

# Festivals, Events & more - Highlights 2019

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2019 will be another year in Vienna with a colorful, varied and great program. To capture everything here in the blog, now that would go beyond the scope. But I have summarized a few of the highlights for you now.

As every year, there will once again be a special theme for the year from the Vienna Tourist Board. In 2019, this is " Vienna 2019: Vienna the stage is yours". And you may already be curious, because the Vienna Tourist Board has come up with quite a lot again. It's all about giving you insights into otherwise hidden and inaccessible worlds and getting to know Vienna from its theatrical side. You as a visitor are the main actor in the middle of it .... Take a look at the [website of Vienna Tourist Board](#) for first insights.

## JANUARY 2019

### Ice Dream - 18 January to 3 March

Where, just a short while ago, the huge Christmas market enchanted young and old, namely right in front of the town hall, you will now find a fascinating world of ice and you can make your rounds with your ice skates. All around there is a [happy program and the culinary delights do not come too short](#).

## FEBRUARY 2019

### Vienna Opera Ball - 28th of February

A night, a ball, a special venue - the [Vienna Opera Ball](#) is all about seeing and being seen in the spectacular setting of the Vienna State Opera.



Vienna City Marathon

## **APRIL 2019**

### **Vienna City Marathon - April 7th**

At the beginning of April it's time again and Vienna will be one full of runners for one day. Because then the 36th Vienna City Marathon takes place. All information about the marathon can be found at [www.vienna-marathon.com](http://www.vienna-marathon.com).

### **Easter markets - mid-April**

Around Easter, numerous Easter markets are waiting for you in Vienna, for example in front of the Schönbrunn Palace, in the center of Vienna or in the 17th district on the Kalvarienberg. Traditional Easter decorations and artfully decorated eggs, culinary delights and cheerful music programs can be found in April on Vienna's Easter markets. Even for the small market visitors, there are all sorts of entertaining. A blog post about the Easter markets follows ... ..

## **MAY 2019**

### **Genussfestival Stadtpark - 10 May to 12 May**

Embark on a culinary journey through Austria. On this May weekend, more than 190 hand-picked producers and culinary manufacturers from all over Austria will pamper you in the Stadtpark with their offer. The program can be found at [www.genuss-festival.at](http://www.genuss-festival.at)

### **Wiener Festwochen - May 10th to June 16th**

From mid-May to mid-June, the [Wiener Festwochen](http://www.wienerfestwochen.at), a multi-disciplinary art festival, will take place again. In addition to the existing cultural offerings, they contribute to presenting and enabling the unseen and the unheard, and to combine genres, thoughts and ideas as an engine of content. They combine theater, performance, dance, music, visual arts, installations, discourse, participation, workshops and new art forms that can not yet be categorized. In short, exciting, challenging and unique events await you. Let yourself be surprised.



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## **JUNE 2019**

### **Euro Pride - 01 June to 16 June**

At the beginning of June, Vienna will become the center of the European LGBT community: For two weeks, numerous information, discussion and cultural events as well as parties for equality and tolerance take place. Highlights are certainly the Lifeball and the Rainbow Parade. Everything about Euro Pride can be found at [www.europride2019.at](http://www.europride2019.at)

### **Summer Night Concert - June 20th**

A dreamlike backdrop in front of Schönbrunn Palace and the Vienna Philharmonic. A combination that can only mean one thing: The Summer Night Concert takes place. Everything about the concert can be found at [www.sommernachtskonzert.at](http://www.sommernachtskonzert.at).

### **Danube Island Festival - 21st to 23rd of June**

An island, 3 days party. The [Donauinselfest](http://www.donauinselfest.at), Europe's largest open-air festival with free admission, promises a fulminant atmosphere for 3 days for both young and old. Whether you come during the day with your children and the whole family or in the evening to make the night to day. The Donauinselfest offers again in 2019 program for everyone. Let yourself be surprised.

## **JULY 2019**

### **Film Festival Rathausplatz - June 29th to September 1st**

Right in front of the town hall, the [film festival](http://www.filmfestival.at) will take place again in the summer. This popular and free summer event features a wealth of cinematic productions from the genres of opera, operetta, classical concert, ballet and contemporary dance, pop and jazz. This great offer is rounded off by a colorful culinary program where you can indulge yourself completely. Certainly one of the highlights in the summer.

### **Impuls Dance Festival - 11th July to 11th August**

The ImPulsTanz Festival is one of the most important festivals for contemporary dance worldwide. Thousands of professional dancers, choreographers and dance enthusiasts from all over the world meet here, inspire each other, research, exchange ideas and transform Vienna into the center of contemporary dance and performance art every summer. It is the biggest festival of its kind in Europe. The full program

and all other information can be found at [www.impulstanz.com](http://www.impulstanz.com)

## **AUGUST 2019**

### **Africa Days on the Danube Island 09th to 26th of August**

Africa has an infinite number of facets and this is exactly what the organizers bring to Vienna. This festival is a sign of tolerance and understanding between cultures. Exhibitors, musicians, dancers, artists and restaurateurs contribute to making Africa's spirit felt at the Africa Days. The center of the festival is the Grand Bazaar, with arts and crafts from Africa, drumming and dance workshops and a colorful children's program with storytellers, craft and play corner. All information about this colorful festival can be found at [www.wien.afrika-tage.de](http://www.wien.afrika-tage.de)



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## **OCTOBER 2019**

### **Long Night of the Museums - early October**

Also this year the long night of the museums takes place at the beginning of October. This night is very special, because you then have the opportunity to see more than 100 museums in Vienna. With just one card.

### **Viennale - end of October**

At the end of October, Vienna will be dominated by cinema and film, as it is once again the time of the [Viennale](#), a festival with an urban flair and international orientation. The Viennale is Austria's largest international film event and at the same time one of the most multifaceted and high-quality film festivals in the European context.

## **NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2019**

### **Christmas Markets & New Year's Eve path**

And we arrived in November. The year is slowly coming to an end. But before that happens, you still have the opportunity at the many Christmas markets throughout Vienna to spend the Christmas season atmospheric. From mid-November, the first markets are opening. Which one is your favorite?

The turn of the year you can then celebrate on the New Year's Eve trail and welcome the New Year in a

unique atmosphere.

These were just some of the highlights of 2019 in Vienna. The city has as you already know so much more to offer. I can not summarize everything here in the blog. Some things you will read here in the blog, but you will also discover some things yourself the next time you are in Vienna. And you just pick up some things for your next visit to Vienna. Where, then come back to so many new things. Anyway, you know, Vienna is always worth a visit. In this sense, I wish you much fun planning your next visit to Vienna.

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