

Act like a local

Graz often described as the Little Italy of Austria, is still. As a true local you have to ride a bicycle! Also during don't know why! We love our city for its historic center, such thing as bad weather, only bad clothing. its Mediterranean vibe and its mild climate. We call it the ideal hybrid of a cosmopolitan city and a laid-back village. SAVE OUR HANSIS, PLEASE...

come to walk the dog.

GRAZ IS BLACK & WHITE.

Although Styria is green, Graz is black & white! If you If your local date asks where to meet, it has to be but doubtlessly best - fanbase! Ois für die Schwoazn! engagement ring if the night goes well. ("Everything for the blacks!")

in short: do everything in the park. The biggest and most too long... popular ones are Stadtpark (#27) and Augarten (#67).

1 A FRIENDLY ALIEN Tue-Sun 10:00-17:00, students €3,50 / regular €9,50

The KUNSTHAUS GRAZ first opened its doors in 2003 peaceful garden. when Europe designated Graz as Capital of Culture. The biomorphic building - locally known as the Friendly Alien PURE BARBER - and its external BIX media façade, which serves as a platform for light installations, have become an attraction all over the world. The recently enlarged shop sells lifestyle and designer gifts as well as selected exhibition catalogs. Drinking coffee in the stylish museum café is a must-do!

2 CHILLING AT THE RIVER

(E.J. Brücke) If you want to escape the noise of the city, walk along the river bank Murpromenade. In summer, the CITYBEACH (May-August) opens its stage. Here you get a beachy atmosphere, live bands, DJ-sets and murals on 6 THE RED ROOF LANDSCAPE the walls. A real (and free!) hotspot where we all meet up. have drinks and chill out.

3 HANDMADE FILLED TORTELLINI on-Fri 11:00-19:30. Sat 11:00-15:30

vegans. They even serve chocolate Pierogi for the ones heritage and Graz being in danger of losing its title. with a sweet tooth. Some say their Pierogi are even better than in Poland, mixing tradition with the local Styrian twist.

4 LITTLE ITALY

Drinking wine, eating pizza, shopping for chocolates or just watching others doing this: locals just love the tiny square at FRANZISKANERVIERTEL for its lively Italian atmosphere. A few sun rays are usually enough to fill the little squares and alleys with coffee tables, sunshades

not a typical tourist hive like Salzburg or Vienna. We winter, when it's raining, cold and windy... There is no

They jump through parks, they climb on trees and there are reportedly max. 100 of them left in Graz. We're The Mur river is a significant element of the cityscape. It talking about our beloved squirrels, who are all called divides the city into two parts, right and left. The paths Hansi, Why? Nobody can tell. The squirrels who live on both sides of the river resemble bicycle-trails, and in and around Stadtpark, the green heart of the city. are perfect to reach your destinations quickly. The young are threatened by extinction because they lack food. come to run with earplugs, midlifers come to jog, the old Therefore, make sure you always carry a couple of walnuts with you!

LET'S MEET AT WEIKHARD CLOCK.

are lucky enough to be here at a match day of SK Sturm, Weikhard clock! This giant clock was built in 1930 and make your way to Merkur Arena in the South of the immediately became the locals' favourite rendezvous city, grab a beer and a Schnitzelsemmerl and support spot. While you're waiting, take a look at the latest fashion the local football team with Austria's second largest - in jewellery and expensive watches. Maybe you'll need an

DON'T SWIM.

There might have been a young man from Graz who Meet friends, slackline, practise your downward-facing thought "as a real local you must swim through the Mur. dog, take a sunbath (while keeping an eye open for flying river at least once". He tried it three times and then gave footballs and frisbees), study or spread out your picnic - up, because the current was too strong and the eels were

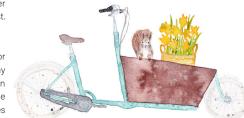
and chatty people. For a short rest, take a look inside the ancient cloister of the Franziskaner church and its

Tue, Wed 10:00-19:00, Thu 11:00-20:00, Fri 11:00-21:00, Sat 09:00-14:0

Relaxation starts as soon as mbience of America's old days his skills because he loves his b. The visit to BUTCHER'S

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The history of the upscale department store KASTNER UND ÖHLER goes back to the 19th century. Recently they restored the charm of the entrance hall. Beautiful, goldencovered stucco sparkles from pillars and brings back the There are several reasons why the PIEROGI at magic of Art Nouveau. The rooftop terrace café is a must-Neutorgasse 28 are so special: 1. They are handmade with see as it offers a 360° panorama view of the city and the love. 2. They are made from local ingredients. Marzena and famous red roof landscape. On this occasion ask a local Adrianna offer Pierogi to all: meat-lovers, vegetarians and about the ongoing debate about the UNESCO cultural



down, it's no emergency. It is the sculpture of the UNKNOWN KNIGHT PARKSTRASSE designed by the German-Maybe it is named like this ecause even many locals KARL-FRANZENS do not know the sculpture – it's quite well-hidden." UNIVERSITÄT GRAZ HACKHER LÖWE 8 BOXES FILLED ON THE WALL **SCHLOSSBERG** A shopping center with over 200 small shops right in courtyard (take a look, it's a must!) of Herrengasse 13. Mostly **STADTPARK** jam or handmade jewellery for sale. **UHRTURM** 9 TWO DICTATORS IN A CHURCH KARMELITER PLATZ VOLKSGARTEN MURINSEL BURG-GARTEN coronation of Jesus Christ. Designed in the '50s by German HILFER-PLATZ HOFGASSE Today, most people have forgotten about it. **ERZHERZOG-JOHANN-ALLEE** STRAUCHERGASSE LEONHARDSTRASSE 10 DROP AND DRINK ORPHFUMGASSI KUNSTHAUS **ANNENSTRASSE** OLEA PLATZ E. J. BRÜCKE to brew good filter coffee. Choose freshly ground beans from NIESENBERGERGASSI Japanese way and enjoy a glass of tea-looking coffee. COFFEE TO STAY KERNSTOCKGASSE BELGIERGASSE they sure ain't lying. They also do excellent homemade ST. ANDRÄ PRANKERGASSE iced teas, fruit juices, milkshakes, bagels, ciabattas, cakes KAISER and muffins. Other café branches are at Technikerstraße 13, eonhardstraße 82 and Grieskai 2 (next to Kunsthaus). 12 MUSEUM MARATHON ue-Sun 10:00-17:00, students €3,50 / regular €9,50 JAKOMINI-**PLATZ** Opened in 2011, the JOANNEUMSVIERTEL (Joanneum UNGERGASSE REITSCHULGASSE GOING OUT CAFÉ of Graz. It links the historic museum and library between the UCKENKOPFGASSE RADETZKYBRÜCKE SCHÖRGELGASSE streets of Rauber-, Neutor- and Kalchberggasse with modern SIGHTSEEING SHOP subterranean architecture. Glassy truncated cones trim the (i) INFORMATION FOOD visitor center, where you enter the exhibitions. Neue Styrian painter and performance artist Günther Brus.

JURGGASSE

5 min walk

THE MAIN SOUARE The Hauptplatz was the city's first market place during medieval so the food went flying out of the window. One of the Turkish attached Mausoleum in the Katharinen Church and the huge times. Centuries later, in 1887, the city council decided to erect soldiers wanted to catch the roast, jumped after it and somehow. Mediterranean-influenced courtyard of the former Jesuitenkolleg a large town hall here. But some stubborn citizens refused to got stuck in the window. So he is still stuck there today! with the snowman (Bürgergasse 2). sell their houses to make room for it. The simple and effective solution: RATHAUS was simply built around them.

When a cannon from Schloßberg was shot, it hit the plate, invaders. For more old and amazing architecture, visit the

of Palais Saurau (Sporgasse 25), you can see a 'Turk statue', on the exterior wall is the oldest image you can find in Graz, or 18:00 to feed your Instagram. holding a scimitar in its hand. Legend has it that during the the big Gottesplagenbild from 1485. This image shows the Ottoman invasion in 1532, its leader was served a tasty roast. three horrors of former times: locusts, the plague and Turkish

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RINGING BELLS

For almost 170 years, the castle complex BURG served as The GLOCKENSPIELPLATZ got its name from a glockenspiel residence of the Habsburg Emperors. Today, it is home to from the 19th century that plays melodies while the figures In the alley of SPORGASSE, nice boutiques, ice cream shops the Styrian government. Across the street you see today's of a man and a woman are dancing. At the house gable, this and cafés abound. The old houses show façades from the cathedral of the bishop, the DOM. Friedrich III turned the traditionally-dressed mechanical couple still exists and starts Renaissance, Baroque, and Classicism periods. At the top Romanesque building into a Gothic court church. Hardly visible spinning around three times a day. Try to be there at 11:00, 15:00

THE UNKNOWN KNIGHT

"A sleeping man lying on the rooftop of the

tourist information? Caln

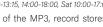
A hill in the city center? The Devil himself created it because he was angry with the citizens of Graz. Well done! SCHLOSSBERG (castle hill) didn't always look so nice, though. It used to be an ugly mass of steep rocks and a massive fortress on top. Napoleon demolished the fortress, but we were at least able to bail out our beloved 28-meterhigh UHRTURM (clock tower), the landmark of Graz. Even locals find it hard to read the clock because the hour hand is



Fri 07:00-20:00 Sat & Sun from 8:00

CHILL ON THE HILL

bigger than the minute hand.



Since the rise of the MP3, record stores have almost gone out of existence. However, IN AND OUT RECORDS still sells good old pressed music. You flip through a vast selection of vintage vinyl and CDs. They specialize in rarities, so allow yourself some extra time to browse the full racks.

14 ICE PEARL

EISPERLE offers pure vegan ice cream made from sov, rice, coconut or oat. Some ice creams even replace the sugar with coconut blossom, agave nectar or date syrup. Has become the city's number one ice cream seller in a short time!

the center of Graz? That's the 'S FACHL in the beautiful 15 LATINO HOTSPOTS

13 PRE-LOVED VINYL

regional producers rent a Fachl (a box fixed on the wall) LA MESKLA is the latino hotspot in the city. You can sample there and can offer their products such as pumpkin seed oil, various hispanic flavors during the day, while cocktails, piscos, and other liquid delicacies take over at a later hour. The second location, TROPICANTE, with its handcrafted, fresh tacos & burritos, offers urban street food flair in You wouldn't expect to see portraits of Hitler and Mussolini on the neighbourhood Lend. With SHAKE SHAKA (next to a church window. But in Graz you will, when you look closely Tropicante), the youngest offspring, the first tiki bar in Graz on the left hand side at the altar in STADTPFARRKIRCHE. was born. Pleasingly colorful Poké bowls, beach cocktails The two dictators stand in the crowd watching the thorn and Hawaiian vibes galore! (Lendplatz 39a/41)

artist Albert Birkle, it was all over the international press. 16 LITTLE YELLOW DUCKS

DUCKS COFFEE SHOP has quickly become a local favourite for students or friends who want to meet up over a good cup of coffee. It's central and accessible, good for a relaxing This centrally-located coffeeshop is convenient for a quick weekend with friends and quiet enough for someone who break from sightseeing. BUNA KAFFEELADEN knows how would like to work

Guatemala (roasted in Graz!), watch how it is brewed the 17 PACKAGE-FREE GROCERIES

DAS DEKAGRAMM is a zero-waste lifestyle shop where you buy your groceries unpackaged. Bring your own containers or get reusable ones there. They also serve a good lunch The queue may be long, but it's worth the wait. TRIBEKA zero-waste and organic as well. A second store called "Das (TRInk BEsseren KAffee) means Drink Better Coffee, and Gramm" is at Neutorgasse 7.

FAIR TRADE & URBAN STYLE on-Fri 09:30-18:00, Sat until 17:00

he largest fair trade shop in Central Europe invites you to arn more about the stories behind its products. What's quite unique, is that CHIC ETHIC shion and home accessorie Quarter) was designed as the new large-scale cultural center to organic coffee, spices and

piazza. The open air escalator leads to the underground 19 MISTER KARL

Galerie shows Egon Schiele's famous painting Stadtende/ Beatrix and Klara put local, seasonal and organic love into their Häuserbogen III, and Bruseum is dedicated to controversial coffee, drinks and cakes. The small café HERR KARL is highly committed to provide its guests with local, organic, seasonal ingredients and to make sure to prepare all dishes with lots of

STEP BY STEP

The 260 steps of KRIEGSSTEIG connect the historic old town with the clock tower. During WWI Austrian soldiers and Russian prisoners were forced to build this impressive stairway. During WWII a 6,000-meter-long tunnel system was constructed within the hill. It provided shelter for 40,000 people during the bombings of WWII. Once a year in October, a foot race is held on the steep stairway. The best time so far is 1 minute and 46 seconds to run to the top! The latest thrill is the newly-opened Schlossbergrutsche, the tallest underground slide in the world. 40 seconds of sliding with an approx, speed of 25-30 km/h! (ticket: €6,60)



20 LOST IN THE CITY

screens to those with cringe Schlager music *facepalm*.

(21) STYRIAN TRACHT

each worn for different occasions.

22 CONCEPT STORE

23 BERLIN FEELING

food (€10).

-Fri 10:00-18:00, Sat 10:00-15:00

and small manufacturers. The owner Natascha, an

drink produced in Graz) in the store, so take your time.

on-Tue 10:00-24:00, Fri 10:00-02:00, Sat & Sun 09:00-24:00

to sip coffee or Mojitos while the DJ spins the appropriate

24 EDITION AND DESIGN PRINTS

digitized and printed, also on wallpaper or canvas.

"As the name implies, LE SCHNURRBART (The

noustache) offers the perfect mixture of French

cuisine and Austrian ingredients. The garden

26 ART FOR FREETHINKERS

protesting against city officials. Since then, many local and

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FRENCH FOOD FEELS

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squares at Mehlplatz, Färbergasse and Glockenspielplatz stand out with their Mediterranean flair. On warm spring and summer evenings, the entire social reflected by the idyllic old townhouses and many outdoor life of Graz takes place in and around PARKHOUSE seating areas. In recent years it has become a culinary situated in the heart of our beloved Stadtpark. We either mile with fine cuisine from ECKSTEIN, or well-established gather at the duck pond, populate the benches or conquer traditional Styrian meals from GAMLITZER WEINSTUBE. the grassland, when the bar gets too crowded. A balmy In the evening, the infamous Bermuda triangle might evening, drinking a watermelon punch, listening to DJabsorb the night owls among you. The bars and pubs here lounge music and just letting go... range from those with rock-pop playlists shown on video

27 CHILLING IN THE PARK

28 GALLEY PARTY

Wed-Sat from 22:00 The exhilarating indie-bar KOMBÜSE is highly frequented by art students with paint in their hair, bar philosophers We like Styrian traditions and culture, but wouldn't and other night birds. When there's not enough space left admit it. STEIRISCHES HEIMATWERK keeps traditional on the tiny dance floor late at night, people gather in front costumes fashionable and offers modern and high quality and around this plain-looking wooden cabin.

interpretations of Dirndl and Steireranzug. Have a look at their catalogue with 280 different traditional dresses - 29 CONTEMPORARY EXHIBITIONS

Sun 10:00-18:00, Thu until 20:00, students €2/regular €4 The KÜNSTLERHAUS, KM-GRAZ presents temporary exhibitions by contemporary international and national artists like Lukas Marxt or Herbert Brandl, They also host TASH LIVING is the first concept store in Graz presenting guided tours, film screenings, concerts and lectures. Free an independent and wide range of European designers admission to the exhibitions every Thursday at 18:00.

architect, opened her stylish shop with the aim to sell 30 SHOPPING WITH THE EMPEROR individual and timeless design, from vintage furniture to a Aon-Sat 06:00-13:00

smooth-operator shave set or a mini doodle kit. You can When you see elderly ladies and men with shopping have a coffee or local cold drink (like Makava, a Mate tea baskets or trolleys in the tram, they will probably get off at KAISER-JOSEF-PLATZ in front of the opera house, where you find a farmer's market with a long tradition. Charming farmer ladies with headscarves present and sell local apples, Styrian beans, flowers, Schilcher wine, pumpkin CAFÉ MITTE brings shabby-chic-and-trendy Berlin right seeds, freshly baked farmhouse bread, freshly squeezed into the middle of Graz. Young and hip locals meet here juices....

soundtrack. The attached kitchen cooks up authentic Thai 31 PRACTICAL LAUNDERETTE

The area of Griesplatz is still polarizing the citizens of Graz. Many locals don't mind a neighborhood with multicultural atmosphere but some others strictly avoid the other LES EDITIONS ARTFABRIEK offers both edition prints by side of the river Mur. You can make up your own mind contemporary artists and reproductions of works from the when entering this convenient and practical launderette 15th to 20th century, as well as a huge selection of vintage (WASCHSALON). You might get yourself a kebab while advertising subjects. Their specialty is that almost all print waiting for the washing to be done. One small wash cycle subjects can be ordered in every size, from postcard up costs €4.50; drying is €4. (Find out more about this part of to 160 cm x 400 cm. You can also have your own work the city in the "Take a walk on right side - walk")

32 WHISKEY AND BEER Daily from 18:00

The newly opened bar BEATE offers a big selection of whiskey and ever changing beers on tap. Since fancy drinking is more fun with good music, some DJs serve an alternative soundtrack on top. It's still normal to smoke in Austrian bars, but if you don't want to smell like an ashtray this place is smoke-free!

33 ENTER THE VACUUM Wed-Sat 20:00-04:00

lo typo, CLUB WAKUUM is a decent place to see young newcomer bands and local heroes like Beathofen r Haunted by the remote. Entrance is free, but there is a membership fee of €10 which gives you free admission for a vear and supports young musicians and bands. FORUM STADTPARK is a platform for contemporary arts. With more than a dozen concerts a month and 33.000 A part of cultural history was, and is still being written here. members, the venue has already become an institution in A group of young pioneers founded the house in 1958. Graz.

nternational artists got inspired by its progressive spirit. 34 LIFE IS BEAUTEAFUL The renowned Austrian writer, Peter Handke, read his early Tue-Thu 09:00-20:00, Fri&Sat 09:00-18:00

pieces here in the 1960s. Today, about 150 events take Find great tea and pure zen at OMAS TEEKANNE, the first place on three floors every year - many of them with free vintage tea bar in Graz. The owners, Yuno and Sandra, are always happy to help you choose tea, cake, breakfast or just to tell you more about the story behind their business. Their creative workshops include handlettering, a silent reading party or a cover-illustration event. See www. facebook.com/omasteekanne

35 COFFEE AND ART hu 14:00-19:30, Fri 14:00-21:00

Flowers are the main feature of the family-run CAFÉ VERGISSMEINNICHT. The owner, Evi, takes care of the guests together with her daughter. Her sister bakes the cakes and pies, her husband helped out with the bar and built up the kitchen. The pillows and the canvas pictures are by Evi herself and relate to the café's name, the flower forget-me-not. The perfect place to lean back and relax with a glass of organic wine.

and November daily 10:00-17:00, April-October & December daily 10:00-18:00) at Herrengasse 16 and Museums

Public transport

One ticket for trams and buses, 1 hour ticket €2,40 museums are closed on Mondays.

(00:30, 01:30, 02:30 from Jakominiplatz in all rections). The website verbundlinie.at/en provides nformation in English. Download the free App qando

to shop for creative city design souvenirs. The website admission to all Universalmuseum Joanneum (#1, praztourismus.at/en provides useful information in #12, #44) exhibitions; 18 museums in total! Students under 26 only pay €6/ €9! See museum-joanneum. at/en for information about exhibitions. Tickets can also be bought online. Opening hours: Tue-Sun, most



(tariff zone 1), 24-hour ticket €5,30. Altstadtbim: take the trams 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 13, 26 and travel for free in the General opening hours city center (e.g. from Kunsthaus to Jakominiplatz). Supermarkets, shops, some cafés and some www.graztourismus.at/en/travel-and-transport/ restaurants close on Sundays. Grocery supermarket nobile-in-graz/old-town-tram. Night buses: only SPAR at the central train station is open daily from rate on Fridays and Saturdays: 1 bus per hour 06:00-22:00 also on most bank holidays.



for contemporary music, art and political debates. Pamela chestnuts Anderson, pin-up-girl and activist, was a guest speaker in 2019. Film lovers enjoy the annual Film Festival OCTOBER: At STEIRISCHER HERBST, Graz is the and present the latest Austrian cinema productions.

APRIL: At the KLANGLICHT FESTIVAL artists present and public places. Free admission.

lifestyle and parties. Nice tip, not only for die-hard ukulele during weekends).

presents fairytales, pantomime and magical music for a young and old audience (mostly in German of course). At the FIFTEEN SECONDS FESTIVAL marketing professionals and wannabes get together for two days to discuss marketing, advertising, media, technology, digital, HR and leadership.

JUNE: The international STORYTELLING FESTIVA

fans: The AUSTRIAN UKULELE FESTIVAL. Professionals

from all over Europe come together for

this one. Electronic music fans shouldn't

JULY: STYRIARTE is the name of THE festival for classical and early music every summer.

AUGUST: You can see artists of the International Festival for Street and Puppet Theater, LA STRADA, all over the

SEPTEMBER: The city center turns into a huge stage FEBRUARY: At the new ANDERSWO FESTIVAL visitors with folk dancing, music, choirs and brass bands for meet globetrotters, adventurers and professional three days at AUFSTEIRERN. It's packed with Styrians dressed in traditional costumes like Dirndl, Lederhosen or Steireranzug. It's usually also the seasonal start of MARCH: ELEVATE has become established as a festival Sturm, the first wine of the season, and Maroni, roasted

DIAGONALE. Independent cinemas host film premieres epicenter of the contemporary art scene for one month. The festival includes theater, visual art, film, literature and

magic, light and sound on house façades, street surfaces DECEMBER: The highlight during the Advent season clearly are the traditional CHRISTMAS MARKETS. Locals mingle with tourists, warming up with Glühwein. MAY: The FESCH'MARKT Graz brings Austria's young Some tourists prefer the kitschy market at Hauptplatz, creatives from their studios to an urban marketplace, whilst alternative locals like to go to Mariahilferplatz and creating a festival for independent art, design, food, traditionalists visit the Kasematten at Schlossberg (only

36 HIDDEN BIKESHOP

to go to nearby. If you are into bicycles – it's always worth brothel' in Styrian dialect...

37 STYRIAN TAPAS on-Sun 11:00-24:00

goulash with polenta. Read some wise German sayings on the walls and on the tables; you might even ask the FANTASTIC waiters for their meaning...

38 ENGLISH PUB

watch football finals.

on-Sat 18:00-04:00, Sun 20:00-02:00 The darkly-tinted room of RUNNING HORSE may very well be the best place to chill out, drink a pint of beer and puff on a cigarette. They have a wisely-selected

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39 NO NIGHTCLUB

Wed & Thu 19:00-24:00, Fri & Sat 19:00-02:00 LEMUR BIKE AND BONES is a hidden bike shop in the This small and hip bar serves various gin tonics and selected courtvard of Griesgasse 24 for true fanatics, hardcore wines in an elegant environment. Who'd believe it was once racers and real collectors. They won't help you out with a night bar called 'Chat Noir'? The neighborhood between a ride for the city, but you can rent the latest generation of Kunsthaus and Lendplatz used to be a red light district, and mountain bikes and get information about on which trails KABUFF still hints at that wicked past, as it literally means 'no

40 SAILING ON BOOKS

Mon-Fri 10:00-18:30, Sat 10:00-16:00

A sailing boat in the middle of a bookstore? Why not. The Styrian tapas (€3 each), inspired by regional specialties, boat at BÜCHERSEGLER comes from Berlin and was that's what the popular restaurant/bar DER STEIRER transported to Graz in the owner's car. Nice selection of city has on offer. It also serves the typical Austrian dish: beef guides, magazines, children's books and postcards. Sail on!

flon-Fri from 16:00, weekend brunch

I put one step into the ba BLENDEND and I feel like nome. Depending on my nood I go for the bar or the a garden area in summertime go there for an afterwork eer, dinner or meet with assortment of craft beers. We also like to come here to friends. Sometimes there are

concerts in the cellar or on he rooftop. The café is really blendend" - the German word for fantastic."

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more 'happening') than the left side. Ingredients: modern locals never go anywhere else! architecture, creative design shops, an original farmer's market, community activities, revitalisation projects, CLIVELY FARMERS' MARKET

A ISLAND IN THE RIVER

walking time is around 60 minutes.

MURINSEL. The mussel-shaped platform was designed by Bakaliko (Lendplatz 1) serves delicious and authentic food is very much represented in its culinary delights. You can held the title of European Capital of Culture. It contains an market is highly frequented by locals who buy groceries and away borek or an authentic Thai curry in the same street. As amphitheater, a coffee house with an attached designer meet up for a cup of coffee. Come and join us! showroom and a design shop on the first floor. The toilet is also a must-see, although you might get a little dizzy DANNEN QUARTER because of the skewed mirrors... The island is beautiful at Annenstraße leads from the city center to the central station. first Friday of the month), street walks and the neighborhood night when the blue lights switch on.

B HIP AND CREATIVE NEIGHBORHOOD You reach the charming neighbourhood of LENDVIERTEL/ new urban designs, including more spaces to accommodate The SYNAGOGUE has a modern design, yet it is a stark 2. You will be served house wine, homemade juice or spreads. built fabric factories, taverns and red light establishments German: annenviertel.at) cropped up in the area. Over the years, young creatives felt attracted by this atmosphere and opened up charity design (E) JESUS IS GOING TO NIRVANA

this area reflect the multicultural and lively neighborhood s the river still divides the city into two parts (the left and (#43), Lotte (mini-smokers bar), the Hungry Heart (perfect culture of Gries very well. You can also pop into the ight side), we can highly recommend a walk on the right hot dogs), Brot und Spiele (burgers and billiards), Capperi! district community center Büro der Nachbarschaften side! An area which was and still is poorer (and perhaps il locale (for authentic Italian cuisine) and many more. Some (Kernstockgasse 20). They organise foodsharing, German

farmers' market settles down in the mornings (Mon-Sat GRIESPLATZ might not be a typical sightseeing spot, but intil 13:00). The market also features lovely tiny cafés (e.g. it's interesting from an urban and cultural perspective Die süße Luise for fresh bread with chives, or Tropicante for the area mixes African, Balkan, Caribbean and Turkish Crossing the bridge you can't overlook the swimming island burritos, tacos and poke bowls), as well as small market bars, communities into one big city stew. This ethno-cultural flair American architect/artist Vito Acconci in 2003 when Graz from Greece and the Levant countries. On Saturdays the taste a fufu or waakye (African bean rice), or have a take-

HAUPTBAHNHOF

EGGENBERGER S

FRIEDHOFGASSE

In the 1970s, it used to be a thriving shopping boulevard with festival Grieskram in September. welcoming cafés. Over time, the area's popularity vanished as shops closed and cars were on the rise. However, in 2013, GJEWISH HISTORY

classes and socio-cultural projects that bring locals closer to their neighbors. traditional immigrant streets and Jewish history. Netto At the southern part of the square LENDPLATZ, a popular FETHNO-CULTURAL FLAIR

action in 2014, the street sign was replaced by Kurt-Cobain-

Gasse. Nirvana played a concert in 1989 in a former bar

aps still detects it! Walking along the street, you come

upon progressive ST.ANDRÄ CHURCH. Always worth a

visit, as it brings contemporary art and religion together. The

church, the small park with a pavilion and the residents of

VOLKSGARTEN

ANNENSTRASSE

≅ ST. ANDRÄ

the area is currently still dominated by lots of traffic, locals started initiatives to improve its image and calm down King Automobile, Projects include a regular pop-up market (every

MARIAHILFERVIERTEL. On a sunny day, sit down at the pedestrians and cyclists, changed this. To maintain the reminder of the dark chapter of history that happened the 19th century onwards, the working class and immigrants encourages citizens to take part in community activities the river Mur after their ban in Styria was lifted in 1848. In from Yugoslavia and Turkey settled down here. Newly- like flea markets and quided walks (for more information in 1892, they were thriving enough to build their own cultural center and synagogue here. On the pogrom night of the 9th of November 1938, everything changed brutally when the Nazis burnt it down. It took quite a long time, but in 2000 shops (like Tagwerk and Heidenspass) and bars like Noël (a In the past, there have been discussions about renaming the new synagogue finally opened, built on the ruins of the 75. Don't cry. Styrin Kren (horseradish) can be very spicy! eat Maroni (roasted chestnuts). Marvellous! recent addition, which is a pub in a former night club). Other Kernstockgasse. Ottokar Kernstock was a poet and priest former one. See https://www.juedischegemeinde-graz.at for ecommended places to visit: Blendend (#41), die Scherbe who was linked to German Nationalism. During a guerilla information about tour guides and exhibitions (in German),

About Buscherschank aspiring district Lend. Paul and his team know what they're **43** AROUND THE GLOBE

STADTPARK

ERZHERZOG-JOHANN-ALLER

n the South of Styria you enter a beautiful wine region, our Gamlitz... (see steiermark.com & search for Southern Styrian very own Styrian Tuscany. Try to get a taste of one of the Wine Road). On the 25 kilometre long Apple Road (also filled At the restaurant/bar DIE SCHERBE you travel around manageable for any level of experience; you are welcome regional dishes, fine wines and organic fruit juices served in the with Buschenschänke) in Eastern Styria, it's all about apples the culinary Globe with breakfasts and brunches from as you are. Classes are €10/try-out session, you don't have traditional Buschenschänken (wine taverns). One specimen indeed! You will come across farms with delicious fresh fruit, India through the Orient to Great Britain. Downstairs, in a to register in advance. within easy reach of public transport is Buschenschank juices, brandies, freshly-pressed apple cider, apple schnapps historic vaulted cellar, singer-songwriters perform every Sattler (self service) in Mariatrost, in the Eastern part of and more. Graz (take bus 64 to Stifting from Reiterkaserne). For more If you want to hook up with a local Steirerbua or Steirerdirndl, get crowded! authentic wine taverns you need to go along the Steirische then stick to these 10 important Buschenschank rules:

Weinstraße to villages like Ehrenhausen, Leutschach,

1. No warm meals, no beer, no coffee!

schnapps.

AUGARTEN

HACKHER LÖW

SCHLOSSBERG

and pickles served on a wooden plate). 4. Die-hard carnivores can continue with Verhackertes (a immediately recognized as a foreigner. roast), Brüstl (pork breast) and saure Presswurst (meat buns) und Strauben (fried dough coated with sugar). ielly with vinegar).

very popular for its amazing concerts, mainly alternative probably more famous one, is Kunsthaus Graz. 7. Taste the delicious Käferbohnen (purple beans) salad. rock and metal. Whatever you hear there is either very square Mariahilferplatz and enjoy the Schlossberg view. From revitalization, the sociocultural project ANNENVIERTEL here. Jewish families began to settle down on this side of 3. Have a Brettljaus'n (cold meats, sausages, bread, cheese 8. Order Kürbiskernöl (a greenish oil, tastes nutty) for all underground, or just rad. We guarantee a thrilling night and 67 NO CASH HERE kinds of salad! If you order your salad without, you will be probably neck pain the day after.

smoked bacon spread), kalten Schweinsbraten (cold pork 9. A must-try for dessert: homemade Buchteln (jam filled WHERE THE FURNITURE SAVIOR MEETS THE BRAVE TAILOR Tue-Wed 10:00-18:00, Thu-Fri 14:00-18:00 10. In autumn, drink Sturm (the first wine of the season) and

> workspace and showroom to present 100% handmade or debit card only. The target group is clearly young and and upcycled products under a beautiful vaulted ceiling. dynamic, as is its corporate design.

GOING OUT CAFÉ

SIGHTSEEING SHOP

7 min walk

12 NEW COFFEE ROASTERY IN GRAZ

doing with their locally-roasted blends and single origins.

44 IMPRESSIVE BAROQUE PALACE

45 BANG YOUR HEADS

a beautiful park (students: €1, regular: €2) and picturesque

FOOD

Mon-Sun 09:00-01:00

HOSTEL

(i) INFORMATION

Sarah, DIE MÖBELRETTERIN (literally: furniture savior), 58 VEGETARIAN AFTER-PARTY BRUNCH turns old wooden furniture, frames or jars into one-of-akind charmers to decorate your home. Michi, DAS TAPFERE Fine vegetarian and vegan food at MANGOLDS VIS-A-MICHILEIN ("the brave tailor"), creates bags, purses, VIS. Could be dinner with your date, could be a hangover wallets, pouches and cases from re-used vintage fabrics. brunch (€16,50 without hot drinks) with friends or just a Great for souvenir shopping!

47 HOLD A HUNTMANS DRINK

Mon-Fri 07:00-18:00

It is probably one of the best-known spirit brands in the CAFÉ FOTTER has a long history beginning in 1936, will get samples too. Cheers!

48 SEGWAYS, CLIMBING HALL & HOTEL 60 ALL YOU NEED IS MEAT Fri 09:00-22:00, Sat & Sun 09:00-21:00

"City Adventure Center", Austria's largest climbing hall, is MOSSHAMMER. directly connected to it, suitable for both climbing pros and

49 GARAGE PARTY

POSTGARAGE is one of the most popular clubs in town. after-show-parties where we can shake a leg to indie rock Live gigs, swing dance parties, indie concerts, clubbing and alternative beats. events, worst of the '90s parties, house/techno, psy progressive.... see www.postgarage.at

CRITICAL LOCAL THEATER "If you are out for understanding what really move the citizens and society in and around Graz, try a production by THEATER IM BAHNHOF (TiB) Graz! The local actors (often together with international artists) are always in-the-know and perform in order to criticize society's attitudes and question my world view Contemporary, independent always-in-search-for-newzons-theater at its best Check for a show at theater im-bahnhof.com/en!

(51) VINTAGE LOVE

on-Fri 10:00-19:00, Sat 11:00-17:00 DOGDAYS OF SUMMER mostly deals in clothes from the 38. '70s to the '90s: from boho dresses to biker jackets. Since the end of 2018 it grew bigger, better and nicer at a totally 64 HEAVY METAL BAR new place!

52 ONE OF THE OLDEST VENUES OF THE CITY

and Pizzera & Jaus or the "Kasperl" (famous Austrian hand happens to be a waiter here.

53 FIND OUT ABOUT HIDDEN DRAWERS

Lockable alcohol bottles? Firing locks? Poisoned boxes? easily pass by CULTURE EXCHANGE, so watch out for the Those mysteries and 13.000 more can be seen at the unique chalkboard hung out in front. The hosts of this very personal SCHELL KEY COLLECTION. Spectacular boxes, curious café are from England, USA, Greece and Italy. They met keys and interesting masterpieces from the Roman Empire at work and decided to open up a place where (not only) up to the 19th century. Secret information: During a guided bike lovers could come together. The coffee shop in front PAUL & BOHNE is the new coffee kid in town, in the tour you learn how to find hidden drawers!

54 FOR YOUR BODY, MIND AND SOUL

Can't go without your yoga dose, even when travelling YUNA PLACE GRAZ is a studio offering yoga workouts VEGAN AND GLUTEN-FREE

Monday evening (€9, www.platoo.at). Come early, it might 55 A SMALL GETAWAY 1on-Sun 11:00-17:00 / 18:00

When walking up the hill, you will only hear singing birds. Passing by woodland, small ponds, rose groves and leaving the city's' smells and noises behind, this is a small getaway in, Ginko is worth the money Take tram 1 from Jakominiplatz to the most important on top of the hill. The romantic CAFÉ ROSENHAIN offers a palace in Styria: SCHLOSS EGGENBERG. Surrounded by terrace with an outstanding panorama too.

gardens with picnic areas and very vocal peacocks. The 56 BOTANICAL ALIEN

Fri 07:00-19:00, Sat & Sun 07:00-18:00

MARTIN AUER SHOP, the bakery and café, has branches across the city. This one, in the center of the student area (Univiertel), was all in the Austrian media in 2017 because of one special feature: No cash here! You can pay for your Two crafty young women with one vision share their rye bread, wheat rolls, or lemon tartelette with your credit

relaxing chat over coffee.

59 THE FAMOUS ROSE GARDEN Mon-Fri 07:30 -19:00, Sat 09:00-14:00

world. The German herbal liquor Jägermeister has a when it used to be a bakery. You can tell by the facade at production plant, DESTILLERIE FRANZ BAUER, in the the entrance. Entering the coffeehouse you'll still pass the middle of Graz, offering a factory tour through the distillery, nostalgic '30s charm. The café's hidden, but its famous where other tasty spirits are made as well. Of course you rose garden is one of the best locations for a summer rendezvous. Very friendly and quick service.

Mon-Fri 07:00-18:00. Sat 07:00-12:00

The JUFA HOTEL GRAZ CITY *** comes with cozy Locals next to the university know: If it's late at night and relaxation areas, a sun terrace with a café and a restaurant, you're still up for barbecue, there is a 24-hour vending all open to non-guests too. You can rent a bike or an machine for sausages, meats, salads and even rib-eye e-bike and even Segways for a tour through the city. The steaks in Zinzendorfgasse at the famous butcher's shop,

61 GUEST ROOM

The two old school friends who opened up GUEST ROOM in 2015 only live for music. They host acoustic concerts and

© COFFEE AND WEED!

Wed-Sat 15:00-24:00, Sun until 22:00 What's better than coffee? Correct, it's coffee and weed! DIE GRASLEREI, a cozy café close to the biggest university in Graz, offers regional hemp flowers with a THC amount <0,3 %, delicious coffee, edibles and of course beer. And because they love art almost as much as weed, they host live concerts, stand-up comedy and DJs every week. Follow them on FB, Instagram or on the street to find your new favourite place in town!

63 SECRET VILLAGE

The idyllic neighborhood of HERZ-JESU-VIERTEL is characterized by beautiful Art Nouveau façades and is a popular residential area for students and young one-kid families. Some say it's like a secret village in town, close to the Technical University. At its heart is a 110-metre high Neo-Gothic church with red bricks and a small park out front. For good ice cream and cakes, you can go to the café This is the perfect spot for all vintage lovers out there. Konditorei Philipp (daily from 08:00-19:00) at Krenngasse

on-Thu 18:00-02:00, Fri & Sat 18:00-04:00 TICK TACK is a bar, playing '80ies Hard'n'Heavy und up-todate black and death metal at just the right volume. Besides craft beer and Nordic booze the easy-going staff serve tasty The ORPHEUM Graz, located in the heart of the art and and moderately priced food, too, If you are feeling lucky, design district Lend, is the cultural hotspot of Graz. Its up- you may gamble yourself through a round of Schnapsen to-date programme ranges from international rock and (Austrian card game) or table football. On some days you pop concerts to Austrian cabaret artists Thomas Stipsits will bump into the singer of the local band Klynt, who

65 CHILL OUT ZONE

n-Fri 08:00-16:00/Sat 09:00-12:00, students: €3, regular: €8 Next to the tattoo shop at Grazbachgasse 47 you can serves up a daily menu with a vegan and meat option, the bike shop is in the back. The furniture is self-constructed: the toilet door used to be the front door of a house - letter

have no taste! We never find both! Well, GINKO might just prove the skeptics wrong. The restaurant/ café is the food paradise for super-hungry stomachs with "complicated" preferences.
Whether to take away or dine in Ginko is worth the money" 66

67 THERMAL POWER PLANT

The AUGARTEN park, in the South of the city, is currently



baroque building of Eggenberg is a complex, symbolic Mon-Sun 08:00-14:30 / 16:30 winter / summer, free admission

representation of the universe. Its four towers represent the In between the Art Nouveau villas in Schubertstraße, an undergoing massive renovations. Responsible for this is seasons, the 12 gates symbolise the months and the 365 unusually-structured building invites you to look closer. the controversial thermal power plant that everybody has windows represent the days. If you have the money, you can The BOTANICAL GARDEN has a parabolic shape and been talking about and which is now being constructed. a transparent acrylic shell, which catches 98% of the The controversy arose because there was no real civic sunlight. This makes the plants very happy. The building participation in the decision. In the park many trees had to

was designed in 1995 by Austrian architect Volker Giencke. be cut down so that a bay could be built. A sunbathing area 6. Veggies can try cheese plates, salads and various bread EXPLOSIV is actually a youth culture center but became Some say this is the one true alien in Graz. The other, is also planned. Let's see how it's going to be... For now, it's

nore local tips about the Styrian regions, get the book "Fat Hike Live" - a travel quide by Vera Bachernegg and Katharina Maria