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Bucharest is Europe's best kept secret. While visually it can't quite compete with other grand Eastern European capitals, it leads the pack in dynamism, energy and forward momentum. The remnants of Communism are still palpable in the urban fabric, but the city has its sights set firmly on the future. Trendy outdoor cafes and high-street shops live side-by-side with gorgeous Orthodox churches and world-class art galleries in the old town, all overlooked by the imposing Palace of Parliament.

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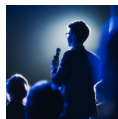
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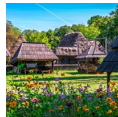
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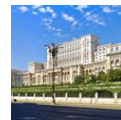
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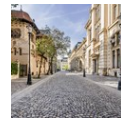
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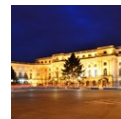
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Romanian legend tells that Bucharest was founded on the banks of the Dambovitza River by a shepherd named Bucur, whose name means 'joy'. By playing the flute, he amazed the people, and his wine from nearby vineyards was very popular among the local traders, who gave his name to the place.

As one of Europe's most up-and-coming destinations, Bucharest has had to react quickly to its newfound status. As a result, there is a bevy of recently opened venues to eat, drink, shop, club and sleep. Standards are high and local residents have come to expect only the best.

From Piața Universității, most sights of interest are easily accessible. The nearby Calea Victoriei is a great starting point for shopping. These two landmarks constitute the central Bucharest area where many of the most well-known restaurants and bars are situated. Walking in this part of the city is the best way to see Bucharest quickly, but do not be afraid to venture further north, east and west to discover many more treasures.

Wander the tree-lined streets, take in the authentic folk art and sample a range of international cuisines. Whether you want traditional Romania or contemporary city life,

come and find it before the rest of the world does.

DO & SEE



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Bucharest boasts many beautiful monuments and landmarks, the most prominent being the Palace of Parliament, an imposing structure that now houses, among other things, one of the city's best museums: The National Museum of Contemporary Art. Other museums worth visiting are the Museum of the Romanian Peasant and the National Art Museum, housed in the old royal palace. Alternatively, enjoy the vast green spaces the city has to offer, like the gorgeous Parcul Carol, or wander around the charming old town.

Palace of Parliament



Originally built to house all offices of the Communist ruling officers during Ceausescu's regime, the imposing Palace of Parliament is Romania's most famous building. Tours are open to the public, showing off the opulent staircases and chandelier-filled rooms and offering great insight into the building's history. The palace also houses Romania's National Museum of Contemporary Art.

There are tours available all year round; however, it's essential to reserve your tour slot beforehand, as advance booking ensures availability for this captivating experience.

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Triumphal Arch

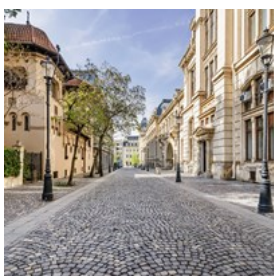


Similar to its Paris namesake, Bucharest's Triumphal Arch, standing tall at 26 metres, remembers Romania's Great War soldiers and its reunification in 1918. Initially, the arch was built out of wood in 1922, and was then finished in Deva granite in 1936.

The Triumphal Arch becomes the main stage for the military parade every December 1st, when Romanians celebrate their National Day.

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Lipscani District

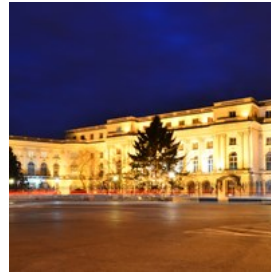


Lipscani, Bucharest's historical centre, retains an irresistible old town charm. It is located between Calea Victoriei, Boulevard Bratianu, Boulevard Regina Elisabeta and the Dambovitza River. Its collection of winding streets boasts antique markets, bric-a-brac spilling out from tiny boutiques and some of the city's most appealing restaurants and bars.

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Address: Lipscani, București

National Museum of Art



Romania's most impressive art collection is displayed in the old sprawling royal palace. Here you can see works by Rembrandt and El Greco among a great collection of European art assembled by the Romanian royal family, as well as works by celebrated Romanian artists.

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University of Bucharest



In addition to being the centre for Bucharest's intellectual and political events and the most popular meeting place in the city, the University of Bucharest has a dramatic history. During the 1989 Revolution, some of Romania's fiercest fighting took place here. Close by you can find the University of Bucharest's School of Architecture, the National Theatre, the Coltea Hospital and the Sutu Palace History Museum.

A Christmas market is held at the University Square every year, but you can find excellent restaurants and cafes in the area all year round.

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Romanian Athenaeum



The Romanian Athenaeum concert hall is home to the superb Filarmonica George Enescu and the hub of Bucharest's musical activity. Exquisite mosaics and historical frescoes adorn the 19th-century circular building, which hosts impressive orchestral concerts and other performances.

You can visit the ornate, domed, circular building without attending a concert, too.

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Museum of the Romanian Peasant



This delightful museum opened in 1906 and is widely regarded as Romania's best, a veritable treasure trove of pottery, icons and clothing. It also houses the fascinating Communism Exhibition and the ruins of an 18th-century Transylvanian wooden church.

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Jewish Museum Bucharest



This museum, situated in a stunning former synagogue built in 1850, tells the tragic story of Romania's Jewish population in the country, and their important contributions to Romanian culture and history. Make sure to catch the moving tour to get the best experience.

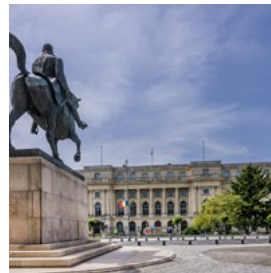
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Phone: +40 21 311 08 70

Internet: www.museum.jewishfed.ro

Revolution Square



While the University of Bucharest Square saw some of the darkest days of Ceausescu's regime, events at the Revolution Square heralded the beginning of a new age. Close by is the former Royal Palace, now home to the National Art Museum, the Romanian Athenaeum and the Athenee Palace Hotel.

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Address: Piața Revoluției, București

Carol Park



Named after King Carol I of Romania, this park, designed by a French landscape architect, offers lush vegetation and panoramic views of Bucharest. You can find plenty of open-air concerts in the summer at Arenele Romane, or simply enjoy the fresh air and green spaces at any time of year.

The park also includes several monuments, such as a Mausoleum, the Cantacuzino Fountain built in 1870 and Fântâna Minelor și Carierelor fountain completed in 1906. The Giants' Statues and the Zodiac Fountain can also be found here. The Technical Museum is a great place to explore Romanian history of technology.

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Stavropoleos Monastery Church



Stavropoleos Monastery Church in Bucharest is a striking example of Romania's Brâncovenesc style, blending Byzantine, Ottoman, Renaissance and Baroque influences. Built in 1724 by Ioannikios Stratonikeas, this religious monument features polyfoil arches, arabesque patterns and an impressive iconostasis. Housing a rich collection of 18th-century icons and ecclesiastical objects, it's a testament to Romania's artistic and spiritual heritage.

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Dimitrie Gusti National Village Museum



Discover Romania's diverse heritage at the Dimitrie Gusti National Village Museum. This open-air ethnographic treasure displays over 270 historic buildings, traditional homes,

windmills and artefacts from various regions of Romania, offering a vivid journey through Romania's rural past. The museum is set in the scenic Herăstrău Park, officially King Michael I Park.

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Herăstrău Park



King Michael I Park, still referred to by locals as Herăstrău Park, spans 187 hectares around a picturesque lake. Renowned for its serene beauty and sheer size, the park offers an escape from the urban hustle. Enjoy boating on the lake, exploring the Japanese Garden, or simply unwinding amidst nature. This green oasis reflects the city's heritage and is perfect for leisurely strolls or vibrant outdoor activities.

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More Info: The National Village Museum is located in Herăstrău Park.

Cișmigiu Gardens



Cișmigiu Gardens, the oldest park in Bucharest designed by Carl Meyer in the 1850s, features a stunning rose garden in the north and a classic French garden on the west. Stroll along its tranquil paths or rent a boat to explore the largest lake, complete with its own island. This charming park offers a peaceful retreat, steeped

in the city's history and elegance.

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Address: Bulevardul Regina Elisabeta, București

Internet: www.visitbucharest.today/cismigiu-park

ARCUB



ARCUB is a cultural gem in Bucharest's Lipscani district, showcasing the city's identity through various artistic expressions. This Art

Deco marvel, completed in 1934, now hosts over 200 yearly events, highlighting artists beyond conventional institutions. Its elegant 320-seat auditorium, accessible via a grand staircase, is a testament to the rich cultural tapestry of Bucharest.

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Romanian Patriarchal Cathedral



The Romanian Patriarchal Cathedral, founded in the 1650s by Prince Constantin Șerban, stands as a beacon of faith and history on

Dealul Mitropoliei. Known for its Brâncovenesc style façade and a cappella choir, the cathedral is a key site for Orthodox observances in Bucharest. It houses the relics of Saint Dimitrie Basarabov, patron saint of the city, and offers stunning city views, especially at sunset.

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DINING



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Bucharest offers a fantastic selection of international cuisine, including French, Italian, Japanese and much more, though sampling local fare should be your top priority. Traditional restaurants are inspiring and offer top-notch food in lively surroundings. Here are a few international and local choices.

Casa Doina



Casa Doina boasts a lovely terrace garden that draws Bucharest's most influential diners. Politicians and executives talk business over superb Romanian dishes, as well as Mediterranean and seafood options. Originally built in the 1890s, the location alone makes the visit worthwhile.

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Phone: +40 31 229 66 88

Internet: www.casadoina.ro

Email: restaurant@casadoina.ro

Divan



Divan is not just a restaurant, but a great meeting place in a Central Asian atmosphere. Divan serves great Turkish food with spice and flavour, along with live entertainment which makes any night spent here a night to remember.

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Phone: +40 31 640 44 50

Internet: www.divan.ro

Email: rezervari@divan.ro

Doncafe Brasserie



Located in the covered yard of an old villa in a very stylish area of Bucharest, Doncafe Brasserie offers a varied and imaginative menu with specials every day. It has a cosy and intimate atmosphere, making it a local favourite for business meetings over lunch.

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Phone: +40 74 622 24 44

Internet:

www.restaurantguru.com/Doncafe-Brasserie-Bucharest

Email: doncafe.brasserie@yahoo.ro

Arcade Cafe



Modern and extremely stylish, Arcade Cafe was designed to resemble a Parisian cafe. They serve delicious light meals, coffee and a selection of beers, wine and cocktails later in the evening.

With three distinct seating areas, it is a popular place for events.

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Phone: +40 72 277 76 74

Internet: www.arcadecafe.ro

Email: cafenea@arcadecafe.ro

Le Boutique Food Concept Store



At Le Boutique, you can enjoy Mediterranean food in a cosy and welcoming atmosphere, for lunch or dinner. Some nights they also have live music, making this a very popular venue.

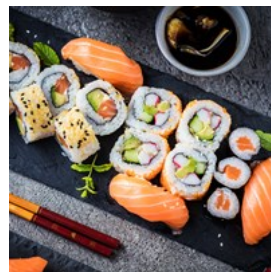
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Phone: +40 72 253 82 74

Email: leboutiquefoodconceptstore@gmail.com

Edo Sushi



In the heart of Bucharest, Edo Sushi offers an immersive Japanese dining experience. Its menu features expertly crafted sushi and tempura, complemented by a selection of Japanese drinks. The tranquil garden setting, showcasing the unique Shou Sugi Ban technique, provides a serene escape.

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Internet: www.edo-sushi.ro

Email: edosushibucuresti@gmail.com

Manuc's Inn



Manuc's Inn, established in 1802 by Armenian merchant Manuc Bei, is Bucharest's oldest operating hotel. Known for its caravanserai-style architecture with wooden galleries and a central courtyard, it remains a bustling hub for dining and cultural events. The Inn serves traditional Romanian and Balkan cuisine, often accompanied by music and dance, maintaining its historic charm and significance in the heart of the city.

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Internet: www.hanumanucrestaurant.ro/en

Email: rezervari@hmrestaurant.ro

CAFÉS



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Bucharest has developed a varied and sophisticated café scene, absorbing influences from around the world in terms of coffee production and preparation, as well as decor and ambience. The city's wonderful coffee can and should be accompanied by a fresh pastry or a light snack, both of which are done so well in Bucharest.

Cafeneaua Actorilor



Cafeneaua Actorilor is located in Tineretului Park, right by the lake. Enjoy delicious pizza and pasta dishes. They also serve desserts and pancakes with banana and chocolate, the perfect complement to a hot coffee after your meal.

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Address: Parcul Tineretului, Debarcader 1, București

Phone: +40 72 414 74 32

Internet: www.cafeneaua-actorilor.com

Grand Café Van Gogh



Grand Café Van Gogh has one of the city's best locations, right in the old town. It is an elegant restaurant, cafe and bar with Van Gogh-themed decor in the interior and ample outdoor seating. It is especially well known and loved for its weekend brunches and special offers, like Beer Mondays and Cider Tuesdays.

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Internet: www.vangogh.ro

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Tucano Coffee Guatemala



In Bucharest, Tucano Coffee Guatemala embraces a unique 'ethno' style, part of an international chain promoting the Love Peace Coffee philosophy. Renowned for serving 100% specialty Arabica and exquisite, natural ingredient cheesecakes, it's a coffee lover's

haven.

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Phone: + 40 73 370 02 00

Internet: www.tucanofranchise.com

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M60



M60 follows the Scandinavian tradition of combining simplicity, quality and attention to detail when it comes to their space and their

offerings, which include expertly prepared speciality coffee drinks and simple, healthy and delicious meals and snacks.

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Email: m60@groupkane.com

Baristro



Baristro café offers a warm, welcoming atmosphere for all, from young families to couples and remote workers.

Renowned for its

specialty coffees, including rare filter options, and a delicious brunch menu featuring perfectly poached eggs, it's the go-to spot for a delightful culinary experience. Friendly baristas and a pet-friendly environment add to its charm.

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VanFruct Coffee Shop



VanFruct Coffee Shop excels in light roast speciality coffee, complemented by a selection of unique, homemade bites. Known

for its cosy, intimate setting, the café serves flavourful waffles and matcha, creating a delightful experience for guests seeking quality and comfort.

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Camera din Față



Camera din Față café, located in Piața Amzei, offers an exquisite selection of teas, coffees, wines and cocktails, complemented by

delightful desserts. This aesthetically pleasing spot is known for its Romanian vintage charm and over 120 tea varieties, creating a perfect backdrop for a nostalgic journey with old music and a welcoming atmosphere. A go-to for a unique, cosy experience.

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Internet: www.cameradinfata.ro

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Frudisiac



Frudisiac café stands out for its healthy, delicious brunch offerings and speciality coffee.

Embracing a minimalist Scandinavian design, this

relaxed, pet-friendly spot offers shared tables for friendly interactions. Its delectable avocado toast and pancakes make it a perfect choice for a leisurely brunch.

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BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Bucharest's bars are scattered around the city and searching for the best venues is all part of the fun. Here you will find cosy pubs, chic lounges and trendy bars that all add to the city's nightclub scene. There are enough top nightspots here to cater to everyone's taste, whether you want to dance the night away or chill out in one of the more mellow venues.

Caru' cu Bere



Beer connoisseurs will be in their element at Caru' cu Bere. This is Bucharest's oldest beer hall, dating from 1879 with a Dracula-esque, Gothic-style interior. They offer not only delicious traditional craft beer, but also a wonderful selection of vintages from their wine cellar.

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Email: rezervari@carucubere.ro

Kristal Club



Kristal Club is often described as one of the best and most popular clubs in Bucharest, regularly hosting some of Europe's top DJs. The stage and dance floor are surrounded by huge screens that complement the music and greatly enhance the entire experience at the club.

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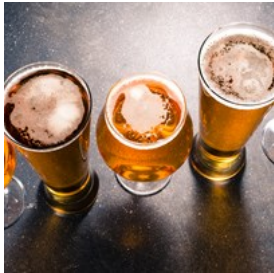
Hard Rock Cafe Bucharest



This famous establishment is located in Herăstrău Park, one of the largest city parks in Europe. Not only can you enjoy a tasty cocktail but also satisfy your craving with American-inspired food. The venue is a favourite among locals and tourists alike.

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Internet: www.hardrockcafe.com/location/bucharest/ro
Email: sales@hardrockcafe.ro

Beer O'Clock



The friendly and knowledgeable staff at Beer O'Clock are experts at what they do, guiding customers through their impressive selection of over 250 varieties of beer, both bottled and on tap.

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Internet: www.beeroclock.ro

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Bucharest 2Night Tours



Discover Bucharest's nightlife with Bucharest 2Night's expert team. From vibrant clubs to Old Town bars, they offer varied services including pub crawls, day tours, and bespoke party packages. Experience a safe, hassle-free holiday with their local insights and tailored options.

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SHOPPING



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Bucharest, a hidden gem for fashion enthusiasts, rivals the likes of Paris, Milan and London with its exquisite shopping scene. However, the city's true charm unfolds in its treasure trove of local offerings. Venture into a world of unique Romanian handicrafts, quaint knick-knack shops and intriguing antique stores, each offering a glimpse into Romania's rich heritage. From relics of the Communist era to authentic souvenirs, Bucharest's shopping experience is a delightful journey through history and culture.

World Trade Center Bucharest



The World Trade Center in Bucharest features elegant boutiques, art galleries, as well as fashion and antique shops. There are also services such as beauty salons, banking services, grocery stores, pharmacies, post office, restaurants and cafes.

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Email: office@wtcb.ro

Unirea Shopping Center



Unirea Shopping Center is located in the heart of the city and offers fashion stores on the first and second floors like H&M, New Yorker and Triumph. Electronics and household shops can be found on floors three and four.

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Obor Market



The recently renovated Piața Obor is Bucharest's largest market with all sorts of food and a mini bazaar. This famous market is huge, colourful and vibrant, and offers a huge number of products, from fresh produce and meat to children's toys and souvenirs.

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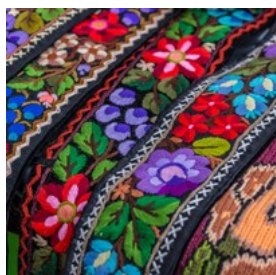
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Folk Art Shop at the National Museum of the Romanian Peasant



There are plenty of intimate places to look for artisanal goods. For handwoven rugs, painted eggs, pottery, traditional Romanian textiles and outfits, spend some time looking through the wares at the folk art shop of the National

Museum of the Romanian Peasant.

The museum itself displays collections of folk costumes, ceramics and religious items in a gorgeous 1941 brick building.

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Plaza Romania



Plaza Romania is a shopping mall with plenty of shops and a cinema. Bigotti, Ecco, Mango, Zara, H&M and Koton are some of the shops that are located here. Another big draw is the movie theatre, a popular hang out spot for the city's youth.

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Macca-Vilacrosse Passage



Pasajul Macca-Vilacrosse, along Calea Victoriei, is a stretch of funky boutiques and unique shops. Art galleries and antique shops can also be found throughout the area, as well as cosy cafes and bars.

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Address: Calea Victoriei, Bucharest

Antiques



Bucharest offers a lot in the way of antiques. There are plenty of art galleries and antique shops along Calea Victoriei and around the Old Historical Centre that are worth checking out.

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Băneasa Shopping City



No matter what you are looking for, you'll find it here at Băneasa Shopping City. In fact this is the largest mall in Bucharest and offers more than 220 shops. Besides shopping, you can also have a good lunch or dinner at one of the restaurants.

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Email: info.bsc@baneasa.ro

Promenada Mall



Promenada Mall is a modern shopping centre located near Aurel Vlaicu metro station. It offers around 140 shops, as well as restaurants, cafes, a fast-food area and a supermarket. What makes this shopping centre special is the roof terrace. In winter, they have an ice rink.

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Address: Calea Floreasca 246B, București

Phone: +40 73 024 62 46

Internet: www.promenada.ro

Email: mall@promenada.ro

Bazaar of Memories Flea Market



The Bazaar of Memories stands out as a unique destination where past and present intertwine. Here, over 500 sellers offer a diverse array of items, from rare antiques and collectibles to contemporary goods. It's more than just a market; it's a journey through time, offering everything from vintage furniture and jewellery to modern fashion and gadgets.

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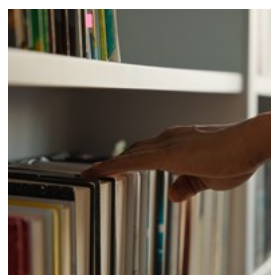
Address: Bulevard Timișoara 101, Sector 6, București

Phone: +40 77 115 58 09

Internet: www.bazarulcuamintiri.ro

Email: info@bazarulcuamintiri.ro

Cărturești Carusel



Cărturești is a popular chain of bookstores in Romania with over a dozen locations in the capital. Their shops are seemingly made for glamorous Instagram and TikTok moments, with the Carusel being a clear winner. Browse the bookshelves and take a few photos in this brilliantly white fortress of literacy and unique items, smack in the middle of the Old Town.

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Address: Strada Lipscani 55, București

Phone: +40 72 882 89 22

Internet: www.carturesti.ro/librarii

Email: carusel@carturesti.net

Atelier Ipsos Maria Radulescu



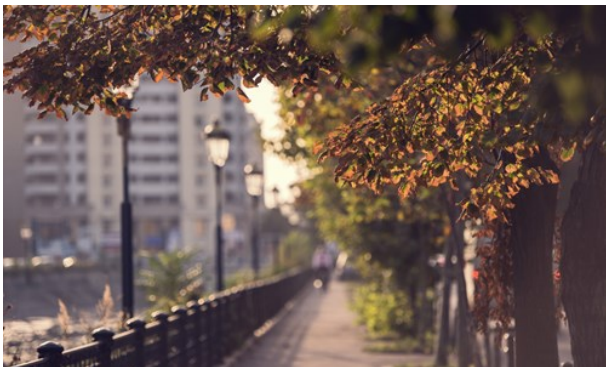
Step into the enchanting world of Atelier Ipsos Maria Radulescu, where artistry in plaster has been perfected over six decades. Located near Bucharest's National University of Arts, this atelier showcases the magic of Maria Radulescu's craft. You can explore a range of ready-made creations or commission custom pieces, each a testament to her skilled hands and artistic vision.

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Address: Calea Griviței 35, București

Phone: +40 72 025 31 24

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Henri Coandă International Airport (OTP)



Bucharest is served by two airports: Henri Coandă International Airport (OTP) and Aurel Vlaicu International Airport (BBU). The Henri

Coandă International Airport is located approximately 17 kilometres from the city centre of Bucharest and the journey takes about 40 minutes. Most international and domestic flights

leave regularly from here.

Trains connect the airport and the Bucharest North Railway Station. The trains depart every 40 minutes and the trip takes 20 minutes. You can also catch the 100 Express line. Bus 100 connects the airport and the city centre. By day, the bus leaves every 15 minutes and every 30 minutes at night. You can find the buses in front of the Arrivals Terminal and the Departures Terminal.

Taxis can be ordered on the touch screen in the Arrivals Terminal.

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Address: Calea Bucureștilor 224 E, Otopeni

Phone: +40 21 204 10 00

Internet: www.bucharestairports.ro/en

Email: contact@bucharestairports.ro

Bucharest Băneasa — Aurel Vlaicu International Airport (BBU)



Bucharest Băneasa Airport (BBU) is located 8 kilometres north of the city centre, and the journey takes approximately 20

minutes. It mainly serves charter flights for package holidays and domestic flights.

To get to and from the airport you can catch buses 131, 335, 148, 112 and 301. You can also catch tram number 5 and the 100 Express line.

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Address: Șoseaua București-Ploiești 40, București

Phone: +40 21 204 10 00

Internet: www.bucharestairports.ro/baneasa/en

Email: contact@bucharestairports.ro

Passport & Visa



Citizens of European Union (EU) and European Economic Area (EEA) countries do not need a visa to enter Romania, only a valid ID. Many other countries, including the United Kingdom, United States, Canada, United Arab Emirates, Australia, and New Zealand, benefit from visa-free entry for short stays of up to 90 days within a 180-day period.

Visitors from visa-exempt countries must hold a valid passport and, starting in late 2025, will need to apply for an ETIAS (European Travel Information and Authorisation System) authorisation online before travelling.

For those requiring a visa, such as travellers from some Middle-East, African or Asian nations, a Schengen visa must be obtained prior to arrival. All travellers should ensure their passport is valid for at least three months beyond their intended stay.

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Internet: https://home-affairs.ec.europa.eu/policies/schengen/visa-policy_en

Public Transport



You can easily walk or bike around the city, but you can also take the bus, tram, trolleybus or metro around Bucharest. With these forms of public transport you can get around the city safely and efficiently.

Bus, tram and trolleybus tickets can be purchased at any RATB kiosk. Punch your ticket

in the machine board to avoid a fine. Transport runs from 4:30 am to 11 pm. Night buses are available after that.

Bucharest's metro has five lines. Trains run every 5-15 minutes, every 15-20 off-peak, from 5:30 am to 11 pm. Sit at the front of trains to avoid missing station signs which are not clearly signposted. The metro is good for travelling longer distances.

Tickets can be used on all means of transportation except the express buses.

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Internet:

www.visitbucharest.today/bucharest-public-transport

Taxi



Always make sure your taxi has a meter to avoid unnecessarily high fares. Once this has been established, you are in for a comfortable and inexpensive ride. Just hail a taxi down from the side of the street.

Uber, Bolt and Yango ridesharing apps work in Bucharest, too.

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Phone: 0219466

Internet: www.cristaxi.ro

Email: office@crisaxi.ro

Postal Service



Stamps can be bought at the post offices that are usually open from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm during weekdays and from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on

Saturday. The central office of Poșta Română is located on Strada Matei Millo.

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Address: Strada Matei Millo 12, București

Phone: +40 21 313 74 59

Internet: www.posta-romana.ro/en

Email: suportclienti@ro.post

Pharmacy



Pharmacies in central Bucharest are well stocked and several of them stay open late.

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Address: Farmacia Dr. Max, Strada Locotenent Aviator Radu Beller 3-7, București

Phone: +40 79 910 65 38

Internet: www.drmax.ro

Email: info@drmax.ro

Telephone



Country code: +40 Area code: 21

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Electricity



In Romania, the standard power outlets are Type F and Type C which are compatible with most European plugs. The voltage is 230V, and the

frequency is 50Hz.

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Population

1.8 million (2024)

Currency

1 leu (plural lei) = 100 bani

Opening hours

Most shops in Bucharest tend to open on weekdays from 10am till 6pm and on Saturday from 10am till 5pm. Restaurants usually stay open until about 11pm. Cafes start operating earlier, at about 8am, and many bars close at about 2am. Banks are open from 9am till 3pm with a lunch break between noon and 1pm.

In summer, some businesses will reduce staff, opening hours or even close for the entire month of August.

Internet

www.visitbucharest.today

Newspapers

Adevărul: www.adevarul.ro

Nine O'Clock (in English): www.nineoclock.ro

Bursa: www.bursa.ro

Emergency numbers

Police, Fire & Ambulance: 112

Tourist information

Bucharest Tourist Information Office

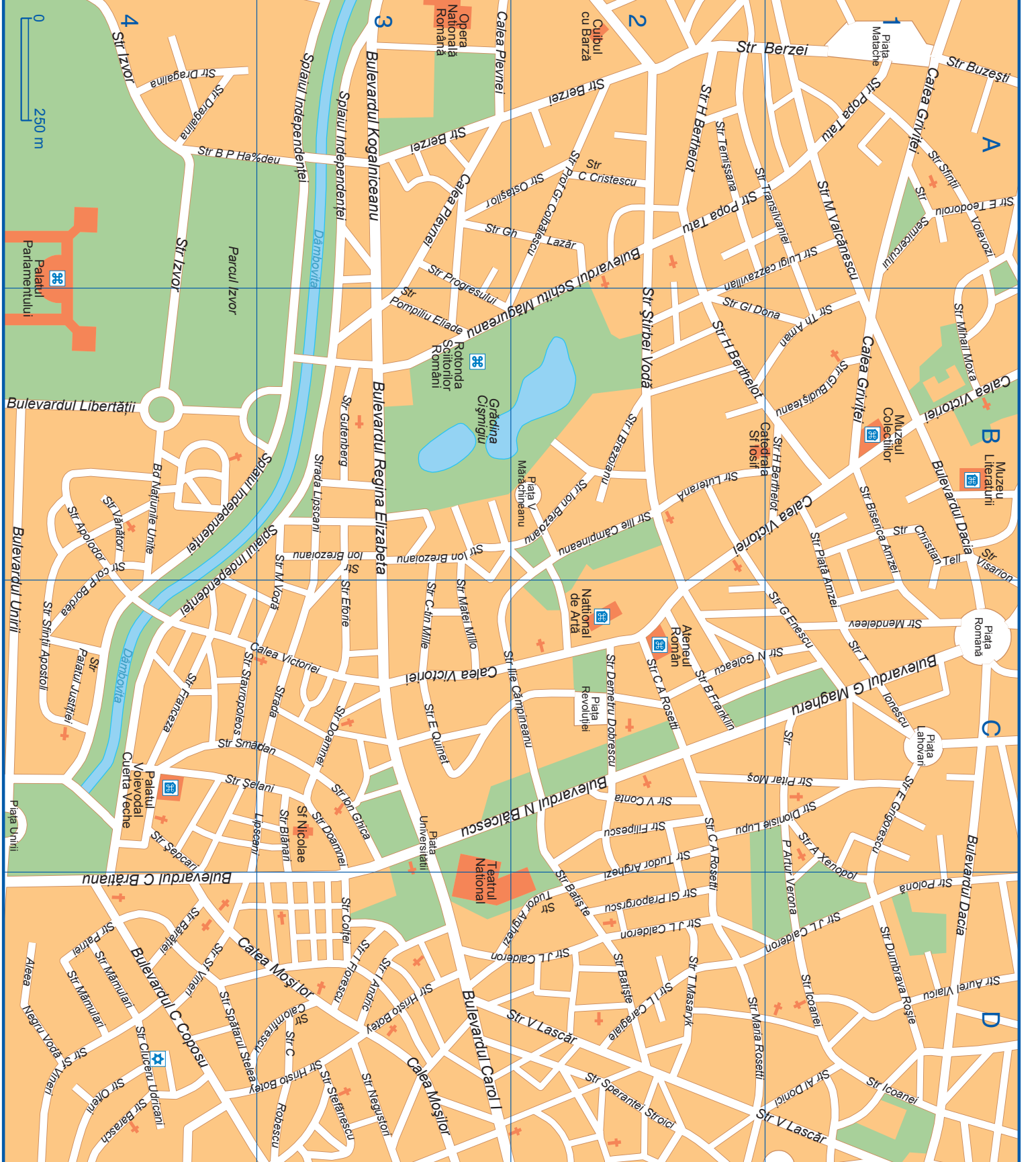
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Calea Victoriei

Bulevardul Carol I

Str Buzesti

Calea Victoriei

Bulevardul Dacia

Str Icoanei

Palatul Parlamentului

Bulevardul Libertății

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