# Austria **Travel Facts**

## US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions in Austria. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

### **Passport/Visa Requirements**

For the latest passport and visa requirements for this country, please consult the U.S. State Department's "Learn About Your Destination" search tool, available through the link below.

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages.html

#### **US Embassy/Consulate**

[43] (1) 31339-0; US Embassy in Austria, Boltzmanngasse 16, 1090 Vienna, Austria; https://at.usembassy.gov/; ConsulateVienna@state.gov

Disabled Travelers https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-specialconsiderations/traveling-with-disabilties.html

#### LGBTQ+ Travelers

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/lgbtqi.html Women Travelers

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/womentravelers.html

#### **Telephone Code**

43

#### **Local Emergency Phone**

112, 122

#### Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Austria: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, rabies, tickborne encephalitis, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia, influenza, and COVID-19. http://www.who.int/

#### Climate

Temperate; continental, cloudy; cold winters with frequent rain and some snow in lowlands and snow in mountains; moderate summers with occasional showers

# Currency (Code)

Euros (EUR)

# Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, F



**Major Languages** German, Turkish, Serbian, Croatian

#### **Major Religions**

Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, Muslim, Evangelical Christian

#### **Time Difference**

UTC+1 (6 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins last Sunday in March, ends last Sunday in October

#### **Potable Water**

Yes

**International Driving Permit** Suggested

**Road Driving Side** Right



#### **Tourist Destinations**

Vienna Hofburg; Salzburg Altstadt; Innsbruck's Hofburg and Hofkirche; Melk Benedictine Abbey; Austrian National Library; Karlskirche (St. Charles Borromeo Church); UN Office in Vienna; Shoenbrunn Palace; Salzkammergut (includes Hallstatt and Dachstein); Skiing at Kitzbuehel and Kitzbueheler Horn; prehistoric pile dwellings around the Alps

#### **Major Sports**

Soccer, alpine skiing, ice hockey

#### **Cultural Practices**

While some Austrian men will kiss the hand of a female as a greeting, it would be improper for a foreigner to kiss the hands of Austrian females. A quick, firm handshake is the traditional greeting.

#### **Tipping Guidelines**

It is customary to round up and leave the change at restaurants for the server. Taxi drivers usually receive an extra 10% over the meter fare. Porters or bellhops should receive up to 1 euro per bag.

#### **Souvenirs**

Handbags, crystal, porcelain, winter sports equipment, bronze and Hummel figurines, carved Nativity scenes featuring Alpine villages

#### **Traditional Cuisine**

Sauerbraten — beef braised in a marinade typically consisting of red wine vinegar, cloves, nutmeg, peppercorns, cinnamon, ginger, and juniper berries and simmered in a pot for several hours; typically served with potato dumplings and red cabbage



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