

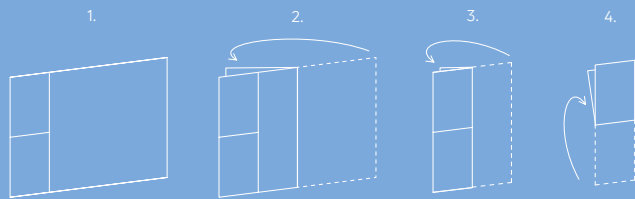
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Plan your trip to the Sopron region with the help of our website.



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The natural treasures and manmade heritage of Hungary's North-West are unmissable.

Admire the Baroque-like city centre of Sopron from the top of the Firewatch Tower, or the reedy shores of Lake Fertő at sunrise. Marvel at the Classicist, Rococo, and Baroque palaces and stand enchanted by their glamorous halls and parks. Discover the music of the region, both natural and man-made, whether it be the faint sounds of a Haydn concert drifting from the direction of Eszterháza, melodies echoing around the cave walls in Fertőrákos, or the chorus of the largest bird reserve in Central Europe.

FETŐBOZ

1. Gloriette Lookout

FERTÓD

2. Eszterháza

FERTÓHOMOK

3. Country House

FERTŐRÁKOS

4. Fertőrákos Quarry and Cave Theatre
5. Mithras Shrine
6. Pan-European Picnic Memorial Site

LAKE FERTŐ

7. Cycling Opportunities

FERTŐSZÉPLAK

8. Fertőszéplak Country Houses
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HEGYKŐ

12. Hegykő Bath

NAGYCEMK

13. Széchenyi Castle
14. Széchenyi Museum Railway

SARRÓD

15. Kócsagvár
16. Lászlómajor Visitor Centre

SOPRON

17. Károly Hill Eco-tourism Visitor Centre
18. Firewatch Tower
19. Goat Church (Blessed Mary Benedictine Church)

20. Villa Lenck
21. Old Synagogue
22. Lővér Adventure Park
23. Sopron Summer Bobsleigh Track
24. Erdő Háza Ecotourism Visitor Centre and Wildlife Park



2. ESZTERHÁZA, FERTŐD



Built by the family of Prince Eszterházy and located in Fertőd, the third largest Baroque- and Rococo-style palace complex of Central Europe has 126 richly decorated rooms, a beautiful park, a puppet theatre, and the music hall, which hosts popular and classical concerts to this day.

13. SZÉCHENYI CASTLE, NAGYCEK



In Nagycenk, learn about the history of the Széchenyis and the most important events of the life of Count István Széchenyi, fondly termed “the Greatest Hungarian”. The Széchenyi Castle of Nagycenk was declared a national memorial site in 2016, and now houses the permanent exhibition all about this famous family. The Classicist-style Széchenyi Mausoleum, which became a historic pilgrimage destination, is also well worth a visit.

20. LENCK-VILLA



One of the many jewels of Sopron, Lenck-villa has regained much of its former splendour following extensive renovations, and its modern exhibition spaces now welcome visitors with an interactive ethnographical and handicraft exhibition. The house itself is surrounded by the museum park, a popular place for relaxed strolls along its pathways and picnics in the dappled shade of its giant, leafy trees. An island of tranquillity in the city.

LAKE FERTŐ



The westernmost steppe lake of Europe, is almost 20-thousand-year-old Lake Fertő and the third largest body of still water in Central Europe. Also the site of the largest bird reserve of Central Europe, the area is home to myriad rare plant and animal species, and many centuries-old traditions of viticulture, animal husbandry, fishing, and handicrafts are also kept alive in the region. No wonder it became a World Heritage Site in 2001!

4. FERTŐRÁKOS QUARRY AND CAVE THEATRE



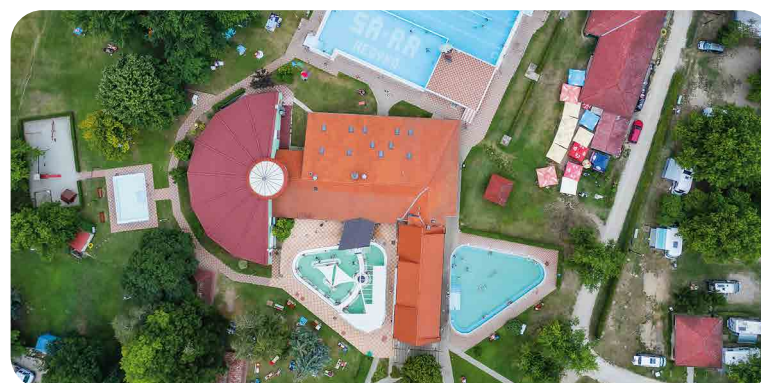
Learn all about the protected plant and animal species of the area by following the “Sziklai Benge” educational trail, enjoy panoramic views of Lake Fertő from the top of the spiral staircase that leads to the cave entrance, then take your way through the fantastic Theme Park exhibition and discover the natural, petrological, and paleontological value of the region, before completing your trip with a visit to the magnificent Cave Theatre.

18-21. HISTORIC CITY CENTRE, SOPRON



Step behind the ramparts and explore the streets between Baroque houses, survey the town from the Firewatch Tower, peek into the daily life of the bourgeoisie in the Fabricius House, or get closer to the impressive heritage of Sopron in the Early Gothic Old Synagogue or the Medieval Church of St. Michael.

12. HEGYKŐ BATH



No matter the season, the Hegykő Bath is always a worthwhile stop-off on your hike, whether it's to cool off in the heat of summer, or to watch the falling snow under an open sky in winter. If you're looking to go that extra mile and truly replenish your energy, make an appointment for a jade stone massage, a mud treatment, or underwater hydromassage.

7. CYCLING OPPORTUNITIES, LAKE FERTŐ



Divided between Austria and Hungary, the cycling route around Lake Fertő is somewhere between 115 and 135-kilometre-long, depending on the exact route taken. While it can be completed in a day by the more ambitious cyclist, it's certainly far more memorable to cover the distance over a few days, taking advantage of the peace and quiet and enjoying the opportunity to discover historic sites, stop for a bath or two, and enjoy some of the local delicacies.

6. PAN-EUROPEAN PICNIC MEMORIAL SITE, FERTŐRÁKOS



It was on this spot that a mass exodus towards Austria took place back in 1989, punching a hole in the Iron Curtain and forever turning the village of Fertőrákos into an important symbol of a united Europe. The Old Guard Tower, a piece of the Iron Curtain itself, the Peace Bell, and a monumental composition of statues help the visitors to recall those historic moments.

18. FIREWATCH TOWER, SOPRON



This tower is the modern symbol of the town of Sopron, but in days gone by it served one, practical purpose, which was for its guards to keep watch for fire, hostile forces approaching, or smugglers trying to bring foreign wine into the city.

THE WINES OF THE SOPRON WINE DISTRICT



Sopron wine district is actually most suitable for producing white wine, but in a strange twist of fate, it is the region's red wines that have become the most popular. Blaufränkisch, also known as Kékfrankos, is the prominent grape of the region, capable of making wines that range from the fresh and fruity to the mature and full-bodied, but the fruity, light wines of Sopron with their lively acids are the perfect accompaniment to traditional dishes such as bean cakes or roasted duck liver.

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