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THE BEST OF VIENNA'S IMPERIAL PALACES & ART WITH MELISSA BIGGS BRADLEY

SEPTEMBER 15 – 20, 2024 6 DAYS | 5 NIGHTS



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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 – FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2024 (5 NIGHTS)

Vienna's elegance belies the intellectual and artistic fire that has kept it on top of the culture capital hierarchy for centuries. It is the cradle of Modernism, Freudian psychology, architectural innovation, the Waltz, urban planning, farm-to-table cuisine (and even wine)... and the list goes on. Join Indagare founder Melissa Biggs Bradley on this inaugural journey to explore her Vienna favorites—with private tours of the Belvedere Palace (a masterpiece of bygone aristocratic splendor, which houses Gustav Klimt's *The Kiss*) and the Spanish Riding School, as well as an exclusive visit to the Liechtenstein Garden Palace and shopping at Vienna's finest family-owned ateliers. Learn what has long made this quiet powerhouse one of Europe's most enchanting and influential cities—and along the way, indulge at top restaurants with your fellow travelers and enjoy downtime at the iconic Hotel Sacher.

FROM \$10,850 (PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY); \$13,500 (SINGLE OCCUPANCY)

HIGHLIGHTS & SPECIAL EXPERIENCES



Go behind closed doors in Vienna's sprawling palaces to survey private family art and design collections, with works by revered European artists and pieces that once belonged to the imperial family—all of which provide insight into the rich history of the Habsburg Monarchy.

Spend an evening gaining an inside look at the Belvedere Palace after it has closed to the public. This architectural masterpiece of bygone aristocratic splendor houses Gustav Klimt's *The Kiss*, among many works by the artist and his contemporaries Egon Schiele and Helene Funke.



Enjoy an exclusive visit to the Liechtenstein Garden Palace—which holds the family's most prestigious art—as well as a visit to the sprawling Schönbrunn Palace and its Baroque gardens.

Stay at one of the city's most iconic luxury hotels (and one of the oldest family-owned hotels in Europe)—the Hotel Sacher.

From top: Photos by Paul Bauer and Julius Hirtzberger, courtesy Vienna Tourism

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HOST



After a successful career as an editor at *Town & Country*, **Melissa Biggs Bradley** founded Indagare in 2007 because she believed that creating a platform for exchange between passionate travelers would allow for more transformative journeys and meaningful global connections. Since then, she has been recognized as a pioneering entrepreneur in the luxury travel space, as well as one of the foremost experts on travel to Africa. She has visited more than 100 countries over the course of her travels. Melissa is also the author of *Safari Style: Exceptional African Camps and Lodges* (Vendome). In the fall of 2022, Melissa was named host of the radio show and podcast, *Passport to Everywhere*.

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Even now, the ideas explored and debated in Vienna at the turn of the 20th century—about art, identity, war, race and creativity and consciousness—still reverberate today, and very consequentially, for all of us. I came away feeling that right now Vienna might be more modern than ever.”

Melissa Biggs Bradley

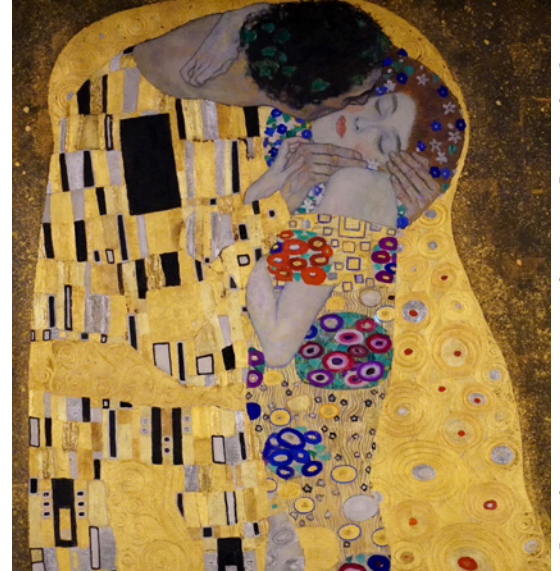
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HOTEL SACHER

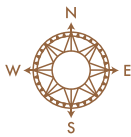
The family-owned Sacher is Vienna’s most iconic property. The chandelier-lit reception halls and antique-filled drawing rooms exude old-world elegance, and while the 152-room property occupies a city block, its clever layout and cozy public spaces maintain an intimate feel. The rooms, designed by owner Elisabeth Gürtler and star French designer Pierre-Yves Rochon, include high-quality reproduction antiques, silk-covered walls, white stucco along the ceilings and original paintings from the Sacher’s private collection. The Sacher spa has a short but terrific menu of treatments featuring Ligne St. Barth’s and La Prairie products. On the ground floor, guests can dine at Café Sacher, renowned for its Sachertorte.

Courtesy Hotel Sacher



From left: By Peter Rigaudi, courtesy Vienna Tourism; Courtesy Indagare

Itinerary



DAY 1, SEPT. 15: WELCOME TO VIENNA

- Arrive at the Vienna Airport and transfer to the Hotel Sacher for check-in.
- Later in the afternoon, embark on a guided walking tour of the medieval alleyways and coffee houses of the Old Town, stopping at St. Stephen's Cathedral for a view of the city.
- Cocktails and special welcome dinner with Matthias and Alexandra Winkler, the owners of Hotel Sacher.

OVERNIGHT: HOTEL SACHER | MEALS: D

DAY 2, SEPT. 16: SCHÖNBRUNN & BELVEDERE PALACES

- Discover the sprawling Schönbrunn Palace—once the summer residence of the imperial Habsburg family—with more than 1,400 Rococo rooms, and visit the Bergl Rooms.
- Lunch at a local restaurant before an afternoon visit of the Vienna State Opera. (*The tour does not include an opera performance. Indagare can arrange opera performance tickets during the trip for those interested, at an additional cost.*)
- Rest and refresh for an after-hours evening of cocktails and canapés at the Belvedere Palace, where you will have Gustav Klimt's *The Kiss* all to yourselves.
- Dinner at leisure. Indagare is happy to provide restaurant recommendations.

OVERNIGHT: HOTEL SACHER | MEALS: B, L

DAY 3, SEPT. 17: SPANISH RIDING SCHOOL & ATELIERS

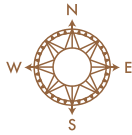
- Behind-the-scenes tour of the famous Spanish Riding School, an Austrian institution where the Lipizzaner horses demonstrate their skills and training.
- Lunch in town before exploring Vienna's finest family-owned ateliers dating back to the Hofburg period
- Dinner at leisure. Indagare is happy to provide restaurant recommendations.

OVERNIGHT: HOTEL SACHER | MEALS: B, L



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Itinerary



DAY 4, SEPT. 18: LIECHTENSTEIN PALACE & ALBERTINA

- Morning at leisure
- Exclusive visit to the Liechtenstein Garden Palace, where the family's prestigious art holdings are kept (including works by Rubens, Raphael and Rembrandt)
- Lunch at the Garden Palace's Vinothek
- Curator-guided tour of the Albertina Museum, home to the world's largest graphic arts collections with works by Dürer and Michelangelo
- Drinks at the Heidi Horton Collection with the collection's art advisor. Opened in June 2022, the collection amassed over decades by Heidi Goëss-Horten has been declared one of the best in Europe, showcasing hundreds of 20th-century masterpieces.
- Dinner at leisure. Indagare is happy to provide restaurant recommendations.

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DAY 5, SEPT. 19: LEOPOLD & KUNSTHISTORISCHES MUSEUMS

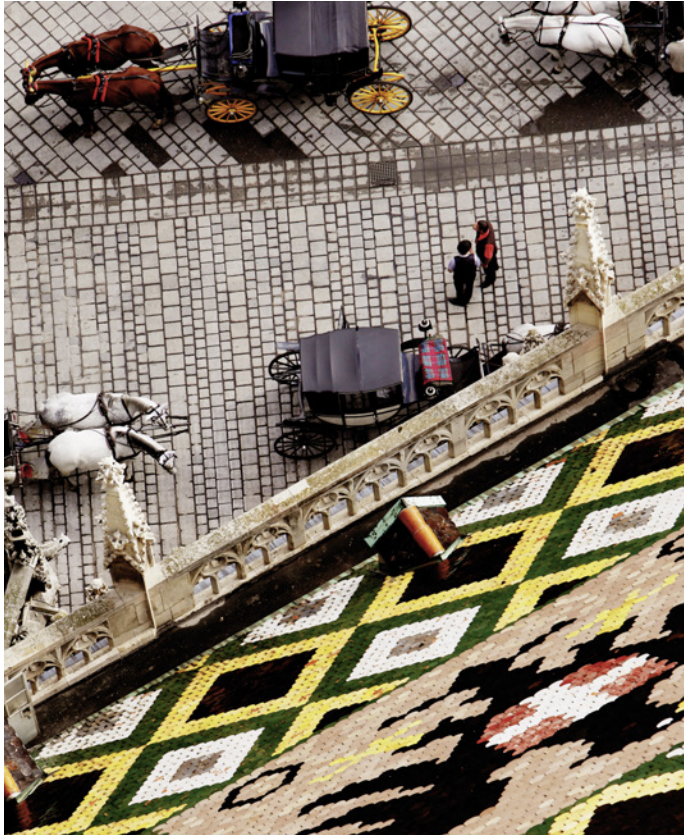
- Start your morning at the Leopold Museum, which houses the world's largest and most important Egon Schiele collection.
- Lunch in the MuseumsQuartier complex
- Make your way to the Kunsthistorisches (Art History) Museum to see its vast array of eminent works, including the world's largest collection of works by Bruegel the Elder.
- Return to the hotel for time to rest and refresh
- Festive farewell dinner

OVERNIGHT: HOTEL SACHER | MEALS: B, L, D

DAY 6, SEPT. 20: DEPARTURE

- Say goodbye to Vienna and check out of the hotel in time for your transfer back to the airport for your departure home.

* *Please note that elements of the itinerary may change.*



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Journey Inclusions

- All accommodations, as detailed in the itinerary. Indagare can arrange higher category accommodation upgrades, subject to availability.
- All meals and beverages, as detailed in the itinerary
- All guided touring, admission fees and activities, as detailed in the itinerary
- Scheduled group airport arrival and departure transfers, as well as group transfers throughout to all included activities, in small luxury vehicles
- Gratuities (excluding hotel staff)
- Expert guides and drivers, including the 24/7 support of your host, Melissa Biggs Bradley, and Indagare's partners on the ground
- The services of Indagare's expert travel team to plan all trip details and international flights (costs not included)
- 24/7 access to Global Rescue emergency medical, security and evacuation services for the duration of the trip (see p. 8)
- Carbon Neutrality: Offsetting 100 percent of unavoidable emissions through certified carbon projects



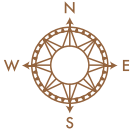
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JOURNEY EXCLUSIONS

- International air transportation to and from Vienna
- Airport transfers outside of scheduled group arrivals and departures
- Meals not specified and premium beverages other than those included in the meals
- Optional activities and personal items and expenses
- Gratuities for hotel staff (housekeeping, concierge, porters)
- Trip insurance (highly recommended—please let us know if you would like quotes).
- Custom trip-planning for add-on travel to destinations not included in the Journey is available; please inquire.
- Liability for change in itinerary due to reasons beyond our control (such as flights, cancellations, natural phenomena)

Know Before You Go: Global Rescue & Trip Insurance



Complimentary International Global Rescue Services Coverage

*To help you travel more safely, responsibly and seamlessly, as part of your signup and registration, **all guests on International Indagare Journeys receive Global Rescue coverage for the dates of their journey as an added benefit.** This means that in the event an emergency occurs during the trip, guests have access to a variety of services, including medical assistance and evacuation assistance.*

Global Rescue Overview

Global Rescue was founded in 2004 and has five operations centers and offices in five countries, with 200+ medical centers of excellence worldwide and 20,000-plus operations globally. Global Rescue operations centers are staffed by experienced nurses, paramedics and military special operations veterans.

For the duration of any Indagare Journey you have access to:

- **24/7 medical assistance and advisory services for natural disasters, terror attacks and civil unrest**
- **Evacuations from the point of injury/illness to home country hospital (at no additional cost)**
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Additional services include: symptom triage, referral to local hospital or clinic, urgent/emergency message relay, telephonic support, health information services, replacement of lost medical supplies & medical triage.

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Additional Trip Insurance Recommendation

It is important to note that the **Global Rescue coverage that comes with every purchase of an Indagare Journey is not the same as travel or trip insurance**, which—among other features—offers financial protection concerning situations that occur before a trip begins and require a change or cancellation of travel plans. These can include a personal or family illnesses or other unexpected factors such as lost luggage, flight disruption, illnesses or accidents that require emergency medical treatment and/or hospitalization.

So that guests can plan and undertake travel with the minimum possible financial risks, **Indagare also strongly recommends that guests joining Indagare Journeys trips purchase travel insurance to cover their trip(s).** Travel insurance may be obtained from any of a number of providers that specialize in such insurance, and as a courtesy to guests, **Indagare can arrange for a quote for coverage with our preferred providers to be prepared and emailed directly to you at your request.**

Note: Plans from some providers can be purchased up to 24 hours prior to departure; others require 14 days notice. Indagare recommends opting in to a plan well in advance of your trip. Please be advised that Indagare is not a licensed insurance company or advisor.