The baroque city centre of Salzburg, Mozart’s birthplace and home to the famous Salzburg Festival, was named a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1997. The cityscape is marked by numerous churches and palaces, the baroque palaces of Mirabell and Hellbrunn to name but a few. Salzburg Cathedral and the medieval Hohensalzburg Fortress are other architectural highlights. And there is one rule to Salzburg: you should not leave without taking some of the city’s sweetest souvenirs with you, the original Salzburg Mozartkugel from Konditorei Fürst.

The city centre lies between several local mountains which means nature is never far. The Festungsberg and the adjacent Mönchsberg, the Kapuzinerberg, the Gaisberg, and the Untersberg to the south of Salzburg. All of them treat visitors with a different perspective of the city and its surroundings. The self-guides city walk ‘Salzburg City Mount-ians’ take you on a leisurely hike bouve the rooftops of Salzburg with plenty of lookouts along the way.

From ancient salt mines and Medieval castles to Austria’s highest peaks and biggest glaciers, the province of Salzburg itself offers something for everyone. The countryside has an enjoyable bucolic charm and if you decide to explore the region, we suggest to stop in the small historic town of Hallein, the lovely lake resort Zell am See or the breathtaking gorge and waterfall at Liechtensteinklamm. Not to mention Austria’s highest waterfall in Krimml or the Giant Ice Caves.