

GRAZ QUIZ TRAIL



HELLO EVERYONE!

Do you fancy exploring the city with GRAZIA?

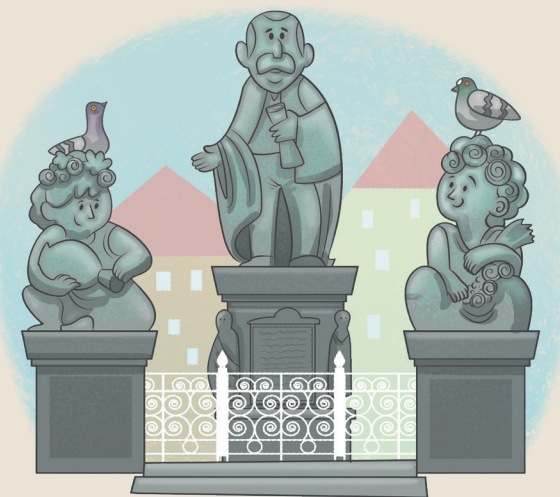
Her friend HANSI is visiting her at the moment and she's going to show him and you the most beautiful spots in Graz!

Join the two friends and find out some exciting, funny and amazing facts while you help Hansi solve some puzzles!

At the end, we have a SURPRISE for you at the **Tourismusinformation Region Graz** office at Herrengasse 16 as a little token to thank you for your help.

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1 HAUPTPLATZ



Grazia: Our journey through Graz starts here on the main square, called Hauptplatz. As you can see, besides the town hall and many colourful sausage stands, there is also a fountain in the centre of the square. On a throne in the middle is a man who has greatly influenced the history of Graz and Styria.

QUESTION: Can you find out his name?

1. ARCHDUKE JOHANN
2. KING RICHARD
3. EMPEROR FERDINAND

Hansi: That's where I got my name from! My grandma told me that I was named after a famous archduke who lived in Graz!

Grazia: Exactly, because Hansi is short for Johann! If you keep your eyes peeled, you can often spot traces of Archduke Johann in Graz. For example, the Universalmuseum Joanneum was named after him, as this gigantic museum complex was founded in 1811 with Johann's personal collections.

Hansi: Great! Tell us Grazia, is there more to discover in Graz?

Grazia: Yes, of course, Hansi! We'd better get moving right away! Let's go!

2 PAINTED HOUSE

Grazia: If you take a look at the lively shopping street Herrengasse from Hauptplatz, the main square, you'll immediately notice a very colourful house (Herrengasse 3). A huge graffiti? Definitely not! The painted house was transformed into a gigantic work of art by the Baroque painter Johann Mayer almost 300 years ago, and still inspires the people of Graz today.

QUESTION: How many big horses can you spot on the painted house?

1. 7 HORSES
2. 4 HORSES
3. 6 HORSES

Hansi: Weren't the people angry that their house had been painted?

Grazia: Not at all! They were thrilled! After all, Johann Mayer was a prominent artist and his work was a great honour for the house! But let's move on. I'd like to show you the largest courtyard in Graz.



Where is the little cat hiding?

3 LANDHAUS



Grazia: The Landhaus courtyard used to be bustling with activity, festivals were celebrated and there was also dancing. Today, behind the arched windows is the Styrian parliament. But even now, numerous events are held here, and during Advent you can even admire a huge nativity scene made of pure ice.

Hansi: Oh, I'll definitely take a look at that in winter!

Grazia: Absolutely! But there's much more to discover here! Tucked away in the Landhaus courtyard, almost hidden, is a green painted door on which the coat of arms for Styria can be found. This fire-breathing mythical creature looks powerful and majestic.

QUESTION: What is the name of the Styrian heraldic animal?

1. PANTHER
2. PANDA
3. EAGLE

Grazia: Having seen such beautiful paintings, I think it's now time for some music!

Hansi: Oh, yes, you dance ahead and I'll dance after you!

4 GLOCKENSPIELPLATZ

Grazia: To get to Glockenspielplatz, you can walk through the Glockenspiel passage and then cross Mehplatz. There's a lot to see and also hear on this square. As at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 6 p.m., you can listen to the glockenspiel chiming here, playing different melodies to suit the season.

QUESTION: Which animal "watches" over the glockenspiel?

1. LION
2. ROOSTER
3. HORSE

Hansi: Where is the music coming from – I don't see a loudspeaker?

Grazia: The glockenspiel produces its melodies using an over a 2.2 metre long cylinder. You could say it's like a huge, antique MP3 player!

I hope you're not a scaredy-cat! Because now we're going to visit the fresco painting portraying the plague and a real grave!

Hansi: As if, I'm not scared of anything! Adventure, here I come!



ADVENTURE: OLD TOWN GRAZ QUIZ TRAIL FOR CHILDREN



5 MAUSOLEUM

Grazia: You can reach the mausoleum and Graz Cathedral by walking along Abraham-à-Santa-Clara-Gasse. To the left of the south side of the cathedral is a famous fresco called the "Landplagenbild", which shows the three plagues that rampaged through Styria in 1480. Right next to it is the mausoleum. It is one of the most important tombs of the period of the Habsburg monarchy. A real emperor is in fact laid to rest here!

QUESTION: Emperor Ferdinand, the

1. 2ND
2. 4TH
3. 1ST

Hansi: It wasn't as scary as you'd said it was! I think this is a beautiful place!

Grazia: I just wanted to make it exciting. But now I'm going to show you something really crazy – I promise!



A majestic place for an emperor!

6 DOUBLE SPIRAL STAIRCASE



Grazia: This here can really make your head spin! The double spiral staircase winds over three floors. And a special feature here is that it consists of two staircases that meet on each floor. The double spiral staircase has been a masterpiece of stonemasonry for over 500 years. Speaking of which! Stonemasons leave a very personal mark in their work – a signature!

QUESTION: Take a close look at the staircase! Can you find a stonemason's signature?

Do you need some help? This is what the stonemason's signature looks like!



7 HOFBÄCKEREI

Grazia: Mmmmmh – what a lovely smell! Can you also smell the many tasty treats from Hofbäckerei Edegger-Tax bakery? By the way, it's the oldest bakery in the city and its facade has been decorated with magnificent woodwork. The gold-plated double-headed eagle still watches over it today.

QUESTION: But when was the Hofbäckerei bakery actually opened?

1. 1569
2. 1662
3. 1801

Hansi: I've never seen such a beautiful bakery! And yes, you're right – it smells heavenly!



TIP: Very close to the Hofbäckerei is the Palais Saurau (around the corner at Sporgasse 25). If you look up here, you'll make an unusual discovery. Well, who's there looking out the window? A man with a beard, turban and sabre. These kinds of statues were used to identify buildings. As there didn't use to be any house numbers. Special features did make it easier to find the houses, though.

Grazia: What do you want to do next?

Hansi: I'd like to be a giant!

Grazia: A giant?

Hansi: Yeah, then I could look at the city from above!

Grazia: We can do that, no problem! I've got an idea!

From here you can cross Karmeliterplatz and then go up the Schlossberg hill. Once you're up the top, you can not only enjoy a great view over Graz but also the city's landmark – the clock tower.

Alternative route: It's easier to walk along Sporgasse to Hauptplatz, from there to Schlossbergplatz (or directly from Karmeliterplatz through the Schlossberg tunnel) and then take the lift to the clock tower.

8 SCHLOSSBERG HILL & CLOCK TOWER



Do the clocks tick differently in Graz?

Hansi: The climb was worth it! Now I'm a giant and can see over all the city rooftops! But, what's going on here? Do the clocks tick differently in Graz?

Grazia: Do the clocks tick differently in Graz? Not quite! As you may have noticed, the hands on the clock tower are reversed. The big hand shows the hours and the small hand, which was only mounted later, indicates the minutes. But something else is different to what you are familiar with!

QUESTION: There is a Roman numeral on the dial that is written differently to what we are used to today. Do you know which one?

1. _

To get back to the foot of the Schlossberg hill, you can use the Schlossberg steps or the Schlossberglift. If you walk a bit further towards the bell tower and casemates, you will also get to the Schlossberg funicular, which has been taking people from the bottom station to the top station and back for 120 years.

TIPS: Behind the clock tower you will find "The Flight 4D Graz" motion ride where you can experience Graz from the perspective of a fly. At the bottom by the entrance to the Schlossberg lift is the Graz Fairytale Express. Here you can take the magic grotto train through an enchanted fairy tale forest.

9 MURINSEL

Grazia: Murinsel is one of the most modern sights in the city and also a coffee house. Here you can have a little refreshment in the middle of the river Mur and on some warm summer evenings there are even concerts or cinema evenings. Can you feel the vibrations? In strong currents, the entire island moves with the Mur and bounces up and down.

QUESTION: You have probably already noticed the Murinsel's unusual shape. But what does it remind you of?

1. FISH
2. SHIP
3. CLAM

TIP: Use the info screen at the entrance to the Murinsel café – it will help you find the solution!

Grazia: Have you looked into the water yet? Then you might have noticed the "Murnocker!".

Hansi: Mmmmmmmh, Murnocker!

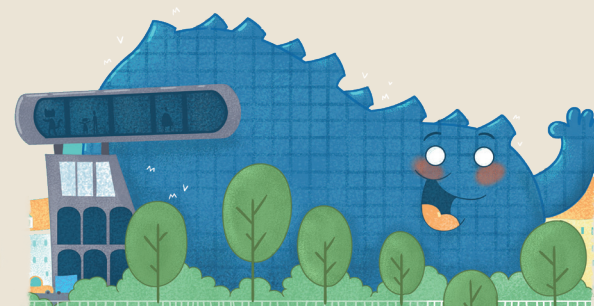
Grazia: No, they're not something to snack on! "Murnocker!" is the name given to the stones in the Mur in Graz. The water's current has given them a beautiful round shape and they were even used in the past to pave roads.

Hansi: Incredible, you know so many interesting things!

Grazia: Of course I do! After all, I go to museums a lot. We have a lot of them in Graz. I would like to show you one very special museum.



10 KUNSTHAUS



Grazia: The Kunsthaus has shaped the left bank of the Mur in Graz since 2003. Graz was also awarded the title of European Capital of Culture in that year. As a result, many exciting and artistic buildings were built throughout the city. The Kunsthaus looks like it has come to Graz from another galaxy. It lights up and flashes, and sometimes it even makes noises – almost like a spaceship.

QUESTION: That's why our big blue friend from Graz is also affectionately called the "Friendly _ _ _ _".

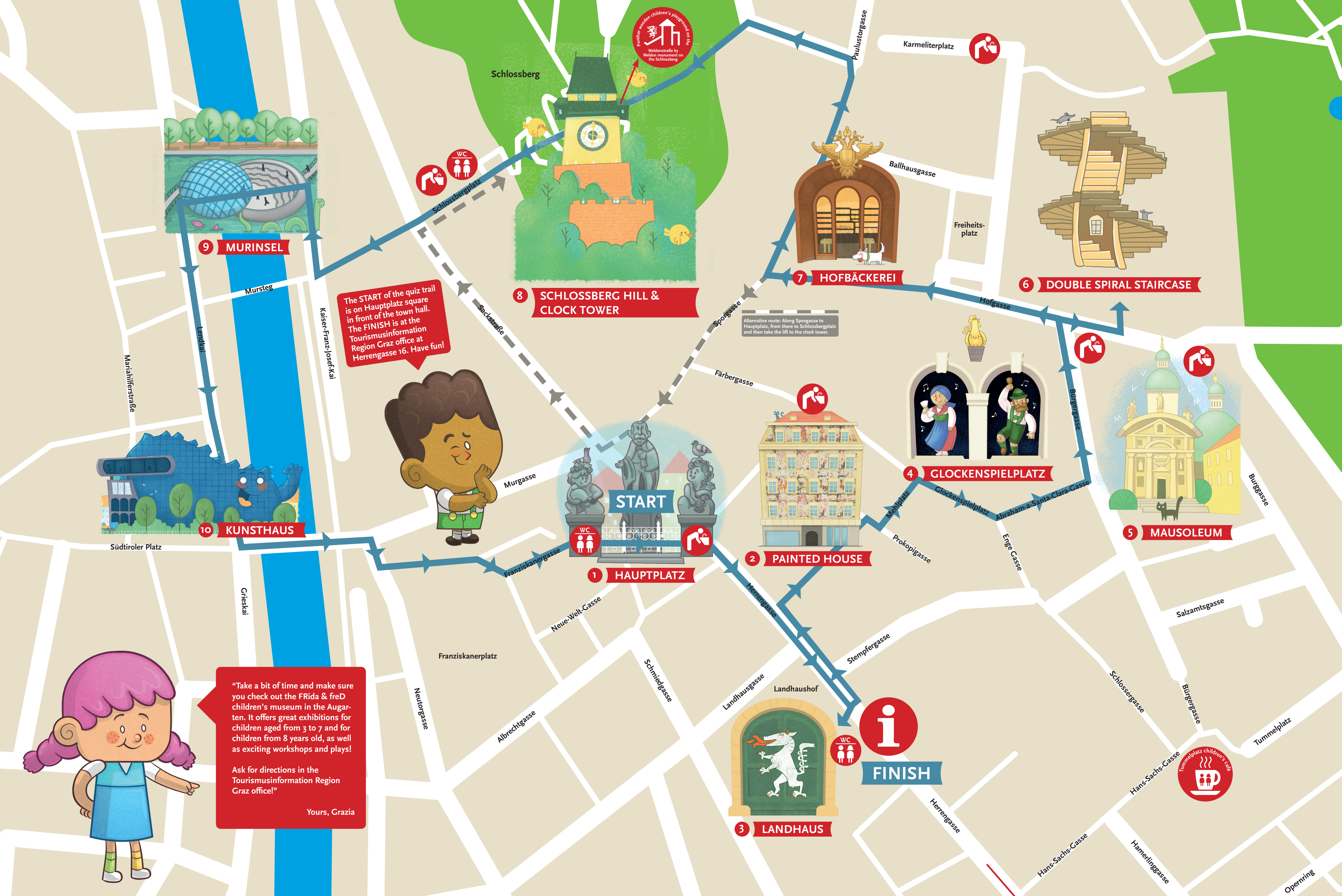
1. SHOE
2. ALIEN
3. APPLE

FINISH: We have reached the end of our little journey through Graz. Walk over Franziskanerplatz now, past the Franciscan Church to Hauptplatz and back into the Herrengasse to the Tourismusinformation Region Graz office.

Use your code to open the chest. Use the answers to the questions: 2, 4, 7 and 9. The correct, underlined, red numbers give the code: _ _ _ _

DID IT WORK? Great, then you can take out your personal GRAZ gift. Enjoy it and have fun in Graz!





The START of the quiz trail is on Hauptplatz square in front of the town hall. The FINISH is at the Tourismusinformation Region Graz office at Herrengasse 16. Have fun!

“Take a bit of time and make sure you check out the FRida & freD children’s museum in the Augarten. It offers great exhibitions for children aged from 3 to 7 and for children from 8 years old, as well as exciting workshops and plays!

Ask for directions in the Tourismusinformation Region Graz office!”

Yours, Grazia



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