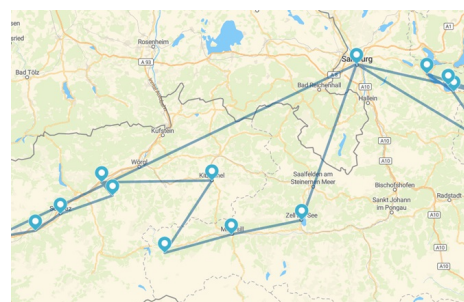




Austria, 7 Days · Tailor-made by car

Route through Tyrol and Salzburg

Salzburg with its lake area and Tyrol are very popular tourist destinations. They are surrounded by mountains and lakes, and their villages and towns are located in fairy tale retreats. You will start the trip in Salzburg, continue on to the lake region and visit Hallstatt, one of the most beautiful villages in the world. You will visit Innsbruck, the capital of Tyrol, and the surrounding villages. This Austrian region is beautiful as no other, with its authentic picture postcard landscape. Tyroleans are kind and hospitable, so don't be surprised if a villager opens the doors of his house and invite you in for a delicious Schnaps (apricot or other fruit brandies). Undoubtedly, the best way to get to know Tyrol is by car, which is an adventure for all ages.



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Departure date: Departures from June 2026 till June 2027

From: Dublin, Shannon, Cork

Travel details

DAY 1 · CITY OF ORIGIN - SALZBURG

Flight departure from the city of origin to Salzburg.

Arrival and rental car pick-up.

Go to the city of Mozart, whose name comes from salt, a condiment that also gave its name to the river (Salzach), by which it was transported in the past.

Today, we can spend the day to discover the city where Mozart was born in 1756. This beautiful city surrounded by mountains, has an old town which was declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. It has attractions such as the magnificent Mirabell Palace Gardens, baroque gardens in the city centre, which were used as the set for the film "The Sound of Music". From there, you will be able to enjoy magnificent views of the old Hohensalzburg castle. To access Hohensalzburg, you can take the Festungsbahn funicular and visit the incredible fortress that dominates the centre of Salzburg, from where you will be able to see the city from above. You can also visit the house where composer Mozart was born, which is now a museum. The museum is one of the most visited in Austria, and is a place of pilgrimage for fans of classical music. In the museum, you will find historical instruments, such as Mozart's childhood violin and harpsichord. If you haven't already seen the movie "Amadeus", which was about the life of Mozart, you should see it before visiting the museum. Other attractions include the Bridge of Padlocks and the magnificent baroque cathedral, both of which are worth a visit. And don't forget to try the Mozartkugel sweets, with fine praline and marzipan. They are simply delicious!

Overnight stay in Salzburg.

● DAY 2 · SALZBURG - SALZKAMMERGUT LAKE DISTRICT (BAD ISCHL - ST. GILGEN - STROBL - ST. WOLFGANG - HALLSTATT) - SALZBURG

Just a few kilometres from Salzburg, there is the Salzkammergut lake region, an area that combines natural beauty with the most refined architecture.

The famous Imperial Villa of Bad Ischl was the summer residence of Emperor Franz Joseph I and Empress Sisi. St. Gilgen - Strobl - St. Wolfgang surround the Wolfgangsee lake, and are the starting points for countless excursions through the mountains and on to Hallstatt in a truly spectacular setting.

Hallstatt has been designated as the "most beautiful village on the shores of a lake". It is one of the most beautiful villages in the Salzkammergut, a region of iridescent ice caves, fascinating salt mines, picture postcard landscapes, and pretty street markets. This really is an authentic fairy tale village, with its houses painted in pastel colours which are reflected in the waters of the Hallstatter See. A beautiful village with its houses and bell towers capped with snow, situated on the shores of an impressive lake with the same name. Some think it is the most beautiful village in the world. Wander through its narrow alleys of sixteenth century houses, with cafes and shops nestling amongst them. There is also another attraction: a cable car connects the municipality of 800 inhabitants, with Salzwelten, an old salt mine with an underground salt lake and a museum. It is said to be the oldest salt mine in the world, in operation for some 7,000 years. The incredible Salzwelten allows the traveller to slide down the mine's toboggans, some of which are 60 metres long, as well as to get close to the world of salt and mining. And it was that salt from the hills which turned this town into a mining centre between 800 and 400 BC. (Note: The mine is closed in winter. It can be reached by cable car or on foot). In the village you can see the Rudolf Tower, built in the 13th century as a defensive building, later converted into the residence of the salt mine manager (for 640 years), and finally transformed into a restaurant. UNESCO declared the cultural landscape of this area a World Heritage Site. To the west, a path leads to the Echern valley, with glacial sinkholes and the 90 metre high Waldbachstrub waterfall. Return to Salzburg.

Overnight stay in Salzburg.

● DAY 3 · SALZBURG - ZELL AM SEE - MITTERSILL - KRIMML - KITZBÜHEL

Let's get going because in less than an hour and a half by car you can reach Kitzbühel, a beautiful medieval village and a skiing resort. The 85 kilometres that separate the two locations are magnificent, with beautiful natural landscapes. The day starts at Zell am See, the only European ski resort where you can ski even in the middle of summer. Sustained by a portentous glacier and located next to a beautiful lake, it is a privileged destination for lovers of adventure sports and nature. A short distance away is the bucolic village of Mittersill, the ideal place to enjoy a good Austrian beer. We will finish the day contemplating the unparalleled majesty of the waterfall of the Hohe Tauern National Park in Krimml. Arrival in Kitzbühel.

It has its origins as a city dedicated to silver and copper mining, going back to the 16th century, and entertains the traveller with a well-preserved medieval town centre. This haven is famous for being the meeting place of the jet set in winter, and for having one of the most upmarket ski resorts in Austria. In fact, since Franz Reisch descended the Kitzbüheler Horn in 1893, considered the first alpine skiing descent in the country, this ski resort has become one of the most sought after in Europe. Don't miss the climb to Hahnenkamm mountain, which towers over 1,700 metres, and enjoy fantastic views. And if you want to know the history of this town, linked to mining, winter sports and its great legends, visit the Kitzbühel museum. (Note: Check the opening hours, as it varies according to the season).

Overnight stay in Kitzbühel.

● DAY 4 · KITZBÜHEL - RATTENBERG - ALPBACH - TRATZBERG CASTLE - SCHWAZ - WATTENS - HALL IN TIROL - INNSBRUCK

After driving an hour and a quarter to the west, you will reach Innsbruck, a beautiful city nestled between mountains. On the way, you can visit Rattenberg, the smallest medieval town in Austria; Alpbach, a mountain village known for being the most beautiful in Tirol; and the Tratzberg Castle, a Gothic-Renaissance fortress. You can also stop off in Schwaz, one of the most important mining cities in Europe during the 15th and 16th centuries, dedicated to the extraction of silver. Then head for Wattens, 13 kilometres away from Innsbruck, where a shining sculpture will catch your eye. It is the Kristallwelten, translated as "Crystal Worlds", a cultural centre where Swarovski's museum can be found. (Note. Opening hours, from 8.30am to 6.30pm. Admission not included). This museum was inaugurated in 1995 to celebrate the company's centenary. There you will find different chambers where renowned artists have interpreted crystal in very innovative ways. In addition, you can visit the gardens and see the iconic giant's head, from whose mouth water flows into a pond. You can also stop at Hall in Tirol, a prosperous medieval city thanks to salt. There you can visit the Bergbau Museum and take a 45-minute tour to discover all the secrets of a reconstructed salt mine. You can also enjoy magnificent panoramic views of the area from the top floors of the Hasegg Castle.

Overnight stay in Innsbruck.

● DAY 5 · INNSBRUCK

Surrounded by mountains, the city is a beautiful symbiosis of nature and architectural beauty with elegant baroque buildings. The capital city of Tyrol has a wonderful old quarter. Hofburg, the Imperial Palace, was the residence of the Habsburgs. Within its grounds, you will find gardens and the Tyrolean Folk Art Museum. In the vicinity of the palace is the baroque style Innsbruck Cathedral. There you can find the painting of Maria Hilf by Lucas Cranach the Elder, and the tomb of Maximilian III of Austria. The harmonious structure of the Goldenes Dachl (Golden Roof) is also worth a visit. It is located in one of the buildings of the old town, a small roof covered with golden copper tiles covering an alcove balcony decorated with reliefs and mural paintings. The city also has modern facilities such as Bergisel's impressive ski jump, which has become a symbol of the city. It was designed by the famous architect Zaha Hadid, who also designed the new cable car stations inaugurated in 2007. Climb from the centre of the city to the Seegrube mountain, at 1,905 metres altitude, where you can enjoy magnificent views. Hiking fans will enjoy walking along the roads that border the city, from where there are splendid views.

Overnight stay in Innsbruck.

● DAY 6 · INNSBRUCK - SALZBURG

We will head back to Salzburg.

Today you will visit some of the places where "The Sound of Music" was filmed. In the film, there was a famous dance scene in the Mirabell Palace Gardens, just next to the Pegasus fountain. If you want to see the facade of the Trapp family house and the lake, you should go to the Leopoldskron Palace, a few minutes from the old town. The Nonnberg Abbey, near the fortress, was the place where the novice nun Maria von Kutschera was based. It is the oldest convent in the German-speaking world. To the north of the city, the Hellbrunn Palace, built in the seventeenth century, was where part of the film was shot. In the afternoon, you can stroll through the old town and shop in the famous streets of Linzergasse and Getreidegasse.

They are pedestrian streets full of shops and restaurants where you will be able to relax before your return home.

Overnight stay in Salzburg.

● DAY 7 · SALZBURG - CITY OF ORIGIN

Arrival at the airport with enough time to drop off your rental car and flight back to the city of origin.

Arrival. End of the trip and our services.

Your trip includes

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- ✓ Return flight.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Salzburg.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Salzburg.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Kitzbuhel.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Kitzbuhel.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Innsbruck.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Innsbruck.
- ✓ Rent-a-car.

Your trip doesn't include

- ✗ Accommodation taxes in Austria direct payment in facility.
- ✗ Possible toll charges.
- ✗ Insolvency protection.

Destinations Visited

Salzburg



Bad Ischl



St. Gilgen



Strobl



Saint Wolfgang im Salzkammergut



Hallstatt



Zell am See



Mittersill



Krimml



Kitzbühel



Rattenberg



Alpbach



Schwaz



Wattens



Innsbruck



Important remarks

- Driving in Austria: driving is very comfortable and safe thanks to the excellent road network, which is in a very good state of repair. However, driving on motorways and dual carriageways requires a so-called vignette (toll payment sticker) that must be placed visibly on the front windscreen. Rental cars usually have one included.
- Triple rooms in Europe are generally rooms with twin beds or a double, in which a folding bed is installed to accommodate the third person. Due to the inconvenience this causes, we advise against using this option as far as possible.
- Check-in time at the hotel on the day of arrival depends on each establishment, but in no case will it be before 3:00 p.m., unless otherwise indicated.
- The proposed excursions and tours for each day are purely suggestions, as you can tailor the trip to suit your times, tastes and needs.
- A credit card is considered a guarantee, so sometimes you will need one for check-in at hotels.
- Hotels usually have cots available. Otherwise, babies will have to share a bed with an adult.
- To pick up your rental car, you'll need a credit (not debit) card in the name of the person who made the booking, who must also be the named driver of the vehicle.
- Consult the necessary documentation to enter the destinations visited and for transit in the countries where air stopovers are made.