

# The world's most precious legacy is accessible to one and all.

One thing is certain: there is no legacy more precious than the world's magnificent natural and cultural monuments, which are protected by UNESCO by reason of their very distinctiveness. And the best thing about that is: even though these world heritage sites are specially protected, they are nevertheless open to visitors, overwhelming us with the diversity and beauty that Mother Nature and we humans have created over the centuries.

Our small country of Austria can offer you eight world heritage sites – and each is fascinating in its own right. The historic old towns in Vienna, Graz and Salzburg... the remarkable Semmering railway – which takes you up to what was once the world's "highest point accessible by rail"... the breathtaking alpine panorama of the Hallstatt-Dachstein/Salzkammergut regions or the extraordinary beauty of the landscapes around Lake Neusiedl and in the Wachau. Incidentally, the latter is best enjoyed with a glass of the local white wine at a homey "Heurige" (wine tavern) right on the banks of the Danube....

So a tour of Austria's world heritage sites is not just a special kind of cultural treat – it is a treat in every way. We wish you a wonderful journey of discovery!

P.S. For more info about Austria's world heritage sites, visit:  
[www.austria.info/worldheritage](http://www.austria.info/worldheritage)



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