

New Year's Eve 2018/19

WELCOME TO VIENNA

Vienna is THE city of bon vivants. This is particularly true on New Year's Eve when the old town is given over to exuberant celebration and dance – when high spirits abound, whether at gala dinners, prestigious balls, concert halls or chic bars.

Superb exhibitions and a dazzling array of events, concerts, operas, operettas and the hit musical "Bodyguard" promise a New Year's Eve program brimming with excitement throughout the day and night.

On December 31, Vienna's old city center transforms into a giant party zone: From 2 p.m. in the afternoon to 2 a.m. the following morning, top entertainment is guaranteed by the New Year's Eve Trail in the city center, at City Hall Square and in the Prater. Along the New Year's Eve Trail, dozens of gastronomes serve you punch and culinary treats. Numerous stations provide a good atmosphere with a show program, waltzes, an operetta, rock, pop and folk music as well as a DJ line-up. Especially popular is the classical area on Graben. Vienna's dance schools offer crash waltz dancing courses here during the afternoon and transform Graben into an idyllic open-air ballroom. A large firework display will be held on City Hall Square and in the Prater at midnight.

A unique New Year's atmosphere can also be enjoyed on a boat trip along the Danube, at the New Year's Ball at the Hofburg Vienna (Imperial Palace) and at New Year galas held in City Hall and the city's leading hotels. The "Majestic Emperor", a luxurious imperial train, allows you to ride into the New Year in luxurious style, while "Die Fledermaus" by Johann Strauss is performed in time-honored tradition at the Vienna State Opera and also broadcast live on the outdoor screen.

New Year's Day in Vienna will be greeted in classic fashion with a morning "hangover cure" brunch – featuring a live broadcast of the Vienna Philharmonic's New Year's Concert on a big screen – in front of City Hall, at the Rathausplatz (from 10 a.m.).

The following pages are a guide to when and where you can best celebrate in Vienna. All prices are per person. For further information to help you plan your visit to Vienna, go to www.vienna.info or call one of the contact numbers shown below:

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1010 Vienna, Albertinaplatz/Maysedergasse

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TRAVEL THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT ON NEW YEAR'S WITH THE VIENNA CITY CARD

Ride the Vienna subway, streetcar and bus lines with the handy Vienna City Card, valid throughout New Year's Night on all public transportation services in Vienna.

The Vienna City Card is available in several versions: the Red Card gives you free travel on public transport. If you don't use public transport, the White Card includes a ticket for Hop-on Hop-off Tours with Big Bus Vienna and a guided walking tour of the city and a night tour with live guide. You also get over 210 discounts at tourist attractions, museums, concerts, cafés, restaurants, stores and wine taverns.

The Vienna City Card is available at shop.wien.info, in your hotel, at the Tourist Information Office (Albertinaplatz / corner of Maysedergasse, 1010 Vienna, daily 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.), at the Tourist Information Office at the airport (daily 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.), at the Tourist Information Office at the Central Station (1100 Vienna, daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.), at Wiener Linien sales counters and from Big Bus Vienna.

Full details are available from www.viennacitycard.at

NEW YEAR'S EVE GALAS AND BALLS

NEW YEAR'S EVE BALL AT THE HOFBURG VIENNA

The New Year's Eve Ball at the Hofburg Vienna on 31 December 2018 creates a spectacular start to the ball season and this year's theme is "Time for Happiness." Besides a rousing opening to the ball, visitors can look forward to a magnificent setting at midnight with the ringing of the Pummerin bell in St. Stephen's Cathedral, the traditional Blue Danube Waltz, a breathtaking view of the fireworks over Vienna and the popular dancing of the quadrille in the imperial state rooms of the world-famous Vienna Hofburg. Top-ranking Austrian and international artists, numerous renowned orchestras and bands as well as captivating dance music from waltz to jazz underscore the high-quality New Year's Eve program in the former imperial winter residence.

Hofburg Palace, 1010 Vienna, entrance on Heldenplatz, December 31, doors open for gala dinner guests at 6:30 p.m. (Grand Ticket with seat reservation, including four-course gala dinner, welcome glass of sparkling wine, red/white wine, mineral water, a glass of champagne at midnight for EUR 490, 630, 680 or 720 per person), doors open for ball guests at 9:15 p.m. (Star Ticket with seat reservation and a glass of sparkling wine on arrival for EUR 225, 255, 325 or 395 per person; Circle Ticket for admission and a glass of sparkling wine on arrival for EUR 165 per person, Student Ticket up to 26 years of age for admission and a glass of sparkling wine for EUR 70 per person).

Ticket reservations: Vienna Hofburg, Heldenplatz, 1010 Vienna, tel. +43 1 587 36 66 214, e-mail: silvesterball@hofburg.com, online bookings: www.hofburgsilvesterball.com

NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA EVENT IN THE VIENNA KURSALON

See in the New Year in the historic ambience of the Vienna Kursalon. Be enchanted by the sounds of the Alt Wien salon orchestra at a Strauss and Mozart New Year's Eve concert and enjoy an exclusive four-course gala dinner, learn or brush up on your dance skills with a waltz workshop, experience the midnight Pyroshow on the beautiful terrace with a view of the Stadtpark, and dance until the small hours of the morning at the New Year's Eve party.

Kursalon, Johannesgasse 33, 1010 Vienna, December 31. Package "New Year's Eve Evening" from 6 p.m., package "New Year's Eve Night" from 8 p.m., various offers and categories, prices range from EUR 225 to EUR 345. Sound of Vienna Konzertveranstaltungen GmbH, tel. +43 1 512 57 90, fax +43 1 512 57 90-40, e-mail: sound@soundofvienna.at, www.silvester-kursalon.at

NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA IN VIENNA CITY HALL

The New Year's Eve gala in the impressive banquet hall of the Vienna City Hall is for those who want to end the year in style while experiencing an elegant traditional Viennese ball. A classical orchestra and a live band will entice everyone to the dance floor, while a delicious four-course gala menu from the kitchen of the Rathauskeller will leave nothing to be desired. At midnight, professional dancers and solo singers from renowned Austrian theatres will present a traditional and "Viennese" show. Another highlight of the gala is the lively gala opening. At midnight, the guests will be invited onto the ceremonial balcony of City Hall, which affords a unique view of the stunning New Year's Eve fireworks display. There, they will bid farewell to the old year amid the sounds of the Danube Waltz. Afterwards, the live band will keep the atmosphere on the dance floor lively until well after midnight.

Ticket prices: VIP tickets EUR 400 incl. a place at a table in the Festsaal, four-course gala dinner, assorted drinks, goulash soup at midnight, category A – EUR 340 incl. a place at a table in the Festsaal, four-course gala dinner, assorted drinks as well as 1 glass of sparkling wine and goulash soup at midnight, category B – EUR 300, incl. a place at a table in the Festsaal, four-course gala dinner, assorted drinks as well as 1 glass of sparkling wine and goulash soup at midnight, category Gallery – EUR 250 incl. a place at a table in the Gallery of the Festsaal, four-course gala dinner, assorted drinks as well as 1 glass of sparkling wine and goulash soup at midnight, category C – EUR 140 incl. a place at a table in the North Wing, assorted drinks as well as 1 glass of sparkling wine and goulash soup at midnight.

Rathaus, Festsaal, 1010 Vienna, December 31. Admission at 7 p.m. (9:45 p.m. for category C, without dinner), gala dinner commences: 8 p.m., ball opening: 10:15 p.m., ball end: 2:30 a.m. Reservations: Classical Dreams GmbH, tel. +43 1 713 13 33, e-mail: office@silvestergala.com, www.silvestergala.com

NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA AT PALAIS AUERSPERG

Spend the change of year in the unique ambience of the historic Palais Auersperg. Be enchanted by the Wiener Residenzorchester with sounds of the waltz and enjoy an exclusive five-course gala dinner. Experience the firework display over Vienna at midnight from the wonderful park and dance into the early hours of the morning at the New Year's Eve party.

Palais Auersperg, Auerspergstrasse 1, 1080 Vienna; admission at 6 p.m., New Year's Eve concert with the Wiener Residenzorchester at 6:30 p.m., gala dinner at 8 p.m., dance music in the Rosenkavaliersaal from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m., disco in the conservatory with DJ Amadeus from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. Prices: Concert & Dinner package: EUR 290 per person incl. New Year's Eve concert, five-course gala dinner and accompanying drinks, 1 glass of sparkling wine at midnight (admission from 6 p.m.), Dinner & Party package: EUR 260 per person incl. five-course gala dinner and accompanying drinks, 1 glass of sparkling wine at midnight (admission from 7:30 p.m.), Basic package: EUR 95 per person incl. 3 drinks of your choice and 1 glass of sparkling wine at midnight

(admission from 10:30 p.m.). Reservations: events@auersperg.com, tel. +43 1 40-107, www.auersperg.com

NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA AT THE GERSTNER SALONS PRIVÉS

Right in the heart of Vienna, with a unique view of the Vienna State Opera, the magnificent Gerstner Salons Privés offer an imperial setting to see out the year. Gerstner's guests at the New Year's Eve Gala will be treated to delicacies from Gerstner's gourmet kitchens, and live dance music.

Gerstner K.u.K. Hofzuckerbäcker, third floor, 1010 Vienna, Kärnter Strasse 51 (Palais Todesco), 8 p.m. to 2 a.m., EUR 290 per person, all-inclusive package with the finest selection of starters from the buffet, main courses served at the table, desserts from the sweet display cabinet, drinks (excl. champagne & spirits), and live music. Reservations on tel. +43 1 526 13 61, e-mail: brunch@gerstner.at, www.gerstner-konditorei.at

NEW YEAR'S GALA EVENTS AND NEW YEAR'S DAY RECEPTIONS AT HOTELS IN VIENNA

HOTEL AM PARKRING

Parkring 12, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 514 50 417, e-mail: restaurant-das-schick@schick-hotels.com, www.das-schick.at

Celebrate above the rooftops of Vienna and ring in the New Year at "Das Schick," the award-winning restaurant on the twelfth floor of the Gartenbau high-rise situated right on Ringstrasse. Here you can enjoy front row seats to a panoramic view of the New Year's Eve fireworks and Viennese inner-city celebrations. EUR 240 per person (gala menu, aperitif, accompanying wines, mineral water, coffee, sparkling wine at midnight on the roof terrace), December 31. Doors open at 7 p.m.

HOTEL BRISTOL

Kärntner Ring 1, 1010 Vienna, tel. +43 1 515 16-553, e-mail: restaurant.bristol@luxurycollection.com, www.bristolvienna.com

Experience Vienna from its most charming side and enjoy the New Year's Eve gala at the Hotel Bristol, a jewel of Art Deco. Our exquisite New Year's Eve dinner can be enjoyed either from 6 p.m. in the Bristol Lounge Restaurant or from 10:30 p.m. in the elegant salons (4-course menu for EUR 298 per person, including dinner and wine accompaniment). Entertainment is provided in the Bristol Lounge by the dance band Moodsart (6 p.m. to 2 a.m.), in the Schönbrunn Salon by the dance band Brisk (10:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.) and there is DJ lounge music in the Bristol Bar.

On January 1, 2019 the Bristol invites you to a cake buffet from 1:30 p.m. or to a festive New Year's dinner from 6 p.m. (à la carte).

HOTEL DE FRANCE

Schottenring 3, 1010 Vienna, tel. +43 1 313 68, e-mail: defrance@gerstner-hotels.at, www.hoteldefrance.at

In an atmospheric setting, the guests of the Hotel de France on Vienna's Ringstrasse are served a delicious, five-course New Year's Eve gala menu. Matching wines and piano music accompany this culinary pleasure. December 31, doors open at 7 p.m., dinner starts at 7:30 p.m., EUR 99 per person for the five-course menu, including 1 glass of champagne and live piano music. Wine (5 glasses): EUR 35 per person.

GRAND HOTEL WIEN

Kärntner Ring 9, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 515 80-1850, e-mail: sdoppelreiter@jjwhotels.com, www.grandhotelwien.com

A New Year's Eve gala with banquet, live music and dancing will take place in the Quadrille ballroom: December 31, from 8 p.m.; EUR 275.

A gala dinner will be served in Restaurant Le Ciel – awarded with one Michelin star – and will leave nothing to be desired. Price per person: EUR 340.

In the Japanese Unkai Restaurant – awarded with two toques by Gault Millau – you can enjoy oriental cuisine in the form of a seven-course menu consisting of specialties. Price: EUR 150 per person.

The Grand Brasserie offers an exquisite four-course dinner with a fabulous selection of appetizers and desserts from the buffet. The soup and main course are served fresh from the kitchen. The New Year's Eve menu costs EUR 180. Two live bands in the hotel lobby and in the ballroom will provide a relaxed atmosphere and invite you to dance from 8 p.m. onward.

In the Rosengarten and Kavalierbar (smoking bar) we offer a New Year's Eve special starting at 7 p.m. for EUR 145 per person. This includes half a bottle of champagne and assorted snacks. All guests with a reservation in one of the restaurants or in a bar can enjoy the musical programs both in the ballroom and in the hotel lobby.

HOTEL THE RING

Kärntner Ring 8, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 22 1 22, e-mail: ateight@theringhotel.com,
www.theringhotel.com

At Eight, the restaurant awarded two toques in the latest Gault-Millau guide, is offering a six-course gala dinner on December 31, starting at 7 p.m. with a champagne reception, for EUR 160 per person.

HOTEL IMPERIAL

Kärntner Ring 16, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 501 10-434, e-mail:
groupsevents.imperial@luxurycollection.com, www.imperialvienna.com

New Year's Eve gala dinner in the imperial ballrooms and in the restaurant Opus including a glass of champagne as an aperitif, accompanying wines, mineral water, coffee/tea and a glass of champagne at midnight: six-course menu from 8:30 p.m. for EUR 398 per person.

1873 HalleNsalon: Bar with live music from 8:30 p.m., also open to non-residents.

Welcome the New Year on January 1 with an exquisite New Year's brunch from 12.30 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the ballrooms of the Hotel Imperial: A truly imperial setting for an enjoyable start to the New Year. Sumptuous temptations await you in the magnificent atmosphere of the festival halls of the former Palais zu Württemberg. A glass of champagne as an aperitif, delicious treats and selected desserts, exquisite warm drinks, with live music playing discreetly in the background – a feast for the senses! EUR 139 per person.

New Year's Concert menu on January 1 in the Café Imperial from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.: three-course menu with soup for EUR 66, three-course menu with starter for EUR 81, four-course menu for EUR 87 per person. Reservations for the Café Imperial on tel. +43 1 501 10-389 or cafe.imperial@luxurycollection.com

INTERCONTINENTAL WIEN

Johannesgasse 28, 1030 Vienna; tel. +43 1 711 22-110, e-mail: vienna@ihg.com,
www.vienna.intercontinental.com

New Year's Eve gala buffet in the Salon Vier Jahreszeiten with live music. December 31, from 8 p.m. until midnight, EUR 250 per person including aperitif, champagne, accompanying wines, non-alcoholic beverages, tea or coffee and 4 hours of free parking.

New Year's Eve menu in the Restaurant Parlor. December 31, 6 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. or 9:30 p.m. until midnight; EUR 89 per person for a four-course menu including a glass of champagne as an aperitif. Vegetarian option possible. Four hours of free parking.

New Year's Day brunch in the Salon Vier Jahreszeiten/Salon Kaunitz dining rooms with unlimited champagne and live screening of the New Year's Concert. January 1, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.; EUR 79 per person including unlimited champagne, non-alcoholic beverages and tea or coffee. Four hours of free parking.

Buffets: Free for children under 6, half price for children aged 6 to 12.

VIENNA MARRIOTT HOTEL

Parkring 12a, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 515 18-6800, e-mail: gutscheinshop@marriotthotels.com, www.viennamarriott.at

Crack open the festive sparkling wine and see in the New Year at the Vienna Marriott Hotel. With our fabulously varied highlights of music and entertainment you can look forward to an exhilarating finale for New Year's Eve. From 8 p.m. we are offering our premium New Year Buffet in the Garden Café and the Cascade Bar (EUR 99 per person), or a glamorous evening at our New Year's Eve Gala Buffet at the Parkring Restaurant (EUR 199 per person) or the Ballroom (EUR 134 per person), or you can join the legendary party in the Champion Sports Bar (from 5 p.m.). Celebrate the start of the new year properly with our legendary brunch and live screening of the Vienna Philharmonic's New Year's Concert (from 11 a.m., EUR 89 per person). If you'd rather sleep a little later, you can join friends and family from 12 noon to toast the new year over our legendary brunch (EUR 54 per person).

IMPERIAL RIDING SCHOOL RENAISSANCE VIENNA HOTEL

Ungargasse 60, 1030 Vienna; tel. +43 1 711 75-0, e-mail: imperialrenaissance@renaissancehotels.com, www.imperialrenaissance.at

Say farewell to the old year in style and make a grand start to the new year. Let us take you on a gourmet tour of the Imperial Riding School Renaissance Vienna Hotel and round off the year with a princely celebration. Enjoy our five-course New Year's Eve gala dinner from 7 p.m. in the Restaurant Arsenal (EUR 72 per person) or our New Year's Eve gala buffet in the Restaurant Borromäus, with live entertainment program. From 10 p.m. we'll crack open the bubbles at a rousing party in the Lobby Bar, complete with DJ. Make a relaxing start to the first day of the new year with our Hangover Breakfast Buffet (EUR 19 per person), from 10 a.m. in the Restaurant Arsenal, and enjoy the live broadcast of the Vienna Philharmonic's New Year's Concert on the big screen in the lobby.

PALAIS COBURG

Coburgbastei 4, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 518 18-130, e-mail: reservations@palais-coburg.com, www.palais-coburg.com

The theme for the New Year's Eve gala at Palais Coburg is "The House of Kings." Float elegantly into the new year at our vivacious New Year's Eve gala. Be enchanted by a fabulous gala night in the unforgettable ambience of the historic ceremonial rooms in Palais Coburg. Champagne reception and nine-course gourmet menu by star chef Silvio Nickol (2 Michelin stars) with the best

dishes of 2018 and accompanying wines from the world-famous Palais Coburg wine archive. For wine connoisseurs an accompanying selection from our rare wines collection is available on request, including Château D'Yquem and Château Pétrus 1986. Live piano music and other entertainment during the dinner. Champagne toast on the terrace on the dot of midnight to mark the change of year. Private firework display in the garden at midnight to the sounds of the Blue Danube Waltz and Pummerin bell. Palais Coburg New Year's Eve party after midnight in the lobby, including a snack after midnight. Specially choreographed ballet performance to welcome in 2019 with members of the Vienna State Opera Ballet. A DJ creates the mood until the early hours of the morning. Start: 6:30 p.m., dress code: elegant, EUR 795 per person/EUR 1,495 with accompanying rare wines

A sparkling end to the year at Restaurant Clementine im Glashaus. Welcome aperitif, seven-course New Year's Eve menu with accompanying wines from the famous Palais Coburg wine archive. Champagne toast on the terrace on the dot of midnight to mark the change of year. Private firework display in the garden at midnight to the sounds of the Blue Danube Waltz and Pummerin bell. Palais Coburg New Year's Eve party after midnight in the lobby, including a snack after midnight, ballet performance with members of the Vienna State Opera Ballet and a DJ until the early hours of the morning. Start: 7 p.m., EUR 295 per person/EUR 195 without wine.

New Year's Eve Fondue in the Palais Coburg wine bar: a delicious fondue meal served with champagne aperitif, selection of hors d'oeuvres, side dishes and sauces, and dessert. At midnight, enjoy a champagne toast, firework display and the Blue Danube Waltz, before going on to the Palais Coburg's New Year's Eve party in the lobby. The wine bar and the hotel lobby are transformed for the night into an exuberant New Year's Eve party zone. From 7:30 p.m. Fondue with beef filet - EUR 255 for two people; fondue with veal tenderloin - EUR 255 for two people; fondue with seafood - EUR 275 for two people.

New Year's Brunch in the historic casemates at Palais Coburg on January 1, 2019: An unforgettable start to the new year is provided by a culinary firecracker, free-flow Pol Roger champagne and the live broadcast of the Vienna Philharmonic's New Year's Concert. Live music is provided afterward by a pianist. 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. incl. brunch buffet, free-flow Pol Roger champagne, coffee, tea and fruit juices. EUR 125 per person, children from 0-5 years: no charge. Children from 6-11 years: EUR 55; 12-15 years: EUR 79 and from 16 years: EUR 105, without champagne, with fruit juices, coffee, tea and brunch.

HOTEL SACHER

Philharmonikerstrasse 4, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 514 56-846, e-mail: kteigschl@sacher.com, www.sacher.com

Celebrate the end of the year at the traditional Hotel Sacher in the restaurants "Grüne Bar," "Rote Bar" and in the elegant lounges on the mezzanine. For the New Year's Eve gala event, you can choose between a six-course dinner for EUR 455 from 8 p.m. or a four-course dinner for EUR 419 from 10 p.m. All guests with a table reservation for the gala evening can see out the old year to lively dance music. Live bands provide the right atmosphere from 8 p.m. to 3 a.m. In addition to the grand New Year's Eve gala event, you can also enjoy a light New Year's Eve menu with three courses for EUR 199. All menu prices include a glass of "Sacher Cuvée" sparkling wine, as well as the menu with accompanying wines, mineral water and coffee.

HOTEL STEFANIE

Taborstrasse 12, 1020 Vienna; tel. +43 1 211 50 423, e-mail: stefanie@schick-hotels.com,
www.restaurant-stefanie.at

Celebrate the turn of the year in the elegant ambience of the Restaurant Stefanie – with lots of tradition and Viennese charm. New Year's Eve package from EUR 165 per person (gala buffet, aperitif, sparkling wine and snacks in the Hofgarten, etc.), December 31, doors open 7 p.m.

HOTEL SCHLOSS WILHELMINENBERG

Savoyenstrasse 2, 1160 Vienna; tel. +43 1 485 85 03 ext. 500 or 540, e-mail:
bankett.schloss.wilhelminenberg@austria-trend.at, www.austria-trend.at/wiw

Celebrate New Year's Eve in style in the fabulous Schloss Wilhelminenberg. See in the new year with gourmet delights and a unique view of the fireworks in the Vienna sky. The New Year's Eve gala celebration includes a champagne reception (7 p.m.), gala buffet and musical live entertainment from 8 p.m., "Happy New Year" toast on the castle terrace, live music and dancing till 3 a.m. EUR 159 per person incl. aperitif, gala buffet, non-alcoholic beverages, house wine and beer as well as a glass of sparkling wine and Viennese goulash soup at midnight.

HILTON VIENNA

Am Stadtpark 1, 1030 Vienna; tel. +43 1 717 00-0, e-mail: sparks.vienna@hilton.com,
vienna.hilton.com, www.facebook.com/hiltonvienna

New Year's Eve gala: Start with a champagne aperitif and bid farewell to the old year at a sparkling New Year's Eve buffet with oxtail consommé, saddle of veal, prime rib and exquisite Austrian wines, accompanied by live piano music. Then welcome in the new year with a dance in the Lobby Bar & Lounge with live music by Julian Flat 7 and midnight snacks. EUR 189 per person. December 31 from 6 p.m.

Dance into the new year: Secure yourself a place in the exclusive, festively decorated Lobby Bar & Lounge and celebrate the arrival of the new year with sophisticated cocktails, a delicious buffet and swinging live music by Julian Flat 7. EUR 79 per person. December 31 from 8 p.m.

New Year's Day breakfast: Start the new year with a delicious breakfast in S'PARKS restaurant with unlimited Prosecco while enjoying the live broadcast of the New Year's Concert. EUR 35 per person including Prosecco. January 1 from 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

HILTON VIENNA PLAZA

Schottenring 11, 1010 Vienna, tel. +43 1 313 90 0, e-mail: viepw_emile@hilton.com,
www.emile-brasserie.at, www.facebook.com/hiltonviennaplaza

Finish 2017 in style! Enjoy the last few hours of the year with a sumptuous buffet dinner including national and international delicacies. Choose from a wide range of seasonal starters, soups, fish dishes, main courses and desserts, created by head chef Stefan Wödl and his team. After dinner, enjoy the unique atmosphere and golden sounds of the 1920s in the Émile Bar. Elegant evening attire preferred. Reservations by phone or e-mail to viepw_emile@hilton.com. EUR 95 per person. December 31 from 6 p.m.

HILTON VIENNA DANUBE WATERFRONT

Handelskai 269; 1020 Vienna; tel. 43 1 727 77-72120, e-mail: restaurant.viennadanube@hilton.com, www.facebook.com/hiltonviennadanubewaterfront

Round off the last evening of the year at a festive gala buffet with champagne aperitif. Waiting for you are culinary highlights such as Alpine beef filet with creamed morel tip sauce, Canadian lobster and Austrian salmon trout. There is also caviar, an oyster bar and a sumptuous dessert buffet. EUR 139 per person incl. champagne aperitif, beer, wine, non-alcoholic beverages, coffee and tea. December 31 from 6 p.m.

STEIGENBERGER HOTEL HERRENHOF

Herrengasse 10, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 534 04-920, e-mail: gastronomie@herrenhof-wien.steigenberger.at, www.steigenberger.com/wien

Celebrate the change of year with us and enjoy an unforgettable evening with a fantastic New Year's Eve dinner in the Steigenberger Hotel Herrenhof. The Restaurant Herrlich and the Herrenhof Bar will be transformed into an impressive banqueting hall. In addition to a grand five-course dinner and varied entertainment program, the dance floor beckons for a spirited start to the new year. Aperitif served from 7 p.m., followed at 7:30 p.m. by a five-course dinner in Restaurant Herrlich. Price: EUR 145 per person including aperitif and entertainment. Or you can warm up for the new year celebrations in the Herrenhof Bar from 7. p.m. to 11 p.m. Guests will enjoy a standing buffet including antipasti and other tasty treats, with live entertainment. EUR 65 per person including entertainment and buffet. Drinks included until 11.00 pm.

Start the new year in 2019 with a lavish breakfast and the live broadcast of the legendary New Year's Concert by the Vienna Philharmonic on January 1. Breakfast times are extended especially for this day. Enjoy your New Year's Day breakfast from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Restaurant Herrlich. Price: EUR 43 per person. Children up to 5 years of age: free. Children from 6 to 12 years of age: 50% discount.

HOTEL DAS TRIEST

Wiedner Hauptstrasse 12, 1040 Vienna, tel. +43 1 589 18-0, e-mail: office@dastriest.at, www.dastriest.at

Chef Josef Neuherz will indulge you in the 2-toque restaurant Collio with a festive eight-course New Year's Eve dinner in the ambience created by designer Sir Terence Conran. Price per person: EUR 210. Top-quality accompanying wines can also be booked. Enjoy the fireworks of Vienna over a glass of champagne (price includes 1 glass) on the roof terrace. Afterward, our barkeeper Keita looks forward to pampering you with cocktails in the legendary Silverbar. You can begin your New Year's Eve dinner between 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

PALAIS HANSEN KEMPINSKI VIENNA

Schottenring 24, 1010 Vienna, tel. +43 1 236 1000, e-mail: info.vienna@kempinski.com; www.kempinski.com/vienna

The Palais Hansen Kempinski celebrates the change of year in style – taking you into 2018 with gourmet treats and lively music. New Year's Eve in the Michelin-starred restaurant "Edvard" with eight-course menu including wine and drinks, for EUR 490 per person, starting at 7:30 p.m.

New Year's Eve in the restaurant "Die Küche" with six-course menu for EUR 250 per person, from 6:30 p.m. New Year's Eve in the Lobby Lounge & Bar: salmon and seafood bar from 2 p.m. to 1 a.m. Reservations include a small bottle of rosé champagne, EUR 69 per person. Piano music from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m., live band and DJ from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m.

New year's breakfast in the Restaurant "Die Küche" for EUR 48 per person, 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., live broadcast of the New Year's Concert in the Lobby Lounge & Bar.

New Year's Day hangover breakfast with live broadcast of the New Year's Concert, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Lobby Lounge & Bar, EUR 38 per person.

HOTEL SANS SOUCI WIEN

Burggasse 2, 1070 Vienna; tel. +43 1 522 25-194, e-mail: veranda@sanssouci-wien.com, www.sanssouci-wien.com

New Year's Eve package with 1 glass of Roederer Cristal champagne as an aperitif, six-course gala dinner with excellent wines, live jazz with the band "Petite Fleur." Celebrate the turn of the year with a view across Vienna. Price per person: EUR 290. Start: 8 p.m.

A festive four-course menu will be served between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. for EUR 98 per person – for guests who would like to go on to events such as the New Year's Eve Ball in the Hofburg Palace or to the opera.

PARK HYATT VIENNA

Am Hof 2, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 227 40 1236, e-mail: restaurant-thebank.vienna@hyatt.com, www.restaurant-thebank.at

From 6:30 p.m. onwards it's showtime. "Cirque d'Elegance" is the theme for our celebrations in the magnificently decorated rooms of The Bank Brasserie & Bar. From 6:45 p.m. to 10 p.m. you will be treated to a seven-course menu with foie gras, white Alba truffles, caviar, Wagyu beef and much more. EUR 549 per person including 7-course menu, unlimited champagne, wines matched to your meal, beer, cocktails and non-alcoholic drinks until 3 a.m. We start the countdown to the new year with a champagne tower and breathtaking show sets.

The Bank Bar is following the "Cirque d'Elegance" theme too, with an unforgettable party. From 10 p.m. the team will welcome you with one of our house cocktails specially created by our barkeeper, together with a selection of savory and sweet snacks. EUR 125 per person, including a 0.375 liter bottle of champagne, or a 0.375L bottle of Hendrick's Gin or Grey Goose Vodka with four mixer drinks and canapés. Live music, entertainment sets, a DJ and fascinating magic tricks will create the perfect atmosphere to see in the new year.

New Year's Day hangover breakfast on January 1 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.: recover from the long New Year's Eve party and start the first day of the year with a relaxed and generous breakfast in The Bank Brasserie & Bar. Ease yourself into the day with a selection of culinary delights such as organic salmon, scrambled egg with truffles, or goulash. EUR 42 per person including a virgin mary or bloody mary.

For reservations, please contact us on tel. +43 1 22740 1236 or send an e-mail to restaurant-thebank.vienna@hyatt.com

HOTEL KAHLENBERG

Am Kahlenberg 2-3, 1190 Vienna; tel. +43 1 328 15 00-901, e-mail: events@kahlenberg.eu, www.kahlenberg.eu

Experience the change of year on the Kahlenberg with the best views of Vienna and the year 2019. We offer three different New Year's Eve options. All packages include a free shuttle transfer to Schwedenplatz (departures at 1 a.m. and 3 a.m.).

"Sparkling Vienna" New Year's Eve package in the Ellipse: EUR 129 per person incl. non-alcoholic drinks, beer, wine (until 1 a.m., then charged separately), buffet, welcome prosecco, sekt at midnight, background music, admission from 6 p.m., buffet opens at 7 p.m.

"Party of the Year" New Year's Eve package in the ballroom: EUR 169 per person incl. non-alcoholic drinks, beer, wine (until 3 a.m., then charged separately), buffet, welcome prosecco, sekt and snack at midnight, atmospheric background music until 12.30 a.m., club scene with DJ from 12.30 to 3 a.m. including bar drinks. Admission from 7:30 p.m., buffet opens at 8 p.m.:

"Charming Celebration Over Vienna" New Year's Eve package in the Skyline restaurant: EUR 129 per person incl. non-alcoholic drinks, beer, wine (until 1 a.m., then charged separately), buffet, welcome prosecco, sekt at midnight, admission from 7 p.m., buffet opens at 7.30 p.m.

HOTEL AM STEPHANSPLATZ

Stephansplatz 9, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 53 405-720, e-mail: office@hotelamstephansplatz.at, www.hotelamstephansplatz.at

New Year's Eve with a view of St. Stephen's Cathedral: Enjoy a unique New Year's Eve in the Hotel am Stephansplatz with perhaps the most spectacular view of Vienna, an exclusive gala dinner and unique champagne bar on the roof terrace – almost close enough to St. Stephen's Cathedral to touch it. For New Year's Eve, the guests are treated to a gala menu with optional accompanying wines in the café-bar "Aragall," where they can enjoy the unique view and watch the lively scene on Stephansplatz. High-quality regional products are used by our professional kitchen team to prepare six courses of delicious dishes – the new year is sure to get off to a good start with this culinary journey. 7 p.m.: reception in the "Aragall" bar with a glass of champagne; 7:30 p.m.: start of the gala dinner. The champagne bar opens at 11:30 p.m. on the roof terrace, directly opposite St Stephen's Cathedral. Dress code: evening wear. Price per person: EUR 220 incl. 1 glass of champagne.

Terms for reservations and cancellations: Credit card details are required when booking to guarantee the reservation. Reservations may be cancelled without charge until November 29, 2018. The total amount will be charged on November 30, 2018 using the credit card details provided. Cancellations after this date will not be refunded in full, i.e. charges will be applied.

For reservations please contact office@hotelamstephanplatz.at or tel. +43 1 53 405 - 720

FALKENSTEINER HOTEL WIEN MARGARETEN

Margaretengürtel 142, 1050 Vienna; tel. +43 1 361 639 00, e-mail: at.fwm.frontoffice@falkensteiner.com, www.margareten.falkensteiner.com

Experience New Year's Eve night in the contemporary Biedermeier ambience of the Falkensteiner Hotel Wien Margareten. From 6:30 p.m., you can look forward to a reception in the courtyard or at the "Nepumuk" bar. An exclusive five-course New Year's Eve menu (vegetarian options available) will be served in the "Danhauser" restaurant from 7 p.m., with background music.

Enjoy the New Year's Eve fireworks with Blue Danube Waltz and Pummerin bell on the roof terrace with a midnight snack and sparkling wine. "Nepumuk" bar open until 2 a.m. (closed 11.30 p.m. to 12.30 a.m.) Price for the menu incl. midnight snack and 1 glass of sparkling wine on the roof terrace: EUR 129 per person. Please reserve early, limited places.

LE MÉRIDIEN

Opernring 13-15, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 588 90 88 90, e-mail: info@you-vienna.at, www.lemeridienvienna.at or www.you-vienna.com

Celebrate and enjoy the end of the year with a five-course menu in the uniquely stylish ambience of the restaurant YOU at the Le Méridien hotel. 6 p.m. Moët & Chandon aperitif, 7 p.m. amuse-bouche. EUR 195 per person incl. aperitif, 5-course menu and accompanying wines.

New Year's brunch on 1 January 2018, buffet from 12 noon to 3 p.m. with live broadcast of the New Year's Concert. EUR 68 per person incl. prosecco, coffee, juices.

RADISSON BLU STYLE HOTEL

Herrngasse 12, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 22 780 3610, e-mail: banquet.style.vienna@radissonblu.com, www.radissonblu.com/stylehotel-vienna

Guests can look forward to a multi-course New Year's Eve gala menu in the restaurant at the Radisson Blu. Enjoy the end of the year with culinary delights ranging from baked oyster, foie gras, and braised Cornish pork cheek to a Callebaut chocolate trio. Prices: EUR 99 per person (excl. accompanying wines), EUR 134 per person (incl. accompanying wines).

ARCOTEL WIMBERGER

Neubaugürtel 34-36, 1070 Vienna, tel. +43 1 521 65-0, e-mail: wimberger@arcotelhotels.com, www.handwerk-restaurant.at or www.arcotelhotels.com/wimberger

The Arcotel Wimberger for the New Year's Eve gala: Celebrate the longest night of the year with your family and friends in the traditional Wimberger ballroom. Be pampered by chef Christoph Stiglitz with the delicious New Year's Eve buffet and the traditional eating of the pig's head. For everyone who likes to move their legs after the meal: Dance into the new year in the Wimberger ballroom to the sounds of the Blue Danube Waltz and to live music played by our New Year's Eve band. At the traditional lead-pouring ceremony and card reading, you can hear from our fortune-teller what the new year has in store for you, and you will be spellbound by our amazing magic and fireworks show.

All-inclusive package for EUR 169 per person incl. non-alcoholic drinks, beer, wine, sparkling champagne (welcome and at midnight), children 0-5 years free of charge, children 6-12 years 50% discount. Starts at 8 p.m.

From 11 p.m., dance into the morning hours in Joe's Bar to the hot rhythms of our DJs.

If you want to go on the New Year's Eve Trail, you can enjoy a 4-course New Year's Eve dinner menu in the à la carte "Handwerk" restaurant from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. at EUR 85 per person, children 0-5 years free of charge, children 6-12 years 50% discount.

New Year's Day brunch on January 1 with live broadcast of the New Year's Concert in the Wimberger ballroom. Price EUR 59 per person, children 0-5 years free, 6-12 years 50% discount, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

GRAND FERDINAND

Schubertring 10-12, 1010 Vienna, tel. +43 1 91 880-0, e-mail: welcome@grandferdinand.com,
<https://grandferdinand.com> or <https://meisslundschn.at>

The restaurant Meissl & Schn in the Hotel Grand Ferdinand on the Ringstrasse boulevard stands for Viennese cuisine. On New Year's Eve, guests can choose between a large and a small New Year's Eve menu. The small menu offers 3 courses (with soup for EUR 80 per person, with steak tartare for EUR 85 per person, accompanying wines for an additional EUR 35 per person). 5:30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

The large menu is available from 8:30 p.m. and begins with a glass of Perrier-Jouët Grand Brut champagne. This is followed by a 5-course menu for EUR 150 per person (accompanying wines an additional EUR 60 per person).

In the Grand Étage, you'll celebrate the change of year with a view of Vienna. Sparkling wine and punch reception with chestnuts and canapés on the roof terrace from 7 p.m. Dinner starts at 8 p.m. EUR 250 per person incl. sparkling wine reception, multi-course gala menu, non-alcoholic drinks, appropriate accompanying wines and midnight snack. Reservations at grandetage@grandferdinand.com

HOTEL MELIÁ VIENNA

Danube-City-Strasse 7, 1220 Vienna, tel. +43 1 90 104 2048, e-mail:
events.melia.vienna@melia.com, www.57melia.com

The Hotel Meliá in the DC Tower, the tallest building in Austria, invites you to its New Year's Eve party in the 57 Lounge on the top floor from 10 p.m. The price of EUR 139 per person - or EUR 169 per person for a window seat - includes a fingerfood buffet. Reservations are guaranteed by pre-ordering a bottle of champagne from EUR 105 for a maximum of 4 people. The Viennese DJ Oliver Maas provides the cool beats on the turntables. Dress code: Dress to impress.

A multi-course New Year's Eve dinner including oyster bar, starter and dessert buffet begins at 8 p.m. in the 57 Restaurant for EUR 319 per person - or EUR 349 per person for a window seat - including soft drinks, water, coffee and small midnight buffet. The live act Victoria Marx supplies music to suit the mood.

25HOURS HOTEL

Lerchenfelderstrasse 1-3, 1070 Vienna, tel. +43 1 521 51 820, e-mail: events.wien@25hours-hotels.com, www.25hours-hotels.com/wien

For the New Year's Eve party, the rooftop transforms into a 1950s Swing'n'Roll setting. We set the eighth floor trembling when DJ King D plays his beloved vinyl records. The band King D & the Royals Of Rhythm plays at prime time, and is sure to get everyone up and dancing. Elvis curl, suspenders and petticoat are essential for the perfect Rockabilly look. 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. EUR 109 per person incl. aperitif, a glass at midnight to welcome in the new year, and a 1950s-style snack. Tickets for the New Year's Eve rooftop party are limited and only available at the reception desk of the 25hours Hotel.

Before heading off on the New Year's Eve Trail or for a boost of energy before the Swing'n'Roll party, there's a New Year's Eve buffet at 1500 Foodmakers. Everything that Rock'n'Roll has to offer is served up here. Wines from Rockabilly Weinkult and Italian delicacies from the kitchen round off this special evening. On December 31, 2018, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. or from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. for EUR 69 per person excl. drinks. In combination with roof tickets for EUR 59 per person excl. drinks. Table reservations by email at 1500foodmakers.wien@25hours-hotels.com

SO/ VIENNA

Praterstrasse 1, 1020 Vienna, tel. +43 1 906 160, e-mail: dasloftwien@sofitel.com,
www.so-vienna.com

A glamorous night above the roofs of Vienna: Experience the change of year surrounded by the fireworks and celebrate in the Das Loft restaurant on the 18th floor of the SO/ Vienna. An unmistakable ambience and an unforgettable view combine with cosmopolitan cuisine and sparkling cocktails. Waiting for you in the Das Loft is a special 6-course menu including accompanying wines. The luxury package comes with 1 glass of champagne, a 6-course menu with accompanying wines, soft drinks, tea, coffee for EUR 555 per person. The VIP package for EUR 595 per person additionally includes a seat right by the window.

THE GUESTHOUSE VIENNA

Führichgasse 10, 1010 Vienna, tel. +43 1 512 13 20-15, e-mail: brasserie@theguesthouse.at,
www.theguesthouse.at

In the heart of downtown, located behind the Vienna State Opera and opposite the Albertina, the Brasserie & Bakery at The Guesthouse Vienna is the place to dine in the timelessly elegant ambience created by the award-winning British designer Sir Terence Conran. For New Year's Eve, a 4-course menu is served for EUR 85 per person and a 7-course menu for EUR 130 per person (plus EUR 3.50 cover charge). Included are delicacies such as Jerusalem artichoke soup with Viennese snail, pan-friend scallops, pink roasted fillet of veal. Starts at 6 p.m.

THE RITZ-CARLTON VIENNA

Schubertring 5-7, 1010 Vienna, tel. +43 1 311 88-150, e-mail:
vienna.restaurant@ritzcarlton.com, www.ritzcarlton.com/en/hotels/europe/vienna

The perfect end to the year and festive period can be had in stylish Ritz Carlton tradition at an elegant New Year's Eve party in the restaurant. The luxurious 5-course menu including show dessert from the kitchen of the Dstrikt Steakhouse and atmospheric live music can be booked for EUR 195 per person. In addition, there is a quick 3-course menu for EUR 95 per person from 5.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m., with no need to miss out on the finest cuisine despite attending the concert afterwards. A delicious surf and turf of lobster and beef fillet will be served as the main course.

NEW YEAR'S EVE AND NEW YEAR'S DAY CONCERTS

The world-famous New Year's Concert is not the only notable attraction in Vienna at the start of the new year.

The music capital of the world has a wealth of other performances by renowned orchestras on offer. A selection of concerts is given below. The full program can be found on our event database at www.vienna.info.

MUSIKVEREIN

Musikvereinplatz 1, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 505 81 90, e-mail: tickets@musikverein.at,
www.musikverein.at

Vienna Ring Ensemble

New Year's Eve concert (December 30 at 7:30 p.m., December 31 at 3:00 p.m.): The Vienna Ring Ensemble, consisting of members of the Vienna Philharmonic, plays works by Johann Strauss and others in the atmospheric Brahms Hall at the change of year.

Vienna Philharmonic, conductor: Christian Thielemann:

New Year's Concert (11:15 a.m. on January 1); New Year's Eve concert (7:30 p.m. on December 31); public rehearsal of New Year's Concert (11 a.m. on December 30): all sold out.

Due to the heavy demand for tickets to the concerts given by the Vienna Philharmonic over the new year period, these tickets are drawn by lot exclusively via the website www.wienerphilharmoniker.at at the beginning of the year. Registrations to participate in the draw for tickets to concerts for the following year are accepted between January 2 and February 28 each year. The Musikverein itself does not sell tickets for the New Year's Concert.

VIENNA KONZERTHAUS

Lothringer Strasse 20, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 242 002, e-mail: ticket@konzerthaus.at,
www.konzerthaus.at

Wiener Symphoniker: "Beethoven: Symphony No. 9," conductor: Andrés Orozco-Estrada, December 31 at 7 p.m. and January 1 at 8 p.m. in the Great Hall, tickets: EUR 43 to EUR 145

New Year's Eve Gala: Wiener KammerOrchester, Igudesman & guests play "Waltz of the World", combining dance and music in unexpected ways, December 31, 10.30 p.m., Great Hall, tickets: EUR 43 to EUR 117

Strauss Festival Orchestra Vienna: conducted by Willy Büchler. "Art and Nature": Viennese sound painting by Josef Lanner, Franz von Suppé, Johann, Josef and Eduard Strauss, Carl Michael Ziehrer and Johann Schrammel. January 1, 11 a.m., Great Hall, tickets: EUR 43 to EUR 117

UNIVERSITY CHURCH / JESUIT CHURCH

Dr.-Ignaz-Seipel Platz 1, 1010 Vienna, tel. +43 (0)664 336 64 64, e-mail:
bestellung@chorvereinigung-augustin.at, www.chorvereinigung-augustin.at

St. Augustin Choir, Soloists and Orchestra: January 6, 2019: Mozart's "Coronation Mass,"
commences: 10:30 a.m.

ST. STEPHEN'S CATHEDRAL

Stephansplatz, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 515 52-3193, e-mail: dommusik@stephanskirche.at,
www.dommusik-wien.at

December 30, 10.15 a.m.: High mass with "Missa in nativitate Domini" by Josef Gabriel
Rheinberger (1839-1901), performed by the Capella St. Stephan and Cathedral Orchestra

December 31, 4:30 p.m.: End of year prayers with "Music to mark the end of the year"
including works by Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy and John Rutter (soloists, Vienna Cathedral Choir,
Vienna Cathedral Orchestra)

VIENNA HOFBURG ORCHESTRA IN THE LIECHTENSTEIN GARDEN PALACE

Herkulesaal, Liechtenstein Garden Palace, Fürstengasse 1, 1090 Vienna; tel. +43 1 587 25
52, e-mail: konzerte@hofburgorchester.at, www.hofburgorchester.at

The Vienna Hofburg Orchestra and guest performers celebrate the new year in the beautiful
Hercules Hall of the Liechtenstein Gartenpalais. The program includes stirring waltzes, overtures
and polkas by the Strauss brothers and Franz von Suppé. Four renowned opera singers perform
captivating arias, duets and quartets by Franz Lehár, Johann Strauss II and Emmerich Kálmán.

December 31, 6:30 p.m. & January 1, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.,
ticket prices: EUR 70 to EUR 110

REGULAR CONCERTS FOCUSING ON STRAUSS AND MOZART THAT ALSO TAKE PLACE AT NEW YEAR:

SCHÖNBRUNN PALACE ORCHESTRA IN THE ORANGERY AT SCHÖNBRUNN PALACE

Schönbrunner Schloßstrasse 47, 1130 Vienna; tel. +43 1 812 50 040, www.imagevienna.com,
e-mail: office@imagevienna.com

December 31 at 7 p.m., ticket prices: VIP category – EUR 136; Category A Deluxe – EUR 96;
Category B Grand – EUR 79; Category C Imperial – EUR 64

Concerts on January 1 at 4 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., ticket prices: VIP category – EUR 136; Category A Deluxe – EUR 96; Category B Grand – EUR 79; Category C Imperial – EUR 64

SALON ORCHESTRA OLD VIENNA AT THE VIENNA KURSALON

Johannesgasse 33, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 512 57 90, www.soundofvienna.at, e-mail: sound@soundofvienna.at

At its Strauss and Mozart concerts, the “Salonorchester Alt Wien” presents an evening filled with Viennese charm and lively waltz melodies, polkas, arias and duets as well as operetta music and piano concertos accompanied by outstanding opera singers and enchanting ballet soloists.

December 31, New Year’s Eve Concert 1 at 8:15 p.m., followed by a waltz workshop, dance music, a fireworks display and New Year’s Eve party. New Year’s Eve Concert 2 at 10:30 p.m., followed by dance music, a fireworks display and New Year’s Eve party. Prices for the various categories range from EUR 58 to EUR 125. In combination with gala dinner – see page 3.

January 1, New Year’s Concert 1 at 5 p.m., New Year’s Concert 2 at 8:15 p.m., prices for the various categories range from EUR 58 to EUR 125. New Year’s Concert & Dinner package: concert at either 5 p.m. or 8:15 p.m. in combination with a four-course menu at Restaurant Johann excl. drinks, prices from EUR 105 to 172 depending on seat category at the concerts.

WIENER RESIDENZORCHESTER AT PALAIS AUERSPERG

Auerspergstrasse 1, 1080 Vienna; tel. +43 1 817 21 78, www.residenzorchester.at, e-mail: konzert@residenzorchester.at

Traditional classical concerts with the world-famous music of W.A. Mozart and Johann Strauss. The orchestra is accompanied by professional opera singers and ballet dancers and performs in historical costumes of the period.

December 31, 6:30 p.m., tickets available only in combination with gala dinner – see page 4. EUR 290 per person for concert, dinner and party

January 1, 8:15 p.m., tickets from EUR 45 to EUR 65, depending on category.

WIENER ROYAL ORCHESTRA IN THE HOUSE OF INDUSTRY

Festsaal in the House of Industry, Schwarzenbergplatz 4, 1030 Vienna; tel. +43 1 513 01 39, www.royal-classic.at, e-mail: office@royal-classic.at

The Wiener Royal Orchestra combines art and entertainment of the highest quality. The “Royal Classic Gala” offers a musical kaleidoscope with works by Mozart, Strauss, Lanner, Léhar, Schrammel and Haydn. Selected musicians from Vienna’s most famous orchestras perform with soloists and ballet dancers to make each concert an authentic experience. December 31 and January 1, at 4:30 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. on both days, tickets: EUR 99 / 74 / 64 / 52, depending on the category.

CONCERTS IN THE MOZARTHAUS

Singerstrasse 7, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 911 90 77, www.mozarthaus.at, e-mail: konzerte@mozarthaus.at

The Sala Terrena in the Mozarthaus is an atmospheric place in which to be enchanted by a virtuoso string quartet. In one of the oldest concert halls in Vienna, where Mozart himself once played, the Baroque Ensemble Kammermusik plays the most famous compositions of Viennese classical music by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Franz Schubert and Joseph Haydn.

December 31 and January 1, 7:30 p.m., Category A: EUR 59, Category B: EUR 49

MUSIC HIGHLIGHTS

Vienna's varied musical offerings range from classical orchestral music in the city's traditional concert halls to operas, operettas, musicals and jazz.

Vienna's opera houses stage operas, operettas and musicals throughout the year, as well as over the New Year period. Highlights include Johann Strauss' "Die Fledermaus" (which, in time-honored tradition, will be performed both at the State Opera and the Volksoper on New Year's Eve) and well-known musicals.

VIENNA STATE OPERA

Opernring 2, 1010 Vienna; tel. +43 1 514 44 2250 (information), tel. +43 1 513 1 513 (ticket purchase with a credit card), www.wiener-staatsoper.at

- "The Nutcracker" ballet (Rudolf Nureyev): December 25, 27, & 29, 2018 and January 2 & 4, 2019
- "The Magic Flute" opera (Mozart): December 26 & 30, 2018
- "Die Fledermaus" operetta (Johann Strauss): December 31, 2018 and January 1, 3 & 5, 2019

From December 27, 2018 to January 1, 2019, the complete program is broadcast live from the Vienna State Opera on a giant outdoor screen right in front of the Opera House on Herbert-von-Karajan-Platz. In the afternoon of New Year's Eve, and from straight after the live broadcast of "Die Fledermaus" till midnight, a potpourri selection from historical and current productions is shown. The live broadcast of the New Year's Concert of the Vienna Philharmonic can also be seen here on January 1.

VOLKSOPER

Währinger Strasse 78, 1090 Vienna; tel. +43 1 514 44 3670 (information), tel. +43 1 513 1 513 (ticket purchase with a credit card), www.volksoper.at

- "My Fair Lady" musical: December 30, 2018
- "Die Fledermaus" operetta (Johann Strauss): December 31, 2018 (1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.) and January 1, 2019 (7 p.m.)

RONACHER

Seilerstätte 9, 1010 Vienna, tel. +43 1 588 85, www.musicalvienna.at

The German stage version of the 90s movie hit "Bodyguard" brings glamor and romance to the stage at the Ronacher - with the original songs in English, made famous by the 1992 movie starring Kevin Costner and Whitney Houston.

December 31, 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., ticket prices: EUR 20 to EUR 139.

RAIMUND THEATER

Wallgasse 18, 1060 Vienna; tel. +43 1 588 85, www.musicalvienna.at

The musical comedy "I am from Austria," at the Raimund Theater, with songs by Rainhard Fendrich, is a turbulent comedy of errors about love, friendship and families (performed in German). December 31, 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., ticket prices: EUR 20 to EUR 139.

THEATER AN DER WIEN

Linke Wienzeile 6, 1060 Vienna, tel. +43 1 588 85, www.theater-wien.at

Euryanthe: Grand romantic opera in three acts (1823), music by Carl Maria von Weber
December 31, 7 p.m., tickets: EUR 25 to 148.

MUTH – CONCERT HALL OF THE VIENNA BOYS' CHOIR

Am Augartenspitz 1, 1020 Vienna, tel. +43 1 347 80 80, www.muth.at, e-mail: tickets@muth.at

The best is saved for last: The Flying Schnörtzenbrekkers

Program: The latest from Ivica Strauss – On the trail of one who is rightly forgotten

"The Flying Schnörtzenbrekkers" are the musical virtuosi Georg Breinschmid, Sebastian Gürtler and Tommaso Huber, whose New Year's Eve show is a daredevil artistic balancing act. Let

the fictional character Ivica Strauss guide you through the evening and enjoy a witty, cabaret-style take on the New Year's Eve classics.

Double bass, singer, composer: Georg Breinschmid

Violin, singer, composer: Sebastian Gürtler

Accordion, singer, composer: Tommaso Huber

December 31, 2018, 7.30 p.m.,

Ticket prices: Category A EUR 55, category B EUR 50, category C EUR 45, box EUR 65.

The jazz scene is also offering a packed program for New Year's Eve with live performances by musicians from Austria and abroad. Delight in great jazz sounds at Porgy & Bess (www.porgy.at) or Albertina Passage (www.albertinapassage.at).

For further program details, visit the Vienna Tourist Board event database at www.vienna.info

EXHIBITIONS

The following is just a small selection of upcoming exhibitions. For information on other exhibitions in Vienna, visit our event database at www.vienna.info.

CLAUDE MONET

Until January 6, 2019 at the Albertina

Albertinaplatz 1, 1010 Vienna, www.albertina.at

Open daily, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., Wed. & Fri. 9 a.m. – 9 p.m., December 31, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., January 1, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. (only for the exhibition „Claude Monet“)

BRUEGEL

Until January 13, 2019 at the Kunsthistorisches Museum Vienna

Maria-Theresien-Platz, 1010 Vienna, www.khm.at

During the special exhibition daily 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., Thursday 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.; December 31: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., January 1: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

EGON SCHIELE. THE MAKING OF A COLLECTION

Until February 2, 2019, in the Orangery, Lower Belvedere

Prinz Eugen-Strasse 27, 1030 Vienna, www.belvedere.at

Open daily 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., Fri. 10 a.m. – 9 p.m., December 31: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., January 1: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

POLLY APFELBAUM

Until January 13, 2019 in the Belvedere 21
Arsenalstrasse 1, 1030 Vienna, www.belvedere21.at
Wed. 11 a.m. – 9 p.m., Thu. 11 a.m. – 6 p.m., Fri. 11 a.m. – 9 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.,
December 31: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., January 1: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

EGON SCHIELE. THE JUBILEE SHOW RELOADED

Until March 3 at the Leopold Museum Vienna
Museumsplatz 1, MuseumsQuartier, 1070 Vienna, www.leopoldmuseum.org
Open daily 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., Thu. 10 a.m. – 9 p.m., December 31: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., January 1:
10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

55 DATES

Until February 2, 2019 at the mumok – Museum for Modern Art, Ludwig Foundation
Museumsplatz 1, 1070 Vienna, www.mumok.at
Mon. 2 p.m. – 7 p.m., Tue-Sun 10 a.m. – 7 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.; December 31: 10 a.m. –
4 p.m., January 1: 12 noon – 7 p.m.

KOLOMAN MOSER. UNIVERSAL ARTIST BETWEEN GUSTAV KLIMT AND JOSEF HOFFMANN

Until April 22, 2019, MAK – Austrian Museum of Applied Arts/Contemporary Art
Stubenring 5, 1010 Vienna, www.mak.at
Tue. 10 a.m. – 10 p.m., Wed.-Sun. 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; December 31: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., January 1:
closed

SKIN DEEP. HAIR DRESSERS, BARBERS, BEAUTICIANS

Until January 6, 2019 at the Wien Museum
Karlsplatz, 1040 Vienna, www.wienmuseum.at
Tue.-Sun. 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., December 31: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., January 1: closed

LEONARD BERNSTEIN. A NEW YORKER IN VIENNA

Until May 5, 2019 at the Judenplatz Museum
Judenplatz 8, 1010 Vienna, www.jmw.at
Sun.-Thu. 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., Fri. 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., December 31: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., January 1: 10
a.m. – 6 p.m.

The opening hours of most Viennese museums for the New Year period are available online
at www.vienna.info

CELEBRATE THE NEW YEAR ...

... ON THE GIANT FERRIS WHEEL

A popular saying goes: "If you've never been on the Giant Ferris Wheel, you've never really been to Vienna." Take a spin on Vienna's Giant Ferris Wheel and await the New Year in a romantic gondola high above the city's rooftops. On December 31, this Viennese landmark will be running from 10 a.m. until 2 a.m., and on January 1 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. After that, you can enjoy the New Year's Eve Trail on Riesenradplatz and experience the grand musical fireworks display.

Wiener Riesenrad, Riesenradplatz 1, 1020 Vienna; tel. +43 1 729 54 30,
www.wienerriesenrad.com

... ABOVE THE CLOUDS

Celebrate New Year's Eve at 2,000 meters above Vienna ... Soar into the New Year high above the city with a sightseeing flight in a private jet! On December 31 at 10 p.m., a Cadillac luxury limousine of your choice will collect you and your companions for the trip to the waiting private jet at Vienna International Airport. The flight departs at 11:30 p.m. Your crew and a champagne buffet prepared by Do&Co await you on board. At an altitude of 2,000 meters, you can enjoy spectacular views of St. Stephen's Cathedral, the Giant Ferris Wheel and Vienna's traditional New Year's Eve fireworks, before returning to the airport's General Aviation Center at 12:30 a.m., where your driver will be waiting to pick you up. Price: EUR 4,800 for 6 people, EUR 800 per person (including all services, excluding deicing deposit as required).

Information and reservations: www.ccl.at or tel. +43 1 231 00 35

... WITH A VIEW FROM THE DANUBE TOWER

Fireworks as far as the eye can see: At the Danube Tower, you won't just celebrate New Year's Eve, you'll be right in the thick of it! Spend an unforgettable evening above the roofs of Vienna and experience a spectacular change of year with a whole bunch of culinary highlights and a unique 360-degree panoramic view across the city. Guests can choose from between three packages in the newly renovated Danube Tower:

New Year's Eve gala menu at a height of 170 meters with elevator ride up the Danube Tower, entertainment program, multi-course menu including aperitif, Schlumberger sparkling wine, non-alcoholic drinks, beer, accompanying wines from notable Austrian vintners, digestif and coffee. Admission: 7:30 p.m., start: 8 p.m. Price per person: EUR 285.

New Year's Eve buffet at a height of 160 meters with elevator ride up the Danube Tower, culinary delicacies at the buffet, non-alcoholic drinks, wine, beer, coffee, Schlumberger sparkling wine, entertainment program. Admission: 8:30 p.m., buffet opens: 9 p.m. Price per person: EUR 215.

Sparkling wine reception on the indoor terrace at a height of 150 meters with a view over Vienna with elevator ride up the Danube Tower, 1 magnum of Schlumberger sparkling wine (1.5 liters), orange juice (1 liter), cold canapés. Access from 10 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. Price per tall table: EUR 440 for up to 8 people. The Schlumberger sparkling wine bar also serves bar drinks, beer, wine and non-alcoholic drinks.

Information & booking: Danube Tower, Donauturmstrasse/Mispelweg 8, A-1220 Vienna, tel. +43 1 263 35 72, reservation only with advance payment and by e-mail: reservierungen@donauturm.at, www.donauturm.at

... ABOARD AN IMPERIAL LUXURY TRAIN

Experience the arrival of the New Year in grand imperial style aboard the Majestic Emperor Train de Luxe, a faithful reconstruction of Emperor Franz Joseph's imperial train. The New Year's Express will take you on a tour through Vienna and the surrounding area into the new year on rails. On the night-time trip around Vienna, enjoy a five-course gala dinner and the sounds of lively music in the dancing carriage. At midnight, the train stops on a bridge over the Danube to offer the best view of the magnificent fireworks above Vienna. Welcome the New Year with the Blue Danube Waltz in the middle of the Danube.

Departs at 7:30 p.m. on December 31 from Vienna's Franz-Josefs-Bahnhof station. Train returns to Franz-Josefs-Bahnhof station at approx. 2:15 a.m. Price: EUR 405 incl. sparkling sekt reception on board, five-course gala dinner, midnight snack and drinks.

Reservations and information: Majestic Train de Luxe GmbH, tel. +43 1 513 28 81, e-mail: office@majestic-train.com, www.majestic-train.com

... ON THE BLUE DANUBE

Welcome the new year at the New Year's Eve Gala on board the festively decorated MS Dürnstein or MS Admiral Tegetthoff. Dance to atmospheric live music and hear the live broadcast of the Pummerin bell at midnight. Enjoy a wonderful view of Vienna's fireworks from the open-air deck – at a safe distance from any firecrackers. Let the crew pamper you with an exclusive buffet and take you on a delightful culinary cruise. The boats depart from the pier at Wien/Reichsbrücke and cruise through Vienna on the Danube towards the lock at Greifenstein. The boats turn below the lock and return along the river towards the lights of Vienna. December 31, boarding at 7 p.m. at the Reichsbrücke in Vienna, boat departs at 8 p.m., returns to Reichsbrücke at 12:30 a.m., event ends at 3 a.m. Price: EUR 179 per person, incl. river cruise on the Danube, aperitif, gala buffet, midnight snack, live dance music.

Reservations: DDSG Blue Danube Schifffahrt, Handelskai 265, A-1020 Vienna; tel. +43 1 588 80 0, e-mail: info@ddsg-blue-danube.at, www.ddsg-blue-danube.at

The end of an era! The two Twin City Liners, which have linked the two capital cities of Vienna and Bratislava for 13 successful seasons now, will be handing over this delightful task to their big brother from the 2019 season onwards. But before the handover, these traditional Twin City Liners will make a ceremonial farewell voyage on New Year's Eve. Make the most of this "last" chance to enjoy the original Twin City Liners and experience the turn of the year on the New Year's Eve Trail in Bratislava. Departure from Vienna (Schwedenplatz) at 7 p.m. on December 31, 2018, arrival in Bratislava at 8:15 p.m., then free time in Bratislava to do as you please. Departure from Bratislava at 1:30 a.m. on January 1, 2019, arrival in Vienna (Schwedenplatz) at 3 a.m. Check-in half an hour before departure. A valid travel document is required! Tickets only bookable as a return. Price per person: EUR 99 incl. sparkling wine and canapés. Tickets only in advance from:

DDSG Blue Danube Schifffahrt, Handelskai 265, 1020 Vienna; tel. +43 1904 88 80, e-mail: booking@twincityliner.com, www.twincityliner.com

... AT ONE WITH NATURE

Enjoy New Year's Eve at the Oktogon café-restaurant "Am Himmel" in the 19th district with a sensational view over Vienna, the New Year's Eve fireworks before and after midnight, and waltzing in the resonant setting of the "Circle of the Trees of Life" Am Himmel.

Tickets for the New Year's Eve party in the Oktogon Am Himmel café-restaurant and further information can be ordered by e-mail from himmel@himmel.at. Package price per person: EUR 160 (EUR 140 all inclusive with food and drinks, plus EUR 20 service). No dress code. Admission tickets can also be sent by post and payment slip.

Café Restaurant Oktogon Am Himmel, corner of Höhenstrasse / Himmelstrasse, 1190 Vienna, December 31, 2018 at 7.30 p.m., information: tel. +43 1 406 59 38 (office) and +43 1 328 89 36 (Oktogon), e-mail: himmel@himmel.at, www.himmel.at

... WITH ORIENTAL FLAIR

With a hammam, restaurant, club and café, Moroccan inspired lifestyle and cuisine as well as a varied entertainment program, Aux Gazelles is a wonderful place to relax, dine and party. On New Year's Eve, it is definitely the place to party in style: New Year's Eve Hammam: Ritual cleansing to welcome in the New Year in a hammam bath, with body scrub and soap foam massage, peppermint tea, and a glass of orange blossom champagne (3 p.m. to 8 p.m.). From 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., have the New Year's Eve dinner buffet with select delicacies of modern Middle Eastern and Mediterranean cuisine – including a glass of crémant as an aperitif and to ring in the New Year, DJs, live music and belly dancing until the early hours of the morning. Hammam session: EUR 70 per person, Hammam & dinner party: EUR 190 per person, dinner party: EUR 120 per person, party only: from 10 p.m. (EUR 25 per person).

Aux Gazelles, Rahlgasse 5, 1060 Vienna, tel. +43 1 585 66 45, e-mail: office@auxgazelles.at, www.auxgazelles.at

... AT A WALTZ DANCE CLASS

Friends of the dance can learn the basics of the Viennese waltz at a dance class at 12:30 p.m. on December 31, 2018, in the Hofburg Vienna. Instructors from the renowned Elmayer Dance School introduce the participants to the art of the waltz. The ideal way to prepare for the dance into the new year. The class lasts about an hour. The price per couple is EUR 90 (EUR 45 per person).

Hofburg Vienna, 1010 Vienna, Heldenplatz, tel. +43 1 587 36 66 214, fax +43 1 535 64 26, e-mail: silvesterball@hofburg.com, www.hofburgsilvesterball.at

... AT AN ENTERTAINING DINNER SHOW

Palazzo also celebrates New Year, with first-class entertainment and exquisite culinary delights. Acrobats and award-winning artists create a show in the unique atmosphere of the elegant mirror palace. Top chef Toni Mörwald has created a very special menu for this occasion. Enjoy fine, regional cuisine, excitingly presented with a contemporary twist. The grand New Year's Eve gala event offers a show program as well as a five-course gourmet menu, a midnight buffet

and an aftershow party with DJ. Starting at 7.30 p.m., ticket prices: EUR 198 for circle, EUR 218 for box seats, EUR 228 for arena, EUR 238 for arena premium, plus booking fee of EUR 2 per ticket.

Palazzo Spiegelpalast, Am Messeturm, Ausstellungsstrasse / corner of Perspektivstrasse, 1020 Vienna. Tickets: tel. +43 (0) 800 01 77 66, e-mail: ticket@palazzo.org, www.palazzo.org

... OUT ON THE YOUNG VIENNA SCENE

The younger crowd in Vienna will once again be welcoming in the New Year at parties and club events. Look out for "in" venues like Pratersauna, Flex, Grelle Forelle, Fluc, U4, B72, Babenberger Passage or the Volksgarten Club Disco.

To find out more, look up "Clubs & Parties" in the Vienna Tourist Board event database at www.vienna.info.

... ON THE NEW YEAR'S EVE RUN

The 5.3 km New Year's Eve run takes you round the historic city center, passing sights such as the Hofburg Palace, the Kunsthistorisches Museum, the Naturhistorisches Museum, the Austrian Parliament, City Hall, the Burgtheater and the University of Vienna. Now in its 42nd year, the race around Vienna's Ringstrasse has become something of a modern-day tradition. The starting pistol will be fired in front of the University of Vienna (Universitätsring 1) at 11 a.m. on December 31.

Information: LCC Wien; tel. +43 1 729 65 85, e-mail: lcc.wien@speed.at, www.lcc-wien.at, online registration by December 26, 2018, at www.pentek-payment.at or in person from December 27-30, 2018, in the hall of the University of Vienna, Universitätsring 1, 1010 Vienna

... AT THE NEW YEAR'S MARKET IN FRONT OF SCHÖNBRUNN PALACE

Handicrafts from Austria, good luck charms for the new year, culinary treats, punch and mulled wine also await guests at the New Year's Market in front of the atmospheric Schönbrunn Palace on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

December 27, 2018, to January 1, 2019. Ehrenhof in front of Schönbrunn Palace, 1130 Vienna, daily from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., www.weihnachtsmarkt.co.at

... AT THE SILVESTERDORF (NEW YEAR'S VILLAGE) ON MARIA-THERESIEN-PLATZ

From December 27 to December 31, the Silvesterdorf will be held on Maria-Theresien-Platz, and on the last day of the year is also part of the official New Year's Eve Trail in Vienna's Old City. Restaurateurs will treat visitors to home-made delicacies, punch and mulled wine. Craft products on sale range from decorative wood, glass and ceramic jewelry to high-class watercolors and oil paintings.

December 27 to 31, 2018, Maria-Theresien-Platz, 1010 Vienna, December 27-30: 11 a.m. – 7 p.m., December 31: 11 a.m. – 6 p.m., www.silvesterdorf.at

... AT THE WINTER MARKET ON RIESENRADPLATZ

The winter market on Riesenradplatz in the Prater is open until January 6. Punch and live music performances (Thu., Fri., Sat., & Sun., from 7 p.m.) are a great way to keep visitors warm, with everything from gospel to pop and soul. For children there are adventure rides on the winter train,

pony-riding and much more. New Year's Eve in the Prater is a special highlight. As part of the New Year's Eve Trail, there is a special musical program and an unforgettable musical firework display at Riesenradplatz.

Until January 6, 2019, Riesenradplatz, 1020 Vienna, Mon.-Fri. 12 noon to 10 p.m., Sat., Sun. and public holidays 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., December 31: 12 noon to 2 a.m., www.wintermarkt.at

... ON A GUIDED CITY WALK

Simply show up at the meeting point and come along for only EUR 16 (EUR 14 for Vienna City Card holders). Guided tours last about one-and-a-half to two hours. The wide range of tours includes walks through the old city center, to the Hofburg Palace, to Viennese art nouveau buildings, and on the trail of the artist-architect Friedensreich Hundertwasser or high-class lady of the night, Josephine Mutzenbacher. Pick your tour! The detailed program is also posted at www.wienguide.at

... WITH THE LIVE BROADCAST FROM THE VIENNA STATE OPERA

From December 27, 2018 to January 1, 2019, the complete program is broadcast live from the Vienna State Opera on a giant outdoor screen right in front of the Opera House on Herbert-von-Karajan-Platz. In the afternoon of New Year's Eve, and from straight after the live broadcast of "Die Fledermaus" till midnight, a potpourri selection from historical and current productions is shown. The live broadcast of the New Year's Concert of the Vienna Philharmonic can also be seen here on January 1.

December 27, 2018 to January 1, 2019, Vienna State Opera, Herbert-von-Karajan-Platz, 1010 Vienna, www.wiener-staatsoper.at

... IN THE HOUSE OF MUSIC

Discover the House of Music on the New Year's Eve Trail. You can conduct the Blue Danube Waltz or get yourself in the mood for the New Year's Concert in the museum of the Vienna Philharmonic. Free admission from 2 p.m. – 10 p.m.

House of Music, Seilerstätte 30, 1010 Vienna, Tel. +43 1 513 48 50, www.hdm.at

... WITH GOURMET TREATS

At Steirereck Restaurant in Stadtpark, Head chef Heinz Reitbauer (awarded 2 Michelin stars) and his team offer a multi-course New Year's Eve surprise menu. The traditions of New Year's Eve in Vienna are enriched with live music. At midnight you can listen to the Pummerin bell of nearby St. Stephen's Cathedral from the terrace and dance into the new year with a Vienna waltz. The traditional lead-pouring follows, where you can see what the future holds for you in 2019. EUR 295 per person (excluding drinks), wines with the meal EUR 120 per person. Latest start time 8:30 p.m.

In the nearby Meierei in Stadtpark guests can enjoy a four-course surprise menu created by Heinz Reitbauer. Reservations from 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., EUR 75 per person (extra charge to reserve matching wines). For reservations from 9 p.m. onwards, with open end, the EUR 145 price includes the four-course dinner, accompanying wine (1 glass per person) and a glass of champagne.

Steirereck im Stadtpark, Heumarkt 2A (in Stadtpark), 1030 Vienna, tel. +43 1 713 31 68. For reservations in writing to wien@steirereck.at or by fax to +43 1 713 31 68-2, www.steirereck.at

... AT GERSTNER K.U.K. HOFZUCKERBÄCKER

Right in the heart of Vienna, with a unique view of the Vienna State Opera, the magnificent salons of the Gerstner K.u.K. Hofzuckerbäckerei Café-Restaurant offer an imperial setting to start the new year.

Gerstner New Year's Brunch on January 1, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (sumptuous range of starters from the buffet, choice of main course served at the table, desserts from the sweet counter); EUR 79 per person excluding drinks; Premium Package including selection of drinks, EUR 109 per person.

Gerstner K.u.K. Hofzuckerbäcker, Café-Restaurant on the third floor, Kärntner Strasse 51 (Palais Todesco), 1010 Vienna. For reservations, tel. +43 1 526 13 61, e-mail: brunch@gerstner.at, www.gerstner-konditorei.at

... WITH A FANTASTIC VIEW OF VIENNA

Celebrate New Year's Eve above the rooftops of Vienna: From 11 p.m. to 2 a.m., you can celebrate the change of year in the Café ocean'sky on the roof of the House of the Sea with a fantastic view of Vienna. At midnight, you'll be surrounded by the grand firework display. EUR 79 per person incl. welcome drink, canapés and sparkling wine at midnight. From 12.30 a.m., guests can recharge their batteries on Sacherwürstel sausage or potato goulash (EUR 6.50 each). Tickets while stocks last (contingent of 100 tickets) at:

www.haus-des-meeres.at/de/Besucherinfo/Online-Tickets/Online-Tickets.htm

House of the Sea, Fritz-Grünbaum-Platz 1, 1060 Vienna, www.haus-des-meeres.at, tel. +43 1 587 14 17-32, e-mail: oceansky@haus-des-meeres.at

... DINING UNDER THE PALMS

Surrounded by palms and numerous exotic plants, dine in the Palm House, which is also a café, brasserie and bar. New Year's Eve festivities are also held here in this beautiful Art Nouveau building constructed from glass and steel and measuring up to 15 meters in height. A multi-course menu ranging from quail supreme to poached salmon trout fillet is served here from 7 p.m. Price per person: EUR 168 incl. cover charge and a glass of champagne. At midnight, the guests can waltz into the new year on the terrace in the heart of the city center with a view of the fireworks.

Palm House (Palmenhaus), Burggarten 1, 1010 Vienna, www.palmenhaus.at, tel. +43 1 533 10 33, email: office@palmenhaus.at

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