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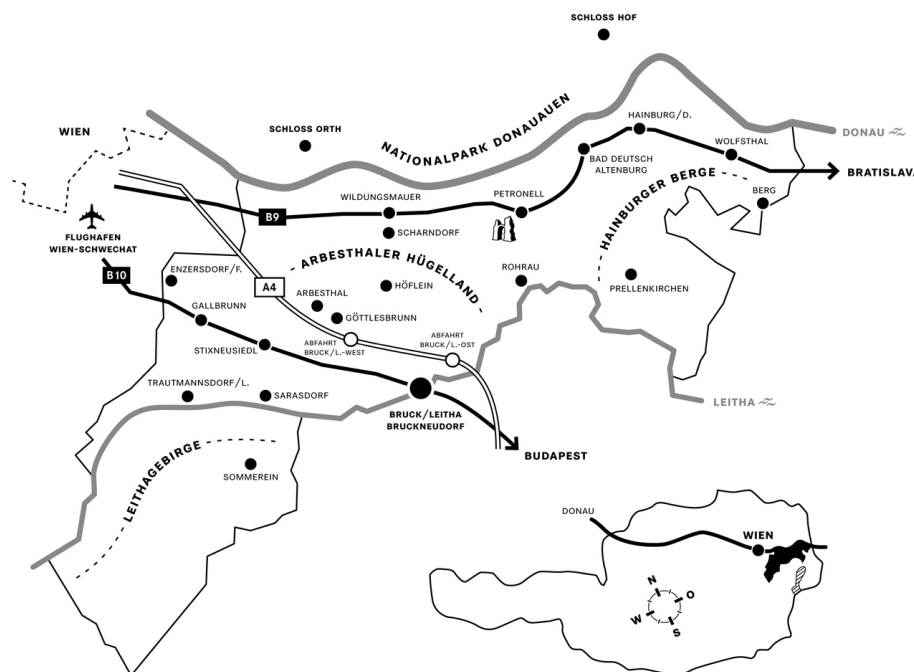
WINE GROWING REGION CARNUNTUM

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The Origins of „Carnuntum“

The wine growing area of Carnuntum is situated east of Vienna, just south of the Danube River. Here are three hill locations devoted to viticulture: the Leithagebirge, the Arbesthaler Hügelland and the Hundsheimer Berge.

The stony chalk and loess soils together with the climatic influences of the nearby Pannonian plain and the Neusiedlersee, or Lake Neusiedl, provide ideal conditions for wine growing.



The name of Carnuntum actually refers to the Roman colony that was located in what is now Petronell-Bad Deutsch Altenburg. In this area, numerous excavations in recent times have turned up ancient amphitheater and temple ruins that date to the time when the first grapevines were planted here.

The symbol of Carnuntum - Austria's most famous Roman landmark - is the Heidentor. Although its name refers to a city "door" or "gate", it actually was built as a monument to Emperor Constantius II (354-361 A.D.).

Wine Growing in Ancient Carnuntum

Carnuntum's historical heritage not only encompasses ancient Rome, but also an excellent wine culture. Many archaeological findings - excavated remains of structures and buildings; changes in soil patterns; various tools; containers for supplies and drink; stone relief images and drawings, and ancient plant residues - provide important clues to the wine culture of that period.

From Insider Tip to Shooting Star

Carnuntum is one of Austria's smallest wine growing areas. With 890 hectares under vine, it represents only two percent of Austria's vineyards.

While Austria's wine scene experienced a quality and image rehaul during the 1990s, things in Carnuntum remained fairly low-key. However, when the country's red wine boom began in 2000, quality development took off in the hills of Göttlesbrunn, Arbesthal and Höflein. Suddenly, Carnuntum began to emerge from the shadows of Austria's famous wine regions; an insider tip evolving into a shooting star.

Contributing to this development were – and are - the area's vine-loving soils as well as the influences of Lake Neusiedl and the cool winds from the Danube river; and especially the talented young winemakers who know how to extract the utmost potential from these advantages of nature.

The highly sought-after wines here are rich in juice and power; the muscular Grüner Veltliner and Burgundian varietals are fine examples. But the monumental red wines loaded with expressive fruit and mature tannins comprise the explosive Zweigelt, the dark fruit-laden Blaufränkisch and the full-bodied Cabernet. These hail from superb locations - the sunny southern slopes of the Spitzerberg, in the south of Hainburg and around the area of Göttlesbrunn.

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