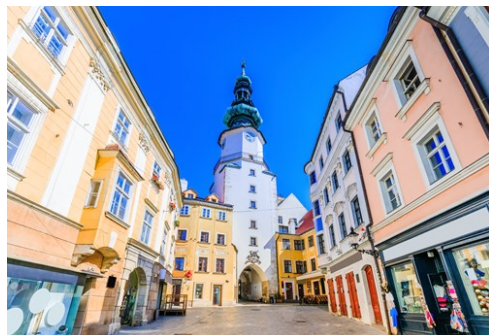




# Bratislava

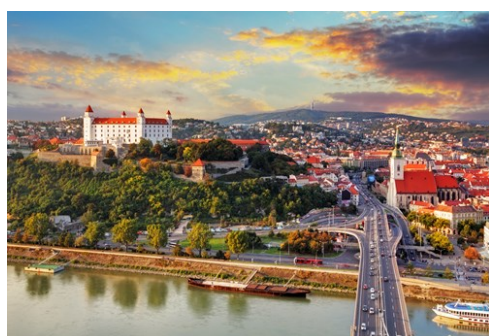
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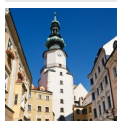


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With fewer than half a million people, the "little big city" of Bratislava ranks among Europe's most relaxed capitals since everything is in close vicinity or a short walk away. Vienna (80km) and Budapest (200km) — also reachable by boat through the river Danube.

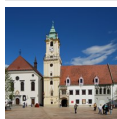
Slovakia's capital boasts an old-town charm, sophisticated restaurants, traditional pubs, good music ranging from jazz to opera, and an urban design that allows you to enjoy your visit without exhausting yourself. All this with Central Europe's greatest river as a backdrop.

## Featured



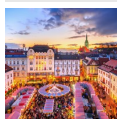
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## THE CITY



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The Capital of the Slovak Republic, Bratislava, also referred to as the Beauty on the Danube, can not only filled with interesting history but is also the centre of the most dynamically developing region of central Europe at present.

Bratislava is situated in the south-west of Slovakia and stretches on both banks of the Danube and in the foothills of the Little Carpathian Mountains. Slovakia's borders with Hungary, to the south, and Austria, to the west, make it the only capital city to border two neighbouring countries. In addition, the Czech Republic is only 62 kilometres away. The Austrian capital Vienna is only 80 kilometres away by road, making them among the world's closest capital cities. Thanks to this favourable position it has always been a commercial centre. Today the historic places are witness to the rapid development of the young Slovak Republic.

In spite of its exciting history, Bratislava is one of the youngest capitals in the world and its population is also very young. The modern metropolis is open to Europe and to the world as proved by the increasing number of foreign visitors from many diverse countries. Palaces, modern shopping, works of art by Slovak chefs and brewers, friendly people and various international cultural or sport events,

exhibitions, and business opportunities are the reasons why it is worth of visit.

## DO & SEE



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Bratislava is not just the political but also the cultural and sporting capital of Slovakia. Owing to its historically multi-ethnic character, the city's cultural scene is a product of various influences: German, Slovak, Hungarian, and Jewish, among others. Bratislava boasts numerous theatres, museums, galleries, concert halls, cinemas, film clubs, and foreign cultural institutions.

It also has the country's biggest football and ice hockey teams, a purpose-built white-water rafting centre on the Danube, and numerous walking and cycling trails in or near the city. High-quality spa and relaxation facilities are increasingly popular throughout Slovakia and easily accessible. Bratislava has numerous coffee shops and restaurants, offering international as well as Slovak cuisine, including lively bars and clubs.

### Bratislava Castle



This national historical monument has a strategic location which was settled in the Celtic and Great Moravian periods. The architecture of the massive rectangular castle with four corner towers was mostly influenced by reconstruction works during the Gothic and Renaissance periods and during the reign of Maria Theresa. In 1811 it burned down and was then reconstructed in the 1960s.

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Address: Bratislavský Hrad, Stare Mesto, Bratislava  
Opening hours: Daily 10am-6pm  
Phone: +421 220 483 104  
Internet: [www.visitbratislava.com/places/bratislava-castle](http://www.visitbratislava.com/places/bratislava-castle)

### Post-Communist City Tour



Funky retro tour in a legendary 70s Czechoslovak Škoda car (or minivan) through off-the-beaten-track places of the city's communist past and recent transformation in Bratislava. The tours are in small groups and the local guides speaks English and German.

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Address: Michalská street 3, Bratislava  
Phone: +421 908 308 234  
Internet: [www.authenticlovakia.com/bratislava-tours/post-communist-bratislava-tour](http://www.authenticlovakia.com/bratislava-tours/post-communist-bratislava-tour)  
Email: [info@authenticlovakia.com](mailto:info@authenticlovakia.com)

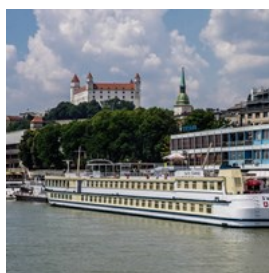
### Blue Church



Originating from the beginning of the 20th century, the blue church is characterised by the blue colour of its façade with a textbook example of secession style in sacral architecture. Interestingly, a model of it is located in the Mini-Europe Park in Brussels.

Photo: saiko3p/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Bezručova 2, Bratislava  
Internet: [www.modrykostol.fara.sk/info](http://www.modrykostol.fara.sk/info)

### Danube by Boat



See Bratislava from a new angle — from the majestic Danube river. Take it slow with a river cruise, fly like the wind on a speedboat or even

travel all the way between Vienna and Bratislava with the Twin City Liner. Many ships depart from the piers next to the SNP bridge, right in the centre of the city.

Photo: Grekoh/cc by-sa 2.0/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)  
Address: Dvořákovo nábrežie, Bratislava  
Internet: [www.tour4u.sk/en](http://www.tour4u.sk/en)

### Danubiana Meulensteen Art Museum



This modern art gallery is located on the edge of a peninsula where the mighty Danube flows. It is one of the youngest museums of modern art

in Europe. The River Danube has lent the museum its name and the rest is the result of the enthusiasm and initiative of the Slovak gallery owner Dr. Vincent Polakovič and the financial

resources of the Dutch collector and art patron Gerard H. Meulensteen. It is also reachable by bike via a cycling path from Bratislava city centre.

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Address: Bratislava-Čunovo, Vodné dielo, Bratislava

Public Transport: Bus 90

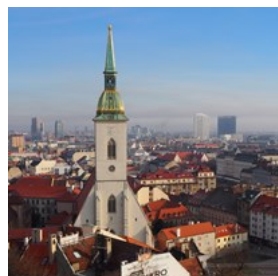
Opening hours: Summer: Daily 11am-7pm. Winter: Daily 10am-6pm

Phone: +421 2 62 52 85 01

Internet: [www.danubiana.sk/en](http://www.danubiana.sk/en)

Email: [danubiana@danubiana.sk](mailto:danubiana@danubiana.sk)

### St Martin's Cathedral



Saint Martin's Cathedral is a Gothic church with several chapels. It was consecrated in 1452. Between 1563 and 1830, 11 Hungarian kings and 8 queens were crowned here. The cathedral tower rises to a height of 85 metres and is topped off by a gold-plated replica of the royal Hungarian crown.

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Address: Dóm Sv. Martina, Rudnayovo namestie 1, Bratislava

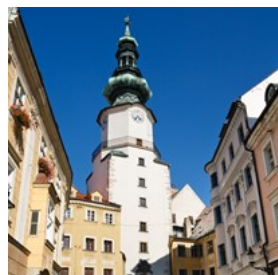
Opening hours: For tourist: Mon-Fri 9am-11:30am / 1pm-6pm; Sat 9am-11:30am, Sun 1:45pm-4:30pm

Phone: +421 2 3054 4334

Internet: [dom.fara.sk/index.php/en](http://dom.fara.sk/index.php/en)

Email: [dom@fara.sk](mailto:dom@fara.sk)

### Michael's Gate & Tower



After the reconstruction of the tower in 1960-61, the Town

Museum established a Museum of Weapons there. Michael's Gate is the only city gate that has been preserved of the medieval fortifications and is one of the oldest town buildings in Bratislava.

Photo: Patrick Poendl/Shutterstock.com

Address: Michalská veža, Michalska 24, Bratislava

Phone: +421 2 5443 3044

Internet: [www.dommichalskabrana.sk/en](http://www.dommichalskabrana.sk/en)

### Old Town Hall



The Old Town Hall is a complex of buildings originating from different architectural periods. It housed the city's government headed by the mayor. The Town Hall's core was established in the first half of the 15th century from the house of Mayor Jacob. Since 1868 it has been the seat of the City Museum, housing an exhibition of town history and feudal justice.

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Address: Stará radnica, Primacialne námestie 3, Bratislava

Phone: +421 2 591 008 47

Internet: [www.muzeum.bratislava.sk/en](http://www.muzeum.bratislava.sk/en)

More Info: Old Town Hall houses the Bratislava City Museum

### Jewish Heritage



Bratislava, formerly Pressburg or Pozsony, was once one of the most important centres of Jewish life in Europe. Today, the city has an active Jewish community, numerous Jewish heritage sites and two Jewish museums.

You can pass by the Heydukova Street Synagogue, visit the Museum of Jewish Culture



and the Bratislava Jewish Community Museum, pay your respects at the Chatam Sofer Memorial, the Neolog cemetery and the Orthodox cemetery and many other Jewish landmarks and monuments.

Photo: Ján Legény/Public Domain/Wikimedia Commons  
Address: Múzeum židovskej kultúry SNM, Židovská 297, Bratislava  
Internet: [www.jewishbratislava.sk](http://www.jewishbratislava.sk)

### National Saloon of Wines

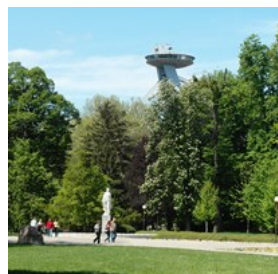


Just a few steps from the Main Square, you will find this wine cellars with a collection of 100 best Slovak wines. There is wine tasting for

individuals and groups including wine workshop. Beside wine tasting and learning more about the Slovaikan wine from the sommeliers, you can also buy wine, wine literature, cups, carafe, jugs or other wine related items.

Photo: Werner Heiber/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Národný salón vín, Radničná 1, Bratislava  
Opening hours: Tue-Sat 10am-6pm, Mon & Sun closed  
Phone: +421 2 4552 99 67  
Internet: [www.salonvin.sk/en](http://www.salonvin.sk/en)  
Email: [info@salonvin.sk](mailto:info@salonvin.sk)

### Janko Král Park



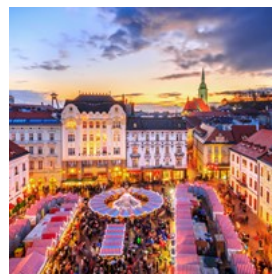
Janko Král Park is a park in Bratislava's Petržalka borough, south of the Danube. It is located in the northern part of Petržalka, bordered by the Danube in the north, the Old Bridge access road in the east, a main road in the south and the Nový Most access road in the west.

Located between the Old and the New (SNP)

Bridge, this is the oldest public park in Central Europe and one of the oldest central European parks. The massive trees are complemented by small architectural forms: the Gothic gazebo that was originally a tower of the Franciscan Church is the most notable example. Rest in the shade of ginkgo bilobas, dawn redwoods and the gigantic plane tree that is over 200 years old.

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Address: Sad Janka Kráľa

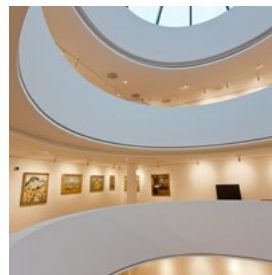
### Traditional Christmas Market



Every year since 1993, between the end of November and December 23rd, Bratislava hosts big Christmas markets in the city centre. Enjoy the advent atmosphere on the squares and streets of the Old town. Taste traditional Slovak delicacies and warm up your body with Christmas punch, honey schnapps or hot wine made of red or black currant. The market is truly popular among locals and tourists, probably the city never gets so reliably packed as it is during the Christmas period.

Photo: RastoS/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Main square (Hlavné námestie), Bratislava  
Public Transport: Tram 2,4,6,8,9, Bus X13  
Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm from late November to late December

### Nedbalka Gallery



The much beloved Nedbalka Gallery showcases works from major artists hailing from or having been formed in Slovakia from the 19th century to the present day. Over 1,000 works of

fine Slovak fine art is displayed here, mostly paintings but there are sculptures and prints, too.

Photo: Visit Bratislava

Address: Nedbalova ulica 17, Bratislava

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 1pm-7pm, Mon closed

Phone: +421 907 865 776

Internet: [www.nedbalka.sk/en](http://www.nedbalka.sk/en)

Email: [nedbalka@nedbalka.sk](mailto:nedbalka@nedbalka.sk)

### Primate's Palace



Primate's Palace is a gem of Neo-Classical architecture. The original residence of Esztergom Archbishop. It includes a Mirror Hall and a famous

collection of 17th century English tapestries depicting the tragic love of Hero and Leander. The palace made history during an important event in 1805: after the battle of Austerlitz, France and Austria signed the "Peace of Pressburg" treaty in the palace.

Photo: Lyd Photography/Shutterstock.com

Address: Primaciálny palác, Primaciálne námestie 1, Bratislava

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 10am-5pm, Mon closed

Phone: +421 2 593 563 94

Internet: [www.visitbratislava.com/places/primatial-palace](http://www.visitbratislava.com/places/primatial-palace)

### Grassalkovich Palace



Earl Anton Grassalkovich had this Rococo-late Baroque summer palace with a French garden built in 1760. In the 18th century, there was a lot of social activity in the palace and guests included the Austrian composer Joseph Haydn. After some reconstruction in 1996, the palace became the seat of the president of the Slovak

Republic.

Photo: posztos/Shutterstock.com

Address: Grasalkovičov palác, Hodzovo námestie 1, Bratislava

Internet: [www.prezident.sk/en](http://www.prezident.sk/en)

More Info: Known as the White House of Slovakia

### Biofarma Príroda - Stupava



Only 27km from Bratislava you can enjoy traditional Slovak food and gastronomic specialties like homemade bread and products from sheep cheese surrounded by pure nature on this organic farm, which also hosts several domesticated animals. It is a great place for families with kids.

Photo: vz maze/Shutterstock.com

Address: Biofarma Príroda, Stupava

Public Transport: Slovak Lines, direction Borinka

Opening hours: Summer: daily 10am-8pm. Winter: daily 11am-8pm

Phone: +421 918 280 546

Internet: [www.biofarma.sk](http://www.biofarma.sk)

Email: [biofarma@slovakpub.sk](mailto:biofarma@slovakpub.sk)

### Slavin



This national historical monument is a memorial and cemetery of 6,845 Soviet soldiers who were killed during World War II. The terrace of the memorial offers spectacular views of the city.

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Address: Na Slavíne, Bratislava

Public Transport: Bus 147

## Devin Castle



Just outside the city of Bratislava lies this monumental castle ruin situated above the confluence of the Danube and Morava rivers.

Today, this national cultural monument is a popular attraction for tourists.

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Address: Hrad Devín, Muránska 10, Bratislava

Phone: +421 2 657 301 05

## Running Rours in Bratislava



A new and active way to go sightseeing. Go! Running Tours Bratislava was founded to show this beautiful city from a different point of view,

with your running shoes on. It is a tour concept for people who have a passion for running and who enjoy exploring new places and cultures. The goal is to offer tourist experiences where you do not have to be in traffic jams, where you can enjoy beautiful views of this royal city and get a good exercise all at the same time. So if you are here on holiday or on a business trip, don't forget to bring your workout clothes.

You can also book a running tour with Viator.

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Address: Ruzova 2184/12, Hlohovec, Bratislava

Phone: +421 911 025 688

Internet: [www.gorunningtoursbratislava.com](http://www.gorunningtoursbratislava.com)

Email: [bratislava@gorunningtours.com](mailto:bratislava@gorunningtours.com)

## DINING



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Local specialities include Halusky — small dumplings topped with cheese and bacon. Hungarian influences have added the much-needed spice to traditional Slovak cuisine. As far as international cuisine goes, there is plenty to choose from, as Bratislava builds a reputation as an eastern European capital of gastronomy.

## Slovak Pub



Slovak Pub has, in its short history, become one of the favourite spots for college students. The first and probably the only pub in the world where you

can get a free soup for an A on an exam. From the menu you can pick traditional Slovak dishes at reasonable prices. Its individual rooms present eras ranging from the old pagan times up until the revival era of the 19th century.

Photo: alexpro9500 / Shutterstock.com

Address: Obchodná 62, Bratislava

Phone: +421 2 5292 6367

Internet: [www.slovakpub.sk/en](http://www.slovakpub.sk/en)

Email: [slovakpub@slovakpub.sk](mailto:slovakpub@slovakpub.sk)



### Bratislava Flag Ship Restaurant



Located on Golden Lane, which presents the facade of the original houses that stood here, stands Bratislava Flag Ship Restaurant, a city landmark full of history and character. The shop also features produce from the organic farm in this little house, in addition to 100% smoked sheep's cheese and fresh bread.

Photo: Northy Sona Sladeckova / Shutterstock.com

Address: Námestie SNP 8, Bratislava

Phone: +421 917 927 673

Email: bratislavska@slovakpub.sk

### UFO



Located at the very top of the SNP bridge pylon, this observation tower with a bar and restaurant offers a view as far as 100 kilometres. The Taste restaurant is one of the most prestigious restaurants in Bratislava. The regularly modified seasonal menu is a fascinating combination of Mediterranean and Asian culinary techniques.

Photo: Ajale/Pixabay

Address: Most SNP, Bratislava

Opening hours: Daily 10am-11pm

Phone: +421 2 62 52 03 00

Internet: [www.u-f-o.sk](http://www.u-f-o.sk)

Email: [reception@u-f-o.sk](mailto:reception@u-f-o.sk)

### Restaurant Modrá Hviezda



Located directly under the Bratislava Castle Wall, in an area rife with historical events, myths and legends. Come and experience the magical

atmosphere under the Castle rock. The head chef loves a challenge. The restaurant always strives offer variety and innovate on traditional Slovak recipes. Seasonality and local fresh produce are guaranteed.

Photo: borzywoj / Shutterstock.com

Address: Beblavého 14, Bratislava

Public Transport: Bus 203, 207

Opening hours: Wed noon-10pm, Thu-Fri 5pm-10pm, Sat & Sun noon-10pm, Mon & Tue closed

Phone: +421 948 70 30 70

Internet: [www.modrahviezda.sk](http://www.modrahviezda.sk)

Email: [restauracia.modrahviezda@gmail.com](mailto:restauracia.modrahviezda@gmail.com)

### Zylinder



A century ago, Bratislava, then known as Pressburg, was famous all over the Habsburg Empire for the aroma of great dishes drifting out of the city's restaurants. Zylinder is situated directly in the heart of Bratislava on Hviezdoslavovo Square. It offers a unique combination of selected special dishes from the cuisine of the Austro-Hungarian Empire brought up to the standards of the modern culinary arts. Just try the unique Tafelspitz, Szeged beef goulash, Pörkölt, oxtail, poppy pierogies or traditional Kaiserchmarrn.

Photo: Fanfo / Shutterstock.com

Address: Hviezdoslavovo námestie 19, Bratislava

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-10pm, Sun 9am-9pm

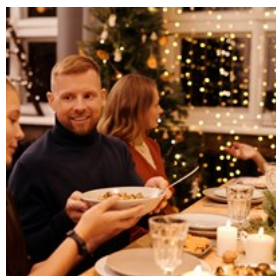
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Internet: [www.zylinder.sk/en/home](http://www.zylinder.sk/en/home)

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### Foodie Tour



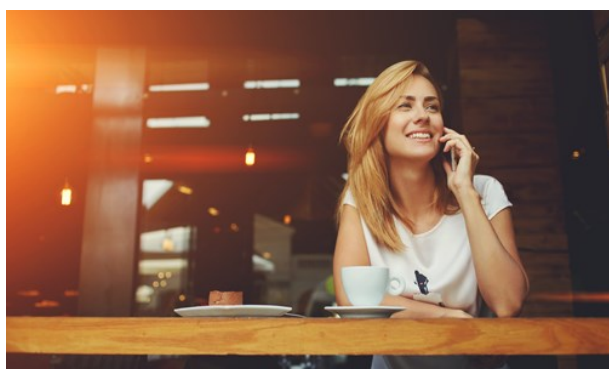
Don't miss the unique culinary experience and discover traditional food of Slovakia with small-group tasting tour. Your local guide will lead

you away from the crowds and will introduce you to several restaurants off the beaten track. You will learn fascinating facts and stories about the sight around you, as well as get some cultural background for local delicacies like Treska v majonéze, Bryndzove halusky and the popular local cola drink Kofola. Come hungry and curious!

Photo: Nicole Michalou/pexels

Internet: [www.taste-bratislava.com](http://www.taste-bratislava.com)

### CAFES



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Despite being a relatively small city, Bratislava is rich with cafes: from grand coffee houses to trendy student hang-outs. The best cafes are in the centre of town, especially around the Main Square. In the summer, many have outdoor tables, perfect for relaxing after exploring the Old Town.

### Kaffee Mayer



A grand cafe of the Vienna school, Kaffé Mayer is one of Bratislava's most famous establishments with an impeccable pedigree. It's

popular with a more mature crowd and this is reflected in the prices. Kaffé Mayer is notorious for its scrumptious deserts.

Photo: B and E Dudzinsky / Shutterstock.com

Address: Hlavné námestie 4, Bratislava

Phone: +421 2 5441 1741

Email: [kaffeemayer@eurest.sk](mailto:kaffeemayer@eurest.sk)

### Franz Xaver Messerschmidt



This cafe in the heart of Bratislava carries the name of the famous baroque sculptor Franz Xaver Messerschmidt. Guests come here not

only to enjoy a good cup of coffee, a hot chocolate or a tasty Bratislavské rožky (traditional Bratislava pastry rolls) but also to see examples of the work of F.X. Messerschmidt. Plus, part of the café is also the Museum of 17th of November, dedicated to an important point in Slovak history — the Velvet Revolution.

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Address: Námestie SNP 469/8, Staré Mesto, Bratislava

Public Transport: Bus X13, Tram 1,6,8,9

Opening hours: Daily 8am-8pm

Phone: +421 905 237 054

Email: [cafe@messerchmidt.sk](mailto:cafe@messerchmidt.sk)

### Zeppelin Cafe & Souvenirs



This cafe in the Old Town offers a wide range of homemade cakes, pies and the traditional "Bratislava roll" pastries, with the atmosphere of "Old Pressburg". Try delicious cakes and hot drinks such as homemade tea with fruits, and also buy gifts and souvenirs.

Photo: Kateryna Petrushynets / Shutterstock.com

Address: Sedlárska 10, Bratislava

Opening hours: Daily 8:30am-10pm

Phone: +421 911 110 287

Internet: [www.zeppelincafe.sk](http://www.zeppelincafe.sk)

Email: [mail@zeppelincafe.sk](mailto:mail@zeppelincafe.sk)

### Urban House



The larger (and noisier) sister of the original Gorila cafe, Urban House presents customers with more food options, a lot more comfortable chairs, plus a DJ stand. The only thing better than the cool interior are the heavenly desserts. The coffee comes not only in many interesting varieties, but also prepared in one of the inventive vacuum pots straight from a science lab. Urban House's dog- and kid-friendliness attracts cute pups and parents with toddlers around the clock.

Photo: baranq / Shutterstock.com

Address: Laurinská 14, Bratislava

Opening hours: Mon-Thu 9am-midnight, Fri & Sat 9am-2am, Sun 9am-11pm

Phone: +421 911 755 205

Internet: [www.urbanhouse.sk](http://www.urbanhouse.sk)

Email: [manager@urbanhouse.sk](mailto:manager@urbanhouse.sk)

### Triple Five Coffee Roasters



Triple Five is conveniently located between the main train station and the very city centre. Enjoy the cosy and warm atmosphere of a modern Third Wave coffeeshop, and have a great time with loved ones with a cup of wonderful coffee. Their coffee beans are freshly roasted and the baristas know what their craft well.

Photo: Andrew Neel/unsplash.com

Address: Jozefská 2A, Bratislava

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7:30am-6pm, Sat & Sun 9am-6pm

Phone: +421 948 072 218

Internet: [www.triplefivecoffee.com](http://www.triplefivecoffee.com)

Email: [contact@triplefivecoffee.com](mailto:contact@triplefivecoffee.com)

### black.



This cafe is another Third Wave specialty coffee darling, known for their attention to detail and impeccable monochrome interior design. Located in a pretty quiet street in the city centre, the cafe offers some of the best coffee in Bratislava. The baristas are always very kind and friendly, welcoming and willing to help with their service.

Photo: Jamie Long/unsplash.com

Address: Gorkého 15, Bratislava

Opening hours: Daily 9am-6pm

Phone: +421 908 396 678

Internet: [www.black.xyz/en](http://www.black.xyz/en)

Email: [ahoj@black.xyz](mailto:ahoj@black.xyz)

More Info: black. has a second location in Nová Cvernovka

### Kava.Bar



Kava Bar is a cute corner cafe with excellent coffee and a small selection of breakfast pastries. Everything is served in antique chinaware, which adds a charming dose of retro chic to your day. The atmosphere is relaxed, and it's a great place to rest your feet after the castle visit. On a warm spring and summer day you can enjoy your coffee or tea at one of the outdoor tables.

Photo: Terri Cnudde/pixabay

Address: Skalná 1, Bratislava

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7:30am-8pm, Sat & Sun 9am-8pm

Phone: +421 948 190 165

More Info: Next to the Museum of Jewish Culture

## BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Bratislava has a growing number of good bars and is building a reputation as a nightlife capital. Top Slovak beers that are definitely worth a few rounds include Zlatý Bazant and Kelt.

In recent years, Bratislava's club scene has completely reinvented itself. In came DJs and funky cocktails, out went the go-go dancers and burly doormen. Listings detailing what's going on can be found throughout town.

### The Dubliner



This is a very popular Irish pub that draws in the expats as well as locals. Typical of an Irish pub overseas, there is memorabilia galore.

There's even a cobbled street. Naturally, Guinness flows steadily from The Dubliner's enormous bar. Bands play most nights and the atmosphere is fittingly friendly and loud.

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Address: Sedlárska 6, Bratislava

Phone: +421 2 54 41 07 06

Email: irish@irish-pub.sk

### Nu Spirit Bar & Lounge



This is Bratislava's prime spot for soulful music. If you like to chill out with friends to jazz, funk, soul or electronic music, the Nu Spirit Bar is the right

place for you. Located just a short walk from the historical centre and the Opera, the Nu Spirit is an oasis of good music in the increasingly commercial Bratislava nightlife.

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Address: Medená 16, Bratislava

Public Transport: Bus # 78, 95, X13; Tram # 2, 4

Opening hours: Thu 8pm-midnight, Fri & Sat 8pm-3am

Phone: +421 905 865 566

Internet: [www.nuspirit.sk](http://www.nuspirit.sk)

Email: [nuspirit.reserve@gmail.com](mailto:nuspirit.reserve@gmail.com)



### IceBar Bratislava



This bar with interior made of crystal clear ice can be found in the heart of the Old Town, under the Tesla Coffee & Bar Café. Open all year

round, at -5°C / 23°F, this is the first and only ice bar in Slovakia. The drinks are cool (obviously), and so are the numerous ice sculptures that decorate the bar.

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Address: Panská 14, Bratislava

Public Transport: Bus # X13; Trolleybus 202 and 205 get off at Rajska bus stop

Opening hours: Mon-Thu 1pm-midnight, Fri 1pm-2am, Sat 10am-2am, Sun 10am-midnight

Phone: +421 903 545 414

Internet: [www.icebar.sk](http://www.icebar.sk)

Email: [rezervacia@icebar.sk](mailto:rezervacia@icebar.sk)

### VRBA — Virtual Reality Gin&Tonic Bar



A great mix of fun, here you can experience the world of virtual reality: jump from skyscraper, walk on Everest, visit the universe or do some

team-building. Wait for your turn and cheer your friends along while having a craft beer, lemonade or the VRBA speciality Gin & Tonic?

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Address: Panenská 23, Bratislava

Phone: +421 907 231 985

Internet: [www.vrbratislava.sk](http://www.vrbratislava.sk)

Email: [office@vrbratislava.sk](mailto:office@vrbratislava.sk)

### Cuba Libre



Relax in one of the comfortable leather chairs at this chilled-out bar with an impressive bar menu. From the bar, pick a classy cocktail but

they also have a great variety of rum including cigars from many labels. A cool spot with knowledgeable staff and kind of a local secret since there is no flash on the outside and not that many tourists.

Photo: Kondor83/Shutterstock.com

Address: Laurinská 11, Bratislava

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 4pm-midnight, Fri & Sat 4pm-2am

Phone: +421 919 204 330

Internet: [www.thecubalibre.sk](http://www.thecubalibre.sk)

Email: [rumclub@fusiongroup.sk](mailto:rumclub@fusiongroup.sk)

### Craft Beer Tour



The winding cobbled streets of Bratislava are a delightful destination for beer enthusiasts.

Post-socialist pubs, old world cafes and modern

breweries offer a great variety of flavours at all price ranges. Cheaper than Vienna, less crowded than Prague or Budapest — what's not to like!

Several new small breweries open in Slovakia every year. Book a walking and tasting tour to find new artisanal beer spots, and visit key landmarks at the same time.

Photo: Tatiana Rodriguez/unsplash.com

Internet:

[www.beerconnoisseur.com/articles/bratislava-beer-tour](http://www.beerconnoisseur.com/articles/bratislava-beer-tour)

## SHOPPING

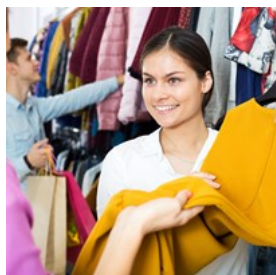


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Bratislava offers a wide variety of shopping possibilities. Ranging from small boutiques, designer outlets, open-air fresh produce markets to big and modern shopping malls which are open 7 days a week. Small open-air markets can be found on Polna near the Medical Garden and Sancova, Mlynarovicova on Petržalka. The liveliest market is the one on Mileticova Street, which sells lots of well-made but affordable clothing.

There are numerous shopping malls throughout Bratislava, including Aupark on the right side of the Danube next to Sad Janka Kráľa Park. Polus City Center is on Vajnorska, 10 minutes away from the city centre, and the newest Eurovea is situated in the city centre, right next to the river bank.

### Aupark Shopping Centre



This popular shopping centre in Bratislava is situated on the right bank of Danube River in Petržalka. Its modern facilities include a cinema, restaurants and plenty of shops that offer everything from clothes to shoes, accessories, toys and electronics. Stores such as Zarah, Tommy Hilfiger, C&A, Bershka, Lindex,

Odd Molly, Pull and Bear, Also, Crocs and much more are all located here.

Photo: Iakov Filimonov/Shutterstock.com

Address: Einsteinova 18, Bratislava

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-9pm, Sat & Sun 9am-9pm

Phone: +421 2 6826 6111

Email: [info@aupark-bratislava.sk](mailto:info@aupark-bratislava.sk)

### Avion Shopping Park



Avion Shopping Park, the biggest and perhaps best-known shopping place in Bratislava, draws huge crowds with its great selection of stores selling clothes, shoes, accessories, electronics, food and much more, including Swedish furniture giant IKEA. You will also find shops like Adidas, Calvin Klein, Deichmann, Gant, Mango, Next, Pandora and much more.

Photo: Nestor Rizhniak/Shutterstock.com

Address: Ivanská cesta 16, Bratislava

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-9pm, Sat & Sun 9am-9pm

Phone: +421 905 812 513

Internet: [www.avion.sk](http://www.avion.sk)

Email: [infostanok.avion@gmail.com](mailto:infostanok.avion@gmail.com)

### Eurovea



Sitting right on the picturesque bank of the Danube, Eurovea includes both the shopping centre itself and the surrounding area, most prominently the riverside promenade, making it the perfect destination for an afternoon of shopping and people-watching in Bratislava. Here you will find stores selling everything from clothes for women, men and children to toys, accessories, shoes, health and beauty products as well as home decor.

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Address: Pribinova 8, Bratislava  
Opening hours: Daily 10am-9pm  
Phone: +421 2 20 915 000  
Internet: [www.eurovea.com](http://www.eurovea.com)  
Email: [info@eurovea.com](mailto:info@eurovea.com)

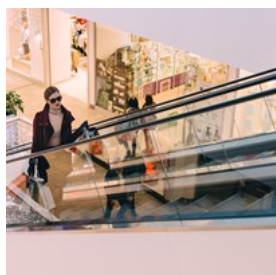
### Vivo



This modern shopping centre situated in Bratislava's New Town is an impressive mall with a great selection of shops for clothes, cosmetics, sports gear, electronics, and everything else today's shopper may in the market for. Vivo houses stores such as Levi's, Swarovski, Yves Rocher, H&M, Bepon, Hilfiger Denim and more.

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Address: Vajnorská 100, Bratislava  
Opening hours: Daily 10am-9pm  
Phone: +421 2 44 44 12 34  
Internet: [www.vivo-shopping.com/sk/bratislava](http://www.vivo-shopping.com/sk/bratislava)

### Shopping Palace Zlaté Piesky



This shopping centre near the recreational area Zlate Piesky stands out not only for its great selection of stores and facilities, but also

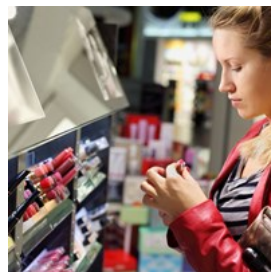
because it offers the only drive-in cinema in Bratislava. It is a unique experience in the city that draws many people to visit.

The stores offer everything from fashion, accessories, toys, shoes, sport wears, beauty products to electronics.

Photo: freestocks/unsplash.com  
Address: Cesta na Senec 2/A, Bratislava  
Public Transport: Train 4; Bus 53, 56, 65  
Opening hours: Daily 9am-9pm

Phone: +421 2 492 441 11  
Internet: [www.shoppingpalace.sk](http://www.shoppingpalace.sk)

### Central



Central is another modern shopping mall that has all the bells and whistles one would expect. It is also the most accessible shopping

centre near Trnavske myto. Here you will find stores selling everything from cosmetics, sport wears, fashion, handbags, shoes, jewellery to gifts.

Photo: Pavel L Photo and Video/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Metodova 6, Bratislava  
Opening hours: Daily 10am-9pm  
Phone: +421 2 321 151 21  
Internet: [www.central.sk](http://www.central.sk)  
Email: [info@central.sk](mailto:info@central.sk)

### Retro Shopping Gallery



Retro Shopping Gallery may be smaller than most other shopping centres in the city, but it still boasts great shopping and eating alternatives,

including a tapas and wine shop, Italian food shop, and supermarket, plus several bars and cafes.

Photo: Isantilli / Shutterstock.com  
Address: Nevädzová 6, Bratislava  
Public Transport: Tram # 8,9; Bus# 50, 66, 75, 96, 196;  
Trolleybus # 201, 202, 208  
Opening hours: Daily 6:30am-10pm  
Internet: [www.retroshopping.sk](http://www.retroshopping.sk)  
Email: [info@retroshopping.sk](mailto:info@retroshopping.sk)



## TOURIST INFORMATION



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### Bratislava Airport — M. R. Štefánik Airport (BTS)



Airport Bratislava is located approximately 9 km from the city center and about a 50 minutes drive from the International Vienna

Airport Schwechat.

There is a regular bus service from both airports to Bratislava city centre:

From Bratislava Airport: outside the arrivals/departure terminal operated by the Municipal public transport. The journey should take approximately 30 minutes. Take bus 61 until Hlavna stanica (Main railway station), then change to bus X13 until Nam. SNP in the city centre.

The taxi ride takes around 15 minutes. Find the taxi stand in front of the Arrival terminal.

Airport Bratislava offers several car rental services: Avis, Sixt, Eurocar, Alamo, Hertz, Enterprise, Budget and Europcar. Find them in the public area of the Arrivals terminal.

From Vienna International Airport Schwechat: daily shuttle bus Blaguss or Slovak Lines, leaving every 30 minutes from 6:20 am until 12:45 am.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Letisko Bratislava, Ivanka pri Dunaji

Public Transport: Bus 61, 96

Phone: +421 2 3303 3353

Internet: [www.bts.aero/en](http://www.bts.aero/en)

Email: [info@bts.aero](mailto:info@bts.aero)

More Info: Sometimes also called the Bratislava-Ivanka Airport

### Public Transport



Most sights and places of interest can be found in the city centre, or within walking distance of the pedestrianised old town.

If you need to travel further afield within the city, the best way to do so is by public transport.

Bratislava has a comprehensive network of public transport lines running at regular intervals according to defined timetables. Departure times and a list of destinations, with the journey time to each, are posted for each service at every stop it serves.

Daytime operation: buses, trams and trolleybuses run from 5 am until 11:30 pm.

Tickets:

- one-way ticket valid for 15 min
- multiple-ride ticket valid for 60 min
- weekend multiple-ride ticket valid for 90min
- touristic ticket valid for 24, 48, 72 and 168 hours - unlimited travel
- children under 6 years of age travel for free

Nighttime operation: on selected bus routes from

11:30 pm until 3:30 am.

#### Tickets:

- night ticket valid for 90 min, multiple ride
- prepaid tickets (PCL) 30-, 90- and 365-day ticket (personal chip card is needed)
- touristic ticket valid for 24, 48, 72 and 168 hours - unlimited travel

Passengers are required to buy a ticket in a yellow ticket machine at a bus stop, at a newspaper kiosk or at a DPB shop before getting on board. Right after boarding the vehicle, passengers must stamp their ticket in the nearest stamping machine. A ticket that has not been stamped is not valid.

#### Ticket inspection

A passenger who cannot provide a valid ticket to the inspector will have to pay a fine in accordance with the currently valid public transport code.

#### Lost and found

In case of loss of personal belongings, the passenger must contact Dopravný podnik Bratislava.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair  
Phone: +421 2 5950 5950  
Internet: [www.imhd.sk](http://www.imhd.sk)  
Email: [ba@imhd.sk](mailto:ba@imhd.sk)

#### Taxi



Unlike cities in other countries, in Slovakia, it is cheaper to order a taxi by phone than to hail one on the street. The price per kilometre varies from

0,50 Euro-cents and up. When getting one on the street, the price might be double or more. We

highly recommend to agree on the price before getting in the car. Short distance trips are charged at minimum 4 EUR.

You can use apps like Hopin, Bolt (Taxify) and Uber in Slovakia.

Photo: Visit Bratislava

#### Post

Slovenská pošta  
Bratislava



Photo: Andy Fuchs  
Address: Námestie SNP 35, Bratislava  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7am-8pm, Sat 8am-1pm, Sun closed  
Phone: +421 2 5443 0381  
Internet: [www.posta.sk/en](http://www.posta.sk/en)

#### Pharmacy



Pharmacies are marked by a green cross. They are usually open from 7 am to 6 pm on weekdays and until 1 pm on Saturday. Lekáreň

Pokrok, Račianske múto 1/A east of the Old Town is the only pharmacy in Bratislava with 24-hour emergency service.

Photo: Gemma Garner  
Address: Lekáreň Pokrok, Račianske múto 1/A, Bratislava  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-10pm  
Phone: +421 2 444 552 91

## Telephone



Country code: +421 Area  
code: 2

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## Electricity



In Slovakia, you will find  
type E power plugs and  
sockets. The standard  
voltage is 220V and the  
standard frequency is  
50Hz.

Photo: Stirling Tschan

## Population

475,503 (2021 census)  
666,000 (2021 estimate)

## Currency

Euro (EUR), €1=100 cents

## Internet

[www.visitbratislava.com](http://www.visitbratislava.com)

## Newspapers

The Slovak Spectator (English) – [www.spectator.sme.sk](http://www.spectator.sme.sk)  
Hospodárske Noviny – <http://www.hnonline.sk/>  
Nový Čas – [www.cas.sk](http://www.cas.sk)  
Pravda – [www.pravda.sk](http://www.pravda.sk)  
SME - Bratislava – [www.sme.sk](http://www.sme.sk)

## Emergency numbers

Emergency: 112  
Police: 158  
Fire: 150  
Ambulance: 155  
City Police: 159

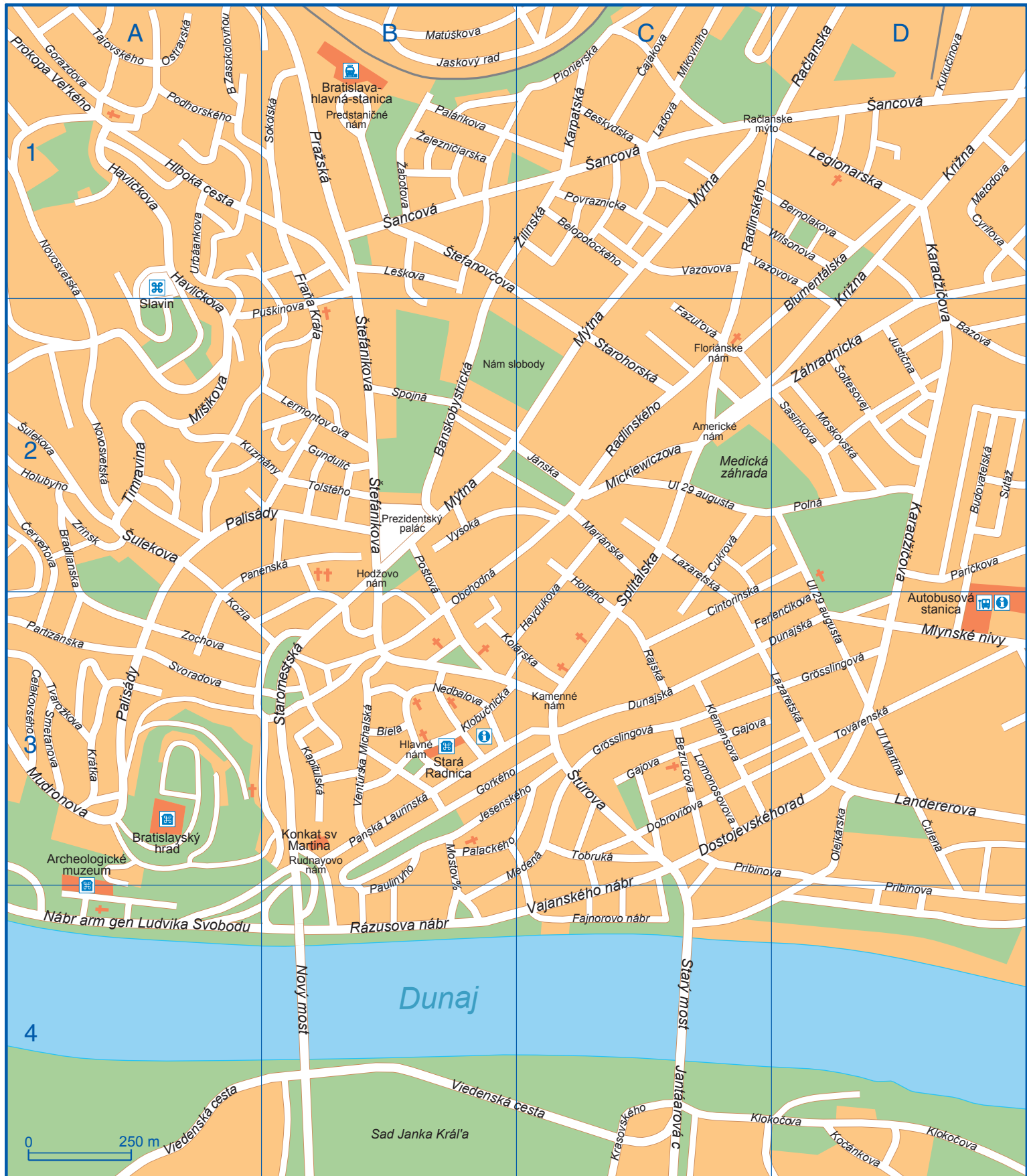
## Tourist information

Tourist Information Centre – Old Town  
Klobučnícka 2, Bratislava  
+421 2 16 186  
[touristinfo@bratislava.sk](mailto:touristinfo@bratislava.sk)

## Opening hours:

April–October Mon–Sun: 9am–6pm  
November–March Mon–Sun: 9am–4pm  
Lunch break 12:30am–2pm





Americké nám	C2	Kocánkova	D4	Predstanicné nám	B1
Banicka Zasokolovnou	A1	Kolárska	B3 C3	Prezidentský palác	B2
Banskobystrická	B2	Kozia	A3	Pribinova	C3 D3 D4
Bazová	D2	Krasovského	C4	Prokopa Vel'kého	A1
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Blumentálska	D1 D2	Landererova	D3	Rudnayovo nám	B3
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Budovatelská	D2	Legionarska	D1	Sasinkova	D2
Cajakova	C1	Lermontov ova	B2	Smetanova	A3
Celakovského	A3	Leškova	B1	Sokolská	B1
Cervenova	A2	Lomonosovova	C3	Splitálska	C2 C3
Cintorinska	C2 C3	Mariánska	C2	Spojná	B2
Cukrová	C2	Matúškova	B1	Starohorská	C2
Cyrilova	D1	Medená	B3 C3	Staromestská	B3
Dobrovicova	C3	Metodova	D1	Starý most	C4
Dunajská	C3 D3	Mickiewiczova	C2	Svoradova	A3
Fajnorovo nábr	C4	Mikoviniho	C1	Sút'až	D2
Fazul'ová	C2	Mlynské nivy	D3	Tajovského	A1
Feriericikova	C3 D3	Moskovská	D2	Timravina Mišikova	A2
Floriánske nám	C2	Mostov%	B3 B4	Tobruká	C3
Frana Krála	B1 B2	Mudronova	A3	Tolstého	B2
Gajova	C3	Mýtna	B2 C1 C2	Továrenská	D3
Gorazdova	A1	Nedbalova	B3	Tvarožkova	A3
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Hlboká cesta	A1	Ostravská	A1	Viedenská cesta	A4 B4 C4
Hodžovo nám	B2	Palackého	B3	Vysoká	B2
Hollého	C2 C3	Palisády	A2 A3 B2	Wilsonova	C1 D1
Holubyho	A2	Palárikova	B1	Zochova	A3
Jantáarová c	C4	Panenská	A2 B2	Zrinsk	A2
Jaskový rad	B1	Panská Laurinská	B3	Záhradnicka	D2
Jesenského	B3 C3	Parickova	D2	Šancová	B1 C1 D1
Justicna	D2	Partizánska	A3	Šoltesovej	D2
Jánska	C2	Paulinyho	B3 B4	Štefanovcova	B1
Kamenné nám	C3	Pionierska	C1	Štefánikova	B2
Kapitulská	B3	Podhorského	A1	Štúrova	C3
Karadžicova	D1 D2	Polná	D2	Šulekova	A2
Karpatská	C1	Povraznicka	C1	Žabotova	B1
Klemensova	C3	Poštová	B2 B3	Železniciarska	B1
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