

November 2013

„**CUDDL**Y SOFT GOOSE DOWN in our **GUEST BEDS!**“



In **VIENNA** – there is **SO MUCH** to see!

Even with autumn weather, even at cooler temperatures!

Countless fascinating **MUSEUMS**, **FANTASTIC theatre performances!**

UNFORGETTABLE opera evenings!

When you finally “come home” – you will be enveloped in **DOWN...**

Once again, **ALL** of our guest beds have “**real winter goose down!**”!

Lie down, cover up and – in seconds – your mind will be filled with nothing but **cuddly soft downy dreams...**

„**SOFTWARE** Behind the Scenes, **PEOPLE** Front and Centre!“

Yet again we have installed **new software**.

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This certainly involves a **GREAT** deal of work in the background!

“She” – has prepared and organised everything and trained her colleagues!

With perfect **professionalism**, **precision** and plenty of **patience...** “She” – is not just **our EDP expert**, “She” – manages her team absolutely “**perfetto!**”!

And – “She” **ALWAYS** has a **SMILE** at the ready for our guests as well...! Incidentally – “She” is also our **head receptionist!** **We** – are allowed to simply call her “**Ms RENATE!**”...

“**CHOOSE TODAY** – and **SAVE** for **TOMORROW!**“

Do you too find yourself already thinking about a **Christmastime Vienna visit** during the summer months or about **Vienna in the spring** in the middle of winter? We will reward your early reservations with a **discount of between 5 and 8 per cent.** Plus, we will throw in a **free** bottle of mineral water each day from the minibar.

Convinced? Then come visit our [online reservations](#) – the sooner the better...!



Current and upcoming EVENTS / HAPPENINGS in Vienna in November 2013



Interested in music, theater, the opera, museums, and exhibitions?

We'll be happy to keep you informed **about all the dates / schedules** and perhaps even let you in on **a few secrets too...**

Christmas markets

From mid-November to Christmas, Vienna's prettiest squares transform into magical Christmas markets. The aroma of Christmas bakery items and hot punch creates a pre-Christmas atmosphere.

At the traditional **Vienna Magic of Advent, the Rathausplatz becomes a shining fairytale land.** The 150 or so sales stands offer Christmas gifts, Christmas tree decorations, sweets and warming drinks. The trees of the surrounding City Hall park are festively decorated and radiate in a sea of lights. There are lots of offers here for children in particular.



Not far away is the **Christmas village on Maria-Theresien-Platz**, situated between the Museum of Fine Arts and the Natural History Museum. Over 60 stands offering traditional handicrafts and original gift ideas are set up here during Advent. The romantic **Christmas village in the Old AKH** is also a popular meeting point during the run-up to Christmas, especially for the younger crowd.

The **Old Viennese Christmas Market on Freyung** in the city center is committed to tradition. A Christmas market was held here as early as 1772; today, it is a place to buy handicrafts, glass decorations, traditional cribs and ceramics. Festive Advent music can be heard on the square from 4 pm. Top-quality handicrafts can also be purchased a couple of steps further along at the **Am Hof Advent Market**.

The **cultural and Christmas market in the Ehrenhof in front of Schönbrunn Palace** offers romance in front of an imperial backdrop, and is converted into a New Year's market after Christmas. The atmospheric market offers traditional handicrafts, hand-made Christmas decorations, Christmas concerts and an extensive children's program, including Christmas workshop. The **Advent market in front of Belvedere Palace** is also held in an imperial ambience.

Children in particular also really appreciate the **Christmas market on Karlsplatz**. In addition, to an extensive children's program, this market is above all noted for handicrafts and will be celebrating its 20th anniversary in style in 2013. At the **Christmas market on Spittelberg**, in the idyllic little lanes, there are also many stalls selling handicrafts, and numerous others with culinary gift ideas.

Experience is the word at the **winter market on Riesenradplatz**. There are children's adventure rides, musical live acts and a humorous show program here until 6 January. A **Christmas market** will be held for the first time at **Stephansplatz** in 2013. Contemplation and tradition are the focus here, with 26 booths offering high-quality products from Austria. There is also a small but mighty Christmas market **at Naschmarkt** this year for the very first time.

Vienna Christmas Market 16 November - 24 December 2013

daily from 10.00 am to 9.30 pm, Fr & Sa until 10.00 pm
24 December until 5.00 pm Rathausplatz, 1010 Vienna

Christmas Village at Maria-Theresien-Platz 20 November - 26 December 2013

daily from 11.00 am - 10.00 pm 24 December, 11.00 am - 4.00 pm
25-26 December, 11.00 am - 7.00 pm Maria Theresien-Platz, 1010 Vienna

Christmas Village at Belvedere Palace 22 November - 23 December 2013

Mo-Fr 11.00 am - 9.00 pm Sa, Su, hols. 10.00 am - 9.00 pm
Prinz-Eugen-Straße 27, 1030 Vienna

Christmas Village at Altes AKH 16 November - 23 December 2013

Mo-Fr 2.00 pm - 10.00 pm Sa, Su, hols. 11.00 am - 10.00 pm
Alserstraße/Spitalgasse, Hof 1, 1090 Vienna

Old Viennese Christmas Market 22 November - 23 December 2013

daily from 10.00 am - 9.00 pm Freyung, 1010 Vienna

Am Hof Advent Market 8 November - 23 December 2013

Mo-Th 11.00 am - 8.00 pm, Fr-Su 10.00 am - 8.00 pm
Am Hof, 1010 Vienna

Cultural and Christmas Market & New Year's Market, Schönbrunn Palace

23 November - 26 December 2013
daily from 10.00 am - 9.00 pm
24 December from 10.00 am - 4.00 pm, 25-26 December from 10.00 am - 7.00 pm

New Year's Market from 27 December 2013 - 1 January 2014

daily from 10.00 am - 7.00 pm
Schönbrunn Palace, 1130 Vienna

Advent Market on Karlsplatz 22 November - 23 December 2013

daily from 12.00 noon - 8.00 pm, food until 9.00 pm Karlsplatz, 1010 Vienna

Christmas Market on Spittelberg 15 November - 23 December 2013

Mo-Th 2.00 pm - 9.00 pm, Fr 2.00 pm - 9.30 pm Sa 10.00 am - 9.30 pm, Su & hols. 10.00 am - 9.00 pm
Spittelberggasse, Schrankgasse, Gutenberggasse, 1070 Vienna

Winter Market on Riesenradplatz 16 November 2013 - 6 January 2014

Mo-Fr 12.00 noon - 10.00 pm Sa & Su 11.00 am - 10.00 pm
24 December noon - 4.00 pm, 31 December noon - 2.00 am
trade until 8.00 pm Riesenradplatz, 1020 Vienna

Christmas market at Stephansplatz November 16 - December 23, 2013

Daily from 11:00 to 21:00 Stephansplatz/direction Churhausgasse, 1010 Vienna

Christmas market at Naschmarkt 29 November – 24 December 2013

Daily 9.00 am – 8.00 pm, 24 December: 9.00 am - 5.00 pm
Schleifmühlbrücke, 1060 Vienna

Voice Mania



When it hums, twitters or growls from Vienna's balconies on 8 November, then there's a clear case of Voice Mania. The most versatile instrument is the human voice, as the vocalists prove at the popular a capella festival at various venues until 8 December.

They come from many countries and all genres: The passionate producers of quirky are tones are also at home with classical music or with jazz, blues and pop. Around 40 ensembles and soloists delight the crowd with all sorts of vocal arts ranging from harmonious melodies to daredevil yodelers.

Popular on the international a capella scene is Sweden's **Real Group**. From Finland come **Rajatón and Fork**. A highlight is the Brazilian countertenor **Edson Cordeiro** with a vocal range of over four octaves. Performing at Voice Mania for the first time is **the Albert Hera Quintet from Italia**.

Austria also has strong vocalists, as can be witnessed in the concert "**Austrian Collection**". Performers include **Safer Six, Wiener Blond** and **Die Echten**. And an a capella festival should not be missing Austrian stars such as the **Rounder Girls**, who put on their own concert.

On the opening day of "**Balcanto**" (8 November), the vocal artists give their audience a song to go. Before that, however, they can also be heard performing on **balconies** on **Wiener Graben** and **Petersplatz**, in churches and in the **Ringstrassen-Galerien** on Kärntner Ring. Those who want to will receive **musical accompaniment** to finish with on the way home, at least for one street. The singers lead interested participants on a walk full of cheerful song.

Venues: Balconies in Vienna city center, Ringstrassen Galerien, Theater am Spittelberg, Metropol, Vindobona

8 November – 8 December 2013

Various venues

Tickets and information:

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www.voicemaniamania.at

Viennale

Austria's biggest film festival once again offers film highlights from around the world from 24 October to 6 November.

Every year, the Viennale brings current feature, documentary and short films to Vienna, which would otherwise not be screened in the country's cinemas.

The program ranges from **films by great directors** (including Woody Allen with his latest production "Blue Jasmine") through to unknown cinematic discoveries. Films from **Germany** and **South Korea** are represented especially strongly this year. Interesting films such as "Computer Chess" and "The Dirties" can be seen from the **American Independent Cinema**. A small special shows works by the Spanish filmmaker Gonzalo García Pelayo, whose highly unconventional films between the genres are scarcely known to the wider general public. Following a 30-year break in creativity, the **world premiere** of his newest film will be held at the Viennale. **Contributions from Austria** are also represented, such as the new film "Oktober November" by Götz Spielmann.



This year's **retrospective of over 30 films is dedicated to Jerry Lewis**, who is not only an outstanding comedian, but also a great filmmaker. A **highlight** is the Austrian premiere of "Le dernier des injustes". Director Claude Lanzmann will personally present his moving documentary film on Rabbi Benjamin Murelstein, who hails from Vienna, held the position of Jewish elder in the Theresienstadt concentration camp, and was therefore a link to the Nazis. **3D films from Asia** and **documentary films** of the "Sensory Ethnography Lab" are also waiting to be discovered. This institute at the University of Harvard is amongst the most interesting production sites of current documentary cinema.

As always, the Viennale is a showcase for popular **parties and premieres**. These are mostly held in the **festival headquarters** in the 1st district (Postgasse 8/Dominikanerbastei 11).

24 October – 6 November 2013

Various cinemas in Vienna

The complete Viennale program can be downloaded online from 15 October:

www.viennale.at

Winter action at the Fridge Festival



Extreme sport and music are on the program at the Fridge Festival on Vienna's Danube Island from 22 to 23 November.

Vienna is getting a new **winter festival**: The **world's best snowboarders and freestyle skiers** from the world championship series will travel to Danube Island for the **Fridge Festival** in November, where around 70 athletes will present their abilities on a **34 meter-high ski jump**. The best jumps and tricks at world cup level will be rewarded with prize money of

US\$40,000.

However, Fridge Vienna is not only a festival for snowboard and ski city jumps, but also for music. In between the sporting highlights, there are **live concerts** by well-known bands. The open-air partying continues until 11.00 pm in the new **Wien-Ticket.at Arena on Danube Island**, which provides space for tens of thousands of visitors. Afterward, the show for 9,000 people continues in the **party tent** with international DJs on the electronic music scene. In addition, a **food street** provides the right culinary accompaniment.

At the same time as Fridge Vienna, the event is also being held in Budapest. The riders and the music program for Vienna will shortly be published on the organizer's website.

22-23 November 2013

Fr 5.00 pm – 11.00 pm and Sa 3.00 pm – 11.00 pm: Music & sport on the open-air stages

From 11.00 pm: After-show party in the tent

www.fridge-vienna.at

Tickets: www.wien-ticket.at

KlezMore Festival

The tenth KlezMore Festival offers emotional and gripping Jewish world music. Artists from around the world make music in Viennese churches, theaters and music clubs from 9 to 24 November.

Relaxed and full of joie de vivre, but also plaintive and sad – that's the sound of **Klezmer music**. Violins, clarinets and flutes produce that intense sound, whose origins lie in Jewish Eastern Europe. Today, young artists are reinterpreting this traditional music, and Klezmer has long belonged to the genre of World Music.



A Viennese version is offered by the **Vienna Klezmore Orchestra**, which was created specially for the festival. It combines Austrian with Bulgarian, Polish and Ukrainian Klezmer experts and will play at the opening gala. Also of an international nature are the **Voices Of Ashkenaz**. In their "Yidish-Daytsche Lider", they trace the relationship between German and Yiddish folk songs.

A regular guest of the festival is Berlin-born **Daniel Kahn**. He is one of the revivalists of Klezmer music and gives a concert together with the violinist **Jake Shulman-Ment**. The musical arch from the Orient to the Balkans is then spanned by the women's trio **Sormeh**. A consciously chosen Persian name that means "eyeliner" in English and makes humorous reference to beauty and female strength.

One highlight is the evening of Austrian caliber with the **Timna Brauer & Elias Meiri Ensemble**. "Songs from Jerusalem. The wealth of songs from Bethlehem" is the name of the program; a reverence to Brauer's grandparents and their Ashkenazi and Sephardic roots.

9-24 November 2013

incl. Ehrbar-Saal, Gaußplatz Church, Am Tabor Church, Metropol, Ost Klub, Porgy & Bess, Sargfabrik, Filmcasino, Kulturcafé Tachles, Zentrum im Werd

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