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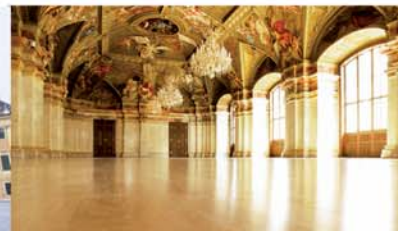
Strudel Baking Seminars

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# *Strudel Baking Experience*

**Learn how to bake this sweet and famous Austrian pastry at the imperial summer residence: Schönbrunn Palace**



Your event can be organised in various ways-beginning with a ride in a fiaker from the main gate to the Palace, a champagne reception in the vestibule of the Palace, an exclusive evening tour through the sumptuous rooms of the Palace, a short guest performance of the Marionette Theatre Schönbrunn up to a summer night party or a Christmassy punch meeting on the terrace of the Residenz (also see the 'Residenz in Pictures' slide show).

In our second location "Cafe Schottenring", you can get a hands-on experience of Apple-Strudel baking. In this traditional Viennese coffee house two groups of up to 12 persons will bake an Apple-Strudel together with the chef. Once it is finished everybody can taste the strudel together with a good coffee.

In the restaurant "Residenz" of Schönbrunn Palace visitors can learn how to bake the famous Austrian Apple-Strudel. These wonderful, historical vaults hold the paradise for all Apple-Strudel enthusiasts. The demonstration is held in the original imperial bakery where guests can watch the bakers in a 20-minute-show! Afterwards guests can enjoy the fresh apple strudel with a typical Viennese coffee exquisite Viennese pastries. Every visitor receives a copy of the original Viennese apple strudel recipe to take home and try for themselves.

Additionally, we can cater the Weißgoldzimmer (white-gold rooms), each with 30 seats and the Turnsaal of the Empress(gymnasium) with 80 seats in the Schönbrunn Palace.







# *Ballroom Dancing in Vienna*

***Prepare for the unique atmosphere of Viennese Ball-Nights with a short introduction to Waltzing***



After a brief verbal introduction the dancing teacher will show the very simple 6 steps of waltzing to the right.

The guests will then stand individually behind the teacher and will slowly and without turning learn to do the same without a dancing partner. Later we will add the turns and practice this individually which will allow each person to move along the dance floor.

Probably at this point 4 couples of our Waltz Formation and assistants will perform a little Waltz show. Finally the couples will dance all the steps they previously learned individually. At this point doing the steps together with your partner will already be easier.

Historical and up to date information on the development of the Viennese Ball Tradition, Viennese Waltz and Viennese Etiquette will be presented in between these exercises to allow the participants to rest a bit. Lessons can be concluded with a certificate or a drink for example.

BOTROS INCOMING frequently organizes introductory dancing lessons for beginners as well as for people with some experience and basic skills in dancing. Duration is usually between one and two hours. Our main partner in this is Austria's most famous traditional dancing school "Elmay-er", which is in charge of Vienna's renowned State Opera Ball. They can also provide us with dancing partners for those groups, that cannot form dancing couples amongst themselves. Another feature is a little show by professional dancers dressed up in white dresses and black tail coats.

We have held these events in such renowned places like the Imperial Palace or the Palais Daun-Kinsky. Another possibility is to use the school's own premises, also located in the very heart of Vienna's historic city centre. To add a special note to an event like this there is the option of including it e.g. in a historic city tour as a surprise.









# *Dinner and Concert*

***A beautiful evening of Austrian Music and exquisite dining in a historical Palais in the city-center "Stadtpark"***



In the very place where Johann Strauss himself used to direct his orchestra from the position of first violin, the absolute essence of Vienna's classical music can once again be heard today. The "Salonorchester Alt Wien", one of the best-known interpreters of classical Viennese music, presents an evening full of Viennese charm with the lilting sound of waltzes, polkas, arias and duets, as well as operetta and piano concerto melodies. Accompanied by excellent opera vocalists and our enchanting ballet soloists, Vienna's classical music reveals itself as a living firework display for all the senses.

The Kursalon Wien, built from 1865 – 1867 in Renaissance style, is one of the most splendid buildings in Vienna. Four elegant halls and terraces with park views, characterize the Kursalon yet located in the very center in the First District of Vienna. Good public transport and parking directly in front of the building play their part in ensuring stress-free access for guests.









# *Historic Tramway Ride*

**See the most beautiful Viennese sights from within a streetcar that was built in the early last century**



One ride starts at the historic tram station on the Karlsplatz designed by Otto Wagner. From there it continues to the Schwarzenbergplatz. The ride runs on the Ring Boulevard past the Opera, Heldenplatz, Kunst- and Naturhistorisches Museum, the Parliament, Burgtheater, Town Hall, the University and finally the Stock Exchange. Here the tram leaves the Ring Boulevard and passes the Rossauer Kaserne, through the Porzellanergasse to the Franz-Josef train station. On the way you can see the district heating plant designed by Friedensreich Hundertwasser. From here the ride goes past the Metro station Nussdorferstrasse designed by Otto Wagner. The last part of the ride goes through the Grinzing Allee to the world famous Heurigen village of Grinzing.

The ride takes 40 minutes.

During the ride catering, music or a guide can be organised

A ride with the historic tram, built in 1929, offers a unique way to see Vienna's historical buildings. The ride starts at the Otto-Wagner-Pavilion (Karlsplatz). The guided tour lasts for about one hour, taking visitors past the opera, museums, the parliament and round the famous Ring boulevard.

Alternatively one can take a ride to the famous Prater (entertainment park) or to the Heurigen (wine tavern) on the outskirts of Vienna.









# *Alpine Beauty and Activities*

**Enjoy the unique scenery and nature in Austrias mountains by skiing or other sports and outdoor activities**



Experience light and sound stations with your colleagues along a 3 km long luge track on the Hirschenkogel–Semmering, opened day and night.

Grab your luge provided by Retter Events and enter the “Magic Mountain Xpress” cable cars for a safe and comfortable ride up the mountain. You are fully geared for a greatly enjoyable, entertaining and cheerful tobogganning adventure!

Luge friends will take part in an exciting luge race, which will be closed by a winning ceremony including souvenir certificates for each participant.

The excursion will be concluded by a mountain hut magic stop in the Liechtenstein Hut at the Zauberberg, for a warm and cosy gathering with all your colleagues. Hot Glühwein (gloog), harmonica music and fine simple fare will be awaiting you.

Amidst untamed nature at the “Semmering”-Mountain you will be asked to fulfil a number of activities in small teams. Your map, your compass, and some hidden clues will help you solve the tasks at each different station. Every new challenge mastered will take you one step closer to your final goal.

This Snow Olympiade is the ideal incentive, when you want to enhance the groups dynamic and communication. But also when you and your colleagues just feel like having one day of great fun, games and a lot of action in nature. Examples of some activities: Snowshoe-Parcours, Snow-Boccia, Snow-Hockey, Action Tubing, Cottin Sticks.





*We can find locations for your presentations, seminars, conferences and gala-nights:*

- *Palm-Houses from the late 1800s*
- *Clubs and Bars*
- *Convention Centers*
- *Art Museums*
- *Palais and historical Buildings*
- *High above – on the roofs of the city*
- *And many more...*

*You may also want to rent artists to enrich your program:*

- *Magicians*
- *Quick painters*
- *Clowns*
- *Crazy waiters*
- *Music groups (Classical Viennese, Tyrolean folklore, Reggae & Soul)*
- *DJ's*
- *And many more...*

*The accompanying program of activities will be customized to your desires. This list will give you an idea of what we can organize for you:*

- *Gourmet dinners*
- *Dinner with waltz-shows*
- *Waltz and Dancing Lessons in Vienna's traditional Dancing-Schools*
- *Farewell dinner with special show program*
- *Gala-Nights of Fin-de-Siecle elegance*
- *A night at one of Vienna's famous Balls and Banquets*
- *Heuriger (wine-tavern)*
- *Tastings and tours through breweries, wine-yards and wine-cellars*
- *Wine-Seminars – study the joyful science enology*
- *Strudel-Cooking Seminars*
- *Jazz brunches*
- *Fiaker rides  
(traditional Viennese horse carriages)*
- *Rides with a historical tramway,  
including music and wine*
- *Boat cruises on the Danube river*
- *Ride on the Ferris-Wheel  
in your private cabin*
- *Visits to the elegant Casinos  
of Vienna and Baden*
- *Imperial Dinner Train*
- *Musicals or short Musical-Shows*
- *Flight in a hot air balloon*
- *Bungee-Jumping*
- *And many more...*