

## **Local heroes get off to a flying start: Vienna Airport to host Veganista/The LaLa Take-Away Restaurant**

**A gastronomical highlight is moving to Vienna Airport. On an area covering more than 50 m<sup>2</sup>, Austria's first combined Veganista/The LaLa Take-Away Restaurant will open in the newly designed Terminal 2 in the future. Soon passengers will be able to enjoy high-quality vegan ice cream as well as vegan and healthy meals with a focus on regionality and sustainability. An agreement was recently signed between Vienna Airport and the restaurant operator duo of the siblings Cecilia Havmöller and Susanna Paller. Terminal 2 is currently closed due to the coronavirus pandemic, but the opening of the new culinary hotspot will take place when the newly redesigned Terminal 2 is put into operation, probably when the 2022 summer flight schedule takes effect. At that time, a completely new travel experience awaits passengers.**

“With Veganista and The Lala we have lured top local quality on board. The power sisters of Cecilia Havmöller and Susanna Paller will not only give the plaza in the newly designed Terminal 2 a young, urban and dynamic flair in the future, but their offering perfectly meets the needs of our travellers. For the first time, a restaurant will make food from regional organic products which is kosher and made according to Halal criteria. We look forward to Terminal 2 commencing operations, most likely at the beginning of the 2022 summer flight schedule and passengers will be able to enjoy the high-quality dishes of Veganista und The LaLa”, says Julian Jäger, Joint CEO and COO of Vienna Airport.

“A dream is coming true for us. Our two vegan concepts, Veganista and The LaLa, are moving into Vienna Airport. It was always our goal to open up a shop at Vienna Airport. We love airports because we are continuously on the move a lot. We love the feeling of freedom and the atmosphere at airports. Moreover, on the basis of this opening we are sending out an important signal for us as a company. Things are moving ahead! We are increasingly looking to the future in spite of the crisis. Hard work and a great team have enabled us to master the crisis and come out even stronger. For us, this opening is something special and gives us a lot of energy. We are not only extremely proud of this cooperation but also of the fact that Vienna Airport gives a vegan restaurant a chance,” state the two Veganista and The LaLa founders Cecilia Havmöller and Susanna Paller.

### **Veganista/The Lala brings innovative vegan cooking to the terminal**

Austria's first combined Veganista/The Lala Take-Away Restaurant will shine in a rose-coloured ambience at Vienna Airport in the future covering more than 50 m<sup>2</sup> of floor space. 100% vegan food made from regional organic ingredients, free of artificial additives and packed without plastic. The visionaries Cecilia Havmöller and Susanna Paller got their inspiration directly from Los Angeles, the place they long for. With a vegan restaurant they have created the perfect symbiosis between Californian joie de vivre and regional quality. Veganista also stands for high-quality, vegan ice cream made of purely natural ingredients. The food offered is not only vegan but also kosher and Halal. Thus, the new restaurant perfectly fits into an international location such as Vienna Airport. The sustainability strategy of the airport, which has implemented numerous measures on its way towards being a CO<sub>2</sub>-free “green airport,” is complemented by the new food concept. All dishes are packed without any plastic and ice cream is only served in vegan cups made from starch. The agreement between the airport and the sister duo to open the new restaurant has already been signed. It will be located in the shopping plaza directly behind the new, central security checkpoint in Terminal 2, which will probably come into operation at the same time as the 2022 summer flight schedule.

**Austrian power duo offers innovative vegan food: Veganista/The LaLa**

Cecilia Havmöller and Susanna Paller opened their first visionary ice cream parlour in May 2013. Since then, they have not only operated twelve “Veganista” branches throughout Austria, but also opened two “The LaLa” restaurants in Vienna in 2019. Food connoisseurs with food intolerances can enjoy culinary delights at both places without having to worry. More information about Veganista and The LaLa is available at: [www.veganista.at](http://www.veganista.at) and [www.the-lala.com](http://www.the-lala.com).

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