

Splendor at the Sacher

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Vienna is a stylish metropolis rich with music and culture, and at the heart of it all is the world-famous [Hotel Sacher](#) .



Conveniently located on the southern tip of the Ringstraße, it stands directly opposite the impressive [State Opera House](#) , where it has presided over the arts district since 1876. After experiencing an awe-inspiring performance of Handel's Messiah at the nearby [Musikverein](#) , our small group ventured to [Blaue Bar](#) at the Hotel Sacher Vien for some post-theater libations.



The Hotel Sacher is a luxurious establishment steeped in history, yet contemporarily regarded as a posh location for aristocrats, actors, royalty, and the rich and the famous. One step inside the door and you're transported back to a more glamorous time. You can easily imagine men in tuxedos, cigar smoke encircling their heads, sidling up to stately women in sweeping gowns of sequin and chiffon, their hair perfectly coiffed and lips a deep ruby red. This grand venue has played host to notables such as Queen Elizabeth II, Grace Kelly, and John F. Kennedy, amongst a slew of others. Fortunately, the Hotel Sacher has managed to retain its allure, and the guests still dress to the nines and conduct themselves like royalty.

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[Photograph of the Sacher lounge](#)



[Photograph of the group at the bar](#)



[Photograph of the chocolate cake](#)



[Photograph of the women on the sofa](#)

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