

ITALY

The Places

South Tyrol, in Northern Italy, has had a varied history, for many years as part of Austrian territory. The region remains largely German-speaking, although both German and Italian are used. Looming over the territory are the mountains, the Dolomites, with their strange shapes, and the Alps, while the valleys provide fertile ground for the production of wine.

SOUTH TYROL

1. Church of St Jakob and landscape at Tramin
2. Bozen-Gries: Parish Church and Landscape
3. Bozen (Bolzano)
4. Eppan: Schloss Gandegg

The Music

Music for the tour is taken from four *Concerti grossi* by Handel.

Born in Halle in 1685, Handel had his first musical employment there and then in Hamburg, before moving in 1706 to Italy, where he remained until 1710, when he was appointed *Kapellmeister* to the Elector of Hanover. He travelled almost at once to London, where he had been engaged to compose an Italian opera, and from 1712 until his death in 1759 settled in England, winning fame first as a composer of Italian opera and then as the creator of English oratorio.



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