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SLOVAKIA PRACTICAL GUIDE



THE AMAZING FOOD



ONE BUS AWAY FROM EVERYTHING



YOU'RE IN THE RIGHT PLACE!

HERE IS WHY

THE VIEWS



BEAUTIFUL HISTORICAL CENTER



PANCAKES AT ANYTIME



THE UNDERGROUND CLUBS

HOW TO SAY?

HELLO / Ahoj or Dobrý deň

GOOD MORNING / Dobré ráno

GOOD NIGHT / Dobrú noc

GOODBYE / Dovidenia

EXCUSE ME / Prepáčte

CHEERS / Na zdravie

OK/GOOD / Dobre

YES/ Áno

NO/ Nie

THANK YOU/ Ďakujem

YOU'RE WELCOME / Nie je začo

MUST SEES IN BRATISLAVA



OLD TOWN (STARÉ MESTO)

Like other European cities, Bratislava owns a beautiful historic center that carries the city's soul. It's where you can see almost all the must-see attractions.

MICHAEL'S GATE AND TOWER

In the photo, you can also see the medieval Michael's gate and above the Michael's Tower, which offers a panoramic view over the city.



MAIN SQUARE (HLAVNÉ NÁMESTIE)

Located in the old town, the main square is the epicenter of the town packed with tourists all the time.



THE ROLAND FOUNTAIN AT NIGHT (MAXIMILIAN FOUNTAIN)

The main square is full of architectural splendors like the Old Town Hall (Stara Radnica), a complex of wonderful buildings from different time periods, the Roland Fountain (Maximilian Fountain), and the Palugyayov Palác, a neo-baroque palace.

To get here to these places very close to each other, you can catch the tram.



BRATISLAVA CASTLE (BRATISLAVSKÝ HRAD)

The symbol of Bratislava that you can spot on a hill from a far before entering the city. There you can visit its beautiful baroque garden and contemplate the mesmerizing view over the old town, UFO, Danube River, and Austria from the top of the castle.



MAN AT WORK (ČUMIL)

Čumil is a Slovakian word that translates to the watcher. Some say that he is trying to get a look under the girls' skirts, others that he's a lazy worker who works less and watches more, but some suggest that he's just taking a rest after a day's hard work. Legend has it that if you rub his head and make a wish it'll come true! Throughout the city, you can see many other notable statues.



BLUE CHURCH (MODRÝ KOSTOLÍK)

Not far from the city center you can see the Blue Church and as the name suggests, it is blue. Both the exteriors and interiors display a stunning blue color.



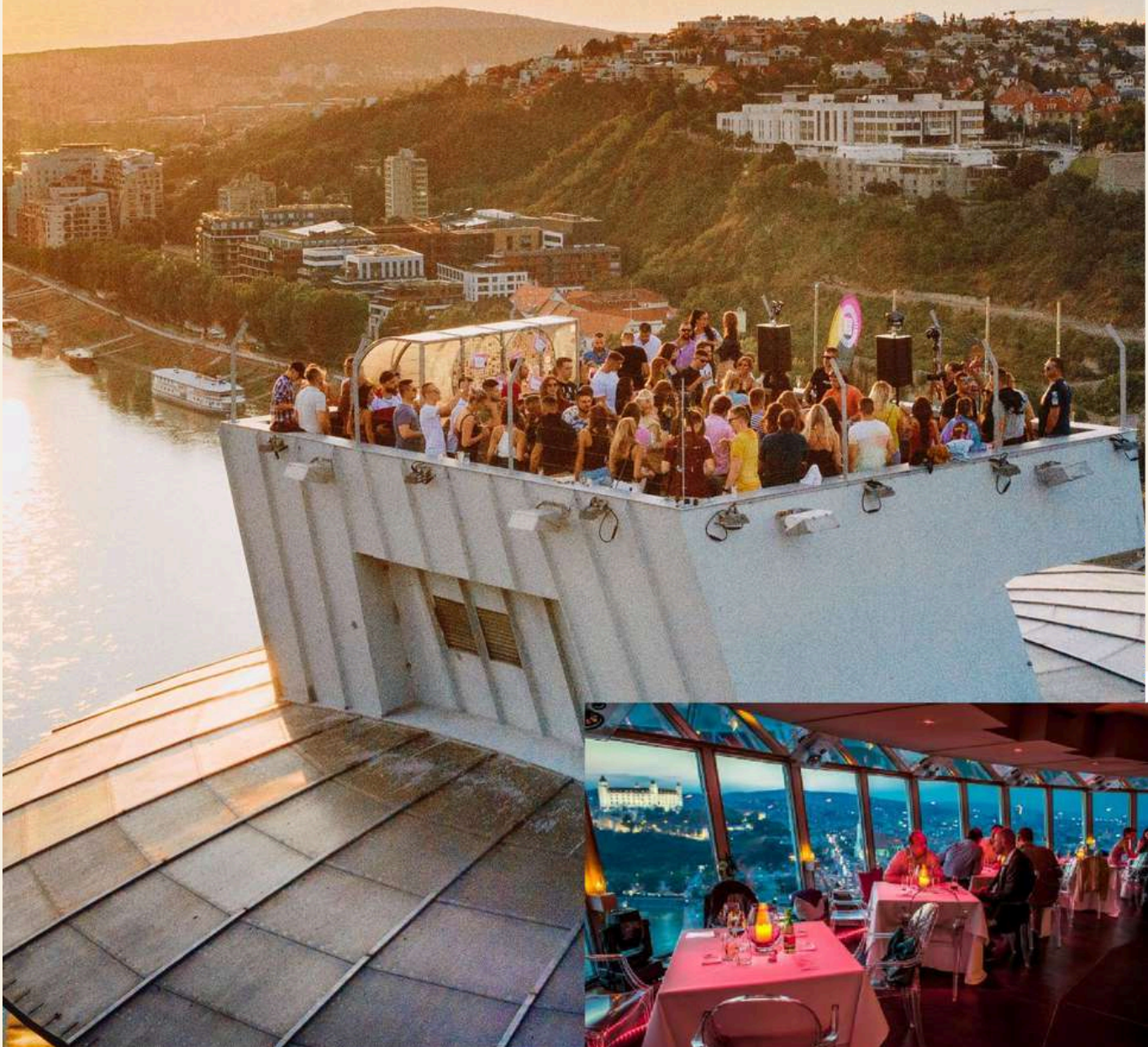
THE RUINS OF DEVÍN CASTLE (DEVÍNSKY HRAD)

Twelve kilometers away from Bratislava is the Devén Castle located on a cliff in Devín. It overlooks the Austro-Slovak borders and the meeting of the rivers of Danube and Morava. It takes around 2-3 hours to explore the castle and its attractions. We incentivize you to enjoy a beautiful sunset from here.

ANOTHER MUST SEE IN BRATISLAVA IS THE UFO BRIDGE

You can enjoy a beautiful view from the top of the UFO Tower that stays on the Nový most (New Bridge). You can also experience this while dining at the UFO Restaurant. The entry fee is around 10€.

The name UFO comes from its spaceship-shaped architecture. You can see the bridge from most of the places in Bratislava. It's the most distinguished attraction in Bratislava.



UFO Restaurant

WHAT CAN YOU DO?



You can go for a walk alongside the Danube river or enjoy simply the sunset on the grass or on the platforms above the river. You can also find here lots of restaurants and bars, inclusive restaurants on boats. And for this we recommend the Dunajský Pivovar.



For a drink and music in the Old Town, you can go to the Barrock, a rock theme restaurant where you can also dance, or to the Goblins pub, an amazingly atmospheric underground bar with a variety of weekly entertainment such as live bands, open mic/acoustic sessions, stand up comedy and live drawing sessions with professionals.

CHRISTMAS IN BRATISLAVA

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CHRISTMAS MARKETS

To really experience the true Christmas spirit you should definitely visit the Christmas markets with magical decorations throughout the city. They take place every year all around the city. You can see it for example at Hlavné námestie and Hviezdoslavovo námestie, at Bratislava Castle or around Eurovea.



There you can find little stalls filled with wonderful presents. We encourage you to try a punch with homemade “lokshe” (potato pancakes with various sweet and sour fillings), and also the traditional Bratislava rolls.

They usually start in late November and end right before Christmas day.



HAVE FUN



01 **THE CLUB**



02 **ALDEA CLUB**



03 **CHANNELS**



04 **TRAFO**

TRADITIONAL SLOVAK FOOD

The Slovak Pub, the Flag Ship, and the Modrá Hviezda are some of the best traditional Slovak restaurants.

CESNAKOVÁ POLIEVKA Garlic soup is usually served in bread instead of a bowl, and you can eat the bread together with the soup.

ZEMIAKOVÉ PLACKY Potato pancakes are usually paired on menus with balkanska pochúťka, a stew of pork meat, tomatoes, peppers and onions.



DUMPLINGS

BRYNDZOVÉ HALUŠKY

Potato dumplings with sheep's cheese often topped with sour cream and crispy bacon pieces



BRYNDZOVÉ PIROHY

Doughy, pierogi-style dumplings with sheep's cheese.



ZEMIAKOVÉ KNEDLIKY S ÚDENÝM MÄSOM

Potato dumplings with smoked meat served with stewed sauerkraut, sour cream, and fried onions.



WHERE ELSE CAN YOU GO?

The city can serve as a great base to visit some great destinations in neighboring countries - Austria, Czech Republic, Hungary and Poland.

VIENNA

You can get to Vienna by train or bus that operate every 30/60 minutes and it will take you about one hour. The tickets cost anywhere between 5 and 10 euros one way.

PRAGUE

There are train or buses leaving for Prague every 3 hours. The tickets costs between 5 to 15 euros one way and it takes about 4 hours to get there.

BUDAPEST

It takes about 2 hours and 20 minutes by train. The cheapest option though is by bus. However the daily transport offer is around 4 or 5 buses/trains, depending the company. Flixbus can offer busses for only 5.99 euros and Regio Jet for 7.9 euros one way.

KRAKÓW

It takes about 6 hours to get there by train, which operates every 3 to 4 hours. The tickets cost around 20 euros one way.

SALZBURG

The tickets cost between 30 and 40 euros one way, and there aren't many daily options, around 4 trains that connect to other buses along the way.

BRNO

There are quite a lot of buses and trains going from Bratislava to Brno. Trains leave from Hlavná Stanica and the journey takes about 1,5 hours and buses leave from Mlynske Nivy and the journey takes from 1,5 to 2 hours. Prices start at 5 Euros, depending on the company.

VIENNA



PRAGUE



BUDAPEST





THE

MOUNTAINS

ARE

CALLING

AND

I MUST GO



VYSOKÉ TATRY

The National Park High Tatras (Vysoke Tatry) is situated in the north of Slovakia, partly shared with Poland.

HOW TO GET THERE

From Bratislava, you can take a train from Hlavna Stanica to Poprad and it takes about 5 hours to get there. If you have an ISIC Card the train will be free for you. From Poprad, the Tatra Electric Railroad runs directly to Starý Smokovec, about 30 minutes, and Strbské Pleso, about 1 hour. To reach Tatranská Lomnica, change trains in Starý Smokovec.

AROUND THE HIGH TATRAS

Trains run about every 45 minutes from Poprad to Starý Smokovec and on to Strbské Pleso. The prices depend on the length of the journey, but from Poprad to Strbské Pleso is about 1.50€. You can buy them at ticket windows at stations and validate them on the trains.

Ski: If you're planning a ski trip in the High Tatras, the best snow is likely to be found in January and February.

Hike: For hiking, you should plan your visit between mid-June and late October. most trails are closed between November 1 and June 15.


WHERE TO STAY

You can find quality High Tatras hotels in Štrbské Pleso, Starý Smokovec, and Tatranská Lomnica.

For a more affordable option, you can also choose to stay in Poprad or in a small village.

BEST HIKES

Popradske Pleso, Sedlo nad Ostrvou, Zelene Pleso, Sliezsky dom and many more



***"We travel not to
escape life, but
for life not to
escape us."***