

### **Schloss Hof Palace and Gardens**

*Prince Eugene's former summer palace Schloss Hof, built in the 18<sup>th</sup> century, is one of the most beautiful baroque complexes. You will enjoy the unique baroque gardens, the magnificent rooms of the chateau, and the idyllic manor farm.*

*The Hof Palace is located approximately 40 kilometres east of Vienna. The magnificent palace complex with its beautiful terraced garden and idyllic manor farm was laid out in the late 1720s as an impressive country home and hunting lodge for Prince Eugene of Savoy. The architect, Johann Lucas von Hildebrandt, was able to draw on practically unlimited resources. His employer, after all, was not only one of the most successful generals but also one of the wealthiest men of his time. Hundreds of labourers, craftsmen and gardeners spent years realising Hildebrandt's plans. The work was for the most part completed by around 1730, resulting in one of the most impressive total works of art of the Baroque period in Europe.*

*The magnificent gardens will show you nature, perfectly shaped by human hands. With the help of historical plans, old paintings and the expertise of well-versed landscape archaeologists, the splendour that had gradually disappeared over the course of time has been for the most part restored.*

*Bus transfer from and to the University building is provided.*

**Price: € 57, includes bus shuttle, English speaking guide, entrance fee**

**Duration: 4.5 hrs. Min. number of participants: 20**