



Hallstat 7000

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- The first book to present a collection of the most spectacular finds from one of the top ten archaeological digs in the world
- 7000 years of life and culture in one book. Each object is a work of art in itself, every turn of the page an exciting step into an unknown world, long forgotten
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- Anton Kern, who led the excavation work for many years, provides a scientific and elegant account of the archaeological treasures unearthed in 150 years of digging

"Excellent depiction of the finds, complemented by fascinating photographs of landscape and mine, make this book a visual delicacy." **Antike Welt** Salt has been mined in Hallstatt for more than 7000 years. The oldest company in the world dates back to that time and was based there: one site, one product. For 7000 years, people have lived and worked and made cultural history in Hallstatt - the place even lent its name to an entire Iron Age period, the Hallstatt culture. 150 years ago, mine manager Johann Georg Ramsauer was a key figure in establishing modern archaeology in Hallstatt. After 7000 years, the graves in the steep valley and the sites of the prehistoric adits began to release their secrets. Today the team of archaeologists led by Anton Kern keep discovering breathtaking finds.

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Anton Kern is the director of the Department of Prehistory at Vienna's Natural History Museum. He is in charge of unrivalled archaeological treasures, among them the extraordinary Venus of Willendorf. Since 1993, he has led the excavations at the prehistoric burial site of Hallstatt.

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