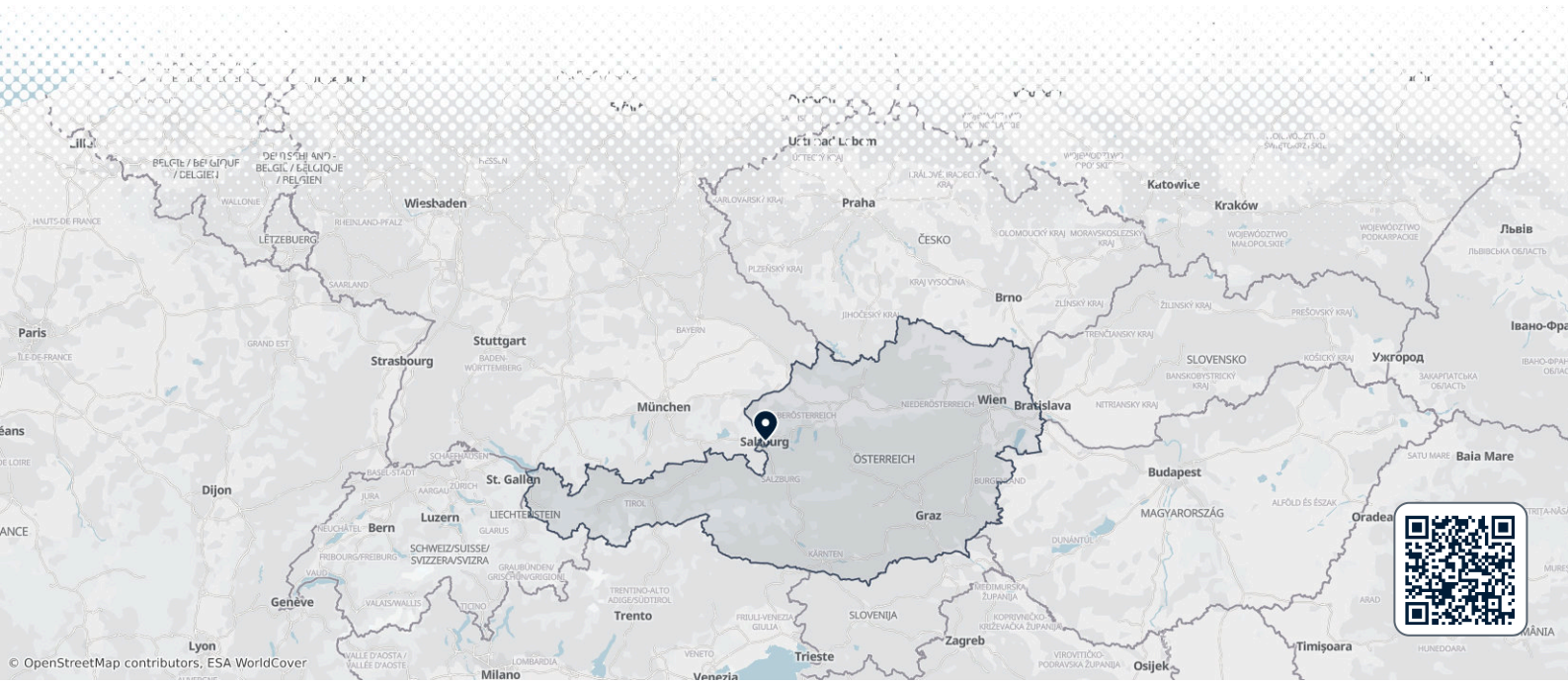


Salzburg

Austria

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Overview

Salzburg sits on the Salzach river below the Mönchsberg, with the Alps on the horizon. Its baroque old town is a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the best preserved in Europe.

The city is the birthplace of *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart* and the setting of *The Sound of Music*. It is compact, so one or two days cover the main sights. Many visitors use it as a base for the Salzkammergut lakes.

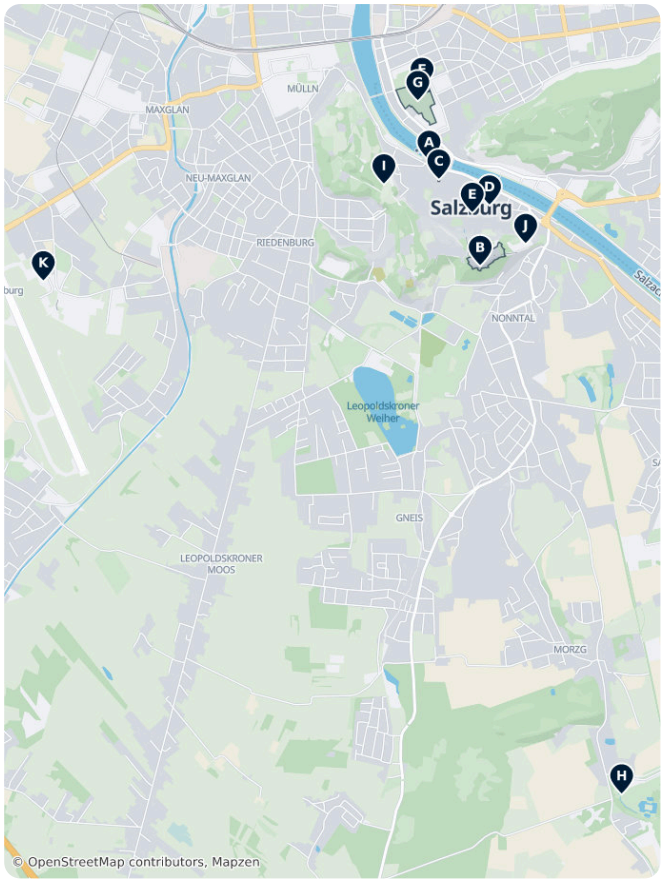
When to visit

May to September is warm and the busiest time. The Salzburg Festival runs in July and August and fills hotels early. December brings the Christmas markets below the fortress. Winter is cold, and snow makes the old town look its best. Rain is common all year, especially in summer, so bring a light jacket.

MONTH	CONDITIONS	DAY °C avg / max	NIGHT °C avg / min	
January	Poor Poor for sightseeing	3° / 10° Feels like -1°	-4° / -12°	14 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
February	Poor Poor for sightseeing	5° / 13° Feels like 1°	-3° / -12°	12 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
March	Poor Poor for cycling	10° / 18° Feels like 6°	1° / -6°	15 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
April	Good Good for cycling	15° / 23°	4° / -2°	13 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
May	Good Good for sightseeing	19° / 26°	9° / 3°	18 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
June	Good Good for sightseeing	22° / 29°	13° / 8°	18 rainy days · Calm winds
July	Good Good for sightseeing	24° / 31°	15° / 10°	19 rainy days · Calm winds
August	Good Good for sightseeing	24° / 31°	15° / 10°	17 rainy days · Calm winds
September	Good Good for sightseeing	20° / 27°	10° / 5°	14 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
October	Good Good for cycling	15° / 23°	6° / -1°	13 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
November	Fair Fair for cycling	9° / 17° Feels like 6°	1° / -5°	13 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
December	Poor Poor for sightseeing	4° / 11° Feels like 0°	-2° / -10°	14 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds

Climate data: NASA POWER (MERRA-2) · 1996–2025

Top sights



- **A** Altstadt is the car-free baroque centre between the river and the cliffs. Allow time to wander the lanes and squares.
- **B** Hohensalzburg Fortress is the large medieval fortress above the town. Walk up or take the funicular for the best city views.
- **C** Mozart's Birthplace is the yellow house on Getreidegasse where Mozart was born. It is now a museum.
- **D** Neue Residenz & Glockenspiel is the square building with the carillon bells, which play several times a day.
- **E** Salzburger Dom is the baroque cathedral, with a large dome and three bronze doors.
- **F** Mirabell Palace and **G** Mirabellgarten are the palace and its formal garden. The garden is free to enter.
- **H** Schloss Hellbrunn is a 17th-century summer palace south of the centre, known for its trick fountains.
- **I** Mönchsberg is the wooded hill with walking paths and viewpoints over the old town.
- **J** Stiftskirche Nonnberg is a convent church on the cliff below the fortress.
- **K** Hangar 7 is a striking glass hangar near the airport with aircraft and an art exhibition.

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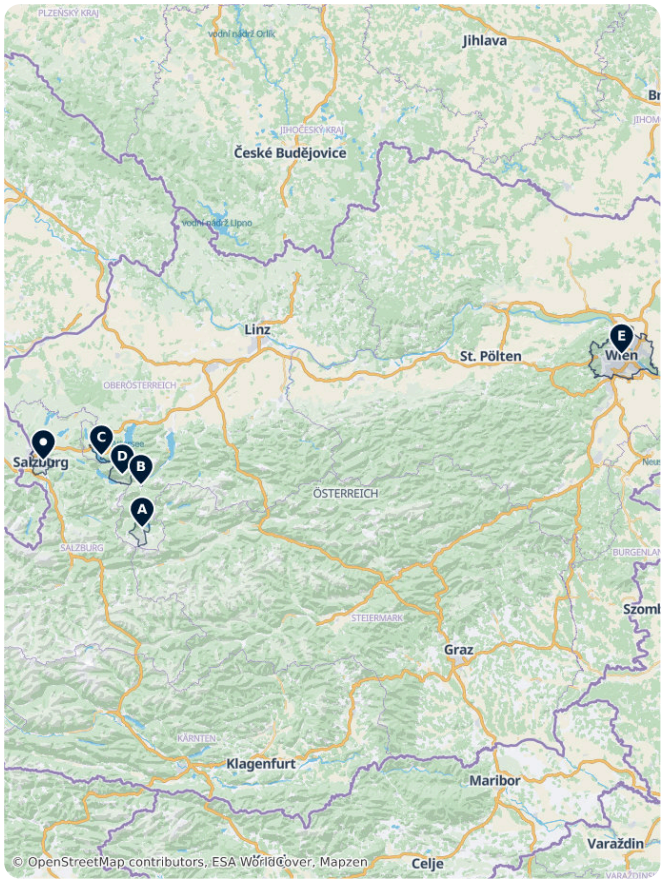
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What to experience

- Take the funicular up to the fortress and walk the ramparts.
- Visit a Mozart concert in a palace or church venue.
- Walk or cycle along the Salzach to Schloss Hellbrunn.
- Join a Sound of Music tour of the city and nearby lakes.
- Climb the Mönchsberg or Kapuzinerberg for views.
- Visit a Christmas market in December.

Day trips

- A Hallstatt is the famous lakeside village, about 2 hours away by train and bus or about 1 hour 15 minutes by car.
- B Bad Ischl is the former imperial spa town, about 1 hour 15 minutes by car or bus.
- C Mondsee is a lake town where parts of *The Sound of Music* were filmed. It is about 30 minutes by car.
- D St. Wolfgang sits on Lake Wolfgang and has a pilgrimage church and a historic steam railway.
- Berchtesgaden in Germany is about 30 minutes away by car or bus.
- E Vienna is about 2 hours 30 minutes away by direct train.



Getting there

- By air: Salzburg Airport is about 4 km from the centre. Bus 2 runs to the main station in about 20 minutes. Munich Airport is about 2 hours away by train or shuttle bus.
- By train: Salzburg is on the main line between Munich and Vienna. Trains from Munich take about 1 hour 30 minutes, from Vienna about 2 hours 30 minutes. Check times on ÖBB.
- By car: The A1 and A10 motorways meet near the city. Parking in the old town is limited, so use a garage on the edge.

Getting around

The old town is small and best seen on foot. Buses and trolleybuses cover the rest of the city. The main station is about 15 minutes' walk from the old town. A Salzburg Card covers many sights and local transport. Cycling is easy along the river.

Getting around on foot & by bike

WALKABILITY

High

The old town is compact and mostly flat. The fortress is a steep climb or a short funicular ride.

CYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE

High

Cycle paths run along the Salzach and across the city. Rental bikes are easy to find.

Driving

You do not need a car in the city. Use one for the lakes and the mountains around Salzburg. The old town has restricted traffic, and parking garages at Mönchsberg and on the edge are the easiest option. Motorways in Austria need a vignette, which you can buy online or at petrol stations.

Food & drink

Salzburg is known for *Salzburger Nockerl*, a sweet baked soufflé, and for Mozartkugeln, chocolate balls with pistachio and marzipan. Traditional inns serve schnitzel, dumplings and Kaiserschmarrn. Local beer is brewed at Augustiner Bräu in Mülln, where you buy a mug and fill it from the barrel. Coffee houses in the old town are a good place to sit with cake.

What to eat & drink

DINNER

Wiener Schnitzel
A thin, breaded and pan-fried veal cutlet, traditionally served with potato salad or parsley potatoes and a wedge of lemon.

Tafelspitz
Boiled beef in broth, served with roast potatoes and a sauce of apples and horseradish — a favourite of Emperor Franz Joseph.

Viennese Goulash · Wiener Saftgulasch
A rich beef stew slow-cooked with onions and paprika, typically served with a bread dumpling or bread roll.

SNACKS & STREET FOOD

Käsekrainer
A grilled pork sausage studded with melty cheese, a classic order at Vienna's ubiquitous Würstelstand (sausage stands).

Sausage Stand Snack · Würstel vom Würstelstand
Grilled or boiled sausages (Bratwurst, Frankfurter, Bosna) served with mustard, bread and a pickle from street kiosks.

SWEETS & DESSERTS

Apfelstrudel
Thin pastry rolled around spiced apples, raisins and breadcrumbs, usually served warm with vanilla sauce or cream.

Sachertorte
A dense chocolate cake with a thin layer of apricot jam under a dark chocolate glaze, famously served with unsweetened whipped cream.

Kaiserschmarrn
A fluffy shredded pancake caramelised with sugar and dusted with icing sugar, served with plum or apple compote.

Marillenknödel
Apricot dumplings wrapped in potato or quark dough, rolled in buttery breadcrumbs — a Wachau and Viennese summer specialty.

DRINKS

Viennese Melange · Wiener Melange
The signature Viennese coffee: espresso topped with steamed milk and milk foam, the centrepiece of coffeehouse culture.

Grüner Veltliner
Austria's flagship crisp, peppery white wine, widely poured in Vienna's Heuriger (wine taverns).

Sturm
A cloudy, lightly alcoholic partially-fermented grape must, available only for a few weeks in autumn.

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Safety & health

Salzburg is very safe. Watch for pickpockets in crowded areas in summer and at markets. Tap water is clean and safe to drink. The emergency number is 112. Mountain weather changes fast, so check forecasts before hiking.

History

Salzburg grew rich from salt and was ruled by prince-archbishops for over a thousand years. They built most of the baroque old town. The city joined Austria in 1816. Mozart was born here in 1756. The Salzburg Festival began in 1920 and today draws visitors from around the world.

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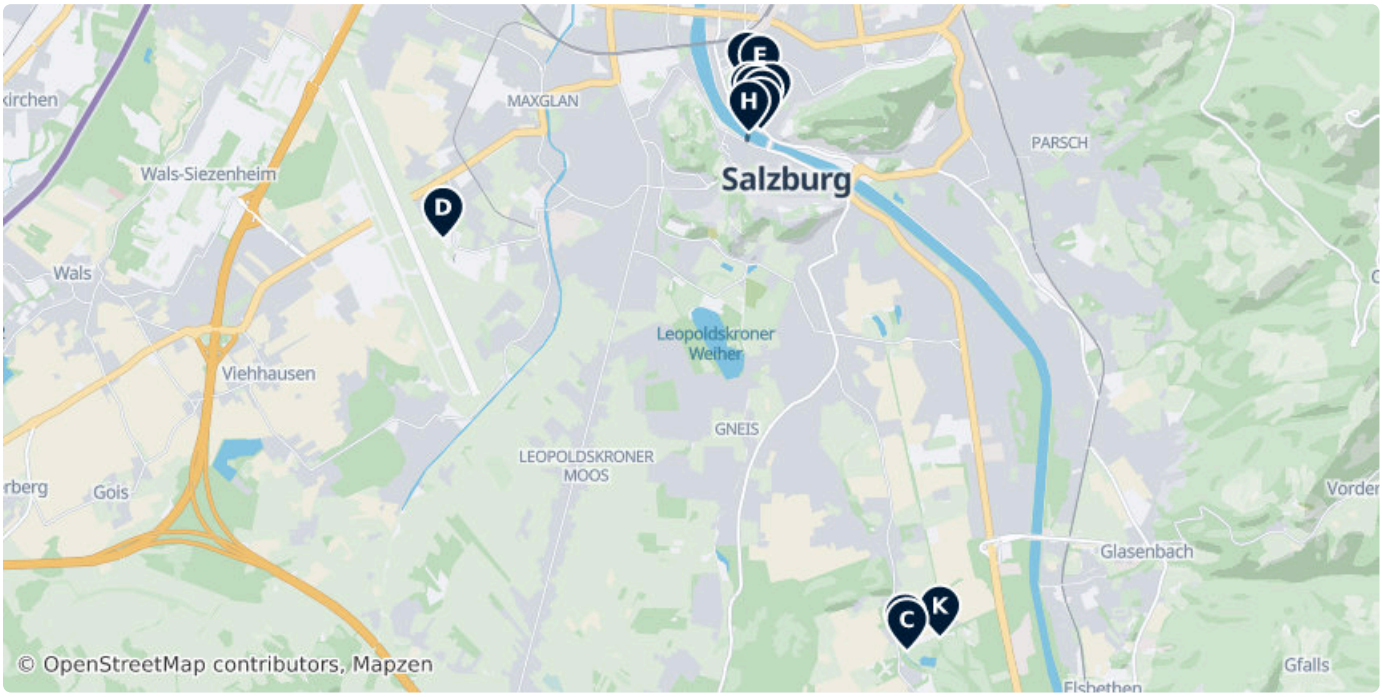
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Salzburg Essentials

Salzburg's heritage spans from the Baroque architecture of Mirabell Palace and the Holy Trinity Church to the musical legacy of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. This collection features his former residence, the historic Marionette Theatre, and the original confectionery of the Mozartkugel at Fürst. Beyond the Altstadt, the list includes the 17th-century Hellbrunn Castle with its mechanical trick fountains and the modern Hangar-7, which houses historical aircraft. Fans of cinematic history can visit the pavilion from The Sound of Music, while the pedestrian Marko-Feingold-Steg offers central views across the Salzach River.





A Mirabell Palace

Historic Baroque palace and garden complex known for its architectural beauty, cultural events, and role as a municipal office. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site featuring notable interiors and free-access gardens.

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Jul-Aug Mo–Su 08:30–19:00
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mozarteum.at/museums/mozart-wo... , +43 662 874227-40



C Hellbrunn Castle

Hellbrunn Palace is an early Baroque villa of palatial size, near Morzg, a southern district of the city of Salzburg, Austria.

Fürstenweg 37, 5020 Salzburg, Austria (47.76214, 13.06025)

hellbrunn.at, +43 662 8203720



D Red Bull Hangar-7

Hangar-7 is a building in Salzburg, Austria, hosting a collection of historical airplanes, helicopters and Formula One racing cars, and...

Wilhelm-Spazier-Straße 7, Salzburg Airport (SZG), 5020 Salzburg, Austria (47.79367, 13.00743)

hangar-7.com, +43 662 2197 0



E Café Konditorei Fürst Mirabellplatz

Try the real Mozart balls at a confectionery where they originated. Paul Fürst was the first one to make this dessert.

Mirabellplatz 5, 5020 Salzburg, Austria (47.80528, 13.04350)

Mo–We	09:00–19:00
Th	08:00–19:00
Fr	09:00–19:00
Sa	09:00–18:00

original-mozartkugel.com/en/standorte... , +43-662-881077



F Café Sacher

Hotel Sacher is a five-star luxury hotel in Vienna, Austria, facing the Vienna State Opera in the city's central Innere Stadt district.

Schwarzstraße 5, 5020 Salzburg, Austria (47.80199, 13.04359)

Mo–Su	08:00–20:00

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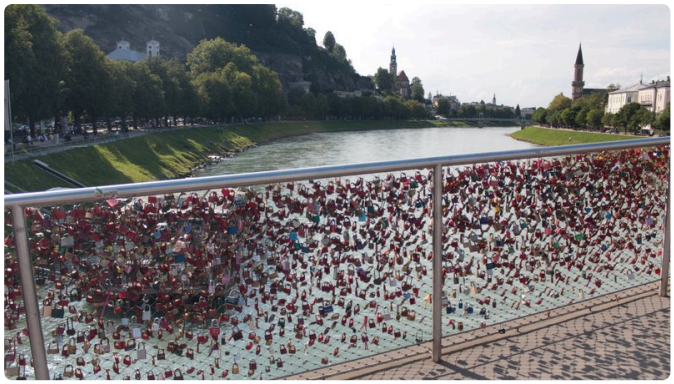
G Salzburg Marionette Theatre

Salzburg Marionette Theatre was established in 1913 and is one of the oldest continuing marionette theatres in the world.

Schwarzstraße 24 (47.80317, 13.04240)

Mo–Sa 09:00–13:00, 17:30–19:30

marionetten.at, +43662872406



H Marko-Feingold-Steg

Pedestrian bridge spanning the Salzach River, renamed in 2020 to honor Holocaust survivor Marko Feingold. It connects the Old Town with the Right Bank and is characterized by thousands of decorative love locks attached to its railings.

4 Elisabethkai, Salzburg 5020, Austria (47.80179, 13.04224)



I Holy Trinity Church, Salzburg

The Holy Trinity Church is a Roman Catholic church in Salzburg, Austria. It was designed by Johann Bernhard Fischer von Erlach.

14 Dreifaltigkeitsgasse, Salzburg 5020, Austria (47.80316, 13.04476)



J Salzburg State Theatre

The Salzburg State Theatre is a theatre situated in Salzburg, Austria, a venue for opera, theatre, and dance, contemporary and older works,...

22 Schwarzstraße, Salzburg 5020, Austria (47.80297, 13.04295)

salzburger-landestheater.at



K Sound of Music Pavilion

The original glass gazebo used for the filming of the "Sixteen Going on Seventeen" scene in the 1965 movie The Sound of Music. It was relocated from Schloss Leopoldskron to the gardens of Hellbrunn Palace.

35 Fürstenweg, 5020, Austria (47.76319, 13.06398)



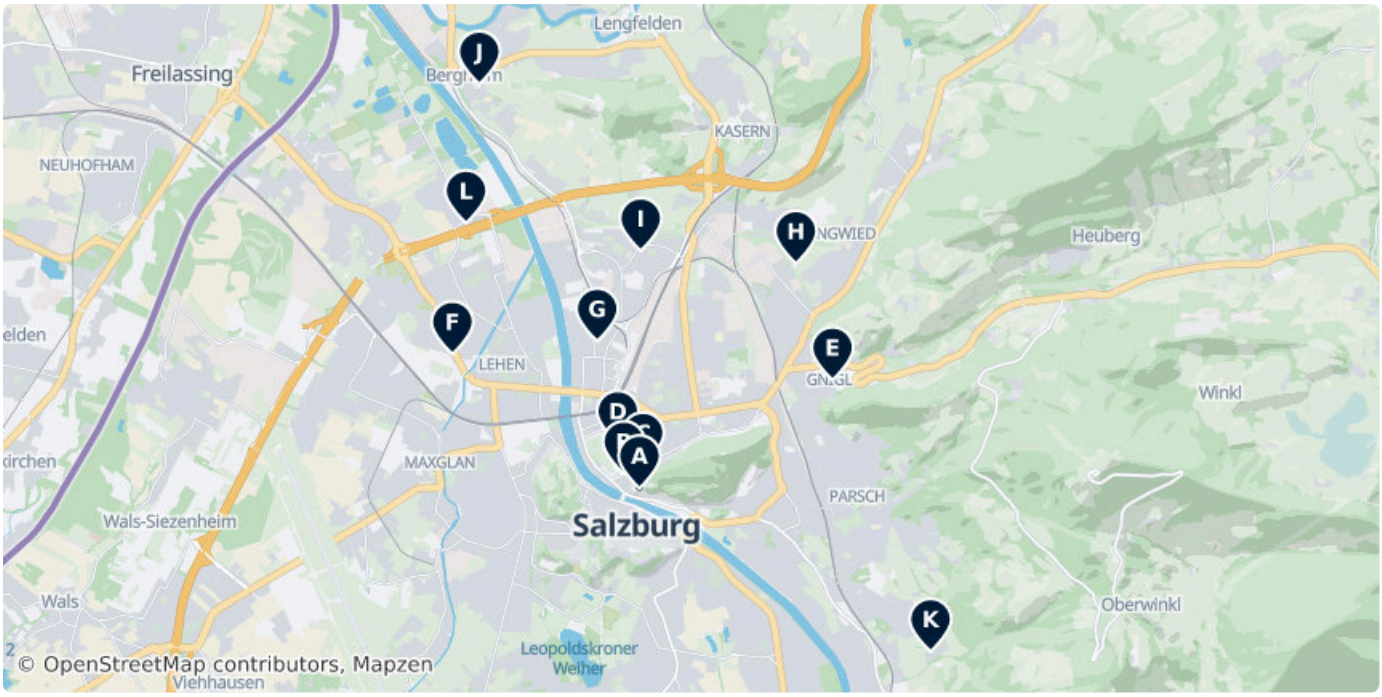
L Wasserspiele Hellbrunn

A world-renowned set of 17th-century trick fountains featuring water-powered mechanical figures, a hydraulic theater, and hidden jets. These Mannerist gardens were designed for Prince-Archbishop Markus Sittikus as a site for royal entertainment.

37 Fürstenweg, Salzburg 5020, Austria (47.76259, 13.06002)

Historic Churches and Religious Sites

Salzburg's religious landscape is defined by architectural diversity, ranging from the hilltop Kapuzinerkloster to the Baroque masterpieces of Johann Bernhard Fischer von Erlach. This collection features significant pilgrimage sites, historic parish churches in districts like Gnigl and Itzling, and the serene Sebastianskirche, known for its historic cemetery. These sites showcase the city's spiritual evolution from traditional Roman Catholic monasteries to modern Orthodox places of worship.





A Capuchin Monastery

A Capuchin monastery situated on the Kapuzinerberg, established in the late 16th century.

6 Kapuzinerberg, Salzburg 5020, Austria
(47.80183, 13.04694)

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C Sebastianskirche

A Baroque church on Linzer Gasse featuring a 16th-century cemetery where Paracelsus and members of Mozart's family are buried.

Linzer Gasse, 5020 Salzburg, Austria (47.80399, 13.04746)

Mo–Su

Open 24/7



D Sankt Andrä Kirche

A prominent Neo-Gothic church located in the Neustadt district near Mirabell Gardens.

5A Mirabellplatz, Salzburg 5020, Austria (47.80604, 13.04390)



E Pfarrkirche Gnigl

A Roman Catholic parish church in Obergnigl dedicated to the Assumption of Mary and Saint Michael.

(47.81207, 13.07419)

pfarre-gnigl.at



F Philomenakapelle

A small chapel located in the Liefering district along the Münchener Straße.

89 Ignaz-Harrer-Straße, Salzburg 5020, Austria (47.81452, 13.02056)

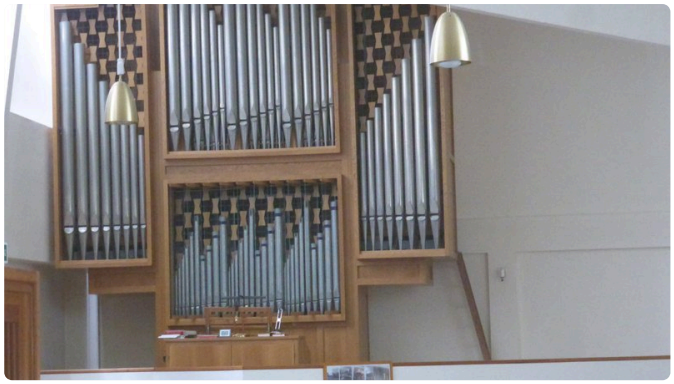
de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Philomenakapelle_(Salzburg)



G St. Elisabethkirche

A parish church serving the Elisabeth-Vorstadt district between the Salzach river and the main railway station.

42a Plainstraße, Salzburg 5020, Austria (47.81574, 13.04099)



H Sankt Severin

A modern Roman Catholic parish church and community center located on the northern edge of the city.

39 Ernst-Mach-Straße, Salzburg 5023, Austria (47.82309, 13.06901)



I Pfarrkirche Itzling

A central parish church in the Itzling district dedicated to Saint Anthony of Padua.

22a Kirchenstraße, Salzburg 5020, Austria (47.82430, 13.04714)



J Pfarr- und Dekanatskirche Bergheim zum Heiligen Georg

A historic parish church dedicated to Saint George, located in the municipality of Bergheim.

3 Pfarrweg, Bergheim 5101, Austria (47.84008, 13.02436)

K Church of Aigen

Church at the base of Mt. Gaisberg. Popular place for local weddings, together with a vast park adjacent to the...

Schwarzenbergpromenade 51, 5026 Salzburg, Austria (47.78635, 13.08802)

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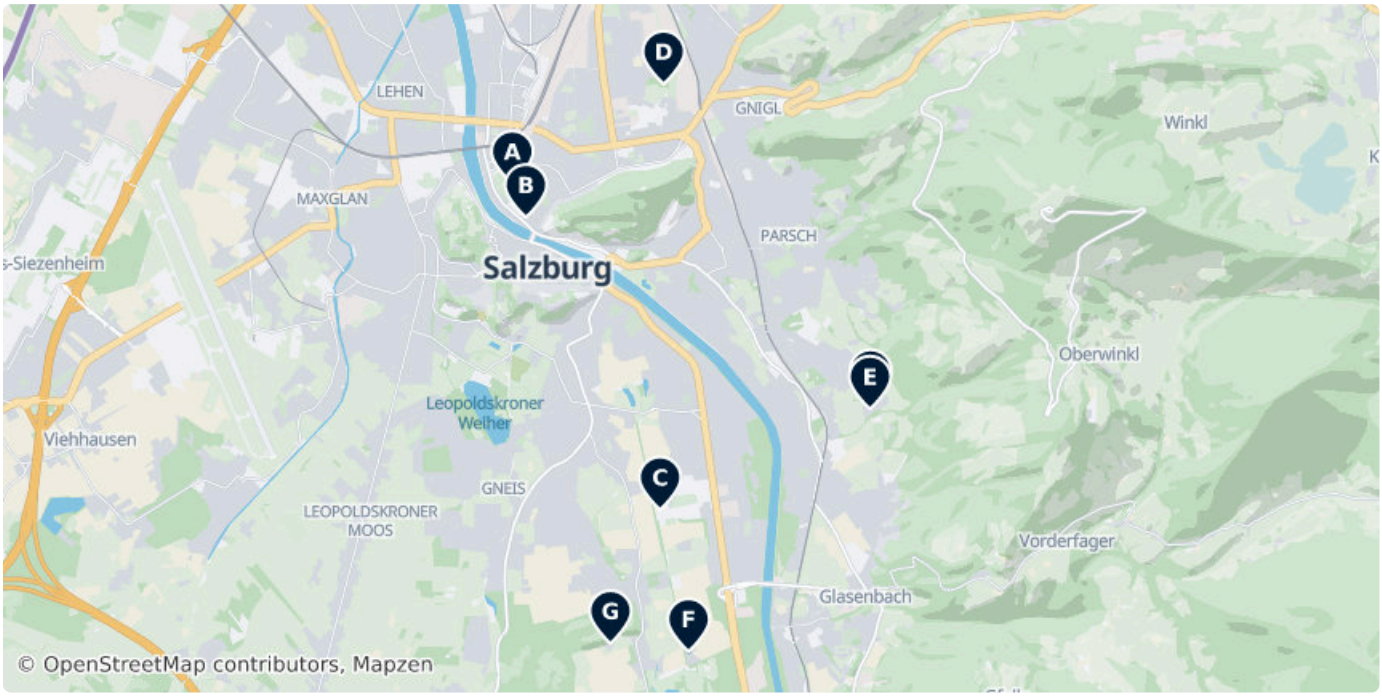
L Serbisch-orthodoxe Kirche Salzburg

A place of worship for the Serbian Orthodox community in Salzburg.

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Historic Palaces & Memorials

Salzburg's architectural landscape is defined by its collection of baroque palaces and historic residences. This selection includes the UNESCO-listed Mirabell Palace with its geometric gardens and the Mozart Residence, which houses the composer's original scores. Beyond the city center, the list features several manor houses along the Hellbrunner Allee, such as Schloss Frohnburg and Schloss Emslieb, alongside the 17th-century Robinighof and the Kriegerdenkmal war memorial in Aigen.





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C Schloss Frohnburg

A 17th-century baroque palace on Hellbrunner Allee, currently used by the Mozarteum University. The building is recognized for its historic facade and its appearance as a filming location in "The Sound of Music."

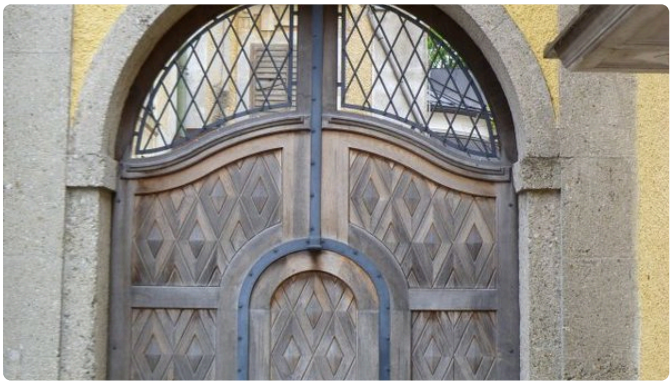
Hellbrunner Allee, 5020 Salzburg, Austria (47.77732, 13.06108)



D Robinighof

A baroque manor house built in 1648 in the Schallmoos district. It was later updated with rococo elements and is historically significant for its association with the Robinig family, who were close friends of Mozart.

Robinigstraße, 5020 Salzburg, Austria (47.81419, 13.06153)



E Schloss Aigen

Schloss Aigen is a castle located in Aigen, a quarter of Salzburg, Salzburgerland, Austria.

42 Schwarzenbergpromenade, Salzburg 5026, Austria (47.78605, 13.08815)



F Schloss Emslieb

An early baroque villa built in 1618 for Prince-Archbishop Markus Sittikus. Situated on the historic Hellbrunner Allee, it remains an integral part of the city's ensemble of aristocratic suburban estates.

65 Hellbrunner Allee, 5020, Austria (47.76504, 13.06475)



G Schloss Montfort

Also known as the Golserhof or Monforterhof, this historic estate is located in the Hellbrunn district. It serves as an example of the traditional manor house architecture found in Salzburg's southern outskirts.

12 Montforterweg, Salzburg 5020, Austria
(47.76574, 13.05468)

H Kriegerdenkmal

A war memorial located in the Aigen district, dedicated to the memory of local soldiers who died during the First and Second World Wars.

33a Schwarzenbergpromenade, Salzburg 5026, Austria
(47.78661, 13.08823)

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