### 9 Days/8 Nights

Departs Daily from Vienna or Munich



# HISTORIC CENTRAL EUROPE (BY RAIL) VIENNA - SALZBURG - MUNICH

Combine Austria and Germany with this package starting in the Austrian capital and ending in its Bavarian counterpart. In between, stay in the charming city of Salzburg, just south of the Germany border. Tour in each city to marvel in the sights and soak up the flavors.

#### ACCOMMODATIONS

3 Nights Vienna | 2 Nights Salzburg | 3 Nights Munich

### **INCLUSIONS**

- Shared Historical Vienna Tour with Schoenbrunn Entrance Morning 3.5 Hours
- ° Shared Mozart City Tour 2.5 Hours Morning
- Munich Dinner at Restaurant Ratskeller with Beverages
- o Daily Breakfast

- ° Dinner at Piaristenkell Vienna 8:00pm
- Munich Hop on/Hop off City Tour Express Circle Line Gray Line Sightseeing 1 Day
- o Rail Between Cities



Vienna is the capital of Austria, close to the borders of the Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary. It is regarded as the City of Music and was home to some of the greats including Mozart and Beethoven. The city is known for its Imperial architecture, most famously Schoenbrunn Palace, the summer residence of the Habsburg family. Avanti can arrange dinner and a Mozart concert in Schoenbrunn. Enjoy an afternoon with a private coffeehouse walking tour through the town center of Vienna learning about the history of coffee and the cafe culture, a very important part of life here. Take a day trip to Bratislava by Twin City Liner boat or spend the day at the

### Day 1 ARRIVE VIENNA:

Arrive in Vienna and check in to your hotel for 3 nights. You'll discover a Vienna of many facets, combining old and new worlds, galleries and museums, stylish shops, bistros and cafs, and more.



Vienna - Hotel Astoria - Classic 3 Nights ★★★★

Style: Traditional Location: City center

Nearby Attractions: St. Stephens Cathedral, Imperial Crypt, Albertina Museum, Augustine Church, Vienna State Opera, Jewish Museum Vienna

Nestled in the heart of Vienna, Hotel Astoria gives guests the best the city has to offer. Wonderful shopping and cosmopolitan cafes are an easy stroll. St. Stephens Cathedral and the State Opera are right around the corner!



### Day 2 VIENNA:

Once the capital of a great empire, Vienna is a cosmopolitan city of two million residents, with many remnants of its glorious past. Today you'll take a 3 hour city tour of the city be ready to go at 9 a.m. from your hotel. This tour will give you an overall impression of the most significant historical sights of Vienna. You will see the Ringstrasse known for such magnificent buildings as the Museum of Applied Arts, the State Opera House, the Museum of Fine Arts and the Museum of Natural History. Also see the Hofburg, the famous residence of Empress Elizabeth, affectionately known as "Sisi to the Austrians, as well as a host of other fine architectural examples including the Parliament, City Hall, the Burgtheater, the University and the Votivkirche. The highlight of this tour will be a visit of the showrooms of Schnbrunn Palace, once the summer residence of the Habsburg family and Maria Theresa, mother of Marie Antoinette, who later became Queen to Louis XVI. On the way back to the State Opera you will pass by the Belvedere Palace, the former summer residence of Prince Eugen. Your tour ends at the Opera House. From here you can stroll the historic walking street Krtnerstrasse, past elegant hotels and shops as you head towards Stephansdom, the magnificent cathedral of Vienna. Located in the historic medieval center of the city, this Gothic church is worth exploring, as are the narrow lanes around it.

(Breakfast)

### **Shared Historical Vienna Tour with Schoenbrunn Entrance Morning - 3.5 Hours**

Duration: 3 Hours 30 Minutes Category: City Tour Tour Type: Car/Bus Tour Along the Ringstrasse we show you numerous grand buildings, such as the MAK, the State Opera House, the magnificent Museum of Fine Arts with its world famous art treasures of the Habsburgs and the Natural History Museum, the cultural district, the Museums Quarter, the Hofburg, the Parliament, the City Hall and the Burgtheater.

### Day 3 VIENNA:

Your last full day in Vienna gives you options. You may wish to go shopping in this cosmopolitan city this morning. Or try one of our many optional tours. Dinner will be at a traditional Rathauskeller. (Breakfast, Dinner)



### Dinner at Piaristenkell Vienna - 8:00pm

Category: Food And Drink Tour Type: Meal

Enjoy the hat parade with selfie possibility and a 3 course dinner (set menu) served with 1/3 bottle of bouteille wine. Also visit the wine cellar.

### Day 4 VIENNA TO SALZBURG:

After breakfast today, you travel to Salzburg with reservations for your four hour trip. Sit back, relax and watch the scenery pass on your way to the birthplace of Mozart. Optional private rail station transfers in Vienna and Salzburg are available. (Breakfast)



Salzburg, Austria's fourth largest city, is a melting pot for art and culture sitting on the border of Germany. Famous as the birthplace of 18th century composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, for the baroque architecture of its UNESCO World Heritage Site "Old Town" (Altstadt) and, of course for Music. Visit the sites of the Sound of Music, venture into the majestic mountains or descend into the famous Salt Mines. Avanti can arrange a unique way to discover the unique Old Town of Salzburg with a romantic carriage ride and a Mozart dinner concert with music performed by Salzburg artists in historic costumes.

### Day 4 SALZBURG:



## Salzburg - NH Hotel Salzburg - Standard 2 Nights ★★★★

Style: Traditional Location: City Center

*Nearby Attractions:* St. Sebastian's Church, Church of the Holy Trinity, Kapuzinerberg & Capuchin Monastery, Salzburg Baroque Museum, Mozart's Residence

The NH Salzburg City hotel sits in the heart of the city, near the Mirabell gardens—the ideal spot from which to explore Salzburg. With a sophisticated and refined ambience and interior decor, guests will



feel right at home.

### Day 5 SALZBURG:

This morning, take the 2.5 hour Mozart City Tour to discover many of the highlights of this city dominated by its associations with both Mozart and The Sound of Music. Included are Mirabell Palace, the Mozarteum or Music Academy, Hellbrunn Palace, Mozart's residence and many more. Included in the tour is a ticket for the Funicular up to Hohensalzburg Fortress plus entry into the Fortress, one of the largest medieval castles in Europe, begun in 1077. The views over the town from the ramparts are spectacular. Use your free time in the afternoon to enjoy seeing the castle and the panorama. (Breakfast)



### **Shared Mozart City Tour - 2.5 Hours - Morning**

Duration: 2 Hours 30 Minutes Category: Art and Culture, City Tour Tour Type: Car/Bus Tour The tour begins by the Palace of Mirabell built in the year 1606 for the Archbishop Wolf Dietrich and is today home to the office of the local Mayor and city offices. Then pass the Mozarteum (University of Music) one of the world's most prestigious music academies. Passing the Marionette Theater, you will arrive in Markart Square with the Landestheatre (The Regional Theatre), The Trinity Church, a baroque masterpiece from Fischer von Erlach plus Mozarts Wohnhaus (Mozart Residence), where the composer lived for many years. Crossing over the Salzach (Salt) river which was once a major transport route you will have a wonderful view of this magical city. Following the river along part of the old fortifications you will pass the Law Courts on the way to the Hellbrunn Palace where you will have a short photo stop. Hellbrunn Palace was built at the start of the 17th century to the design of the great architect Santino Solari and used as a hunting lodge and weekend residence by Salzburg Archbishops. On the way back to the city center you will pass the Palace of Frohnburg and the Nonnberg Abbey, situated beneath the impressive Hohensalzburg Fortress, before entering the heart of the city through the Siegmunds Gate. Once in the old city you will pass by the Festival Halls, Old University, Horse Pond, Getreidegasse and the Blasius Church. The tour finishes in Mozart Square where you will see the famous Mozart statue, Cathedral, Old Residence of the Archbishops and the Fortress Hohensalzburg.

### Day 6 SALZBURG:

After breakfast, book one of our optional tours. (Breakfast)



Be merry in Munich! At the base of the German Alps, this Bavarian capital is a haven for nature lovers, beer fans and car enthusiasts. Centuries old buildings, scenic gardens, many museums, stunning architecture and the world's largest fair, Oktoberfest, are a some of features for which this city is famous. Avanti arranges myriad ways to take in all it has to offer: take a tour to experience the world of BMW visiting the museum, the Group Plant and the BMW Welt. Or experience the beauty of Munich illuminated by night with a visit to the legendary Hofbrauhaus for dinner and music and finally, view the city lights from the Olympic Tower towering 956 feet above the city.

### Day 6 MUNICH:



### Munich - Schiller5 Hotel - Standard 3 Nights ★★★★

Style: Contemporary Location: City Center Nearby Attractions: Karlsplatz, Marienplatz, Viktualienmarkt, Frauenkirche, Pinakotheken Set in a black granite building, this contemporary boutique hotel is a 4 minute walk from Munich train station and a 15 minute walk from Marienplatz, the city's central square. The modern rooms and suites feature solid wood furniture with industrial design touches. Most come with kitchenettes, all rooms are equipped with individual air condition, flat screen TVs, free WiFi and minibars. Suites add separate living rooms and fully equipped kitchen.

### Day 7 SALZBURG TO MUNICH:

After breakfast, make your way to the train station for transportation to Munich. Optional private Vienna or Salzburg rail station transfers are available.

(Breakfast)





### Munich Hop-on/Hop-off City Tour Express Circle Line Gray Line Sightseeing - 1 Day

Duration: 1 Day Category: City Tour Tour Type: Car/Bus Tour

This bus tour is perfect for travelers with limited time and gives the overall highlights of the city of Munich. A complete tour circuit lasts one hour, but with the ability to hop on and hop off as desired, this allows the flexibility to explore Munich at your own pace.



### **Munich - Dinner at Restaurant Ratskeller with Beverages**

Category: Authentic/Local, Food and Drink Tour Type: Meal

The Ratskeller Restaurant is housed in the vast basement of the Neues Rathaus (new town hall) building which dominates the Marienplatz. Although the Neues Rathaus is relatively young (about 100 years old), it is a classic piece of gothic architecture and this theme is carried through to the Ratskeller Restaurant, which makes it a great dining experience.

### Day 8 MUNICH:

After breakfast, explore Munich via Hop on/Hop off City Tour. Arrive on your own at Stachus (Karlsplatz) across the street from the central rail station to check in for your tour between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. daily. Double decker buses depart frequently (every 30 60 minutes, depending on season). Tonight soak in the local atmosphere at dinner at Restaurant Ratskeller located below the town hall at Marienplatz 8.

(Breakfast, Dinner)

### Day 9 MUNICH:

Today, you might book an optional tour outside the city. One of the most visited sites near Munich is Neuschwanstein Castle in Fussen, built by King Ludwig II and the inspiration for Cinderella's castle at Disneyland. (Breakfast)

\*\* Itinerary and inclusions are subject to change

