

A wide-angle photograph of a European city street at dusk. The sky is a soft, hazy pink and orange. The street is paved with cobblestones and lined with multi-story historic buildings. In the foreground, a person in a red winter coat and a backpack walks away from the camera. Other pedestrians are scattered throughout the scene, some standing near a large Christmas tree in a planter. A bicycle is parked near the tree. The overall atmosphere is calm and scenic.

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# VIENNA



## ATTRACTIONS

**Opera House**

**Hofburg Palace**

**St. Stephen's Dome:** Many steps to the top and a narrow walk up but it is a stunning view. 350 steps to the top!

**Town Hall:** Go at night because it is lit up with colored lights and during the colder months they have ice skating, hot chocolate and different winter markets with traditional snacks!

**Naschmarkt:** Huge outdoor/indoor market with crafts, food and small restaurants. Go hungry!

**Schonbrunn Palace:** Gorgeous palace – recommend getting entrance ticket which comes with free audio guide through through the palace. Takes approx. 30 minutes to walk through. Don't miss the gardens in the back.

**The Sound of Music Tour in Salzburg:** Many students spend the afternoon here on a weekend trip, hitting Budapest, Vienna, then Salzburg and opt for the 4 hour Sound of Music tour. If you love the movie, you will love this! It is about 40 euros but totally worth it. The bus takes you to visit all of the famous sites from the movie and you learn a lot about the history of the Von Trapp family that was inaccurately portrayed in the movie. Throughout the bus ride you have a sing along and the tour guide is an adorable woman who eats, sleeps and breathes THE HILLS!

## FOOD

**Sachertorte:** A type of chocolate cake that was invented in Vienna and is only sold at one famous shop. Visit **Cafe Sacher!** there is always a long line and it is a 13 dollar slice of cake but worth it.

**Kaiserschmarrn:** Fried dough pieces with your choice of applesauce or jam (can get this in Naschmarkt)

**Apple Streusel:** Vienna is known for this treat. Get this at any cafe!

## JEWISH ACTIVITIES

**Leopoldstadt:** The former Jewish Quarter which was extinguished during the Nazi Regime. Recently it has become a vibrant Jewish area with many kosher options.

**Jewish Synagogue:** The main synagogue located at Seitenstettengasse.

**Jewish Museum Vienna**

**Shoah Memorial:** Judenplatz (Jews Square) was the center of the Jewish community and now a massive Holocaust memorial is there.