

Major Sights



Golden Roof

Right in the heart of the old town is Innsbruck's best known tourist sight – the golden roof, or *Goldenes Dachl*. It was part of the residence of the Tyrolean sovereigns, built in 1420. The "golden" roof itself was added by Emperor Maximilian I in the early 16th century over a three-story balcony from which he could sit in conspicuous luxury to watch tournaments in the square below. The 2657 tiles are not solid gold, but gilded copper. Behind the beautiful gothic facade you can find the Golden Roof Museum and Maximilian I's treasury.

Opening hours of the museum: 10 am – 5 pm

Herzog-Friedrich-Straße 15

<http://www.goldenes-dachl.at/>



City Tower

The tower, situated in the Old Town, offers stunning views over Innsbruck's roofs and the surrounding mountains. It was built between 1442 and 1450, while the onion-shaped top is from the 16th century.

Opening hours: Jun-Sep 10 am – 8 pm

Herzog-Friedrich-Straße 21

http://www.lokalen.biz/haus_innsbruck/stadtturm.htm



Imperial Palace (*Hofburg*)

At the end of the 15th century, during Emperor Maximilian's I reign in Innsbruck, the Imperial Palace already had today's dimensions. Empress Maria Theresia renovated the existing palace and gave it its trademark monumental baroque exterior.

Imperial Palace: After extensive renovations, the state rooms and sacred area of the Imperial Palace are now open to the public.

Opening hours: 9 am – 5 pm

Rennweg 1

<http://www.hofburg-innsbruck.at/623/php/index.php>



Imperial Garden (*Hofgarten*)

This lavish park was laid out in the early 15th century by royals of the Tyrolean Habsburg line and has been opened to the public since the 19th century.



Court Church (*Hofkirche*)

The *Hofkirche* was built in 1553 by Ferdinand I as a mausoleum for Maximilian I (d. 1519). An elegant tomb was made ready for him, but he was never moved here from his original burial place in Wiener Neustadt, south of Vienna.

Maximilian's tomb is surrounded by 24 marble reliefs depicting his accomplishments, as well as 28 larger-than-life-size statues of his real and legendary ancestors, including King Arthur of England.

Opening hours:

Mon-Sat 9 am – 5 pm, Sun 12:30 – 5 pm

Universitätsstraße 2



Museum of Tyrolean Folk Art

The Museum of Tyrolean Folk Art houses the most significant collection of cultural treasures from Tyrol's past. Focal points include arts and crafts, religious folk art, wood-paneled parlours, cribs and festive costumes.

Opening hours: 9 am – 5 pm

Universitätsstraße 2

<http://www.tiroler-landesmuseum.at/html.php/en/volkskunstmuseum>



The Museum Ferdinandeum

The Ferdinandeum houses a collection of prehistoric artefacts, as well as Romanesque sculptures, significant gothic, baroque and modern works of art.

Opening hours: Tues-Sun 9 am – 5 pm

Museumstraße 15

<http://www.tiroler-landesmuseum.at/html.php/de/ferdinandeum/index.htm>



Das Tirol Panorama

The Bergisel hill boasts this architecturally successful attraction with a fantastic outlook and panoramic view of the Tyrolean capital. Measuring 1000 m² the panorama portrays the Battle of Bergisel of 1809. It gives the visitor a topographically interesting depiction of Innsbruck at the turn of the century.

Opening hours: 9 am – 5 pm

Bergisel 1-2

How to get there:

Tram 1: get off at Bergisel, 10 min walk up the hill

Bus: *The sightseer*, get off at *Das Tirol Panorama*



Bergisel Ski Jump Stadium

The ski jump was erected in 1925 and renovated twice for the Olympic Games in 1964 and 1976. The new ski jump was designed by the noted Iraqi-British architect Zaha Hadid.

Sporting highlights: annual Bergisel ski jumping and mat jumping competitions which form part of the Four Hills Tournament.

Opening hours: 9 am – 6 pm

Bergisel 1-2

How to get there:

Tram 1: get off at Bergisel, 10 min walk

Bus: *The sightseer*, get off at Das Tirol Panorama



Ambras Castle

The Renaissance-style castle of Archduke Ferdinand II (1529 – 95) is situated in the midst of an English park. The castle is definitely worth a visit and includes treasures such as the three armouries, the oldest preserved *Kunst und Wunderkammer* (chamber of art and curiosities) and the elegant Spanish Hall, now used as a venue for concerts.

Additionally the Habsburg's portrait gallery with works by Cranach, Arimboldo, Velázquez, Rubens and a collection of Gothic sculptures is open to the public.

Opening hours: 10 am – 5 pm

Schloss Straße 20

How to get there:

Bus: *The sightseer*, get off at Schloss Ambras

<http://www.khm.at/ambras/>