## **Excursions**

## **Göttweig Abbey**



Göttweig Abbey is a baroque Benedictine monastery and often referred to as Austria's Monte Cassino because of its fantastic location. Austria's Monte Cassino watches over the southern entry to the Wachau south of Krems like a sacred fortress. Göttweig Abbey was founded in 1083 as a proprietary monastery and became a Benedictine monastery in 1094. It was newly built in its current baroque form in the early 18th century according to plans by Johann Lukas von Hildebrandt.

Göttweig Abbey is part of the Wachau and a UNESCO World Heritage landscape since 2001. In the museum in the imperial wing, visitors experience high baroque in all its splendor, for example, the monumental imperial staircase with the ceiling fresco by Paul Troger from 1739, one of the largest and most beautiful baroque staircases in Europe.

https://www.stiftgoettweig.at/ (Sorry, website only in German)

## Loisium Wine Experience Langenlois



World-class architecture in the vineyards of Langenlois – the LOISIUM Wine World. The 1.5 hour circular tour through the cellars starts at the visitors' center designed by the renowned architect Steven Holl. It features sparkling wine bar, shop and stores for wine and sparkling wine. Otto Steiner from Sarnen, Switzerland, designed the tour. He did the same for Riedl Glas in Kufstein. you can visit a total of 15 artistically and playfully designed stations to find out how grapes become wine, how grapes are affected by weather, the moon and the soil, what the life of a winemaker was like a century ago and what legends there are about various vintages. The entire tour is barrier-free and can be negotiated with a wheelchair or stroller!

http://www.loisium-weinwelt.at/en/home/