# **EBN Freetime Guide**

We, the EBN-Team, warmly welcome you to Austria's beautiful capital city. As part of the students union called ÖH WU, we have been supporting exchange students since 1988.

This year we again have prepared a diverse free time program full of trips, events and parties to offer you an amazing experience of life in and around Vienna.

The EBN-Team wishes you all the best for your stay in Vienna, and we hope to see you on one of our many upcoming trips and events.



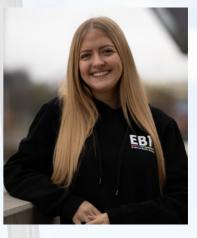
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# Hello,

I am Matthias from the Erasmus Buddy Network.

When I was in Vienna for the first time, I wondered how I should ever find out where I can get good food, go shopping for clothes, go for a beer in the evening or directly to a club. It took me a few years, but now you don't have to do it anymore. This is a little guide to the things you need to know for your life in Vienna.

Here is a small overview of the order of the topics:





# Food

Let's start with the most important part - the food. Vienna is an international city with great diversity, you can find everything from A for American to V for Vietnamese. You can go directly to the restaurants or order food online,. The best way to do so is to download one of those apps on your smartphone:

https://www.mjam.net https://www.lieferando.at

# But if you do want to go out to eat, here are a few recommendations:



#### Sushi:

Dots Sakai Mochi Ebi (all you can eat)

#### Vietnamese:

Mamamon Nguyens Pho House Ivys Pho House

# Vegan:

Vevi Vegetasia Swing Kitchen Tolstoy

#### For more information just go to:

https://viennawurstelstand.com/category/eat-and-drink/eat/. If you click on the categories you will also find more recommendations for the respective kitchen.

If you like meat, I would also recommend you to visit a traditional Viennese sausage stand and eat a hot dog or a classic Viennese sausage. I personally like "Käsekrainer" the best. These are sausages filled with cheese. There are 274 of these stands in Vienna so you will for sure find one.

#### **Drinks**:

Now let's get to the drinking. Especially in the first few weeks of your semester, you'll be looking for ways to celebrate. To make sure you're always well-stocked, you should know where to get something after hours and on Sundays. Around the clock delivers Alfies, but here you must always allow 1 hour delivery time.



You can also go to https://www.willtrinken.at/# . You can also find beverage suppliers on the food delivery apps. If you want to go shopping yourself, I wouldn't wait too long if I were you. Most supermarkets close at 8 p.m. and are closed on Sunday. There are a few exceptions. The Billa at Praterstern is open daily from 6 am to 10 p.m. The U3 market at the Westbahnhof subway station is open daily from 7 a.m.-10 p.m. and the Merkur mini market at Westbahnhof is open from 5:30 a.m.-11 p.m. All of them are also open on Sundays.
To drink comfortably with friends, I would recommend the Danube Canal, Karlsplatz, Prater, Votivpark and Volksgarten during the warm season. The latter, however, closes at 10 pm. You should also visit one of the Buschenschanken. These traditional restaurants serve typical Austrian food and their own wine. Especially in the warm season it is very nice to drink a few glasses of Spritzer (white wine with sparkling water) in the green garden.

## If you prefer a bar, here are a few recommendation:

#### Beer bars:

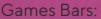
Philosoph 1516 Brewing company Wiener Stadtbräu

#### **Rooftopbars:**

Lamée Der Dachboden Aurora Rooftop Bar Organics Sky garden Juwel

#### Cocktailbars:

Hammond Krypt The sign Krugers Bar Kleinod Prunkstück Dinos Apothecary Bar (highly recommended)



Brot und Spiele SpielBar Cafe Benno





But if you do want to go to a club to party, there's a great selection for that, too. Especially for electronic music I can recommend the site ohschonhell.at There you can see all the official events. If this is not for you, here is a small list of clubs for some music genres



If you also like to go to concerts or festivals, I can recommend oeticket.at There you can also find tickets for musicals, sports and other cultural events.





#### **Culture**:

With its countless theaters, museums and concert halls, Vienna is the perfect place to immerse yourself in the world of culture. If you want to save a bit of money, you can go to wienextra.at, there you will find information about discounts. Here is a list of cultural sites that might interest you

#### Museums:

Natural History Museum Museum of Art History Sigmund Freud Museum Schönbrunn Palace MUMOK – Museum of Modern Art Fool's Tower Technical Museum House of Music Museum of Illusions Belvedere Palace

#### Exhibition venues:

Albertina Albertina Modernn Bank Austria Art Forum Lower Belvedere Heidi Horten Collection

#### Theater:

<mark>Thea</mark>ter an der Wien

#### "Schauspielhaus":

Volkstheater Burgtheater Raimundtheater

If you don't know where to go first right now, maybe go to viennaclassics.com and see the program of each house, there you can also buy tickets directly. If you want to get to know the history of Vienna on a walk, I can recommend the tours of the Viennese Walks Association. You can find the current tours here.





## Other places you should have seen:

Zoo Schönbrunn Wiener Zentralfriedhof Kahlenberg (toller Ausblick über die ganze Stadt) Donauturm Hundertwasserhaus Wiener Rathaus Parlament

### **Shopping:**

Now let's move from culture to shopping. Here I will give you a short overview of everything you should know.

In Austria there are three big shopping chains where you can get everything for your daily needs. One of them is a discount store, Hofer. The other two, Spar and Billa are a bit more expensive, but also have cheaper products on offer. If you need hygiene products or skin and body care products, I would recommend either DM or Bipa. For cheap household products Ikea at the Westbahnhof. For stationery Libro and for books Thalia, which also has a good website where you can check if books are in stock and reserve them directly. For university books you can go directly to Facultas on campus. This is located across from the teaching center.

If you want to buy clothes there are several options. On the one hand there are the big shopping streets' Kärnterstraße and Mariahilferstraße, where you can find all the big chains. Directly after "Kärntnerstraße is "Graben", where you can find all the big luxury brands. If you like to buy second hand clothes, I can recommend Neubaugasse. There are some great stores there.

# Sport:

Vienna is a sports city, you can practice many different sports here. As you may have heard, the university offers various courses through the Sports Institute. You can find them here. However, you should register for them very early, because the places are often occupied quickly. If you need help with this, you can contact someone from the EBN.

There are several gym chains in Vienna, the largest being Fitinn, Mcfit and Mrs. Sporty. These have cheap subscription models for 20€ a month. If money is not so important, I can also recommend Holmes Place and John Harris, but there a membership costs at least 80€ per month.

If you don't want to use a gym, like me, I can recommend Calisthenics. There are many parks all over Vienna where you can practice this sport. There's also one right next to the WU in the Prater.

If you want to know more about sports in Vienna, just have a look here.

I hope I could help you a bit with this guide and I wish you a lot of fun with your time in Vienna.





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