

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO VIENNA AND THE DANUBE VALLEY, AUSTRIA

LOCATION: Vienna (Wien), the capital and primate city of Austria, is located in the eastern part of the country. The city is situated on the banks of the Danube (Donau) River, some 660 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	8:50	10:11	11:52	13:38	15:11	16:01	15:40	14:20	12:39	10:54	9:19	8:26
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	1:53	2:44	4:11	5:53	7:18	7:53	8:21	7:45	5:49	4:08	2:03	1:32
AREA OF BLUE SKY	26%	30%	37%	40%	42%	42%	49%	52%	50%	43%	28%	23%
LOW FOR MONTH	12 °	15 °	22 °	31 °	38 °	48 °	52 °	50 °	42 °	32 °	24 °	15 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	26 °	28 °	34 °	41 °	50 °	55 °	59 °	58 °	52 °	44 °	36 °	30 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	34 °	38 °	47 °	57 °	66 °	72 °	76 °	74 °	67 °	56 °	44 °	37 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	49 °	52 °	64 °	73 °	80 °	84 °	88 °	87 °	80 °	70 °	58 °	52 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	78%	72%	44%	7%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%	34%	64%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	5%	6%	1%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	74%	67%	57%	50%	52%	54%	52%	53%	56%	65%	74%	77%
DRY DAYS	57%	55%	60%	60%	60%	56%	62%	62%	68%	66%	57%	54%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	84%	84%	84%	82%	79%	77%	80%	81%	84%	85%	81%	84%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.24	0.27	0.28	0.33	0.44	0.45	0.48	0.43	0.31	0.32	0.32	0.29
LIKELY SNOWFALL	8.8"	7.7"	6.3"	1.9"	0.6"	0.0"	0.1"	0.0"	0.0"	0.5"	4.6"	9.0"
SNOWY DAYS	25%	23%	14%	4%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	10%	23%
THUNDER DAYS	1%	2%	1%	6%	15%	21%	21%	19%	5%	1%	0%	1%
FOGGY DAYS	26%	21%	14%	4%	1%	1%	0%	1%	7%	21%	27%	24%

COMMENTS: The area has a mid-latitude four-season climate. Precipitation is generally light, but adequate in all months. Summer afternoons are usually long and warm, rather than hot, while the nights are generally cool. Winter afternoons are generally cloudy, short, and cold. The nights are long and colder, with three-fourths of them dropping below the freezing point. About one afternoon out of four will remain below freezing. Snow is a common feature on the winter scene. The ground is frozen almost all winter long, and is snow-covered for an average of forty days during that season. The Danube River does not normally freeze over in Vienna, but ice floes are a common sight on the river from December through February. Spring and autumn are seasons of transition, with cool spells and warm spells alternating as the various frontal systems pass across Europe. The city will often have a distinct "urban heat island" effect. Under windless and rainless conditions (or near), the city center will be many degrees warmer than the outlying suburbs. This is especially noticeable at night and in the winter. Precipitation of any kind diminishes this effect, and a strong wind will eliminate it completely. The table data are for the city center.