

## **Grand Opening at Vienna Airport: Wolfgang Puck personally opens his first Austrian restaurant in the presence of more than 100 guests**

The top international chef Wolfgang Puck personally opened his very first restaurant in his native country of Austria. Wolfgang Puck welcomed more than 100 invited guests last night on Tuesday 17 May 2022 to his establishment “Wolfgang Puck Kitchen + Bar” at Vienna Airport together with his brother Klaus Puck as well as Jeremy Fennell, CEO SSP Continental Europe and Julian Jäger and Günther Ofner, Members of the Management Board of Vienna Airport. The Wolfgang Puck Kitchen + Bar has been open since the middle of April and is accessible to all interested guests in the arrival hall of Terminal 3. The restaurant spanning an area of 700m<sup>2</sup> features an open kitchen, bar and take-away area, and serves classical international food, Wolfgang Puck signature dishes, gourmet pizzas and naturally Austrian kitchen. The new place to dine is being operated by SSP – The Food Travel Experts, a longstanding catering partner at Vienna Airport.

“I am so happy to finally return to Austria and to open our restaurant Wolfgang Puck Kitchen + Bar at Vienna Airport, the gateway to the world for so many, many people from all over Central Europe. It is a wonderful experience to be here!” states celebrity chef Wolfgang Puck.

“SSP is pleased to intensify our very good partnership with Vienna Airport thanks to the unique restaurant Wolfgang Puck Kitchen + Bar. It is a great honour for me and my team to have attracted the highly renowned celebrity chef Wolfgang Puck as a franchise partner. No other award-winning chef stands as much as Wolfgang Puck for Austrian cuisine combined with a twist of Californian healthy food,” according to Jeremy Fennell, CEO SSP Continental Europe.

“Wolfgang Puck is one of the most successful Austrian restaurateurs and highly acclaimed across the globe. We are pleased that he decided in favour of Vienna Airport to open his first restaurant in his Austrian homeland and to come here to personally support its launch. Together with the airport experience of our long-term catering partner SSP and the top culinary know-how of Wolfgang Puck, we are able to offer our guests a new highlight at Vienna Airport,” says a gratified Julian Jäger, Member of the Management Board of Vienna Airport.

### **More than 100 invited guests attended the Grand Opening**

Yesterday in the evening Wolfgang Puck celebrated the opening of his first restaurant in Austria together with his siblings Klaus and Christine Puck. Representatives from the aviation and catering industries, including former mayor of Vienna Michael Häupl, Ali Rahimi, Mike Köberl (Spoon), Fashion Designer Niko Niko, Edward Ho (EVA Air), Josef Donhauser (DoN Group), Michael Dorfer (Moxy Hotel Vienna Airport) followed the round of interviews with Wolfgang Puck, Jeremy Fennell, CEO of SSP Continental Europe and Julian Jäger, Member of the Management Board of Vienna Airport, which was masterfully led by TV moderator Sasa Schwarzjirg. The highlight of the evening was the official opening showcasing the joint pizza cutting of Wolfgang Puck’s signature dish, the well-known smoked salmon pizza.

### **“Wolfgang Puck Kitchen + Bar” at Vienna Airport**

The new restaurant of Wolfgang Puck located directly in the arrival hall in the public area of Terminal 3 is accessible to all guests and is open daily from 5 a.m. until 10 p.m. The new catering outlet spanning 700m<sup>2</sup> features a modern interior and golden design elements and offers a restaurant, bar and take-away area. In the restaurant with an open kitchen, guests can enjoy high quality Californian and traditional Austrian food interpreted in a modern fashion. The menu offers signature dishes from Wolfgang Puck such as tuna tartar, smoked salmon pizza with caviar, chinois salad, the Wolfgang Puck burger as well as Austrian specialities such as the Wiener Schnitzel, beef goulash and Carinthian cheese noodles from Wolfgang Puck's hometown. The bar serves signature cocktails such as the legendary Bloody Mary, local and international draught beers, Wolfgang Puck wines from California and much more. The take-away area makes fresh smoothies, bowls, salads, sandwiches, breakfast and vegetarian and vegan dishes every day from fresh local ingredients. In his global carrier, Wolfgang Puck has cooked his way to two Michelin stars, and now operates 100 restaurants in the meantime, spanning the globe from America to Japan. He has been represented in Europe since June 2021, namely in Budapest, and now also at Vienna Airport. His success story began in 1982 with the “Spago” in Los Angeles, which has remained one of the most popular trendy restaurants in Beverly Hills until this very day. For decades Wolfgang Puck has cooked for the stars on Oscar night in Hollywood, and now for all guests at Vienna Airport.

### **Three hours of free parking when you dine at the restaurant**

Interested guests can enjoy the high-quality cuisine of Wolfgang Puck even without departing from or arriving at Vienna Airport. If the bill for dining at the new Wolfgang Puck Kitchen & Bar exceeds € 20, guests can park for three hours at no charge. For this purpose, they can make use of the nearby Car Parks 3 and 4.

### **SSP – The Food Travel Experts lures international stars to the airport**

SSP is the largest catering partner at Vienna Airport and already successfully operates three Jamie Oliver establishments along with Starbucks and Leberkaspepi in Terminal 3 at Vienna Airport. Most recently it added Trzesniewski in Terminal 2. With the new Wolfgang Puck establishment, the restaurant operator has now lured another international hit to the airport. The company SSP - The Food Travel Experts operates coffee shops, food courts, bakeries and convenience stores in the Travel Channel. The company, which specializes in food and beverages for travellers, is mainly present at central transport hubs. The SSP Group is represented in 35 countries.

### **All the information about shops and restaurants at Vienna Airport at a glance**

The Vienna Airport website contains all the information you need about shops and restaurants as well as their opening hours and locations at a glance. Useful tips and current offers can also be viewed at [www.viennaairport.com/shops-restaurants](http://www.viennaairport.com/shops-restaurants).

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