbst**  
Leogang  
restaurant-dahoam.com

**Esszimmer**  
Salzburg  
www.esszimmer.com

**Kirchenwirt**  
Leogang  
www.hotelkirchenwirt.at

**MAYER's Restaurant**  
Zell am See  
www.schloss-prielau.at

**Mesnerhaus**  
Mauterndorf  
www.mesnerhaus.at

**Pfefferschiff**  
Salzburg  
www.vigne.at

**The Glass Garden**  
Salzburg  
www.monchstein.at

## Styria

**Artis**  
Graz  
restaurant-artis.at

**Die Weinbank - Restaurant**  
Ehrenhausen  
dieweinbank.at

**Geiger Alm**  
Altaussee  
www.geigeralm.at

**Geschwister Rauch - Restaurant**  
Bad Gleichenberg  
www.geschwister-rauch.at

**Harald Irka am Pfarrhof - Fine Dine**  
Sankt Andrä im Sausal  
www.ampfarrhof.com

**Lieberts**  
Leutschach an der Weinstraße  
www.lieberts.at

**Sattlerhof**  
Gamlitz  
sattlerhof.at

**Saziani**  
Straden  
www.neumeister.cc

# 1 Star

## Styria

**Schlosskeller Gourmetstube**  
Leibnitz  
[www.schlosskellersuedsteiermark.at](http://www.schlosskellersuedsteiermark.at)

**Thaller - Restaurant**  
Sankt Veit am Vogau  
[www.gasthaus-thaller.at](http://www.gasthaus-thaller.at)

**Wörgötter - Fine Dining**  
Ligist  
[www.woergoetter.at](http://www.woergoetter.at)

**ZeitRAUM**  
Sankt Kathrein am Offenegg  
[www.der-wilde-eder.at](http://www.der-wilde-eder.at)

## Tirol

**Alpin Gourmet Stube**  
Sankt Anton am Arlberg  
[www.hotel-gletscherblick.at](http://www.hotel-gletscherblick.at)

**Austria Stuben**  
Obergurgl  
[austria-bellevue.com](http://austria-bellevue.com)

**Beef Club**  
Fiss  
[www.schlosshotel-fiss.com](http://www.schlosshotel-fiss.com)

**Berggericht**  
Kitzbühel  
[www.berggericht.at](http://www.berggericht.at)

**Bruderherz Fine Dine**  
Fiss  
[www.bruderherzstube.at](http://www.bruderherzstube.at)

**Der Gannerhof**  
Innervillgraten  
[www.gannerhof.at](http://www.gannerhof.at)

**Die Geniesserstube im Alpenhof**  
Tux  
[www.alpenhof.at](http://www.alpenhof.at)

**Gründler's Gourmet Stüberl**  
Achenkirch  
[www.kulinarikhotel-alpin.at](http://www.kulinarikhotel-alpin.at)

**Guat'z Essen**  
Stumm  
[guatzessen.at](http://guatzessen.at)

**Hubertusstube**  
Neustift im Stubaital  
[www.hotel-jagdhof.at](http://www.hotel-jagdhof.at)

**Interalpen - Chef's Table**  
Telfs  
[www.interalpen.com](http://www.interalpen.com)

**Les Deux Kitzbühel - Brasserie & Bar**  
Kitzbühel  
[lesdeux-kitzbuehel.at](http://lesdeux-kitzbuehel.at)

## Tirol

**Ötztaler Stube**  
Sölden  
[www.central-soelden.com](http://www.central-soelden.com)

**Paznaunerstube**  
Ischgl  
[www.trofana-royal.at](http://www.trofana-royal.at)

**Schlossherrnstube**  
Ischgl  
[www.schlosshotel-ischgl.com](http://www.schlosshotel-ischgl.com)

**Sigwart's Tiroler Weinstuben**  
Brixlegg  
[www.tiroler-weinstuben.at](http://www.tiroler-weinstuben.at)

## Vorarlberg

**Guth**  
Lauterach  
[www.restaurantguth.at](http://www.restaurantguth.at)

**Kilian Stuba**  
Hirschegg  
[arosahotels.de](http://arosahotels.de)

**Mangold**  
Lochau  
[www.restaurant-mangold.at](http://www.restaurant-mangold.at)

## Vienna

**[aend]**  
Vienna  
[aend.at](http://aend.at)

**APRON**  
Vienna  
[www.restaurant-apron.at](http://www.restaurant-apron.at)

**Edvard**  
Vienna  
[www.anantara.com](http://www.anantara.com)

**Esszimmer - Everybody's Darling**  
Vienna  
[everybodysdarling.at](http://everybodysdarling.at)

**Herzig**  
Vienna  
[www.restaurant-herzig.at](http://www.restaurant-herzig.at)

**Pramerl & the Wolf**  
Vienna  
[pramerlandthewolf.com](http://pramerlandthewolf.com)

**TIAN**  
Vienna  
[www.tian-restaurant.com](http://www.tian-restaurant.com)

**Z'SOM**  
Vienna  
[zsom-restaurant.at](http://zsom-restaurant.at)



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## Burgenland

**Am Mahrbach**  
Königsdorf  
[www.am-mahrbach.at](http://www.am-mahrbach.at)

**Gut Purbach**  
Purbach am Neusiedler See  
[www.gutpurbach.at](http://www.gutpurbach.at)

**Ziegelwerk Gasthaus**  
Wimpassing an der Leitha  
[www.ziegelwerk-gasthaus.at](http://www.ziegelwerk-gasthaus.at)

## Carinthia

**Bärenwirt**  
Hermagor  
[www.baerenwirt-hermagor.at](http://www.baerenwirt-hermagor.at)

**Bär & Schaf Wirtschaft**  
Völkermarkt  
[www.baerundschafwirtschaft.at](http://www.baerundschafwirtschaft.at)

**Die Forelle**  
Weissensee  
[www.dieforelle.at](http://www.dieforelle.at)

**Moritz**  
Grafenstein  
[www.restaurantmoritz.at](http://www.restaurantmoritz.at)

**Sicher**  
Tainach  
[sicherrestaurant.at](http://sicherrestaurant.at)

## Lower Austria

**Floh**  
Langenlebarn  
[www.derfloh.at](http://www.derfloh.at)

**Gaumenkitzel**  
Kirchberg am Wechsel  
[www.weitmoser.at](http://www.weitmoser.at)

## Upper Austria

**Bootschau**  
Traunkirchen  
[www.dastrauensee.at](http://www.dastrauensee.at)

**RAU nature-based cuisine**  
Großraming  
[www.im-rau.com](http://www.im-rau.com)

## Salzburg

**dahoam by Andreas Herbst**  
Leogang  
[restaurant-dahoam.com](http://restaurant-dahoam.com)

**Kräuterreich by Vitus Winkler**  
Sankt Veit im Pongau  
[www.sonnhof-vituswinkler.at](http://www.sonnhof-vituswinkler.at)

**Rauchkuchl**  
Stuhlfelden  
[www.schwaigerlehen.at](http://www.schwaigerlehen.at)

**Weitmoser Schlössl**  
Bad Hofgastein  
[www.weitmoser.at](http://www.weitmoser.at)

## Styria

**Lurgbauer**  
Mariazell  
[www.lurgbauer.at](http://www.lurgbauer.at)

**Restaurant Krainer**  
Langenwang  
[www.hotel-krainer.com](http://www.hotel-krainer.com)

**Thaller - Gasthaus**  
Sankt Veit am Vogau  
[www.gasthaus-thaller.at](http://www.gasthaus-thaller.at)

**Thaller - Restaurant**  
Sankt Veit am Vogau  
[www.gasthaus-thaller.at](http://www.gasthaus-thaller.at)

**Wirtshaus Steirereck am POGUSCH**  
Turnau  
[www.steirereck.at](http://www.steirereck.at)

**ZeitRAUM**  
Sankt Kathrein am Offenegg  
[www.der-wilde-eder.at](http://www.der-wilde-eder.at)

## Tirol

**Der Gannerhof**  
Innervillgraten  
[www.gannerhof.at](http://www.gannerhof.at)

**Guat'z Essen**  
Stumm  
[guatzessen.at](http://guatzessen.at)

**s'Morent**  
Zöblen  
[www.morent.at](http://www.morent.at)

# Green Star

## Vorarlberg

**Ernele**  
Hittisau  
[www.schiff-hittisau.com](http://www.schiff-hittisau.com)

**Hirschen**  
Schwarzenberg  
[www.hotel-hirschen-bregenzerwald.at](http://www.hotel-hirschen-bregenzerwald.at)

**Krone**  
Hittisau  
[www.krone-hittisau.at](http://www.krone-hittisau.at)

**Rote Wand Stuben**  
Lech am Arlberg  
[www.rotewand.com](http://www.rotewand.com)

## Vorarlberg

**Schwanen**  
Bizau  
[biohotel-schwanen.com](http://biohotel-schwanen.com)

**Walserstuba**  
Riezlern  
[www.walserstuba.at](http://www.walserstuba.at)

## Vienna

**MAST Weinbistro**  
Vienna  
[www.mast.wine](http://www.mast.wine)

**TIAN**  
Vienna  
[www.tian-restaurant.com](http://www.tian-restaurant.com)

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Purbach am Neusiedler See  
[restaurant-fossil.at](http://restaurant-fossil.at)

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Wimpassing an der Leitha  
[www.ziegelwerk-gasthaus.at](http://www.ziegelwerk-gasthaus.at)

**Zum fröhlichen Arbeiter**  
Apetlon  
[www.froehlicherarbeiter.at](http://www.froehlicherarbeiter.at)

**Zur Blauen Gans**  
Weiden am See  
[www.zurblauengans.at](http://www.zurblauengans.at)

## Carinthia

**Reiterhof Stückler**  
Sankt Margarethen im Lavanttal  
[reiterhof-stueckler.at](http://reiterhof-stueckler.at)

## Lower Austria

**Haslauerhof**  
Haslau an der Donau  
[www.haslauerhof.at](http://www.haslauerhof.at)

**Hueber der Wirt in Bründl**  
Sankt Georgen an der Leys  
[www.hueberderwirt.at](http://www.hueberderwirt.at)

**Landgasthof Hinterleithner**  
Hofamt Priel  
[www.hinterleithner.at](http://www.hinterleithner.at)

**Mörwald Schloss Grafenegg**  
Grafenegg  
[www.moerwald.at](http://www.moerwald.at)

## Lower Austria

**Pollak's Retzbacherhof**  
Retzbach  
[www.retzbacherhof.at](http://www.retzbacherhof.at)

## Upper Austria

**Das Bräu**  
Nußdorf am Attersee  
[www.hotel-aichinger.at](http://www.hotel-aichinger.at)

**Die Schmiede**  
Pfaffing  
[gasthaus-schmiede.at](http://gasthaus-schmiede.at)

**Göttfried**  
Linz  
[www.goettfried.at](http://www.goettfried.at)

**'s Paul Restaurant**  
Traunkirchen  
[spaul-restaurant.at](http://spaul-restaurant.at)

## Styria

**Krispels Genusstheater**  
Straden  
[www.krispel.at](http://www.krispel.at)

**Lilli Wirtshaus**  
Fehring  
[lilli-fehring.at](http://lilli-fehring.at)

**Malerwinkl**  
Fehring  
[www.malerwinkl.com](http://www.malerwinkl.com)

**Mohrenwirt**  
Graz  
[mohrenwirt-graz.at](http://mohrenwirt-graz.at)

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Leibnitz  
[www.schlosskellersuedsteiermark.at](http://www.schlosskellersuedsteiermark.at)

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Langenwang  
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### Wirtshaus Steirereck am POGUSCH

Turnau  
[www.steirereck.at](http://www.steirereck.at)

### Wörgötter - Wirtshaus

Ligist  
[www.woergoetter.at](http://www.woergoetter.at)

## Tirol

### Das Pflieger

Anras  
[www.hotel-pflieger.at](http://www.hotel-pflieger.at)

### Gründler's Gourmet Stüberl

Achenkirch  
[www.kulinarikhotel-alpin.at](http://www.kulinarikhotel-alpin.at)

### Mocking das Wirtshaus

Kitzbühel  
[www.mocking-kitzbuehel.at](http://www.mocking-kitzbuehel.at)

### Saluti

Matrei in Osttirol  
[www.saluti-matrei.com](http://www.saluti-matrei.com)

### Scherer

Obertilliach  
[www.almfamilyhotel.com](http://www.almfamilyhotel.com)

### Secco

Hall in Tirol  
[www.schwarzeradler-hall.tirol](http://www.schwarzeradler-hall.tirol)

### s'Morent

Zöblen  
[www.morent.at](http://www.morent.at)

## Vorarlberg

### Carnozet

Hirschegg  
[arosahotels.de](http://arosahotels.de)

### Ernele

Hittisau  
[www.schiff-hittisau.com](http://www.schiff-hittisau.com)

### Freigeist

Lustenau  
[www.zum-freigeist.at](http://www.zum-freigeist.at)

### Gasthof Adler

Schwarzenberg  
[www.adler-schwarzenberg.com](http://www.adler-schwarzenberg.com)

### Gufer 55

Brand  
[www.gufer55.at](http://www.gufer55.at)

### Krone

Hittisau  
[www.krone-hittisau.at](http://www.krone-hittisau.at)

### Schwanen

Bizau  
[biohotel-schwanen.com](http://biohotel-schwanen.com)

## Vienna

### Chez Bernard

Vienna  
[www.chezbernard.at](http://www.chezbernard.at)

### LOLA

Vienna  
[www.lolatapas.at](http://www.lolatapas.at)

### MAST Weinbistro

Vienna  
[www.mast.wine](http://www.mast.wine)

### Meierei im Stadtpark

Vienna  
[www.steirereck.at](http://www.steirereck.at)

### Mochi

Vienna  
[www.mochi.at](http://www.mochi.at)

### Woracziczky

Vienna  
[www.woracziczky.at](http://www.woracziczky.at)

# Museums and culture



Von oben nach unten: Österreich Werbung | Lisa Elersebner  
Österreich Werbung | Marko Mestrovic

## Burgenland

### Reopening of the Liszt House

May 2025 will see the opening of the newly designed museum at the Liszt House in Raiding, the birthplace of Franz Liszt. The exhibition with interactive elements invites visitors to experience Franz Liszt (1811–1886) as a virtuoso, composer and person with all the senses. In line with the quote "Le concert c'est moi" (I am the concert), it shines a light on Liszt's life from different angles and also provides insights into his time in Bayreuth, Weimar and Budapest.

[liszt-haus.at](http://liszt-haus.at)

## Carinthia

### artlodge Verditz

Since 2024, Düsseldorf-based Katrin Liesenfeld-Jordan and Dirk Liesenfeld have been transforming artlodge Verditz from a four-star hotel into a space for art. In the beautifully situated property in the middle of Carinthia's Nockberge mountains, the coexistence of art and nature comes to the fore. Artists from Austria and Germany showcase their work in the former hotel rooms and corridors. From 22<sup>nd</sup> June to 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025, the summer exhibition will focus on pieces by Carinthian artist Terese Kasalicky. The Kunstalm is also worth a visit. Here, of the approx. 7.5 ha of alpine meadows that surround the artlodge, the art-loving couple uses around 15,000 m<sup>2</sup> for sculptures and installations by young artists. A hiking trail runs through the grounds. For overnight guests, there are five holiday apartments and four Tiny Houses.

[www.artlodge.at](http://www.artlodge.at)  
(German only)



## Vorarlberg

### Montafon theatre hike

For eleven years, teatro caprile in the Montafon has staged the "On the Run" theatre hike. A new production is on the programme from summer 2025. On the approximately five-hour circular hike "Border Experiences on the Magic Mountain", participants learn more about the historical and cultural intertwining of the Maisäß landscape and tourism, about turning points and transformation processes. Elements such as light and weather shape the performance. As in Greek tragedies, a chorus comments on the events. The hike takes place on set dates in July and August. It is an easy walk and covers around 200 m in altitude.

[www.montafon.at](http://www.montafon.at)

### Art on the Muttersberg

Six sculptures and installations by Vorarlberg artists line the approximately 4 km long Alpine Art Trail on the Muttersberg near Bludenz. The trail leads in a circular route from the mountain station of the Muttersbergbahn back to the starting point. From summer 2025, two more works of art will be added. The pieces by sculptor Janine Rogen-Barbisch and WolfGeorg, who specialises in wooden sculptures, reflect the artists' individual view of life in the mountains.

[www.vorarlberg-alpenregion.at](http://www.vorarlberg-alpenregion.at)

### Opening of the Literaturhaus in Hohenems

The Literaturhaus Vorarlberg (House of Literature) will open its doors for the first time on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025. It is located in the carefully renovated historic Villa Franziska und Iwan Rosenthal in Hohenems. The Literaturhaus Vorarlberg is intended to be a place of literature, encounter and creative exchange. Its programme includes readings and workshops that provide an introduction to the art of writing and storytelling.

[www.vorarlberg.travel](http://www.vorarlberg.travel)

### New book on architecture in Vorarlberg

The new book "Architektur in Vorarlberg" (Architecture in Vorarlberg), published by the Vorarlberg Architecture Institute (VAI), provides insights into contemporary Vorarlberg building culture, which is gaining international recognition. Across more than 300 pages, the book, published in November 2024, offers an overview of Vorarlberg's architectural development since the 2000s, bringing together architectural positions and the most exciting buildings. The focus of the publication is on the ecological and cultural significance of building culture.

[v-a-i.at](http://v-a-i.at)  
(German only)

## Vienna

### Foto Arsenal Wien

Foto Arsenal Wien opened on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2025 as an exhibition space for international photography and video art. On an area of around 1,000 m<sup>2</sup>, it holds up to twelve exhibitions per year and presents all facets of photography and lens-based media. The exhibitions combine works by young talents as well as internationally renowned artists.

[www.fotoarsenalwien.at](http://www.fotoarsenalwien.at)

### The Vienna State Opera for young audiences

In December 2024, the Vienna State Opera opened a second venue called the NEST (New State Opera) in the Künstlerhaus on Karlsplatz. The NEST hosts operas, ballets and concerts for children and young people. This year's programme includes the ballet "My First Sleeping Beauty" and animated versions of the operas "Macbeth" and "Cinderella".

[www.nest.at](http://www.nest.at)

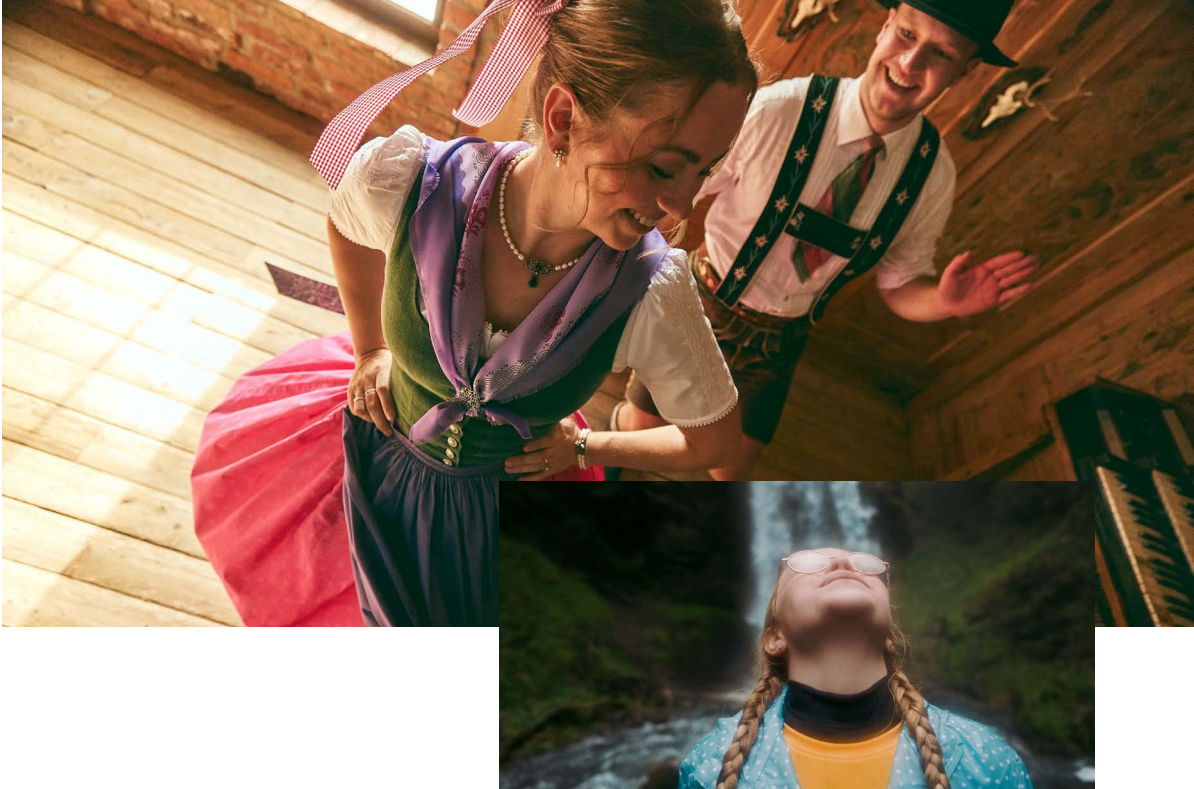
### Immersive: Johann Strauss Museum – New Dimensions

To mark Johann Strauss' 200th birthday, an innovative permanent exhibition opened in November 2024 in the heart of Vienna. As an immersive visual and auditory experience, the life and work of the "Waltz King" is presented in an entertaining, interactive way for all ages. The exhibition takes visitors through the fascinating life story of Johann Strauss in 75 minutes and seven acts. For the first time in Austria, a GPS-tracked audio guide is being used in this "silent exhibition". This system automatically plays relevant information to visitors based on their location, accompanied by Strauss' beautiful music.

[www.johannstraussmuseum.at](http://www.johannstraussmuseum.at)

# Anniversaries

Von oben nach unten: Österreich Werbung | Linda-Schiffler  
Österreich Werbung | Marko Meztovic



## Austria

### 70 years of Austria Tourism

1955 was a key year in Austrian history: the State Treaty was signed and the "Österreichische Fremdenverkehrswerbung" (Austrian Tourism Advertising) association was founded. The aim was to use tourism to get the country back on its feet economically. Today – 70 years later – tourism is one of Austria's most important economic sectors, recording 154.3 million overnight stays and contributing 6.2% to the gross domestic product. From the 1990s, the association was called "Österreich Werbung" (Austrian National Tourist Office), and in 2001 its structure was changed, since when Austria's nine provinces have participated financially as marketing partners. It has been an exciting journey and the Austria Tourism has accompanied tourism through all phases of development: from the automobile boom in the 60s to package holidays in the 70s and adventure travel in the 80s and 90s. Today the focus is on quality, sustainability and individuality instead of quantity. The core tasks of the Austria Tourism as a national tourism organisation include development of the "Holidays in Austria" brand, opening up the internationally most promising markets and acting as a platform within the Austrian tourism network. Through creative campaigns, around 200 employees from 19 international offices convey the Austrian "Lebensgefühl" to 30 markets around the world.

[www.austriatourism.com](http://www.austriatourism.com)

### 30 years of alpine hut holidays in Austria

For 30 years the "Holidays on the Farm" group has been offering bookable mountain cabins and chalets. The selection now includes around 500 certified self-catering alpine huts, ranging from classic cabins to premium chalets. The group thus makes an important contribution to preserving alpine lodgings and filling huts that are no longer used for agriculture with new life.

[www.farmholidays.com](http://www.farmholidays.com)

# Carinthia SalzburgerLand Tirol

## 25 years of the Waterschool in Hohe Tauern National Park

The Swarovski Foundation Waterschool in Hohe Tauern National Park has existed for 25 years. It is a mobile school that is offered free of charge to school classes in the national park provinces of Carinthia, Salzburg and Tirol. Specially trained national park rangers visit the schools for two to four days and uncover the secrets of water together with the students. The programme is intended to raise awareness amongst young people about the importance of water as a resource and to turn them into water ambassadors. There will be celebrations to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary in May 2025.

[hohetauern.at](http://hohetauern.at)

# Carinthia

## 80<sup>th</sup> Villacher Kirchtag

From 27<sup>th</sup> July to 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2025, Villach will celebrate its 80<sup>th</sup> Kirchtag. Around 130 individual events are on the traditional festival's programme, which attracts around 450,000 visitors every year.

[www.villacherkirchtag.at](http://www.villacherkirchtag.at)

# Upper Austria

## 400 years of the "Frankenburger Würfelspiel"

The "Frankenburger Würfelspiel", a historical folk play on an impressive natural stage, will be held for the 400<sup>th</sup> time from 25<sup>th</sup> July to 17<sup>th</sup> August 2025. Every Friday to Sunday, 500 amateur actors will bring events from 1625 to life that revolve around a religious conflict and a gruesome act by the Bavarian governor, which led to the Upper Austrian Peasants' Wars. The performances take place every second year. The anniversary year will also see the opening of a new escape room in the Würfelspielhaus. With the theme "1625 – the Dice of Fate", players have to try and avert great disaster from Frankenburg in small groups.

[www.wuerfelspiel.at](http://www.wuerfelspiel.at)  
(German only)

## 35 years of CLAM LIVE concerts

For 35 years, Clam Castle has been the venue for the CLAM LIVE concerts. In the anniversary year, artists such as Sting, Parovoz Stelar and Bryan Adams will perform between 4<sup>th</sup> July and 2<sup>nd</sup> August. The historic area below the medieval fortress is one of the most unique concert and event locations in Austria. The spacious grounds with two stages and numerous food stalls can accommodate audiences of up to 9,000.

[clamlive.at](http://clamlive.at)  
(German only)

## 30 years of Musiksommer Bad Schallerbach

Musiksommer Bad Schallerbach, which has evolved into a year-round series of events, is celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2025. Around 70 events are lined up from February to December 2025, including concerts, cabaret evenings and literary-musical events. Stars such as Tobias Moretti, Philipp Hochmair, Erika Pluhar, Julian Prégardien and the Hagen Quartet will be taking to the stage this year.

[www.musiksommerbadschallerbach.at](http://www.musiksommerbadschallerbach.at)  
(German only)

# SalzburgerLand

## 90 years of the Grossglockner High Alpine Road

It took five years to construct the almost 50 km long Grossglockner High Alpine Road. To this day, the high alpine road, which opened in August 1935, is considered a technical masterpiece. It is one of Austria's most famous excursion destinations. The road runs in 36 twists and turns from Bruck an der Großglocknerstraße in SalzburgerLand to Heiligenblut in Carinthia. The highest drivable point, from where you enjoy incredible views of the Großglockner, is at 2,576 m above sea level. The road is only open in summer. A big celebration is planned for 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2025 to mark its 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

[www.grossglockner.at](http://www.grossglockner.at)

## 45 years of Jazzfestival Saalfelden

The festival for jazz and improvised music will take place in Saalfelden for the 45<sup>th</sup> time this year, from 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> August. Around 200 artists will be performing in 60 concerts in and around Saalfelden over the course of the four days. In addition to the chargeable events, most of which take place in the Otto-Gruber-Halle, there will also be a selection of free concerts. Venues include the town park, the Brücklwirtshaus and alpine pastures.

[www.jazzsaalfelden.com](http://www.jazzsaalfelden.com)

# SalzburgerLand

## 30 years of "Bauernherbst"

Since 1995, SalzburgerLand has been celebrating "Bauernherbst" (the Harvest Festival) from the end of August until well into autumn. The programme mainly includes traditional events such as cattle drives or traditional costume festivals and culinary events. To celebrate its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, a particularly large opening event will be held on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2025 in Dorfgastein in the Gastein Valley. In keeping with the anniversary and its theme of music, 30 music events and many other festivals will take place throughout SalzburgerLand.

[www.salzburgerland.com](http://www.salzburgerland.com)

## 25 years of Krimml Worlds of Water

At 380 m, the Krimml Waterfalls are the highest in Europe, and Krimml Worlds of Water has been providing insights at the foot of the unique natural spectacle for 25 years. In May 2025, the Krimml Worlds of Water will launch some new attractions to mark the anniversary. These include a new cinema and an outdoor park with 25 interactive stations.

[www.krimmler-wasserwelten.at](http://www.krimmler-wasserwelten.at)

## 15 years of sommer.frische.kunst

From 26<sup>th</sup> June to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025, Bad Gastein will be celebrating 15 years of sommer.frische.kunst. The festival is mainly dedicated to contemporary art. The programme includes exhibitions, an art fair, performances and opportunities to meet the artists. In addition, the festival pays tribute to the visionary architect Gerhard Garstenauer, who would have turned 100 in 2025. His designs include the Felsentherme and Kongresshaus in Bad Gastein.

[www.gastein.com](http://www.gastein.com)

# Styria

## 400 years of Schloss Eggenberg

Schloss Eggenberg near Graz is the largest baroque palace complex in Styria. It houses collections from the Universalmuseum Joanneum and has been listed as part of the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Graz since 2010. Schloss Eggenberg will celebrate its 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2025, beginning with a new exhibition that provides insights into the history of the palace from 26<sup>th</sup> April 2025. The palace will also be the venue for SHOWING STYRIA from 26<sup>th</sup> April 2025. The reinterpreted provincial exhibition takes place every two years and deals with socially relevant topics. "Ambition & Illusion" is the theme this year.

[www.museum-joanneum.at](http://www.museum-joanneum.at)

## 100 years of Lake Thalersee

At the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the artificial Lake Thalersee was created near Graz. It was initially used by a brewery to extract ice in winter, but was soon also used in summer. A lido was created from the lake in 1925, a popular destination for residents from the surrounding area for decades. A big celebration is to take place to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the course of 2025, with Arnold Schwarzenegger (who grew up in Thal near Graz) expected as a celebrity guest.

[www.graztourismus.at](http://www.graztourismus.at)

## 70 years of the Southern Styrian Wine Trail

The Southern Styrian Wine Trail has existed since 1955, making it Austria's oldest culinary path. It is about 25 km long and connects the communities of Ehrenhausen, Gamlitz and Leutschach as well as a number of smaller ones. Numerous events are planned to celebrate the anniversary in villages, wineries and taverns along the trail. One of the larger events is the "Steirische Roas" on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025 in Leutschach.

[www.steiermark.com](http://www.steiermark.com)

## 65<sup>th</sup> Narzissenfest

Austria's largest flower festival will take place for the 65<sup>th</sup> time this year. The Ausseerland will once again be flourishing with daffodils from 29<sup>th</sup> May to 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025. Programme highlights include the coronation of the Daffodil Queen on the evening of 29<sup>th</sup> May, the Daffodil Night in Bad Aussee on 30<sup>th</sup> May, the Brass Band Parade in Bad Aussee on the afternoon of 31<sup>st</sup> May and the Daffodil Parade in Grundlsee on 1<sup>st</sup> June.

[www.narzissenfest.at](http://www.narzissenfest.at)

## 40 years of the Styriarte festival

For four decades, this Styrian festival has brought fantastic music to wonderful settings in the province. The anniversary concert will take place on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025. As in 1985 (the year it all began), violinist Thomas Zehetmair will be playing in 2025. He will perform Bach's Partita in D minor, conduct Mozart's Jupiter Symphony and pair up with viola player Ruth Killius for Mozart's Sinfonia Concertante. In keeping with the Styriarte there is also a contemporary composition to look forward to: a piece by Flora Geißelbrecht.

[styriarte.com](http://styriarte.com)



## Styria

### 40 years of Heilthermen Resort Bad Waltersdorf

In the 1970s they were drilling for oil in Bad Waltersdorf when thermal water gushed out of the ground instead. The town has been using this treasure for 40 years now, during which the Heilthermen Resort has grown and been renovated and optimised continuously.

[www.steiermark.com](http://www.steiermark.com)

### 30 years of Next Liberty theatre

The Next Liberty theatre in Graz will celebrate its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2025. The 100<sup>th</sup> performance of the successful production "Faust. The Tragedy First Part" will take place in the current season. It is directed by Nikolaus Habjan, also known internationally as a puppeteer. More than 25,000 people have seen the play, which premiered in 2016, so far in Graz and at guest performances.

[www.graztourismus.at](http://www.graztourismus.at)

### 25 years of Greith Haus

For 25 years, Greith Haus in the village of St. Ulrich in Greith has been hosting events of regional, national and international format. Exhibitions, theatre and films can be seen here "In the centre of the periphery" (which is the organising team's motto), whilst readings and concerts are pleasing to the ear. A special event to mark the anniversary will take place on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

[www.steiermark.com](http://www.steiermark.com)

### Ten years of Klanglicht in Graz

From 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> October 2025, Klanglicht, a festival of light and sound, will take place in the city centre of Graz for the tenth time. The festival is organised by Bühnen Graz, which thus transport the magic of two central elements of theatre into a public space. And with great success, as the light and sound installations by international artists enchant thousands of people every year.

[klanglicht.buehnen-graz.com](http://klanglicht.buehnen-graz.com)

### 760 years of the Clock Tower Graz

The first mention of the Clock Tower in Graz dates back to 1265, when it was still part of the fortress. The 28 m high tower was given its current form in 1569. Since 1712, the dials of the clockwork installed at that time have adorned the four sides of the tower. The hands on the clockface never cease to amaze, because, unlike today, the hour hand is the larger hand. At the time it was more important to be able to read the hours correctly from a distance. Today, the Clock Tower is the landmark of Graz, a much-visited sight and place for various events.

[www.graztourismus.at](http://www.graztourismus.at)

### Future anniversaries Styria

25 years of Mariazell Advent (2025)  
40 years of the Styrian Apple Road (2026)  
900 years of Rein Abbey (2029)

## Tirol

### 55 years of the Ebbser Koasamarsch

The Ebbser Koasamarsch is one of the oldest hiking events in Austria. For some years now, trail runners have also been able to participate. The event celebrates its 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2025 and invites athletes of all ages and abilities to Kufsteinerland. In addition to the hikes and running trails of different lengths, a route is on the agenda that will only feature in 2025: the KOASA 55 Panorama Trail. It is 55 km long and overcomes a challenging 3,900 m in altitude. For the first time this year there will also be a focus on the next generation. Children are invited to complete short, age-appropriate routes.

[www.koasamarsch.at](http://www.koasamarsch.at)  
(German only)

### 50 years of the Museum of Tirolean Farmhouses

The Museum of Tirolean Farmhouses opened in Kramsach 50 years ago and today it is the largest open-air museum in Tirol. On 19<sup>th</sup> March 2025, the museum will enter a season filled with highlights. The big anniversary celebration will take place on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2025, with music, demonstrations and regional delights. And the first "Opa-Oma-Enkel-Tag" (grandpa-grandma-grandchild day) will take place on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2025, inviting all generations on a journey of discovery through the museum grounds.

[www.tyrol.com](http://www.tyrol.com)

# Tirol

## 30 years of Swarovski Crystal Worlds

Swarovski Crystal Worlds will celebrate its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2025. More than 17 million visitors from all over the world have visited the Giant in Wattens since it opened in 1993, making the Crystal Worlds one of Austria's biggest sights. Numerous events will be held to mark the anniversary year. One of the highlights is the return of Circus-Theater Roncalli on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025. This year also sees two new Chambers of Wonder bedazzle visitors.

[kristallwelten.swarovski.com](http://kristallwelten.swarovski.com)

## 30<sup>th</sup> Ischgl Ironbike

In three decades, the Ischgl Ironbike has developed from a small, ambitious race to one of the toughest and most famous mountain bike marathons in Europe. It celebrates its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> August. The Kids & Juniors Trophy and Short Track Race will take place on 8<sup>th</sup> August. The Short Track Race is all about speed, requiring participants to ride several laps on a shortened course. The marathon will kick off on 9<sup>th</sup> August, with a choice of routes of different lengths: from the 25 km "light" route to the 70 km "extreme" one.

[www.ischgl.com](http://www.ischgl.com)

## 20 years of the Eagle Walk

Long-distance hiking is enjoying huge popularity and the Eagle Walk is a firm favourite. The trail, which was launched 20 years ago, circumnavigates Tirol in 33 daily stages. Hikers cover 31,000 m in altitude uphill and 28,000 m in altitude downhill in total. There are 66 alpine huts and inns to stop for a bite to eat and spend the night at along the way. For its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, all regions along the Eagle Walk are setting a particular focus with special offers.

[www.tyrol.com](http://www.tyrol.com)

## 10 years of Bike Republic Sölden

2025 is all about the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary at Bike Republic Sölden (BRS). The Republic team will celebrate this special occasion with the ultimate BRS Birthday Party from 19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025. Highlights include the popular BRS Rally, numerous side events, a Bike Expo, the legendary Riders Party and, of course, Flow, Fun & Friends in true BRS style. For all those who want to warm up for the events: the lifts and trails will be open from 6<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

[www.soelden.com](http://www.soelden.com)

## 10 years of the Mountain Yoga Festival

The Mountain Yoga Festival in St. Anton am Arlberg looks back on a decade of inspiring encounters, powerful yoga sessions and enjoying nature in the mountains. There will be a colourful programme to mark the anniversary year from 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025. The schedule includes yoga sessions in different yoga styles, meditation and mentoring sessions, joint hikes, knowledge exchange, workshops and nutrition talks with the mountain yoga experts and teachers.

[www.mountainyogafestivalstanton.at](http://www.mountainyogafestivalstanton.at)

# Vorarlberg

## Feldkirch one hundred

In 1925, the town of Feldkirch grew to include the districts of Tisis, Tosters, Altenstadt, Levis, Nofels and Gisingen. Under the motto "Feldkirch one hundred. Growing together", numerous events will shed light on the past, present and future of the town this year. The programme includes the Montfortspektakel Medieval Festival (16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> May 2025), the year-round children's cultural project "feldaus. feldein" and the art exhibition "Where we meet", on view until the end of 2025 at Palais Liechtenstein. Guided tours of the districts as well as the open call to artists "Feldkirch 2125 - Visions of a City of the Future" complete the series of events.

[www.feldkirch.at](http://www.feldkirch.at)  
(German only)

## 100 years Ernest Hemingway in Montafon

In his younger years, Ernest Hemingway spent two winters in the Montafon: 1924/25 and 1925/26. The region, life in the Alps and the snow made a lasting impression on him. The writer immortalised memories of his time in the Montafon in works including "The Snows of Kilimanjaro" and "A Moveable Feast". Visitors can see what Hemingway got up to in the Montafon in a permanent exhibition at the tourist information office in Gaschurn.

[www.montafon.at](http://www.montafon.at)

## Vorarlberg

### 50 years Hypomeeting

Hypomeeting celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2025. Since 1975, the Mösle Stadium in Götzis has been the venue for this internationally renowned athletics competition, where the world's elite of decathlon and heptathlon meet every year. The meeting, which is part of the World Athletics Combined Events Tour, received the Gold Certificate for Sustainable Event Management in 2024 and is considered the most important sporting event in Vorarlberg. In recent decades, three decathlon world records have been set here. The anniversary meeting will take place on 31<sup>st</sup> May and 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025.

[www.meeting-goetzis.at](http://www.meeting-goetzis.at)

### 40<sup>th</sup> ALPINALE Short Film Festival

The ALPINALE Short Film Festival will be taking place in Bludenz for the 40<sup>th</sup> time this year, from 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> August. Since it was founded, the festival has presented short films from all over the world, for adults and children, indoors and outdoors under the stars. It also awards the Golden Unicorn to short films in various categories – a nod to the unicorn that features in the coat of arms of the town of Bludenz.

[alpinale.at](http://alpinale.at)  
(German only)

### 25 years of Hittisau Women's Museum

A little more than 25 years ago, Elisabeth Stöckler had an idea. The art historian and curator wanted to open a women's museum in a village like Hittisau. The initiative was well received and a space was found. In 2000, Austria's only women's museum opened in the newly built Hittisau Fire Brigade House and Culture House, a wooden building in the style of contemporary Vorarlberg architecture. The museum has been making women's history and culture visible ever since. "Stoff / Wechsel" is the theme of the anniversary year. The exhibition takes a critical, feminist look at our consumer culture.

[www.frauenmuseum.at](http://www.frauenmuseum.at)

### 10 years of FAQ Bregenzerwald

FAQ Bregenzerwald will take place for the tenth time from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025. The "forum with festival character and culinary sophistication" includes talks, workshops, concerts and guided tours. Ever since it was founded, FAQ Bregenzerwald has been examining socially relevant issues from different perspectives. People from a variety of fields take a look at the past, present and future. They provide insights into culinary, philosophical, agricultural, cultural, scientific and touristic topics. The locations in the village and on the mountain are carefully selected.

[www.vorarlberg.travel](http://www.vorarlberg.travel)

## Vienna

### 130 years of the Jewish Museum

In 1895, the world's first Jewish Museum opened in Vienna. Today, the museum invites visitors to rediscover Jewish history and culture at two sites. The anniversary exhibition "G\*d. Reflections between Heaven and Earth" will shed light on the phenomenon of God from a Jewish perspective between 1<sup>st</sup> April and 5<sup>th</sup> October 2025. In a dialogue between religion, science and aesthetics, it questions traditional images of God and presents around 20 objects from the collection of the world's first Jewish museum. This year, seniors (aged 65 and over) will receive free admission every first Wednesday of the month. And on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025, the museum invites you to an open day with a special programme of guided tours.

[www.jmw.at](http://www.jmw.at)

### 125 years Wiener Symphoniker

On 30<sup>th</sup> October 1900, the "Wiener Concertverein" gave its first public performance at the Musikverein. In 1933, the orchestra was renamed the "Wiener Symphoniker" (Vienna Symphony Orchestra). The Wiener Symphoniker will celebrate their 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary with 11 concerts in the 2024/25 season that commemorate their past. The big birthday concert with new chief conductor Petr Popelka will take place on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2025 at the Musikverein.

[www.wienersymphoniker.at](http://www.wienersymphoniker.at)

# Events



Von oben nach unten: Österreich Werbung | Linda-Schäffler  
Österreich Werbung | Marko Mestrovic

## SalzburgerLand

### Austrian Alpine Open 2025

After a four-year hiatus, golf fans can look forward to a first-class live experience: The GC Gut Altentann golf course, designed by American golf legend Jack Nicklaus and located near the city of Salzburg, will host the prestigious Austrian Alpine Open from May 29 to June 1, 2025. It first took place in 1990, and it is the first golf course on the European mainland designed by Nicklaus. The course recently underwent a redesign based on his original plans.

[www.austrianalpineopen.com](http://www.austrianalpineopen.com)

## Tirol

### Golden Trail World Series in the Pitztal

The Golden Trail World Series is one of the most important global race series for trail runners. On 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2025 it will make its first stop in Austria at the Pitz Alpine Glacier Trail. The race, which is aimed exclusively at elite runners, covers 23.5 km and 1,700 m altitude.

[www.pitz-alpine.at](http://www.pitz-alpine.at)

### Arlberg Giro with St. Anton Night Sprint

The Arlberg Giro is a race for both professional and amateur cyclists. On the 150 km route, participants overcome 2,500 m in altitude. This year the Arlberg Giro will take place on 3<sup>rd</sup> August. A new, additional highlight is the St. Anton Night Sprint on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2025. Illuminated by a spectacular light show, 100 women and 100 men ride the 200 m long course through the pedestrian zone of St. Anton. The fastest qualify for the final, in which 16 riders participate.

[arlberg-giro.com](http://arlberg-giro.com)

## Vorarlberg

### New route at the Montafon Totale Trail

The Montafon Totale Trail has been taking place in the Montafon for many years. This year there will be some changes to the competition on 5<sup>th</sup> July. It is now possible to compete as a team on the 33 km course, with two or three people tackling individual stages in the form of a relay race. The 16 km route follows a new course, leading through impressive surroundings from St. Gallenkirch via Gafrescha to the finish line at Nova Stoba.

[www.montafontotale.at](http://www.montafontotale.at)  
(German only)



# Vorarlberg

## M<sup>3</sup> Montafon Mountainbike Marathon with children's competition

The M<sup>3</sup> Montafon Mountain Bike Marathon will include a competition for children for the first time on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2025. The programme has competitions for four age groups: under seven years, under nine years, under 11 years and under 15 years. Participating kids have to master a technical part as well as a cross-country course.

[www.montafon.at](http://www.montafon.at)  
(German only)

## Musical hikes with Philipp Lingg

Philipp Lingg and the Holstunarmusigbigband-club celebrated success with the song "Vo Mello bis ge Schoppornou" beyond the borders of Austria. True to the song title, singer and songwriter Philipp accompanied a hike from Mellau to Schoppornau back in October 2024. Due to great demand, four further dates have been scheduled for 2025. Each hike along the 12.5 km, easy-to-walk route ends with a concert. The musical hikes will take place on 24<sup>th</sup> May, 7<sup>th</sup> June, 20<sup>th</sup> September and 11<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

[shop.philiplingg.at](http://shop.philiplingg.at)  
(German only)

# Vienna

## Johann Strauss – The Exhibition

Vienna will be celebrating the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Johann Strauss in 2025 with numerous events. "Johann Strauss – The Exhibition" guides visitors through the composer's eventful life at the Theatrumuseum until 17<sup>th</sup> August 2025. More than 300 exhibits, including original scores, provide insights into the "Strauss Company" and shed light on the composer's relationships with his parents, brothers, three wives and love affairs, but also with his librettists and publishers, all of whom made a decisive contribution to the dissemination and success of his music.

[www.theatrumuseum.at](http://www.theatrumuseum.at)

# Hotel openings



Von oben nach unten: Österreich Werbung | Marko Mestrovic  
Österreich Werbung | Linda Schaffler

## Upper Austria

### Imperial: Hotel Grand Elisabeth

Hotel Grand Elisabeth, located at the Kurpark Bad Ischl, will open in April 2025. It is named after Empress Elisabeth (Sisi), who was a regular guest in Bad Ischl with her husband, Emperor Franz Josef I. The new building has 132 rooms and suites in different categories. Most of the rooms have a balcony, terrace or loggia. Other amenities include the Grande Liberté restaurant, Violet bar and a wellness area with pool, spa and gym. The hotel also has rooms for events.

**Bad Ischl**  
**April 2025**  
[www.grand-elisabeth.com](http://www.grand-elisabeth.com)

### Natural jewel: Campingresort Hinterstoder

Campingresort Hinterstoder will launch near Hinterstoder in spring, surrounded by forests. Open all year round, the resort offers ten premium hotel suites with an indoor space of 35 m<sup>2</sup> and a 15 m<sup>2</sup> terrace, five log cabins, 85 premium resort pitches and 24 tent pitches. Amenities include modern sanitary facilities, private bathrooms to hire, a wellness area with sauna and steam bath, an outdoor pool, playgrounds and a sports hall. There is also a large restaurant with indoor and outdoor seating. A mini-market and car and bike hire complete the offer.

**Hinterstoder**  
**Spring 2025**  
[www.camping-hinterstoder.at](http://www.camping-hinterstoder.at)  
(German only)

## Upper Austria

### A lovely little spot: A Liabs Platzl

"A Liabs Platzl" (a lovely little spot) is a tourism start-up that has set itself the goal of building a new form of accommodation in the heart of nature. The first site will open in St. Oswald in the Mühlviertel in mid-2025. It consists of ten smart Tiny Homes in different, secluded locations. Made of regional materials they combine the charm of alpine huts with the comfort of chalets. The concept is aimed at travellers who are looking to relax and connect with nature.

**St. Oswald**  
**Mid-2025**  
[www.liabsplatzl.at](http://www.liabsplatzl.at)  
(German only)

## SalzburgerLand

### Clear structures: The Passenger Hotel

Since November 2024, The Passenger Hotel has been welcoming guests to the architectural landmark of the Helix complex. With 120 rooms, it offers ideal accommodation close to Salzburg Airport, Europark and the old town. Rooms (20–25 m<sup>2</sup>) are modernly equipped with a coffee machine, desk and soundproof windows. The Executive Rooms (38 m<sup>2</sup>) and Junior Suite (30 m<sup>2</sup>) offer more space. The restaurant with a lunch menu that changes every week and the in-house bar serve memorable food and drinks. Fitness and wellness await guests at MAIKAI HELIX with EGYM equipment, biohacking, reformer Pilates and a sauna (additional charge). For business travellers there are conference rooms for up to 300 people, break-out rooms and call cabins. A green terrace will also open soon. Thanks to the location, guests can enjoy an impressive 360° view of Salzburg and the mountains.

**Salzburg**  
**Since November 2024**  
[thepassenger.at](http://thepassenger.at)

### Surprising: Hotel Neue Post

Hotel Post in Zell am See looks back on a history full of changes. Built in 1862, the building first housed the original Hotel Post, then a hospital and later a police station. Since December 2024, it has been a hotel again. The "Neue Post" (New Post) sees itself as an upside downtown hotel for globetrotters. The 81 rooms combine urban chic with alpine warmth. The bright spa area with outdoor pool, saunas, steam bath and panoramic relaxation rooms is around 800 m<sup>2</sup> in size. The kitchen focuses on fusion and combines regional dishes with delicacies from around the world. Part of the restaurant is the "Izakaya-Stube", a tribute to Japanese food culture. Cocktails and drinks are served at the Lapponia Bar.

**Zell am See**  
**Since December 2024**  
[neuepost.at](http://neuepost.at)

### Elegant: stieg'nhaus

The design boutique hotel stieg'nhaus will open in Mühlbach am Hochkönig at the end of May 2025. The completely renovated building with a striking staircase (hence the name "stieg'nhaus", which means staircase) provides space for six luxuriously furnished suites ranging in size from 36 m<sup>2</sup> to 80 m<sup>2</sup>. There is also a rooftop lounge with sauna and whirlpool, a fitness studio and a restaurant. The culinary concept includes a casual à la carte brunch, which guests can enjoy until 1:30 p.m. At the end of the day the restaurant invites you for an enjoyable dinner and regularly puts on live cooking evenings.

**Mühlbach am Hochkönig**  
**End of May 2025**  
[www.stiegnhaus.at](http://www.stiegnhaus.at)

## Styria

### Secluded: Gams Hütte Steirereck

On the Upper Styrian Seeberg-Alm with beautiful views of the Hochschwab, the Reitbauer family opened the Gams Hütte in September 2024. The Reitbauers run the Steirereck in Vienna and its Pogusch branch in Styria. The secluded wooden hut with sauna can accommodate two people. Breakfast is delivered by the Pogusch team on request. Guests can set off on hikes from the hut in summer and get straight to the slopes in winter.

**Turnau**  
**Since September 2024**  
[www.steirereck.at](http://www.steirereck.at)

## Styria

### Practical: Lavilo Aparthotel Graz

The Lavilo Aparthotel opened on Graz main square in October 2024. It houses 13 modern, stylishly furnished rooms and apartments that range between 18 m<sup>2</sup> and 63 m<sup>2</sup> in size. All rooms have a kitchenette and dining table. Thanks to the innovative 24-hour self-check-in system, guests can check in and out at any time of day.

**Graz**  
Since October 2024  
[lavilo.at](http://lavilo.at)

### Sustainable: harry's home Graz

A new harry's home hotel opened in Smart City Graz in December 2024. With 140 rooms, it is currently the largest hotel belonging to the Austrian group. There are different types of rooms to choose from: from the 23 m<sup>2</sup> standard room to the 55 m<sup>2</sup> apartments that can accommodate up to six people. Stays can be booked with breakfast, while snacks and drinks are available at the service point. The newly built hotel already bears the Austrian Ecolabel. The building obtains clean electricity from a photovoltaic system. Sustainable room cleaning saves water, energy and cleaning agents, and the corporate vehicles are largely electric.

**Graz**  
Since December 2024  
[harrys-home.com](http://harrys-home.com)

### Close to nature: Alps Resort in the Lachtal

In December 2024, Alps Resorts opened another resort in Austria. Bergresort Lachtal offers 16 apartments ranging from 40 m<sup>2</sup> to 86 m<sup>2</sup>. All units have a balcony or terrace and some have a private sauna. Guests can set off on hikes from their apartment door and the ski slope is on the doorstep in winter.

**Oberwölz-Lachtal**  
Since December 2024  
[alps-resorts.com](http://alps-resorts.com)

### Affordable: Ökotel Kalsdorf

An Ökotel Plus will open in Kalsdorf near Graz in the summer of 2025. "günstig & gut" (affordable & good) is the hotel group's concept, which operates several locations in Austria and attaches great importance to sustainability. The newly constructed building in Kalsdorf is energy self-sufficient, thanks to a water heat pump and photovoltaic system. It offers 114 modern, simply furnished rooms.

**Kalsdorf**  
Summer 2025  
[www.oekotel.com](http://www.oekotel.com)

## Tirol

### Carefree: Leni Mountain Lodge

Leni Mountain Lodge opened on the Leiterberg high above Sölden in the Ötztal in December 2024. It has four high-quality furnished holiday apartments that range from 48 m<sup>2</sup> to 135 m<sup>2</sup> in size. All apartments have a terrace with mountain views, and the three larger apartments also have a private sauna. There is a small wellness area with sauna and outdoor pool to relax. Guests can order a breakfast service on request. For dinner there is the Cervo restaurant, which is just 500 m away.

**Sölden**  
Since November 2024  
[www.lenimountainlodge.com](http://www.lenimountainlodge.com)

### Spacious: Hotel & Apartment Taxacher

Since December 2024, the newly built Hotel & Apartment Taxacher in Kirchberg in Tirol has been welcoming its guests. The hotel offers 50 rooms and apartments in different categories, including 26 m<sup>2</sup> double rooms and apartments ranging from 45 m<sup>2</sup> to 90 m<sup>2</sup> in size. Most of the rooms and apartments have a balcony or terrace. There are also two restaurants, plus a spacious wellness and spa area with a 15 m indoor pool.

**Kirchberg in Tirol**  
Since December 2024  
[www.alpenparks.at](http://www.alpenparks.at)



# Tirol

## Luxurious: Kaiserjuwel Deluxe Suites

Kaiserjuwel Deluxe Suites opened in Going am Wilden Kaiser in December 2024. The newly constructed building boasts 22 luxuriously appointed suites and two penthouse suites. The accommodation units are all 50 m<sup>2</sup> in size and can accommodate up to five people. Relaxation is guaranteed in a wellness area with infinity sky pool and saunas. Guests can also use the facilities of the opposite Wellnessresort Seiwald free of charge.

**Going am Wilden Kaiser**  
**Since December 2024**  
[www.kaiserjuwel-seiwald.at](http://www.kaiserjuwel-seiwald.at)  
(German only)

## Delightful: Pitz Alpin Panorama Chalets

The Pitz Alpin Panorama Chalets, which launched in December 2024, are located in the midst of the Pitztal mountains, just a stone's throw from the Pitztal Glacier. The ten chalets offer modern furnishings and space for two to six people. You can choose between chalets with a garden or with a terrace. Guests can book breakfast, dinner and wellness packages on request.

**St. Leonhard im Pitztal**  
**Since December 2024**  
[www.pitz-alpin.at](http://www.pitz-alpin.at)  
(German only)

## Stylish retreat: Aura Karwendel

1960s style meets contemporary wooden architecture at the Aura Karwendel in Scharnitz, which opened in December 2024. The renovated main building houses the 250 m<sup>2</sup> VILLA64, whilst the adjoining new building, a modern interpretation of a barn, contains the 150 m<sup>2</sup> Chalet21 and the 100 m<sup>2</sup> Loft21. The interior combines designer pieces with vintage furniture.

**Scharnitz**  
**Since December 2024**  
[www.aurakarwendel.com](http://www.aurakarwendel.com)

## Historic: Haus Carolus

In the historic Haus Carolus in Elbigenalp, once the home of plasterer Anton Bailom, two lovingly furnished holiday apartments opened in February 2025. One of the apartments is 80 m<sup>2</sup> in size and has two separate bedrooms. One is just under 50 m<sup>2</sup> in size. Both apartments have wooden floors and are furnished in a combination of rustic and modern style.

**Elbigenalp**  
**Since February 2025**  
[www.haus-carolus.at](http://www.haus-carolus.at)  
(German only)

## Modern: DION Wattens

Austria's first DION Hotel will open in Wattens, opposite Swarovski Crystal Worlds, in April 2025. It offers 70 modern twin rooms and an exclusive crystal room. Overnight stays can be booked with breakfast and there is a freely accessible terrace with a view of the Crystal Worlds where you can unwind. The well-stocked lobby bar is not only open to hotel guests, but also to locals and visitors. The hotel has a 24/7 self-check-in kiosk as well as event, seminar and meeting rooms.

**Wattens**  
**April 2025**  
[www.my-dion.com](http://www.my-dion.com)

## Inspiring: Wienerhof CoSpace

In May 2025, the Wienerhof CoSpace will open in the mountaineering village of Trins. It is not a normal hotel, but a multi-generational house, in which people holiday and work together. The Wienerhof, with a history dating back to 1730, has twelve comfortable double rooms, plus an 80 m<sup>2</sup> MovementSpace, rooms for retreats or seminars, an exclusively bookable workspace and a WorkCafé. The kitchen offers a vegan/vegetarian menu from Tuesday to Friday, with ingredients sourced mainly from the host couple's permaculture garden. Once a month there is a Community Dinner.

**Trins**  
**May 2025**  
[wienerhof.tirol](http://wienerhof.tirol)  
(German only)

## Retreat: Alpenlodge Madau

Alpenlodge Madau will launch its first season in May 2025. The wooden house is located in the Madau Valley, a tributary branch of the Lech Valley, and can only be reached via a private road in summer. Across 150 m<sup>2</sup>, the quietly located building offers three bedrooms, two bathrooms, a kitchen, a living room with traditional wood-burner and a sunny terrace.

**Madautal/Lechtal**  
**May 2025**  
[www.alpenlodge-madau.at](http://www.alpenlodge-madau.at)  
(German only)

# Tirol

## Relaxing:

### Elva – Premium Apartment Hotel

Summer 2025 will see the launch of the Elva Premium Apartment Hotel in Neustift in the Stubai Valley. The 45 apartments and rooms range from 23 m<sup>2</sup> to 120 m<sup>2</sup> in size. Those looking for something special can choose the 110 m<sup>2</sup> or 120 m<sup>2</sup> penthouse apartment, the larger of which has its own panorama sauna. The furnishings combine alpine charm with modern architecture. All rooms and apartments have a balcony or terrace with views of the mountains. There is also a fabulous view from the Sky Spa with a 20 m outdoor pool. Other facilities include a fitness area with a yoga room and a boulder wall. A restaurant, bistro and bar provide the culinary delights.

Neustift im Stubaital

Summer 2025

[www.elva-stubai.at](http://www.elva-stubai.at)

## Stylish:

### ViBES – your alpine homebase

The ViBES apartment building in Sölden, set to open in summer 2025, offers five stylish accommodation units. "The design is refreshingly different, yet super cosy," say the hosts. In addition to the relaxed atmosphere, guests will appreciate the quiet location near the cable car and wide range of outdoor opportunities.

Sölden

Summer 2025

[vibes-soelden.at](http://vibes-soelden.at)

# Vienna

## In the middle of it all:

### HOUSE OF BLE

HOUSE OF BLE opened in September 2024 on the centrally located Getreidemarkt. "BLE" stands for "Beautiful Life Experiences". The hotel is dedicated to those who want to discover the beauty of the moment. The renovated historic building offers plenty of opportunity to do so, with 46 rooms and suites of different sizes, from 37 m<sup>2</sup> double rooms to 53 m<sup>2</sup> suites. Earth tones create a peaceful atmosphere and ground you. Special features include the roof terrace with panoramic sauna, outdoor gym and spa area, which is only accessible to hotel guests. The Salt & Honey restaurant is a great place to hang out and enjoy. This is where guests meet for breakfast or can choose from the lunch and dinner menu, which offers small plates to share and sample.

Vienna

Since September 2024

[houseofble.com](http://houseofble.com)

## Timelessly elegant:

### Palais Mailberger Hof

The Palais Mailberger Hof will open in a baroque building in Vienna's city centre in spring 2025. The renovated building combines Viennese tradition with modern design. There are 50 rooms in five categories to choose from. In addition to 16 m<sup>2</sup> single rooms, there are double rooms ranging from 15 m<sup>2</sup> to 40 m<sup>2</sup>. Guests can relax in the sauna or green courtyard. The new meeting place, also for non-guests, is the champagne bar "Crux".

Vienna

Since March 2025

[www.mailbergerhof.at](http://www.mailbergerhof.at)

## With a view of the Danube:

### Motel One Vienna-Donau City

A new district has emerged in recent decades with the Donau City (DC), located near the Vienna International Centre, which is still growing. In addition to a school and kindergarten, the newly built DC Waterline includes apartments, offices and Motel One's fourth hotel in Vienna. The new Motel One offers 198 rooms, a rooftop bar and restaurant. Its opening is scheduled for mid-2025.

Vienna

Mid-2025

[www.motel-one.com](http://www.motel-one.com)

## City view:

### Mandarin Oriental Vienna

In the centrally located building, which once housed a court, the Mandarin Oriental Vienna of the Asian luxury hotel group of the same name will open in summer 2025. Following restoration, 86 rooms and 52 suites provide a warm, welcoming ambience. The hotel also has two restaurants, a coffee lounge, a bar and a spa with an indoor pool. There are five meeting rooms and a 140 m<sup>2</sup> event hall. Outside there is a small garden.

Wien

Summer 2025

[www.mandarinoriental.com](http://www.mandarinoriental.com)

# Hotel renovations

Von oben nach unten: Österreich Werbung | Lisa Eiersbner  
Österreich Werbung | Linda Schaffler



## Carinthia

### By the lake: Hotel Karnerhof

Hotel Karnerhof by Lake Faak has expanded its wellness area with the addition of the TREE Spa. In the extension, which is connected to the existing LAKE-SOUL Spa, materials such as stone, wood and organic textiles underline the connection between architecture and nature. The facilities of the new TREE Spa include an indoor pool, saunas, a salt room and indoor and outdoor relaxation areas. Guests can cool off in experience showers, the plunge pool and the directly accessible Lake Faak.

**Drobollach / Faaker See**  
Since March 2025  
[www.karnerhof.com](http://www.karnerhof.com)

### Flourishing: Naturhotel Alpenrose

Naturhotel Alpenrose will launch its summer season on 1st May 2025 with a breath of fresh air, following renovation. 28 of the hotel's 35 rooms have been given a new, modern look. The three family apartments on the third floor are also getting a revamp. A lift now provides barrier-free access. Updates also include the reception area, the lounge with bar, new staff rooms and the wellness area, where a wood-heated sauna now expands the offer. With energy-efficient windows and a photovoltaic system that generates the electricity for the e-charging stations, the hotel is also investing in its environmentally friendly growth.

**Millstatt am See**  
May 2025  
[www.naturhotel-alpenrose.at](http://www.naturhotel-alpenrose.at)

## Carinthia

### Alpine charm: Hotel Hochschober

Hotel Hochschober on the 1,800 m high Turracher Höhe refurbishes a number of its 116 rooms every year. From the end of May 2025, 18 bay window rooms and three two-storey maisonette suites will boast a new look. Wooden floors, furniture made of limed oak, cherry red and petrol tones create a charming alpine ambience. The recently renovated bathrooms are equipped with double sinks and large walk-in showers. The hotel is also updating its shop and beginning construction of the fourth employee building, which will accommodate 45 employees when completed.

**Turracher Höhe**  
**May 2025**  
[www.hochschober.com](http://www.hochschober.com)

### Heavenly: Feuerberg Mountain Resort

In June 2025, the Feuerberg Mountain Resort will open its "Heaven's Nest" extension on the Gerlitzten. It houses 20 new rooms and suites furnished with natural materials. All accommodation units have a balcony or terrace with breathtaking views. A real highlight will be the three luxury suites with their own Sky Onsen and sauna. The largest of the luxury suites is 92 m<sup>2</sup> and has a 66 m<sup>2</sup> terrace. The other two are 70 m<sup>2</sup> and 56 m<sup>2</sup> respectively.

**Bodensdorf / Gerlitzten Alpe**  
**June 2025**  
[www.feuerberg.at](http://www.feuerberg.at)

## Lower Austria

### Garden delights: Naturhotel Molzbachhof

A large garden surrounds Naturhotel Molzbachhof in Kirchberg am Wechsel in the Vienna Alps. Since December 2024 it has been home to the new garden spa, which expands the existing wellness area. It includes a 15 x 5 m natural swimming pond, two additional saunas, a steam bath, two spacious relaxation rooms with garden views and a juice and tea bar. The hotel also has six new double rooms of around 50 m<sup>2</sup>, equipped with floors and furniture made of moon-felled wood.

**Kirchberg am Wechsel**  
**Since December 2024**  
[www.molzbachhof.at](http://www.molzbachhof.at)  
(German only)

### Rich in tradition: Hotel Post Hönig

Hotel Post Hönig is located at the foot of the castle ruins in Kirchschatz in the Bucklige Welt and looks back on 140 years of history. Old photos and handwritten menus can be admired in the restaurant. From April 2025, the hotel's eleven rooms will bring a new, modern look to the establishment. In the second floor rooms, the newly installed air conditioning will ensure pleasant temperatures in summer.

**Kirchschatz in der Buckligen Welt**  
**April 2025**  
[www.hotel-post-hoenig.at](http://www.hotel-post-hoenig.at)

## Upper Austria

### Open space: Dilly Resort

Since December 2024, Dilly's National Park Chalets have been expanding accommodation options at the Dilly Resort in Windischgarsten. The chalets offer space for up to four adults and three children across around 103 m<sup>2</sup>. Each has its own sauna, kitchen, cosy living area with fireplace and panoramic rooftop terrace with lounge furniture. On request, guests can enjoy the amenities of the Dilly Resort, including the pampering board and 6,000 m<sup>2</sup> wellness and spa area.

**Windischgarsten**  
**Since December 2024**  
[www.dilly.at](http://www.dilly.at)

## SalzburgerLand

### Relaxed: Seewirt Mattsee

The Seewirt Mattsee has been shining in new splendour since mid-January. After extensive renovation, the lakeside hotel combines stylish design, award-winning cuisine and an exclusive spa to create a unique dolce vita experience – just 20 km from Salzburg. Right on the promenade of Lake Mattsee, adults can enjoy relaxing moments: a drink at the bar, panoramic views from the rooftop pool or the award-winning cuisine of the Seeside Restaurant.

**Mattsee**  
**Since January 2025**  
[www.seesidehotel.at](http://www.seesidehotel.at)  
(German only)

# SalzburgerLand

## Charming:

### Alpin Life Resort Lürzerhof

Alpin Life Resort Lürzerhof in Untertauern is starting the 2025 summer season with a number of upgrades. All Mountain Rooms will have new, modern bathrooms and the restaurant area is being extended and updated. The new eye-catcher is the "Aromagarden" buffet room and the restaurant rooms will be renamed in keeping with the ambience. Distinguishing design elements include large light installations on the ceilings as well as furniture and fabrics in shades of brown and grey.

**Untertauern**

**Summer 2025**

**[www.luerzerhof.at](http://www.luerzerhof.at)**

(German only)

## Alpine warmth:

### Hotel Austria Saalbach

Hotel Austria in Saalbach will reopen in December 2025 with plenty of changes. The building will have a new façade, with wood and glass surrounding the remodelled balconies. All rooms will have 43-inch Smart TVs. The spa area, ski storage room and basement bar will offer more space and there will be a new fitness room, indoor pool and chill area with pool table and darts. There will also be a revised culinary concept with an extensive breakfast buffet and themed buffets in the newly designed restaurant "The Buffet".

**Saalbach Hinterglemm**

**December 2025**

**[www.hotelaustria.at](http://www.hotelaustria.at)**

# Styria

## In the countryside:

### Steiermarkhof educational centre

The Steiermarkhof near Graz has rebuilt and extended its offerings in several stages. 66 new rooms and suites were created in the final stage, which have been welcoming guests since September 2024. Room design is inspired by the eleven regions of Styria. The colours of wine dominate, for example, in the Southern Styria rooms. The Vulkanland rooms are presented in dark red. The Steiermarkhof, which is located in the countryside, combines an educational centre with 20 rooms for seminars and conferences as well as the Hofgalerie, which regularly hosts exhibitions.

**Graz**

**Since September 2024**

**[www.steiermarkhof.at](http://www.steiermarkhof.at)**

## Family paradise:

### H<sub>2</sub>O Hotel Thermal Bath Resort

The H<sub>2</sub>O Thermal Bath in Bad Waltersdorf sees itself as a thermal bath, where children in particular are welcome. The adjacent family hotel has been accommodating guests in 40 newly designed rooms since October 2024. Refurbishments included 16 double rooms of 20 m<sup>2</sup>, 20 family rooms of 40 m<sup>2</sup> and four suites of 60 m<sup>2</sup> with two rooms each. Wood, earth tones and soft fabrics create a pleasant ambience in all rooms. Most of the rooms were given balconies. A further expansion phase is planned for this year.

**Bad Waltersdorf**

**Since October 2024**

**[www.hoteltherme.at](http://www.hoteltherme.at)**

## Place of retreat:

### Nature and Wellness Hotel Höflehner

In November 2024, Nature and Wellness Hotel Höflehner, idyllically situated above Haus im Ennstal, opened its new yoga house. Surrounded by pine, spruce and larch wood, guests can practice yoga here and enjoy the view of the surrounding mountains. Up to ten different sessions take place every day in the three yoga rooms with large window fronts and on the terrace. The yoga house also hosts yoga retreats on certain dates.

**Haus im Ennstal**

**Since November 2024**

**[www.hoeflehner.com](http://www.hoeflehner.com)**

## Classy:

### Hotel Schönberghof

Hotel Schönberghof in Spielberg is one of the Tauroa hotels run by the Mateschitz family. Since the end of March 2025, it has been offering 20 additional rooms in a new low-rise building. From the rooms, guests have a direct view of the Red Bull Ring. The new building also includes seminar rooms.

**Spielberg**

**Since March 2025**

**[www.tauroa.at](http://www.tauroa.at)**



# Styria

## For wine fans: Landhotel Gut Moser

Gut Moser in Leutschach in Southern Styria combines a winery with a country hotel. The estate lies at 700 m above sea level, making it one of Austria's highest wineries. Since March 2025, hotel guests have been able to enjoy their stay even more. Host family Kapun has updated and extended the wellness area. The new panorama sauna offers plenty of space, whilst outdoors a second, heated pool with massage jets and counter-current system has been added.

**Leutschach**  
**Since March 2025**  
**[www.gut-moser.at](http://www.gut-moser.at)**  
(German only)

# Tirol

## Comfy: Hotel Sonnschein

Since September 2024, an extension with nine exclusive apartments has increased accommodation options at Hotel Sonnschein in Wildschönau. The new units are 100 m<sup>2</sup> in size and have a kitchen and terrace. Apartment guests can use all the facilities of the adjoining hotel, where the 570 m<sup>2</sup> wellness area has been updated. Highlights include a lounge with fireplace, three saunas, a salt stone cabin, a lanconium, a rock grotto and a meditation room. There is a textile sauna for families, plus a fitness and bouldering room.

**Niederau – Wildschönau**  
**Since September 2024**  
**[www.hotel-sonnschein.com](http://www.hotel-sonnschein.com)**

## Colourful: Bei Moser – Boutique Apartments

Following renovation, the former Ferienhaus Katrin in Leutasch has been transformed into the Bei Moser – Boutique Apartments. Since November 2024, guests have been able to choose from six newly designed apartments ranging from 32 m<sup>2</sup> to 45 m<sup>2</sup> in size. Light wood and fresh colours set the tone, whilst each apartment has a different coloured kitchen. Guests can enjoy the views from their balcony or terrace.

**Leutasch**  
**Since November 2024**  
**[www.beimoser.at](http://www.beimoser.at)**  
(German only)

## For mountain enthusiasts: Kreuzjoch Apartments

The newly renovated Kreuzjoch apartment building is located next to the Rosenalmbahn valley station in the Zillertal Arena. The six apartments are between 70 m<sup>2</sup> and 90 m<sup>2</sup> in size and can accommodate two to six people. Five of the apartments have their own sauna on the balcony.

**Rohrberg im Zillertal**  
**Since December 2024**  
**[www.apart-kreuzjoch.at](http://www.apart-kreuzjoch.at)**

## Familiar: Tischlerhof

Guests have been spending their summer holidays here since the 1950s, and the recently refurbished Tischlerhof now welcomes their return. The building with a wooden façade is located in Kirchberg in Tirol, at the gateway to the Wilder Kaiser Nature Reserve. Natural materials provide feel-good vibes in the four newly designed holiday apartments. The apartments are between 20 m<sup>2</sup> and 55 m<sup>2</sup> in size and all have a balcony.

**Kirchdorf in Tirol**  
**Since December 2024**  
**[tischlerhof.com](http://tischlerhof.com)**  
(German only)

## Nordic: Tante Trude

The newly renovated apartment hotel in the Lower Ötztal Valley is a homage to the owner's aunt of the same name. Clean lines and Nordic style create a homely feel in the 18 rooms and apartments. The choice ranges from 21 m<sup>2</sup> double rooms to 56 m<sup>2</sup> apartments. The building also has a small wellness area and modern restaurant feline, which specialises in Mediterranean cuisine.

**Oetz**  
**Since January 2025**  
**[www.tante-trude.at](http://www.tante-trude.at)**

# Tirol

## Chic:

### Pachmair 1453 apart resort

"New since 1453" is the motto at Pachmair 1453 apart resort in the Zillertal. With a history dating back to 1453, the resort will reopen in May 2025 after complete renovation. The main building has been refurbished inside and out. The outbuildings were demolished and rebuilt, with a large part of the materials being reused. The site boasts 16 double rooms with a size of around 25 m<sup>2</sup>, plus 31 apartments with living/dining area. Ranging between 42 m<sup>2</sup> and 85 m<sup>2</sup>, they offer space for two to six people. New additions include a fitness and yoga room, a 17 m infinity panorama pool and a 253 m<sup>2</sup> sun terrace with mountain views. The bike and ski room with heated lockers and eleven e-charging stations offers space for sports equipment. There is also a new à la carte restaurant, a bar and underground car park.

## Uderns

May 2025

[www.pachmair.com](http://www.pachmair.com)

## Oasis of well-being: Kaiserlodge

In June 2025, the Kaiserlodge in Scheffau will open the new adults-only Natürlich.Spa. Features include a 25 m long outdoor pool, a small outdoor sunset pool, spacious saunas as well as a gym and large yoga room with wooden floors. There will also be a new relaxation area with comfortable loungers.

## Scheffau

June 2025

[www.kaiserlodge.at](http://www.kaiserlodge.at)

## Hut comfort: Gepatschhaus

After complete renovation, the Gepatschhaus, which offers overnight accommodation for over 100 people, will reopen in mid-June 2025. With heated rooms, updated sanitary facilities, optimised insulation and new windows, the alpine hut will offer greater comfort for mountain and high alpine tours. The Gepatschhaus is located at 1,928 m above sea level near the Gepatsch reservoir and Kaunertal Glacier. It was built in 1873 and is the oldest Alpine Club hut in Austria.

## Strengen im Kaunertal

June 2025

[www.gepatschhaus.at](http://www.gepatschhaus.at)

## More space:

### Hotel Iris

Hotel Iris in the Wildschönau will open its new apartments in August 2025. There are two apartments for four to six people and three apartments for two to four people. The larger units are between 60 m<sup>2</sup> and 90 m<sup>2</sup> and the smaller ones are about 35 m<sup>2</sup> to 40 m<sup>2</sup>. Some apartments have a private sauna. Guests are invited to enjoy yoga classes with junior manager Lisa Gwiggner in the newly built yoga room with panoramic views.

## Wildschönau

August 2025

[www.iris-tirol.at](http://www.iris-tirol.at)

## Dog-friendly:

### Benglerwald Berg Chaletdorf

The Benglerwald Berg Chaletdorf and its ten chalets are situated in Bach im Lechtal. Until now, one of the chalets was surrounded by a fence, making it ideal for dog owners. Thanks to high demand, the host family will expand its offer from summer 2025. In total, there will be four fenced chalets for guests with dogs. The holiday homes are between 65 m<sup>2</sup> and 113 m<sup>2</sup> in size and offer space for two to five people and a maximum of two dogs.

## Bach im Lechtal

Summer 2025

[lech-chalets.at](http://lech-chalets.at)

# Vorarlberg

## Thoughtful:

### Hotel Vermala Montafon

Hotel Vermala in St. Gallenkirch in the Montafon launched the winter season in December 2024 with a number of changes. Host family Tschanhenz, who run the hotel in the fourth generation, has redesigned the entrance area with lobby and reception and extended the restaurant. In the course of the renovation, four additional 25 m<sup>2</sup> "Heimatblick" double rooms were created. There is also the new Weitblick SPA with sky pool, textile sauna for families and tea bar.

## St. Gallenkirch

Since December 2024

[www.vermala.com](http://www.vermala.com)

# Vorarlberg

## Breathing space: Ferienhof XOND

Summer 2024 saw Theresia and Jodok Fritz take over the XOND organic farm in Riezlern in the Kleinwalsertal, now in its fifth generation. "Xond" means "healthy" in dialect and is part of the farming couple's philosophy. The two also want to pass on impulses for a healthy lifestyle to their guests, who they have renovated seven holiday apartments on the farm for. The apartments, which range between 35 m<sup>2</sup> and 70 m<sup>2</sup> in size, have been open for stays since December 2024. Guests at the Fritz family's farm not only get to enjoy the uplifting views of nature, but also farm products and gain insights into agriculture.

**Riezlern**  
**Since December 2024**  
**xond.at**  
(German only)

## Magnificent views: Panoramahaus Dornbirn

In Dornbirn the Four Points by Sheraton Panoramahaus has redesigned all 162 rooms in three stages, mostly in collaboration with local craftsmen. Since January 2025, all rooms, from the 25 m<sup>2</sup> double to the 52 m<sup>2</sup> residential suite, have wooden floors. Floor-to-ceiling windows open up beautiful views over the Rhine Valley and surrounding mountains. Guests can enjoy breakfast in the restaurant on the 11th floor. There is a large wellness and pool area on site, which is now also accessible to a limited number of day guests. A fitness area and spa that offers beauty treatments and massages make stays complete.

**Dornbirn**  
**Since January 2025**  
**www.marriott.com**

## Living like a royal: Kaiser Hotel

Young hoteliers Claudio Errico and Manuel Vetter reopened the Kaiser Hotel in Bregenz in mid-March 2025 following renovation. The hotel is located right in the pedestrian zone of the city and comprises seven charmingly furnished rooms of 25 m<sup>2</sup> to 45 m<sup>2</sup>. One of the double bedrooms has access to the 38 m<sup>2</sup> roof terrace, which is soon to be revamped with plants and stylish furniture. Breakfast is served in "La Café" on the ground floor.

**Bregenz**  
**Since March 2025**  
**kaiser-hotel.at**  
(German only)

## Wellness delights: Alpenhotel Post

After closing for renovations, the Alpenhotel Post in Au will be surprising guests with some changes from mid-July 2025. The host family is modernising the wellness area and installing additional saunas. In the newly designed garden, a 13 × 5 m pool with sun deck, sunbathing area and playground is being built. In mid-August 2025, the water slide world will open with a tube slide and a wide slide, as well as an action pool for kids.

**Au**  
**Mid-July 2025**  
**www.alpenhotel-post.com**

## Comfortable: Hotel Adler

Hotel Adler in Au will be delighting its guests with some innovations from August 2025. The host family is successively updating its rooms and creating further ones in cooperation with craftsmen from the Bregenzerwald. Family suites with a separate children's room will add to the accommodation options. The restaurant is being given a new look and a spa area for couples and one for families are being built. For kids there is a new indoor play forest with trampoline, climbing wall and pump track.

**Au**  
**August 2025**  
**www.adler-au.at**

## Powerful place: Naturhotel Chesa Valisa

After the renovation of the garden at Naturhotel Chesa Valisa in autumn 2024, further work will follow in spring 2025. The main building, which is over 500 years old, is being renovated to improve energy efficiency. The balconies are being transformed into verandas and the rooms on the valley side will have new balconies and floor-to-ceiling glass fronts. In addition, host family Kessler is updating eleven bathrooms, extending some of the rooms and creating a new creative and meeting space. After 36 years, the indoor pool is being replaced by a 12 m stainless steel pool, framed in light stone. The heated outdoor pool will remain, with an indoor entrance to follow when the AlpinSPA is extended in 2026.

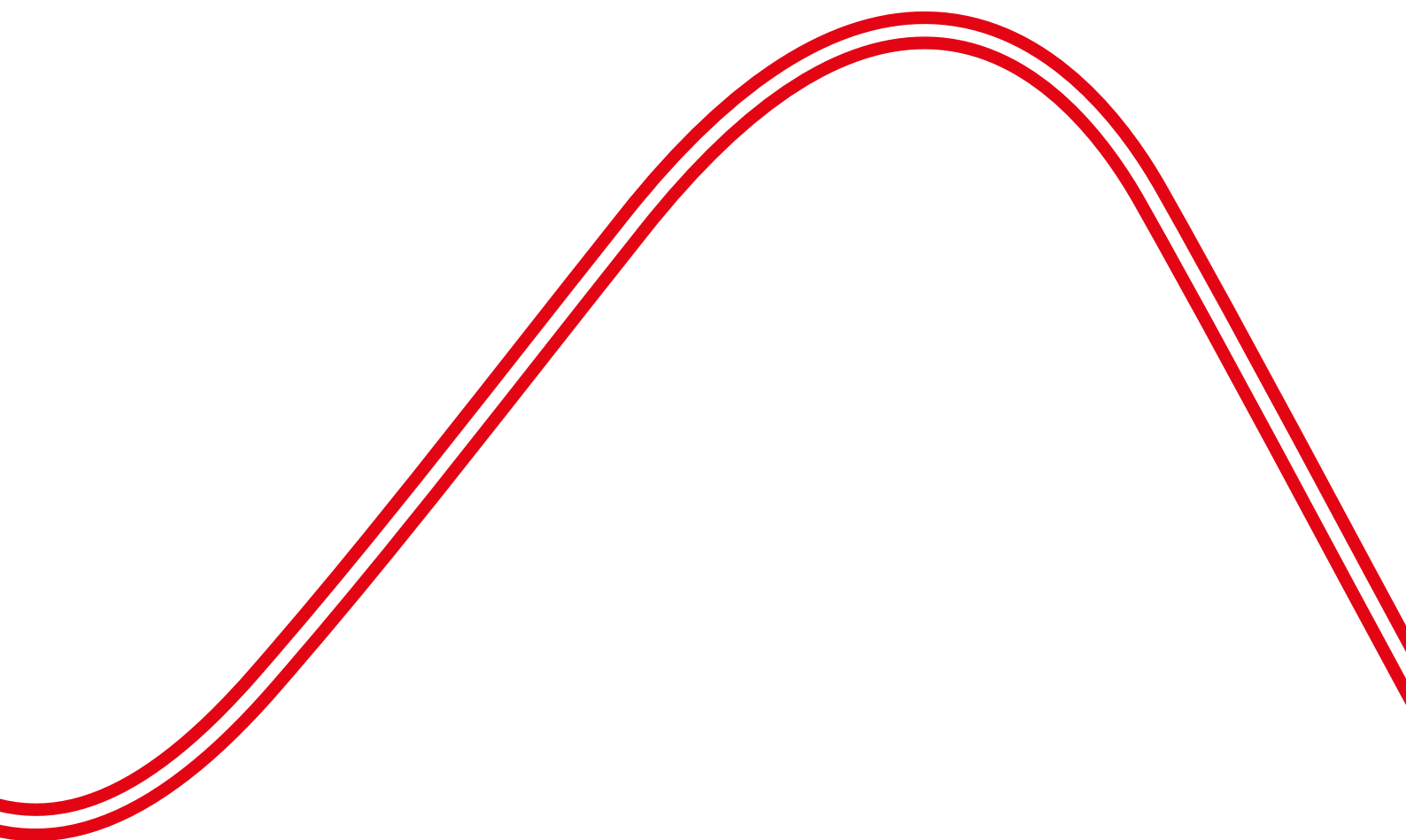
**Hirschegg, Kleinwalsertal**  
**Summer 2025**  
**www.naturhotel.at**

# Vienna

## Design history: Radisson Blue Das Triest Vienna

After a closure of two years and careful renovation, hotel "Das Triest" is now part of the Radisson Group and has been accommodating guests again since March 2025. The hotel, designed by British designer Terence Conran, originally opened in 1995. It was one of the first design hotels in Austria at the time. The property near Karlsplatz comprises 120 rooms and suites ranging from 26 m<sup>2</sup> to 43 m<sup>2</sup> in size, plus the 58 m<sup>2</sup> Presidential Suite with terrace. Italian cuisine is served at The Restaurant and La Terazza, which also has tables in the leafy courtyard. Drinks and cocktails are offered at the Silver Bar in the lobby. The hotel also has meeting rooms, some with access to the roof terrace.

**Vienna**  
**Since March 2025**  
[www.radissonhotels.com](http://www.radissonhotels.com)



# Personalities

Von oben nach unten: Österreich Werbung | Linda-Schäffler



## Upper Austria

### The traditional craftsman Gerald Wittl

Gerald Wittl is one of the last to understand a particularly traditional craft. Together with his father Anton, he builds flat-bottom wooden boats (so-called "Zillen") in Hofkirchen in the Upper Danube Valley – in the ninth generation. Before Gerald joined the family business he graduated from a technical college in Linz. He has been building the narrow boats, which are available in various designs, mainly from larch or spruce wood ever since. The Wittl family's range includes river, rowing, motor, fishing, fire and excursion boats, to name just a few. Those who would like to give one of the traditional boats a try are welcome to hire one. The rental boats are conveniently equipped with an outboard motor.

[www.upperaustria.com](http://www.upperaustria.com)

### The cidre pioneer Karin Maleninsky

Good taste has defined Karin Maleninsky for many years. In her earlier career she was a manager in the textile trade, but then her passion for cidre took over. Karin has been running the Maleninsky farm in Enns with her husband Robert for several years now. Together they have transformed the farm into modern cellars. With a great deal of experimentation and a keen sense for unique flavour combinations, Karin develops refined seccos made from apples and pears. And with great success, given that her products have received awards time and again. Karin attaches great importance to working with colleagues and, as a founding member and president of the "Most-Traun4tler", is committed to the preservation of orchards in Upper Austria.

[www.upperaustria.com](http://www.upperaustria.com)



## Upper Austria

### The Danube winegrowers Andrea and Stephan Greindl

He went to viticulture school in Krems, she studied business management. Once they had graduated, Andrea and Stephan Greindl married in 2020 and decided to become winemakers. They planted the first vineyards at the farm belonging to Andrea's parents in Naarn in the Mühlviertel, adapted to the humid Danube climate with PIWI (fungus-resistant) grapes. Today they cultivate 2.5 ha and regularly receive awards for their wines. In addition to wines and frizzante, the couple also produces schnapps and gin. One of their schnapps varieties is made from the pomace that is produced during wine production. Andrea and Stephan provide insights with tours and tastings.

[weingutgreindl.at](http://weingutgreindl.at)  
(German only)

## SalzburgerLand

### Dirndl maker Monika Trickl

Monika Trickl has been wearing dirndls since childhood. She grew up on a farm and decided to complete an apprenticeship as a dressmaker after finishing school. After many years of practice and completing the master craftsman's examination, she launched her own business in Eugendorf in 2019. Monika has been making dirndls (and also traditional men's waistcoats) to measure and with great attention to detail ever since. She obtains the fabrics such as cotton, linen, silk and velvet mainly from Austrian and German manufactories. It takes around ten hours for the expert to make a simple dirndl, but elaborate festive dirndls take much longer. The effort is more than worth it for Monika and her customers, as dirndls made of high-quality fabrics never go out of fashion and keep forever.

[www.dirndlnachmass.com](http://www.dirndlnachmass.com)  
(German only)

## Styria

### The experimental David Gölles

A new era will begin at the Gölles manufactory in Riegersburg on 1st April 2025, where first-class vinegars and fine spirits are produced. Father Alois Gölles is handing the company over to his son David. Even as a child, David liked to help with the fruit harvest, and later with vinegar production and the distillation of fine spirits. After leaving school he studied food and biotechnology at the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences in Vienna and worked abroad. He returned home in spring 2016, having gained a wide range of knowledge. While his father mainly processes fruit, David concentrates on grains, sugar cane molasses, aromatic herbs and maturation processes in wooden barrels. The perfect recipe to make award-winning whisky, rum, gin and vodka. With this extended range and David's fresh ideas, Gölles is most certainly moving towards an even more prosperous future.

[www.goelles.at](http://www.goelles.at)

### The creative farmer and forester Gerhard Neuhold

The roots of the Schafmandl Hof in Mariatrost near Graz date back to the 18th century. To keep the farm in family hands, Gerhard Neuhold decided to take it over together with his wife in 2012. Gerhard looked for alternatives to traditional dairy farming and converted the farm to organic farming. In addition to the cows he has also kept bees since then and become a passionate beekeeper. His honeys have repeatedly won awards and Gerhard himself was named Styria's "Beekeeper of the Year" in 2019. A further pillar of the business is forestry. Gerhard has even set up a truffle plantation in one of the forests, where he cultivates shitake mushrooms on tree trunks – highly sought-after by local restaurateurs.

[www.schafmandl.at](http://www.schafmandl.at)  
(German only)

## Tirol

### The award-winning bartender Andreas Hotter

Andreas Hotter is the third generation to run the Enghof in Zellberg in the Zillertal. He is not only a hotelier, but also an extremely talented, multi-award-winning bartender. He was Austrian National Champion in bartending in 2016 and reached third place at the World Championships. He received the Mixology Bar Award in 2017 and 2018. The renowned Mixology Magazine and the Falstaff Guide named his bar the best hotel bar in Austria, and him the most innovative bartender. The judges praise Andreas' "Alpine Mixology", and just one look at the bar menu shows what is meant by this. There you will find a beetroot colada, for example, or a cocktail with cranberries and yoghurt.

[www.englhof.at](http://www.englhof.at)

### The bird of prey expert Thomas Wechselberger

Thomas Wechselberger pursues a discipline that has been part of the Intangible World Cultural Heritage since 2010: he is a falconer and has mastered the art of hunting with birds of prey. He learned falconry from his father, starting at the age of 12. Today Thomas runs the Eagle's Stage Ahorn at an altitude of 2,000 m above Mayrhofen in the Zillertal. Here, he and his team introduce children and adults to birds of prey such as eagles, buzzards and eagle owls in the summer. In daily demonstrations (closed on Fridays), spectators experience the majestic acrobats of the air in action and learn interesting facts about the feathered wild animals from the falconers. In winter, visitors can check out Europe's highest bird of prey station free of charge every day except Saturdays and watch the training between 11 AM and 2 PM.

[www.mayrhofen.at](http://www.mayrhofen.at)

## Vorarlberg

### The visionary Emanuel Moosbrugger

After 13 years and stations all over the world, Emanuel Moosbrugger returned to his parents' establishment in Bizau in the Bregenzerwald in 2013. The hotel specialist and sommelier has been running Biohotel Schwanen in the fifth generation ever since. "Reduce to the max" is his motto. Geothermal energy has been used to heat and cool the building since its most recent renovation, whilst solar energy provides eco-friendly electricity. The hotel owes its award as a climate-positive establishment to Emanuel's extensive measures, which is reflected in furnishings throughout the building. The linear furniture was created by Bregenzerwald carpenters. Emanuel's motto is also evident in the kitchen, which is exclusively organic and predominantly follows the teachings of Hildegard von Bingen. Much to the delight of gourmets and gourmet guides. The restaurant has three Gault Millau toques, a Green MICHELIN Star and the "Bib Gourmand" award.

[biohotel-schwanen.com](http://biohotel-schwanen.com)  
(German only)

# Vorarlberg

## The gardener Regina Metzer-Mattes

In 2012, Regina Metzer-Mattes fulfilled her childhood dream: her own garden centre. At the age of just 23, the young woman started her own business in a male-dominated industry and opened reGREENa. Before that she had graduated from the horticultural college in Langenlois and worked in garden centres in Vorarlberg. Today Regina and her team of around ten run a floristry department, a garden centre and a tree nursery in Andelsbuch in the Bregenzerwald. The owner and her husband particularly enjoy growing vegetables, cultivating a 4,500 m<sup>2</sup> field with great passion. The regionally produced vegetables are extremely popular and almost always sold out.

[www.regreena.at](http://www.regreena.at)  
(German only)

## The imaginative restaurateur Sarah Brückner

Sarah Brückner grew up in Egg in the Bregenzerwald and discovered her love for cooking as a child. After training as a chef, she gained experience as a store manager with a food retailer before fulfilling her dream of owning her own restaurant with "Sarah kocht" in the Posthaus Egg. There she has been offering crossover cuisine that combines regional ingredients with international influences since December 2024. The quality and origin of the products is particularly important to Sarah, which is why she sources many ingredients directly from local producers. Her menu ranges from home-made pasta and Mediterranean seafood to classic Austrian dishes such as "Zwiebelrostbraten" (roast beef with onions) or "Tafelspitz" (boiled beef). The family-run restaurant has daily changing lunch menus with vegetarian options, afternoon snacks and cakes as well as a varied à la carte evening menu.

[www.sarah-kocht.at](http://www.sarah-kocht.at)  
(German only)

## The talented chef Julian Stieger

For the Rote Wand Chef's Table in Zug near Lech am Arlberg, the presentation of the MICHELIN Guide Austria in January 2025 was a big event. The renowned gourmet guide awarded the restaurant two stars and head chef Julian Stieger received the "Young Chef Award". The young man has been in charge of the kitchen since 2022, having gained experience in the very best restaurants in Copenhagen, New York, Lower Austria and Vienna. He impressed the team of inspectors with his "elaborate and at the same time reduced to the essentials combinations". The Rote Wand Chef's Table serves a menu of 16 to 19 courses, with regional products playing a major role.

[www.rotewand.com](http://www.rotewand.com)

## Gault Millau innkeepers of the year: Tanja and Tobias Schöpf

Tanja and Tobias Schöpf have been running Wirtschaft Taube in Klösterle since 2024. Their regionally focused concept is so coherent that Gault Millau awarded them three toques and the title of "Inn of the Year 2025". They run the small establishment alone. Tanja looks after guests while Tobias conjures up dishes in the kitchen that bring the tradition of the region to the plate. Fruit and vegetables are fresh, pickled or fermented. Meat, fish, cheese and dairy products come from nearby. Tobias obtains seasonal specialities such as game from his father, who is a professional hunter. The couple, now parents of two children, met while working at a hotel in Lech am Arlberg. After working together at several other establishments including the Fuxbau in Stuben am Arlberg, their path led them back to the Klostersal, where Tobias grew up.

[www.wirtschaft-traube.at](http://www.wirtschaft-traube.at)

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