

# Imperial Ball

New Years Eve 2009

Vienna, Austria

**\$1,849** per person  
double occupancy  
(airfare not included)



The elegant beginning of the Grand Ball season, the Imperial Ball takes place on December 31st in the Viennese Hofburg Palace (Imperial Palace). Visitors come from all over the world to spend New Year's in the former winter residence of the Austrian Emperor.

**Special Imperial Ball airfares available from select U.S. cities. Please call for detailed price and schedule information.**



In the entrance hall, Imperial Guards perform the historic changing of the guards. Guests are greeted on the grand staircase by the "Imperial Couple." Ladies are presented a small gift as a remembrance of the evening by footmen dressed in livery. Members of the ball committee guide the visitors to the state apartments, splendidly decorated with thousands of flowers. A gala banquet will be served by waiters in silk livery.



Internationally known orchestras and bands invite you to dance in the Festival Hall and other splendid halls. At midnight, the ringing of the bell from St. Stephan's Cathedral can be heard, the "Imperial Couple" wishes a Happy New Year and the Deutschmeister Band marches through the halls playing music. The climax is the fabulous show starting after midnight in the Festival Hall. Stars from the State Opera and Volksopera sing and dance to melodies from Viennese operettas.

## **INCLUDED IN OUR SERVICES ARE:**

- Four nights accommodation at 4-star Hotel (Arrival December 29, 2009, check out January 02, 2010 double occupancy, all rooms with private bath)
- Daily breakfast buffet
- All hotel taxes and service charges
- Roundtrip private transfer from the Vienna airport/train station to hotel
- City sightseeing tour of Vienna
- Ticket for the Imperial ball on December 31, 2009, welcome cocktail, gala dinner, red or white wine, table reservation and champagne



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