

# HUNGARY 2018



**Tuesday 27th March 2018 20:00 Groupama Arena, Budapest #HUNSCO**

## Hungary vs Scotland

One of the attractions of following Scotland is to visit places people haven't been before and the fixtures in 2018 have thrown up lots of opportunities for new destinations for many of us. In fact of the 5 away fixtures planned the World Cup in Mexico in 1986 was the last time we visited any of the countries. It will be the 4th time Scotland have played in Budapest but the last occasion was in 1980 when we lost 3-1 in a friendly. All 8 fixtures against Hungary have been friendlies as we have avoided each other in any qualifiers, we were separated in the UEFA Nations League draw as we were both in pot 1 of League C. This of course could mean that we face them in the play offs for League C in March 2020. Hopefully we avoid that by qualifying directly next year.

Hungary failed to qualify for the World Cup finishing a distant 3rd in Group B behind Portugal and Switzerland with only 4 wins and a record that included a draw with the Faroes and a loss to Andorra. In fact they haven't been to the World Cup finals since 1986. In the Euros France 2016 was their first appearance since 1972 a very inauspicious record for a nation that finished World Cup runners twice (1938 and 1954). In the Euro finals they did win their group ahead of Portugal before being eliminated 4-0 by Belgium in the 2nd Round.

## Scotland record against Hungary

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Away matches			
Home	5	2	1	2	8	9	29.05.1955 Budapest	F	L	1-3
Away	3	0	1	2	5	9	05.06.1960 Budapest	F	D	3-3
Total	8	2	2	4	13	18	31.05.1980 Budapest	F	L	1-3

## Getting There

There are five international airports Budapest Liszt Ferenc (informally called "Ferihegy" after its previous name), Debrecen, Sármellék (also called Hévíz-Balaton Airport), Győr-Pér, and Pécs-Pogány. Budapest is an important railway hub for the whole country and large part of Eastern Europe, with frequent train connections from Austria, Germany, the Czech Republic and Slovakia. There is at least one daily train from Croatia, Romania, Russia, Slovenia, Serbia, Switzerland and Ukraine, as well as cars from Poland and seasonal sleepers from Bulgaria and Montenegro.

## Getting Around

Intercity (IC) trains are the fastest, and they're up-to-date, well maintained and clean. They link the major cities with Budapest. Expect to pay about 550Ft extra fee independently from the distance for the mandatory seat reservation (not in international ICs, ECs).

Budapest has a fantastic and negotiable public transport network and service and all journeys are google mapped [www.bkk.hu/en/timetables/](http://www.bkk.hu/en/timetables/)

Average Temperature in Budapest in March is 6°C  
Time zone GMT + 1  
Currency Hungarian Forint (HUF or Ft)



## Important Information

You won't need a visa to enter Hungary although your passport should be valid for the full duration of your stay.

Remember to bring your European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) with you. To access certain healthcare in Hungarian hospitals, your EHIC card must be presented, otherwise you may be asked to pay upfront. It is also advised to take out comprehensive travel and medical insurance before you travel.

Carry your passport at all times. You must be able to show some form of ID if requested. A photocopy is not acceptable.

## British Embassy Budapest

Telephone: +36 (1) 266 2888  
Email: [consular.budapest@fco.gov.uk](mailto:consular.budapest@fco.gov.uk)  
Address: Füge utca 5-7, Budapest 1022  
Opening hours: Monday to Thursday 10am to 4pm,  
Friday 10am to 2pm  
Friday 30th March (Good Friday) is a public holiday  
**For Emergency services in Hungary call 112.**

## Thanks

ATAC would like to thank the following web sites and organisations for information in this Sporrán Guide.

[www.scottishfa.co.uk](http://www.scottishfa.co.uk)  
[www.uefa.com](http://www.uefa.com)  
[www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)  
[www.mapaplan.com](http://www.mapaplan.com)  
[www.theodora.com](http://www.theodora.com)  
[www.groupamaarena.com](http://www.groupamaarena.com)  
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We also thank Liz Rattray and Patrick McMenamin for sending us their experiences. If you have any feedback or information you think would be useful for upcoming matches then get in contact with us via social media or by email to [info@associationoftartanarmyclubs.com](mailto:info@associationoftartanarmyclubs.com)



# AT THE MATCH



## Stadium

Groupama Arena is a multi-purpose stadium, the home of Ferencvárosi TC. With a capacity of 23,698, Groupama Arena is temporarily the largest stadium in Hungary (the larger Ferenc Puskás Stadium was demolished, to be replaced by a new one in 2019). Groupama lies on the grounds of the former Albert Flórián Stadium, the club's previous home, which was demolished in 2013.

## At the Ground

The Scotland support will be located within sector E in the corner. We have been allocated 1,050 tickets which will not be enough to satisfy the Tartan Army demand but this allocation will not be increased.

The stadium operates a cashless catering system.

It is standard for matches in Hungary that names and date of births are printed on tickets and you are required to prove your identity to gain entry. The SFA have been informed that you will be required to show your passport. This does sound excessive but ties up with the foreign office advice to keep your passport with you at all times.

ATAC have double checked with Football Supporters Europe and local TA based in Budapest. They have confirmed that this has been in place for a number of games and Croatian fans stated that it was their worst experience entering any ground.

**ALL WE CAN SAY IS TO GUARANTEE ENTRY BEFORE KICK OFF GET THERE EARLY AND HAVE A PASSPORT THAT MATCHES THE INFORMATION ON YOUR TICKET.**

We know this advice is given for all games but we believe on this occasion it will be strictly enforced. We have also been told that Scotland fans will be refused entry to all home sections of the ground. If your name isn't on the ticket don't go!



## Getting To the Ground

The stadium is 10 minutes from the city center, easily accessible by metro line M3 or by tram 1 at the Népliget stop. The international bus terminal and expressway to the airport can be reached from Üllői út.

The Fradi Shop, the Fradi Museum, the Corner Cafe and the Gymnasium Bistro are next to the main entrance of the stadium.

Although the M3 metro line is currently undergoing significant renovation we have been advised that it will run from the city centre to the stadium before and after the game.





# WINNING WORDS

Hello. (informal)  
Note: like English "See ya!", (what a coincidence!)  
How are you?  
Fine, thank you.  
What is your name?  
My name is \_\_\_\_\_.  
Nice to meet you.  
Please.  
Thank you.  
You're welcome.  
Yes.  
No.  
Excuse me. (getting attention)  
Excuse me. (begging pardon)  
I'm sorry.  
Goodbye (informal)  
I can't speak Hungarian [well].

Do you speak English?  
Is there someone here who speaks English?  
Help!  
Look out!  
Good morning. (after 9 AM)  
Good afternoon.  
Good evening.  
Good night.  
I don't understand.  
Where is the toilet?  
A table for one person/two people, please.

Szia. (SEE-å)  
coincidence!  
Hogy vagy? (hodj vâdj)  
Köszönöm, jól. (KØ-sø-nøm, yoal)  
Hogy hívják? (hodj HEEV-yak?)  
\_\_\_\_\_ vagyok. (\_\_\_\_\_ VÅ-djok.)  
Örvendek. (ØR-ven-dek)  
Kérem. (KEY-rem)  
Köszönöm. (KØ-sø-nøm)  
Szívesen. (SEE-ve-shen)  
Igen. (EE-gen)  
Nem. (nem)  
Elnézést. (EL-ney-zeysht)  
Bocsánatot kérek. (BØ-cha-nå-tot KEY-rek)  
Bocsánat. (BØ-cha-nåt)  
Viszlát/Szia. (VEES-lat/SEE-å)  
Nem tudok [jól] magyarul. (nem TOU-dok MÅ-djå-roul)  
Beszél angolul? (BE-seyl ÅN-go-loul?)  
Beszél itt valaki angolul? (BE-seyl it VÅ-lå-ki ÅN-go-loul)  
Segítség! (SHE-geet-sheyg!)  
Vigyázz! (VEE-djag)  
Jó napot! (yoa NÅ-pot)  
Jó napot! (yoa NÅ-pot)  
Jó estét! (yoa ESH-teyt)  
Jó éjt! or Jó éjszakát! (yoa eyt/yoa EY-så-kat)  
Nem értem. (nem EYR-tem)  
Hol van a mosdó? (hol vån å MOSH-doa?)  
Egy ember/két ember számára kérek asztalt.  
(edj EM-ber/keyt EM-ber SA-ma-rå KEY-rek ÅS-tålt)



Police!  
Stop! Thief!  
I need your help.  
It's an emergency.  
I'm lost.  
One ticket to \_\_\_\_\_, please.

How do I get to \_\_\_\_\_ ?

...the train station?

...the airport?  
...the \_\_\_\_\_ hotel?  
...the British consulate?

Where are there a lot of bars?  
Can you show me on the map?  
Taxi!  
Take me to \_\_\_\_\_, please.

Where is an ATM?  
A beer/two beers, please.

A glass of red/white wine, please.  
A pint, please.  
rem)

Rendőrség! (REN-dør-sheyg)  
Megállj! Tolvaj! (ME-"guy" Thol-vay)  
Segítened kell. (SHE-gee-te-ned kel)  
Vészhelyzet van. (VEYS-hey-zet vån)  
Eltévedtem. (EL-tey-ved-tem)  
Kérek egy jegyet \_\_\_\_\_-ba/-be. (KEY-rek edj yedj \_\_\_\_\_-bå/-be)  
Hogy jutok el \_\_\_\_\_-ba/-be/-ra/-re/-hoz/-hez /-höz ? (hodj YOU-tok el \_\_\_\_\_-bå/-be/-rå/-re /-hoz/-hez/-höz)  
...a pályaudvarra/vasútállomásra?  
(å PA-yå-oud-vår-rå/VÅ-shoot-al-lo-mash-rå)  
...a repülőtérre? (å RE-pû-lø-teyr-re)  
...a \_\_\_\_\_ szállodába? (å \_\_\_\_\_ SAL-lo-da-bå)  
...gáz brit nagykövetségre? (åz brit NÅDJ-køv-ei-sheyg-re))  
Merre van sokbár? (MER-re vån shok bar)  
Megmutatnád a térképen? (MEG-mou-tåt-nad å TEYR-key-pen)  
Taxi! ("taxi")  
Vigyen kérem a \_\_\_\_\_-ra/-re. (VI-djen KEY-rem å \_\_\_\_\_-rå/-re)  
Hol van ATM? (hol vån AAH-teeh-em)  
Egy sört/két sört, kérem. (edj shørt/keyt shørt, KEY-rem)  
Egy pohár vörös/fehér bort, kérem. (edj PO-har VØ-røsh/FE-heyr bort, KEY-rem)  
Egy korsóval, kérem. (edj KOR-shoa-vål, KEY-

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# THINGS TO DO

Delve into the darkest chapter of Budapest's history at the House of Terror at Andrássy utca 60 (00 36 1 374 2600; terrorhaza.hu; 10am to 6pm Tuesday to Sunday; 2,000Ft), which looks at Hungary's role in the Second World War. Then, head to the riverside for a look at Shoes on the Danube a sobering memorial to murdered Jews.

Thermal waters abound in Hungary with over 1000 thermal springs in the country (more than 100 just in the Budapest area) many of which have been turned into baths and spas. The most famous being the Szechenyi baths, this will be busy and touristy. An alternative is Rudas - for jacuzzi on roof/sundown experience

Citadella hill gives a great view of Danube bridges, parliament or Margit Bridge in the evening gives a nice vista with castle and parliament lit up and you can get them in one photograph!



Central Market Hall is Budapest's largest and most expansive indoor market, built in the neo-Gothic style, offers a variety of food stalls, from fresh vegetables, fowl and meat to wine and liquor shops. Lots of souvenir stalls as well.

Szimpla Kert at Kazinczy utca 14 (00 36 20 261 8669; szimpla.hu; noon to 4am daily) is the most famous of the city's "ruin bars" (drinking dens in abandoned buildings). It's a bustling spot with graffiti covered walls and bizarre knick-knacks. Order a pint of Kazinczy (550Ft), a craft beer that's brewed locally. Or try Mazel Tov on Akácfa u. 47. Expect the Scottish themed Caledonia Bar (Mozsár u. 9) to be heaving whilst we are there. Novel cocktails can be found at Kollázs Bar part of the Four Seasons hotel The Viktoria's Secret (2,900Ft) – a sweet tippie of gin, cherry brandy and blueberry marmalade – is served in a teacup.

50 artisan microbreweries dotted round Hungary producing over 200 different craft beers." With around 60 brews to choose from, it is difficult to know where to start, but try the Fekete Erdő (Black Forest), a porter using forest fruit and four types of malt, Keserű Méz (Bitter Honey), a lager that actually has a bitter honey, ale-like taste, and Vörösbegy (Red Robin), a delicious caramel malt brew.

Jónás Craft Beer House (Fővám tér 11) is the giant whale-like glass and metal Bálna building on the edge of the Danube just by the Liberty bridge. with a new craft-beer bar, aptly named Jónás. While the Bálna still seems half-empty, Jónás is booming, especially its sunny waterside terrace, a summer venue for concerts, beer and street-food parties.



Hopfanatic Brew Pub (Hunyadi tér 11) on a pretty square just off the city's famed Andrássy Avenue, a narrow entrance takes you down to a maze-like tunnel bar that showcases the beers of independent brewer Hopfanatic, whose grizzly hop logo looks more like a genetically-modified Jolly Green Giant. This is a no-frills, serious beer-drinkers spot, with long communal wooden tables, 10 taps and 50-60 bottled ales to choose from. Tamás Kiss started the microbrewery and pub in 2013 and admits he is obsessed with making hoppy IPA – one IPA is even called No Hop Limit. "But we do also brew White Hops, which is like a German weissbier," he explains, "a serious porter, which at 12% is the strongest stout in Hungary, and a light summery American pale ale called Alulu, where grated coconut is added to the fermentation." For newcomers to craft beer, try the tasting tray of five different beers for just £2.



## BUDAPEST

Deák Ferenc tér and Batthyány tér are popular area to hang out in. If wine is your thing Most!, DiVino, Kadarka and Cafe Vian are recommended by locals.

For Nightclubs suggestions have been Uri Muri, Trafik, BoB, Doboz, Otkert and Bad Girlz

It's polite and appreciated to leave a 10-15% tip in bars or restaurants. Although always check your bill in case it has been added as a service fee (szolgáltatás díj).

As usual for a big city tourist scams where a attractive members of the fairer sex lure lads to a bar or club where they subsequently get ripped off with a massive bar bill. This will happen in any big city for such dafties though.



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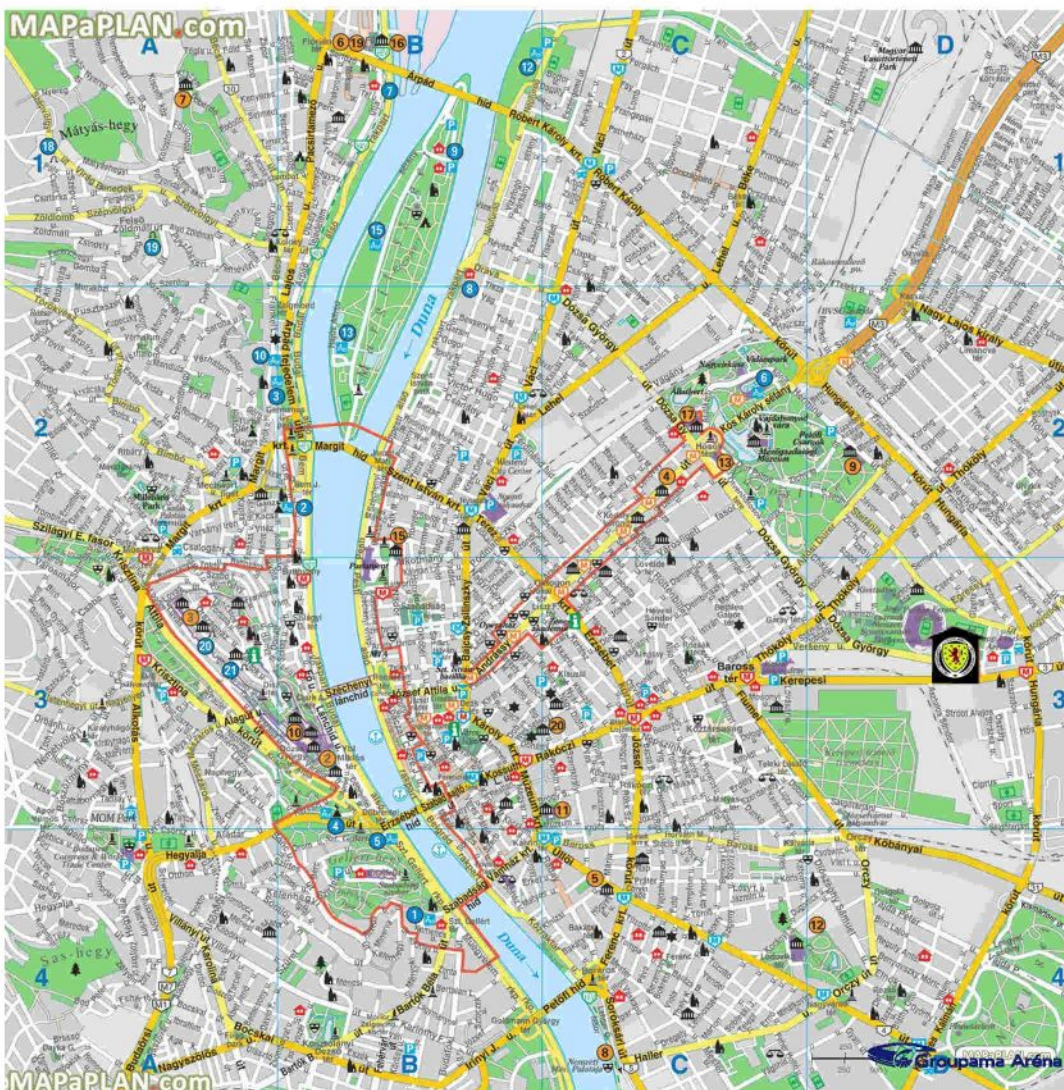
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# ASSOCIATION OF TARTAN ARMY CLUBS **BUDAPEST**



## **Ticket Pickup** **DUE TO DELAYS WITH THE HUNGARIAN FA THIS MATCH IS 100% TICKET PICKUP**



Ticket Express Office  
1146 Budapest, Dózsa Gy. Street 1

Monday, 26 March: 6pm - 10pm  
Tuesday, 27 March: 10am - 2pm & 4pm until kick-off

The ticket office is close to the Puskás Ferenc Stadion currently undergoing significant redevelopment. It is 2-3 miles on line M2 of the Metro from central Budapest (Station is Puskás Ferenc Stadion). Tram 1 runs every eight minutes to the Groupama Arena from close to the ticket collection point.

You will require your passport and current or previous membership card to collect your ticket. Reminder that everyone has to collect their tickets individually and that new security procedures are in place after incidents at recent pickups.

## **Tartan Army Sunshine Appeal Presentation**

The Tartan Army Sunshine Appeal are donating £5,000 to the Dankó Street Nursery. The nursery looks after around 40 kids (aged 4-12 years), many of whom are either orphans or come from families that face a multitude of social issues.

Funds will be used for some improvements to the nursery, as well as some activity based programmes and equipment for various learning and play activities.

If you are interested in joining the Sunshine Appeal for the presentation and visit, please contact [info@tasunshineappeal.co.uk](mailto:info@tasunshineappeal.co.uk)



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# INFORMATION

**Bus** - Express bus 100E departs Terminal 2 every 30 minutes between 5am and 12.30am. It drops off at Kálvin Square and Astoria before it reaches its Deák Square terminus. The journey takes about 35 minutes. Single ticket cost 900Ft. Bus 200E is every 10 minutes from Terminal 2 to Kőbánya-Kispest M3 metro station and a bus station for connections.

Tickets can be bought from the BKK public transport desk in the Arrival Hall (to the left BEFORE you leave the terminal building), you can also buy travel passes here . There is also ticket sellers and a ticket machine next to the stop. Further information on these public service buses can be found here: <http://bkk.hu/en/airport-shuttle/>

The easiest way to use public transport is with a BKK travelcard. It is valid within the administrative boundaries of Budapest on lines bus 1-299 (except 100E); night bus 900-999; metro M1, M2, M3, M4; HEV suburban railway H5, H6, H7, H8, H9; D14 and weekday boat services D11, D12.

*** Budapest 24-hour travelcard	- 1,650 Ft	*** Single Ticket	- 350 Ft
*** Budapest 72-hour travelcard	- 4,150 Ft	*** Book of 10 tickets	- 3,000 Ft
*** Budapest 7-day travelcard	- 4,950 Ft		

Public transport is also included in the Budapest Card which gives you discounted entry to various tourist attractions. Further information and other ticket types can be found at <https://bkk.hu/en/tickets-and-passes/prices/>

Single tickets need to be validated immediately on getting on tram, bus or trolleybus or as you enter the Metro station in orange validating machines. If caught travelling without a valid ticket or pass you'll be fined 16,000 Ft (8,000 Ft if you pay it on the spot or within 2 days of being fined). It's not worth ruining your stay for such a small fare.

Budapest is generally a very safe city but unregistered taxis are normally a rip off. Get the bar, hotel or restaurant to order the taxi or alternatively use the TAXIFY app (a local Uber) to get around. Official taxis are yellow and have their company logo and phone number clearly marked on the side of the car. Fő Taxi, City Taxi, Taxi 4 and 6x6 Taxi are all reliable.



### Metro, suburban railway and tram network in Budapest

