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Useful Information



VENUE

National Defence Academy, Stiftgasse 2A, 1070 Vienna, AUSTRIA

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The National Defence Academy (NDA) is the highest military training and research institution of the Austrian Armed Forces. At the NDA, future officers of the General Staff, officers of higher services (e.g. higher quartermaster and legal advisor service, higher military and military technical service, military doctors) are trained. Military officers of the active class and reserve officers are trained as commanders and staff members of higher levels of leadership. Civilian personnel of the Ministry of Defence and other government departments are trained in security policy, leadership and other subjects.

Research at the NDA covers the main disciplines of senior military leadership (operation, tactics, logistics, command and control and organizational theory); strategy and security policy including international law, arms control and armaments technology; military geography, military sociology, military ethics, military education and military history; peace support and conflict management including analysis of the development of armed forces structures and doctrines. Teaching and research staff of the Academy participate in international committees and conferences commissioned by the Ministry of Defence and maintain close contact with national and international educational and research institutions.

The main departments of the NDA are: Institute for Higher Military Command, Institute for Peace Support and Conflict Management, Institute for Strategy and Security Policy, the Austrian Armed Forces Language Institute and the Centre for People-oriented Leadership and Defence Policy



GET TO NDA

The two most convenient ways to get to the Academy **from the airport** are:

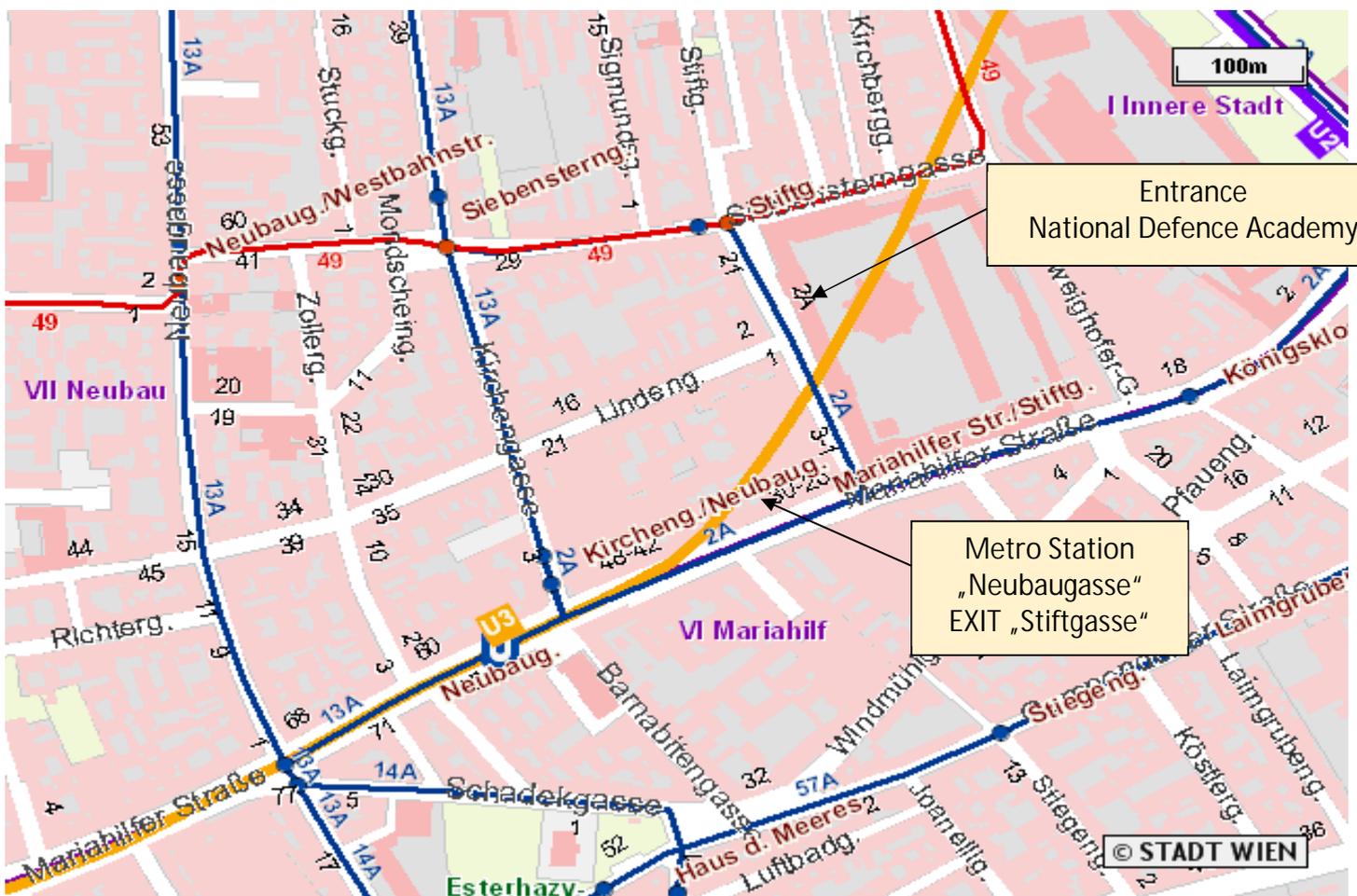
- The City Airport Train (CAT), leaving every 30 minutes.
- The local train, called "S-7", leaving also every 30 minutes.

Both trains stop at the station **Landstraße Wien-Mitte (Vienna City Center)**. From there, take the **metro U3** towards "Ottakring" and get off at the station **"Neubaugasse"** (Exit "Stiftgasse"). You will find the Academy at the crossing Siebensterngasse – Stiftgasse (see also the attached map).

Both variants have a journey time of approx. 38–45 min.

There are two ways to get to the Academy **from the main railway station ("Hauptbahnhof")**:

- First, you could take the **metro U1** towards "Lepoldau", change at "Stephansplatz" to metro **U3** towards "Ottakring" and get off at the Station "Neubaugasse" (Exit "Stiftgasse"). This journey will take approx. 12 min. (recommended)
- The second option is the **bus line 13A** towards "Skodagasse". Get off at "Mariahilfer Straße/Stiftgasse", from there it is a 7-min.-walk to the NDA. This journey will take approx. 30 min.



ACCOMMODATION

As Vienna experiences a huge influx of tourists make sure you book your flight and accommodation in advance. There are many options of accommodation (hotels, hostels and Airbnb) depending on your budget and preferences.

Find below a list of hotels in the immediate surroundings of the NDA. Please contact directly the hotels yourselves, following the links.

Hotel	Single Room/night (as of 16/04/19)
Hotel NH Wien City*** 1070 Wien Mariahilfer Straße 32-34 https://www.nh-hotels.com/hotel/nh-wien-city	€ 80 - 115
Hotel ViennaArt **** 1070 Wien Breitegasse 9 https://austrotel.at/hotel-viennart/en/	€ 70 - 100
Hotel Admiral*** 1070 Wien Karl Schweighofer-Gasse 7 https://admiral.co.at/en/	€ 75 - 110
Hotel Hayden 1060 Wien. Mariahilfer Straße 57-59 https://www.haydn-hotel.at/?lang=en	€ 60 -100
K&K Hotel Maria Theresia **** 1070 Wien Kirchengasse 6 http://www.kkhotels.com/en/hotels-in-vienna/k-k-hotel-maria-theresia/welcome/	€ 110 - 150



Das Tyrol****

1060 Wien

Mariahilfer Straße 15

€ 155 - 295

<https://www.das-tyrol.at/en/>**Hotel NH Collection Wien Zentrum ******

1070 Wien

Mariahilfer Straße 78

€ 116 - 160

<https://www.nh-hotels.com/hotel/nh-wien-zentrum>**TRAVEL**

To enter Austria, you may need a Passport and/or a Visa, depending on the country you live in. It is not possible to apply for a visa at the border. Attendees who need to apply for a visa must do so in their country of residence. Citizens from the European Community don't need a Visa for entering Austria.

Austria is part of the Schengen Area. Please find detailed information on Schengen visa on this [website](#) of the Foreign Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs.

GET TO VIENNA**By plane**

Vienna's airport, "Vienna International Airport" (VIE), is located in the south-east of the city in Schwechat. It takes approx. 25-30 min. by train to the city center ("Landstraße – Wien Mitte"). There are several possibilities to get to the city center with public transport: express trains, the special airport train (CAT) or bus lines. The fares are moderate starting from € 5,-. You can get a cab at the airport as well, yet the fare for a cab ride is at least € 30,- or more.

By train

The train is a comfortable way to travel to Vienna. The ÖBB (Austrian Federal Railways) offer trains from various major European cities. All international trains arrive at Vienna Main Station ("Hauptbahnhof"), where you have various connections to public transport (metro, buses, trams and cabs).

For train connections please visit: www.oebb.at/en

By bus

International bus connections from across Europe to Vienna are operated by the bus company Eurolines. Full details on timetables, online bookings etc. can be found at www.eurolines.com

The long-distance bus company Flixbus-Mein Fernbus also offers many different bus routes within Europe. More information at www.flixbus.com



By car

As tolls are compulsory on all motorways and expressways in Austria, you will also need a vignette to use Vienna's city motorways.

Some of Vienna's districts are entirely short-term parking zones. Please check if your hotel offers parking. Otherwise, please find detailed information on parking in Vienna here:

www.wien.info/en/travel-info/to-and-around/parking

www.wien.gv.at/english/transportation/parking/

PUBLIC TRANSPORTS

Vienna offers a well-developed public transport network consisting of metro, tram and bus lines. The tickets are valid in all trams, buses and subways of the Vienna Transport Authority. Each stamped single ticket is valid up to the destination, including multiple transfers.

Tickets are available at:

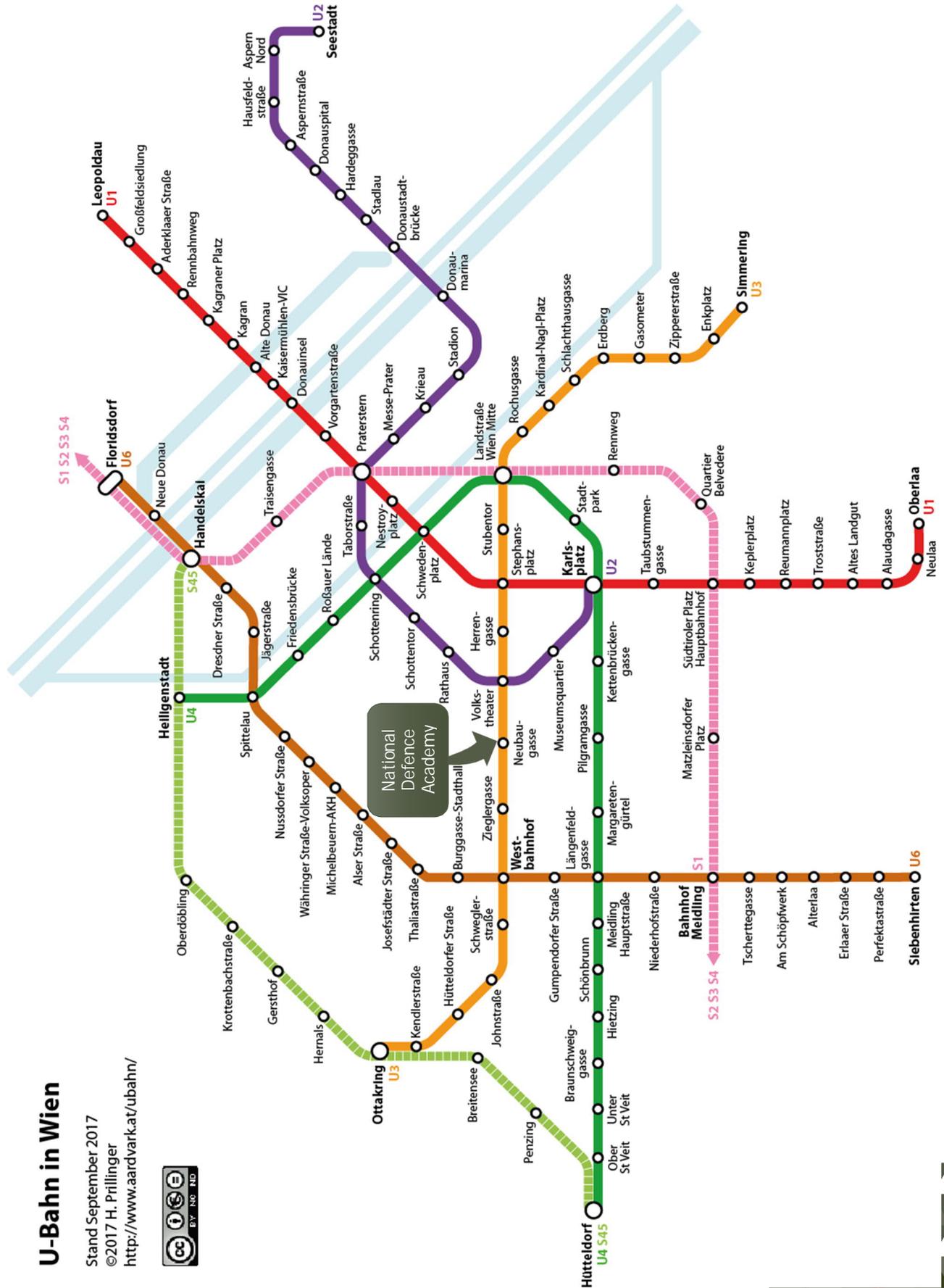
- the multilingual ticket machines (subway stations)
- all [advance sales points](#) and the [online shop](#) of the Vienna Lines
- most tobacco shops
- [Mobile phone ticket](#), which can be used to buy Vienna day tickets and single tickets

Please find more information on travel [here](#) and public transport [here](#).



U-Bahn in Wien

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<http://www.aardvark.at/ubahn/>



ABOUT VIENNA¹

Vienna is a picturesque city in the very heart of Europe. The city impresses its visitors with its imperial past and Habsburg charm, yet still has a vivid modern and urban culture.

The suggested hotels are placed on or near the main shopping street of Vienna, the Mariahilfer Straße. Here you find everything you need within walking distance. If you'd like to enjoy some of Vienna's marvellous sightseeing attractions, take a walk to the **Hofburg**, which used to be the palace of the Habsburg Dynasty. If you'd like to have some coffee in a traditional Austrian "coffee house", the **Café Central** is only a short walk away from Hofburg. If you're spending some more time in Vienna, some other interesting sights are the **Schönbrunn Palace** and the **Saint Stephen's Cathedral**.

Please find further information on tourism opportunities here:

<https://www.wien.info/en>

Vienna in numbers

Area: 415 km²

Population: 1.8 million

Language: German

Currency: Euro

Time zone

Vienna is in the Central European time zone (CET = GMT / UCT + 1). Daylight saving time applies from the last Sunday in March to the last Sunday in October (CEST).

Electricity

The typical mains voltage for households (as well as hotels) in Vienna is 230 volts (alternating current)

Telephone

The telephone prefix for calling Vienna from other countries is: + 43 1

Language

German is spoken in Austria, and the most commonly spoken foreign language is English.

Units of measure

The metric system is used in Austria.

¹ The following information has been taken from this webpages: <https://www.wien.info/en/travel-info/tourist-info/general-information>, <https://www.wien.info/en/travel-info/tourist-info/opening-times>



Shops

Shops are usually open Mon-Fri from 9.00 am - 6.30 pm, Sat until 5.00 pm or 6.00 pm; some shopping centers are open until 8.00 pm or 9.00 from Mon-Fri.

Shopping is available on Sundays and holidays at the large railway stations, at the airport and in the museum shops.

Banks

Most banks in Vienna are open from Monday to Friday from 8.00 am to 12.30 pm and from 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm, and until 5.30 pm on Thursdays. In the city centre (1st district), almost all banks are open over lunchtime.

Restaurants and hot food

Most restaurants in the city centre are open daily. Hot food is generally offered from 11.00 am - 2.00 pm and from 6.00 pm - 10.00 pm. Many restaurants also serve hot food throughout the day. Some restaurants, often outside the city centre, are closed on one day each week, sometimes on Sundays as well. Night-owls can silence late or even early hunger pangs at a typical Viennese sausage stand. More on Vienna's restaurants:

www.wien.info/en/shopping-wining-dining/restaurants

Drugstores

Drugstores are open from Monday to Friday from 8.00 am - 6.00 pm, usually without a lunch break, and on Saturday from 8.00 am - 12.00 noon. Outside of these times, a 24-hour drugstore standby service is available throughout the city. Details of the nearest open drugstore are posted at every drugstore. For telephone information call tel. 1455.

