

## Welcome to Timisoara!

### intro

Timisoara is the third largest city of Romania and the place where the Revolution against the Communism started (in 1989). It's the first European city to introduce horse-drawn trams (in 1869) and electrical street lighting (in 1889). Timisoara was recently selected European Capital of Culture for 2021.



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## tips

- If you arrive by air, taxis are readily available outside the airport's arrivals area (Taxi Tudo, Autogenn, Fan Taxi etc). There's also a public bus that offers service to the city centre every hour.
- If you arrive by train, there are taxis in front of the station, plus plenty of trams and buses that connect the main station to the city centre (tram no. 1, trolleys no. [11](#), [14](#))

## & tricks

- City map can be found at the info point, next to the Opera and online [here](#).
- Public transport map can be found [here](#).



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## eat...

### local

- Casa Bunicii I – Romanian traditional cuisine ([map](#))
- Casa Bunicii II - Romanian traditional cuisine ([map](#))
- Homemade – Romanian and world cuisine ([map](#))
- Restaurant Timișoreana – Romanian traditional cuisine in a rustic atmosphere, located in the city center ([map](#))
- Restaurant La Padurea Verde - Romanian traditional cuisine in a rustic atmosphere, located next to the Village Museum ([map](#))

### bits and snacks & to go

- Suppa Bar – best soup in town ([map](#))
- Garage - artisanal food & sweets, coffee roastery ([map](#))
- Neata Omelette Bistro – breakfast bistro ([map](#))
- Kiosk – burgers and more in a cozy atmosphere ([map](#))
- Fabrika - crafted food & marketplace ([map](#))
- The Sandwich Factory – tasty sandwiches, natural ingredients ([map](#))

### world cuisine & vegetarian

- Biofresh I - raw vegan and vegetarian restaurant with delicious sugar free sweets. Open 10-22. ([map](#))
- Biofresh II - raw vegan and vegetarian restaurant with delicious sugar free sweets. Open 10-17 on weekdays, 12-16 on Saturdays. ([map](#))
- Rhada Cuisine - Indian vegetarian restaurant. Daily menus, Open weekdays only, 10-20. ([map](#))
- Restaurant Dinar - Serbian traditional restaurant. ([map](#))
- Little Hanoi Bistro - Vietnamese restaurant. ([map](#))

### posh

- Locanda del Corso - Italian restaurant. ([map](#))
- Restaurant Caruso - fine dining, fusion cuisine. ([map](#))
- Musiu - Mediteranean cuisine, retro jazzy atmosphere ([map](#))
- Restaurant Sabres - specialist fish restaurant ([map](#))
- Restaurant Merlot - fine dining, Mediteranean cuisine ([map](#))

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## drink...

### alternative/artsy pubs

- Aethernativ - the hangout of the creative scene in town. Small indoors and outdoors bar hosting jazz concerts, live DJs and bands. Special beers selection and specialty coffee. ([map](#))
- Cuib d'arte - hip hideout, balcony above Aethernativ bar, 6 rooms old town apartment, vinyl parties, cool drinks, cool people. ([map](#))
- Scârț Loc Lejer - delightfully improvised pub in an old townhouse, owned and run by theatre actors and boasting a large garden of fairy lights and hammocks. Independent theatre plays and a must see: The Communist Consumer's Museum - the pub's basement is transformed into a communist style apartment, with an impressive collection of objects dating from the Communist era. ([map](#))
- Manufatura - cozy handmade pub with loads of live events from jazz, rockabilly, ska, punk and rock concerts to theatre, film and book releases.. ([map](#))
- Bibliotheka - liquor store & bistro & beer terrace with a nice variety of craft beer and wines ([map](#))
- Beerotheka - the biggest collection of beers in town ([map](#))

### cafes

- Reciproc - local, bio and fair trade cafe & bistro, with a nice selection of local craft beers, local cheese and wines ([map](#))
- Klapka - cultural cafe, in the building that once served as the first public library in the Habsburg Empire. With a terrace and the Pygmalion art gallery in the same venue, the space is promoting visual arts and cultural events. ([map](#))
- Ambasada - co-working space with after-hours program, the cafe is hosting almost everything, from DJs and concerts to yoga sessions, pop-up stores and conferences. You can also enjoy a beer and a soup/snack at lunch time. ([map](#))
- Mokum Café - the smallest cafe in town with delicious coffee to go ([map](#))

### night clubs

- Database - techno lovers, minimal soft-black design, LED lighting setup and a powerful Funktion One sound system ([map](#))
- No Name - electronic dance music ([map](#))
- Epic - electronic music ([map](#))
- Fratelli - electronic music ([map](#))
- Escape Venue - electronic music, concerts and cultural events ([map](#))

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- D'arc - 80's dance music, cool cocktails ([map](#))

#### concert venues

- Daos - the place that fits bands from post-rock, stoner rock to metal ([map](#))
- Reflektor - new venue for live concerts, events and parties ([map](#))



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hostels (young, vibrant and artsy places)

- [Hostel Costel](#) ([map](#))
- [Hostel Cornel](#) ([map](#))
- [Downtown Hostel](#) ([map](#))
- [Freeborn Hostel](#) ([map](#))
- [Exit Routine Hostel](#) ([map](#))
- [Dream in Hostel](#) ([map](#))

boutique hotels + B&Bs (romantic, cosy and home-like)

- [Boutique Hotel Casa del Sole](#) ([map](#))
- [Apart Hotel Iosefin Residence](#) ([map](#))
- [Boutique Fleurs de Temps](#) ([map](#))
- [Vila La Residenza](#) ([map](#))
- [Hotel President](#) ([map](#))
- [Boutique Pensiunea Park](#) ([map](#))

hotels (elegant, stylish and luxurious)

- [Hotel Vanilla](#) ([map](#))
- [Hotel Imperial Premium](#) ([map](#))
- [Hotel Silva](#) ([map](#))
- [Hotel Timisoara](#) ([map](#))
- [Savoy Hotel](#) ([map](#))
- [NH Timisoara](#) ([map](#))
- [Hotel Galaxy](#) ([map](#))
- [North Star Continental Resort](#) ([map](#))

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## walk...

### urban architecture

- Piața Unirii (Union Square) - the oldest square in the city, with a colorful variety of architectural styles. It houses the Serbian Orthodox Cathedral, the Roman Catholic Cathedral, the Baroque Palace, now the Art Museum and other eclectic old houses, plus many cafes and clubs.
- Piața Victoriei (Victory Square) - the symbol of the 1989 Revolution against the communism, hosting the Opera, the Romanian, German and Hungarian National Theaters and the Orthodox Cathedral. The first shots fired in the 1989 Revolution.
- Piața Libertății - large round square, flanked by some oldest municipal buildings like Old Town-hall, Garrison, Council of War, Military Casino and St. Mary and St. Nepomuk's Monument, built in 1756 by Viennese sculptors Blim and Wasserburger. The monument was made in richly ornamented Rococo style.
- Piața Traian - (Traian Square) - one of the oldest squares in the city, hosting several historical buildings, the Saint George Church and an open market. The Millennium Church, built in the Neo-Romanesque style, is located near the main square.

### parks

- Parcul Rozelor (Roses Park) - tranquil park known for colorful rose gardens, plus outdoor concerts, festivals & other events.
- Parcul Central (Central Park) - lovely for a little break from the sightseeing, complete with water fountain, monuments and roses
- Parcul Poporului (People's Park) - the oldest park in town, with secular trees, a nice and cozy atmosphere, full of children playing and people walking their dogs.
- Parcul Botanic - (Botanical Park) - beautiful dendrology park, with a great variety of trees. Declared a scientific reservation, it's aimed to protect the local and exotic flora. It's the highest point in Timisoara and a good spot for a picnic.
- Parcul Justiției (Justice Park) - good picnic spot with more than 100.000 flowers in spring

### art spaces

- Timișoara Museum of Art ([map](#))
- Timco Halls ([map](#))
- Corneliu Miklosi Public Transport Museum ([map](#))
- Isho House
- Arad Art Museum ([map](#))
- Pygmalion Gallery/ The House of Arts ([map](#))
- The "Ion Mincu" Technical College Cafeteria ([map](#))

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- [Calpe Gallery/ The Therezia Bastion](#) ([map](#))
- [Urseni Water Plant](#) ([map](#))
- [Calina Contemporary Art Space](#) ([map](#))
- [Jecza Gallery / Triade Foundation](#) ([map](#))
- [Balamuc](#) ([map](#))

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