

MUSEUMS IN SALZBURG

THE COMPLETE GUIDE

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Your Secret Salzburg Museums' Guide

Welcome to the beautiful city of Salzburg! It is a city filled with history, artistry, and innovation. Therefore, it houses many museums catering to a wide range of interests. History buffs, admirers of fine art, or simply curious explorers will equally enjoy the depths of Salzburg's cultural world, where there's something for just about everyone.

This comprehensive guide will enable you to unlock the treasures within Salzburg's famous museums. It includes iconic and renowned museums like the **Salzburg Museum** and the **Mozart's Birthplace Museum** as well as many lesser-known gems awaiting discovery.

Get ready to be amazed by the masterpieces of the Baroque period, marvel at the splendor of imperial collections, learn about the intriguing stories of Salzburg's past, and discover some impressive innovations shaping the future. If like us you are drawn to classical art, appreciate modernist movements and eager to make the most out of your stay, you should definitely include Salzburg's museums in your itinerary.

Join us as we embark on a journey of discovery through Salzburg's museums. You can explore on your own or with our licensed tour guides on one of our **Secret Salzburg walking tours**.

As Salzburg has much to offer, it is recommended to plan in advance and to carefully choose the sites, museums and concert houses you want to visit. This will ensure a truly unforgettable stay.

To help you with your plan, we've created our **Secret Salzburg blog**. There, we share many tips and recommendations that will help you plan a complete and balanced program for your stay in the city.

Our tours are another excellent way to explore the city and enjoy its rich history and culture. Together with our professional guides you will see many of the city's must see-sights as well as secrets behind the scenes. You can also walk in the footsteps of Mozart or learn more about the city's powerful women.

We have also created more **FREE PDF guides** to help you choose which museums to visit, which hotels to choose and how to plan the perfect travel program in Salzburg. Head over to our **website** and get all the information you need for a fun and rich vacation.

Lastly, if you want to explore more of Austria, you should visit Vienna and explore all that the Austrian capital has to offer through one of our **Secret Vienna tours**!



Salzburg Residenz

The Salzburg Residenz is a monument to the influence of the prince-archbishops who once governed Salzburg. This palace served as the official residence of these rulers, showcasing their wealth and prestige to all who visited.

Today, the **Salzburg Residenz** is a must-see spot within the DomQuartier, offering a rare glimpse into its opulent state rooms and the famed Residenzgalerie.

The **Residenzgalerie** houses an impressive collection of European paintings from the 16th to 19th centuries. The gallery also houses significant works by Italian, French, and Austrian masters from the 17th and 18th centuries, along with notable 19th-century Austrian paintings.

Click HERE to buy your tickets to the Salzburg Residenz!



Salzburg Museum

This museum houses permanent and rotating exhibitions that explore the art and cultural history of both the city and the province of Salzburg.

Each exhibit at the **Salzburg Museum** highlights the city's charm. The journey through the museum is chronological with rooms that guide visitors from ancient times to the present day.

On the second floor, visitors are invited to discover the "myth" of Salzburg. This section is dedicated to the Romanticera painters, writers, and scholars who spread their admiration for the Salzburg region across Europe.

Click HERE to buy your tickets to the Salzburg Museum!





Viniculture museum Salzburg

The history of winemaking in Salzburg comes to life at the **Weinbau Museum Salzburg.** Launched in 2005 by former scout leaders at the town's request, the Historic Viniculture project expanded in 2021 to include the Viniculture Museum. Here, you can explore a spindle press, historical equipment, and informative display boards that showcase the cultivation process and significant role of the scouts. The museum is open from May-October, every first Saturday of the month, plus you don't have to worry about booking tickets to visit!

Red Cross Museum Salzburg

This small, yet interesting museum, was founded in 1929 and is the first ambulance museum in Europe. After its destruction in 1944 it was rebuilt in 1979 and nowadays presents artifacts and records from its founding date to the present day.

One of the rare items on desplay is a cool wheeled stretcher from the turn of the century. next to it, you will find eleven classic cars from 1960 to the present, There are also several films that show the daily life at the Red Cross.

Click HERE to buy your Red Cross Museum tickets!

Marionette Museum

Step into the former gun deck ("Feuergang") of the Hohensalzburg Fortress and embark on an incredible adventure with historical marionettes guiding your way. This unique museum, devoted to the "World of Marionettes," offers a glimpse into Salzburg's rich history.

Explore the era of the prince-archbishops and learn about the time when the Salzach River was a major shipping route. And don't miss the exhibition dedicated to Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, adding some music to your journey through time!

Click HERE to learn more about Salzburg's Marionette Museum!

Fun Fact!

The Marionette Museum housed in the vaulted former gun deck ("Feuergang") of Hohensalzburg Fortress

WasserSpiegel - Water Museum

Discover the fascinating world of Salzburg's water supply at the WasserSpiegel! This multimedia and interactive museum dives into the history and technology behind the city's drinking water. You'll learn about its origins, quality, and the innovations that keep it flowing.

Open on weekends, the WasserSpiegel is conveniently situated along the path between the Museum of Modern Art and the Hohensalzburg Fortress, right across from the bird display board, making it easily accesible. Remember, the temperature inside is a cool 12 degrees, so bring your jacket or pullover for your visit!

Click HERE to buy your tickets to the Water Museum!





Fortress Museum

The history of Europe's largest remaining medieval fortress is told in the Fortress Museum, housed in the rooms of Hohensalzburg Fortress. The museum, which originated from the first Castle Museum, displays a fascinating collection including Roman coins, ceramics, ancient wall remnants, a medieval heating system, Roman arcades, armor, and even torture devices.

You also get to see a fully functional castle kitchen and antique military musical instruments. It's a journey through centuries you won't want to miss!

Click HERE to buy tickets to the Fortress Museum!

Museum "Art of the Lost Generation"

The Museum of the Lost Generation, a privately owned nonprofit museum, houses the collection of Prof. Dr. Heinz R. Böhme. With around 450 pieces, the collection brings to light the stories of artists persecuted and labeled as "degenerate" during the National Socialist era.

The museum aims to highlight the contributions of these unacknowledged individuals, offering a look at their artistic expression.

Get ready to explore the artistic expression of a unique generation that refused to allow their status as "degenerates" to prevent them from contributing to history!

Click HERE to buy your tickets to the Museum "Art of the Lost Generation"!



Panorama Museum

Experience Salzburg's past in a different way at the Panorama Museum, where a classic cycloramic painting takes you on a breathtaking journey through time!

From the central circular platform, you can admire an 1829 view of Salzburg and its surroundings. The museum also boasts about 130 cosmoramas, offering a fascinating look into locations from around the world.

With its rotating special exhibitions, the Panorama Museum promises a unique visit every time!

Click HERE to book your tickets to the Panorama Museum!



Museum of Natural History and Technology

With its Science Center, the Haus der Natur displays nature's aspects over 7,000 square meters of display space. From moonscapes to underwater worlds, dinosaurs to the human body, there is a lot to learn and explore.

The Haus der Natur has eight floors spread across two buildings that houses its many different displays!

Click HERE to buy your tickets to the Museum of Natural History and Technology!







Mozart Audio and Visual Collection

The Mozart Sound and Film Collection, the largest specialized archive for sound and image records on the life and work of the Salzburg composer, has been housed in the Mozart House on Makartplatz since 1991.

The collection consists of radio plays, children's films, documentaries, recordings of rehearsals, portraits, and interpretations of works. Out of the around 33,000 audio tracks, the earliest one is dated 1889!

Click HERE to learn more and book your tickets to the Mozart Audio and Visual Collection!

Mozart Residence

Explore the Mozart Residence on Makartplatz, where the Mozart family lived from 1773 to 1787. Now a museum, the large first-floor eight-room flat displays Mozart's pianoforte, original documents, portraits, and intriguing details about the family's life in Salzburg.

The museum also offers a multi-screen production, recurring concerts, seminars, and exhibitions, providing a comprehensive Mozart experience that will leave you in awe of this musical genius!

Click HERE to buy tickets to the Mozart Residence!

Mozart's Birthplace

Did you know you can visit No. 9 Getreidegasse, the "Hagenauer Haus," where W. A. Mozart was born in 1756, to learn more about the composer? Now one of Austria's most popular museums, Mozart's Birthplace offers an intimate look at the composer's life in Salzburg through original mementos, letters, certificates, and portraits created during his lifetime.

Historical instruments, including Mozart's violin and clavichord, are particularly fascinating for music lovers. The museum's approximately one-hour tour of its original chambers transports you back to the 18th century, providing a vivid glimpse into Mozart's world.

Click HERE to buy tickets to the Mozart's Birthplace!



Museum der Moderne Salzburg Mönchsberg

Located on the Mönchsberg, atop the old town of Salzburg, the Museum der Moderne Salzburg displays treasures of 20th and 21st-century international art across four levels.

Spanning 2300 m², the museum's rotating exhibitions feature renowned modern and contemporary artworks, alongside pieces from their own collections. It's a dynamic space where the art of today meets the historic charm of Salzburg's old town.

Click HERE for more details about Museum der Moderne Salzburg Mönchsberg!



Salzburg Museum of Military History

Situated on the grounds of the Schwarzenbergkaserne Wals, the Museum of Military History brings Austria's military past to life with over 13,000 pieces displayed across three exhibition rooms, a vehicle hall, and a tank garden.

The ground floor covers the history of the Austrian Armed Forces, from the Hungarian crisis to international peacekeeping missions, while the first floor focuses on Salzburg's military involvement in the wars against Napoleon.

The tank garden, featuring various armored vehicles, adds an exciting dimension to this comprehensive exhibition!

Click HERE for more details about the Salzburg Museum of Military History!

Fun Fact!

The Salzburg Museum of Military History showcases more than 13,000 objects in three exhibition rooms as well as the vehicle hall and the tank garden!

Rainer Regimental Museum

Located within the Hohensalzburg Fortress, the Rainer Regimental Museum honors the "k. u. k. Infanterieregiment 'Erzherzog Rainer' No. 59" Salzburg House Regiment.

The museum's eight rooms exhibit artifacts from both war and peace times, including uniforms, weapons, and other memorabilia. It offers a compelling look at one of Austria's most resilient regiments, which even fought against the Turks in 1682.

Click HERE to learn more about the Rainer Regimental Museum





Toy Museum

The Toy Museum invites you into the world of toys and play! At the Toy Museum, curiosity, play, and experience are the main themes.

Play areas with marble runs, balancing toys, and the enormous building blocks are available on the ground floor, plus, the slide that goes from the second to the first floor of the museum offers small guests a special opportunity to treat themselves for reaching the top of the museum!

There are five parts to the Toy Museum's special exhibition, which is a trip through time: it transports you to the Sun King's court, a Stone Age cave, a knight's castle hidden behind walls, a Viking ship, and the terrifying dinosaurs!

Click HERE to book your tickets and learn more about the Toy Museum!



Bible World

Experience the stories of the Bible like never before at Bibelwelt, located in the Elisabethkirche in Salzburg.

This unique exhibition spans 1000m² and involves visitors in biblical tales through interactive displays. Enter te museum through an enormous ear and explore the many tales of Paul and Jesus inside the church with the help of an audio guide.

Bibelwelt is more of an adventure playground than a traditional museum, making it a memorable visit for all ages!

Click HERE to book your tickets and learn more about the Bible World!

World of Poisons Museum

Discover the secrets of poisons at the World of Poisons, Austria's smallest zoo and the museum's permanent exhibition.

Learn about poisons in nature, medicine, daily life, and history through engaging displays and educational programs. The exhibit features live venomous animals like scorpions, toads, and snakes, as well as poisonous plants and fungi.

It's an engaging experience that reveals the hidden dangers and wonders of the natural world!

Click HERE for more details about the World of Poisons Museum!



Stiegl-Brauwelt - interactive world of beer

Beer enthusiasts will find plenty of possibilities to explore the world of beer with all of their senses at the Stiegl-Brauwelt, such as the brewhouse, dining establishments with a distinct "beery" flavor, and the Brau Cinema.

The Stiegl-Brau Cinema is an amazing multi-visual experience that is part of the nearly 5000 m² display, together with the interactive Stiegl Museum!

Click HERE to buy your tickets to the Stiegl-Brauwelt - interactive world of beer!

Folklore Museum

Dive in into Salzburg's rich folk culture at the Folklore Museum, housed on the grounds of Hellbrunn Palace.

The museum's extensive collection includes traditional costumes from various regions of Salzburg, displayed in the "Grosser Saal" (great hall). The second floor features a special summer show that changes annually, providing fresh insights into the province's cultural heritage.

It's a must-visit for those interested in the traditions and customs of Salzburg.

Click HERE to buy your tickets!

Cathedral Excavations

Underneath the Cathedral- and Residenzplatz Squares, the Salzburg Museum houses the Cathedral Excavations Museum where history and architecture buffs can learn fascinating details about building operations in the region that date back to the Roman era.

The archaeological remnants of a Roman villa, including walls, ducts, hot-air heating systems, and mosaic floors, form the core of the Cathedral Archaeological Museum.

Click HERE to book your tickets to the Cathedral Excavations Museum!

Salzburg Christmas Museum

Capture the magic of the holiday season at the Salzburg Christmas Museum, located above Café Glockenspiel on Mozartplatz.

The museum's exhibition, "Celebrations between Advent and New Year from 1840-1940," showcases a collection gathered over fifty years by Ursula Kloiber. Eleven distinct themes highlight the festive spirit of the era, making this museum a fun experience for visitors of all ages.

Click HERE to book your tickets to the Salzburg Christmas Museum!

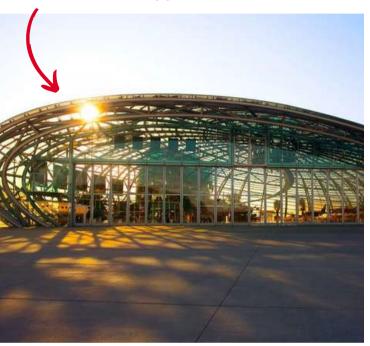


Hangar-7 - Aviation Museum

Explore the unique Hangar-7 at Salzburg Airport, home to a remarkable collection of historic Flying Bulls aircraft.

The glass dome of Hangar-7 provides a stunning setting for the art on display, with changing light conditions creating a unique atmosphere. The interaction between artists and guests brings the exhibition space to life, highlighting the contrast between various show themes.

Click HERE to buy your tickets!



Museum der Moderne Salzburg Altstadt (Rupertinum)

Located in the Rupertinum, the 700 m2 Museum der Moderne Salzburg Altstadt hosts temporary international exhibitions, with a special focus on graphic design and photography.

The museum is recognizable by Friedensreich Hundertwasser's "Tongue Beards" and offers a fantastic setting for showcasing contemporary art.

The "Austrian Federal Photo Collection at Museum der Moderne Salzburg" includes about 12,000 individual titles, making it a significant repository of national and international photographic art.

Click HERE to learn more about the Museum der Moderne Salzburg Altstadt!

Did you know?

The Rupertinum was run as a home for children and students until 1974.

Georg-Trakl Research and Memorial Site

In 1973, the home of Salzburg's most well-known poet, Georg Trakl (1887–1914), was turned into a research and memorial site.

An artistic portrayal of the poet is available to visitors at the research and memorial site as an introduction to his life and work. On a guided tour, visitors can explore manuscripts, private papers, artifacts from the Trakl family's previous home, and secondary literature.

Click HERE to know more about the Prater Museum!





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