

ELTE BUDAPEST



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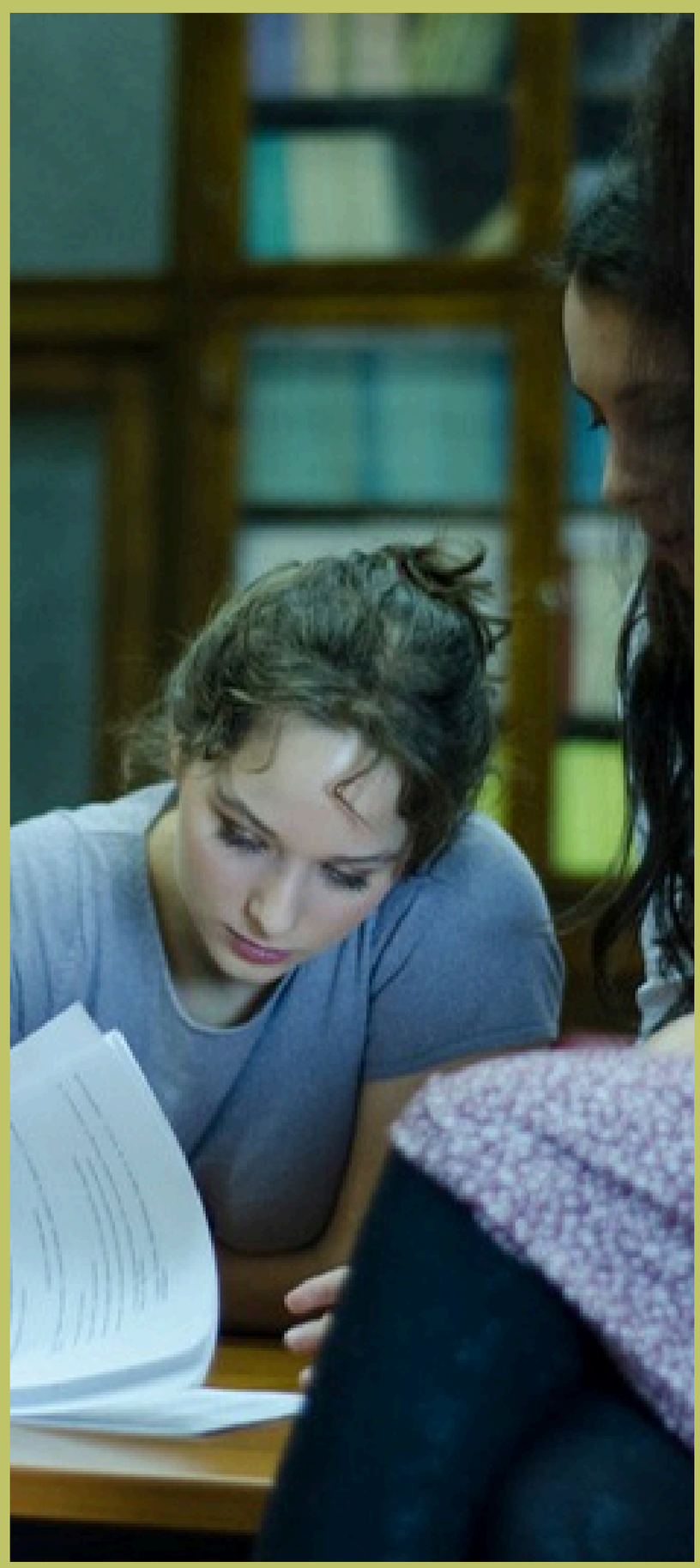

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ELTE BUDAPEST

Dear Possible Summer University Student!

We would like to give you a little taster about ELTE Budapest. Studying abroad is challenging, interesting, inspiring and it gives you an experience you will never forget.

Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE) is Hungary's most prestigious university with the richest traditions and the highest international rankings in the country. Students at ELTE coming from more than 100 different countries turn the university into a multicultural and diverse environment.

Internationalization as an inherent part of the institutional strategy of ELTE underlies all our efforts in the development of education, research, and the institution itself. You as an international student play an essential role in the international developments in education.

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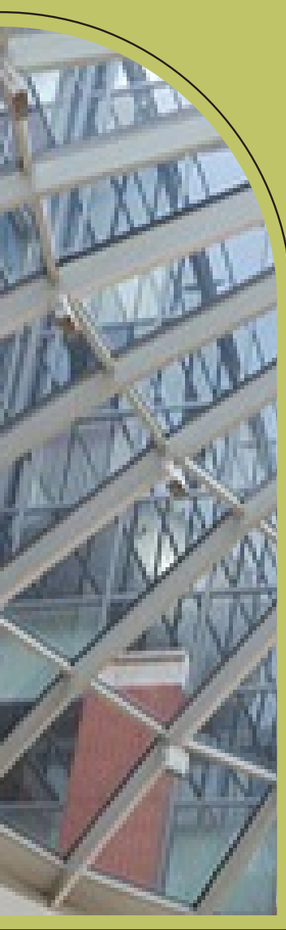







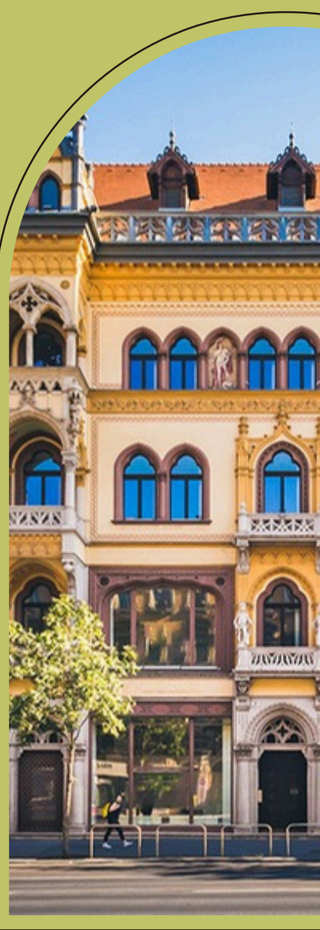

History

In 1635, Cardinal Péter Pázmány signs the founding documents of the University in Nagyszombat (today: Trnava, Slovakia). The first two faculties of the university were the Faculty of Humanities and the Faculty of Theology.

WWW.ELTE.HU/EN/



ELTE HAS 9 FACULTIES

- **Faculty of Education and Psychology**

www.ppk.elte.hu/en/

- **Faculty od Humanities**
- www.btk.elte.hu/en/
- **Faculty of Informatics**
- www.inf.elte.hu/en/
- **Faculty of Law**

www.ajk.elte.hu/en/

- **Faculty of Primary and Pre-School Education**

www.tok.elte.hu/en/

- **Faculty of Science**

https://ttk.elte.hu/en/

Faculty of Economics

https://gtk.elte.hu/en/

- **Faculty of Social Sciences**

https://tatk.elte.hu/en/

- **Bárczi Gusztáv Faculty of Special Needs Education** -www.barczi.elte.hu/en/

FACULTIES



WHY ELTE?

ELTE IN GENERAL FIGURES

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- MORE THAN 100 DEGREE PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS (NO HUNGARIAN REQUIRED)
- ELTE IS HUNGARY'S LARGEST SCIENTIFIC ESTABLISHMENT
- 72 ACADEMICIANS (20% OF ALL ACADEMICIANS) OF THE HUNGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES
- 16 DOCTORAL SCHOOLS, 128 DOCTORAL PROGRAMS
- 6 COLLEGES FOR TALENTED STUDENTS
- HUNGARY'S MOST POPULAR UNIVERSITY WITH 33,000 STUDENTS

ELTE'S MAIN LIBRARY

CONTACT: INFO@LIB.ELTE.HU

KONYVTAR.ELTE.HU/EN

OPEN: MONDAY – FRIDAY 9:00 – 20:00

ADDRESS: 1053 BUDAPEST, FERENCIEK TERE 6.

FACEBOOK.COM/ELTEKONYVTAR +36 1 411-6500 / 3417

INSTAGRAM.COM/ELTEKONYVTAR

MAKE SURE TO VISIT THE UNIVERSITY HOMEPAGE:
WWW.ELTE.HU/EN/INCOMING-MOBILITY



PEER COUNSELLING

Peer Counselling Group and also the International Peer-Counselling Organisation (IPCO) is a voluntary organisation of students majoring in Psychology. These groups are devoted to help ELTE students by offering peer counselling (under professional supervision by the Counselling Centre) regarding difficulties in studies, relationships, family or any kind of issues in a student's everyday life.

ELTE Peer Counselling Group: www.kortars.elte.hu/english
www.facebook.com/eltekortarssegitocsoport;
info@kortars.elte.hu

International Peer-Counselling Organization:
m.facebook.com/ipco.budapest/



HUNGARIAN LANGUAGE COURSES

General Hungarian Language Courses — Eötvös Loránd University offers Hungarian language and culture courses covering all levels from complete beginner (A1) to proficiency levels (C2).

The 10-11-week courses start at the beginning of both spring and autumn semesters. Students get 3 or 6 ECTS credits after successfully completing the course.

More: https://btk.elte.hu/en/general-hungarian-classes-info

ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK

Besides representing the rights of students having a scholarship at our university, our primary aim is to help incoming students by offering aid in academic, social and practical integration. This is mainly provided through cultural and social activities, such as trips to various places within the country, film events, language projects, international food festivals, sports events as well as parties.

Contact: https://www.elte.hu/en/mentor/esn

STIPENDIUM HUNGARICUM

Stipendium Hungaricum is a scholarship programme for foreign students, founded by the Hungarian Government in 2013. The programme aims to promote cultural understanding, economic and cultural relations between Hungary and other countries. The Department of Erasmus+ and International Programmes is responsible for the implementation of the programme at ELTE.

Contact: sh@dep.elte.hu

CLIMATE

Hungary has a typical continental climate with hot, dry summers and mildly cold snowy winters. There are four seasons in Hungary. The average annual temperature is 9.7 °C (49.5 °F). The average high temperature in the summer is 26 to 32 °C (78 to 89 °F) and temperature can climb up to 38 °C on the hottest days in July-August. The average low temperature in the winter is −7 to −3 °C (19 to 27 °F) and temperatures might drop below 10 °C on the coldest days. Generally, the weather is warmest from May to September.

GEOGRAPHY

Hungary is situated in the Carpathian Basin. The country's major river is the Danube, dividing the country almost in half. Its two longest rivers are called Danube and Tisza. Two-thirds of Hungary's geographic area are less than 200 meters above sea level. Hungary's highest point is the mountain Kékes (1015m) located in the Mátra mountain range. The lowest point, 77m above sea level lies near Szeged. Lake Balaton is the largest lake in Central Europe, sometimes referred to as the 'Hungarian Sea'. It is 78 km long and between 3-14 km wide. It's one of the biggest tourist attractions of the country, and lots of the Hungarians spend the summer holiday by the lake.



Hungarian History at a glance

450 BC–430 AD Roman and Celtic periods

9th century Prince Árpád led the Magyar tribes to the Carpathian Basin

1000 AD The Hungarian state was founded by King Stephen I

13th century The medieval Hungarian Kingdom suffered great losses as a result of the Mongol invasion

16–17th century Roughly 150 years of partial Ottoman occupation

1867 A compromise with the Habsburgs was concluded, establishing the Austro-Hungarian Empire

1914–1918 By the end of the World War I, Hungary lost 2/3 of its territory (Treaty of Trianon)

1941–1945 During World War II, Hungary suffered enormous damages as a result of the war. Hungary was occupied by the Soviet Union

1956 Revolution against the Soviet occupation

1989 Hungary became an independent state as a Republic

2004 Hungary joined the European Union

HUNGARIAN CUISINE

Hungarian food is often spicy. It frequently uses paprika (and paprika powder, hot or 'sweet'), black pepper and onions. Potatoes are also commonly used in many dishes. Hungarians are passionate about their soups, desserts and stuffed pancakes. Dishes you must taste while staying in Hungary:

Fish Soup – is made of fish and paprika

Goulash Soup – is a soup of meat and vegetables, seasoned with paprika and other spices

Pörkölt – is delicious, juicy meat dish, prepared of beef/pork, chopped onion, paprika, other spices, you can eat it either with boiled potato or noodles

Stuffed cabbage – cabbage leaves stuffed with rice and ground pork with a tangy and spicy tomato

Chimney Cake („kürtös kalács") – popular Hungarian sweet street snack

Lángos – deep-fried flat bread, eaten with garlic sauce, cheese, sour cream

Túró Rudi – chocolated curd cheese

Dobos Cake – made with thin layers of sponge cake, bittersweet chocolate buttercream, and a brittle caramel top layer

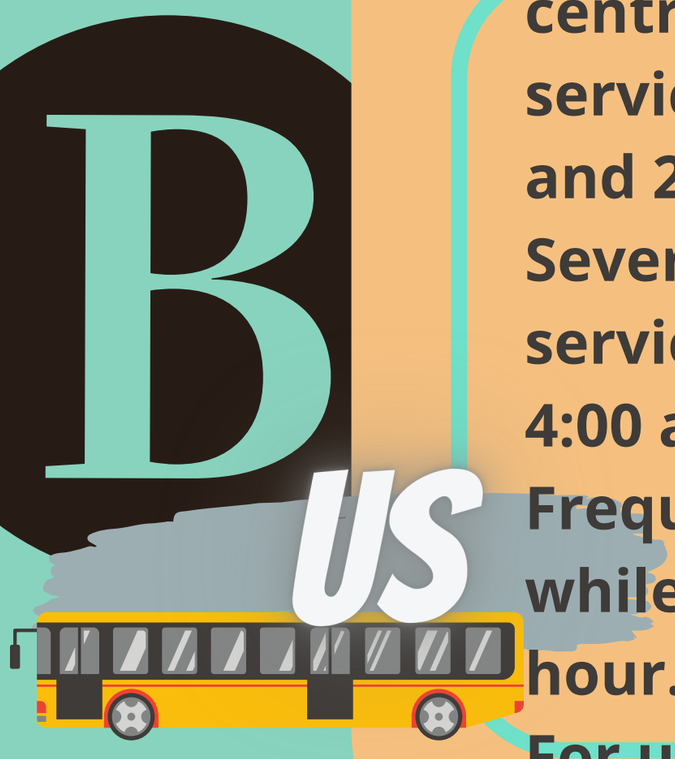
Beigli – Walnut/poppy seed roll, traditional Christmas cake

Pálinka – special fruit brandy.

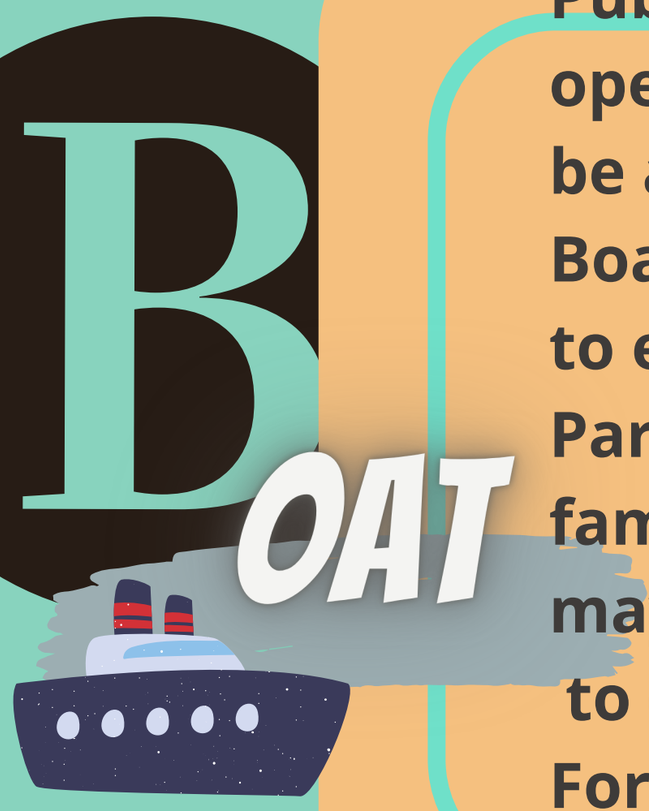
What did we learn from our grandmothers? Have a headache? Drink pálinka. Feeling nervous? Drink pálinka.

General info about Hungary

State form	Republic
Area	93,030 km^2
Population	9,75 million (in 2020)
Memberships	EU, NATO, Schengen Zone, UNESCO
Religion	Roman Catholic 37.2%, Calvinist 11.6%, Lutheran 2.2%, Greek Catholic 1.8%, other 1.9%, none 18.2%, unspecified 27.2% *(2011 est.)*
Currency	Forint (HUF)  Notes: 20 000 HUF 10 000 HUF 5000 HUF 2000 HUF 1000 HUF  Coins: 200 HUF 100 HUF 50 HUF 20 HUF 10 HUF 5 HUF
Flag	
Country calling code	+36
Internet domain	.hu
Time zone	CET (UTC+1)
Date formats	yyyy.mm.dd



Budapest has an extensive bus network covering both the city centre and suburban areas. Some routes operate as express services, indicated by an “E” after the route number (e.g. 100E and 200E).
Several bus routes operate throughout the night. Night services usually run between midnight and approximately 4:00 a.m. and are identified by route numbers starting with 9.
Frequencies vary: major routes may run every 10–15 minutes, while suburban services may operate only once or twice per hour.
For up-to-date schedules and route information, visit:
https://bkk.hu/en/



Public boat services on the Danube operate on selected routes and may be available seasonally.
Boat services offer a unique way to enjoy Budapest’s riverside landmarks, including the Parliament, Buda Castle and several of the city’s famous bridges.Routes, operating periods and fares may vary, therefore visitors are advised to check the latest information before travelling.
For up-to-date schedules and ticket information, visit:
https://bkk.hu/en/travel-information/special-and-heritage-transport-services/boat-services/



Bicycle-Sharing Network of BUBI

The Bubi bike-sharing scheme is a bicycle-sharing network in Budapest. The apple-green bikes can be hired from and returned to any docking station found at major transport hubs in the city centre. So far 1,150 bikes can be hired from 99 docking stations in the centre of Budapest.
More information on the fares and the usage of the system: molbubi.hu/en

PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS



DANUBE BOAT TOUR

Experience Budapest from a completely different perspective with a relaxing boat cruise along the Danube. As the city unfolds along both banks of the river, participants can enjoy spectacular views of Budapest's most iconic landmarks and discover the unique atmosphere of the Hungarian capital from the water.

The cruise offers the perfect opportunity to admire the Hungarian Parliament, Buda Castle, Fisherman's Bastion, the Chain Bridge, and the city's historic waterfront while enjoying a pleasant journey along the Danube. The changing scenery provides a wonderful introduction to Budapest, highlighting the contrast between the historic Buda side and the lively Pest side.

Whether enjoying the panoramic views, taking photographs, or simply relaxing on board, the Danube cruise offers a memorable way to experience the city. It is a great opportunity to see some of Budapest's most famous sights from a new angle and enjoy the beauty of the capital along one of Europe's most iconic rivers.







PLACES WORTH TO TRY



BREAKFAST & COFFE

Fekete – Múzeum körút 5. – small brew and food bar

Madal Cafe – Ferenciek tere 3. – espresso and brew bar

Budapest Bägel – Baross utca 4. – bagel & coffee

Vinyl and Wood- Wesselényi street 23.- the best sandwiches, cookies and coffee along shopping

Cafe Brunch Budapest – Fővám tér 2-3. – breakfast & brunch restaurant

Cirkusz Café – Dob utca 25. – breakfast, brunch & specialty coffee

DINNER AROUND

KicsiMama konyhája – Lónyay utca 7. – Hungarian and international cuisine, self-service

Govinda Vega Sarok – Papnövelde utca 1. – spicy Indian food & lassi

Vega City – Múzeum körút 23. – vegan burgers, salads and cakes

Pata Negra Pest – Kálvin tér 8. – Spanish tapas bar

Cafe Intenzo – Kálvin tér 9. – international and Hungarian specialties

Bors Gastro Bar – Kazinczy utca 10. creative soups, baguettes and Hungarian street food

TRADITIONAL

Belvárosi Disznótoros – Károlyi Mihály utca 17. – butcher & freshly baked menu

Cibere Étkezde – Hegedűs Gyula utca 34. – Hungarian/Transylvanian cuisine

Paletta Bisztró- Tompa út 28. - Traditional Hungarian food

The First Strudel House of Pest- Október 6. utca 22. -a traditional family-owned restaurant.

HIDDEN GEMS

Villa Bagatelle – Németvölgyi út 17. – French style bistro in the heart of Buda, coffee, cakes & brunch

Móka Kávézó – Varsányi Irén utca 9. – breakfast & brunch, craftsman beer, homemade cakes & soups, low prices

Szelence Café- Pauler utca 8.- vegetarian and vegan wonders

VAJ – József körút 30. – artisan bakery, specialty coffee and homemade pastries

GUILTY PLEASURE

WaffaLab/Belgian Waffle Bar – Váci utca 51.

Fragola – Károly körút 3a – icecream shop

Valdocco Astoria – Múzeum körút 7. – icecream & cakes, low prices

Street Food Karavan Budapest – Kazinczy utca 18.

Zing Burger – Király utca 20. – burgers & more

Bellozzo – Oktogon 1. – friendly environment, pizza & pasta

Ahoy! – Papnövelde utca 3. – waffle, chocolate & lemonade

Sport life



If you want to stretch your muscles, there are plenty of sports opportunities at our university. The sport life of ELTE is organized around two major ideas: courses offered by BEAC and sports courses.

Sports available: Aerobics, Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Chess, Climbing, Conditioning, Cycling, Functional training, Running, Football, Futsal, Goju-ryu karate, Belly dancing, Jiu-jitsu, Yoga, Kettlebell, Handball, Hiking, Kick-box, Kung-fu, Modern jazz dance, Muay thai, Polefitness, Triathlon, Volleyball, Spinning, Swimming, Tennis, TRX, Waterpolo

Details and contact: ELTE-BEAC Sport Office EHÖK Sports Referent, Bogdánfy Ödön Street 10.

www.facebook.com/elte.beac;

https://www.instagram.com/beac1898/

Phone: 0036/ 1 209- 0617;

Web: www.beac.hu/in-english

Public Transport

FROM THE AIRPORT

Budapest Airport is situated some 20 km to the south-east from the city centre. How to reach the city centre from Budapest International Airport? For up-to-date schedules and ticket information, please visit: https://bkk.hu/en/travel-information/airport-express/

BUS 100E

provides a direct connection between Budapest Airport and the city centre, stopping at Kálvin tér, Astoria and Deák Ferenc tér. The service operates 24/7, with buses running every 5–20 minutes depending on the time of day.

Please note that a special Airport Shuttle Bus Single Ticket is required. Standard public transport tickets and most travel passes are not valid on bus 100E.

The regular Airport Shuttle ticket costs HUF 2,500.

Tickets can be purchased: • in the BudapestGO app,

• at ticket vending machines at the airport,

• at BKK customer service points,

• or directly on board using a bank card through the Budapest Pay&GO system.

BUS 200E

connects Budapest Airport with Kőbánya-Kispest, the southern terminus of Metro Line M3. From Kőbánya-Kispest, passengers can take the M3 metro towards Újpest-központ to reach the city centre.

Bus 200E operates 24/7. During the night, passengers may need to transfer to night services at certain times.

A standard public transport ticket or valid travel pass can be used on bus 200E and the metro. A single ticket costs HUF 500 if purchased in advance through the BudapestGO app, ticket vending machines, customer service centres, or other official sales points. Tickets purchased from the bus driver cost HUF 700 and can only be bought with cash.

For route planning, real-time public transport information and mobile ticket purchases, use the BudapestGO application:

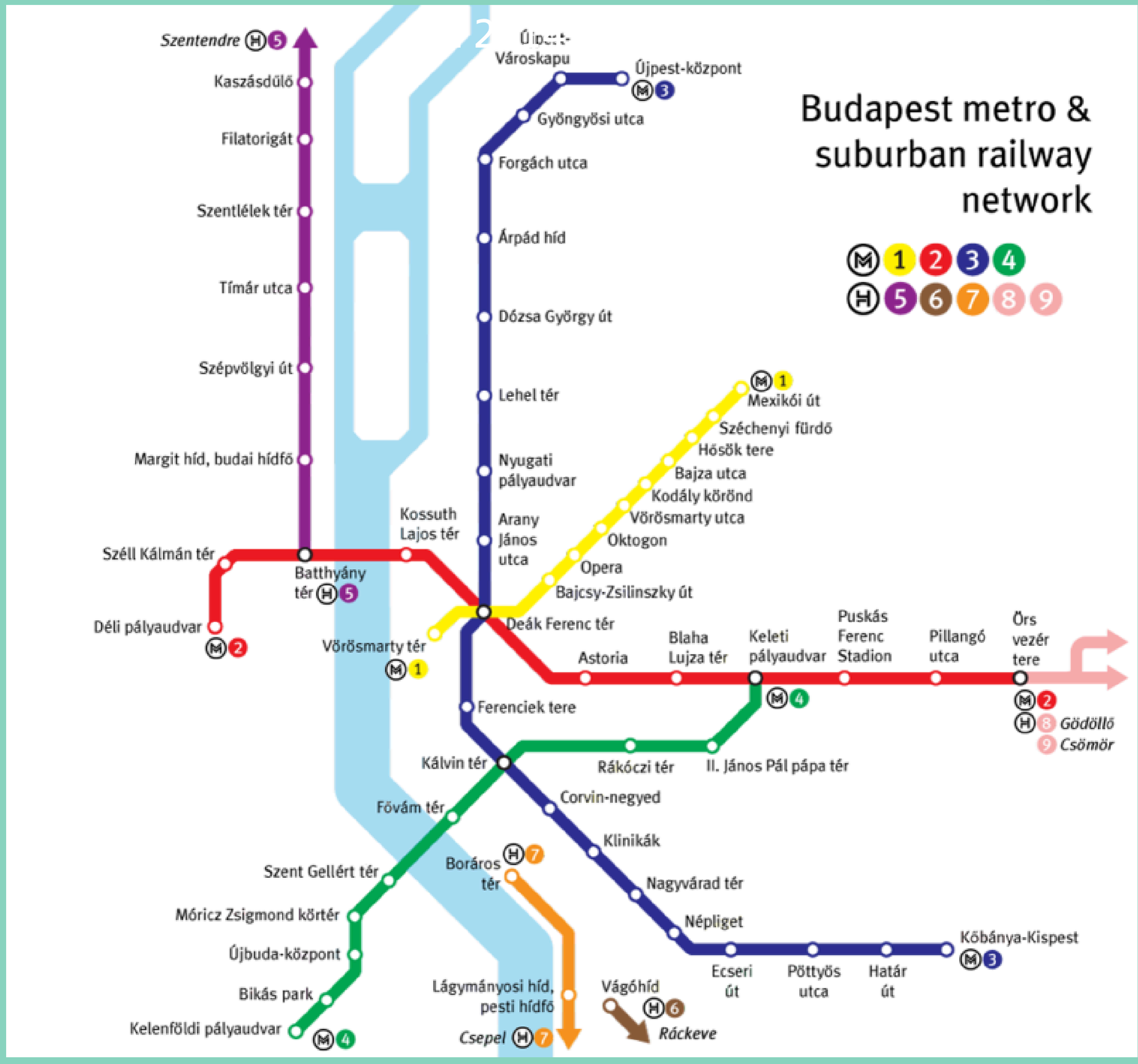


METRO LINES

Metro services run from 4:30 until around midnight (extended hours on Fridays and Saturdays).
Budapest metro has four lines:

- M1 or the Yellow Line: between Vörösmarty tér and Mexikói út
- M2 or the Red Line: between Déli pályaudvar and Örs vezér tere
- M3 or the Blue Line: between Újpest Központ and Kőbánya-Kispest*
- M4 or the Green Line: between Kelenföld vasútállomás and Keleti pályaudvar

The Yellow Line is the oldest subway line in Hungary and also in mainland Europe. It was opened in 1896 for the Millennium celebrations. The newest line is the Green Line which was opened



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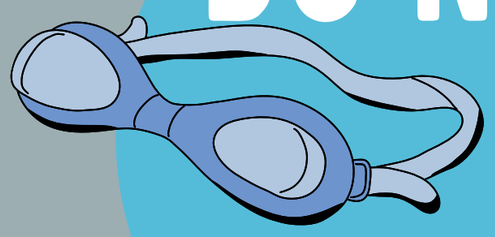




Szechenyi Spa Baths

is one of the best and largest spa baths in Europe with its 15 indoor baths and 3 grand outdoor pools.

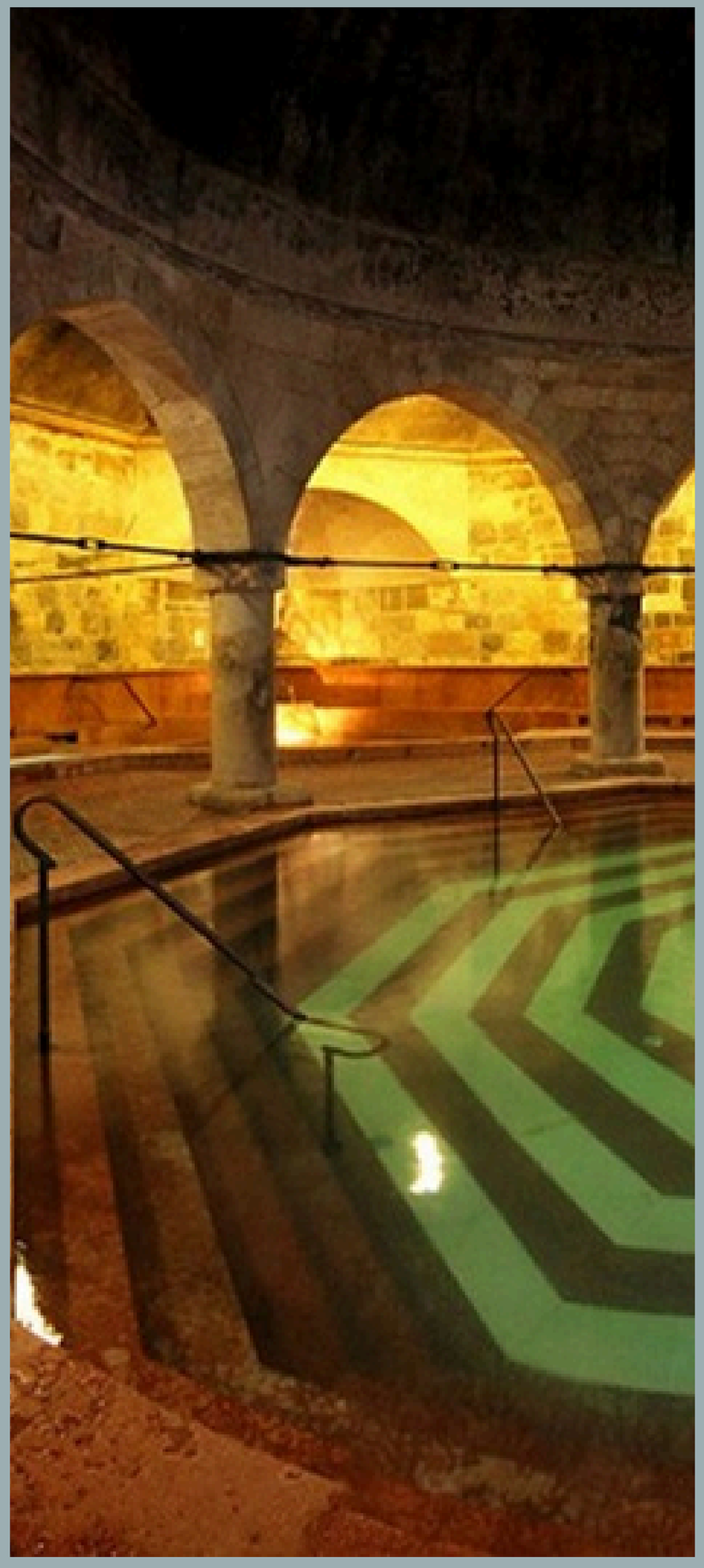
Gellert Spa

is an other rightly famous thermal spa baths across Europe and one of the leading natural hot spring spa baths in Budapest.

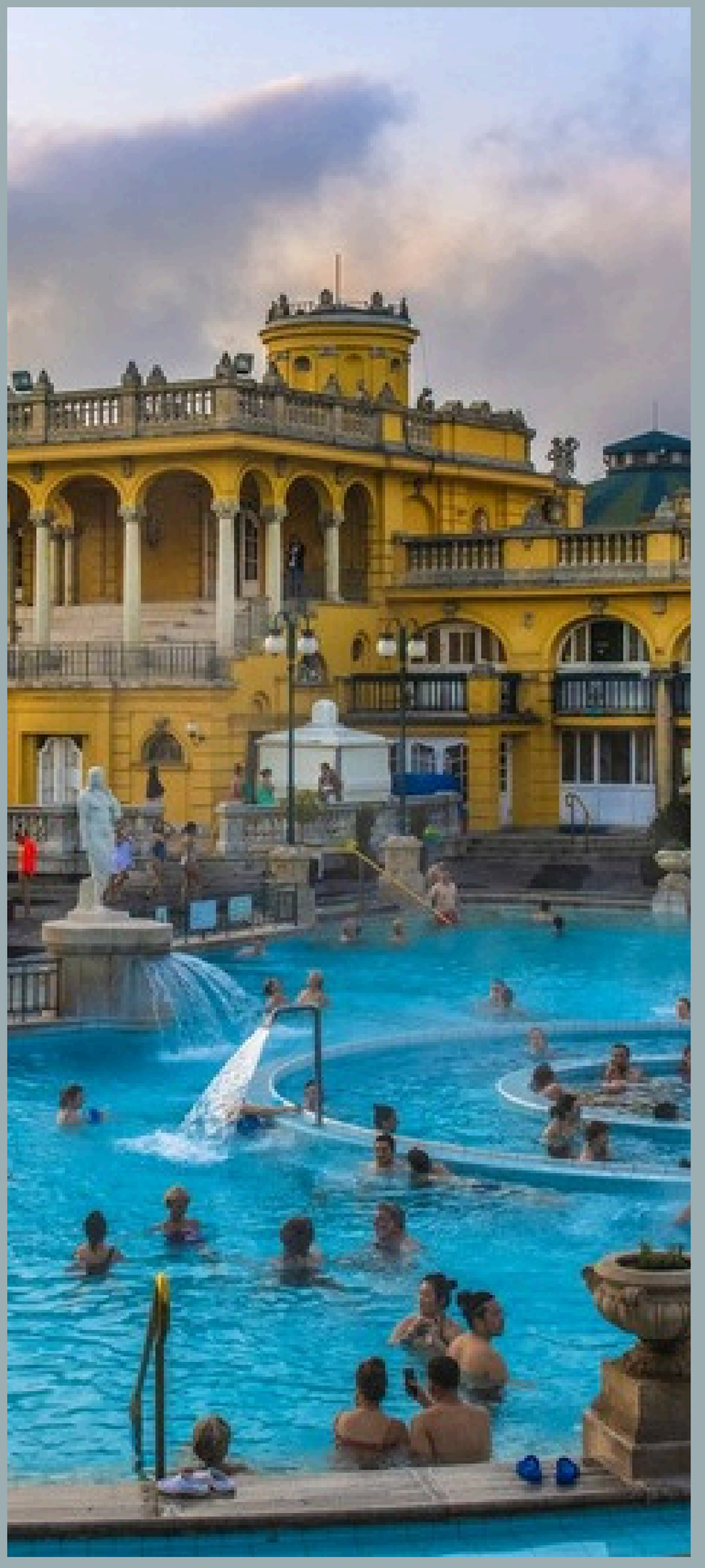
Rudas Thermal Bath

is more than 450 years old. New wellness section and saunas since 2014. The rooftop pool is special programme at anytime!

www.spasbudapest.com







OTHER LIBRARIES IN BUDAPEST

WORTH TO VISIT

National Széchenyi Library – www.oszk.hu/en

It's located in the rear wing of the Royal Palace, facing toward Buda. It's a national library, the biggest collection including some surviving books of King Mathias, the legendary king of the Renaissance (their name is "Corvina", as the ensign of the king was the raven (called corvus in Latin)).

Library of the Parliament – www.ogyk.hu/en

The house of the Hungarian Parliament established the library at the end of the 1860's. In 1902, the library moved to the newly built Parliament on the bank of Danube. It only became a public collection in 1952; until that time, access was permitted only to institutions and professionals.

Library and Information Centre of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences – konyvtar.mta.hu/index_en.php

It's a special national research library. Since its foundation in 1826, it has dedicated itself to supporting scientific and scholarly research and safeguarding its precious collections.

Metropolitan Ervin Szabó Library – https://fszek.hu/en

It's located in a magnificent neo-Baroque palace completed in 1889, as well as in a new wing – presently one of the most interesting library interiors of Europe. The café is found in the former stables.

National Library of Foreign Language – https://www.oik.hu/rolunk

Originally built for Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA), a Russian language library was opened in 1956 under the name of "Gorky Library", which later started to collect other foreign language pieces, as well. Many people in Budapest call it "Gorky" even today. It has a very pleasant atmosphere with a rich selection of journals.

Central European University Library – https://library.ceu.edu/

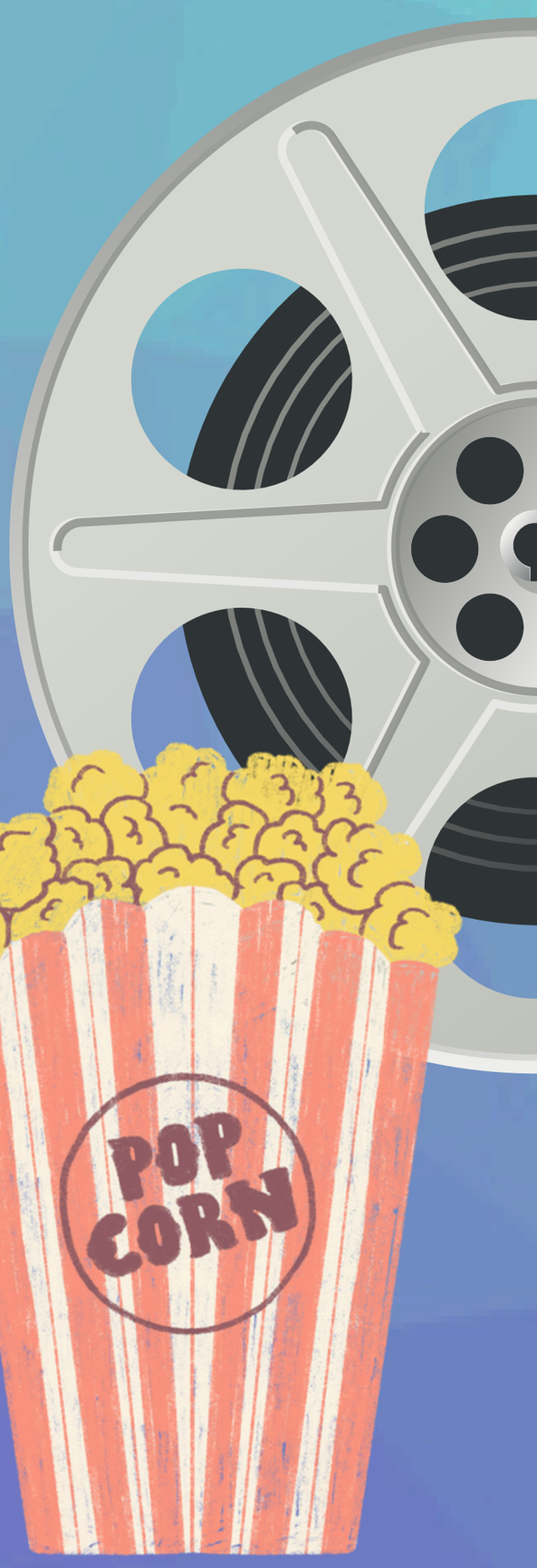
Founded by George Soros in June 1992, the CEU Library is located in the heart of downtown Budapest and holds the largest collection of English-language materials in the social sciences and humanities in Central and Eastern Europe.

If you want to watch the most wanted Hollywood movie, visit one of the cinemas of the “Cinema City” chain – www.cinemacity.hu/#/
There is a Cinema City in almost every main shopping center.

Art Cinemas

Art cinemas do not only offer movies, but a meeting point where you can drink a coffee or beer with your friends. Here are the most popular ones in Budapest:

- Művész Cinema – Teréz körút 30.
  Web: muveszmozi.hu/
- Puskin Cinema – Kossuth Lajos utca 18.
  Web: puskinmozi.hu/
- Toldi Cinema – Bajcsy-Zsilinszky út 36-38.
  Web: toldimozi.hu/info/english
- Uránia National Film Theater – Rákóczi út 21.
  Web: urania-nf.hu/en
- Tabán Cinema- Krisztina krt. 87-89.
  Web: tabanartmozi.hu/
- Kino Café- Szent István krt. 16.
  Web: kinocafemozi.hu/
- Corvin Mozi- Corvin köz 1.
  Web: corvinmozi.hu/
- Cirkó Gejzír- Balassi Bálint u. 15-17
  Web: www.cirkogejzir.hu/



CINEMA

MUSEUM & ART

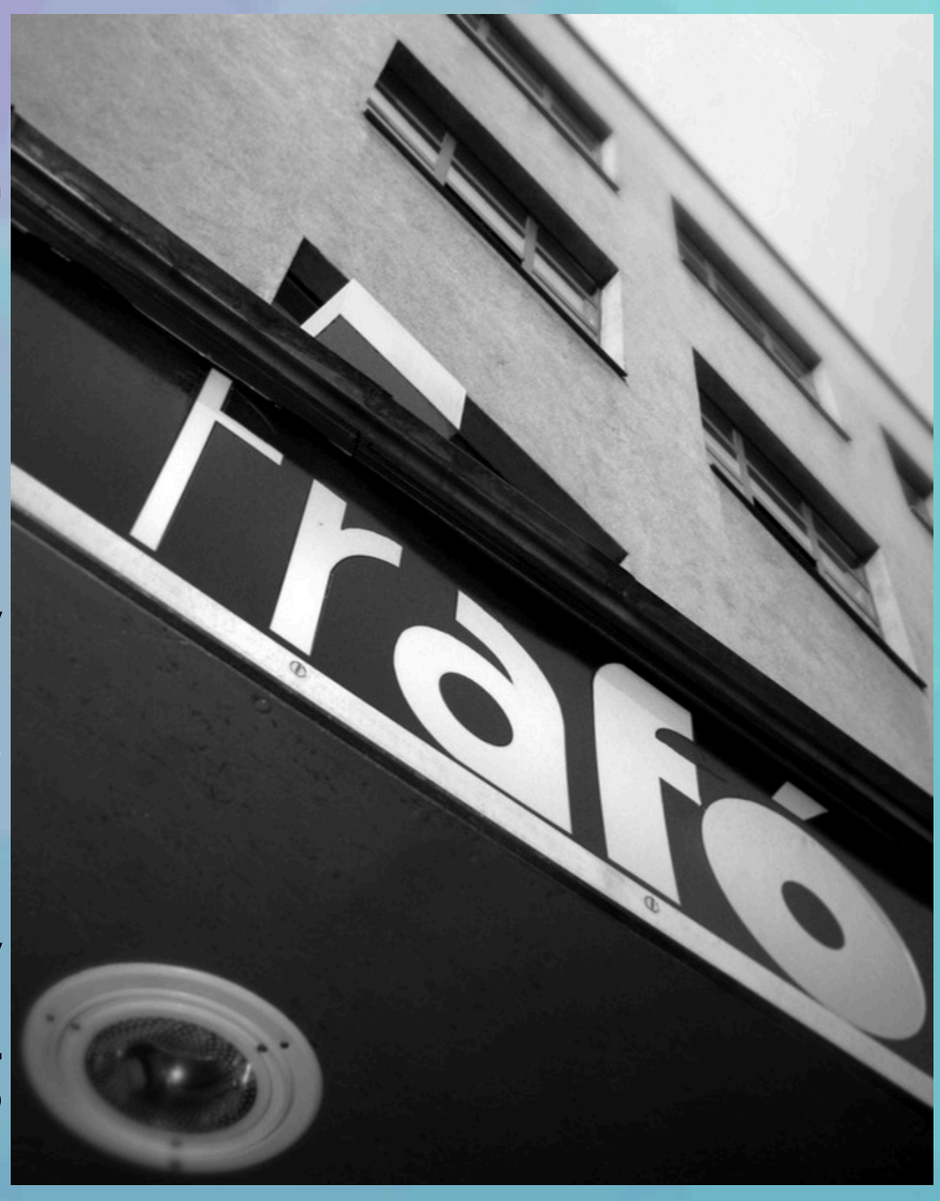
Museums are open from Tuesday till Sunday between 8:00 – 18:00. If you use your student card, you are entitled to discounts from the ticket price.

- **Hungarian National Museum collects archaeological, historical, ethnic relics on the history of the Carpathian Basin**
  Web: mnm.hu/en
- **Hungarian National Gallery It is located in Buda Castle. Its collections cover Hungarian art in all genres, including the works of many nineteenth- and twentieth-century Hungarian artists who worked in Paris and other locations in the West. Web: en.mng.hu/**
- **Ludwig Museum – Museum of Contemporary Art collects artwork from the sixties until today.**
  Web: ludwigmuseum.hu/en
- **Kunsthalle (Műcsarnok) is the centre of contemporary Hungarian fine art**
  Web: mucsarnok.hu/index1.php
- **Museum of Ethnography The Budapest Museum of Ethnography, one of Europe's most prestigious social science museums, houses more than 200,000 ethnographic artefacts. Check out for extended opening hours!**
  Web: www.neprajz.hu/en/
- **Hungarian House of Photography in Mai Manó House is a venue for Hungarian, international, historical and contemporary photo exhibitions**
  Web: www.maimano.hu/eng/home-mai-mano-house
- **Kiscelli Múzeum presents the 18th-21st century history of Budapest, and of its inhabitants.**
  Web: kiscellimuzeum.hu/eng/about_us

>>> CULTURE

TRAFÓ HOUSE OF CONTENPORARY ARTS

is an inviting and co-producing venue unique in Hungary, and is also a cornerstone of the international contemporary arts scene. Its performances, concerts, exhibitions, and community and audience-building programmes are accessible to all who looking for something new.



Located: Liliom u. 41.
Web: trafo.hu/en

HOUSE OF MUSIC HUNGARY



is a tree of life in the heart of the City Park, with a trunk, and a crown of golden leaves on slender branches. The diverse range of events provides a plethora of musical experiences, including exhibitions, concerts, playing music together, singing, dance, exciting music education workshops and lecture courses.

Located: Olof Palme stny. 3.
Web: magyarzenehaza.com/en

ART

BUDAPEST JAZZ CLUB



if you are looking for light but still quality entertainment, if you feel you are committed to jazz or you are about to get the first taste of it, go to the center of jazz life.

Located: Hollán Ernő utca 7.
Web: bjc.hu/home/

NATIONAL DANCE THEATRE



is the most important centre of the Hungarian dance scene. From folk dance to classical ballet, from ballroom dancing through contemporary dance to interactive children's theatrical productions, the Theatre intends to keep up the audience's interest by performing a variety of genres.

Location: Kis Rókus u. 16-20.
Web: nemzetitancszinhaz.hu/en

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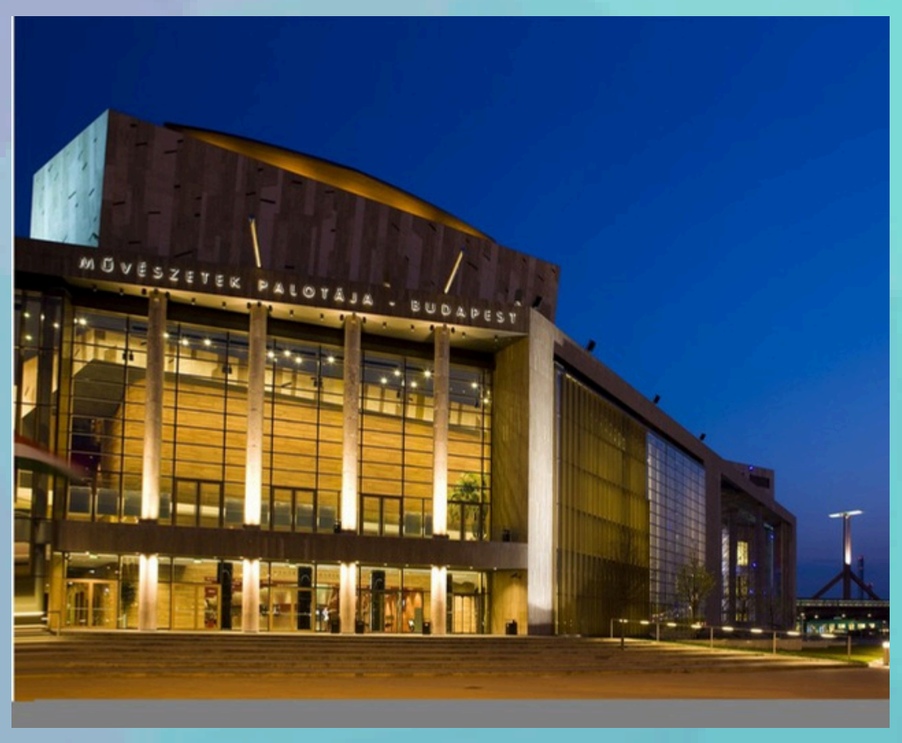


is one of Hungary's best known cultural brands brings together the many and varied disciplines of the arts in unique fashion by providing a home for classical, contemporary, popular and world music, not to mention jazz and opera, as well as contemporary circus, dance, literature and film.

Location: Komor Marcell u. 1.
Web: mupa.hu/en



OPERA HOUSE

Following an extensive refurbishment and modernisation that lasted for nearly five years, the historic Opera House was reopened in 2022.

VÁRKERT BAZÁR

is a unique jewelery box where art and nature complement each other. Capable of offering an experience of history, culture and nature all at the same time



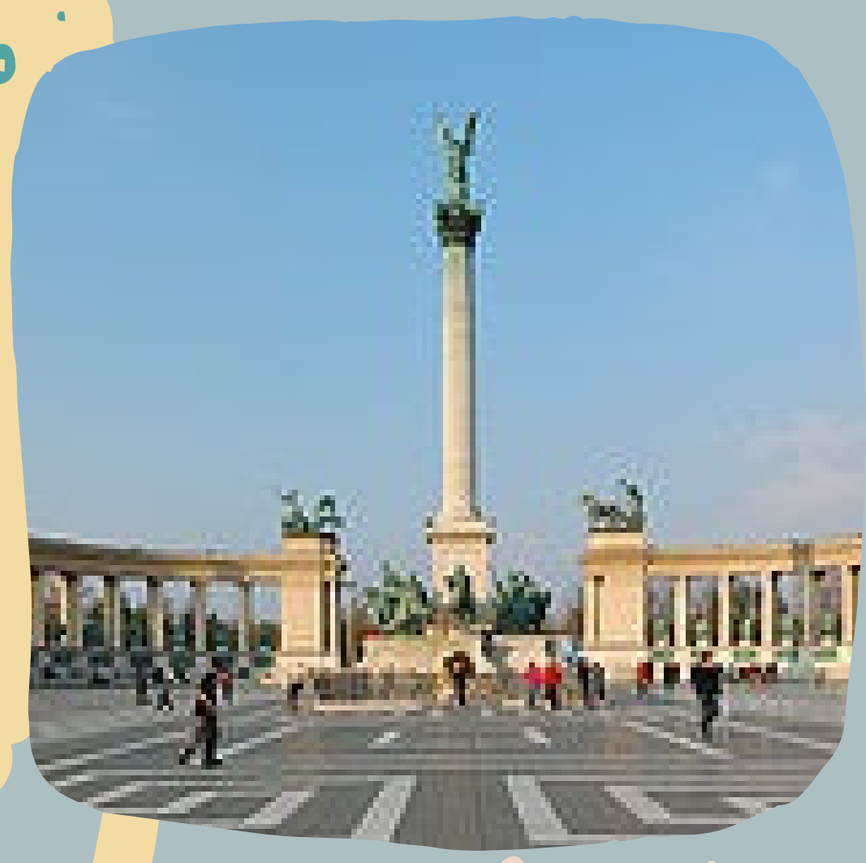


The Hungarian National Assembly (the House of Parliament)

The Parliament building, a magnificent example of Neo-Gothic architecture, is just over 100 years old. It’s the third largest Parliament building in the world and is also home to the Hungarian Crown Jewels.

Heroes’ Square

Heroes’ Square is the largest and most impressive square of the city. The Millennium Monument standing in the middle of the square was erected in 1896 to commemorate the 1000th anniversary of the Magyars’ arrival to the Carpathian Basin. The Museum of Fine Arts is located on the northern side of the square.



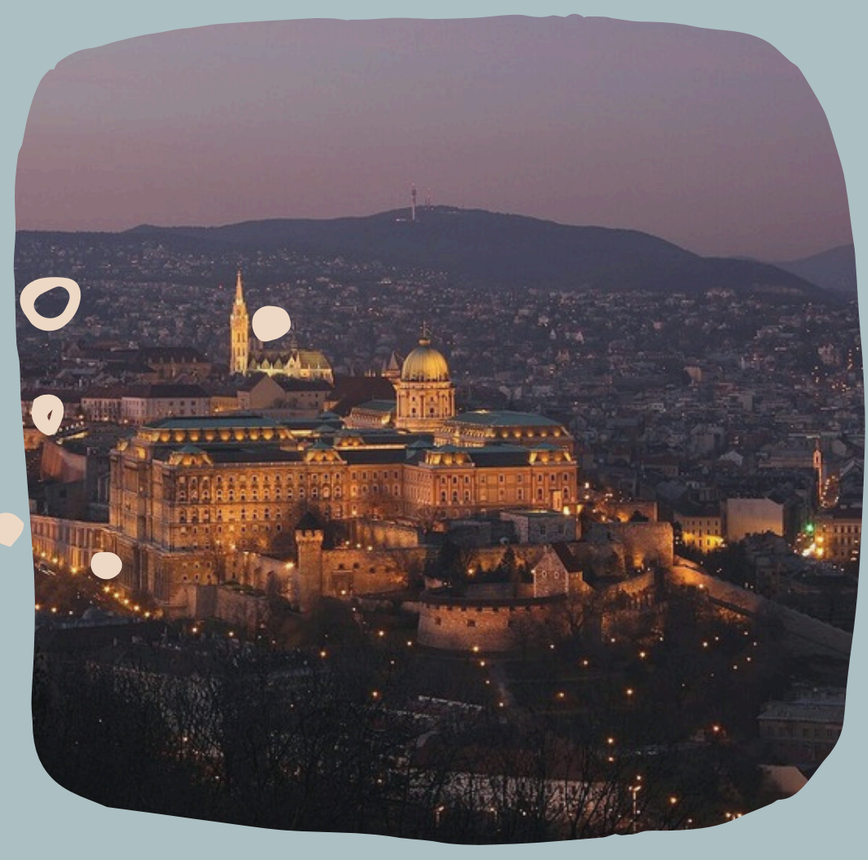


Chain Bridge

The Chain Bridge was the first bridge to permanently connect Buda and Pest. At the time of its completion, Chain Bridge was considered to be one of the wonders of the world. Crossing the bridge is just a short walk, and no matter which direction you go, the view is beautiful.

Buda Castle Hill

The Castle Hill, which includes the Royal Palace, the Fishermen's Bastion and Matthias Church, is easily visible from everywhere in Budapest. Exploring beautiful buildings and cobblestone streets in the Castle District can take an entire day, but it is time well spent.





Margaret Island

Margaret Island now serves as a recreational park in the centre of the Danube River. It is a great place to walk, swim a few laps or go for a run. During summer months, bicycles are also available for rent. Since vehicles are prohibited, the island is a fantastic escape from the city's traffic.

Central Market Hall

The spectacular Central Market Hall is a good source of Hungarian products. You can also make it a pit-stop for a quick bite of traditional Hungarian food when touring the city. Shop with the locals for meat, cheese, fruits, vegetable, and pastries.



PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

VISIT TO ST. STEPHEN'S BASILICA

Discover one of Budapest's most iconic landmarks with a visit to St. Stephen's Basilica, a magnificent example of Hungarian religious and architectural heritage located in the heart of the city. Participants will have the opportunity to explore the impressive interior of the basilica and admire its richly decorated spaces, grand dome, intricate details, and remarkable artworks.

The visit also includes access to the Basilica's panoramic lookout, offering one of the most spectacular views over Budapest. After climbing to the observation level, participants can enjoy a breathtaking 360-degree panorama of the city, with views stretching across the Danube, the historic city centre, and Budapest's most famous landmarks.

The programme is designed as a self-guided visit, allowing participants to discover the basilica and its panoramic surroundings at their own pace. Combining history, architecture, culture, and unforgettable city views, the visit offers a memorable opportunity to experience Budapest from both inside and above one of its most famous landmarks.







PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS



BUDA CASTLE DISTRICT

Discover one of Budapest's most historic and picturesque areas. The Castle District is home to some of the city's most famous landmarks, including the magnificent Buda Castle, the iconic Fisherman's Bastion, and the beautiful Matthias Church. As you stroll through its charming cobblestone streets and historic squares, you will be surrounded by centuries of Hungarian history while enjoying breathtaking views over the Danube and the Pest side of the city.



CITADELLA - RECOMMENDATION

Rising above the city on Gellért Hill, the Citadella offers one of the most breathtaking views in Budapest. From this iconic viewpoint, visitors can admire the Danube, the city's famous bridges, and many of Budapest's most important landmarks. The area is not only known for its spectacular panorama but also for its historical significance, making it a favourite destination for both locals and visitors seeking the perfect view of the Hungarian capital.



PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

MUSEUM OF ETHNOGRAPHY

Discover the diverse cultures, traditions, and everyday life of Hungary and communities from around the world at the Museum of Ethnography. Located in one of Budapest's most striking modern buildings, the museum offers fascinating exhibitions that bring together traditional objects, artworks, stories, and cultural treasures from different societies.

During the visit, participants can explore the rich diversity of human cultures and discover how traditions, customs, and everyday practices have shaped communities throughout history. The museum provides an engaging way to learn more about Hungarian cultural heritage while also gaining a broader perspective on the traditions and ways of life of people from different parts of the world.











PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS



VISIT TO THE HUNGARIAN HOUSE OF MUSIC



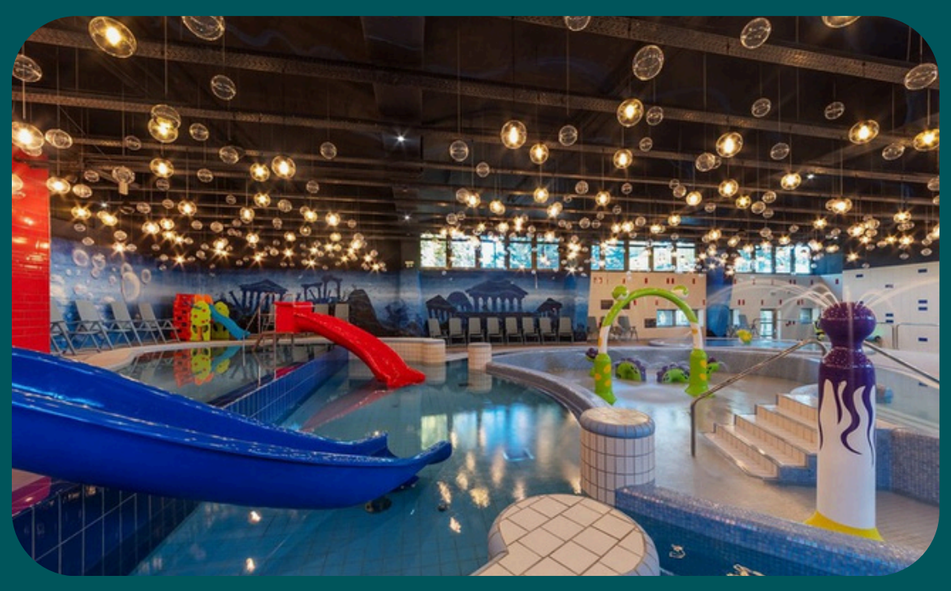
Discover one of Budapest's most innovative cultural attractions. The House of Music combines striking contemporary architecture with engaging exhibitions and interactive experiences. During the visit, participants can explore the fascinating history of music and learn how it connects cultures and communities across the world.





RELAXATION AT CSILLAGHEGY BATH





The group will head to the Csillaghegy Bath and Aquatic Centre to relax and recharge. Whether swimming in the pools, enjoying the summer sunshine, or spending time with fellow participants, it is the perfect way to unwind after an active day outdoors and experience another side of Budapest beyond the city centre.

PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

SZENTENDRE – A CHARMING ARTISTIC TOWN NEAR BUDAPEST

Located just 40 minutes from Budapest, Szentendre is one of Hungary's most picturesque towns. Known for its colorful streets, Mediterranean atmosphere, art galleries, museums, and cozy cafés, it is a perfect destination for a half-day or full-day trip. The town's historic center is full of narrow cobblestone streets, baroque architecture, and unique local shops. Thanks to its location on the Danube River, visitors can also enjoy beautiful riverside walks and stunning views.





Rab Ráby Restaurant is one of Szentendre’s most unique dining experiences, where history and Hungarian hospitality come together. Founded in 1982 and housed in a former blacksmith’s workshop, the restaurant is filled with antiques and museum-quality treasures, creating the atmosphere of a living museum. Named after the hero of Mór Jókai’s famous novel Rab Ráby, it offers traditional Hungarian flavors in the heart of Szentendre’s charming old town

DISCOVER THE HIDDEN KOLODKO MINI STATUES



While exploring Budapest and Szentendre, keep an eye out for the famous miniature sculptures created by Hungarian artist Mihály Kolodko. These tiny bronze statues are hidden throughout the city, often referencing Hungarian history, popular culture, cartoons, or international icons. Finding them has become a popular treasure hunt among both locals and tourists.



PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

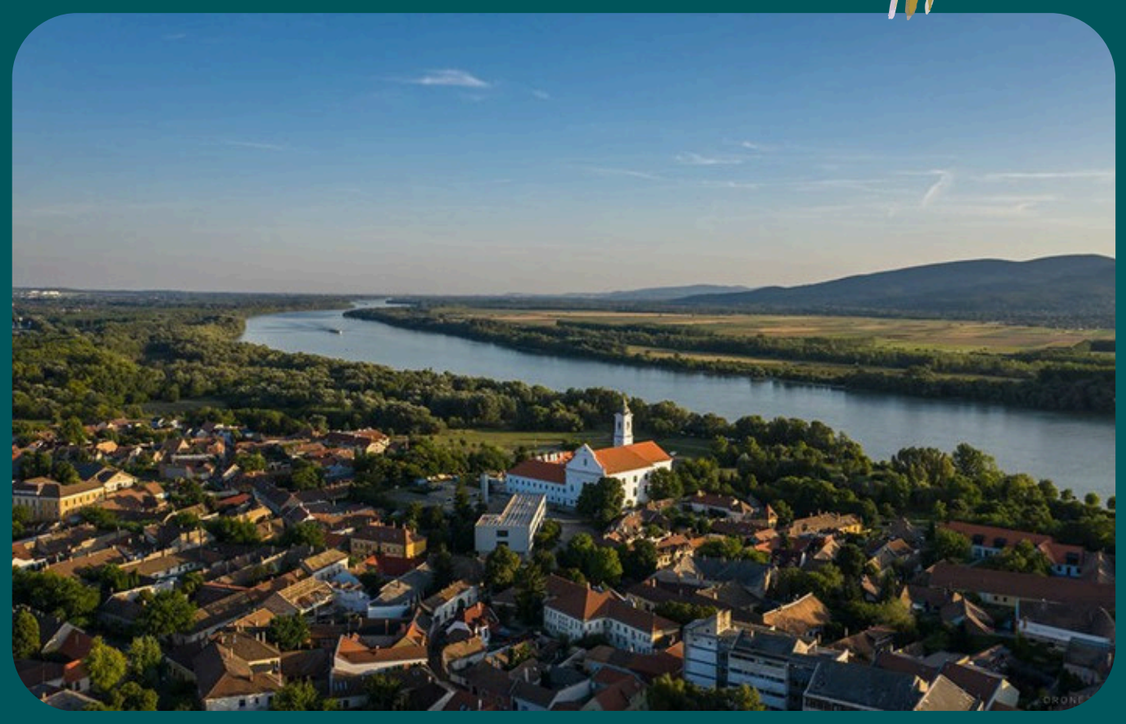
VÁC – A CHARMING RIVERSIDE TOWN NEAR BUDAPEST

Escape the busy streets of Budapest and discover Vác, a charming historic town beautifully situated along the Danube. Just a short journey from the capital, Vác offers a peaceful and picturesque setting, with colourful historic buildings, charming streets, elegant squares, and beautiful riverside views. The town is known for its rich cultural heritage and relaxed atmosphere, making it a wonderful place to experience a different side of Hungary.

Participants can explore the historic town centre, admire its architecture and landmarks, and enjoy a leisurely walk along the Danube. There will also be time to discover the local cafés, small shops, and cosy streets at your own pace. With its combination of history, culture, and riverside scenery, Vác offers a pleasant and memorable escape from the city.



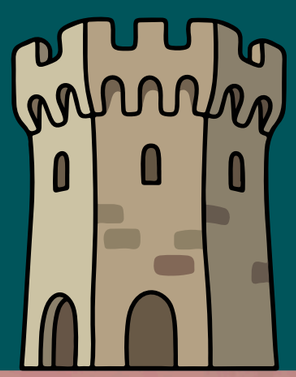




PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

VISEGRÁD – A JOURNEY INTO MEDIEVAL HUNGARY

Step back in time and discover the fascinating medieval heritage of Visegrád, one of the most beautiful destinations along the Danube Bend. Surrounded by hills and spectacular riverside scenery, Visegrád offers a unique combination of Hungarian history, culture, and traditional atmosphere. During the visit, participants will explore the Royal Palace of Visegrád, once an important royal residence and a fascinating reminder of Hungary's medieval past. The programme also includes entry to the Visegrád Palace Games Craft Market, where visitors can discover traditional crafts, handmade products, and the atmosphere of the famous medieval festival. The excursion continues with a visit to Solomon Tower, one of Visegrád's best-known historic landmarks, offering an insight into the town's medieval heritage. With its historic sites, traditional crafts, beautiful surroundings, and unique atmosphere, Visegrád offers an exciting opportunity to experience a different side of Hungary beyond Budapest.











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