

# Why Hungary?

## Fact sheet



**3rd fastest**  
4G mobile internet  
in the world



**4262**  
MICE events  
in Hungary (+18,5%)



**9th**  
safest destination



**12th**  
place on the ICCA



**BEST**  
airport



<b>Capital</b>	<b>Budapest</b>
<b>Area</b>	<b>93.030 km<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>Population</b>	<b>9 855 571</b> (Hungary), <b>1 757 618</b> (Budapest)
<b>Language</b>	<b>Hungarian</b> (English, German widely spoken)
<b>Time-zone</b>	<b>GMT + 1 hour</b>
<b>Currency</b>	<b>Forint</b> (Ft, HUF)
<b>Climate</b>	<b>Continental</b>
<b>Electricity</b>	<b>220 Volts</b> - standard continental type plugs
<b>Easily accessible</b>	<b>located right in the middle of Europe</b>

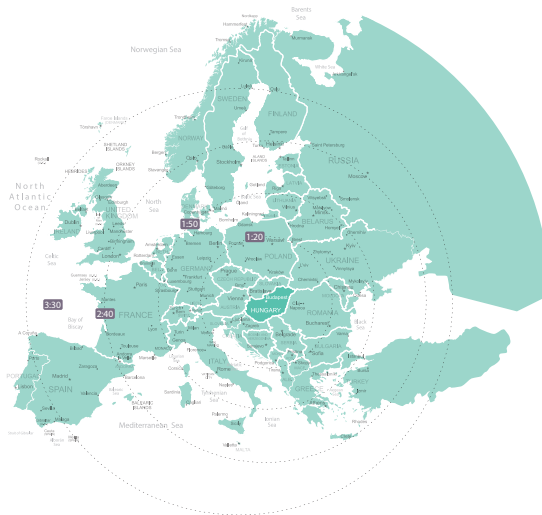
# Airport

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## Liszt Ferenc International Airport

is the largest and busiest airport in Hungary

<b>Capacity</b>	<b>serving over 13 million passengers a year</b>
<b>Destinations</b>	<b>151 destinations, 44 airlines</b>
<b>Direct flights</b>	<b>European capitals within 2-hour flight time</b>
<b>Flight time from the Middle East</b>	<b>5–6 hour</b>
<b>Flight time from the USA</b>	<b>approximately 9-hours flight time</b> from the East Coast of the United States
<b>Location</b>	<b>30 minutes from the city centre</b>
<b>Borders</b>	<b>member of the European Union and the Schengen Area,</b> it is quick and easy to cross its borders for EU and EEA citizens



## Getting around Budapest

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### The public transport system

With four metro lines, an extensive network of trams, suburban railways, buses and trolleybuses, as well as a rich choice of night routes, Budapest's public transport system can take you anywhere in the city – and to several neighbouring settlements – on any day, 24/7.

The services also include BuBi, a public bicycle sharing network, as well as several bank-to-bank boat routes on the Danube River. You can find up-to-date information on the public transport system of Budapest

# The Capital

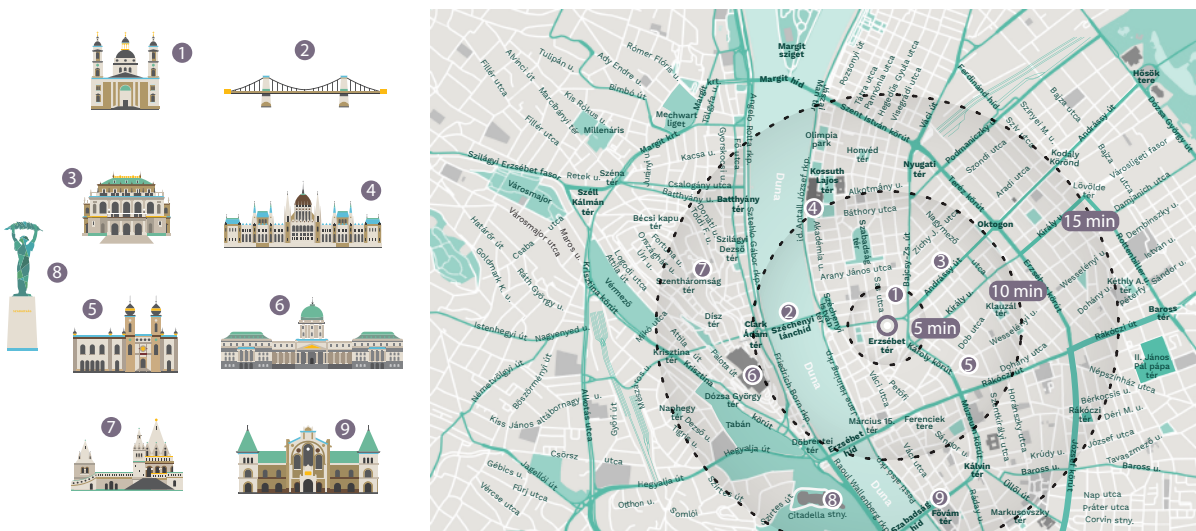
## Budapest

Budapest is known by many as **"the Queen of the Danube"**: Buda with its hills to explore, and Pest with its buzzing city life are connected by the Danube, offering a stunning view over the bridges and historical buildings. The **coast of the Danube** is the part of the **UNESCO World Heritage**. The riverbank gives a perfect scene for floating events in any season of the year, no wonder that many conference- and party ships offer event on the river.

Budapest is one of the few cities in the world where almost every street in the downtown area is a UNESCO World Heritage Site; most attractions are located within walking distance. The banks of the Danube, including the beautiful bridges and the third biggest legislative building in the world; the **Hungarian Parliament Building**, are protected by UNESCO. The Gothic revival Hungarian Parliament Building housing the **Holy Crown of St. Stephen** is visited by almost half a million people a year.

**The Castle District** and the steep **Gellért Hill** dramatically arching over the river with the **Citadel** and the **Liberty Statue** on the top are also listed as UNESCO Heritage Sites. Many admire them from the river: according to readers of Cruise Critic magazine, Budapest was named the **Best Cruise Destination of 2017**.

The city is very **centralized**, any of the main attractions can be explored within 15 minutes walking distance from the downtown area.





# Capacity Overview

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Hotel room capacity in Budapest	20.047 rooms
rooms in 5* hotel category	844 rooms
rooms in 4* hotel category	8302 rooms
rooms in 3* hotel category	2931 rooms
rooms in unclassified hotel category	7970 rooms

New hotel developments in the upcoming years	3.000 rooms in Budapest
	1.000 rooms in the countryside



## WELL-DEVELOPED INFRASTRUCTURE FOR CONFERENCES

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**HUNGEXPO BUDAPEST**  
UP TO 15.000 PEOPLE

**BUDAPEST CONGRESS CENTER**  
UP TO 2.000 PEOPLE



## HIGH-QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE FOR EVENTS – NEW VENUES

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**Castle Garden**  
**Multifunctional event hall**  
UP TO 800 PEOPLE

**BÁLNA BUDAPEST**  
UP TO 1.000 PEOPLE



## Top 8 Conference Hotels

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### Budapest Marriott Hotel

number of rooms 364  
largest room m2 614

### Corinthia Hotel Budapest

number of rooms 439  
largest room m2 739



### Hilton Budapest

number of rooms 322  
largest room m2 671



# Top 8 Conference Hotels

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## InterContinental Budapest

number of rooms 402  
largest room m2 687

## Kempinski Hotel Corvinus Budapest

number of rooms 351  
largest room m2 431



## New York Palace, The Dedica Anthology

number of rooms 185  
largest room m2 437



## Top 8 Conference Hotels

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### Sofitel Budapest Chain Bridge

number of rooms 357  
largest room m2 323

### The Ritz-Carlton

number of rooms 302  
largest room m2 687



# Services of the Hungarian Convention Bureau

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- Promoting Hungary and it's lovely capital city, Budapest worldwide as your new favorite MICE destination
- Helping you to find the best hotels, venues, DMCs, PCOs and other services providers in Hungary in accordance with your requirements
- Operating a webpage with all the useful information and tips for your upcoming events and groups
- Among others the hcb.hu includes a Meeting Planner Guide (200+ local conference hotels, venues and service providers trough the country) event calendar, program and gift ideas
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- Monitoring the local Meeting Industry and proud to share the results and statistics with you
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- Offering assistance with organizing your site visit
- Organizing familiarization trips for our top Clients to experience in firsthand what our destination can offer
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