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Here Kai stops at the old horse-watering pond to feed the pigeons. As many as 20 horses used to bathe in here all at once. It was built by one of the ruling archbishops for his favorite horses.

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Salzburg's natural setting is incomparable. It was founded around the year 700, and was the seat of the most powerful archbishops north of Rome.

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The high point of the city is crowned by their dramatic castle-fortress. It was the rich taste of these art-loving churchmen that brought about the architectural beauty of the city.

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Kai puts away his sketchpad when the time for famous Salzburg festival comes. Now thousands descend on the city from all corners of the world to attend the world's most famous music festival. It takes place from the last week of July through August.

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The streets and squares are teeming with people who have come to see and hear the renowned artists of the world perform in the concert halls and theaters throughout the city. Another tourist attraction is this old narrow street where the shops have elaborate iron signs indicating the business of the owners, such as the shoe-maker, the glass-maker.

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A beer house with a crown on top meaning they serve the king of beers. The tailor, you see the scissors over on the left?

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The key-maker, and a restaurant with the cooking utensils in the basket.

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When the festival's over, Salzburg settles down again and Kai gets back to his sketching. This graceful little flying horse, Pegasus, has probably been the subject matter of many an artist, as it stood in the Mirabell Gardens over 300 years now.

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The Mirabell Palace and Gardens were built by another of the Archbishops.

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Now from a good vantage point, Kai starts a sketch of the Castle-Fortress. It was founded in the year 1077 and remained the unconquered

stronghold of the Archbishops down through the centuries. And Salzburg was the seed of the church; it's interesting to know that it didn't become an integral part of Austria until 1816.



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