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A 3-Day Vienna Bar Itinerary

From our guide **Top 10 Best Bars in Vienna**. Print it or save it to your phone.



Three evenings give you time to enjoy the best bars in Vienna without rushing. The plan below groups bars by area, so you spend your evenings drinking rather than travelling. It is also available as a free printable PDF.

Day 1: American bars in the old town

Start with a glass of wine at the counter of Zum Schwarzen Kameel, then walk to Loos American Bar while it is still quiet. After dinner, move on to Kruger's American Bar for a longer cocktail list. All three are within a few minutes of each other around Stephansplatz.

Day 2: Rooftops and views

Spend the late afternoon at the Sky Bar at Steffl for a cathedral view. Travel to Das Loft for sunset, and book a table by the window. If you want a calmer drink afterwards, walk along the Danube Canal towards Schwedenplatz.

Day 3: Music, cocktails and a relaxed finish

Start at Dachboden in the late afternoon, near the MuseumsQuartier. Later, walk to Dino's Apothecary Bar for a creative cocktail, and finish at Needle Vinyl Bar for records and a last drink. If you want an outdoor drink earlier in the day, add Café Kunsthalle am Karlsplatz, and check the weather and opening status first.

The 10 places at a glance

1. Loos American Bar

How to get there: On foot from Stephansplatz, about three minutes along Kärntner Strasse.
How long to spend: One hour.
Best time to go: Early evening, before the crowd arrives.
Tip: Order a classic cocktail and take time to look at the ceiling and mirrors.
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2. Kruger's American Bar

How to get there: On foot from the State Opera or Stephansplatz, about five minutes.
How long to spend: One to two hours.
Best time to go: A weeknight, or early on a weekend evening.
Tip: Ask for a recommendation by spirit rather than reading the whole list.
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3. Dino's Apothecary Bar

How to get there: On foot from Schwedenplatz or Stephansplatz, about five to ten minutes.
How long to spend: One to two hours.
Best time to go: A weeknight evening.
Tip: Ask the bartender to explain the pharmacy theme before you order.
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4. Needle Vinyl Bar

How to get there: On foot from Stephansplatz, about five minutes.
How long to spend: One to two hours.
Best time to go: Late evening.
Tip: Ask the staff to recommend a record, and tell them what you like.
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5. Das Loft

How to get there: On foot from Schwedenplatz, about five minutes, or by U-Bahn U1 or U4 to Schwedenplatz.
How long to spend: One to two hours.
Best time to go: An hour before sunset.
Tip: Book a table by the window and dress smartly.
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6. Dachboden

How to get there: On foot from the MuseumsQuartier, or by U-Bahn U2 or U3 to Volkstheater.
How long to spend: One to two hours.
Best time to go: A weeknight afternoon, or early evening for sunset.
Tip: Arrive early to get a good seat before the sunset queue.
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7. Sky Bar Steffl

How to get there: On foot from Stephansplatz, about two minutes along Kärntner Strasse.
How long to spend: About an hour.
Best time to go: Late afternoon or early evening on a clear day.
Tip: Check the opening hours before you go up.
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8. Atmosphere Rooftop Bar

How to get there: On foot from the State Opera, about ten minutes, or by tram along the Ringstrasse.
How long to spend: One to two hours.
Best time to go: Early evening, before dinner.
Tip: Check the season, the weather and the dress code before you go.
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9. Café Kunsthalle am Karlsplatz

How to get there: U-Bahn U1, U2 or U4 to Karlsplatz, then a short walk.
How long to spend: One hour.
Best time to go: A warm early evening.
Tip: Check opening status and outdoor seating before you travel.
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10. Zum Schwarzen Kameel

How to get there: On foot from the Graben or the Hofburg, about five minutes.
How long to spend: Forty-five minutes to an hour.
Best time to go: Early evening, as a first stop.
Tip: Ask for a glass of local white wine and a small open sandwich.
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Getting around Vienna

The historic centre is compact, and most bars on this list are within walking distance of Stephansplatz. Wear comfortable shoes, because Vienna's streets are pleasant but you will be on your feet most of the evening.

The public transport system run by Wiener Linien is efficient. According to the official tourism site, the U-Bahn runs through the night on Friday and Saturday nights and before public holidays, and night buses cover other nights. Ticket products have changed recently, so check current options before you buy, and check the status of the newer U5 line before relying on it. A taxi or ride-hailing service is an easy option for late journeys.

Opening times, prices and transport change often, so check with each venue or operator before you go. For the full guide, photos and FAQs, see https://toptravelinsider.com/top-10-best-bars-in-vienna/.