

Hungarian people are inventive and engaging with a warm and wise sense of humour. They are informal and casual, rules are not really for them, particularly the rules of the road! But above all, people are hospitable, generous and welcoming of visitors.

This hidden treasure of Central Eastern Europe is within easy reach from the gateways of Europe and is a rising star in the **conference** and **incentive** world.











Arrival

Welcome to Budapest where your first taste of the city's rich cultural heritage comes at Budapest International Airport as local hostesses, resplendent in Hungarian costumes of the 1930s, are waiting to guide you to a fleet of chauffeur-driven vintage cars. En route to the hotel, stop at the Citadel or on Gellert Hill to enjoy some local sparkling wine and snacks while taking in some of the magnificent views over the River Danube... Margaret Island, the Houses of Parliament, the Academy of Science and many more.



Evening

Ease in gently to your Hungarian experience at one of the city's most iconic eateries. In the heart of Budapest, by the leg of the Chain Bridge Stations lies Spoon Lounge & Café. Set on a 75 metre long, three decked docked boat, its splendid surroundings and superb cuisine combine with the Oriental Lounge to create the perfect chilled out ambience.













Morning - Budapest

Jetlagged? Insomniac? There's a special treat for early risers. As a new day unfolds in Budapest, stroll to the Food Market Hall where local traders prepare for a busy day.

Entering its spacious interior, the rich aroma of salamis, sausages and freshly baked pastries together with the vivid colours of fresh produce displayed in the stalls will dazzle.

Then its time to explore the Pest side of the city with your very special host; the author of the Critical Budapest Guide will introduce not only the highlights, but also the lesser-known attractions and share his local perspective of life in Budapest both past and present.

The morning concludes with a private tour of the State Opera House and a short recital.



Afternoon - Hungarian Puszta (Great Plain)

Take a ride on an old time steam train to enjoy a traditional countryside afternoon. From the train stop, you'll be taken to the farm by horse carriages. After a welcome service of fiery fruit brandy shots and home made scones, visit the stables to learn about Hungarian horse training and enjoy a spectacular horse show. Participate in a number of traditional games and later unwind over enjoy a traditional Hungarian dinner with gypsy music and folk dancing lessons!













Morning - Castle District

Ramble the medieval streets of the Castle District, a UNESCO World Heritage site which hosts numerous historic landmarks such as the Royal Palace, the President's Palace and the Matthias Coronation Church.



Afternoon - Formula One & Fashion

For the ladies a very special treat - an audience with Katti Zoob, nationally and internationally recognised as Hungary's finest fashion designer. Enjoy a private showing of her exclusive designs, consult with her about her work and purchase if you wish. And for the boyracers - a chance to experience the thrilling adventure of life in the fast lane; on a Formula One circuit at the Hungaroring.



Evening - Gundel

One of Hungary's most famous restaurants, consistently acclaimed by Michelin critics, the Gundel is the opulent setting for this very special evening. A master sommelier is waiting to introduce you to the delicate art of Hungarian wine making, sample some of the wonderful vintages then indulge in a delicious dinner with courses specially selected to match the wines.













o Eco Experience - Morning - Gödöllö

Just thirty minutes from Budapest is Grassalkovics Palace in Gödöllö, one of the most beautiful Baroque palaces of Hungary and beloved home of Empress Elisabeth.

Explore its stunning rooms and gardens before a classic concert in its private theatre and lunch in one of the exquisite salons.



Afternoon - Thermal Baths

Aside from the glorious Danube River, there is another liquid pleasure which simply must be experienced in Budapest; the healing, soothing thermal springs that feed the many spas throughout the country. This afternoon, a section of the Szechenyi Bath is privatised just for you. Choose a relaxing treatment and recharge your batteries in this most restorative environment.



o Evening - Farewell Banquet

Your time in Hungary is coming to an end and tonight's gala dinner at Wenckheim Palace will leave you with the most aristocratic of memories. Gather with friends in it's lavish marble halls, complete with classical octet accompaniment, to dine and dance in the style of 19th century Hungarian royalty.













o Breakfast at leisure and airport departures for onward journey home













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