

Austria **

Capital City: Vienna

Population: 9 million

Language: German

Currency: Euro



Austria is a landlocked country in Central Europe. Austria shares borders with eight countries: Germany, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia, Italy, Liechtenstein, and Switzerland.

Austria is a mostly mountainous country with the Alps covering the western and the southern parts and mostly gentle hills in the eastern and northern parts.



The highest mountain in Austria is the 'Grossglockner.' It is 3798 metres/12460 ft high. The Grossglockner high alpine road criss-crossing the Austrian Alps is famous for its hairpin-curves and panoramic views of Austria's highest mountains.



The longest river in Austria is the Danube (called *Donau* in German). The Danube is Europe's second longest river. On its way to the Black Sea, the river passes Austria over 349 km/216 miles.



Wiener Schnitzel:

'Vienna Schnitzel' is a tenderised, flattened piece of veal meat coated in flour, egg and breadcrumbs and deep fried. In Austria, *Schnitzel* are so big, they pretty much cover your plate!



Semmelknödel:

Dumplings made with breadcrumbs, potatoes or also with mixed flour and cottage cheese are popularly served in either savoury or sweet dishes.



Vienna Prater Amusement Park



Strudel: thin filo pastry roll usually filled with diced apples or cottage cheese and served with ice-cream or vanilla sauce