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Some tips to go in Styria, the “green heart” of Austria

Graz, the second biggest town in Austria: Thanks to the best-preserved city centre of Central Europe, Graz was named a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1999. But there are also modern buildings, such as the friendly alien - the Kunsthhaus by architects Peter Cook and Colin Fournier or the Murinsel by Vito Acconci. Graz – https://www.gaztourismus.at/en

In addition to art and cultural institutions in Graz, there are interesting initiatives in southern and south-eastern Styria - even away from the obligatory palaces and castles - such as the bilingual Pavel House (http://www.pavelhaus.at/) or the Greith House (https://www.greith-haus.at/).

The world’s first 5-country biosphere park (Austria, Slovenia, Croatia, Hungary and Serbia) is located in the Bad Radkersburg region. In June 2019, UNESCO officially declared the region "Unteres Murtal" a biosphere park. https://www.steiermark.com/en/Thermen-Vulkanland/Region/Active-enjoyment-of-nature/Biosphere-reserve

The gentle hills and the hot, dry climate of Styria’s wine-growing regions are perfect breeding grounds for exquisite wines. In total, there are eight Styrian Wine Roads in three wine-growing regions. https://www.steiermark.com/en/Styria/Experience-Styrias-cuisine/Wine/Styrian-Wine-Roads

For the first time in the 39-year history of the European Capital of Culture, 23 municipalities in the rural inner Alpine region (Salzkammergut, Ausseerland) are joining forces to form a Capital of Culture and brings the diversity of historically rooted and contemporary art and culture before the curtain and raises it to an international level. https://www.salzkammergut-2024.at/en/home/

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