



# Bucharest

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Bucharest is undoubtedly Europe's best kept secret. While visually it can't quite compete with the likes of some of the other grand Eastern European capitals, it leads the pack in dynamism, energy and forward momentum. While the remnants of Communism are still palpable throughout, the city has its sights set firmly on the future, though never forgetting its history. 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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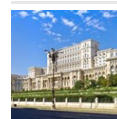
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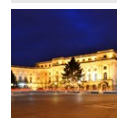
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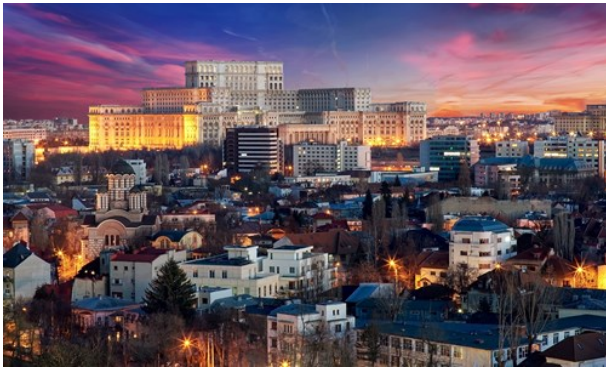
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## THE CITY



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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 are a bevy of recently opened venues to eat, drink, shop, club and sleep. Not only this, but 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, but do not be afraid to venture further north, east and west to discover many more treasures.

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

come and find it all 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.

### Palatul Parlamentului (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.

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### Arcul de Triumf (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 arc was built using wood in 1922, and was then finished in Deva granite in 1936.

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### Lipscani District

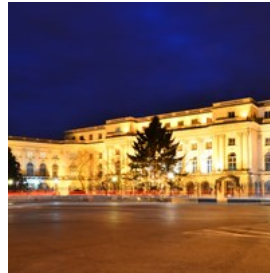


Lipscani, Bucharest's historical centre, retains an old town charm which is almost irresistible. It is located between Calea Victoriei, Blvd. Bratianu, Blvd. Regina Elisabeta and the Dambovitza River. Its collection of winding streets boasts antique markets, bric-a-brac spilling out from tiny boutiques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

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Address: Lipscani, Bucharest

### National Art Museum



Romania's most impressive art collection (Muzeul National de Arta) 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, as well as works by celebrated Romanian artists.

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Opening hours: Wed-Sun 11am-7pm

Phone: +40 21 313 30 30

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Email: [comunicare@art.museum.ro](mailto:comunicare@art.museum.ro)

### 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).

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### Ateneul Roman



The Ateneul Roman 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, which should not be missed if you have the chance.

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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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Opening hours: Tue-Sun 10am-6pm  
Phone: +40 21 212 9661  
Internet: [www.muzeultaranuluiroman.ro](http://www.muzeultaranuluiroman.ro)  
Email: [info@muzeultaranuluiroman.ro](mailto:info@muzeultaranuluiroman.ro)

### Jewish History Museum



This museum, situated in a stunning 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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Address: Str Mămulari 3, Bucharest  
Opening hours: Mon-Thu 10am-2pm, Fri 10am-1pm  
Phone: +40 21 311 0870  
Internet: [www.romanianjewish.org](http://www.romanianjewish.org)  
Email: [carmeniovit@yahoo.com](mailto:carmeniovit@yahoo.com)

### Old Princely Court & Church



The Old Princely Court (Curtea Veche) was built in the 15th century by Vlad Tepes, also known as Vlad Dracula. According to legend, he kept his prisoners right beneath the court. What remains today are a few walls, arches, tombstones and a Corinthian column.

Here you can also find Bucharest's 16th-century Old Princely Church (Biserica Curtea Veche), the city's oldest church. Original frescoes and Wallachia architecture are among the star features in this ancient Romanian veteran.

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### Revolution Square - Piața Revoluției



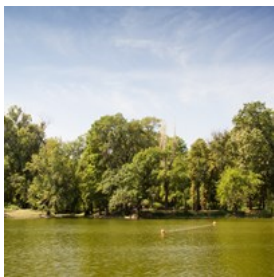
While the University of Bucharest saw some of the darkest days of Ceausescu's regime, events at the Revolution Square heralded the

beginning of a new age. This building now houses the Senate. 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: Revolution Square, Bucharest

### Carol Park



This is one of the most beautiful parks in Bucharest, designed by the French landscape architect, Eduard Redont.

Here 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.

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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 1890's, the location alone makes the visit worthwhile.

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Address: Șos Kiseleff 4, Sector 1, Bucharest

Opening hours: Daily 11am-1am

Phone: +40 21 222 6717

Internet: [www.casadoina.ro](http://www.casadoina.ro)

Email: [restaurant@casadoina.ro](mailto:restaurant@casadoina.ro)

### Divan



This is not just a restaurant and but a great meeting place in an oriental environment.

Divan serves great Turkish food, alive with spice and flavour, along with live entertainment which makes any night spent here a night to remember.

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Address: Calea Floreasca 111-113, Bucharest

Opening hours: Daily 10am-2am

Phone: +40 21 539 19 19

Internet: [www.thedivan.ro](http://www.thedivan.ro)

Email: [info@thedivan.ro](mailto:info@thedivan.ro)

### Doncafe Brasserie



Located in the covered yard of an old villa in a very stylish area of Bucharest, Doncafe

Crasserie 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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Address: Strada Ankara nr. 7, Bucharest

Phone: +40 746 222 444

Internet: [www.doncafe-brasserie.ro](http://www.doncafe-brasserie.ro)

Email: [doncafe.brasserie@yahoo.ro](mailto:doncafe.brasserie@yahoo.ro)

### Arcade Cafe



Modern and extremely stylish Arcade Cafe was designed to resemble a Parisian cafe, and serves delicious small meals, coffee and all manner of

beer, wine and cocktails later in the evening.

With three distinct seating areas, it is a popular place for events and offers different environments in which to enjoy your meal or drinks.

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Address: Smardan, nr. 30, Bucharest

Opening hours: Daily 9:30am-5pm

Phone: +40 722 777 674

Internet: [www.arcadecafe.ro](http://www.arcadecafe.ro)

Email: [cafenea@arcadecafe.ro](mailto:cafenea@arcadecafe.ro)

### Hard Rock Cafe Bucharest



This famous establishment is located in Herastrau Park, one of the largest city parks in Europe. Not only you can enjoy a tasty cocktail but

also satisfy your craving with American inspired food. The venue is a favorite among locals and tourists alike.

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Address: 32 Kiseleff Avenue, District 1, Bucharest

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 12pm-12am, Fri-Sat 12pm-1am

Phone: +40 21 206 6261

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

### Le Boutique - Food Concept Store



At this restaurant you can enjoy Mediterranean food in a cosy and welcoming atmosphere whether you are looking for lunch or

dinner. Some nights they also have live music, making this a very popular venue among visitors to the city.

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Address: Str. Sfantul Stefan nr.13, Bucharest

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-12am, Sat-Sun 12pm-12am

Phone: +40 722 538 274

Internet: [www.leboutiquefood.ro](http://www.leboutiquefood.ro)

Email: [comenzi@leboutiquefood.ro](mailto:comenzi@leboutiquefood.ro)

### Marin Seafood Grill



Tuck into lovely seafood in this very simple restaurant which is located in the heart of Bucharest. From the menu you can choose

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Address: Gabroveni 4, Bucharest

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 12pm-1am, Fri-Sat 2pm-5am

Phone: +40 21 313 8475

Internet: [www.marinseafood.ro](http://www.marinseafood.ro)

### Edo Sushi



At this small Japanese restaurant you can eat delicious sushi, sashimi, soup and salad, all at a reasonable price. It is claimed to be one of the

best sushi places in Bucharest, boasting some really great Japanese cuisine that could stand up to any international standards.

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Address: Calea Victoriei 122, Bucharest

Phone: +40 735 111 001

Internet: [www.edo-sushi.ro](http://www.edo-sushi.ro)

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## CAFES



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Bucharest has developed a varied and sophisticated cafe scene, absorbing influences from around the world in terms of coffee production and preparation, as well as decor and ambiance. 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.

### Café & Latte



Café & Latte is a longstanding Bucharest institution. It is a popular choice among locals, students and tourists for their many coffee choices,

all wonderfully prepared by experienced coffee experts, and often served alongside their homemade cakes and desserts.

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Address: Schitu Magureanu nr.35, Bucharest

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-10pm, Sat 8:30am-10pm, Sun 10am-10pm

Phone: +40 2131 415 8551

Internet: [www.caffe-latte.ro](http://www.caffe-latte.ro)

Email: [office@caffe-latte.ro](mailto:office@caffe-latte.ro)



### Snack Attack



This cafe claims to be "crazy about healthy food", offering bagels and other breads with a wide range of fillings and toppings. They also serve salads, soups and desserts at their numerous locations throughout the city, making them a popular place for a quick snack.

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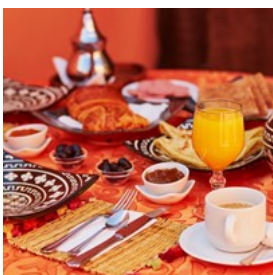
### Cafeneaua Actorilor



Cafeneaua Actorilor is beautifully located in Tineretului Park by the lake. Here you can enjoy mouth-watering pizza and pasta dishes. They also serve desserts such as pancakes with banana and chocolate, the perfect complement to a hot coffee after your meal.

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Opening hours: Mon-Sat 12pm-2am, Sun 12pm-12am  
Phone: +40 724 147 432  
Internet: [www.cafeneauaactorilor.ro](http://www.cafeneauaactorilor.ro)  
Email: [office@cafeneauaactorilor.ro](mailto:office@cafeneauaactorilor.ro)

### Ramayana Cafe



Ramayana is one of the most unique cafes in Bucharest, a dimly lit and intimate place, meticulously designed and decorated with red cushions and drapes setting the mood. It is an

oriental-themed cafe, serving some great green tea and coffee, as well as wonderful brunch.

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Address: Strada Baldovin Parcalabul Nr. 11, Bucharest  
Opening hours: Open 24 hours  
Phone: +40 788 595 595  
Internet: [www.ramayana.ro](http://www.ramayana.ro)

### Grand Cafe Van Gogh



Grand Cafe 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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Phone: +40 31 107 6371  
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Email: [info@vangogh.ro](mailto:info@vangogh.ro)

### Tucano Coffee



Tucano Coffee lives by a simple motto: Love. Peace. Coffee. Inspired by coffee cultures from around the world, the cafe has an "ethno" design, atmosphere and approach to coffee production and preparation, using only 100% speciality arabica beans from the best plantations around the world.

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Phone: +40 769 271 552  
Internet: [www.tucanocoffee.com](http://www.tucanocoffee.com)  
Email: [info@tucanocoffee.com](mailto:info@tucanocoffee.com)



## 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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Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-1am, Sat-Sun 10am-1am

Phone: +40 236 186 467

Email: hello@m60cafe.com

## 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.

## Bucharest 2Night



For those looking to discover the nightlife in Bucharest, the party planning team from Bucharest 2Night are famous for the big variety

of services provided for tourists of any kind!

Known for its variety of party places such as the big exquisite clubs or the Old Town area bars, Bucharest has plenty of hidden gems that are totally worth discovering with the help of a local guide, such as Bucharest 2Night. Starting with the weekly pub crawls, day tours, bachelor parties and custom party packages are just some of the highlights that can turn your holiday into an amazing experience! Besides the guarantee of a very safe, hassle-free and high standards service, the guides from Bucharest 2Night can provide a lot of useful info and local recommendations for enjoying your time in Romania the way you wish.

Preplanned or custom, the choice is yours!

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Opening hours: Daily 10am-2am

Phone: +40 727 139 769

Internet: bucharest2night.com

## Ateneul Roman



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 Internet: www.fge.org.ro  
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### Caru' Cu Bere



Beer connoisseurs will be in their element at Caru' cu Bere. Bucharest's oldest beer hall dates from 1879 and sports a Dracula-esque,

Gothic-style interior, offering not only delicious traditional craft beer, but also a wonderful selection of vintages from their wine cellar.

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 Opening hours: Sun-Thu 8am-12am, Fri-Sat 8am-2am  
 Phone: +40 21 313 7560  
 Internet: www.carucubere.ro  
 Email: rezervari@carucubere.ro

### Deja-vu



Order Deja-vu's most exotic cocktail to make the most of the extensive drinks menu. On Wednesdays you can enjoy live music here and

on Thursdays you can play the gangster game Mafia.

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 Opening hours: Daily 10am-4am  
 Phone: +40 21 311 23 22  
 Internet: www.dejavu-club.ro  
 Email: contact@dejavu-club.ro

### Salsa 5 Club



Salsa III is perfect for a seductive taste of Latino dancing and great tasting Sangria. It does not matter if you are new at Salsa or if you have been dancing for years, everyone is welcome.

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 Address: Str Tabacarilor 7, Bucharest  
 Opening hours: Wed-Mon 7pm-5am  
 Phone: +40 21 723 531 841  
 Internet: www.salsagroup.ro

### Club Maxx



Maxx is one of the largest, rowdiest and wildest night clubs in Bucharest, known to draw a big crowd and play good music. The craziness includes pole dancers, like DJs and some of the liveliest club-goers you've even encountered. If you want to get lost in dance then this is the place to go to.

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 Opening hours: Thu-Sat 11pm-6am  
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### Kristal Glam Club



Kristal Glam Club is claimed to be one of the best and most popular clubs in Bucharest, regularly hosting some of Europe's top DJ's. 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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 Phone: +40 722 795 184  
 Internet: www.clubkristal.ro  
 Email: office@clubkristal.ro

### Hard Rock Cafe Bucharest



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 Address: 32 Kiseleff Avenue, District 1, Bucharest  
 Opening hours: Sun-Thu 12pm-12am, Fri-Sat 12pm-1am  
 Phone: +40 21 206 6261  
 Internet: www.hardrock.com

### Dionysos Wine Bar



Dionysos Wine Bar is run by perhaps the most knowledgeable wine connoisseurs in the city, and they are always happy to converse and guide you through the wide and interesting selection, which includes both international and Romanian vintages.

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 Opening hours: Daily 4pm-12am  
 Phone: +40 723 655 156  
 Internet: www.dionysos.bar  
 Email: enjoy@dionysos.bar

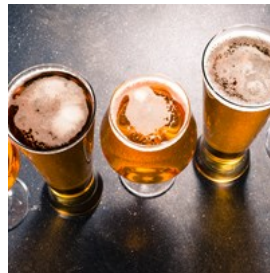
### Bucharest Casino



You will find this casino inside the 5-star Intercontinental Hotel located right in the heart of the city. Featuring a stylish bar and lounge and an exquisite restaurant, it is a great place to unwind with a fine glass of wine or a cocktail and try your luck at the tables.

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 Opening hours: Daily 6pm-6am  
 Phone: +40 728 833 828  
 Internet: www.casinobucharest.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 150 varieties of beer, both bottled and on tap.

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 Opening hours: Daily 5pm-2am  
 Phone: +40 735 187 012  
 Internet: www.beeroclock.ro  
 Email: office@beeroclock.ro

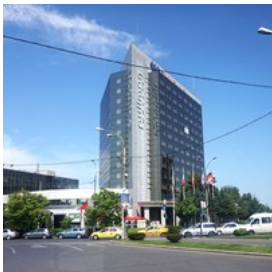
## SHOPPING



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Bucharest offers top-notch fashion shopping, such as you might expect to find in Paris, Milan or London, but the true joy of shopping here lies in local products. If you are hunting down souvenirs, there is an endless range of little shops that sell Romanian handicrafts and knick-knacks, some more authentic than others, as well as wonderful antique shops and stores selling items from the days of Communism.

### World Trade Center Bucharest



The World Trade Center in Bucharest features elegant boutiques, art galleries, 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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Internet: [www.wtcb.ro](http://www.wtcb.ro)

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### Unirea Shopping Centre



Unirea Shopping Centre is located in the heart of the city and offers fashion stores on the first and second floors like H&M, NewYorker, Body Shop and Triumph. Electronics and household shops can be found on floors three and four. If you would like to buy food then head to the basement where the Mega Image supermarket can be found.

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Address: Piata Unirii 1, Bucharest

Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm

Phone: + 40 21 30 30 208

Internet: [www.unireashop.ro](http://www.unireashop.ro)

Email: [office@unireashop.ro](mailto:office@unireashop.ro)

### Piata Obor



The recently renovated Piata 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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Address: Campul Moslior 5, Bucharest

### Folk Art Shop - Museum of the Romanian Peasant



There are also plenty of intimate places to look for more home-grown goods. For hand-woven rugs, painted eggs, pottery and traditional Romanian textiles and outfits, spend some time looking



through the wares at the folk art shop of the Museum of the Romanian Peasant.

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 Address: Șos. Kiseleff 3, Bucharest  
 Opening hours: Tue-Sun 10am-6pm  
 Phone: +40 21 317 96 61  
 Internet: [www.muzeultaranuluiroman.ro](http://www.muzeultaranuluiroman.ro)  
 Email: [info@muzeultaranuluiroman.ro](mailto:info@muzeultaranuluiroman.ro)

### Plaza Romania



Plaza Romania is a shopping mall where you will find plenty of shops and a cinema. Accessorize, Bigotti, Ecco, Gant, Guess, H&M and Massimo Dutti 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.

Photo: Syda Productions / Shutterstock.com  
 Address: Bld. Timisoara 26Z, Bucharest  
 Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm  
 Phone: +40 021 407 84 64  
 Internet: [www.plazaromania.ro](http://www.plazaromania.ro)  
 Email: [Infodesk.PR@anchorgroup.ro](mailto:Infodesk.PR@anchorgroup.ro)

### Pasajul Macca-Vilacrosse



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.

Photo: Britchi Mirela / Wikimedia Commons (image cropped)  
 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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### Baneasa Shopping City



Whatever you are looking for you will find it here at Baneasa 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.

Photo: Alexandru Panoiu / Flickr (image cropped)  
 Address: Șoseaua Bucuresti-Ploiesti 42D, Bucharest  
 Opening hours: Daily 10am-11pm  
 Phone: +40 21 306 55 05  
 Internet: [www.baneasashoppingcity.ro](http://www.baneasashoppingcity.ro)  
 Email: [office@baneasashoppingcity.ro](mailto:office@baneasashoppingcity.ro)

### Clou Boutique



Clou Boutique is a little gem that offers lovely gifts and decorative items for your home. The boutique has a cosy and pleasant atmosphere and is located in the heart of Bucharest.

Photo: Africa Studio / Shutterstock.com  
 Address: Calea Dorobantilor nr. 132, Bucharest  
 Phone: +40 0745 958 228  
 Internet: [www.clouboutique.ro](http://www.clouboutique.ro)  
 Email: [contact@clouboutique.ro](mailto:contact@clouboutique.ro)

### Band Of Creators



This store offers you a selection of fashion created by Romanian Designers, including limited edition and unique pieces. Here you will find office or smart casual clothing, but also evening wear and outstanding accessories.

Photo: Elena Kharichkina / Shutterstock.com

Address: 14 Benjamin Franklin, Bucharest

Phone: +40 754 041 735

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

Email: [band@bandofcreators.com](mailto:band@bandofcreators.com)

### Anthony Frost English Bookshop



Conveniently located near the National Art Museum, Anthony Frost English Bookshop provides a careful selection of English-language fiction and non-fiction books and comics from all around the world.

Photo: luminast / Shutterstock.com

Address: 45 Calea Victoriei, Bucharest

Phone: +40 21 311 5138

Internet: [www.anthonystfrost.ro](http://www.anthonystfrost.ro)

Email: [contact@librariaengleza.ro](mailto:contact@librariaengleza.ro)

### Promenada Mall



Promenada Mall is the newest in town and is located near Aurel Vlaicu metro station. It not only offers about 140 shops, but also restaurants,

cafes, a fast-food area and a supermarket. What makes this mall special is the terrace on the roof, and that during the winter time they have an ice rink.

Photo: Monkey Business Images / Shutterstock.com

Address: Calea Floreasca Nr. 246B, Bucharest

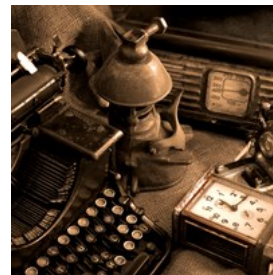
Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm

Phone: +40 744 246 246

Internet: [www.promenada.ro](http://www.promenada.ro)

Email: [mall@promenada.ro](mailto:mall@promenada.ro)

### Palatul Vechiturilor



When visiting this innovative second hand retail shop you will find yourself going back in time. You will be surrounded by second hand items from the communist period and some impressive collectible antiques.

Photo: alexkatkov / Shutterstock.com

Address: 192-194 Mihai Bravu Road, Bucharest

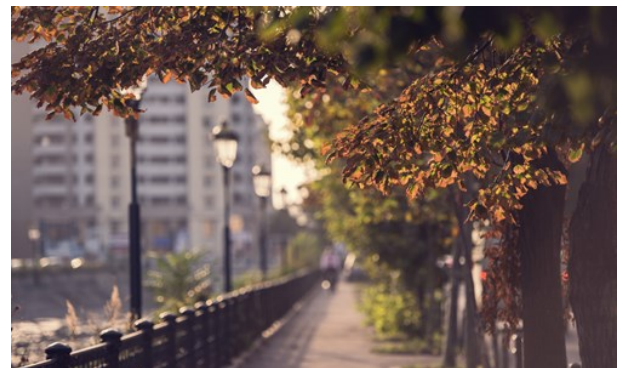
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-1pm

Phone: +40 722 407 340

Internet: [www.palatulvechiturilor.ro](http://www.palatulvechiturilor.ro)

Email: [contact@palatulvechiturilor.ro](mailto:contact@palatulvechiturilor.ro)

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## Henri Coandă International Airport



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 40 minutes. Most international and domestic flights leave regularly from here.

Trains connect the airport and the Bucharest North Railway Station. You can also catch the 780 express bus line. Bus 783 connects the airport and the city centre and it runs throughout the whole day, every 40 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.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Henri Coandă International Airport, Bucharest

Phone: +40 21 204 1000

Internet: [www.bucharestairports.ro](http://www.bucharestairports.ro)

## Aurel Vlaicu International Airport



Aurel Vlaicu International 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 express route 783.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Aurel Vlaicu International Airport, Bucharest

Phone: +40 21 230 5607

Internet: [www.bucharestairports.ro](http://www.bucharestairports.ro)

Email: [contact@bucharestairports.ro](mailto:contact@bucharestairports.ro)

## 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 5am to midnight.

Bucharest's metro has four lines. Trains run every 4-7 minutes, every 15-20 off-peak, from 5:30am-11pm. 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.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Internet: [www.transporturban.ro](http://www.transporturban.ro)

## 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. Two reputable companies are:

CrisTaxi:  
+40 21 9466  
www.cristaxi.ro

Internet: www.cristaxi.ro

## Post

Oficiul Poștal



Photo: Andy Fuchs  
Address: Str. Matei Millo, nr. 12, Bucharest  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-7pm  
Phone: +40 21 315 3971  
Internet: www.posta-romana.ro

## Pharmacy



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

Photo: Gemma Garner  
Address: Str. Radu Beller 6, Bucharest  
Phone: +40 21 233 89 61  
Internet: www.sensiblu.com  
Email: contact@adpharma.com

## Telephone



Country code: +40 Area code: 21

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## Electricity



220V / 50Hz Standard  
European Plug

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**Population**  
2,200,000

**Currency**  
1 leu (plural lei) = 100 bani

**Opening hours**  
Most shops in Bucharest tend to open Mon-Fri 10am-6pm and 10am-5pm on Saturdays, while restaurants stay open until about 11pm. Cafes start operating earlier, at about 8am, and many bars close at about 2am. Banks open 9am-3pm, with a break for lunch from 12pm-1pm.

**Newspapers**  
Azi  
Nine O'Clock  
Bursa

**Emergency numbers**  
Police, Fire, Ambulance: 112

**Tourist information**  
Bucharest Tourist Information Office  
Piața Universității, Bucharest  
+40 21 305 5500  
turism@bucuresti-primaria.ro







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Bulevardul Libertatii	B4	Strada Demetru Dobrescu	C2	Strada Ostasilor	A2 A3
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Bulevardul Schitu Magureanu	A2 B3	Strada Dumbrava Rosie	D1	Strada Pictor Artur Verona	C1 D1
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Calea Plevnei	A3	Strada Eforie	B3 C3	Strada Popa Tatu	A1 A2
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Piata Lahovari	C1	Strada Franceza	C4	Strada Progresului	A3 B3
Piata Matache	A1	Strada G Enescu	C1	Strada Selani	C3 C4
Piata Revolutiei	C2	Strada Gh Lazar	A2 A3	Strada Semicercului	A1
Piata Romana	C1	Strada Gl Budisteanu	B1	Strada Sepcari	C4
Piata Unirii	C4	Strada Gl Dona	B1 B2	Strada Sf Vineri	D4
Piata Universitatii	C3	Strada Gl Praporgescu	D2	Strada Sfintii Apostoli	C4
Piata V Marachineanu	B2	Strada Gutenberg	B3	Strada Sfintii Voievozi	A1
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