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15 good reasons to hate "The Sound of Music"

6.) The Trapp family did indeed have to flee from the Nazis. However, they had **stayed in Salzburg** together for quite a while, Maria and Captain von Trapp had married in 1927, Austria was incorporated into Nazi Germany in 1938. When they left Austria, they pretended to attend a hiking trip and took a train to Italy. In the movie, they "hike" to Switzerland, which is actually about 300 kilometres away from Salzburg.

7.) In "The Sound of Music", **Switzerland is played by Mount Untersberg**, which is approximately 5 kilometres south of Salzburg's city centre.

8.) The music **sucks**.

9.) The **children can't pronounce their own names** correctly - Friedrich turns into something like "Friddrick", not even to mention the others.

10.) The plot **sucks**.

11.) "The Sound of Music" feeds the **distorting, romanticising image of Austria** that this website is trying to get around. People who visit the sites where the movie was taken might well have a good time, but usually fail to find the "real" Salzburg. It is your fault that the city turns increasingly into Europe's biggest open-air museum that locks out all domestic life and contemporary culture!

12.) The acting **sucks**.

13.) Tour guides in Salzburg often say that the cemetery of St Peter's Abbey featured in the Nazi-scenes of "The Sound of Music". This is not true, as these scenes were taken in the Universal Studios in California. It just shows you how happily the **tourism mafia** of Salzburg accepts **misinformation** as long as it keeps the tourists happy.

14.) The dialogues **suck**.

15.) After "Gone with the Wind", "The Sound of Music" is the second-most seen movie on Earth - **stealing** this title from movies like "The Life of Brian" or "The Royal Tennenbaums", which are incomparably better and would deserve fame a lot more.