Austria

Population: Approximately 9 million (2016)

Capital City: Vienna

Language Spoken: German

Continent: Europe

Currency: Euro

Government: Parliamentary Republic

National Day: 26th October

Religion: Mainly Christian

Famous Austrians:

Gustav Klimt, artist; Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, composer; Johann Strauss II, composer; Franz Schubert, composer, Arnold Schwarzenegger, actor and politician; Georg von Trapp, naval officer; Sigmund Freud, psychologist; Gerhard Berger, racing driver; Felix Baumgartner, skydiver.

Climate:

Austria's climate can vary depending on where you are in the country but there are four seasons (spring, summer, autumn and winter).

Austria is a popular destination for winter sports fans. Temperatures drop as the altitude increases and the Austrian Alps are colder than lowland areas in the country. Snow cover lasts from November to May in many of the popular mountainous regions and in some high altitude areas the snow remains all year round.



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