

Treasures of **PÉCS REGION**



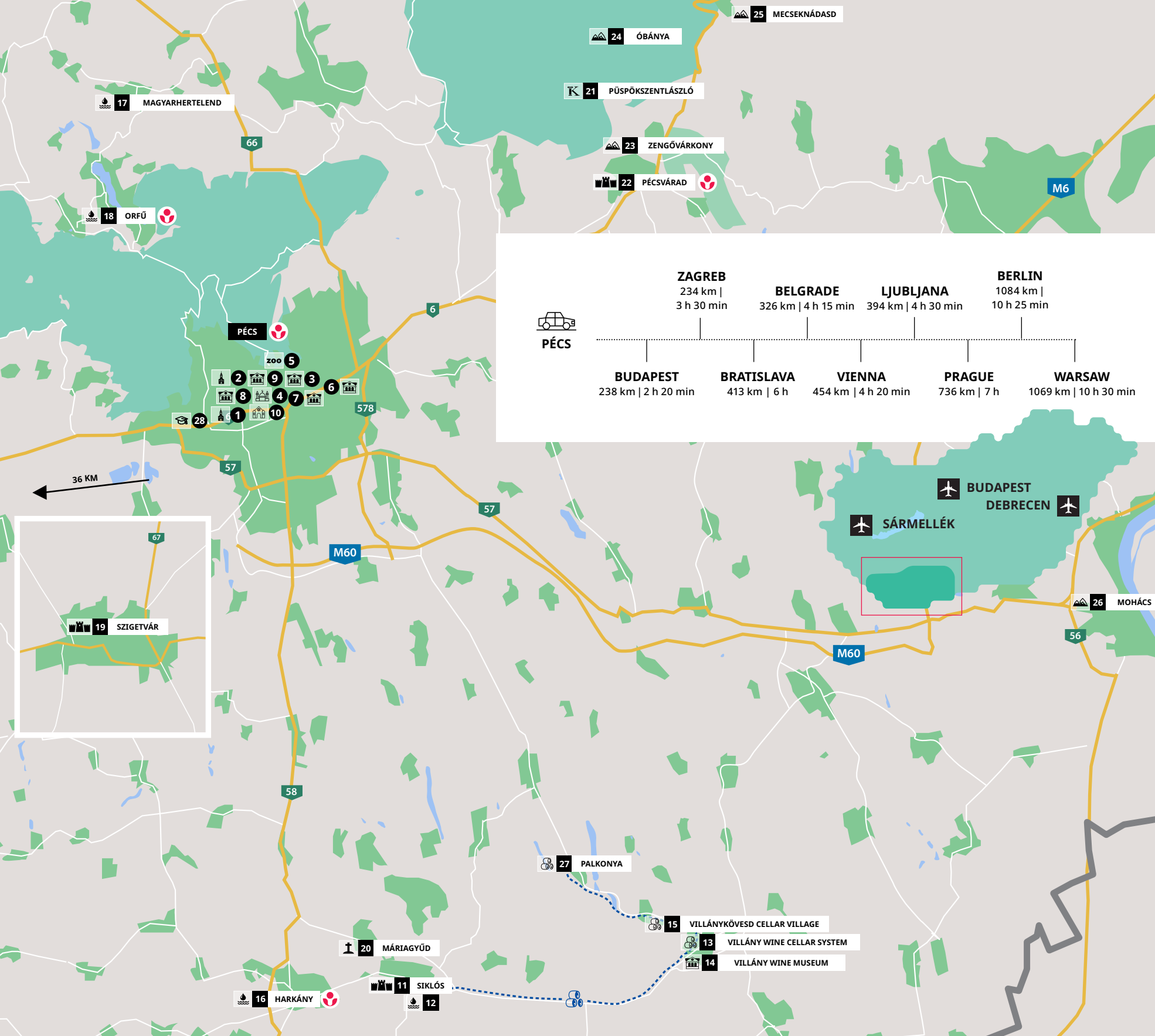
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Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul, Pécs

TREASURES OF PÉCS REGION

The beauty of the region of Pécs-Villány lies in the unique atmosphere, the buildings that are reminders of thousands of years of history, the many cultures living side by side, and the special culinary experience that the wine region offers. The climate and even the atmosphere of the region hint towards the Mediterranean, giving the region a welcoming aspect in winter and summer alike.

Pécs is the perfect place for long, leisurely strolls spanning entire historical eras along its enchanting little streets, allowing you to discover the early Christian burial chambers and the many culturally significant locations listed as World Heritage sites at your leisure. Pécs was awarded the title of European Capital of Culture in 2010, partly due to its wealth of cultural treasures, and its high-quality events and activities. The region offers many other must-see sights: special experience awaits wine-lovers in the south on the sun-kissed slopes of the Villány wine region, where they can visit wineries offering unique red wine varieties and they can taste the types of wine typical for this region which they cannot buy anywhere else. Those more interested in restoring their health will find Harkány to be the ideal town: its medicinal spa is one of the most famous in all of Europe.



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5 ADVENTURES YOU SHOULD DEFINITELY EXPERIENCE

DISCOVER THE ZSOLNAY CULTURAL QUARTER

The facility was created on the premises of the former Zsolnay porcelain factory during the renovation of the listed monument buildings, and it is home to several exhibitions, a visitor centre, a café and several shops. The quarter is a 'town within the town' and gives a perfect picture of the life of Pécs in the 19th century. The place is also a favourite among locals because of its playgrounds and open air concerts.



DISCOVER THE SECRETS OF THE EARLY CHRISTIAN BURIAL CHAMBERS

Discover the burial rituals of early Christians who lived in the northern and western provinces of the Roman Empire. The early Christian cemetery of Sopiana (the Roman name for Pécs) is a Hungarikum as well as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is one of the largest and most important among the necropolises outside Italy.



TASTE THE ELEGANT WINES OF THE VILLÁNY WINE REGION

Red wine has been the key feature of the Villány wine region for centuries. It has become successful here due to the excellent conditions created by the sub-Mediterranean climate. The region played a pioneering role in reviving Hungarian oenology, as a result it has become one of the most developed wine regions of Hungary, offering an abundance of wine and gastronomy experiences.



HEAL WITH THE FORCE OF NATURE IN HARKÁNYFÜRDŐ

Relax and let your body rejuvenate in the healing water that wells up to the surface from a depth of 50-70 metres, at an average temperature of 62°C.



DISCOVER MOSQUE PASHA GAZI QASIM, A UNIQUE LISTED BUILDING FROM THE OTTOMAN ERA

The mosque is the northernmost one in Europe from the Ottoman era that remained intact, and offers a special experience that you must not miss out on. The building is officially called the Downtown Candlemas Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is the largest work of art of Turkish Islamic architecture in Hungary and, at the same time, one of the key symbols of Pécs.



2104

hours of sunshine a year



197 m

high TV Tower in Pécs



Early Christian burial chambers from the

4th century

6101 pipes

of the organ in Pécs Cathedral



Zsolnay porcelain made since

1853

2260 hectares

of grapes in Villány



300

discovered caves in Mecsek



13.5 hectares

of thermal bath in Harkány



Discover a diverse culture

WHERE DIFFERENT CULTURES MEET

The centre of Pécs is history come alive, where historic buildings from many different eras create a wonderful atmosphere. Take a walk and visit the Roman and Medieval heritage as well as the unique Turkish monuments that are still breathtakingly beautiful in their current condition. A walk in the centre will be like a journey back in time.

MOSQUE PASHA GAZI QASIM

At the highest point of Széchenyi tér you will find a Turkish place of worship oriented towards Mecca. This is the largest work of art of Turkish architecture in Hungary. The mosque was built around the 1560s with the stones of the Saint Bartholomew Church built in the 13th century. Its original length and width were 100 steps in each direction. The original wall plastering and decoration with Turkish motifs are still visible inside the building. It is the northernmost still intact mosque of Europe from the Ottoman era, which is the most well-known symbol of the town and is used today as a Catholic church.

TOMB OF IDRIS BABA

The tomb of Idris Baba is located in the garden of the children's hospital of Pécs. In addition to being one of the most important buildings of Turkish architecture in Hungary, it is also an important pilgrimage site for Turks even today. The Muslim Idris Baba, who lived the life of a saint, was famous for his miraculous healing acts.

BATH OF PASHA MEMI

This bath was only partially restored, yet it is one of the five most important Turkish buildings in Pécs. You will find it next to the church in Ferencesek utcája. It gives visitors an exciting insight into the world and architectural solutions of Turkish baths in the Ottoman era.



EARLY CHRISTIAN NECROPOLIS

In the Cella Septichora Visitor Centre, you will see early Christian tombs from the late Roman era which are today a UNESCO World Heritage Site (including the Wine Pitcher burial chamber and the Peter and Paul burial chamber), together with the Cella Septichora which is a seven-apsed burial building.

BISHOP'S PALACE

The Bishop's Palace stands next to the Basilica, and this is where you find a religious art exhibition that is home to the ecclesiastical treasures of the Diocese of Pécs as well as several other works of fine art. You can walk through the studies used by archbishops over the centuries and get a glimpse into what their life was like. While you are here, make sure you also visit the exhibition in the Bishop's Cellar that puts the long history of wine culture in the Diocese of Pécs into perspective.

BISHOP'S TREASURY

The Bishop's Treasury is home to a special exhibition which includes, among other things, valuable objects, paintings, sculptures, prints and graphics from the Bishop's collection owned by the Diocese of Pécs. The coin collection of György Klimó, the patron of culture and archbishop of Pécs in the 18th century, is an extraordinary part of the exhibition, with its most important items dating back to the Roman era.

PÉCS SYNAGOGUE

It is the only Israelite synagogue of Pécs, and was built between 1868 and 1869 in Romantic style. The nave of the synagogue has three sections, a gallery runs around the building on the upper floor, and it is the largest Jewish temple in Transdanubia.

CATHEDRAL OF ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL

The Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul, also known as the Pécs Cathedral, with its four turrets is one of the most magnificent and iconic symbols of the town. Its history goes back to the 11th century, and the design we see today was finalised only in the 19th century. As you enter the church, a magnificent interior of blue and gold colours takes your breath away. The tomb of the famous poet and bishop, Janus Pannonius is found in the undercroft. If you have the time, do not miss the opportunity to listen to the organ music in the Cathedral, a unique experience provided by the largest mechanic church organ with slider chest.



The street of museums

Káptalan utca – called the “street of museums” by locals – is the place where you will find, for example, the Zsolnay Museum, the Victor Vasarely Museum Gallery, the Modern Hungarian Gallery and the Nemes Endre Museum. While you are in the area, visit Janus Pannonius utca to see the Csontváry Museum and also the wall made of wrought iron with thousands of love locks.

ZSOLNAY MUSEUM

The museum is in a two-storey exhibition hall, where you are given detailed information about the history of the Zsolnay porcelain made with a special glazing and painting technology, and you can even get up close to some of the Zsolnay architectural ceramics of the Hungarian Art Nouveau. Do not miss the Zsolnay Memorial Room with the furniture and ornaments once owned by the Zsolnay family, as well as paintings, drawings and photographs of the members of the family.

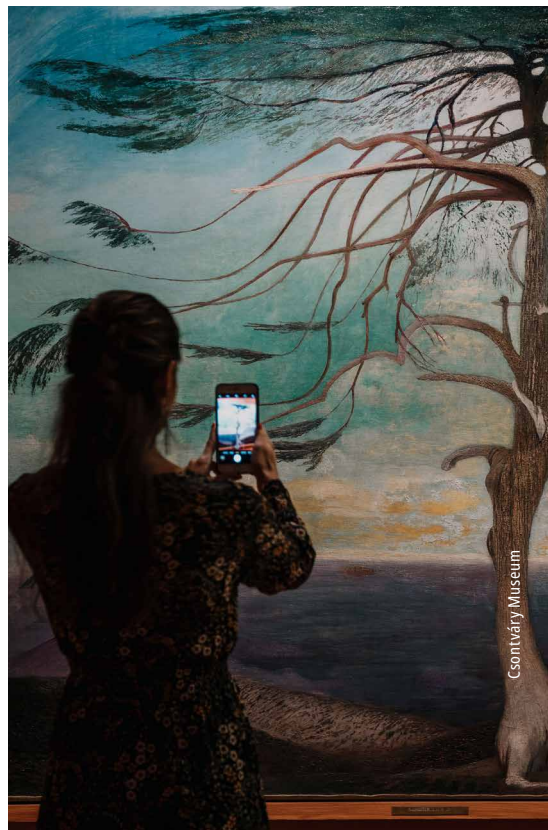
VICTOR VASARELY MUSEUM

The museum in Káptalan utca is a tribute to Pécs-born Victor Vasarely (one of the most influential artists of op-art) and his oeuvre. The works presented as part of the exhibition tell the history of op-art, starting from the birth of the optical art and give a comprehensive overview of Vasarely's every phase.

If you are a fan of classical music, you will not be disappointed in Pécs either, since this is where you will find the Kodály Centre, home to the Pannon Philharmonic Orchestra. The 200-year-old repertoire of the orchestra incorporates so many varieties of music that it will leave even the most sophisticated listeners awestruck.

CSONTVÁRY MUSEUM

The permanent exhibition in the museum puts the major works of Tivadar Csontváry Kosztká on display. The collection includes study drawings, landscape art, portraits, biblical and historic work through which we can get to know his work as a painter. The Lonely Cedar, the most famous painting made by Csontváry, is also part of the collection.



AERIAL VIEW OF PÉCS

TV TOWER

The TV Tower of Pécs is definitely the most iconic building of the town. It is located at the top of the 535 m tall Misina peak of the Mecsek Hill. The 197 m tall tower is the tallest building in Hungary and offers a magnificent view of the surrounding land from its circular lookout gallery.

NIKE STATUE

If you are looking for a particularly beautiful view, climb up on the side of the Mecsek Hill to the Nike statue, which depicts the Greek goddess of victory and was commissioned by the town of Pécs in 1975 to commemorate the 30th anniversary of the freedom of Hungary.

KIS-TUBES LOOKOUT TOWER

The stone lookout tower located on the west side of the Kis-Tubes peak was built in 1959 based on the drawings of Tibor Kiss. Standing in the lookout tower on top of the 577 m high mountain provides a unique perspective of west Pécs.

JÁNOS LOOKOUT TOWER

This is a lookout tower built on top of the 611 metre Tubes peak in 2001 with the sponsorship of the town of Pécs. Climb to the top of the tower for a breathtaking panorama.

PROMENADE ON THE CASTLE WALL

If you want to find a hidden lookout spot in town, you need to walk along the one-kilometre-long castle wall promenade which runs around the centre of the town, but do not forget to pop up to the Calvary, from where you will see a wholly new face of the town.

EUROPE'S TREE

One of the lesser known sights in Pécs is the almond tree on Havihegy, which was voted Europe's tree of the year in 2019. The more than 135-year-old tree is found by the Havas Boldogasszony Church in Pécs.

Zsolnay Cultural Quarter



THE WORLD FAMOUS ZSOLNAY PORCELAIN

Every Zsolnay porcelain item is unique and special. As far as the production technology is concerned, it was the eosin (still kept as a secret) that made the name of the founder Vilmos Zsolnay unforgettable and the Zsolnay Porcelain Factory world-famous. The pottery glazing, which the Hungarians call 'morning blush', is of many colours from gold to rose chafer green, and its beauty has attracted many admirers from around the world.

HUNGARIKUM

The town of Pécs was not only the home of the Zsolnay Porcelain Factory, but also that of the Zsolnay family itself, which is why the fact that the Zsolnay Cultural Quarter was actually set up within the walls of the old factory carries such cultural importance. The facility has been listed as a Hungarikum since 2014. It includes picturesque parks and promenades, where you can walk among 15 listed monument buildings and 88 public Zsolnay sculptures.



UNIQUE COLLECTIONS

The Zsolnay Cultural Quarter is also home to a collection of almost 700 unique porcelain items, and is owned by Dr. László Gyugyi, a collector now living in America. The items of the invaluable collection come from the 40-year long (1870-1910) Historic and Art Nouveau period of the factory. Other collections that you must see include the exhibition presenting the history of the Zsolnay family and factory, and the Pink Exhibition which, as the name suggests, consists of only pink pitchers, pots, vessels and interior design items from olden times.

The impressive Zsolnay Mausoleum (renovated in 2010) is the final resting place for many members of the Zsolnay family, where 42 lions guard the secret of the eosin technology on a hill just 200 metres from the Zsolnay Cultural Quarter. Make sure you visit this unique piece of architecture as well.



Gastronomy and wine

Sunny regions are typically home to Mediterranean wines. The Villány wine region is considered to be the centre of such wine types. The Colchicum is used as the symbol of protected Villány wines, signalling the protected status and authenticity of Villány wines on the capsule or label.

VILLÁNYKÖVESD

Visitors to the subregion are encouraged to visit the characteristic three-storey cellar village of Villánykövesd. Its colourful gated wine cellar system is one of the most spectacular sights in all of Hungary.

PÉCS-MECSEK WINE ROUTE

Wandering around the region, you must not forget that Pécs is also part of a wine region. Take the Pécs-Mecsek Wine Route that runs from Szigetvár to Óbánya to visit all the cellars located within the wine region named after the town of Pécs. Some of the wineries are actually in town or in its direct vicinity, so a little wine tasting can also be included in the sightseeing programme in Pécs.

THE COSMETIC EFFECTS OF WINE

So-called vinotherapy has first conquered traditional wine nations, such as France. Vinotherapy-based creams, beauty masks and massage oils made of grapes, wine and rape nourish and rejuvenate the skin. In Hungary, the method was first used in the Villány wine region.

VILLÁNY

If you decide to discover the wine region, you will find many open cellars in the village of Villány, where you can enjoy the professional wine tasting events organised by famous wineries, the dinners tailored to the wines, or even spa services that also revolve around the topic of wine. Anyone looking for something more intimate should visit the little family-owned cellars.

When in Villány, you should also taste the typical dishes of local gastronomy, such as the nationally famous rooster stew, the traditional Swabian plum pie, the onion pie called Zwiwwelkuche by the German-speaking locals, the Sufnudli accompanied with poppyseeds and jam, or a bowl of tasty catfish stew.



PALKONYA

The dozens of cellars carved into the ground in Palkonya are an exciting sight, but the town is now increasingly famous for its festivals and excellent gastronomy.

GASTRONOMY AND WINE FESTIVALS

PINCÉRŐL PINCÉRE VARIÁCIÓK VINCÉRE (FROM CELLAR TO CELLAR - VARIATIONS FOR VINCE)

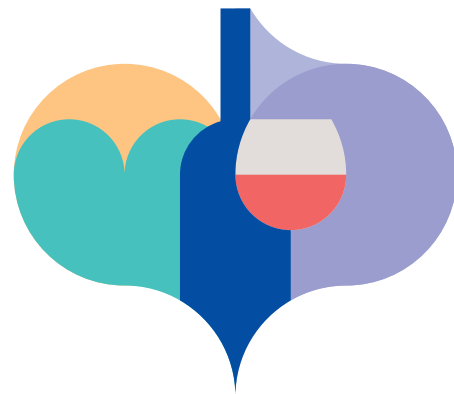
It is an old tradition among winegrowers to predict the success of the coming harvest based on the weather on the day of Vince and the condition of the vine branches cut on that day. They walk from one cellar to another and taste each other's wine, asking for God's blessing, and using all kinds of superstitious tricks to ensure good harvest.

VILLÁNYI BORZSONGÁS FESZTIVAL (WINE BUZZ FESTIVAL OF VILLÁNY)

In short, this festival is all about wine, gastronomy, music, film, nature, adventure, culture and spring. 18 wine yards in 9 villages open their gates every spring to wine and culture-loving visitors.

ROSÉ FESTIVAL AND ROSÉ MARATHON

Villány is clad in pink every July to celebrate rosé wines which no one else does in Hungary. The pinnacle of the festival is most definitely the Rosé Marathon, where runners wearing all pink run 3 kilometres through the village of Villány.



WINES THAT YOU MUST TASTE

CABERNET FRANC, I.E. VILLÁNYI FRANC

Without a doubt the most typical grape variety in the Villány wine region, today winemakers pay special attention to it. As the legendary wine critique, Michael Broadbent said: the Cabernet Franc has found its natural home in Villány. A complicated, rich, impulsive red wine with fragrant spices and vivid taut acids.

VILLÁNYI CUVÉES, I.E. BLENDED RED WINES

Villány became famous for its concentrated, full-bodied, aged red wines, which were and still are mostly made of the so-called Bordeaux varieties (Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot) and the auxiliary varieties (Syrah, Kékfrankos, Portugieser). Today, blended red wines are elegant and fruity in taste, while retaining complex and aged flavours. Do not miss it when you are there.

PORTUGIESER AND REDY

The wine made from the Portugieser (formerly known as Kékoportó) is ready for consumption as a fruity, friendly and light wine in the year following harvest. Another great wine perfect for everyday consumption is the Portugieser-based combination called RedY. A light, fresh and fruity wine that is not necessarily barrel-aged.

WHITE WINE FROM SIKLÓS

Within the Villány wine region, the district of Siklós specialises in growing white grapes. The white wine made here is relatively poor in acids but is rich in alcohol and extract content. These wine types are not primarily fresh in taste, but carry more body and depth in their flavours.

CIRFANDLI

A wine typical of Pécs, and therefore it is only available and made in this region. It has a characteristic multi-layered and spicy aroma with flavours reminiscent of meadow flowers. The Cirfandli variety tends to botrytise, so its taste can range from dry to flavour-rich, sweet versions.



WINES OF HUNGARY

PERSONALLY

Use the website winesofhungary.hu to plan your own wine route in Villány.

Wander around the Mecsek Hills

A PARADISE FOR HIKING

The features of the region make it a perfect venue for hiking and wandering. This is where fans of hiking will find the most beautiful hiking routes in the whole country: the most interesting hill of the Mecsek Hills, the 592-metre-high Jakab Hill, which is known for its magical rock formations, the ruins of the Pauline Monastery and its amazing lookout points. The treetop boardwalk and educational trail in Sás Valley near Hetvehely is a place where you can get to know the wildlife of the treetops which is invisible from the lower levels of the forest.

CAVE VISITS

There are several caves in the Mecsek Hills: take a gentle stroll through the 2000-metre-long dripstone cave in Abaliget which has a healing climate, or take an extreme overall tour in the cave of Mészégető-források in Orfű. The Mész-tufa cave in Tettye, discovered centuries ago, is not far either. Hikers can discover the many scary dragon installations and training materials offered in the cave.

If you are into history, Pécsvárad and its castle chapel from the 11th century with the oldest fresco in the country is the perfect place for you. Be sure to visit the nearby Pécsvárad Castle, which, contrary to its name, served as a fortified monastery. This was the country's second Benedictine monastery, founded by Saint Stephen in 998.

And while you are in the region, you should also visit Mecseknádasd to see the Medieval Saint Stephen Chapel, and Zengővárkony, where there are several of the 600-year-old trees still standing tall in a chestnut forest, alongside a number of traditional buildings.



Must-experience water fun

Riding a dragon boat, SUP or a surf, paddling in a canoe or a pedal boat on the Lake Orfű

1.

2. Early morning fishing at one of the fishing lakes in the region

2.

Hiking to the breathtaking water wonders of Óbánya Valley: Ferde waterfall and Csepegő rock

3.

4. Wakeboarding near Pécs in an enchanting environment

4.

Walking the educational trail through the Duna-Dráva National Park

5.

6. A visit to the tallest waterfall in the Mecsek Hills located in the romantic Petnyák Valley

6.

Tasting trout roasted on an iron plate in one of the cosy little restaurants near the trout ponds of Óbánya

7.

8. Riding slides and taking a dip in Orfű Waterpark

8.

Relaxing in the sauna park of the Magyarhertelend Thermal Bath

9.

10. Whole-day wellness in the Thermal Spa of Siklós right next to Siklós Castle

10.



Healing and regeneration with the help of nature

HARKÁNYFÜRDŐ

Legend has it that the excellent sulphuric water found here was created when a smart old woman made a pact with the devil for her daughter's hand, then when she was just about to lose, she tricked the devil who became so angry that he was swallowed up by the earth and went back to hell. This is the place where the famous thermal water of Harkány broke through to the surface. It is a water that is used to treat skin conditions as well as certain cases of infertility, and it is a useful supplement in easing musculoskeletal issues.



SIKLÓS THERMAL BATH

The thermal bath is located right next to Siklós Castle and is open to visitors all year around. It has indoor and outdoor pools, saunas, and offers sport and child-friendly services. There are six pools for adults and three for children, plus a Finnish sauna, an infra sauna, an outdoor Russian sauna, an aroma cabin, a steam bath and a salt cave.

MAGYARHERTELEND THERMAL BATH

Magyarhertelend is a village 20 km from Pécs, where you will find a thermal bath in a garden full of centuries-old trees. The facility has several different pools and offers wellness service all year around. The 38°C and 68°C thermal water used in the pools comes from deep underground. The Magyarhertelend Thermal Bath is unique because of its architectural style, as it was designed to remind visitors of the style of the famous architect Friedensreich Hundertwasser. The thermal bath also has a large sauna section, where you can enjoy themed sauna evenings, aromatherapy, and events lead by trained sauna masters.



Holiday with the family

FROM THE PLANETARIUM TO THE PUPPET THEATRE

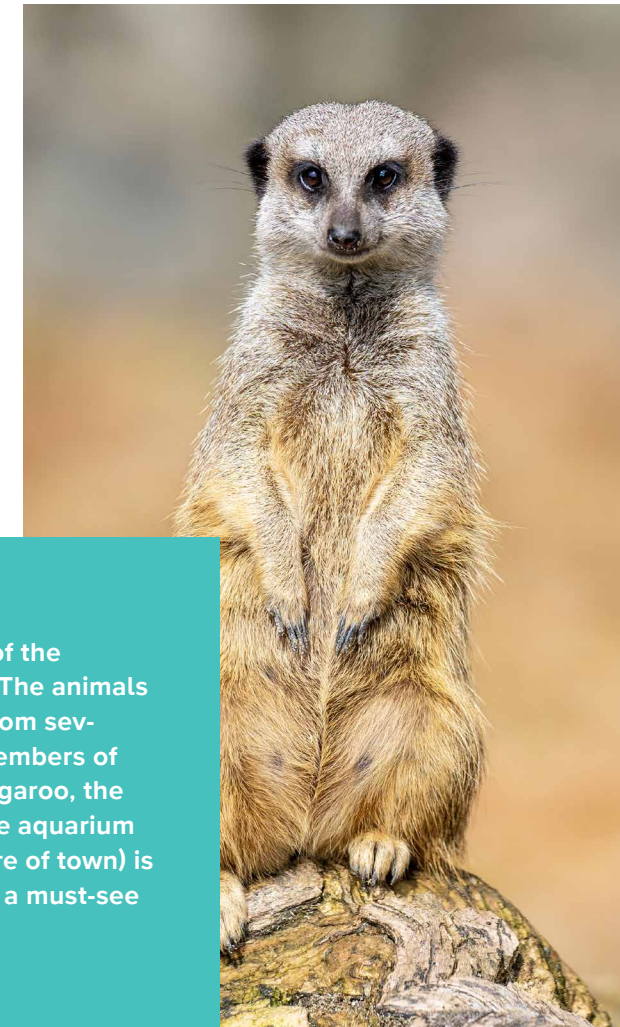
The first optical Planetarium of the country and the splendid event halls are favourite destinations among families visiting Pécs. The Laboratory - Interactive Magic Space ensures that visitors have fun while also learning about science. Here you can test and try the Hall of Lights as well as the Tesla coil, as this is a place where you must touch and tamper with the exhibits. There are three rooms in the Bóbita Puppet Theatre dedicated to the puppet museum, where children can play with the older puppets and learn about the different puppetry techniques. The Szamárful Family Festival is held at the end of August and targets the youngest visitors, turning the entire cultural quarter into a huge playhouse.

ŐS-DRÁVA VISITOR CENTRE

The Ős-Dráva Visitor Centre, located near Szaporca, fourteen kilometres from the Villány Wine Region, offers an insight into the natural treasures and traditions of the Ormánság. The interactive exhibition, farm building, educational trails and programmes, designed for all ages, are the true attractions of the visitor centre.

MECSEXTRÉM PARK

The adventure park only 2 km from Pécs offers hours of fun for both the little ones and adults. Young children can test their skills in the playhouse, the bouncy mound and the trampoline. Visitors seeking truly extreme adventures can choose from the 1-kilometre-long forest bobsled course with its 25 cars, the 8 m tall climbing wall, the snow doughnut slide and the airsoft course which requires serious tactical skills.



PÉCS ZOO

The renovated zoo is located at the foot of the Mecsek Hills in a beautiful environment. The animals living on the 4.5 hectares of land come from several different continents and are often members of protected species, such as the dwarf kangaroo, the collared peccary or the blue peacock. The aquarium and terrarium (moved here from the centre of town) is another attraction that makes the facility a must-see sight during any tour to Pécs.

Music and culture

BUSÓ FESTIVITIES IN MOHÁCS

The Busó festivities are a traditional Shrovetide masked carnival of the Šokci living in and around the town of Mohács, with which they welcome spring and bury winter. The Busó festivities in Mohács have been on the UNESCO representative list of Intangible Cultural Heritage since 2009, and has been registered as a Hungarikum since 2012.



FISHING ON ORFŰ

Fishing on Orfű is located in the Panoráma camping site near Pécs Lake. It was named after a song by the band Kiscsillag from Pécs. It became one of the most popular festival sites over the years thanks to its unique, friendly environment and diverse programmes.



ZSOLNAY LIGHTS FESTIVAL

The Zsolnay Lights Festival is the first and only festival of lights in Hungary, held in July every year. During this festival unparalleled even by Central European standards, when night comes, Hungarian and foreign artists project their light arts designed for the surrounding space onto the romantic streets and building facades around Pécs.



MADE IN PÉCS FESTIVAL

This event – also called the festival of bands from Pécs – is organised with the purpose of allowing local bands to play and introduce themselves no matter what kind of music they play. As a tradition, every year the bands from a foreign town also participate in the festival and present their work.



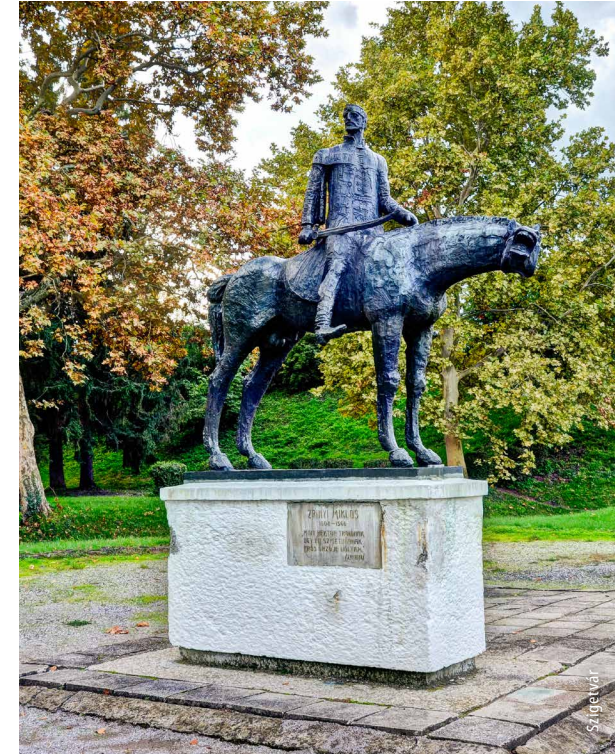
ÖRDÖGKATLAN FESTIVAL

Theatre, music, party, fine art, family programmes, literature - in a few words this is the Ördökatlan Festival held in the small villages located in the centre of the beautiful Villány mountain range. Participants from all around the country and the world come to take part in the festival held in August.

Medieval castle ruins in the area

SZIGETVÁR CASTLE

One of the most famous castles in Hungary became an important part of European history when in 1566, the commander, Miklós Zrínyi and his 2500 Hungarian and Croat soldiers put a stop to the march of the hundreds of thousands of Turks of Suleiman I, sultan of the Ottoman Empire. The fort still stands tall and is home to a spectacular exhibition that presents how the siege of Szigetvár happened and what war equipment the soldiers used.



SIKLÓS CASTLE

One of the most intact fortresses in Hungary is located at the foot of the Tenkes Hill, on a rise in the middle of the town of Siklós. The most important parts of the fortress were built in the Middle Ages, but since then the architectural trends of all eras have added something to it. The core of Siklós Castle is the palace itself, which is surrounded by walls, towers and bastions. This is where one of the most well-known series in Hungary, A Tenkes kapitánya (The Captain of the Outlaws) was shot.



Sights near the region

SOUTH BALATON

If you have the time, visit Lake Balaton, beautiful no matter what the season. Visit the town of Siófok on the southern shore to experience the buzzing life and to see the Lutheran Church built by our famous architect, Imre Makovecz.

Enjoy the breathtaking view of the largest lake in Central Europe from the Sphere Lookout Tower in Balatonboglár. Take a romantic stroll on the Szaplóczay promenade in Fonyód or on Magaspart in Balatonvilágos.

If you prefer another kind of excellent programme, visit the wine cellars of the South Balaton Wine Route, or the national memorial in Somogyvár, which is a little further away from the lake.

ZSELIC

The gentle slopes and wildlife of the Zselic have unique natural value. The Zselic Csillagpark is the place to visit if you want to see the beauties of the light pollution-free night skies. The route of the Rockenbauer Pál South Transdanubia Blue Trail runs through the lowland.



BAJA

There are about 40 listed monument buildings and buildings of local importance in Baja which you can visit with the most popular means of transportation in town, the sightseeing train. When in town, you must taste the famous fish soup of Baja, which has been registered as a Hungarikum since 2015.

SZEKSZÁRD

Take a short walk around Béla tér in the centre of town and listen to the bells chiming in the largest single-nave church in Central Europe. At the end of the day, just sit down on the slopes of the Szekszárd Wine Region and enjoy the view of the town with a bottle of Bikavér from Szekszárd in your hand.

PLACES OF INTEREST BEYOND THE BORDERS

If you feel like venturing beyond the borders of Hungary, visit the nearby town of Osijek or the truly unique Kopački Rit Nature Park, or even the beautiful waterfall of the Papuk Nature Park.



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