



Budapest

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Budapest is a truly authentic and historic European capital, but it also has an innovative, pulsating personality-making it a versatile and cosmopolitan city. The beautiful built and natural environment, the grandiose architecture, the historical thermal spas, the diverse and vibrant gastronomy, a blossoming fashion and design scene, and the rich cultural life define Budapest's sparkling and original character. Come with us and indulge in the spice that is Budapest. Make memories you will remember for the rest of your life.



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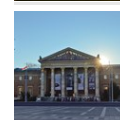
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THE CITY



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Budapest is a very central European and a global city at the same time. This apparent paradox is due to its lively history, its diverse population and the continuous, inspirational blend of cultures.

The city's liberating atmosphere continually stimulates your senses. Budapest's spice derives from its vitality and cultural effervescence, and we Hungarians use the city in a creative way. We are able to do "usual" things unusually well. Let us show you the majestic Buda castle hosting a wine festival, the Liberty bridge turning into a picnic spot above the Danube river, or the unique vibe of the ruin bars in the Jewish District.

It is almost impossible to list everything that is worth doing, seeing or tasting in Budapest, especially because a journey in and around the Hungarian capital will surely lead to personal discoveries as well for each visitor.

DO & SEE



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Budapest offers plenty of entertainment all year round: from green parks and soothing thermal baths to architectural gems and museums, to be explored in city quarters all different in character.

The Parliament



The Parliament is arguably the most prominent landmark of Hungary, also noted as the third largest parliament building in the world. It was designed in Gothic revival style by architect Imre Steindl. It is 96 metres tall, which refers to the year 1896, when extensive constructions were carried out to celebrate the country's Millennium.

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Opening hours: Mon to Sun: 8.00-18.00 (Apr thru Oct),
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Email: tourist.office@parlament.hu

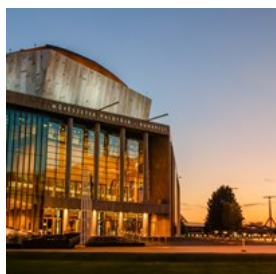
Liszt Ferenc Academy of Music



When Franz Liszt, Liszt Ferenc to Hungarians, established his Music Academy in 1875, it was at his home in Vörösmarty Street, now a memorial museum. Today's Liszt Ferenc Zeneakadémia, on the square also named after the composer, is an Art Nouveau masterpiece created in 1907. Since its redevelopment in 2013, it has mainly arranged its own concerts, featuring stars such as Joshua Bell, Chick Corea and Steve Reich.

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Address: Liszt Ferenc tér 8, 1061
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Palace of Arts (Müpa Budapest)

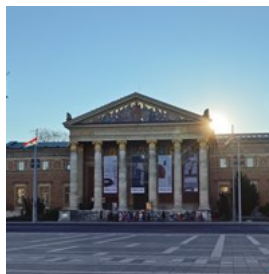


Known locally by its acronym of Müpa, Palace of Arts (Művészetek Palotája) is a striking complex by the Danube created for the new millennium. It consists of the Bartók National Concert Hall, the Festival Theatre and the Ludwig Museum. The Bartók National Concert Hall is known for its outstanding acoustics created by Russell Johnson, who worked with some of the world's most renowned architects. This is also the home of the prestigious Hungarian National Philharmonic, founded in 1923. The Ludwig Museum's exhibition space displays artwork by modern and contemporary artists, and it is open all year round.

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Museum of Fine Arts



The Museum of Fine Arts (Szépművészeti Múzeum) is an ornate cultural landmark on Heroes' Square (Hősök tere) partly reopening in

October 2018. When fully operational by mid-2019 following renovation, the collection will feature Egyptian art, items from Classical antiquity and paintings by Old Masters. Already unveiled, the medieval-style Roman Hall is covered with elaborate murals.

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Buda Castle District



The charming district of the Buda Castle entails the prominent Fisherman Bastion, Matthias Church, several museums, as well as some residential

homes. You'll find the National Gallery here, and a wide range of other museums dedicated to music, military history, pharmacy (housed in the first pharmacy of Buda), and the life of Houdini. Take a romantic stroll under the blossoming trees of Tóth Árpád sétány, watch the change of the guard, and make your way back to the city centre by descending on the most scenic funicular in the world.

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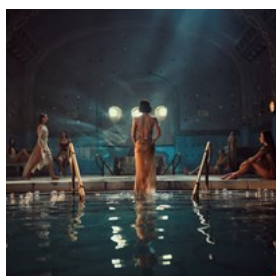
St. Stephen's Basilica



St. Stephen's Basilica is the largest church in Budapest. It was built in Neo-classicist style and has a capacity of up to 8,500 people. Its most noted relic is the mummified right hand of Stephen I, Hungary's first king who among others converted Hungarians to Christianity. The adjacent square is home to several markets throughout the year, and is lined by terraces of trendy bars and cafés.

Photo: Hungarian Tourism Agency
Address: Szent István tér 1
Opening hours: Mon to Sat: 09.00-19.00, Sun: 7.45-19.00
Phone: +36 1 338 2151
Internet: <http://en.bazilika.biz/>
Email: plebania@basilica.hu

Baths of Budapest



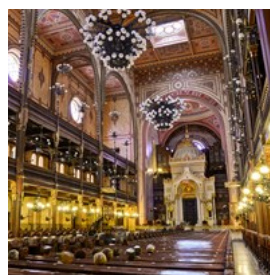
If Hungary is a Land of Waters, then the same distinction applies to Budapest as a city. Even though the country is landlocked, the river Danube is a central element in Hungary's geography, as is Lake Balaton, a popular holiday spot for many Hungarians and so big it is known as the Hungarian Sea. Not to mention the multitude of springs and wells in Budapest that amaze spa-goers with their relaxing and healing properties.

Water plays a major role in the everyday life of the city, with a wealth of thermal and mineral water veins crisscrossing beneath the surface, feeding into the many baths and spas to be found

throughout Budapest, each different from the other, and each worth visiting for a different reason.

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Email: info@spabudapest.hu

The Great Synagogue



The distinct symbol of the Jewish quarter, the Great Synagogue is also noted as one of the largest in the world, the second only to the one in New York. The visit entails a guided tour with a walk in the building and its surrounding garden, where you'll also find sculptures of famous Hungarian writers and artists of Jewish origin. There is also a Jewish museum beside the synagogue, not to be confused with the Holocaust Memorial Centre further away in Páva Street.

Photo: Hungarian Tourism Agency
Address: Dohány u. 2-8
Opening hours: Sun to Thu: 10.00-17.00, Fri: 10.00-13.30 (closing times vary by season), Sat: closed
Phone: +36 70 533 5696
Internet: www.greatsynagogue.hu
Email: aviv@aviv.hu
More Info: Holocaust Memorial Centre (Páva street): www.hdke.hu/en

Heroes' Square



A highly photographable neighbourhood in Budapest, this quarter is home to several landmarks built for the millennial celebrations in 1896. The vast Heroes' Square is adorned by

sculptures of the seven Magyar chieftains, surrounded by the most prominent rulers who followed them in Hungarian history. The Museum of Fine Arts and the Kunsthalle are adjacent to the square, while if you continue your way past the wall of sculptures, you'll reach City Park with Vajdahunyad castle.

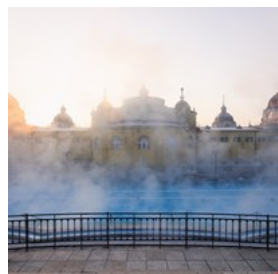
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The Széchenyi Baths



Thanks to the geological features of the Carpathian Basin, Hungary is extremely rich in thermal springs, and the area of Budapest is no exception: the capital stretches across over 100 springs, many of them accessible to the public in beautiful historical buildings. The Széchenyi Baths, built in 1913 in neo-Baroque style, is undoubtedly the most famous of all: Europe's largest medicinal bath is supplied by a spring of 76°C, and it houses 18 pools, 10 saunas, and various events to be enjoyed all year long.

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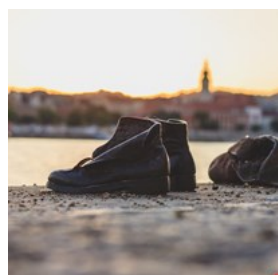
Address: Állatkerti körút 11

Opening hours: 6.00-10.00, varies by season and events

Phone: +36 1 363 3210

Internet: www.szechenyispabaths.com

Shoes on the Danube Bank



An ironwork memorial by Gyula Pauer consisting of sixty pairs of shoes, commemorating the thousands of Jewish victims who were shot into the Danube during the Arrow Cross

movement in 1944-45. With over 800,000 people expelled or killed, the Hungarian Jewish community is regarded as one of the biggest victims in the dark era of Holocaust.

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Address: Id. Antall József rakpart

City Városliget



Stretching behind the imposing Heroes' Square, Városliget is one of the most popular recreational venues in the city. There are plenty of

entertainment options in the neighbourhood, including the Széchenyi Baths, Budapest Zoo, Circus, the Vajdahunyad castle housing the Agricultural Museum and various fairs, and a pond that turns into a popular ice rink in the winter season.

Photo: GTS Productions/Shutterstock.com

Phone: +36 1 273 4900

More Info: www.zoobudapest.com/en

Rudas Thermal Baths



Located by the foot of the scenic Gellért Hill, Rudas is another symbolic bath of Budapest, built in the 16th century under the Ottoman occupation. It

features a dim central dome and octagonal baths, surrounded by four pools, each with a different temperature. Plan your visit in advance as there are selected days for male and female visitors.

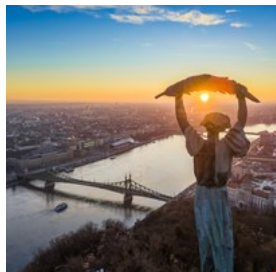
Photo: Pelle Zoltan/Shutterstock.com

Address: Döbrentei tér 9

Opening hours: 6.00-22.00, night bath on Fri and Sat until 4.00

Phone: +36 1 356 1010
Internet: www.rudasbaths.com
Email: rudas@spabudapest.hu

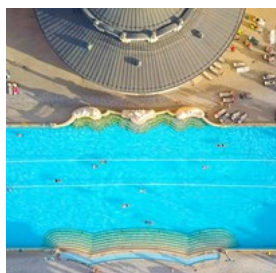
Citadel



A fortress built under the Austrian empire and used also by fascist and communist forces, Citadel sits atop the 235-metre high Gellért Hill, together with the Liberty Statue, a bronze lady holding a palm leaf and guarding the city since 1947 (hence was originally intended to celebrate the Soviet liberation from the Nazi forces after WWII).

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Address: Gellérthegy

Gellért Thermal Baths



The Gellért Thermal Baths are housed just behind the imposing Art Nouveau Gellért Hotel near the Liberty Bridge in Budapest. There are a range of pools of different temperatures, both inside and out, including the iconic sliding-roofed main pool, the external wave pool, as well as several sauna and steam rooms.

Photo: [aerocaminua/Shutterstock.com](https://www.aerocaminua.com)
Address: Szent Gellért tér 1
Opening hours: 6.00–20.00 daily
Phone: +36 1 466 6166
Internet: www.gellertbath.hu

Széchenyi Chain Bridge



Undoubtedly a signature landmark of Budapest, Lánchíd, which translates to chain bridge, was built in 1839 in a period characterised by economic boom in the city, by Scottish engineer Adam Clark. The construction was largely supported by István Széchenyi, one of the most important politicians of the time. The lions guarding the bridge are also connected to the first suicide that happened here, committed by their architect upon the realisation that he had forgotten about the tongues of the animals.

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Address: Lánchíd

Hungarian National Museum



Housed in a beautiful neoclassical building along what is called the small boulevard of Budapest, this museum houses various permanent and temporary exhibitions on the history of Hungary, starting from the Roman period, when the province of Pannonia stretched far beyond than the present borders of the country.

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Address: Múzeum körút 14-16
Opening hours: Tue to Sun: 10.00–18.00
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Internet: www.mnm.hu/en

Hungarian State Opera

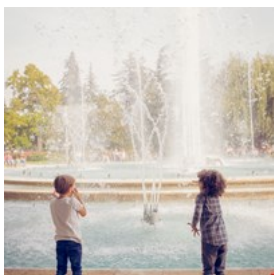


The Hungarian State Opera is a neo-Renaissance masterpiece, it has the third best acoustics in Europe after the Scala in Milan and the Opera Garnier in Paris. Designed by Miklós Ybl, who also planned St. Stephen's Basilica (Szent István Bazilika), the Hungarian State Opera opened in 1884. Lavish inside and out, a gorgeous fresco by Károly Lotz gleaming in a vast bronze chandelier in the Main Hall, the Opera is home to the Hungarian National Ballet founded the same year.

The Opera ranks high on many visitors' bucket lists, both for the building's stunning design and for the high-quality performances that are held amid its stately settings.

Photo: Hungarian Tourism Agency
Address: Andrássy út 22.
Phone: +36 1 814 7100
Internet: www.opera.hu
Email: info@opera.hu

Margaret Island (Margitsziget)



The 2.5-km long Margaret Island between Buda and Pest makes for a perfect venue for a lazy day outside the bustling city centre. It is home to several flowery parks, bars, medieval ruins, a water tower, a running trail, and the beloved Musical Fountain, giving a spectacular show several times a day in the summer season.

Photo: Elif Guven/Shutterstock.com
Address: Margitsziget
Opening hours: fountain show from April until October
Internet: www.margitsziget.info

Email: kapcsolat@margitsziget.info

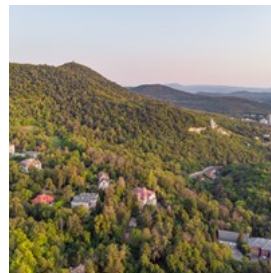
Tram Line 2



Regarded by the National Geographic among the most scenic tram routes in the world, these yellow trolleys will help you discover Budapest's most beautiful buildings for the price of a single tram ticket. Make sure you do it at night (as well), to see the splendid city lights illuminating the elegant Buda hillside.

Photo: S-F/Shutterstock.com
Address: between Jászai Mari tér and Közvágóhíd
Internet: www.welovebudapest.com/en/venue/tram-2-2

Erzsébet Lookout Tower



Only 20 minutes by bus, and you'll find yourself in the midst of unspoilt greenery without even setting foot out of the capital. Start your trip by taking the bus to the Normafa parks, and try the best strudel in the city with scenic views over the Buda hills. From here stretches a short hiking trail all the way up to the lookout tower with cafés, playgrounds, and a funicular where you can also get photographed during the ride. From the top of the lookout tower, you'll get breathtaking views that at clear times even encompass the peak of the High Tatras.

Photo: Brendan Riley/Shutterstock.com
Address: Erzsébet-kilátó
Internet: www.normafapark.hu

RESTAURANTS



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A gastronomic revolution has taken over Hungary in the past few years. New restaurants, bistros, and street food places have been opening on almost every corner of its capital city, but cuisine in the countryside is in bloom as well. Whether they want to have a multi-course meal while tasting the best wines of the country or prefer to grab a bite in a more casual place, visitors to Hungary will definitely find something for themselves in the large selection of venues for dining. From exquisite wine bars to unique and creative cooking courses and gastronomy festivals, the country offers an exciting spectrum to everyone who loves to eat.

Onyx Restaurant



A proud holder of two Michelin stars, Onyx offers a regal dining experience blending traditional flavours with quality and innovation.

Lunch menus of 3, 4, and 6 courses are available, and specialties include rooster consommé, duck ravioli, and flódni, a poppy seed and walnut-filled rich dessert of Hungarian origin.

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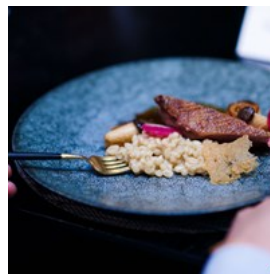
Address: Vörösmarty tér 7-8

Opening hours: Lunch: Thu to Sat from 12.00, dinner: Tue to Sat: 18.30-20.30

Phone: +36 30 508 0622

Internet: www.onyxrestaurant.hu/en

Costes Downtown



The second venue of the Costes team serving fine courses inspired by local and international cuisine, all made of unique ingredients from quail to

mangalica. An elegant, bistro-style restaurant that was awarded with a Michelin-star shortly after its opening.

Photo: All Is Amazing/Shutterstock.com

Address: Vigyázó Ferenc utca 5., Ráday u. 4

Opening hours: Breakfast: 6.30-10.30, lunch: 12.00-15.30, dinner: 18.30-23.00

Phone: +36 1 920 1015

Internet: www.costesdowntown.hu/en

Email: reservation@costesdowntown.hu

Gundel Restaurant



Located in the vibrant scenery of the City Park, Gundel is a flagship restaurant dedicated to Hungarian cuisine. It started as a

father-and-son establishment in the hands of Bavarian chef Károly Gundel in the late 19th century. Its menu features traditional Hungarian flavours with a modern and international twist, served through à la carte as well as tasting menus, including mangalica pork, goose liver, and the famous Gundel pancake.

Photo: Melinda Gyorgy/Shutterstock.com

Address: Gundel Károly út 4

Opening hours: Mon to Thu: 12.00-23.00, Fri and Sat: 12.00-0.00, Sun: brunch 11.30-15.00, 19.00-23.00

Phone: +36 1 889 8111

Internet: www.gundel.hu/en

Email: info@gundel.hu

Déryné Bisztró



Déryné is Buda's symbolic restaurant, heavily frequented by locals living west of the Danube. It opened in the 1910s and served several

well-known artists at the time, but it welcomes today's visitor with the same quality and hospitality, offering Hungarian and French-style dishes and home-made bakery products that are the subject of acclaim in the entire city.

Photo: Graphical_Bank/Shutterstock.com

Address: Krisztina tér 3

Opening hours: Mon to Thu: 7.30-0.00, Fri: 7.30-1.00, Sat: 9.00-1.00, Sun: 9.00-0.00

Phone: +36 1 225 1407

Internet: www.bistroderyne.com

Email: friends@deryne.com

Bock Bisztró



With a mix of international and local flavours and their own extensive wine selection, Bock Bisztró is the brainchild of acclaimed

chef Lajos Bíró and sommelier József Bock. The menu features some really standout courses such as the ox cheek stew, and the sausage and tobacco-flavoured ice cream selection.

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Address: Erzsébet körút 43-49

Opening hours: Mon to Sun: 12.00-16.00, 18.00-0.00

Phone: +36 1 321 0340

Internet: www.bockbisztropest.hu/en

Email: info@bockbisztro.hu

Menza



Menza is Hungarian for canteen, and indeed this restaurant serves the very staples of Hungarian cuisine, in an elegant but very friendly atmosphere.

The menu includes goulash, garlic soup, trout, veal stew, and apple strudel, just to pick a few.

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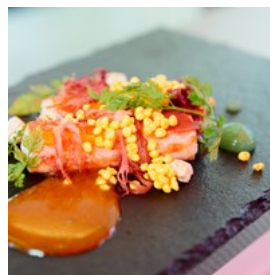
Opening hours: Mon to Sun: 10.00-00.00

Phone: +36 1 413 1482

Internet: www.menzaetterem.hu/english.php

Email: info@menza.co.hu

Baraka



Budapest's first fine dining restaurant in the historic Dorottya palace is dedicated to European and Asian cuisine of the highest quality, using

individually sourced, fresh ingredients from fish to lamb. Vegetarian degustation is also available.

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Address: Dorottya u. 6

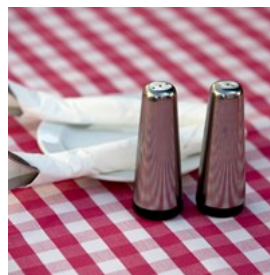
Opening hours: Mon to Sat: 18.00-22.00

Phone: +36 1 200 0817

Internet: www.barakarestaurant.hu

Email: info@barakarestaurant.hu

Fakanál



Housed in the busy Great Market Hall, Fakanál is a traditional restaurant serving Hungarian meals in an authentic setting accompanied by live

gypsy music. A lively atmosphere is guaranteed here, either because of the events they host, or

the pálinka shots that are always on high demand (and a must for every visitor).

Photo: Dande_lion_studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Vámház körút 1-3

Opening hours: Mon: 9.00-17.00, Tue to Fri: 9.00-18.00, Sat: 9.00-15.00, Sun: closed

Phone: +36 1 217 7860

Internet: www.fakanaletterem.hu

Email: info@fakanaletterem.hu

Borkonyha



Borkonyha is a mix of a contemporary family restaurant and a French bistro, though the chef Ákos Sárközi often includes Spanish and

Italian specialities on the menu. A huge part of their concept is their extensive wine list, which includes 200 different wines, most of them Hungarian. This was the third Hungarian restaurant to win a Michelin star, so quality is high.

Photo: Hungarian Tourism Agency

Address: 1051 Budapest, Sas u. 3.

Public Transport: Metro 1,2 or 3 to Deák Ferenc tér, then cross Elisabeth Park and walk along Sas utca

Opening hours: Wed-Sun 10am-7pm

Phone: +36 1 266 08 35

Internet: www.borkonyha.hu/?lang=eng

Email: borkonyha@borkonyha.hu

Borssó Bistro



The menu of Borssó features fine French specialties mixed with Hungarian tastes and hospitality. From fresh fish soup to top favourites

like lemon tart or the saddle of rabbit, all dishes are created with the greatest care here. They also hold tastings and events regularly.

Photo: Mateusz Gzik/Shutterstock.com

Address: Királyi Pál u. 14

Opening hours: Mon: 18.00-23.00, Tue to Sun: 12.00-23.00, kitchen closed 15.00-18.00

Phone: +36 1 789 0975

Internet: www.borsso.hu/en/home

Email: info@borsso.hu

Spinoza Café & Restaurant



Spinoza is one of the most noted restaurants of the Jewish quarter, serving a wide range of traditional meals, from

roasted goose leg to lamb kebab and chestnut purée. The venue is also popular for its in-house theatre.

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Address: Dob u. 15

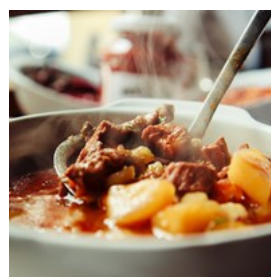
Opening hours: 11.00-23.00 daily

Phone: +36 1 413 7488

Internet: www.gotohungary.com/about-hungary/-/netaview/78036/spinoza-restaurant-theatre-and-cafe

Email: spinozahaz@spinozahaz.hu

Kék Rózsa



A traditional restaurant in the heart of the Jewish quarter with a simple design and rich Hungarian flavours, at highly affordable prices.

Daily offers are also available.

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Address: Wesselényi u. 9

Opening hours: 11.00-22.00 daily

Phone: +36 1 342 8981

Internet: www.kekrozsaetterem.hu/en

Lecsó



A decent budget-friendly restaurant serving buffet lunch during the day, Lecsó is always busy with locals who are looking for something conventional,

for here flavours and portions are just like at home. Stews, egg soup, Schnitzel, Hungarian ratatouille and meat-filled (hortobágyi) pancake: just a few of the things worth a try by one-time visitors as well.

Photo: Ildi Papp/Shutterstock.com

Address: Szent István körút 10

Opening hours: Mon to Thu: 11.00-0.00, Fri and Sat: 11.00-2.00, Sun: 11.00-0.00

Phone: +36 1 349 3580

Internet: www.lecsogyorsetterem.hu/en

Email: info@lecsogyorsetterem.hu

Retro Lángos



With its central location and vast topping selection, this little stall is probably the best place in Budapest to try Hungary's favourite

street food. Lángos is a deep-fried flatbread that is best served with cheese and sour cream on top, but sausage-filled versions are also available (humbly called nuclear attack), only for the bravehearted.

Photo: Ildi Papp/Shutterstock.com

Address: Podmaniczky Frigyes tér 4

Opening hours: 9.00-2.00 daily

Phone: +36 20 345 3525

Al Dente



An Italian restaurant so small you get to see as your lunch or dinner is being prepared by the friendly Italian crew.

Calzone, pizza, tiramisu, daily soup and pasta menu, and real Italian coffee.

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Address: Krúdy Gyula u. 9

Opening hours: Mon To Fri: 9.00-22.00, Sat: 10.00-22.00

Fecske Presszó



A book-walled, student-friendly place with a terrace, serving breakfast, lunch, and other munchies, all inspired by Hungarian

and international cuisine. The sausage ratatouille and stuffed potato pies do taste as good as they sound.

Photo: Jack Frog/Shutterstock.com

Address: Baross u. 10

Opening hours: Mon to Fri: 10.00-0.00, Sat: 12.00-0.00, Sun: 14.00-0.00

Phone: +36 1 293 1980

Internet: www.fecskepresszo.com

Email: fecskepresszo@indamail.hu

Leves.



"Leves" is Hungarian for soup, and it will not be long before you realise how it is an integral part of Hungarian lunch rituals. This small

takeaway place offers hearty cups of traditional as well as exotic flavours of a wide range, perfect for a quick lunch in the heart of the city. Be sure

to check back every day for different flavours.

Photo: Monkey Business Images/Shutterstock.com

Address: Vámház körút 14

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 11am-4pm

Phone: +36 30 241 7760

CAFES



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From opulent, fin de siècle cafes to new wave coffee houses, Budapest never fails to entice lovers of caffeine. Confectioneries too abound to offer you traditional Hungarian desserts--make sure to try a good strudel or kürtőskalács, a spit cake best had with a cinnamon coating (look in markets or Váci street). Winter favourites include walnut puree with whipped cream and flódni, a rich dessert layered with poppy seeds, walnut, and apple.

Gerbeaud



Once the venue where the aristocracy would meet during the times of the dual monarchy, Gerbeaud will take you back to a time of

sumptuous delicacies in luxurious surroundings, preserved to this day. Gerbeaud is also the name of the signature dessert, a flavourful cake layered with walnut and apricot jam and covered thickly with chocolate.

Photo: Jana Milin/Shutterstock.com

Address: Vörösmarty tér 7

Opening hours: 9.00-21.00 daily

Phone: +36 1 429 9000

Internet: www.gerbeaud.hu/en

Email: gerbeaud@gerbeaud.hu

New York Café



Located in the Boscolo Hotel proudly towering above the Grand Boulevard, the "most beautiful café in the world" is Budapest's

sparkling jewel still evoking bygone grandiose times. Whether a sumptuous feast or a slice of creamy cake, New York Café provides a majestic setting to indulge in traditional flavours.

Photo: redzen2/Shutterstock.com

Address: Erzsébet körút 9-11

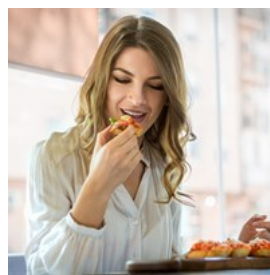
Opening hours: 9.00-0.00 daily

Phone: +36 1 886 6167

Internet: www.newyorkcafe.hu

Email: marta.toth@dahotels.com

Centrál Café



First opened in 1887, Central Café was one of the most important intellectual venues in the country, serving coffee to the most prominent

scientists and writers of the time. Today, its mission is to evoke the atmosphere that prevailed at the turn of the century by serving traditional Hungarian treats in a restored Art Nouveau galleried interior.

Photo: Zeljko Matic/Shutterstock.com

Address: Károlyi u. 9

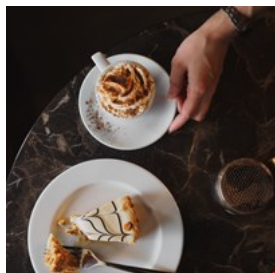
Opening hours: Daily 8am-12am

Phone: +36 1 266 2110

Internet: www.centrankavehaz.hu/en

Email: sales@centralkavehaz.hu

Művész Kávéház



Művész (Hungarian for "artist") is one of those cafés where writers, philosophers and great minds would gather at the turn of the century. It serves a wide range of additive-free desserts that are a delight merely to the eye, and its outdoor seating makes for a prime people-watching spot in the busy shopping avenue.

Photo: [FrauTori/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: [Andrássy út 29](#)

Opening hours: Mon to Sat: 8.00–21.00, Sun: 9.00–21.00

Phone: +36 70 333 2116

Internet: www.muveszkavehaz.hu

Email: info@muveszkavehaz.hu

More Info: +36 1 343 3544

Ruszwurm



Ruszwurm on the Buda side is what Gerbeaud is for Pest. Still run by the well-known confectionery dynasty, the place has reserved its "fin de siècle"

feel, finely adorned with red velvet curtains, marble tables, and beautiful Biedermeier furniture. The famous cream pastry and strudel (rétes) are always on demand here, to be washed down with coffee, hot chocolate or cocoa.

Photo: [mazarekic/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: [Szentháromság u. 7](#)

Opening hours: 9.00–19.00 daily

Phone: +36 1 375 5284

Internet: www.ruszwurm.hu/en

Email: ruszwurm@ruszwurm.hu

Gerlóczy Café



Gerlóczy Kávéház is a charming Paris-style café at the intersection of Gerlóczy and Vitkovics streets in the busy centre. Food is served from

breakfast through lunch and afternoon tea, to special dinners like Fish Friday. In front of the café stands the statue of Károly Kammermayer, the first mayor of Budapest from 1873, when Buda, Pest and Óbuda were unified.

Photo: [Song_about_summer/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: [Gerlóczy u. 1](#)

Opening hours: 8.00–23.00 daily

Phone: +36 1 501 4000

Internet: www.gerloczy.hu

Email: info@gerloczy.hu

Callas Café



The Callas Café is located next to the Opera House in a neo-Renaissance building, constructed in 1880. It changed hands several times in the early

20th century, and also served as the headquarter of a British bank between the wars. Today, it provides an elegant setting to enjoy Hungarian flavours with live salon music, or simply a drink before an opera performance.

Photo: [Maglara/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: [Andrássy út 20](#)

Opening hours: 10.00–0.00 daily

Phone: +36 1 354 0954

Internet: www.callascafe.hu/en/home

Email: callascafe@gmail.com

Szamos Gourmet House



Szamos is noted among the most prominent confectionery dynasties in Hungary, specialised in the production of marzipan treats. Today they offer an extensive selection of confectionery at several locations in the country (including a chocolate museum), and their flagship store below also serves breakfast and light snacks throughout the day.

Photo: Alp Aksoy/Shutterstock.com

Address: Deák Ferenc u. 5

Opening hours: 10.00-21.00 daily

Phone: +36 30 570 5973

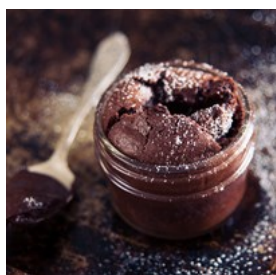
Internet: www.szamos.hu/uzletek/szamos-gourmet-haz

Email: vaci1.vanilia@szamos.hu

More Info: Chocolate Museum: tours are subject to pre-booking at

www.csokolademuzeum.hu/szamos-muzeum.html

Augustz Confectionery



A family-run confectionery business with deep-rooted traditions and devotion to serving desserts of varied flavour and exceptional quality. The first Augustz opened in 1870; now they have three locations in town.

Photo: Anna Hoychuk/Shutterstock.com

Address: Kossuth L. u. 14-16, Sasadi út 190, Fény u. 8 (Buda)

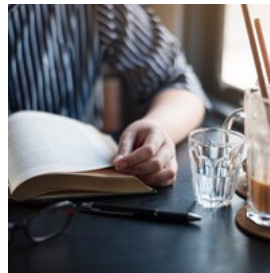
Opening hours: Mon to Fri: 09.00-19.00, Sat: 11.00-18.00

Phone: +36 1 337 6379

Internet: www.auguszt.hu/en

Email: belvaros@auguszt.hu

Hadik Café



Once the gathering place of Hungary's most prominent writers, Hadik still enjoys a steady flow of visitors, choosing Buda's cosy flagship café for a creamy coffee, a light dinner, or a literary event—if poems scattered on the menu pages were not enough.

Photo: Silatip/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bartók Béla út 36

Opening hours: 12.00-1.00 daily

Phone: +36 1 279 0291

Internet: www.hadik.eu/home

Email: szatyor.hadik@gmail.com

Lumen Café



With both locations in a buzzing university neighbourhood, Lumen serves great espresso to fuel you up for hours of work or a pleasant walk in the historical district, but you are also welcomes to settle with a good book or enjoy one of the events they organise.

Photo: Black Brush/Shutterstock.com

Address: Horánszky u. 5, Mikszáth tér 2

Opening hours: Daily 10am-12am

Phone: +36 20 530 0850

Email: peti@lumenkave.hu

Fekete



A quaint espresso bar with a small terrace in the heart of what is noted as the capital's oasis for second-hand books. Ham, quiche, and pancake breakfasts, and a quality coffee selection that

ranks among the best in town.

Photo: baranq/Shutterstock.com

Address: Múzeum körút 5

Opening hours: Mon to Fri: 8.00-19.00, Sat: 8.30-19.00, Sun:
9.00-17.00

Phone: +36 1 787 7503

Internet: www.feketekv.hu

Email: fekete@feketekv.hu

Artigiana Gelati



A tranquil walk in Buda's residential area will give you a completely different picture of the otherwise vibrant capital. This

Italian artisanal ice cream

shop is located conveniently next to Városmajor, Buda's green oasis, and has an ample selection of fine ice cream flavours, arguably among the best in town. The Sacher torte flavour will surely make you come back for more!

Photo: Beautiful landscape/Shutterstock.com

Address: Csaba u. 8

Opening hours: Mon: closed, Tue to Sun: 11.00-19.30, Fri:
11.00-19.00

Phone: +36 1 212 2439

Cafe Frei



Cafe Frei is a popular franchise founded by traveller-journalist Tamás Frei, featuring over 70 coffee specialties from five continents, bringing

you genuine flavours from as far as Brazil and the Himalayas. With several locations in town, usually directly linked to a book shop of the Hungarian chain Libri.

Photo: Natalia Klenova/Shutterstock.com

Address: Váci u. 74

Opening hours: Daily 10am-5pm

Internet: www.cafefrei.com

Email: info@cafefrei.hu

Cserpes Tejivó



A traditional milk bar chain serving sandwiches and pastries, and a large variety of hot beverages, made with their popular own brand dairy

products. With four locations in town, to make sure you won't miss locals' favourite breakfast spot.

Photo: bogdanhoda/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1052 Budapest, Sütő u. 2

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7:30am-7pm

Internet: cserpestejivo.hu/miert-tejivo.php

Email: info@cserpestejivo.hu

Fruska Bisztró



If you feel like basking in the sun and great views of the Danube, you should visit the Fruska Bisztró on the Kopaszi dam. It has a cool terrace

offering coffees, beers, wines and picnic snacks as well.

Photo: Hungarian Tourism Agency

Address: 1117 Budapest, Kopaszi-gát 13.

Public Transport: tram 47 from Deák Ferenc tér to Újbuda-központ, then change to bus 153 to Magyar tudósok körútja, then a 15-minute walk

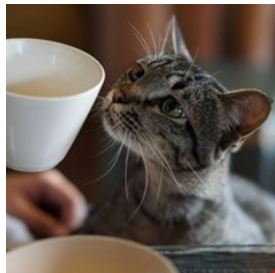
Opening hours: Tue-Fri 12pm-12am, Sat-Sun 10am-12am

Phone: +36 70 433 2338

Internet: www.fruskabistro.hu

Email: info@fruskabistro.hu

Cat Café



A small friendly café near the Opera House, welcoming visitors with cakes and paninis, cosy, cushioned seats, cat-themed art and

souvenirs, and most importantly, 15 permanent feline residents to keep you purrfect company.

Photo: Quietword/Shutterstock.com

Address: Révay u. 3

Opening hours: 10.00-21.00 daily

Phone: +36 20 617 3301

Internet: www.catcafebudapest.hu

Email: info@catcafebudapest.hu

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Ruin pubs in Budapest are having their heyday, as old abandoned buildings are given a second chance by being creatively transformed into quirky eclectic bars, having earned the city the nickname Party Capital of Europe.

Head to Deák Ferenc tér or get off the tram anywhere along the Grand Boulevard, and take to the streets of the fifth and seventh districts, the city's most vibrant neighbourhoods where parties and shots of pálinka never seem to come to an end.

Szimpla Kert



Get a taste of Budapest's famous eclectic ruin pubs at the city's number-one venue of this kind:

Szimpla has become a flagship bar in the city,

with two floors furnished with mismatched second hand items, serving not only as a watering hole of young internationals, but also a hangout place with events and markets where you are welcome to bring your family as well.

Photo: Oliver Huitson/Shutterstock.com

Address: Kazinczy u. 14

Opening hours: 12.00-4.00 daily

Phone: +36 20 261 8669

Internet: www.szimpla.eu

Instant-Fogas



With 7 dance floors and 15 bars including an open garden, recently renovated Fogas is an unmissable party haven of the nightlife district,

hosting various music events and throwing some of the longest parties in town—and equipped with a map of the venue, in the likely case you get lost inside.

Photo: v.gi/Shutterstock.com

Address: Akácfa u. 49-51

Opening hours: Daily 6pm-6am

Phone: +36 1 311 0704

Internet: instant-fogas.com

Email: info@instant-fogas.com

Gozsdu Courtyard



Arguably Budapest's busiest pedestrian street, Gozsdu is filled with trendy bars, eateries and nightclubs, welcoming visitors from the

afternoon until late in the night. The stylish decors and murals are worth even a simple stroll through this covered courtyard, which turns into a flea market every weekend.

Photo: sibiranna/Shutterstock.com

Address: Király u. 13

Internet: www.gozsduudvar.hu/gozsdu

Email: info@gozsduudvar.hu

More Info: beware of pickpockets as it can get very crowded

Kisüzem



If Szimpla Kert is too international for you, head to Kisüzem: this small but busy pub gets filled with locals every day of the week, enjoying

the moderately priced, vast drink selection and relaxed atmosphere in Budapest's crazy party neighbourhood. One of the bartenders is artist Győző Horváth, who occasionally likes to take secret shots of his customers.

Photo: Yurii Zymovin/Shutterstock.com

Address: Kis Diófa u. 2

Opening hours: Sun to Wed: 12.00-2.00, Thu to Sat: 12.00-3.00

Phone: +36 1 781 6705

PONTOON



Located at the foot of the symbolic bridge Lánchíd, PONTOON is probably the most scenic outdoor bar in the city, a perfect place for a drink to end a

romantic stroll along the Danube river. Grab a chair, listen to the live music, and admire the sparkling night lights of Buda.

Photo: Thanantorn Kainet/Shutterstock.com

Address: Antall József rakpart 10

Opening hours: 12.00-4.00 daily

Phone: +36 30 652 2732

Internet: www.pontoonbudapest.com

Email: info@pontoonbudapest.com

Morrison's 2



A multi-storey building with multiple dance rooms featuring karaoke and all genres of music from techno to the '80s, Morrison's 2 is one of the

most renowned nightclubs of Budapest, popular with locals and visitors alike. Drink offers are available regularly.

Photo: charles taylor/Shutterstock.com

Address: Szent István körút 11

Opening hours: 17.00-6.00 daily

Phone: +36 1 374 3329

Internet: www.morrison2.hu/en

A38



A38 is a floating venue for night-long entertainment, unmissable near Petőfi bridge on the Buda side. A party boat equipped

with several bars, a restaurant, a concert hall

that hosts hip artists several days a week and throws some of the most popular dance parties in the capital, A38 has something for everyone.

Photo: bbernard/Shutterstock.com

Address: Petőfi híd budai hídfő

Opening hours: 11.00–23.00 daily

Phone: +36 1 464 3940

Internet: www.a38.hu/en

Email: etterem@a38.hu

Macska



Macska is a small bar with a warm and eclectic interior, offering a unique beer selection and great vegetarian food, to be had on a cosy gallery

stuffed with pillows and beanbags.

Photo: Supermop/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bérkocsis u. 23

Opening hours: Mon to Wed: 16.00–0.00, Thu: 16.00–1.00,

Fri: 16.00–2.00, Sat and Sun: closed

Phone: +36 1 786 8370

Grandio Bar



Housed in one of Budapest's most popular party hostels serving booze around the clock, Grandio Bar is a place

where you can hang out with other visitors and have some pre-drinks for an extended pub crawl in the party neighbourhood.

Photo: DisobeyArt/Shutterstock.com

Address: Nagy Diófa u. 8

Opening hours: 11.00–3.00 daily

Phone: +36 20 497 1558

Internet: www.grandio.insta-hostel.com

Email: info@grandiopartyhostel.com

Spoon



Spoon is a good choice if you want to enjoy a long drink with splendid views across the Danube. It is a large ship anchored by the Pest quay, with a

café, buzzing bar, and an upscale restaurant with a finely elaborated menu.

Photo: Artur Bogacki/Shutterstock.com

Address: Vigadó tér 3

Opening hours: 12.00–0.00 daily

Phone: +36 1 411 0933

Internet: www.spoon.restaurant/home

Email: spoon@spoon.restaurant

4es6os Wesselényi



You'll probably not leave Budapest without hopping on the trams 4 and 6 several times as you make your way through the Grand Boulevard of the city. This popular and affordable chain has several easily recognisable venues along what is also the busiest tram line in the world. Sport broadcasts, table football, and a vibrating atmosphere every day of the week.

Photo: Fesus Robert/Shutterstock.com

Address: Erzsébet krt. 28

Phone: +36 20 200 1000

Email: 46wesselenyi@gmail.com

SHOPPING



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Upscale shopping streets, unique antique shops, and a vast selection of western brands at convenient eastern European prices have made Budapest a popular shopping destination. The city is also abundant in world-famous treasures of Hungarian origin, as porcelain manufacturers Herend and Zsolnay both have a factory shop here.

Váci Street



Budapest's primary, 1.2-km long pedestrian street dotted with worldwide-known international brands, tiny souvenir shops selling everything from crafts to wine, and elegant restaurants and bars serving high-quality Hungarian and international food.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com

Address: Váci utca

Great Market Hall



This impressive neo-Gothic building was built in 1894 to replace the expansive outdoor markets at the location. The largest market hall in

Budapest is a buzzing scene of everyday life in the city, with several floors to explore: the basement area houses several fish stalls and a supermarket, the ground floor is the main area mainly occupied by grocers, and the upper floor is home to souvenir stands and street food stalls; make sure you try lángos, a deep-fried dough, traditionally topped with cheese and sour cream.

Photo: GoneWithTheWind/Shutterstock.com

Address: Vámház krt 1-3

Opening hours: Mon: 6.00-17.00, Tue to Fri: 6.00-18.00, Sat: 6.00-15.00, Sun: closed

Phone: +36 1 366 3300

Internet: www.piaconline.hu/new/index.php?pageLang=angol

Andrássy Avenue

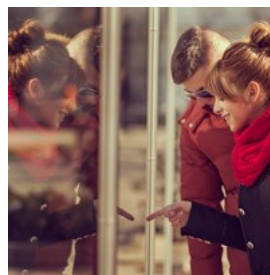


A spectacular, tree-lined avenue connecting the city centre (Erzsébet Square) with the Heroes' Square. It was built for the millennial celebrations of 1896, and is known for the metro line that runs alongside, noted as the first continental underground line in Europe. The avenue is home to the imposing buildings of the Opera and the House of Terror as well as several embassies, and is dotted with trendy bars and elegant shops of a wide range of luxury products, from watches to porcelain.

Photo: s4svisuals/Shutterstock.com

Address: Andrássy utca

Fashion Street



The concept behind this downtown street is to provide a classy atmosphere for shopping and leisure time with friends. Its charming surroundings and central location have attracted

many famous and high quality brands of footwear, apparel, accessories, beauty products, and restaurants. You can find these all in one place, surrounded by elegant bars and the Danube just a couple of minutes away.

Photo: Impact Photography/Shutterstock.com

Address: Deák Ferenc u. 15

Opening hours: Mon to Sat: 10.00–20.00, Sun: 10.00–17.00

Internet: www.fashionstreet.hu

Email: experience@fashionstreet.hu

Bálna



Opened in 2013, Bálna is Budapest's contemporary answer to the adjacent Great Market Hall: it is a modern glass building resembling a whale in shape (hence the name), filled with shops, a contemporary art gallery, and several chic bars with splendid views on the riverside.

Photo: VargaA/Wikimedia Commons (image cropped)

Address: Fővám tér 11-12

Opening hours: Mon to Thu: 10.00–20.00, Fri to Sun: 10.00–22.00

Internet: www.balnabudapest.hu/?lang=en

Email: contact@balnabudapest.hu

Retrock



A trendy, spacious vintage shop with carefully selected men's, women's wear, and accessories. Their collection includes

second-hand items as well as the fresh works of talented designers from all over the world, from the far East and West to Hungary.

Photo: Bohbeh/Shutterstock.com

Address: Anker kőz 2-4

Opening hours: Mon to Sat: 11.00–21.00, Sun: 11.00–20.00

Phone: +36 30 472 3636

Internet: www.retrock.com

Email: info@retrock.com

WestEnd



Budapest's largest, multi-storey shopping mall spreading across 50,000 square meters, featuring a wide range of international stores from the moderately priced to the luxurious, as well as eateries, services, a cinema, and further extras such as a spectacular in-door fountain.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com

Address: Váci u. 1-3

Opening hours: Mon to Sat: 10.00–20.00, Sun: 10.00–18.00

Phone: +36 1 238 7777

Internet: ww.westend.hu

Email: info@westend.hu

Downtown Market in Hold Street



A two-floor food market (piac in Hungarian) a stone's throw from the Parliament, whose origins date back to 1891.

Market vendors sell fresh fruit, vegetables, and local products such as grey cattle and mangalica pork, while its eateries deliver some of the best flavours of Hungarian cuisine. The latter are often led by renowned chefs such as Tamás Széll, who is the winner of the European Championship of Bocuse d'Or in 2016.

Photo: Tsuguliev/Shutterstock.com

Address: Hold u. 13

Opening hours: Mon: 6.30–17.00, Tue to Fri: 6.30–18.00, Sat: 6.30–14.00, Sun: closed.

Phone: +36 1 353 1110

Internet: www.belvarospiac.hu/en

Email: info@belvar.hu

More Info: +36 1 473 1526

Ecseri Flea Market



No visit to Budapest is complete without some hunt for the treasures of bygone times. Although you'll easily find an antique shop in any

district of the city centre, the Ecseri piac is well worth a short day trip, for it is noted among the biggest flea markets in the country, with its name being synonymous with flea markets among Hungarians.

Photo: Elena Dijour/Shutterstock.com

Address: Nagykőrösi út 156

Phone: +36 1 348 3200

Email: ecseri@t-online.hu

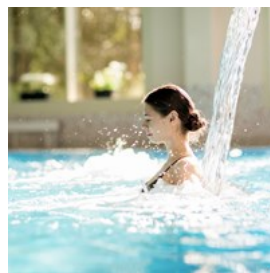
SPAS AND THERMAL BATHS



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Thanks to the geological features of the Carpathian Basin, Hungary is extremely rich in thermal springs, and the area of Budapest is no exception: the capital stretches across over 100 springs, many of them accessible to the public in beautiful historical buildings, abundant in the City of Baths.

Lukács Baths



The Szent Lukács Baths are an imposing building on the riverbank just north of the yellow Margaret Bridge. Once a favoured bathing place of

Turkish pasha Mustafa, it is still an immensely popular venue offering five pools, several smaller Kneipp pools, plunge pools, saunas, a salt cave, and some of the most famous spa parties (sparties) in town.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com

Address: Frankel Leó u. 25-29

Opening hours: 6.00-22.00 daily

Phone: +36 1 326 1695

Internet: www.en.lukacsfurdo.hu

Email: lukacs@spabudapest.hu

Dandár Baths

In Ferencváros, district IX of Budapest, near Műpa and the National Theater, there is a small bath that is lesser-known to the general visitor. Dandár bathhouse is housed in a nice art deco building, and has several thermal facilities as well as a sauna section.

The architectural plan was prepared by Ferenc K. Császár. The bath was commissioned in 1930, and later transformed in 1936. Originally, the bath operated as a sanitary bath, but it has been operating as a thermal bath since 1978.

Address: Dandár u. 3

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 6.00 am-8.00 pm,

Saturday-Sunday: 8.00 am-8.00 pm

Phone: +36 1 215 7084

Internet: www.en.dandarfurdo.hu

Email: dandar@spabudapest.hu

Király Thermal Bath

Arslan, the Turkish Pasha of Buda, began constructing this bath in 1565 and it was completed shortly afterwards by his heir Sokoli

Mustafa. The Király Medicinal Bath has never had a direct source of thermal water - it was built far from the springs to ensure the Turks had somewhere to bathe within the city walls in times of siege. The water is supplied by pipes from near today's Lukács Bath.

Király Thermal Bath has four pools with hot spring water with calcium, magnesium, hydrogen-carbonate and sulphate, also containing sodium and with a substantial content of fluoride ions. Steam baths, sauna, underwater water jet massage and many other services are also available.

Address: Fő utca 84

Opening hours: Mon to Sun: 9.00-21.00

Phone: +36 1 202 3688

Internet: www.en.kiralyfurdo.hu

Email: kiraly@spabudapest.hu

The Széchenyi Baths



Thanks to the geological features of the Carpathian Basin, Hungary is extremely rich in thermal springs, and the area of Budapest is no exception: the capital stretches across over 100 springs, many of them accessible to the public in beautiful historical buildings. The Széchenyi Baths, built in 1913 in neo-Baroque style, is undoubtedly the most famous of all: Europe's largest medicinal bath is supplied by a spring of 76°C, and it houses 18 pools, 10 saunas, and various events to be enjoyed all year long.

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Address: Állatkerti körút 11

Opening hours: 6.00-10.00, varies by season and events

Phone: +36 1 363 3210

Internet: www.szechenyispabaths.com

Palatinus

This open-air bath in the nature conservation area of Margaret Island was opened as a beach in 1919. With the construction of the large pool, it was transformed into an open-air bath in 1921. Owing to its high popularity it had to be expanded, therefore an architectural project tender was launched in 1937, as a result of which the plans composed by István Janáky were accepted.

It was modernised in 2002, by adding water filtering and revolving devices. The swimming pool was shaped into three sections: swimming pool, fancy pool and beach pool. Of these, the fancy pool is expecting visitors with neck shower, effervescence generator, and whirling corridor.

Address: Margitsziget

Opening hours: From 17 June to 20 August: 9.00-20.00, from 21 August to 7 September: 9.00-21.00

Phone: +36 1 236 0040

Internet: www.en.palatinusstrand.hu

Email: palatinus@spabudapest.hu

Csillaghegyi Baths

The open-air bath Csillaghegy is the oldest bath in the capital. It was opened as early as the second half of the 19th century, and has been operating in its present form since 2000. It is open even in winter, under a canvas tent roof.

The open-air bath is built into the hillside in a terraced manner; the swimming and beach pools can be found on the first level, while the children's pool and the sun-bathing area are located uphill. The site has been converted into a park of over 90,000 square metres. In 2000, the leisure pool and the children's pool were equipped with up-to-date water-filtering and circulation systems.

Address: Pusztakúti út 2-6
Opening hours: 7.00–19.00 daily
Phone: +36 1 250 1533
Internet: www.en.csillaghegystrand.hu
Email: csillaghegy@spabudapest.hu

Paskál Beach

This is the youngest open-air bath of Budapest. The establishment of an open-air bath at this site was made available by the well-borings in 1965, to a depth of 1,735 m, from which water of a temperature of 70°C and with a yield of 1,000 litre/min spouted up at that time.

The bath itself was built in 1989. The up-to-date pools, equipped with water filtering and revolving devices, located in cultured surroundings converted into a park offer high-level opportunities for recreation.

Address: Egressy út 178/F
Opening hours: 9.00–20.00 daily
Phone: +36 1 252 6944
Internet: www.en.paskalstrand.hu
Email: paskal@spabudapest.hu

Rudas Thermal Baths



Located by the foot of the scenic Gellért Hill, Rudas is another symbolic bath of Budapest, built in the 16th century under the Ottoman occupation. It features a dim central dome and octagonal baths, surrounded by four pools, each with a different temperature. Plan your visit in advance as there are selected days for male and female visitors.

Photo: Pelle Zoltan/Shutterstock.com
Address: Döbrentei tér 9
Opening hours: 6.00–22.00, night bath on Fri and Sat until 4.00
Phone: +36 1 356 1010

Email: rudas@spabudapest.hu

Pünkösdfürdői Beach

The open-air bath was established in 1935 on the bank of the Danube river, by the plans of Alfred Hajós. The three pools situated among rose bowers ensure bathing, tanning and pleasant recreation facilities for all age groups. Its green area covered by spreading trees provides leisure and refreshment for its guests.

Address: Királyok ú. 272
Opening hours: 9.00–21.00 daily
Phone: +36 1 388 6665
Internet: www.en.punkosdfurdo.hu
Email: punkosdfurdo@spabudapest.hu

Római Beach

The area has been a well-known water supplying site since the Roman ages. The district around the springs was honoured as a holy site and archaeologists have even found the base walls of the sanctuary in its territory.

In 2000, three pools of the open-air bath were modernised: the pools were equipped with filtering water whirling devices. The open-air pool was transformed into a fancy pool with chute, neck shower and effervescing facility, and the children's basin now truly a playground paradise.

Address: Rozgonyi Piroska u. 2
Opening hours: 9.00–20.00 daily
Phone: +36 1 388 9740
Internet: www.en.romaistrand.hu
Email: romai@spabudapest.hu

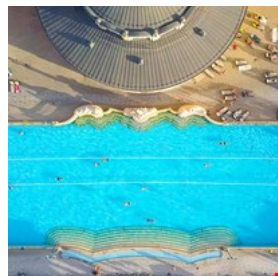
Aquaworld

One of the biggest indoor water theme parks in Europe offers unforgettable entertainment to visitors of every age throughout the year. In the indoor adventure pool, 11 slides of a total length of almost 1 km guarantee adventure and

entertainment throughout the year.

Address: Íves út 16
Opening hours: 7.00–22.00 daily
Phone: +36 1 231 3600
Internet: www.aquaworldresort.hu
Email: reservation@aquaworldresort.hu

Gellért Thermal Baths



The Gellért Thermal Baths are housed just behind the imposing Art Nouveau Gellért Hotel near the Liberty Bridge in Budapest. There are a range of pools of different temperatures, both inside and out, including the iconic sliding-roofed main pool, the external wave pool, as well as several sauna and steam rooms.

Photo: [aerocaminua/Shutterstock.com](https://www.shutterstock.com/aerocaminua)
Address: Szent Gellért tér 1
Opening hours: 6.00–20.00 daily
Phone: +36 1 466 6166
Internet: www.gellertbath.hu

Veli bej Bath

The history of the Veli bej Bath goes back to the Ottoman times. The building was reopened for the public in 2012. The bath provides five various Turkish pools, saunas, steam-cell, hidroxeur and tangentor bath, Kneipp-basin, pool and wellness facilities.

Address: Árpád fejedelem ú. 7
Opening hours: 06.00–12.00, 15.00–21.00
Phone: +36 1 438 8641
Internet: www.facebook.com/pages/Irgalmasok-Veli-Bej-F%C3%BCrd%C5%91je/177646718953777?sk=wall
Email: velibejfurdo@velibejfurdo.hu

Corinthia Hotel Royal Spa

With its classical interiors preserved, the Royal Spa has been recently redesigned to provide over 1,000 square metres of wellness,

tranquillity, and vitality. This unique spa offers a wide range of facilities, including a 15-metre swimming pool, several relaxation areas, saunas, steam bath, jacuzzis, a fitness room, and six treatment rooms.

Address: Erzsébet körút 43-49
Opening hours: 6.30–22.00 daily
Phone: +36 1 479 4650
Internet: www.corinthia.com/hotels/budapest/spa-and-wellbeing/royal-spa
Email: royalspa@corinthia.com

Mandala Day Spa

As the first day spa of Hungary, Mandala Day Spa was opened in 2003 in the heart of Budapest, and represents the oasis of tranquillity for spa enthusiasts. They provide more than 50 types of body treatments, massages, Turkish hammam, couple rituals, and beauty services in a unique and luxury environment.

Address: 1Ipoly u. 8
Opening hours: 10.00–20.00 daily
Phone: +36 1 491 0078
Internet: www.en.mandaladayspa.hu
Email: reservation@mandaladayspa.hu

Magnolia Day Spa

"The Magnolia is a wondrous flower with beautiful blossoms and a powerful citrus fragrance. One of the most ancient of all plants, it is a symbol of eternity and permanence that transcends times of trouble and can enchant you over and over again. At magnolia spa our purpose is just the same. Every time you enter the spa we ensure that your experience will leave you reinvigorated and better able to cope with the pressures and frustrations of daily life. Immerse yourself into the world of Magnolia Day Spa and experience the ultimate in relaxation."

Address: Zoltán u. 3
Opening hours: Mon to Sun: 9.00–21.00

Phone: +36 1 269 0610

Internet: www.magnoliadayspa.hu/english

Email: info@magnoliadayspa.hu

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Best Time to Visit



Hungary has a mild continental climate with considerable differences in temperature between the summer and winter seasons. The warmest

months are June to August with averages above 25°C, while they tend to drop below zero around December and January. Rainfall is to be expected all year round, but especially in May, June, and in the autumn season from September to November.

There is a plethora of activities to do in and around Budapest all year round. The Christmas market in Vörösmarty square is noted among the most beautiful in Europe, while the Sziget Fesztivál held every August features a lineup that attracts visitors from all over the world year by year.

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Passport / Visa



Hungary can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of most European countries, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea,

Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend that you contact the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.

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Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport



Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport (BUD) lies 16 km southeast of the city, and there are various means of transport linking it

with the city centre. You can either take Metro 3 towards Kőbánya-Kispest and change to bus 200E using your standard pass or ticket, or take the direct bus 100E right from the city centre, in which case a special fare applies.

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Address: 1185 Budapest

Phone: +36 1 296 9696

Internet: www.bud.hu/en

Public Transport



Public transportation in Budapest is provided by BKK. Tickets and passes can be purchased from purple ticket machines near the stops, or on

board at an elevated price. A single ticket is only valid for a single journey excluding any changes (except within the same metro station), so it is worth buying a pass valid for a selected number of days.

Budapest has a very well-connected public transportation system, but apart from a few sights, it is easy to explore on foot. The four metro lines as well as trams 2, 4, and 6 can be used to the major sights of the city.

Budapest is served by four railway stations for regional transport: Keleti, Déli, Nyugati, and Kelenföld, whereas the national bus terminal is found at Népliget.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair
Address: BKK Centre: Rumbach Sebestyén u. 19-21., Széll Kálmán tér (metro 2)
Phone: +36 1 3 255 255
Internet: www.bkk.hu
Email: bkk@bkk.hu

Taxi



Contact any of the operators below:
Budapest Taxi +36 1 777 7777 rendeles@budapesttaxi.hu
www.budapesttaxi.hu Fő

Taxi
www.fotaxi.hu/?lang=en
+36 1 222 2222

6x6 Taxi
+36 1 6 666 6666
www.new.6x6taxi.hu

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Post



Postal services in Hungary are provided by Magyar Posta Zrt., and post offices in Budapest are open from 7.00 or 8.00 until around 19.00.

Nyugati railway station has extended opening hours until 20.00, among a few others.

Photo: Andy Fuchs
Address: Teréz körút 51
Phone: +36 1 767 8282
Internet: www.posta.hu/international
Email: ugyfelszolgalat@posta.hu

Telephone



Country code: +36 Area code: 1

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Electricity



230 volts, 50 Hz Type F plug

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Pharmacy



Several pharmacies have 24-hour service numbers you can phone at any time. Mária Gyógyszertár 1139, Béke tér 11 +36 1 320 8006 Royal

Gyógyszertár

1073, Erzsébet krt. 58
+36 1 235 0137

Uránia Gyógyszertár

1088, Rákóczi út 23
+36 1 338 4036

Széna-tér Patika-Fitotéka-Homeopátia

1015, Széna tér 1
+36 1 225 7830

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Population

1.756 million (2016)

Currency

Hungarian Forint, HUF (Ft)

Opening hours

Business hours are usually from 8am–5pm. Certain offices might have shortened opening hours on Fridays. Major shopping malls and selected shops are open until around 8pm including weekends.

Internet

www.spiceofeurope.com
www.wowhungary.com/en

Emergency numbers

Emergency: 112
Ambulance: 104
Fire brigade: 105
Police: 107

Tourist information

Deák Ferenc Square
1052 Budapest, Sütő u. 2.
Opening hours: 8am–8pm
Phone: +36 1 576 1401
www.budapestinfo.hu/en





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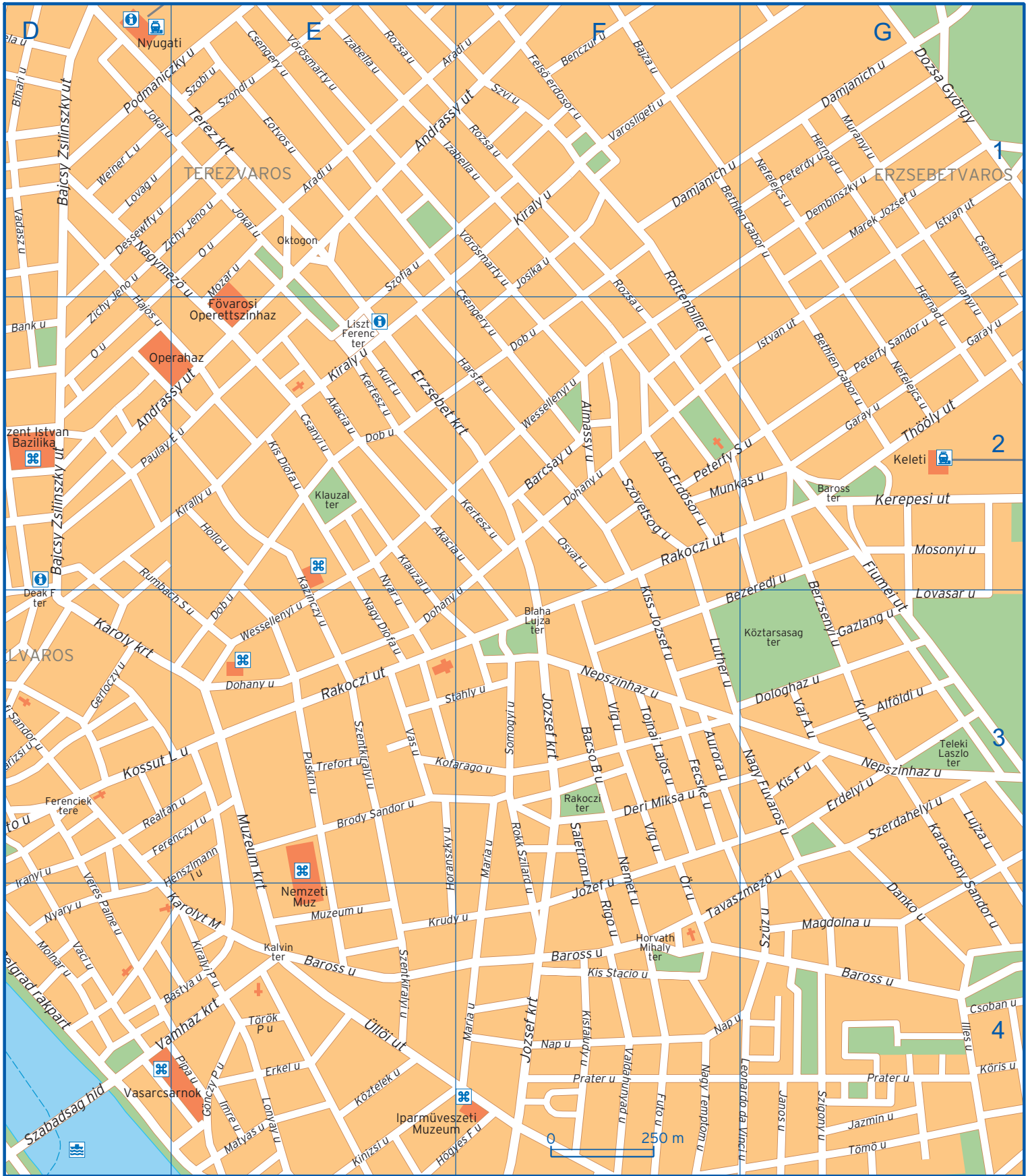
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