

Top attractions in
HUNGARY



- THERMAL WATERS & SPAS
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THERMAL WATERS & SPAS:

1. Széchenyi Thermal Bath
2. Rudas Thermal Bath
3. Veli bej Turkish Bath
4. Mogoród – Aquaréna
5. Aquaworld

ACTIVE:

21. Pilis – hiking, cycling (Eurovelo6)
22. Elisabeth Lookout Tower – hiking
23. Margaret Island – jogging
24. Domony – horseriding
25. Danube boat trip
26. Börzsöny – forest railway, hiking

CULTURE:

6. The Hungarian Parliament
7. St Stephen's Basilica
8. Buda Castle
9. Matthias Church
10. Heroes' Square
11. The Great Synagogue
12. MÜPA Palace of Arts
13. Liszt Ferenc Academy of Music
14. Hungarian State Opera
15. Chain Bridge
16. Gödöllő – Grassalkovich Palace
17. Visegrád – Castle and Solomon's Tower
18. Esztergom – Basilica of Esztergom
19. Vác – Historic city centre
20. Szentendre – Hungarian Open Air Museum, old town centre

FAMILY PROGRAMMES:

27. Budapest Zoo
28. Children's Railway
29. Zugliget Chairlift
30. Margaret Island – wildlife park
31. Palace of Wonders

GASTRONOMY:

32. The Great Market Hall
33. Karaván street food
34. Etyek

- Michelin-starred restaurants:**
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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 immensely rich cultural life, define Budapest's sparkling and original character. Although it takes several days to fully explore the Hungarian capital itself, it is also worth seeking out attractions in the surrounding area. The most popular day-trip destination is the Danube Bend with its unparalleled panorama, medieval castles, small, inspirational towns and the numerous hiking and biking opportunities but there are many other interesting and exciting locations to visit only 1-1.5 hours away from Budapest.



SOPRON REGION

Explore towns rich in monuments, relax in one of the many healing baths and round up your holiday with a gourmet dinner and wine tasting at the birthplace of Blaufränkisch wine, located in the north-western corner of Hungary.

Thermal waters & spa
Bükfürdő: health and wellness spa; **Sárvár:** health and wellness bath; **Hegykő:** thermal bath

Culture
Sopron: Fire Tower; **Kőszeg:** historical city centre; **Fertőd:** Esterházy Palace; **Nagyecenk:** Széchenyi Mansion; **Fertőrákos:** Quarry and Cave Theatre

Active
Lake Fertő (UNESCO): cycling, boating; **Fertő-Hanság Natural Park:** birdwatching

Wine
Sopron Wine District

BALATON

Imagine a sea where the horizon doesn't fade into the infinite distance, where the sunset paints a glowing golden bridge on the water. Balaton, Central Europe's largest lake, is exactly that.

Thermal waters & spa
Hévíz: lake resort, the largest natural and biologically active thermal lake in the world; **Zalakaros:** health and adventure bath, Hungary's largest spa

Culture
Keszthely: Festetics Palace; **Veszprém:** Castle quarter; **Tihany:** Benedictine Abbey; **Herend:** porcelain manufacture; **Balatonboglár:** Globe Observatory; **Szigliget:** castle

Active
Balaton: bathing, hiking, boating, sailing, cycling; **Balatonudvari:** golf

Family programmes
Veszprém: zoo; **Zalasabar:** adventure park; **Balatonfűzfő:** bobsleigh track; **Tapolca:** Pool Grotto Visitor Centre

Wine
Balaton Wine Region

PÉCS REGION

Pécs is one of Hungary's most beautiful cities and was elected European City of Culture in 2010. Pécs is not just a melting pot of different cultures, but is also rich in historical attractions and cultural exhibitions, and possesses a world culture heritage. Pécs has one of the best wine regions in Hungary and the friendly vintners invite you to a wine tasting in their open cellars.

Thermal waters & spa
Harkány: health and wellness spa

Culture
Pécs: Early Christian Necropolis, late Roman burial chapels (UNESCO), cathedral, mosque, Zsolnay Cultural Quarter; **Siklós:** castle

Active
Orfű: swimming, water sports; **Mecsek:** hiking

Family programmes
Pécs: zoo; **Mecsek:** Mecsextrém Adventure Park

Wine
Villány Wine District, Pécs Wine District

GYŐR AND PANNONHALMA

Győr, situated in the confluence of four rivers, is worth visiting as the third richest Hungarian city in historic listed buildings, not to mention the many diverse cultural experiences and sacred treasures it has to offer. Pannonhalma is deservedly called the cradle of Christianity in Hungary – the Benedictine Archabbey and the monastery is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Szigetköz, the largest island of the country, awaits fans of active relaxation with hundreds of kilometres of waterways and biking trails along the banks of the Danube.

Culture
Győr: baroque city centre, basilica, St Ladislaus Visitor Centre; **Pannonhalma:** Benedictine Archabbey (UNESCO); **Lébény:** Roma-nesque church

Active
Szigetköz: cycling, canoeing

Family programmes
Győr: FUTURA Interactive Science Adventure Centre, Mobilis Science Centre, zoo

Wine
Pannonhalma Wine District

EGER REGION

The Bükk and Mátra mountain ranges are home to a number of unique treasures throughout the year. Wander in the Hungarian forests, bath in a genuine Turkish bath or in natural caves, or discover the excellent typical Hungarian wines of the region.

Thermal waters & spa
Egerszalók: salt heaps; **Demjén:** cave bath; **Miskolctapolca:** Ellipsis Adventure and Beach Bath; **Eger:** Turkish bath

Culture
Eger: cathedral, minaret, castle; **Diósgyőr:** castle; **Hollókő:** the old village and its surroundings (UNESCO)

Active
Kékestető: hiking, skiing; **Mátra:** chair-lift

Wine
Eger Wine District

TOKAJ REGION

Tradition has it that Louis XIV called the Aszú wine from Tokaj-Hegyalja the wine of kings and the king of wines. Therefore, you should definitely not end your journey until you have tasted a glass of Furmint or even Aszú in the unique atmosphere of hundreds-of-years-old cellars in Tokaj, Mád or Erdőbénye. Discover the historic castles of the Zemplén mountains, Europe's largest and most beautiful limestone cave in Aggtelek, take part in a wild, picturesque water tour on the Upper Tisza, or enter the land of dragons in Nyírbátor.

Thermal waters & spa
Nyíregyháza-Sóstó: stylish and popular health and leisure centre

Culture
Mád: synagogue; **Sárospatak:** Rákóczi Castle; **Boldogkőváralja:** castle; **Füzér:** castle

Active
Aggtelek: karst caves (UNESCO); walking, rowing

Family programmes
Nyíregyháza: zoo; **Sátoraljaújhely:** adventure park

Wine
Tokaj Wine Region (UNESCO)

DEBRECEN AND THE GREAT PLAIN

Debrecen, the second largest city in Hungary, is in the east of the country. It offers a lively cultural life with festivals and a variety of programme options throughout the year. The Great Hungarian Plain, the Puszta and the 'csikós' are major elements in Hungarian traditions. Hajdúszoboszló has the largest bathing and therapy complex in Europe, while Lake Tisza is a paradise of ecotourism, with a bird reserve and Europe's largest freshwater aquarium.

Thermal waters & spa
Debrecen: pleasure bath, water park; **Hajdúszoboszló:** the largest open-air bath and spa complex in Europe

Culture
Debrecen: Great Reformed Church, water tower, MODEM – Modern and Contemporary Arts Centre; **Tiszadob:** Andrassy Palace; **Hortobágy:** cultural landscape (UNESCO)

Active
Hortobágy National Park; Lake Tisza: cycling, boating, swimming, fishing, birdwatching

Family programmes
Debrecen: city park, amusement park railway; **Lake Tisza:** Eco Centre

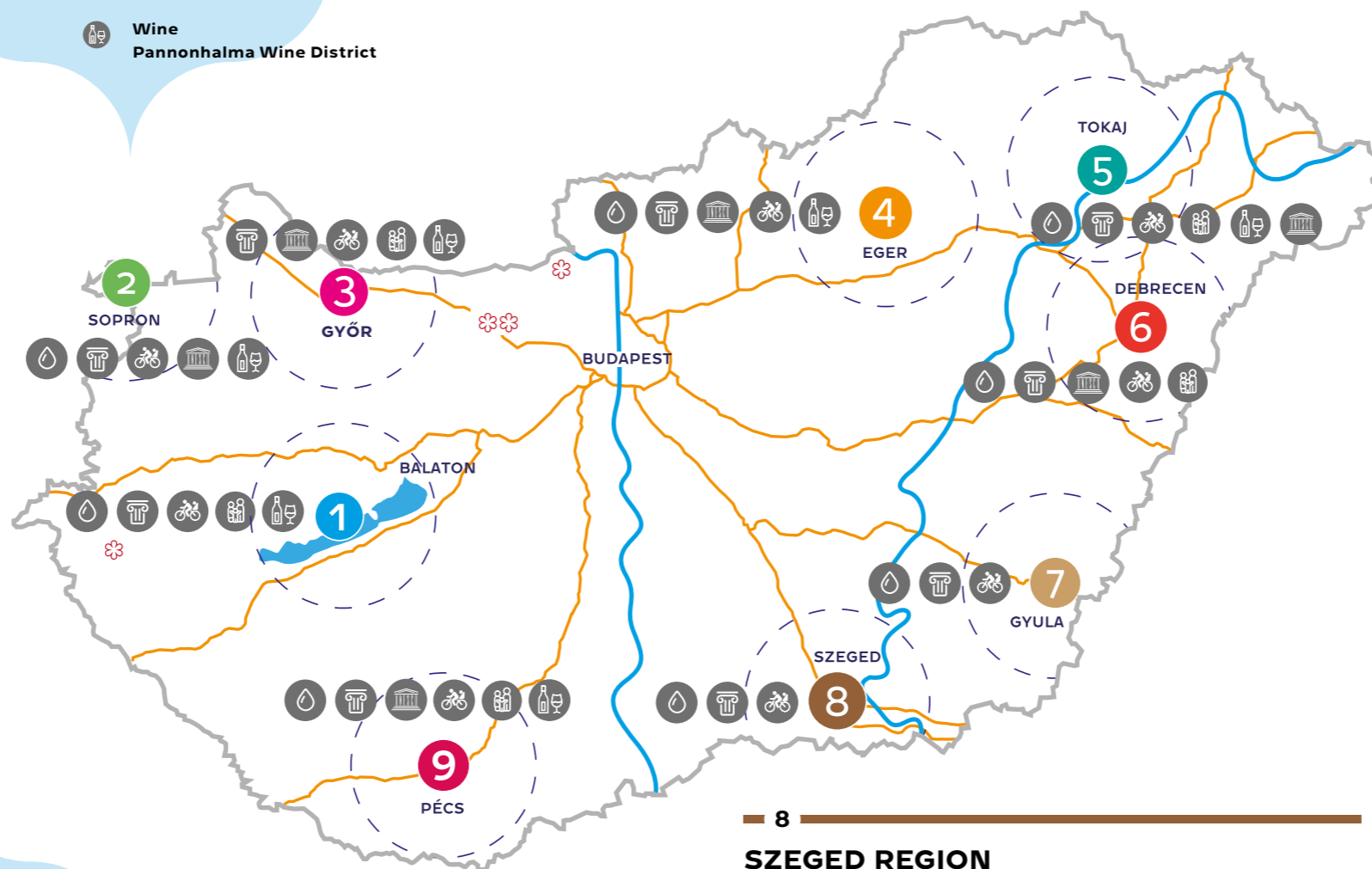
GYULA REGION

Gyula is one of the oldest historical spa towns in Hungary, with fine parks, memorials and the castle from the time of the Turks. The famous Hungarian 'kolbász' and 'pálinka' come from this region. These are products with protected designation of origin and are celebrated at large festivals each year: at the Csabai Sausage Festival in October and the Gyula Palinka Festival in April.

Thermal waters & spa
Gyula: Castle Bath

Culture
Gyula: castle, Almásy Castle; **Békéscsaba:** Munkácsy Museum, Munkácsy Memorial House

Active
Szarvas: botanical garden; **Körös Rivers:** swimming, fishing, canoeing



SZEGED REGION

In the sunny Southern Great Plain, the medical and thermal waters and diverse baths are worth a visit. Try out the beneficial forces of the mud bath in Makó's spa complex, or slide down Europe's longest water slide in Szeged, then take a stroll through the Mediterranean city centre.

Thermal waters & spa
Makó: Hagymatikum Thermal Bath; **Szeged:** indoor water park; **Mórahalom:** spa

Culture
Szeged: votive church, synagogue, open-air festival; **Ópusztaszer:** National Heritage Park

Active
Mezőhegyes: horseriding; segway, boating

Michelin-starred restaurants:
Platán Gourmet 🌸🌸, **Tata**
42 🌸, **Esztergom**
Pajta 🌸, **Óriszentpéter**

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