

AUTUMN FEASTS AND FESTIVITIES IN GROSSARL, SALZBURGERLAND

Tucked away in Austria's Valley of Alpine Meadows at the heart of Salzburgerland, Grossarl's flagship hotel the 4-star superior GROSSARLER HOF (www.grossarlerhof.at) invites guests to sample the pleasures of Bauernherbst (autumn harvest) between 26 August and 28 October 2017. After the excitement of the holiday season, these tranquil weeks are the ideal time to enjoy the region's rich cultural life and the beauty of the Alpine landscape aglow with vivid autumn colours in a spectacular mountain setting.

The GROSSARLER HOF offers a special 3-, 4- or 7-night [Austrian Game, Traditional Costumes & Folk Music](#) stay during Bauernherbst from 8 – 15 October, priced from €437, €611 and €946 per person (based on two sharing 'almost' full board) respectively. An optional itinerary packed with culinary and musical highlights includes a dinner with guest chefs and winemakers on Sunday 8 October, a musicians' round table on Thursday 12 October and – as a grand finale – the Hunters' Ball on Saturday 14 October. Guests also enjoy unlimited access to the hotel's luxurious Erlenreich Relax & SPA. For reservations: www.grossarlerhof.at / +43 6414 8384.

Between late summer heat and the first snowflakes of winter, autumn is a time for reflection. Life resumes its time-honoured rhythm; villagers look to their roots and rejoice in their heritage. Farmers open their doors and offer tastings of their delicious produce and mouth-watering dishes created from recipes passed down the generations. The change of season is a time of celebration, traditional costumes are worn with pride and the animals are decorated as they make their way down from the mountain pastures to the valley for winter.

The GROSSARLER HOF is a member of the prestigious Small Luxury Hotels of the World. Perfectly located in one of Austria's prettiest villages, it offers unrivalled hospitality and a harmonious balance of tradition and contemporary elegance. The family-run hotel's warmth and friendliness and its stylish comfort leaves a lasting impression on all who stay. The recipient of many awards for hospitality and cuisine, the GROSSARLER HOF is included in Austria's exclusive collection of distinctive hotels, Niche Destinations (www.niche-destinations.com).

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