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From next spring, Wizz Air's first Airbus A321XLR aircraft will join our fleet. This new, cutting-edge 'Extra Long Range' plane can fly up to eight hours, connecting the furthest

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## “Next spring our A321XLR aircraft will join our fleet”

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**József Váradi**  
Chief Executive Officer

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The combination of seaside resorts and mountainous areas make Batumi interesting destination for nature and adventure lovers. The city's Botanical garden is a must-visit, showcasing a diverse collection of flora from around the world. The Batumi Boulevard, a picturesque promenade along the waterfront, is a great place to take a stroll and enjoy the sea views and sunsets.

Country's unique alphabet, culture, traditions, Georgian dances and polyphonic singing offer travelers a journey through a history and heritage that spans over 2000 years. Whether you're interested in history, architecture, nature, or simply relaxing on the beach, Batumi has something to offer to every type of traveler. Due to its dynamic economic growth, business-friendly legislation, and liberal tax system, the Batumi City of Georgia also stands out as a popular investment and business development destination.

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## Editor's letter

As 2024 continues to zip along, I find myself looking back at some of the plans I made at the start of the year and working out what is still achievable before Christmas arrives. I didn't manage to nab tickets to a Taylor Swift concert or go skydiving, but here are four totally doable resolutions.

Number one: Move my body more. Number two: Find time to relax and switch off. Number three: Spend my money with companies and small businesses that are making a difference. And number four: Make sustainable choices wherever I can. The first two I can easily tick off, by using our cover story as a guide. Our locals' tips to Budapest's spas (see page 36) showcase some of the city's most spectacular baths where you can swim, make friends, play chess or just unwind in mineral-rich thermal waters. And making sure my money goes to a good cause should be easy if I take a trip to Prague. The city has seen a recent increase in socially conscious restaurants and cafés, and you can read all about it on page 66. And making better, more sustainable choices is a breeze in Copenhagen, where getting involved in green activities 'pays' for experiences around the city. Read more about this unusual initiative on page 56. Wherever you're flying this month, we wish you a fantastic trip. Sit back, relax and enjoy this issue – and your flight. **Claire Köksal, Editor**

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Where to go, what to do and why

# inplace



## Go back to the future in London

Coming to the Tate Modern on 28 November, *Electric Dreams* promises to take viewers on a mind-bending tour through the history of digital art. From the algorithmic magic of Op Art in the 1950s and 60s to early experiments in computerised work, the exhibition will feature more than 150 works from the pre-internet age. Visitors can meditate on time, measured by the flickering of LEDs in Japanese artist Tatsuo Miyajima's eight-metre-long wall installation, and marvel at the 40-year-old collaborations between US artist Harold Cohen and his software AARON, an early precursor of AI. [tate.org.uk](http://tate.org.uk)

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## And relaaaaax in Bucharest

When it comes to spa escapes in Eastern Europe, Budapest might be the classic choice (check out our cover feature on p36 if you don't believe us). But there's somewhere else that's getting the TikTokkers in a lather right now. Romania's Therme Bucharest spa complex has been racking up millions of likes as wellness influencers pile on the praise for its 10 indoor and outdoor pools, saunas, fountains and beaches, and its late-night illuminated sessions. Unlike other spas, this one's a whole-family affair. While grown-ups head to the aptly-named Elysium zone for chilled vibes, treatments and cocktails, kids will love the Galaxy waterpark complete with 16 waterslides, an indoor wave pool, an outdoor pool, and a sandy beach with palm trees.

**therme.ro**

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## Be creeped out in Brasov

What's scarier than your regular Dracula Film Festival? One that takes place in Transylvania, that's what! From 30 October - 3 November you can creep yourself out with a bloody movie smorgasbord of full-on gore, pitch-black comedy and cutting-edge horror from the world's best filmmakers. Plus, you can fully geek out at the accompanying Fantasy Con with companion events like Dungeons & Dragons game nights, dress-up club nights and creative workshops. Vamping it up, if you will. **draculafilm.ro**

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# Embark on a pilgrimage

## across the network

No longer the preserve of the religious, pilgrimages have seen a surge in popularity in recent years. Indeed, non-religious people taking on the 800km Camino de Santiago now outnumber Catholics 3-2. We love the idea of taking on a pilgrimage route, but maybe something a little bit less obvious? Check out these suggestions for lesser-known trails, which offer a sense of fulfilment and spirituality, whatever your beliefs.

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### THE CULTURAL JAUNT

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### THE FULL-ON FORTNIGHT

#### Via di Francesco, Italy

Follow in the footsteps of Saint Francis of Assisi on the spectacular pilgrim path between Florence and Rome. If the full 500km is too much of a stretch, you can simply choose between the Tuscan and Umbrian sections.



### THE MONTH-LONG HIKE

#### St Olav Ways, Norway

The Gudbrandsdalen from Oslo to Trondheim might be comparable in length to the Camino but it gets a fraction of its walkers. Expect incredible fjordland views, stave churches, national parks and wild camping along the way.



## Get an eyeful in Warsaw

Poland will get its answer to the Guggenheim when the doors of its purpose-built Museum of Modern Art (MSN) opens on 25 October. Twenty years in the making, the museum will span six floors, showcasing both Polish and global big hitters including works by Alina Szapocznikow, Magdalena Abakanowicz and Mirosław Bałka.

[@muzeumbudowie](https://www.instagram.com/muzeumbudowie)

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# Be a better tourist everywhere!

Are you a good tourist? Most of us think we are, but according to a Reddit poll taken by locals, many are getting it all wrong, making us unwelcome visitors, rather than much-loved guests. Here's how to leave a good impression on your next trip

## 1 HOW MANY RETAKES ARE ACCEPTABLE WHEN SNAPPING HOLIDAY SHOTS FOR INSTAGRAM?



- A 1-2
- B 3-7
- C 8+



## 2 BIKINIS AND SWIM SHORTS ARE ACCEPTABLE WEAR FOR...

- A Sightseeing – I'm on holiday after all!
- B The beach and poolside
- C Shopping

## 3 PRICES GIVEN FOR GOODS AT A STREET MARKET ARE...

- A The price you should pay
- B Just a starting point for negotiations
- C Around twice what the item is worth

## 4 WHERE ARE THE BEST PLACES TO STAY?

- A Central, anywhere with a great view
- B Hotels and guesthouses owned by local people
- C Airbnb flats: the cheaper the better



## 5 HOW DO YOU WALK WHEN ABROAD?

- A The same pace as at home and always on the pavement
- B A bit slower, especially as I have to keep stopping to look at my map
- C I tend to speed around, dipping into cycle paths when I need to – how else am I going to see everything?



## 6 WHICH IS THE MOST IMPORTANT TO PACK?

- A Mosquito repellent
- B Reef-safe sunscreen
- C Duty-free alcohol



## 7 IF YOU GET BAD SERVICE, YOU ARE MOST LIKELY TO...

- A Scream at the staff member and storm out – don't they know this is my holiday?
- B Put in a formal complaint to their manager
- C Let it go – I'm on holiday and they're likely to be doing their best

## 8 HOW MUCH OF THE LANGUAGE DO YOU KNOW BEFORE YOU GO SOMEWHERE?

- A My mother tongue
- B Just please, thank you, sorry and 'where's the toilet?'
- C Three months of Duolingo should do the trick

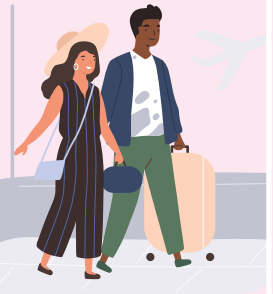
## 9 WHEN I PARTY I LIKE TO...

- A Drink wherever I want
- B Make lots of noise, even if it's late at night
- C Drink responsibly



## 10 COMPLETE THE SENTENCE: IT'S OK TO LEAVE BEHIND...

- A My name, scratched onto any building I can find. How else will people know I was here?
- B Anything that's slowing me down or has outlived its purpose. The street cleaners can pick up the rubbish I leave behind
- C Nothing. Everything I don't need anymore is disposed of in the proper way



### How good a tourist are you?

#### Answers:

- 1 a) 10 b) 5 c) 0
- 2 a) 0 b) 10 c) 0
- 3 a) 10 b) 5 c) 0
- 4 a) 5 b) 10 c) 2
- 5 a) 10 b) 0 c) 0
- 6 a) 5 b) 10 c) 2
- 7 a) 0 b) 2 c) 10
- 8 a) 0 b) 5 c) 10
- 9 a) 0 b) 0 c) 10
- 10 a) 0 b) 0 c) 10

**0-35 Not great.** Try to remember you're a guest in someone else's country.

**36-70 Not too bad.** You're on the right track but have a few things to work on.

**70+ Well done!** Take a bow – you're a credit to your home nation.



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# Skate to new heights in Almaty

Adrenaline and altitude make a heady combination – one which you can experience at Medeu, the world’s highest skating rink. A whopping 1,691m above sea level, this rink is one of Kazakhstan’s best-known tourist attractions, where visitors can skate during the day and by night, with music and light shows. It’s also the place to watch bandy, a kind of proto-ice-hockey played with a ball, also known as ice football. Combine it with a climb to the top of the dam south of Medeu, which protects the valley from mud slides, and you’ve got a high-altitude, high-energy day out to write home about.

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## THE MEDEU RINK IN NUMBERS

10,500m<sup>2</sup>  
of ice to create the ice rink

1951  
year it opened

1,691m  
above sea level

>1,300  
number of people it took to build

1972  
year the rink switched from natural to artificial ice

>200  
number of world skating records broken here



# Meet the world’s first AI tour guide in Denmark

The Danish island of Fanø is known for its sea life as well as great beaches, and now the world’s first AI tour guide, too. Around the island, tourists will find signs featuring a seal called Waddi. By scanning QR codes next to the signs, visitors can ask about local attractions, bike rentals, nature experiences, and restaurants – and, crucially, the seal will gather data to improve its responses. A great idea or a bit of a gimmick? Let us know Waddi you think!

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# Jump into a ‘skyball’ in Yerevan

OK, so they’re more commonly known as hot air balloons, but ‘skyball’ has a bit more of a ring to it, don’t you agree? More James Bond and less ‘say-what-you-see’. Certainly that’s the view of the SkyBall company who organises the International Ballooning Festival in Armenia’s capital from 12-16 October. You can take a flight yourself – get a bird’s-eye view of the glorious mountainous scenery that surrounds the capital for 90,000AMD (around €200 per ticket) – or simply head down to Republic Square and watch them taking off for free. [skyball.am](http://skyball.am)

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# in person



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***“Basma means ‘smile’ in Arabic – that’s what people do when they see our bags”***

Meet the accessories designer combining sustainable fashion principles with the skills of traditional craftswomen in Jordan and Türkiye

 Words by Imogen Rowland



**F**or Jordanian-Palestinian Basma Abdulhadi, becoming a bag designer was never part of the plan. Born and raised in Amman, Basma had completed a degree in criminology at the University of Boston and was taking a well-earned holiday at her family's home in Göcek, Türkiye, when she happened upon women working on wooden looms in a neighbouring seaside village.

"It felt like I was witnessing something from hundreds of years ago," says Basma, who was fascinated by the skeletal looms. "They were taking offcuts of cotton or silk trucked in from Istanbul, spinning them into yarn and then weaving them into these beautiful new materials." Called *dokuma* – meaning 'handwoven' in Turkish – the fabrics were the very definition of sustainable materials, salvaged from scraps otherwise destined for the bin. Depending on the style of the dokuma, it could take anywhere between two and 20 days to make a metre, taking the term 'slow fashion' to a new level. Impulsively, Basma bought some fabric. "I kept going back and buying more, with no real purpose – it was just beautiful. But eventually, I knew I had to make something with it."

Despite not having any experience in fashion design, Basma instinctively knew where to start. "I've never been a flashy dresser – I prefer jeans, casual dresses and flat shoes." But, she explains, there was one item she had a vision for. "If you're going to go crazy with one item in your closet, it has to be your beach bag. I don't get it when you see plain black baskets on the beach. You're on the beach – that's the one time where you have to be bold!" With that in mind, she began working with local craftswomen to create vibrant, colourful beach bags from dokuma, adding a woven macramé handle fashioned from raw rope. Working on one at a time from her mum's basement, she named the brand Nosouj (meaning handwoven in Arabic), set up an Instagram account, and that's how the business ran for several years.

By her own admission, while Basma was passionate about the sustainable and cultural principles of the accessories, she was not sure where to go next. That changed in 2023 when she bumped into Sharif Hajjar, an old classmate from Amman, who had just sold his farming business and was looking for a project to invest in. They decided to work together and moved the business back to Amman, importing the dokuma fabrics from Türkiye and India but keeping everything else Jordanian. "We were excited by the idea of being one of the pioneers in Jordan's fashion scene, which is not as advanced as other Middle Eastern countries like Egypt and Lebanon," explains Basma.



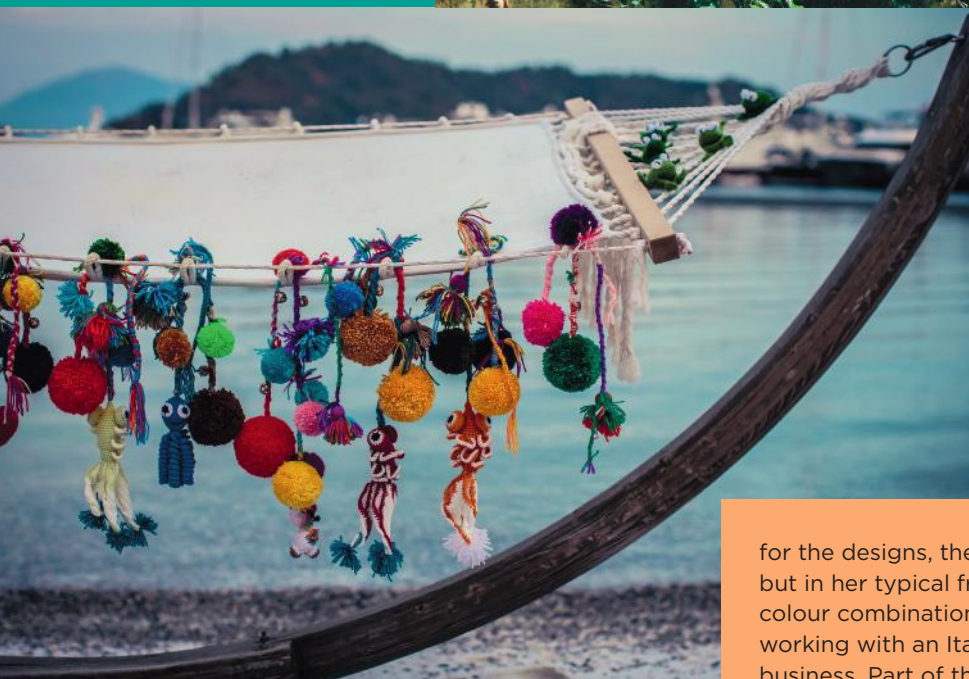
**Opposite page** Models showcase Basma beach bags  
**Top to bottom** A local craftswoman holding a bag; Basma Abdulhadi; a smaller version of the original design







**Clockwise from left**  
Pompom bags; a Turkish  
craftswoman making  
the dokuma fabric;  
Basma's crochet accessories  
and characters



## “I want the business to fulfil our promise of being made in Jordan”

In their new workshop in Jabal Amman, a creative area dotted with artisanal shops in the city's Old Town, Basma began thinking of ways to bring more Jordanian skills – and women – into the business. “I wanted to create opportunities for local craftswomen as we had in Türkiye,” she says. The solution she found was adding crocheted pompoms and characters on the bags, handmade by local women who “don't have the luxury of going to a workplace. Crochet is a skill that they've been taught by their mothers, and it's something they can do while their husbands go to work,” says Basma. “It creates a way they can have their own money and a little independence.”

The company now numbers six full-time staff making the bags by hand and another 15-20 women crafting the crochet mascots to adorn them. As

for the designs, they are still Basma's handiwork, but in her typical freestyle approach – deciding on colour combinations as they go. They also began working with an Italian agency to help them grow the business. Part of that work saw a rebrand, choosing Basma's name for the company. “Coincidentally, Basma means smile in Arabic – and that's what people do when they see our bags,” she says, grinning.

While the nature of dokuma and the techniques they employ means business growth is gradual, Basma is now seeing an increase in requests for partnerships and collaborations as its reputation grows. They recently began a partnership with the Ritz-Carlton in Amman to create a series of beach bags to be sold from the hotel, with profits going to The Badwa Center for Special Education. A non-profit organisation dedicated to providing support services for children with special needs, it's a cause close to Basma's heart. “I want the business to fulfil our promise of being 'Made in Jordan' and that means investing in the wider community. Alongside our work with local women, this is another way we can do that.”

As for what comes next, Basma's hope is that the brand can build its reputation overseas. “I'd love to see our bags in the beautiful beach resorts in Dubai, Saudi and Egypt. And, on a personal level, I'd feel a little bit of pride – you know, here's another good brand from Jordan.” [basmacollection.com](https://www.basmacollection.com)

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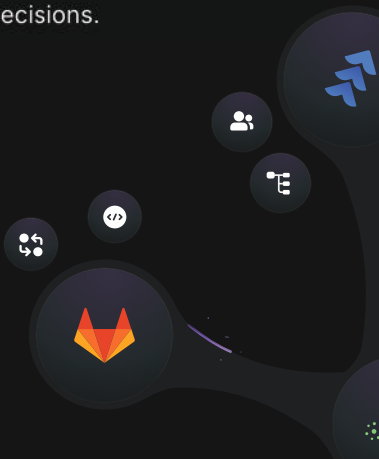
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**The art of Ebru**  
This traditional Turkish art involves 'painting' the surface of water



**“Ebru is a dying art,  
but we’re keeping it alive”**

**In Istanbul’s Sultanahmet neighbourhood, one couple is teaching the ancient art of Ebru – paper marbling – to a new generation**

 Words by Imogen Rowland

**G**reen pigment flies onto the surface of the water, one careful flick of the horse-hair brush at a time. Next, I pick up a *biz* – a small tool a bit like a small screwdriver with no head. I dip it into the paint pot, picking up a thin coat that I then dot onto the surface, watching it bleed into a bigger circle. I add a red pool to the series of green and black puddles already floating nearby, and with a few careful swooshes of

the *biz*, the previously abstract shapes form a picture. A piece of paper is delicately placed on the surface of the water, and then pulled out slowly against the edge of the tray. The painted design disappears from the water and transfers onto the sheet. “It’s like magic, isn’t it?” says my teacher, Betül Şengüler, grinning as I hold up my first Ebru attempt: the iconic red tulip of Türkiye. Her husband, Ali – also an artist and co-owner of Turkish Arts – comes to take a look. “Ah, you see, I told you: the next Picasso!”

My trip to Istanbul was not originally about art at all. But while browsing the website of the Shangri-La Bosphorus, the decadent five-star hotel where I’m staying, I came across an Ebru lesson – a classical form of Central Asian art, which is believed to date back as far as the 9th century – as part of their guest experience menu. “Ebru is a combination of the Arabic words *ebri* – meaning ‘cloudy’ – and *abru*, meaning ‘water surface’,” explains Betül, who studied



## The challenge ISTANBUL



traditional Turkish arts at Istanbul's Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University. Painting on water sounds impossible – surely it's not as straight-forward as popping a paintbrush in a bowl? "We mix the water with carrageenan, a seaweed extract, to thicken it to the consistency of a liquid soap, and allow it to settle for several hours before we pour it into the tray," says Ali.

Next, the naturally-derived paint pigments are mixed with water and ox gall – bile taken from a cow's naturally occurring gallstones – which makes the paints water surfactant (meaning they sit on the surface and stick to the paper once it is applied). Line up your brushes, a number of differently-sized biz and combs – wooden rulers with evenly-spaced metal teeth to draw through the water – and you're set.

"Ebru was traditionally used in book binding, but you can transfer onto different surfaces including leather and ceramics," says Betül as she shows me the next technique – the peacock effect. It's created by flicking four different colours on the surface of the water before drawing the biz through in a grid formation, then using different combs to make the swirling pattern even more intricate. The only real rule to remember is that the last colour you add will be the most dominant – for me, that's a bold blue. As I draw the combs through the colours, it becomes clear why UNESCO inscribed Ebru onto its Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity in 2014 – there is a magic, methodical quality to the art that comes from its longevity. It's a calming, meditative process, watching the colours and shapes shift, I say. "Not always," Betül laughs in reply.

Keen to learn more, before my class I also speak with the artist responsible for bringing Ebru to a global stage right now: Garip Ay. Another graduate of Mimar Sinan, Garip has travelled the world showcasing Ebru, creating live performances of his creations at galleries (even for a TED talk) and most famously recreating iconic artworks in Ebru, including Van Gogh's *The Starry Night*.

"Many traditional Ebru artists see painting Ebru like meditation – calming and soothing. And it can be like that to watch," he says. "But it's not like that for me! It's stressful and hard to control. As an artist, you have to be open to things changing... art evolves." Watching videos of his work is fascinating: more performance art than painting, Garip has to anticipate and react to the water's movement. "For me, the process is as crucial as the result."

Back at Turkish Arts, we pause for a tea break, accompanied by delicious homemade pistachio cookies. Their HQ is a narrow townhouse, spread across four floors including a spectacular roof terrace with views of the Bosphorus as well as the Topkapı Palace walls opposite. "I love creating my own art, but there's something extra special about sharing it with others," says Betül. I tell them it's unlike any other art form I've tried, and in many ways more forgiving – my red tulip looks far more skilful than I could create with traditional paint on paper. I want to do more. Betül smiles. "Ebru is a dying art, but thanks to the magic of the process and the beautiful results, we're keeping it alive." [turkisharts.com](http://turkisharts.com)

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### A place by the river

Occupying a 1930s tobacco warehouse on the water's edge, the Shangri-La Bosphorus is a brilliant base for exploring Istanbul. In easy reach of the city sights via water bus and tram, the hotel is also directly in front of the Beşiktaş İskelesi ferry dock, meaning a 20-minute cruise across to the Asian side of the city is as easy as falling out of bed. Inside, refined rooms take inspiration from Ottoman glamour, while the riverside restaurant, IST TOO, offers delicious Turkish delicacies including tender Adana and chicken shish kebabs. And when you're tired from exploring the city? The sultry subterranean CHI spa can ease away any aches and pains. [shangri-la.com](http://shangri-la.com)



**Clockwise from left page**  
Ali and Betül; one of Garip Ay's Ebru recreations of a Van Gogh; Ali teaching at the studio; Garip filming his painstaking process



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Social media star  
Angelo Coassin -  
better known as  
@cookingwithbello  
- talks us through  
his mission to  
make Italian food  
accessible to  
everyone

 Words by Jim Rix

 Photography by Luke Albert

***“Cooking is  
like therapy  
for me”***



**A**sk most Italians and they'll tell you – with good reason – that their national cuisine is the best in the world. But not all of them illustrate it with quite the same passion and creative delivery as Angelo Coassin. Better known as @cookingwithbello, this ballet dancer turned social media star's high-energy, tongue-in-cheek viral recipes have seen him accrue more than 3m followers. "It's the best in the world," says Angelo, speaking from his hometown of San Daniele del Friuli, north-east of Venice. "Food is central to our culture. When we have lunch, our main discussion is what we're having for dinner!"

Known for his light-hearted presentation skills and flamboyant catchphrases ("super sexy" and "mamma mia!" feature in most videos), Angelo's passion for cooking began as it does for most Italians – helping his mother and nonna in the kitchen. "I would be doing my homework at the table as they made dinner, and I would take breaks to help them chop and stir. I just loved cooking – when I got to high school I would invite my friends around every weekend and cook for them. And I obsessively watched every TV cookery



**Below left** Angelo cutting his fresh red wine tagliatelle  
**Left** The influencer's moreish parmesan pearls  
**Right** Parmesan biscotti

show I could, taking notes so I could recreate the recipes," he explains. "Cooking is like therapy for me – even as a teenager, I dreamt of having my own cookery show."

Alongside his passion for ballet, which he began learning at just three years old, Angelo's enthusiasm for cooking only grew as he became an adult. He moved to London to pursue dancing, performing at Sadler's Wells and the Royal Albert Hall, and subsidised his living with a job at a café. "Then, in 2020, lockdown hit and I found myself in a flat-share with no work and nothing to do," says Angelo. "I'm not the kind of person who can just sit and watch hours of Netflix. I had been thinking about starting a cooking account on Instagram for ages. One day, I just decided to buy the ingredients for my dad's lasagne and make a video of it."

It wasn't entirely straightforward. Angelo had no equipment and no idea how to film, but he borrowed a ring light from his flatmate and went in search of other props. "I found an old ironing board outside my flat and decided it would be the perfect height to film from, so that became my tripod," he laughs. Some of his early videos, he admits, were far from perfect. "They were horrible. I shot them horizontally, and sometimes the recipes took three tries to get right. Once, I made caramel wrong so many times I had to throw out two pans."

Gradually, his skills in filming and editing social videos grew, as did his following. Realising TikTok was for more than just dance videos, he made his own channel, responding to viewer requests for different





**Sexy tip**

Brush your biscotti with some egg wash before baking to create a rich, golden sheen when baked

## Bello's parmesan biscotti

**Serves** 4-6

**Prep Time** 15 minutes

**Cook Time** 10-12 minutes

These savoury cheese biscotti are perfect for an easy appetiser or party snack... *mamma mia!*

- 125g (4 oz/1 cup) plain (all-purpose) flour, plus extra for dusting
- 100g (3 1/2 oz) Parmesan cheese, grated (shredded)
- 90g (3 1/4 oz) chilled unsalted butter, cubed
- small bunch of thyme, finely chopped
- pinch of salt
- pinch of freshly ground black pepper

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C fan (350°F) and line a baking tray with baking parchment.
2. In a large bowl, combine all the ingredients and knead with your hands for a few minutes until a smooth dough forms.
3. On a lightly floured surface, use a rolling pin to roll out your dough to a thickness of about 4mm (1/4 in).
4. Cut the dough into rounds using a biscuit (cookie) cutter, re-rolling to use up the off-cuts, then place on the prepared baking tray.
5. Bake for 10-12 minutes, or until ... super sexy!





### Angelo's tips for eating on a budget in Venice

#### **Osteria Al Squero**

"This buzzy wine bar has no website but serves the best cicchetti, which is like Venetian tapas. Each cicchetto costs €2 and an Aperol Spritz is €3 – it would be rude not to!"

#### **Dal Moro's**

"Dal Moro's does very good fresh pasta to go. They have a mix of Italian classics and some seasonal pastas, all of them around €10 or less. Their super creamy Cacio e Pepe is *mamma mia!*" [dalmosros.it](http://dalmosros.it)

#### **I Tre Mercanti**

"This spot serves up the very best tiramisu in Venice – and there's a lot of competition! They offer lots of different flavours, including classic, limoncello, amaretto and Nutella, all around €4." [itremercanti.it](http://itremercanti.it)

recipes ("almost always pasta!") and happening upon what would become his catchphrases: "Cooking is not an exact science – one oven might take longer than another – and just saying 'cook for 30 minutes' is so boring," says Angelo. "So, rather than giving an exact timing I wanted to express that you should cook it until it's looking amazing – or, as I put it, super sexy."

Likewise, when it comes to quantities of ingredients, Angelo says the Italian way is "the more the better". For instance, "when you are grating cheese – there is no such thing as too much! In Italian we have the phrase *come se non ci fosse un domani* ('like there is no tomorrow'), and that's my approach. It means: go for it, don't hold back."

Eventually, Angelo was approached to create a cookbook – something he says is a dream come true. "I wanted to write a book for ages, but it takes a lot to make the stars align for this kind of project. And I

wanted it to be true to me: fun, not too serious – just me in my white vest, being silly and making delicious food." The result, *Cook like a Real Italian: Super Sexy and Simple Recipes from Cooking with Bello* (Hardie Grant, £24), is a tribute to Angelo's favourite Italian flavours and dishes including easy arancini, fried gnocco and moreish parmesan biscotti (see p31).

Now Angelo is focusing full-time on his cookery and splits his time between London and Italy. "Unfortunately, you can't dance ballet professionally at 90 years old, but I'll still take my ballet classes then," he laughs. As for the future, after the book is published, Angelo has his sights set on another lifetime ambition: his own TV cookery show. "I hope it will happen – who knows!" he says, flashing his instantly recognisable grin. Given his success so far, we wouldn't bet against it.

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**“Baths bring  
us together”**





The healing powers of Budapest's spas are world famous. We dip into the city's thermal waters to find out whether they hold the key to long, happy life

Words by Sarah Rodrigues   Photography by Ben Read





**These pages** Early morning swimmers take to the splendid Széchenyi  
**Far right** Regular spa-goer János in the water at Széchenyi



It's 7.30am on a Tuesday morning at Széchenyi Baths, a primrose-yellow, Neo-Baroque construction that dates back to 1913. Set on the outer limits of Budapest's City Park, it houses 21 pools, indoor and outdoor, each with varying temperatures. Elderly ladies, their hair covered by ornate swimming caps, cling to the side of the pool and chatter animatedly, the mischief in their eyes hinting at the nature of their conversation. Nearby, a group of similarly aged men relax under the spraying plumes at the centre of the pool. Others waded in to join them, greeting the ladies, as they pass, with easy familiarity.

"Everybody knows each other," says 60-year-old János, who wakes daily at 5.30am to go for a run before coming to Széchenyi. "For me, this is the same as beer at the bar after work." He pauses and thinks for a moment. "Except before work," he adds. "And without beer." He is, he tells me, a "very young man. Others, the old ones, maybe they stay here more hours." He puffs out his chest proudly. "I am businessman, I leave here and go for work."

Certainly, many of the bodies in the pools show signs of lives long lived. By the thermal pool in which, if you're lucky, you'll sometimes see old men playing chess in the water, a man moves slowly to the water's

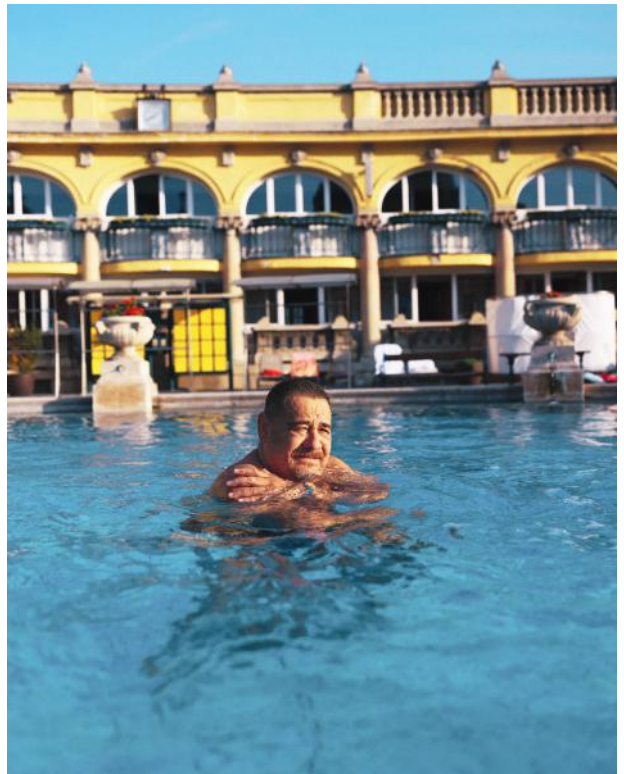


edge, leaning on his cane. His withered frame is bent like a question mark, but the habits of a lifetime are obviously more important than his frailty.

Budapest's spas are somewhere that brings together generations – families where the children are learning to swim, young people unwinding after a busy day working. And visitors to the city have a number of options available to them when it comes to experiencing the many bathing complexes.

But the best way to experience Budapest's thermal baths is to follow the locals – preferably early in the morning – in celebrating what the baths are to the city: a place to meet, gossip, relax, socialise and to benefit from the curative powers of their waters. Thanks to unique geological features, the waters that burble under Budapest come to the surface with the addition of health-giving minerals, such as magnesium, chloride and calcium. The Romans were typically savvy about such things, and their enjoyment is evidenced in ruins scattered around the city.

“We have clients who have been coming every day for 40, 50 years,” says Dora Ferenczi, duty manager at Lukács Baths, located in the northwest of the city. “We open at 7am, but many are often outside, waiting, at 6.30am. They tend to spend



**“We have clients here who have been coming every day for 40 or 50 years”**



# BUDAPEST



**Below and right** The lemon-yellow Lukács Baths  
**Far right** Attila Bálint of resortwear brand PELTSO



around one to two hours here: it's as much a part of their routine as a morning coffee."

The medicinal qualities of Budapest's thermal waters are complemented at most complexes by wellness services, such as massages and sauna, as well as medical treatments for prevention and rehabilitation. Many house on-site medical staff.

And this, too, is an aspect of bathing culture in Budapest that demonstrates how it is so much more than a tourist tick box. It is so woven into the lives of locals that doctors prescribe time at the baths in the way that another might dole out painkillers. Further proof of its importance lies in the fact that such visits are subsidised by the national health system.



## Time is a healer: A history of Budapest spa culture

**100AD** – The ancient Romans popularised relaxing in healing waters, creating the first 'spas' in Buda.

**16th century** – The Ottomans construct beautiful Turkish baths, some of which are still around.

**1878** – Engineer Vilmos Zsigmondy drills a hole under Heroes' Square, which acts as the source of water for Széchenyi.

**1913** – Széchenyi Baths opens. Named after Count István Széchenyi, it costs 3.9m Gold Crowns to build.

**1934** – Budapest is named 'City of Spas' and recognised across the world for its healing thermal waters.

It was exactly such a medical directive that led to the creation of luxury resort wear brand PELSÓ. Having injured his arm after a fall, founder Attila Bálint was advised by his doctor to bathe at Széchenyi at least 10 times. "I was sitting in the water, moving my injured arm back and forth to restore its mobility," he recalls. "And I was looking at the Széchenyi building and thinking that something so beautiful really deserved to have its visitors using beautiful towels, rather than the odd assortment that I could see around me." He laughs: "Széchenyi fixed my arm and inspired my business."

The collection, which is available at various points within Széchenyi, as well as online, has since grown to include sumptuously printed swimsuits, kaftans and loungewear, largely inspired by the colours, flora and fauna of Lake Balaton (also known as Lake Pelső) located about 131 km from Budapest. Describing itself as 'Lakeside Luxury,' the label has recently graced the pages of British *Vogue*.

The therapeutic nature of Budapest's thermal waters are even more apparent at Lukács, where the outer walls are studded with stone 'gratitude' plaques: gifts from people who have been healed by treatment here. The clientele is, Dora tells me, around 80% elderly locals who come for their health, and there is certainly a more subdued ambience here than at Széchenyi. The young people here tend to be visitors, as this is the city's only bathing complex where entry is free with the tourist-friendly Budapest Card.

**"Coming here is as much part of their routine as a morning coffee"**



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## Sitting in the water with a fröccs (wine spritzer) in hand, the sky turns pink



Despite the gender segregation on certain weekdays in the stunning 16th-century Turkish section of the complex – a practice that most of Budapest’s other bath houses have done away with – it’s at Rudas that younger locals tend to congregate, not least because it opens at 6am and forms a hub for post-nightlife relaxation. There’s also its panoramic rooftop pool with on-site bar and views over the Danube. Backed by sheer cliff faces, tufted with greenery, the pool stays open until 3am on Friday and Saturday. As we sit in its waters, *fröccs*

(wine spritzer) in hand, the sunset turns the sky over Elizabeth Bridge, in the foreground, and the historic Széchenyi Chain Bridge, behind, a dreamy shade of pink.

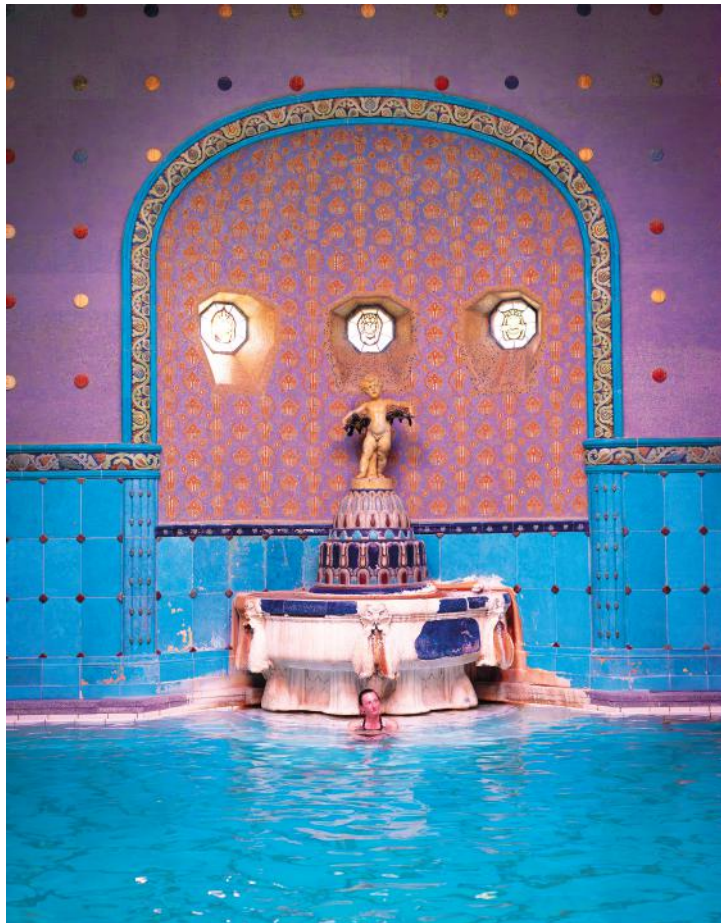
“If I want to take glamorous pictures, Rudas is my favourite,” says 28-year-old Krisztina Mehes, a tour guide with GetYourGuide’s Hungária Group. But equally, she acknowledges that bathing life is transgenerational and deeply enmeshed in local culture. “My grandmother had a knee problem, and my brother had eczema, so the three of us went to the baths every day for a week,” she says. “It was so much fun and the eczema and knee pain both healed. Baths bring us together.”

When it comes to glamour, it’s hard to beat Budapest’s five-star Mystery Hotel, which opened in 2019 in a former Freemasons’ lodge, a building with eclectic flourishes at every turn. Naturally, in keeping with the city’s bathing heritage, the hotel houses a splendid spa, The Secret Garden, where guests can relax in a courtyard setting that combines Baroque details with towering palm trees. There’s also a rooftop pool, with views over Buda Castle.

**Above** The rooftop pool at Rudas is the perfect sunset spot  
**Below left** A mosaic floor at Rudas







## Five benefits of thermal water



### It improves circulation

The calcium and sodium bicarbonate in the water boosts blood circulation



### It promotes sleep

The process of warming and cooling your body puts you into a deeper sleep



### It's anti-ageing

The minerals in the water eliminate toxins which give your skin a rejuvenating effect



### It reduces stress

Relaxing in a spa can help you disconnect from your busy life and clear your mind



### It improves your skin

For conditions like eczema or psoriasis, the minerals can soothe your skin

Glamour also abounds at Gellért Spa, a stunning Art Nouveau building where intricate mosaics characterise the entrance hall, harking back to its Ottoman-era beginnings. It has soaring columns, glass ceilings and turquoise tiles, which make the water preternaturally blue, and it wears its gorgeousness as unashamedly as the clients wear their own skin, caps and swimsuits. It's also one of the most decadent spas when it comes to relaxing remedies, with unusual offerings such as the 'frizzante cocktail body treatment' featuring a detox body wrap, a pampering massage and a cocktail to enjoy at the end.

By one of the outside pools at Gellért, a man sits with his closed eyes protected from the sun by a tilted cap, and his hands

held out to the sides, fingers twisted into a complex mudra. Behind him, another man approaches, his round belly cheerfully bulging over the top of his swim shorts, and stops, watching his seated counterpart with an amused smile. When the meditator finally opens his eyes, they both laugh uproariously, exchanging easy banter before the newcomer launches himself into the water to join a group of men by the steps of the pool.

We didn't catch the chess players on our visit, and perhaps that's a blessing. "My friend, with a degree in Physics from Cambridge, challenged one of those guys to a game," says PELSO's Attila. He chuckles, and glances towards the pool where players gather. "He lost in under three minutes."

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**This page** Inside the glorious, Ottoman-era baths at Gellért Spa



# Aszú restaurant

High-quality Hungarian wines and superb interpretations of local cuisine come together effortlessly at this gourmet restaurant

Only a short walk from Budapest's majestic Basilica you'll find one-of-a-kind restaurant: Aszú restaurant. Aszú is named after a Hungarian delicacy, the wine that made the Tokaj-Hegyalja wine area - now a UNESCO-listed World Heritage Site - famous across the world.

This wine is a true speciality, made unique by a noble mould (*Botrytis cinerea* fungus), which gives it an intense sweetness and a distinctive flavour. Aszú has become a sensation due to its unique taste, rich sugar and acid content, creating a perfect balance. It stands out not only for its sweetness, but also for its lengthy maturation potential. It can develop and improve for decades, which adds to its uniqueness and high value among wine lovers.

Did you know that many years ago Aszú was considered a miracle drink and medicine, and available in pharmacies? According to records,

the first Aszú wine dates back to the early 16th century. It helped lower blood pressure, speed up recovery time after from colds and ease digestion issues.

As you might expect, Aszú restaurant celebrates Hungarian wine, particularly those from the Tokaj-Hegyalja region. Customers can find a wide variety of wines here, including rare vintage items such as bottles from 1912, 1920, the 1956 vintage Oremus Aszú and the 2000 vintage Eszencia. The latter is served with a spoon like medicine, just as it was in the past.

In addition to a unique selection of wines, the restaurant is known for its high-quality, contemporary Hungarian cuisine. The menu includes traditional dishes prepared using old, original recipes. It also caters to gluten and lactose intolerant guests, as well as vegetarians and vegans. Evenings include cosy live music.

The interior features handcrafted



wood carvings, a Zsolnay porcelain fountain and an illuminated Aszú wall displaying 240 bottles of 2000 vintage Oremus 5-Puttonyos Aszú.

Another distinctive feature of Aszú restaurant is the plates created from melting Tokaj wine bottles gathered for reuse and art. The inspiration came from rock samples collected from Tokaj mountains, which can also be seen at the restaurant's entrance.

Since opening in 2013, Aszú restaurant provides customers with a unique gourmet experience in addition to wonderful food and drinks. It is open daily from 5pm, except on Tuesdays.

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How sniffer dogs, bird-loving farmers and vulture restaurants are bringing a solar-powered raptor back from the brink of extinction in Cyprus

Words by Sarah Freeman

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S shafts of early-morning light pierce the tree canopy, waking up the forest, and us, with a golden glow. It's only 6am, but sisters Dixie and Sofie – three-year-old Border Collies – are already hard at work. Whilst my nostrils are being tickled by the scent of pine, this conscientious canine unit is sniffing out poisoned bait: the nemesis of Cyprus's most threatened bird of prey. "As scavengers, griffon vultures are at the top of the food chain. They clean the countryside and play a really important ecological role," says the Game and Fauna Service's Nikos Kassinis as we head deeper into the woods.

Nature's natural-born cleaners, vultures dine exclusively on the carcasses of medium to large animals, and in doing so, curb the spread of deadly diseases like anthrax and rabies. A once common sight across Cyprus, the sun-drenched Mediterranean island now has Europe's smallest breeding population; whittled down to just 10 individuals in 2012. In June, their numbers crept closer to 40 when 14 rehabilitated griffon vultures – transplanted from Spain's remote Extremadura region – were geotagged and released as part of an ambitious project to rewild Cypriot skies with these remarkable raptors.

Launched in 2019, the LIFE with Vultures project is led by BirdLife Cyprus: a non-profit whose conservation approach fires on all cylinders. One of their first jobs was to custom-build an aviary – complete with rain-harvesting roof – where the birds acclimatise for six months. Perched on an exposed





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strip of land overlooking Kouris Dam – about 16km from the seafront city of Limassol – it’s perfect for a first flight, since much like a plane, griffon vultures rely on a runway to take off, says Nikos. It’s also home to one of Cyprus’s four ‘vulture restaurants’, where safe-to-consume animal remains are left out weekly.

Carcasses are illegally used as poisoned bait by some farmers wanting to protect their livestock from predators like foxes and feral dogs, explains BirdLife Cyprus’s Melpo Apostolidou. The poison is also intended for hunting dogs, laid down by some of the island’s 40,000 hare and partridge hunters to defend their territory.

“Poison can cause mass losses because they feed in groups,” Melpo says of griffons; the most social of Europe’s four vulture species. A poisoning incident in 2022 halved Cyprus’s griffon population – including chicks – in the space of 48 hours. The recovery of this emblematic species is made more difficult by their painfully slow reproduction





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rate. Griffons take five years to reach sexual maturity, bearing just one chick every two years. “We lost the last breeding pair [on Cyprus] last summer to a poisoned dog,” says Melpo.

Dixie and Sofie have sniffed out an impressive 70kg of poisoned bait and 81 dead animals in their two years of preventive patrols, “which have taken them everywhere from the seaside to the tip of the mountain!” BirdLife Cyprus’s Conservation Projects Officer Martha Petrou tells me. They may be working dogs, but it doesn’t stop these canines being man’s best friend too.

“We communicate without even having to say words,” says Andreas Christoforou, a Game and Fauna Service warden who has become a dog handler, of Sofie, who he describes as active and sensitive. Handler Andreas Koumbaris – who’s grown up around dogs – tells me: “You’re with the dog 24/7: at work and at home, so it’s a growing bond that gets stronger.”

Noses to the ground, Dixie and Sofie continue snaking along a dirt road in the Troodos Mountains foothills, stopping only to be rewarded with an occasional tasty treat scooped out of their handlers’





# “In the 1950s, there might have been over 100 vultures at a single donkey carcass”

**Previous page** Dog handlers Andreas Christoforou (left) with Sofie and Andreas Koumbaris (right) with Dixie  
**Left** A majestic griffon vulture  
**Below** Farmer Aristos Stylianou



climbing-style chalk bags. “Poisoning doesn’t just affect vultures. It affects hundreds of species on the island from a fly to a Bonelli’s eagle,” says Martha as we seek out shade beneath a walnut tree. She’s tasked with getting the 266 registered livestock breeders – based in and around the vultures 1,300km<sup>2</sup> home range – onside with conserving, rather than cursing Cyprus’s misunderstood raptors.

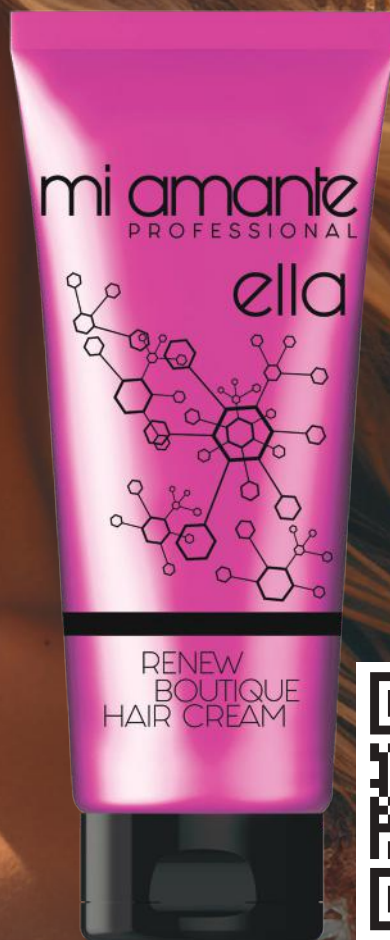
One such farmer is 63-year-old Hungarian-moustached Aristos Stylianou. We find him rounding up his 400 sheep and goats on horseback through gnarled olive and ancient carob trees. Emerging from a cloud of dust,

Aristos shakes down edible carob pods from a branch using his shepherd’s crook so we can snack on nature’s candy. It’s not long before we get to eat the literal fruits of his flocks’ labour when we lunch on goat-sheep halloumi cheese around the family dining table, where he recalls his boyhood memories of griffons.

“[In the 1950s] there might have been over 100 vultures at a single donkey carcass,” he says. Before tractors, these sure-footed animals were put to work in the island’s vertiginous vineyards. Aristos reveals that the outer

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feathers of a griffon – usually shed during a frenzied feed – had a cultural connection in the mid-19th century. “The [feathers] shaft were used to pluck the strings of a laouto [a type of lute], which my father played at weddings.” These days the traditional Cypriot instrument is plucked with a synthetic plectrum.

About 10km away is another wind-whipped smallholding – though this one comes with sea views – where our conversation is soon drowned out by the bleating of 2,000 goats. They belong to Panagiotis Tsestos: a former mechanic wearing a T-shirt emblazoned with a vulture – gifted from BirdLife Cyprus – and a day-old kid goat draped around his neck. A proud griffon ambassador, the farmer tells me how the raptors have helped him identify where some of his livestock – bred for milk and meat – have died, by circling overhead.

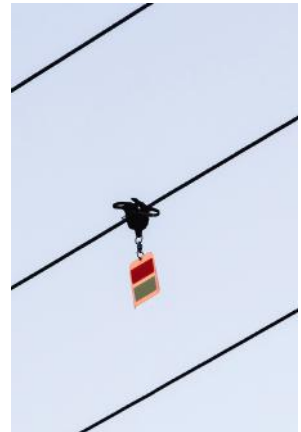
“I used to see more vultures before the electricity wires went up,” he says as we scan pylons on the horizon. Unfortunately, collisions with Cypriot power lines are griffons’ second biggest





**Below** One of the anti-collision fireflies attached to power lines

**Left** The remains of an ancient aqueduct, located on the edge of eastern Cyprus's Paphos Forest



menace. “We’ve lost four birds in four months to electrocution,” says Melpo.

Back on the (bumpy) road again, we find ourselves on a hairy adventure tracking the elusive birds of prey on the edge of eastern Cyprus’s Paphos Forest. With the help of solar-powered GPS transmitters – tagged to 95% of Cyprus’s griffon population – we locate 32 of the raptors resting on the roof of the Department of Forests’ aviary. Always one flap ahead of us, no sooner have we eyed them through binoculars, and they prepare for lift off, forcing us to make a hasty retreat back uphill. Minutes later, five griffons catch us off guard and hover directly above our 4x4. Engine silenced and necks craned, we marvel at their V-shaped forms until the birds soar so high, they’re nothing more than blackish specks.

Ungainly on land, graceful in the air, these high flyers of the avian world can reach heights of up to 3,500 metres. “You find vultures around mountain summits like Troodos because they’re using the thermal

updrafts,” explains Kassinis. It’s a finding made thanks to their GPS tags, which have also confirmed communal roosting sites like bridal-white Episkopi Cliffs. Hugging a crescent-shaped bay on the island’s southernmost tip, it’s a nesting site for griffons as well as loggerhead sea turtles, which burrow in the powder-soft sands below.

Chasing the last light of the day, we follow the path of a favourite vulture flyway, where these raptors run the gauntlet of high-voltage power lines.

Strung along a two-kilometre stretch are fireflies – small but life-saving anti-collision markers. Installed by LIFE with Vultures, they’re one more way the team is working to guide Cyprus’s masters of the skies safely home to roost.

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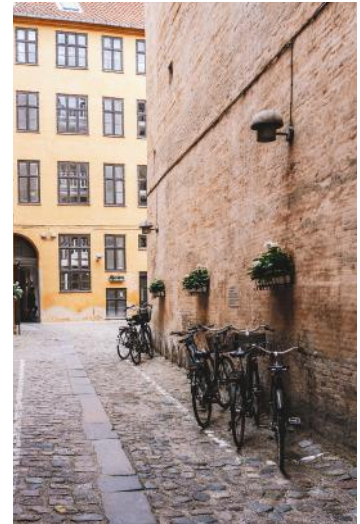
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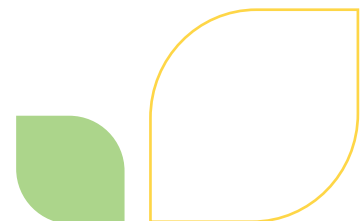


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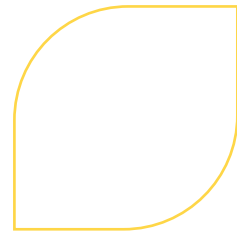


To reinforce its status as one of the world's most sustainable cities, a new programme in Copenhagen is set to transform green actions into a currency for cultural experiences

 Words by Judy Cogan







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**W**hen it comes to cities that emanate progressive cool, Copenhagen takes the crown. Not only has the Danish capital scored consistently highly on the annual Happy City Index and been named the best bike city in the world, this summer a trial of a new city-wide campaign, CopenPay, encouraged locals and visitors to take eco-actions in return for discounts and cultural experiences. Ahead of its wider roll-out in 2025, we went to discover how it works.





## Paddle power

Tobias Weber-Andersen launched GreenKayak Tours in 2017 with one simple concept: you can take out one of the company's kayaks for free in exchange for collecting litter from the city's waterways as you paddle. Since then, these goodwill powered kayaks have become a fixture for locals, who often shout words of encouragement as the green boats float by.

I join Tobias on a beautiful Copenhagen morning and we've barely paddled out of the harbour before a woman in a small boat calls out "keep up the good work," with a thumbs up. It feels nice to be helping out, and seeing the city from the water gives it a completely different perspective.

Tobias was keen to get involved with CopenPay, since the scheme matches his own concept so neatly. "You can really get back to nature by using the kayaks on our canals," he says, fishing a beer can out of the water with his litter picker. "It's such a positive thing for the environment and it encourages people to move around the city in a greener way."

The kayaks come with a round bin. "Most of the trash is blown into the canals by the wind," Tobias says. We make our way along three canals and collect 4.3kg of rubbish, adding to the 120 tonnes GreenKayak Tours has collected since it started.

Demand is so high, explains Tobias, that people inquire about their availability before they've even booked their flights. "We won't solve the problem of water pollution alone, but it makes me so proud to see how we inspire people to do better." [greenkayak.org](http://greenkayak.org)

**"You can really get back to nature by using the kayaks on our canals"**



## Running the town

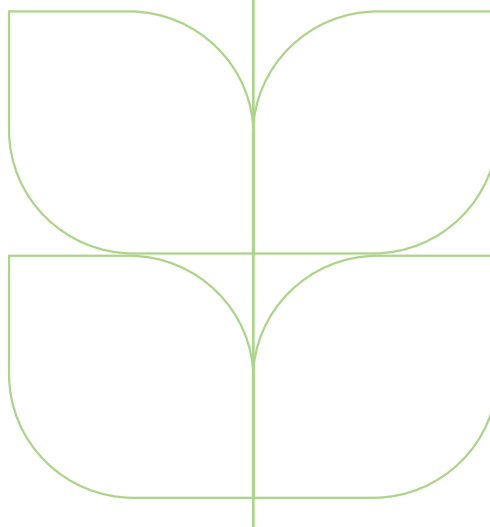
“Running is super sustainable, and sustainability is a big part of our DNA,” Lena Andersson tells me outside City Hall at 7am on a sunny Saturday. Having founded Go! Running Tours in Copenhagen (the concept has since expanded to more than 70 countries), Lena’s all for inspiring visitors to make conscious green choices. Consequently, taking part in CopenPay was a “no brainer” and she devised an adapted 5km green running tour with 75% off the usual price. In this instance, the eco pay-off is touring the city on foot, therefore lowering your carbon footprint.

We start our jog towards the waterfront in time to see a man dive in one of the harbour baths near the new BLOX building. “Typically Danish,” Lena says. She talks passionately as I pant. “We want to help attract people who are curious about how the city works and explore it in a different way,” she says. “Not just ticking off tourist sights like the Little Mermaid, but integrating and contributing. Plus, Copenhagen is a flat city, perfect for running.”

The tour takes in many of the city’s sustainable wins along the way, from mobility solutions (car-free bridges and 546km of bike lanes) to architecture (buildings topped with solar panels and rainwater collection systems). It’s not all virtuous though – eventually we stop for fuel: in our case, a coffee at a branch of Hart Bageri. “By increasing the awareness of sustainable activities people will behave more consciously in the city,” says Lena. It also serves as the perfect excuse for that Danish pastry. [gorunningtours.com](http://gorunningtours.com)



**Opposite page** GreenKayak Tours keep the waterways of Copenhagen clean  
**Below** Go! Running Tours founder Lena Andersson; runners pass Frederiksberg Palace





**This page** Volunteers at Øens Have farm are rewarded with a delicious free meal



**“Tourists get to be out in nature, talking to locals about the city: where to go, what to see or eat, and leave full of ideas”**







## Natural choice

For those with green fingers - or if you just like to mingle with locals and enjoy money-can't-buy experiences - another fun eco-activity can be found at the Øens Have organic farm at Refshaleøen. It sits on a plot of land that formerly housed the B&W shipping company's canteen, and is now lively with wild birds, honeybees and clucking chickens. The Volunteer Tuesdays scheme began at their sister farm, ØsterGro, 10 years ago, and extended to Øens Have in 2021. So when CopenPay was announced, their partnership seemed, well, natural.

The volunteer sessions are free to join between 10am-5pm every Tuesday, and visitors can stay for anything from an hour to the whole day, getting stuck in with tasks including sowing, planting, watering, weeding and harvesting. No gardening experience is needed - just a willingness to get your hands dirty and mix with new people from the city and further afield.

Your reward arrives at 1pm sharp, when everyone sits down to enjoy a delicious family-style vegetarian lunch prepared by a chef at the farm restaurant. It's a popular draw: there's up to 100 people on the waiting list most weeks and a 40-person limit.

"Tourists get to be out in nature, talking to locals about the city: where to go, what to see or eat, and leave full of ideas - you don't often get that interaction," says Jeanette Koustrup, who works at the farm. "I don't think it's even the free part that appeals. It's a beautiful community experience that you won't get anywhere else. We just love volunteer days." [oenshave.dk](http://oenshave.dk)

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## Saddle up

The Copenhagen state of mind is “cool, curious and adventurous,” according to Christian Hougaard, founder of Cycling Copenhagen. Their free CopenPay trail takes in alternative sights including the new Circle Bridge, Islands Brygge with its public outdoor pool and Kalvebod Brygge, home to ‘The Wave’, a waterfront hotspot. Here, your mere presence on the tour is your contribution to the city’s sustainability quota – so the only cost is the bike hire. While CopenPay is on ice for now, Cycling Copenhagen still offer similar trails like The Must See Tour and The Urban Tour.

As we weave our way around the city my guide, Oliver, shares stories I’d never find in guidebooks: from the forest ants that were sprinkled on desserts in Noma to the fact it takes 25 seconds to ski down the CopenHill power station. He also points out the best spots to engage in “Denmark’s national sport of sharing a six pack [of beer]”.

“We believe in the benefits of getting around the city by bike,” explains Christian. “To us, Copenhagen has a similar way of life to the smooth ride in a bicycle lane – we go with the flow. It’s by far the best way to get around and experience the (green) city of cyclists.” [cycling-copenhagen.dk](http://cycling-copenhagen.dk)



### ← CopenHill

Arrive at the city’s iconic ski slope by bike or public transport and get extra 20 minutes on the waste-to-energy power plant’s unique dry slope. [copenhill.dk/en](http://copenhill.dk/en)

### Langelinieskuret

Skurets Vinsalg at Langelinieskuret offers people arriving on foot or by bike a free glass of rosé as well as free rental of pétanque balls for the public pétanque lanes on the rooftop. [home.langelinieskuret.dk](http://home.langelinieskuret.dk)

### Sparta Running & Athletic →

Join in this weekly ‘plogging’ event (a combination of jogging and *plogga* meaning pick-up litter) – in the Fælledparken city park on Mondays at 10am and get a free pastry. [sparta.dk](http://sparta.dk)



### What is CopenPay?

Soft-launched this summer ahead of a wider roll-out in 2025, CopenPay is an initiative where people are invited to ‘pay’ for cool things to do, eat and see with climate-friendly actions. Tend to veg on an urban farm? Get a free lunch. Turn up to a gallery armed with plastic bottles? Join in a free art workshop. Here are some of the other opportunities to keep an eye out for when it relaunches.

### Frilandsmuseet

Want to get a cup of eco-friendly coffee in return for *not* arriving by car or taxi? Show your metro or bus ticket or a picture of your bike at the entrance of this open-air history museum.

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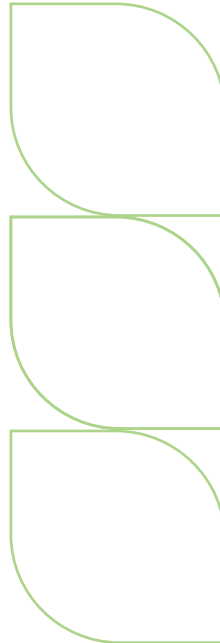


## Getting your hands dirty

Once I have my bike legs, a 23km cycle north of the city along a stunning stretch of the coastline brings me to the Karen Blixen Museum in Rungsted, and another brilliant eco-opportunity. I'm met by guide Sofia at the outdoor café that edges beautiful flower-dotted gardens and woodland in the grounds of the the childhood home of Blixen, the Danish author, who published her world-famous book *Out of Africa* in 1937.

As part of CopenPay, visitors were invited to join a community of volunteers who help keep the gardens tidy – and in return receive free entry into the museum, whose property dates back to the Middle Ages. “The house and its gardens are preserved as they were back when Karen lived here, and you can see the clothes she wore and her writing desk,” says Sofia. “She loved the house’s history and was passionate about preserving the biodiversity in the garden,” Sofia adds. “So our community of volunteers are very much in Karen Blixen’s spirit”. Guests can grab a pair of gardening gloves and, guided by a professional, help turn the soil and keep part of Copenhagen’s history thriving. And for those who don’t want to cycle the distance, Rungsted train station is just 10 minutes from the museum. [blixen.dk](http://blixen.dk)

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Left Volunteers tend to the gardens at the museum



### Copenhagen Surf School ↑

Take a windsurfing class – testing the wind power in the lagoons of Amager Beach Park – and then help with a beach clean-up to receive a free lunch at Copenhagen Surf School. [copenhagensurfschool.dk](http://copenhagensurfschool.dk)

### Stromma

Visitors arriving by public transport or bike will get a 65-minute electric boat tour with a talk from the skipper on Stromma's sustainability initiatives from fish hotels to sea bins. [stromma.com/en-dk](http://stromma.com/en-dk)

### The National Museum →

Bike or use public transport and get a free ‘Denmark’ ice cream (made from local rhubarb, strawberry and licorice – yum) when purchasing your entry ticket. [en.natmus.dk](http://en.natmus.dk)



### SMK

Turn up at the city’s leading art museum with a bag of plastic waste to take part in a free workshop and, with the help of skilled artists on hand, transform it into an artistic masterpiece or a plastic jellyfish. [smk.dk/en](http://smk.dk/en)

### Museum of Copenhagen

Learn about the capital’s vast history and earn yourself a coffee by simply taking a photo of a chosen green action you have completed and show it at the reception desk on arrival. [cphmuseum.kk.dk/en](http://cphmuseum.kk.dk/en)

### BaneGaarden ↘

Copenhagen’s latest sustainable food and culture hub offers a homemade organic dish from its food stalls in exchange for a bag of trash collected in the local neighbourhood. [en.banegaarden.com](http://en.banegaarden.com)





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**A**t first glance, the recently opened Stará Škola in Prague's Smíchov district seems like any other hipster coffee shop: house plants, latte art, kitsch crockery and eclectic framed photographs lining the walls. But look closer and you'll quickly realise this is a café with a difference. Everyone, from the cook whipping up raspberry crumb cake in the kitchen to the barista fashioning a heart out of milk on the top of your coffee, is a senior citizen.

"We exclusively hire older people here," explains Iveta Čížová, who heads up the project launched by senior-focused non-profit Elpida. "This section of society is often made to feel pushed aside, as though they no longer have value. By giving them a role and teaching them new skills, we can revive their sense of worth."

While the staff are all in their sixties and above, many of the customers at Stará Škola ('Old School', in English) are much younger. The coffee shop acts as a welcoming

meeting place between generations that might not usually interact. "There's a certain view that young people here have of their elders: that they're grumpy and rude. When they come to the café, they realise it's not true," says Iveta.

"And it's the same the other way round too," laughs Marie Poledníková, a 70-year-old retiree who works five-hour shifts twice per week. "I've been so surprised how pleasant and polite young people are." Marie was stuck in a liminal space between retiring from her role as the right-hand to the CEO of a private company and finding her new place in society. Since she started working at Stará Škola, she's received barista training and mastered tasks she'd never even tried before. Watching her at work, it's evident that Elpida's concept is successful. "It's changed my life – this last period of it, anyway!" she says.

This coffee shop is the latest opening among numerous social enterprise eateries in the Czech capital, each focusing its efforts on uplifting a different subsection of society. Mlsná Kavka café in Karlín, for instance, gives professional experience to people with mental illnesses, while Mezi Rádky is a chain of cafés, a bakery and a coffee roastery that's dispelling prejudice and providing opportunities by giving jobs to people with disabilities. You can't visit without trying one of their homemade cakes or some artisanal bread (with pesto inside, if they have it).

These cafés are a simple way in which socially conscious travellers can make a





## “Visitors going here for coffee genuinely helps”

**Left page** Stará Škola's owner Iveta Čížová with Marie Poledníková  
**Above left to right** Making pastry in Kuchařky bez domova; homeless café worker Jana

tangible difference to the place they're visiting – something that is becoming more and more of a priority. Over the past few years, people have started to move away from mass tourism and mainstream experiences, instead wanting to make the effort to truly interact with local culture and people.

“These social enterprise eateries are not non-profit organisations – they aim to get orders and make money, which is used to pay their beneficiaries and, in some cases, fed back into the project,” says Veronika Vávrová from the Czech Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs. The senior citizens at Stará Škola, for example, get an hourly salary but any profit is funneled back into the café or into Elpida's other projects, such as its senior centres. “So, visitors going there for their coffee or a bite to eat is genuinely helping.”

At Kuchařky bez domova (‘Cooks Without Homes’), a vegan catering company that does pop-ups and events

around Prague, the money is used to support homeless women and trans people – some of the most vulnerable members of the homeless population. Due to the rising cost of living, the knock-on effects of Covid-19 and an ever-increasing demand for accommodation, the city's homeless population is growing. Recognising that one of the biggest barriers to their reintegration is lack of employment, the social enterprise overseen by Olga Pek from charity Jako doma hires them as cooks/servers. This provides immediate aid in the form of a salary, and in the long term through the teaching of professional skills that will help them get follow-on employment elsewhere.

“Kuchařky bez domova has given me more chances than I would have got in a normal job, while also setting clear boundaries. It's helped me realise that work is work and not something I can start and stop. I wouldn't have been given the opportunity to learn that elsewhere,” 44-year-old Jana tells me. She's been living on and off the street since she was discharged from a children's home in 1998. Working with Kuchařky bez domova has given her enough structure and money to partially integrate back into what she calls “normal life”. “It's hard to get back on your



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**Left** Smoked salmon  
at Café Therapy  
**Bottom** Jakub Janyška

## “This salary means I don’t need to rely on benefits anymore”

feet when you’re living on benefits so this salary means I don’t have to rely on that anymore. I still have one foot on the street and one in a shelter so my next goal is to get a permanent roof over my head.”

The social enterprise concept isn’t new to Czechia. Its first, Café Therapy, was established almost two decades ago, when founder Jiří Richter was inspired by similar initiatives he saw in the UK and Germany. He began employing some of the former prisoners and drug addicts using the services of his already well-established NGO, Sananim, in a café in New Town, with the hope it would be a significant step towards resocialisation. Considering almost 150 people have undergone transit employment through Café Therapy, it has proved a good model. So much so, in fact, that since Jakub Janyška and Samuel Bachmann took over in 2016 they have established five further locations: new cafés in the Komedie Theatre and ABC Theatre, a bistro in the Charles University, Faculty of Education and, just last year, the campsite and café Staré Časy in Chřenovice.

“Originally the idea was to employ people for half a year, but we wanted to make it a more permanent job for those that wanted it; to give them a salary, stability and the opportunity to progress,” explains Jakub. One employee, for example, started from the lowest position in the kitchen and now leads a team of 20 across both theatre cafés.







This evident investment in its staff's progression is not only significant for the beneficiaries of Café Therapy, making them feel trusted and believed in and thus more confident; it also has a positive impact on a business level. A good example is Café Therapy's collaboration with Tomáš Levý. The haute cuisine chef was called in to teach employees complex culinary techniques such as fermentation, breadmaking and salmon smoking. They even learned how to make cheese from fresh milk, which they then fry and serve inside one of their artisanal buns. Little wonder it has become the signature dish.

With upskilled employees, Café Therapy's outposts are able to offer more refined food – important in the fight to stay relevant within Prague's thriving restaurant scene. It proves all the more vital when one considers this particular social enterprise principally relies on customers to keep it running. "It's harder for us to get external funding than

other social enterprises because there's still this stigma that drug addiction isn't an illness but something people have done to themselves," says Jakub.

Overall, though, a big reason so many workers stick around is a sense of community. They can meet people with similar experiences who are also in a state of rehabilitation and mentor those who are newer to it. What's more, some 30% of the staff come from a more 'typical' background. Working together as equals allows for a compassionate exchange of life views and experiences.

One of the longest serving employees is Daniella, who left behind 11 years of crime and drug addiction and has worked at Café Therapy for almost a decade. "Whenever I'm in trouble, not just at work but in my personal life, the first people I get in touch with or ask for help are those from Café Therapy," she says.

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**Clockwise from above**  
Daniella has been working at Café Therapy for more than 10 years; snacks and drinks at the social enterprise



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A short train ride from Prague, the majestic castles of Karlštejn and Křivoklát await, offering a fascinating, deep dive into the region's rich history. Golf enthusiasts will enjoy the scenic Golf Resort Karlštejn and the wellness facilities at the Royal Beroun Golf Club. Adventurers are well catered for in Central Bohemia too – they can head to Příbram to climb the Holy Mountain or explore the area's mining heritage via an underground tour. And don't miss the Antonín Dvořák Memorial, where the lake that inspired the fairy tale of Rusalka, resides. Follow [@visitcentralbohemia](#) for more inspiration.



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## Moldova's UNESCO-listed treasures

Not only is Moldova blessed with stunning natural beauty and warm welcoming people, it also has some rich traditions that are on UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage list

### In full voice

If you are spending Christmas Eve in a Moldovan village, expect a few knocks on the door. A wonderful type of carolling, the ritual of Colindat sees groups of young men go from house to house performing festive songs. As a reward, the hosts offer singers ritual gifts and money. The songs are adapted to each host's individual circumstances and are sometimes performed in costume, with instrumental accompaniment and choreography for a truly unforgettable experience.

### Weaving some magic

While Moldova's woven wall carpets are these days mainly appreciated as works of art and

exhibited at city festivals and ceremonies, these intricate pieces have a far more practical past. At one time they were used for insulation and also as part of a bride's dowry. Whatever their function, the carpets are never less than striking, with weavers using a variety of techniques to produce impressive motifs that reflect the part of the country they hail from.

### Perfect fit

Called *altîță*, a traditional blouse with embroidery on the shoulder is an essential part of Moldovan folk dress for men and women. It blends a simple cut with colourful ornamentations stitched using intricate sewing techniques passed on within families. The white

blouses are made of natural fibres (flax, cotton, hemp or floss silk), with stitches combining horizontal, vertical and diagonal seams that result in a very specific (and absolutely beautiful) pattern.

### Spring is in the air

In Moldova, the beginning of spring is a red (and white) letter day. *Mărțișor* (or 'Little March') is a tradition that, from 1 March, sees the making, offering and wearing of red and white thread, which is then untied when the first blossom tree, swallow or stork is seen. The token is part of larger spring celebration and provides symbolic protection against bad weather, so you can have safe passage from winter to spring.





# Best of Hungary

*Treat yourself with a little pampering this autumn. Here are some of the best ways to relax and unwind in Hungary*

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## Experience Széchenyi Thermal Baths in style

The Dayspalm area offers a luxurious way to relax on your next trip

You've probably already heard about Budapest's Széchenyi Thermal Baths, one of Europe's largest – and most beautiful – spa complexes, with 21 pools and saunas for water lovers to enjoy. It's so well-known that a model of this more than 100-year-old spa represents Hungary at the famous "Mini Europe" park in Brussels.

But did you know that you can now take bathing here to the next level? In the exclusive Dayspalm area of the baths, visitors can enjoy relaxing spa time in seriously luxurious surroundings. Dayspalm offers tranquillity, peace and a place to retreat so you can soothe your body and calm your mind. The packages include a fruit plate, a cocktail of your choice and all the necessary accessories for the baths, including bathrobe, towel, slippers and swimming caps. You can even add a massage, to complete your bathing experience. For further information about Dayspalm, visit: [szechenyibath.hu/dayspalm](http://szechenyibath.hu/dayspalm)



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Looking for a Christmas destination that blends tradition with a touch of magic? Craiova, in Romania, is the answer. Awarded four times by expert travel website European Best Destinations, Craiova's Christmas market is one of Europe's hidden gems, where classic fairytales and futuristic wonders combine to create a holiday atmosphere like no other which is sure to inspire childlike delight.

This winter, the city invites you to experience four different Christmas worlds. Step into the enchanted land of *Beauty and the Beast*, feel the festive cheer in Santa's Village, enjoy the peace

and generosity of a traditional Romanian Christmas, or explore the futuristic flair of Galactic Christmas. From magical roses to Star Wars-inspired decorations, every inch of the market is designed to captivate your imagination. The air is filled with the scent of gingerbread, roasted chestnuts, and mulled wine, adding to the sensory magic.

Starting from 15 November, Craiova lights up with festive attractions. Take a ride on eastern Europe's highest-flying Santa's sleigh, glide across the city's ice rink, or get a bird's-eye view from the panoramic Ferris wheel. Millions of lights illuminate

the streets, while unique, hand-painted cottages bring the charm of fairytales to life.

For culinary adventurers, Craiova transforms into a multicultural feast for the senses. Sample the best flavours with dishes and wines from countries such as Armenia, Azerbaijan Georgia, Türkiye, Hungary and more alongside Romanian favourites at this year's Craiova Christmas market.

Let Craiova transport you into a world where Christmas dreams can come true. For more details, visit [facebook.com/TargdeCraciunCraiova](https://www.facebook.com/TargdeCraciunCraiova) or [primariacraiova.ro](http://primariacraiova.ro).



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offering a unique way to experience the serene beauty of winter in Styria.

As summer unfolds, Ausseerland becomes a haven for hikers and bikers. Whether you prefer lakeside strolls or mountain treks, there is a trail for everyone. Paddle across the pristine waters of Grundlsee and Altaussee See, or relax on their shores, soaking up the tranquillity. The region's culinary scene is a feast for the senses. Wander through local markets brimming with fresh, regional produce and savour gourmet meals where traditional dishes are given a modern twist.

After a day of adventure, unwind at GrimmingTherme in Bad Mitterndorf, with its indoor and outdoor pools, saunas, and spa treatments. The

Narzissen Vital Resort offers a unique wellness experience, featuring therapeutic saltwater and stunning mountain views.

Ausseerland is steeped in cultural heritage, celebrated through vibrant festivals like the Narzissenfest and Carnival. Explore artisan shops offering handcrafted items that reflect the region's rich traditions and craftsmanship. Every corner of Ausseerland tells a story, waiting for you to discover.

So why wait? Come and discover your moment in Ausseerland, where every visit creates lasting memories. Plan your adventure today and let the magic of Ausseerland captivate you and create memories that will stay with you forever. [ausseerland.at](https://ausseerland.at)





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The first thing you notice about the Louis St Elias Resort is that everyone's smiling. Its main clientele are families – you know, parents with kids – and yet there's a universal aura of calm and contentment. People exchange greetings, children make friends and play, like a small village. It could be because the resort is divided into 'fun' and 'chilled' halves, each with its own pool and bar. Maybe it's the all-day entertainment provided by the waterslides, kids club and evening

shows; or the wellbeing provided by the gym, spa and gardens with more than 200 local species of plant. It could be the unbelievably good breakfasts, lunches and dinners, that make the all-inclusive option a no-brainer (tip: book a Greek gourmet feast in the smaller Meze by Elliniko Tavern – it's truly special). The resort aims to combine five-star service with a relaxed family atmosphere, but it does more than that, it creates a happy place. And we all need one of those.



# Hotel Indigo Vienna - Naschmarkt Vienna

In a city with splendid architecture like Vienna, it's impressive that Hotel Indigo Vienna - Naschmarkt stands out so much. With a striking angular metallic mesh covering its 19th-century facade, it resembles a beautiful old woman wearing an avant-garde veil.

Inside it's all about colourful, tasteful decor and relaxing, welcoming vibes. A circular bar serves excellent cocktails and most rooms have balconies surrounding a courtyard, creating a community feel. The Pigment Restaurant and Bar

delivers fine breakfasts and dinners; and the fitness centre helps you earn them.

The cookbooks are a clue to the location's greatest strength: gastronomy. The hotel is a stone's throw from Pilgramgasse station and walkable to the glorious historical centre for all your touristic needs. But it's also on the cusp of the trendy Neubau with its cool bars and restaurants, and the wonderful Naschmarkt — a vibrant food market providing you with everything from baklava and craft beer bars to Wiener schnitzel.



## **Le Domaine de Hautes Fagnes**

### Belgium

This dreamy, four-star hotel is hidden away in the Belgian wilderness, surrounded by mountains and trees. Hiking is the main draw here – and the hotel's guided alpaca walks are definitely something to write home about. The spa is a delight, with indoor pool, sauna and Turkish bath plus an impressive menu of spa treatments.



## **101 Hótel**

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land of ice. Sample them at the Friðheimar Bistro – a sleek space in the heart of the greenhouses, where chef Jón K.B. Sigfússon has crafted a menu in which almost everything contains tomatoes.

That extends to desserts (green tomato and apple pie; tomato ice cream or cheesecake topped with green tomato jam) and a drinks menu including Friðheimar tomato beer and even tomatoschnapps – an Icelandic birch schnapps served (yep, you guessed it) in a hollow tomato. [fridheimar.is](http://fridheimar.is)



## Hiša Franko near Ljubljana

Ana Roš is not short of accolades, having been named The World's Best Female Chef in 2017 and being the subject of an episode of Netflix's *Chef's Table*. Her restaurant, Hiša Franko, is no different, boasting three Michelin Stars and coming in at 48 on the 50 Best Restaurants list for 2024. Located in Kobarid, in the Slovenian countryside, it serves a precise, ambitious tasting menu inspired by hyper-local ingredients. [hisafranko.com](http://hisafranko.com)



## Figlmüller Wollzeile Vienna

There aren't many dishes synonymous not just with a country but a specific city. The Wiener schnitzel is just that – a cultural icon in edible form – and in the Austrian capital, Figlmüller Wollzeile, around the corner from St Stephen's Cathedral, has been serving them since 1905. Measuring a whopping 30cm, their delicious pork schnitzel is traditionally served with either potato salad or mixed greens, and is best paired with a glass of Grüner Veltliner. [figlmuller.at](http://figlmuller.at)

# Uoksas

## Kaunas



Championing Baltic ingredients paired with Nordic flare, Uoksas is a fine-dining restaurant that is making waves in the Lithuanian city of Kaunas.

The eatery is the brainchild of head chef Artūras Naidenko whose menus are ‘micro-seasonal’ – meaning they constantly shift to accommodate the local produce available, resulting in a delicious, surprising meal. Expect ambitious culinary dishes like ponzu-pickled mackerel with sunflower seeds, lacto-fermented cucumber and

celery root terrine, or rib eye steak cured in koji spores with tomato and leek, potato puree and a bone marrow and sake jus. To get a good overview, order the tasting menu in advance. Located in the heart of the city, and with a drinks list packed with Lithuanian wines, there is good reason why Uoksas is now celebrating its 10th year in business with an inclusion in Lithuania’s brand-new Michelin Guide. [uoksas.eu](http://uoksas.eu)





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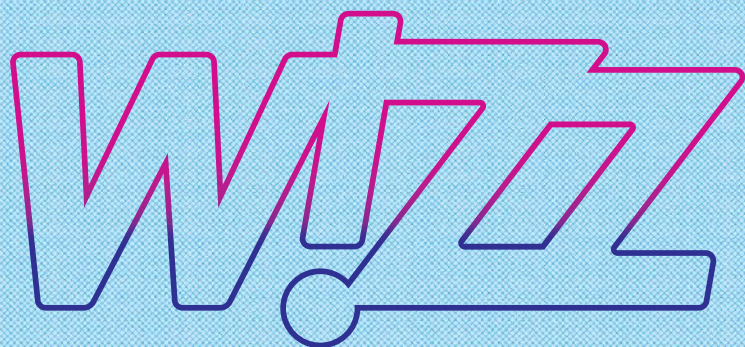
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# news

Want to know what we've been up to, how to get the most out of your journey and what's new in the dynamic world of WIZZ? Then read on...



## A family affair

Wizz Air was honoured to be an official partner of the Hungarian Olympic Committee for this summer's Olympic Games. And all of the Wizz Air team who crewed flights carrying 256 Hungarian athletes and support staff (around half of the delegation) to the Paris Olympics felt a strong sense of pride. But for one WIZZ pilot, that pride was a little extra special.

Balázs Molnár flew his son Erik, a member of the national water polo team, from Budapest to Paris Orly on 26 July on an aircraft featuring the golden Wizz Air Olympics livery, just in time for the opening ceremony. Hungary travelled home with 19 medals in total, and came 14th on the official medal table. Congratulations to everyone involved.

## New routes to and from Budapest

Wizz Air continues to grow in Hungary, with almost seven million passengers expected at Budapest airport this year, as well as the addition of a 17th aircraft. From October, travellers can enjoy new flights to Genoa, Girona, Marrakesh and, from December, Memmingen in Germany. There is also increased frequency on some of our most popular routes.



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## The winner takes it all

Wizz Air ran a whole host of celebratory events and activities to celebrate its 20th birthday this spring. But the anniversary contest – where one lucky winner took home €20,000 worth of Wizz Air tickets – was our favourite. Pirro Çajupi, from Albania, was the victor, and he can now travel on 800 routes to nearly 200 destinations with WIZZ. Well done Pirro – we can't wait to see where you travel to next.



## Take to the skies with Wizz Air

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# “This is a symbol of our commitment to sustainability in the skies”

Wizz Air’s 20th anniversary livery design was selected in a customer competition to celebrate its sustainability achievements. We speak to the team involved to find out more

**N**ext time you see a WIZZ plane at the airport or in the air, take a closer look. If you’re lucky, you may just spot our brand-new livery featuring a nature motif, designed to celebrate Wizz Air’s 20th anniversary, as well as the recognition WIZZ has received as the most environmentally sustainable airline from CAPA in 2022 and 2023. But, there’s more to the story.

Having been celebrated for our efforts to lower carbon emissions and commitment to sustainable technology, Wizz Air decided to mark the accolade in a unique way. “We wanted to engage our community and celebrate our environmental milestones by inviting creative designs for a new livery that reflected our dedication to sustainability,” says Yvonne Moynihan, Wizz Air’s Corporate and ESG Officer. “So, in January 2023, we launched a social media competition inviting customers to design a sustainability-themed livery for one of our new Airbus





**Far left** Wizz Air's special nature-themed livery  
**Left** competition winner Éva Kerényi  
**Below right** Yvonne Moynihan (top) and Gréta Dobránszki (bottom)

A321neo aircraft. The challenge was to raise awareness of our sustainability efforts and mark our commitment to further reducing our CO<sub>2</sub> emissions intensity by 25% by 2030."

The team was thrilled by the response from the Wizz Air community, receiving more than 550 entries. They whittled those down to four shortlisted designs, before eventually choosing a winner: Éva Kerényi from Slovakia, whose design incorporates leaf motifs curling around the aircraft.

"Éva's design stood out for its unique ability to maintain the core WIZZ branding while seamlessly integrating natural elements like leaves and vines," says Yvonne. "This clever incorporation not only preserved the brand's identity but also added a fresh, nature-inspired dimension that resonates strongly with our sustainability mission."

Éva was thrilled when she discovered her design had been selected. "When I received the email I had to re-read it as I couldn't believe my design was

chosen," she says. "I wanted the design to be subtle, graceful and elegant, something that suits both the Wizz Air brand and my own style. It was a once-in-a-lifetime, almost unimaginable experience to see my design on a huge plane at the unveiling." Éva was also awarded €2,000 in WIZZ vouchers.

Next came the challenge of transferring the design onto the Airbus A321neo - chosen because it achieves the lowest CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per passenger in the industry. "We shared the design with Airbus, who then created a 3D CAP document, capturing the design from all angles to guide the painting process," explains Gréta Dobránszki, Wizz Air's Fleet Acquisition Manager. "We then selected the specific green colour code for the design, while the pink, blue and white remained consistent with our basic livery."

The big reveal took place this year during a delivery ceremony at the Airbus factory in Hamburg, with Éva in attendance. "What made the event so special was that it brought together all the relevant players in the aviation ecosystem: the airline, the manufacturer and the customer," says Yvonne. "It was symbolic of the collaborative sustainability approach that is essential on the road to net zero. We're immensely proud to see this symbol of our commitment to sustainability in the skies."

Wizz Air's sustainability efforts don't stop there, either. On World Nature Conservation Day,

28 July, we announced the second voluntary WIZZ Sustainability Ambassador programme, which sees employees participate in local sustainability projects, promoting eco-friendly practices and sharing valuable insights with colleagues. "The new term kicks off this autumn, so stay tuned for updates from our new Ambassadors who will raise awareness of environmental and social sustainability issues across Wizz Air's network," says Yvonne. For more about our sustainability mission, visit [wizzair.com](http://wizzair.com).







**FLY THE GREENEST**



More about sustainability at Wizz Air:



# How we fly a more environmentally sustainable way\*

We launched Wizz Air with the strong belief that air travel should not be a privilege. That we will create a world of opportunity for all through affordable travel. And we are delivering on that promise.

And while giving more and more people the freedom to travel, we aspire to continue to be the most carbon-efficient choice for flying. As well as breaking down barriers between people and air travel, we've shown a whole industry how aviation can be more sustainable.

Crucial business model and design decisions, from pricing to seat density, ensure we fly with high-load factors. We've never even thought about business-class seats. Or a hub-and-spoke model. Or substituting short train rides for flights. We've instead focused on innovation and technology. We fly with one of the youngest and most fuel-efficient fleets out there, and the most modern engines possible, all to keep our fuel use as low as possible.

This all delivers one of the lowest CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per passenger kilometre\*\*, beating not just legacy carriers, but also low-cost airlines operating in a similar way to us.

A plane will never be greener than a train or an electric vehicle. But we are striving to be Europe's top choice for environmentally conscious flying. Because when it comes to sustainability, we believe in the facts of today. Not promises of the future.

## Paperless flight deck

We use tablets in our flight decks, saving over 25,000 printed pages in the aircraft

## Lighter seats

We're continuously investing in newer, lighter seats to reduce the aircraft's weight, which decreases fuel burn and emissions

## Single-engine taxiing after landing

We save fuel by turning off one of the engines after arrival

## Noise pollution reduction

Our A321neo aircraft use two Pratt & Whitney GTF engines, which reduce our noise footprint by almost 50% compared to previous generation aircraft

## Sharklets

These amazing inventions can reduce fuel burn by 2% and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 600 tonnes per year per plane

## Washing the engines regularly

We wash every engine twice per year - the cleaner they are, the smoother they run, and therefore less fuel is needed

## Did you know?

Low-cost carriers, such as Wizz Air, prioritise fuel efficiency, and fly point-to-point. This contributes to a reduced environmental impact when compared to connecting flights operating on the same route.

\* Wizz Air was named Global Environmental Sustainability Airline Group of the Year by the Centre for Aviation (CAPA) at its Awards for Excellence 2022 and 2023.

\*\* 52 grams per passenger/km in the financial year 2024 (1 April 2023 - 31 March 2024)



# Our fleet





## Younger, greener and growing

Wizz Air has a single-type fleet of 223 aircraft from the Airbus A320 family. It's among the youngest and most efficient in the world – and the safest. The average age of our aircraft is 4.35 years, well below the average fleet age of our major

competitors, which is around 10 years. Our planes already have the most sophisticated safety equipment and, by 2030, we will have 500 aircraft. Our neo aircraft feature advanced systems and engines that reduce our carbon footprint, as well





as noise and cost, helping us keep fares low and accessible and providing the most responsible choice of air travel available. Wizz Air is currently the largest operator of the most sustainable Airbus A321neo aircraft in Europe.

### Airbus A320ceo

-  **Max. cruise speed** 903km/h  
**Economical cruise speed** 840km/h
-  **Wingspan** 35.8m (117ft 5in)
-  **Number of aircraft\*** 40
-  **Seat capacity** 180/186  
**Flight crew** 2 **Cabin crew** 4







### Airbus A321ceo

-  **Max. cruise speed** 903km/h  
**Economical cruise speed** 840km/h
-  **Wingspan** 35.8m (117ft 5in)
-  **Number of aircraft\*** 41
-  **Seat capacity** 230  
**Flight crew** 2 **Cabin crew** 5







### Airbus A320neo

-  **Max. cruise speed** 903km/h  
**Economical cruise speed** 840km/h
-  **Wingspan** 35.8m (117ft 5in)
-  **Number of aircraft\*** 6
-  **Seat capacity** 186  
**Flight crew** 2 **Cabin crew** 4



### Airbus A321neo

-  **Max. cruise speed** 903km/h  
**Economical cruise speed** 840km/h
-  **Wingspan** 35.8m (117ft 5in)
-  **Number of aircraft\*** 136
-  **Seat capacity** 239  
**Flight crew** 2 **Cabin crew** 5



## Top marks for safety

Wizz Air is registered under the International Air Transport Association's (IATA) Operational Safety Audit (IOSA), the global benchmark in airline safety recognition. Wizz Air has also been awarded the **highest seven-star safety ranking** from the world's only one-stop airline safety and product rating agency, **AirlineRatings.com**

# World of WIZZ

At [wizzair.com](http://wizzair.com) you'll find the answers to all of your travel needs, from adding luggage and changing flights, to car rental, airport parking and more

## The right fare for you

		BASIC	WIZZ SMART	WIZZ GO	WIZZ PLUS
BAGS	Carry-on bag 40x30x20cm	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Trolley bag 55x40x23cm		✓		✓
	20 kg checked-in bag			✓	
	32 kg checked-in bag				✓
SEATS	Seat selection		✓	✓	
	Premium seat selection				✓
CHECK-IN	Online check-in	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Airport check-in			✓	✓
	Priority check-in		✓		✓
	Auto check-in				✓
BOARDING	Priority Boarding		✓		✓
FLEXIBILITY	WIZZ Flex				✓
	Refund to WIZZ account				✓

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- Subscribe on the WIZZ app or on the WIZZ website
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#### Wizz DISCOUNT CLUB STANDARD

€39.99

Suitable if you usually travel solo or with one companion, as they'll also enjoy the discount

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- Exclusive onboard coupons
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## Flexible travel

### Fare lock

You can secure the fare of your selected tickets for 48 hours before you complete your booking for bookings made more than seven days prior to the outbound flight's departure date.

### WIZZ Flex

You can modify your tickets (including passenger name) without paying a flight change fee, or cancel your flight and request a full refund (additional services will not be refunded) to your WIZZ account, which can be used for 90 days to purchase new tickets.

### Travel insurance

Our comprehensive travel insurance includes medical expenses and cancellation cover. Add your insurance to your basket together with your flights or buy it later in Manage My Booking.

### Flexible travel partner

Create a new reservation without providing each passenger's name at the time of booking.

## On the ground

### Car rental

Book your flights and car rental in one easy step. Just add your car rental to your basket together with your flights. Get attractive discounts and enjoy our WIZZ credit back promotions.

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Our long-standing partner ParkVia offers great prices and availability for airport parking across Europe, with fast and easy booking and significant savings, whether you're travelling for business or pleasure. Book online at [wizzparking.com](http://wizzparking.com).

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## Download our app!

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## Wizz MULTIPASS

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- ✓ **Global coverage:** Access our full network to and from your chosen country
- ✓ **Customise your plan:** Add-ons available without extra costs to suit your unique needs



## Wizz ALL YOU CAN FLY

Ultimate travel freedom with a one-time payment for a yearly pass!

- ✓ **Perfect for:** Spontaneous adventurers and digital nomads travelling more than six times a year
- ✓ **Fixed prices:** Even during the high season and for last-minute bookings
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- ✓ **Global coverage:** Access our full international network of destinations
- ✓ **Full flexibility:** Tailor your journey with optional added services

# Your onboard safety

Please show consideration for your fellow passengers and pay attention to the following information. Remember that by purchasing your Wizz Air ticket, you have accepted the Wizz Air General Conditions of Carriage (available in full at [wizzair.com](http://wizzair.com))



### Safe handling of hand luggage

Ensure hand luggage remains safely stowed in the locker or under the seat in front of you for takeoff, landing and at any time as instructed by the crew. Passengers seated in the emergency rows and first row must store their cabin bags in the overhead lockers. Take care when opening lockers, as falling items may injure fellow passengers.

**In case of evacuation, all baggage must be left on board, and the instructions of the cabin crew must be strictly followed.**



### Safety equipment

It is an offence to tamper with or remove safety equipment, including adult and infant life vests, infant safety belts or extension belts. You are not allowed to remove or damage any onboard informative placards.



### Sharp items

To dispose of any sharp items (e.g. hypodermic needles), please contact a cabin crew member. Do not leave your needle or syringe behind.



### Turbulence management

Turbulence can occur unexpectedly. Whenever seatbelt signs are switched on, remain seated, keep seatbelts fastened, and stow away large electronic devices.



### Safety of infants on board

Wizz Air has a clear procedure for infant (a child under two) restraint systems. You can only use the single hook infant seatbelt - vests/slings cannot be used with the infant seatbelt. Wizz Air only accepts aft-facing car seats when an extra seat is purchased. **However, during take-off and landing, and whenever the seatbelt sign is switched on, infants should sit on an adult's lap with the seatbelt fastened.** Life vests for infants are available and are provided whenever flying over water. All lavatories are equipped with a changing table. Do not leave children unattended in the cabin.



### Lithium batteries

Portable electronic devices (PED) such as phones, laptops and tablets can contain lithium batteries. When damaged, faulty or overheated, these batteries can catch fire and explode. **If you recognise any issues with your device, inform the cabin crew immediately.**



### Charging electronic devices on board using a portable battery charger is forbidden.

### Electronic devices

Some electronic devices can be used during the flight with WLAN/Wi-Fi/Bluetooth turned off.

Larger electronic devices that cannot be held comfortably in one hand, exceed ca. 1kg in weight and do not qualify as handheld devices (e.g. laptops, notebooks etc.) must be stowed in the overhead stowage compartments for takeoff, landing and whenever required by the cabin crew. **If in doubt, please ask your cabin crew.**

### Inflight health tips

Read these tips on how to stay fit when travelling.



### Before your air travel

Consult your doctor before travelling if you have any medical concerns. Pregnant women and those with heart or respiratory problems, blood diseases or ear, nose and sinus infections should seek medical advice before flying. **Crew members are entitled to call for medical assistance pre-flight if they deem it necessary and are in doubt about your fitness for the flight.**



### Medical supplies on board

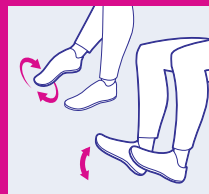
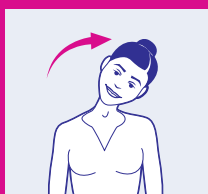
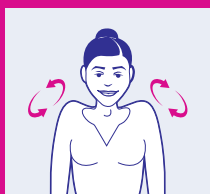
Keep any medication you may need in your hand luggage and in its original packaging. **Inform cabin crew of allergies or illnesses.** If you are seriously ill or travelling post-surgery, you will need a medical certificate confirming that you are fit to fly. If you have limited mobility, are hearing- or sight-impaired, pregnant, or unable to understand/react to safety instructions, you will be unable to sit in the emergency exit rows or the front row. **If you start to feel unwell during the flight, do not hesitate to talk to the cabin crew.**



### Nut allergy

During our WIZZ Café service we offer peanuts and some snacks containing peanuts/nuts traces. **If you have any allergies we strongly encourage you to take all necessary medical precautions before flying, and to inform the cabin crew during boarding about your allergy.**

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**Secondhand smoke:** Secondhand smoke contains over 7,000 chemicals, including at least 70 known carcinogens. Breathing these harmful chemicals in the confined space of an aircraft poses serious health risks.

**It impacts air quality:**

Cigarette smoke can circulate in the confined air and lead to unpleasant odours. It impairs the air quality and jeopardises how the cabin pressure system functions, which can result in a lack of oxygen at high altitude.

**It's a fire hazard:** A lit cigarette can ignite flammable materials, potentially leading to a catastrophic fire in the cabin. Extinguishing fires mid-flight is challenging.

**Electronic cigarettes/vapes/IQOS can cause concern:**

Therefore they are also not allowed on in the cabin. While e-cigarettes produce vapour rather than smoke, the visible vapour can be mistaken for traditional cigarette smoke, causing confusion and potential alarm among passengers.

**Dry air conditions:** The dry air in the aircraft cabin can make fuel more flammable.

**Smoke detectors:** The smoke detector in the toilets is linked to a warning system. When triggered,



the smoke detector notifies cabin crew through a control panel in the cockpit and triggers an audible alarm throughout the aircraft cabin. This system helps cabin crew swiftly address emergency situations related to smoke onboard.

**Overheating batteries:** Vaping, IQOS and e-cigarettes work with lithium-ion batteries that are more likely to overheat or explode while being used.

**SMOKING ON A PLANE COULD LEAD TO:**

- Fines of up to €3,000
- A ban from flying with that airline for life
- As per the applicable law, smokers on board may face prosecution.

Remember, lighting up during a flight is not only illegal but also jeopardises the wellbeing and safety of everyone onboard. The ashtrays in the passenger cabin and restrooms are not an optional design element and not an invitation to smoke. Cabin crew members are trained to extinguish smoke and fire and eliminate any potential danger.

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# Your security

...is one of our top priorities. In order to ensure a smooth and pleasant flight, please read the following rules of conduct



## We encourage you to...

- Follow crew instructions, which will keep you safe
- Be respectful towards everyone on board
- Use suitable language, and stay calm and cooperative

## ...so you can:

- Travel in a pleasant and peaceful atmosphere
- Relax on board
- Get to your destination as soon as possible

## Not tolerated on board...

## ...or face the consequences:



- Smoking on board (including classic cigarettes or e-cigarettes, pipes, vapes), might result in a fine of up to €3,000 or prosecution. Additionally all existing Wizz Air flight bookings will be cancelled

You are fully responsible for your behaviour. Disruptive behaviour on board and before boarding will not be tolerated and will be reported to the authorities. You will be held legally and financially responsible in all cases.

### The following consequences\* will occur for such misconduct:

- Denied boarding
- Diversion of the flight and prosecution.
- Reimbursement of cost of diversion: €10,000-€80,000
- Criminal procedure and court litigation\*
- Cancellation of all of your existing Wizz Air flight bookings
- A ban from flying with Wizz Air in the future
- Penalty/fine or arrest by local police:
  - Smoking on board, including in the lavatory: up to €3,000\*
  - Unruly behaviour due to intoxication: up to €5,000 and two years in prison\*
  - Endangering the safety of an aircraft: up to five years in prison\*



- Consuming alcohol that was not purchased on board. Alcohol is served at the crew's discretion to passengers of legal drinking age. The crew reserves the right to stop serving alcohol to any passenger who is, or appears to be, intoxicated



- Being under the influence of drugs or substances that may affect your behaviour or self-control

- Damaging the aircraft or onboard equipment
- Wasting, polluting or contaminating the cabin
- Endangering the safety of the flight by any means
- Breaching, or refusing to follow, crew instructions



- Harassing fellow passengers and/or crew members in any way (including sexual harassment)

- Threatening or being aggressive towards fellow passengers and/or crew members

- Being violent or behave in a hostile, erratic manner



- Filming or photographing the cabin crew without their permission

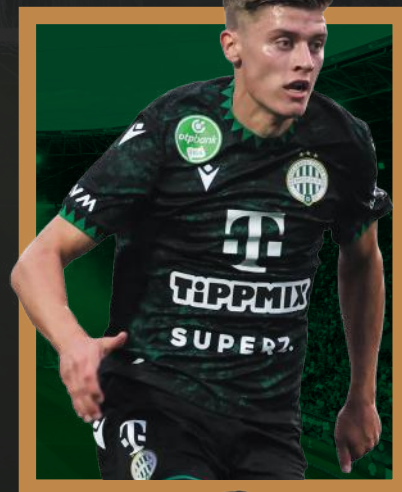


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# AUTUMN COMFORTS

Welcome to Wizz Air inflight retail, celebrating the season of cozy getaways with our "Autumn Comforts" edition. We've the perfect autumn treats for you. Check out pages 110 & 111 to choose from the rich flavors of our international snacks and drinks - with limited availability, so don't miss out on these. Craving a quick bite?

Explore our sandwich deals on page 112 & 113, which you can now upgrade with beer or wine option as well. Our new Barista coffee made with fresh grounds will bring a cozy, seasonal vibe to your journey. Pair it with our new Mövenpick lemon cake to delight your taste buds! Just press the button above your head anytime, and our cabin crew will look after you.

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# HUNGARIAN CORNER\*



Ziegler Blue Cheese Wafer (50g) .....	€2.80
Cafe Frei Sparkling coffee mango, vanilla (20cl) .....	€3.00
Szentkiralyi Lemon flavoured water (25cl) .....	€3.20
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Arpad Palinka (5cl) .....	€6.00
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Buy **2 Premium beers** for **€10.50** only!

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**€10.50**





# POLISH CORNER\*

- Grzeski Mega chocolate wafer (48g)..... €2.50
- Lajkonik Talarki Krakowskie (155g)..... €4.00
- Kabanos Classic (105g)..... €4.00
- Tymbark Cherry & Pomegranate drink (40cl) ... €4.00
- Dębowa Polska Oak Wodka (5cl)..... €7.00



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- Tarallini classic (80g)..... €3.50
- New** La Mole Pita Chips (40g)..... €3.70
- San Pellegrino Limonata (33cl) ..... €3.70
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€3.70



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€3.50

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PREPARE YOUR MEAL

- Deal 1: €8.00 Smoked turkey baguette
- Deal 2: €8.00 Cheese baguette
- Deal 3: €9.50 Cheese croissant
- Deal 4: €9.50 Double meat croissant
- Deal 5: €11.50 Roast beef sandwich

SAVE MORE!

SAVE MORE!



~~€8.50~~ SUPER MEAL DEAL €8 Pork free



DEAL 1: SMOKED TURKEY BAGUETTE SUPER MEAL DEAL

Rustic tomato baguette with smoked turkey slices, fruity BBQ sauce & poached spinach with garlic.

SAVE MORE!

Sandwich + drink + snack  
Save up to €4.40

~~€8.50~~ SUPER MEAL DEAL €8



DEAL 2: CHEESE BAGUETTE

Edam cheese & sundried tomato spread on a multi-seed baguette

SAVE MORE!

Sandwich + drink + snack  
Save up to €4.40

MEAL DEAL PRICE €9.50



DEAL 3: CHEESE CROISSANT

Emmental cheese, sweet pickle-mustard mayo and onion jam on a croissant.

MEAL DEAL:  
Sandwich + drink + snack

Save up to €3.90



2.

Select 1 drink\*



\*Starbucks drinks are not included

3.

Choose your snack



### Upgrade your meal deal!

Change your soft drink to beer or wine for an **extra €3.**



MEAL DEAL PRICE  
**€9.50**

Pork free



#### DEAL 4: DOUBLE MEAT CROISSANT

Turkey salami, smoked turkey slice, grilled vegetables and basil butter cream on a croissant.

MEAL DEAL:  
Sandwich + drink + snack

Save up to **€3.90**

MEAL DEAL PRICE  
**€11.50**

Premium  
Pork free



#### DEAL 5: ROAST BEEF SANDWICH

Seeded lye roll with sous vide roast beef, soy mayo, rucola, fried onions & sundried tomato.

MEAL DEAL:  
Sandwich + drink + snack

Save up to **€3.90**



# DOUBLE THE DOUBLE!

Buy any 2 croissant sandwich (double meat or cheese) together for **€11** only.  
**Save €3**



**€11**

# MORNING DEAL!

Cocoa croissant /  
 Cocoa & pistachios  
 croissant

ONLY  
**€5**

Save up to  
**€2.50**



Coffee

OR

Tea

\*The deal includes You+ Coffee, Barista Coffee, English Breakfast Tea, Jasmine Green Tea & Berries Tea



**€8**

New

## TAPAS PLATE\*

Tapas plate with mixed olives, bruschetta cup, sticks fuet, breadsticks and cheese pops.

\*Available on board from 1st of November only.



**€3.70**

## CREAM CHEESE SOUP

Creamy cheese cream soup with croutons.



**€3.70**

## TOMATO SOUP

Rich & sweet tomatoes in a warm cup of soup.



1. Choose your meal

**PREPARE YOUR MEAL**

Deal 1: Noodle Soup €8.50

Deal 2: Pasta Carbonara €8.50

2. Select 1 drink\*



\*Starbucks drinks are not included

3. Choose your snack



**UPGRADE YOUR MEAL DEAL!**

Change your soft drink to beer or wine for an **extra €3.**



**EACH FOR €5**

Make it a meal deal for **€8.50** & save up to **€3.20!**



**NOODLE SOUP** (Chicken or Beef)

Quick snack on-the-go.



**PASTA CARBONARA**

Fusilli pasta with bacon pieces in a creamy carbonara sauce.

**Western Balkans Morning Special Deal!\***

Buy Polenta with cheese and Vitalis Cereal Bar for **€3 only!**

Save **€1.50**



**€2.50**

**CHEESE POLENTA\***

Award winning corn meal with cheese.





**COLD DRINKS**

- NaturAqua mineral water (50cl) still/sparkling ..... €3.20
- Big Tom tomato juice (15cl) ..... €3.70
- Coca-Cola, Coca-Cola Zero,
- Fanta Orange (33cl) ..... €3.70
- New** Coca-Cola Zero Oreo Cookie flavour (33cl) ..... €3.70
- Kinley Tonic Water (25cl) ..... €3.70
- Kinley Ginger Ale (25cl) ..... €3.70
- Cappy juice (33cl) different flavours ..... €3.70
- Red Bull\* (25cl) original ..... €4.20
- New** Powerade Mountain Blast (50cl) ..... €4.20

\*Customers must be 18 years old or above to be served with Energy Drinks on board.



€3.70

€4.20



New

New

€3.70

€4.20

**WATER DEAL**

2 bottles of water

€5

Save €1.40



€3.70

€3.70

€7

**LOCAL SPIRITS 5cl\***

- Alexandrion brandy
- Rakija plum

€6.50

**PREMIUM BEER 33cl\***

- Estrella Galicia
- San Miguel Especial





# COCKTAIL SELECTION

Cocktail of the month



## Rum & Coke

Elevate your in-flight experience with a classic Rum & Coke. Sip on smooth rum perfectly balanced with refreshing cola, and let your journey take off in style!

EACH FOR €10.70



**FREE**  
with every cocktail



Vodka & Orange



Whisky & Coke



Bloody Mary



Gin & Tonic



Whisky & Ginger Ale

# ALCOHOLIC DRINKS

- Beer (33cl) local selections ..... €6.20
- Premium beer (33cl) ..... €6.50
- Quality wines (18.7cl) red/white,  
local selections..... €7.00
- Spirits (5cl) Absolut Vodka/Ballantine's  
Scotch Whisky/Beefeater Gin/Bacardi Rum ..... €7.00
- Local Spirits (5cl)
- Alexandrion Brandy/Rakija Plum ..... €7.00
- B Lemon Spritz\* (25cl) ..... €7.00
- Prosecco\*\* (20cl)..... €8.50

\*Available on selected flights departing from Italy and Romania.

\*\*Prosecco is available on selected flights from / to: Italy, Romania, Hungary, Bulgaria (Bottega Gold Prosecco DOC) and Poland. Please ask the crew for availability.

Alcohol brands may vary.  
**Always drink responsibly. Customers must be 18 years or above to be served alcohol on board.**

Buy any  
2 mini spirits  
and save €2



€7

€6.20



€8.50

€7



## WINE DEAL

Buy 1 Wine (White/Red) and snack\* for

€9

Save up to €2



## CHOOSE ANY SNACK\*

\*Snack options you can choose from: Elephant pretzel, Pickstick, Beef Jerky BBQ, Pringles.



## BEER DEAL

Buy 1 Beer and snack\* for

€9

Save up to €1.50



## AUTUMN SPECIAL

Buy 2 Beers or Wine for €10 only!

Save up to €4

€10



Please ask the crew for the available beer and wine on board

## AUTUMN SPECIAL Premium deal

Buy 2 Premium beers for €10.50 only!

Save up to €2.50

€10.50





**SAVOURY SNACKS**

- YOU+ peanuts (50g)     ..... €2.20
- Elephant pretzel (80g) with sesame    ..... €3.70
- Pringles (40g) Sour Cream & Onion 
- or Original    ..... €3.70
- Pickstick Sausage Snack (60g)   ..... €4.00
- Nakotne Beef Jerky Barbecue snack (45g)   .... €4.00
- Doritos Nachos & Salsa Box (95g)   ..... €4.50
- Quinoa salad (250g)     ..... €8.00

**SANDWICH ONLY**

- Smoked Turkey Baguette ..... €6.00
- Cheese Baguette  ..... €5.50
- Cheese Croissant  ..... €7.00
- Double Meat Croissant ..... €7.00
- Roast Beef Sandwich ..... €9.00

Check page 112 & 113 for a big meal deal saving!





**SPICE UP YOUR COFFEE!** Ask the crew for our new Caramel-vanilla syrup when ordering a coffee, for only €0.50 more!



€4

*Fresh grounds!*



**BARISTA CUP**  
fresh ground coffee

**HOT DRINKS**

Barista Cup, fresh ground coffee.....	€4.00
Nescafe Gold Coffee YOU+.....	€3.20
Starbucks Latte.....	€4.70
Starbucks Cappuccino.....	€4.70
<b>New</b> Hot Chocolate .....	€3.70
Dilmah Tea berries, jasmine green, English Breakfast.....	€3.20
Dilmah Premium Tea peppermint.....	€3.70
Coffee Syrup Caramel-Vanilla.....	€0.50



**NOT JUST  
PLANE COFFEE**  
FRESH GROUNDS,  
JUST FOR YOU

Enjoy a Barista Cup on  
your Wizz Air flight today



**Lock in flavour, leave out the grounds.**  
Always use with our innovative filter lid.



## SWEET SNACKS

	Haribo Mini Gold Bears (10g)  	€0.50
	Vitalis cereal bar (20g)* 	€2.00
	YOU+ chocolate bar (20g)  	€2.20
	Mövenpick Lemon cake (35g) 	€2.50
	KitKat original (41.5g) 	€2.50
	Snickers (50g)  	€2.50
	Oreo Biscuit (66g) 	€2.70
	Croissant cocoa (50g) 	€3.20
	Croissant cocoa-pistachio (45g)  	€3.50
	M&M's Peanut share bag (90g)  	€4.00
	Caprice wafer rolls (115g) 	€4.70

\*Available only on selected flights, please ask our crew for availability.



Try our delicious cocoa cream filled Italian croissant, with 30% filling!

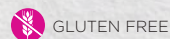
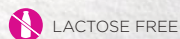
Enjoy best taste during your flight.

with lime and lemon oil

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tastes like home-baked

MÖVENPICK OF SWITZERLAND



# GRAB A BITE ON YOUR FLIGHT



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## Doritos



Doritos Cool Original  
& Doritos Mild Salsa Dip

Available for purchase on-board

# FOR THE BOLD IN EVERYONE

BUCKLE UP FOR A DELICIOUS  
DORITOS DIPPING EXPERIENCE





**TIME TO TRY THE  
Best Coke® Ever?**

**“I’m irresistibly tasty  
and Zero Sugar”**

**COCA-COLA**  
**ZERO SUGAR**



# IMMERSE YOURSELF IN A WORLD OF BEAUTY AND FRAGRANCE

Elevate your everyday moments with a touch of elegance that leaves an indelible mark on a sensual journey where every fragrance tells a story.





# DEAL OF THE MONTH

€73

€60

**RABANNE**  
Invictus  
EdT 50ml

Fresh accord

Orange blossom

Wood accord



FOR HIM

FOR HER



**CAROLINA HERRERA**  
Good Girl EdP 30ml

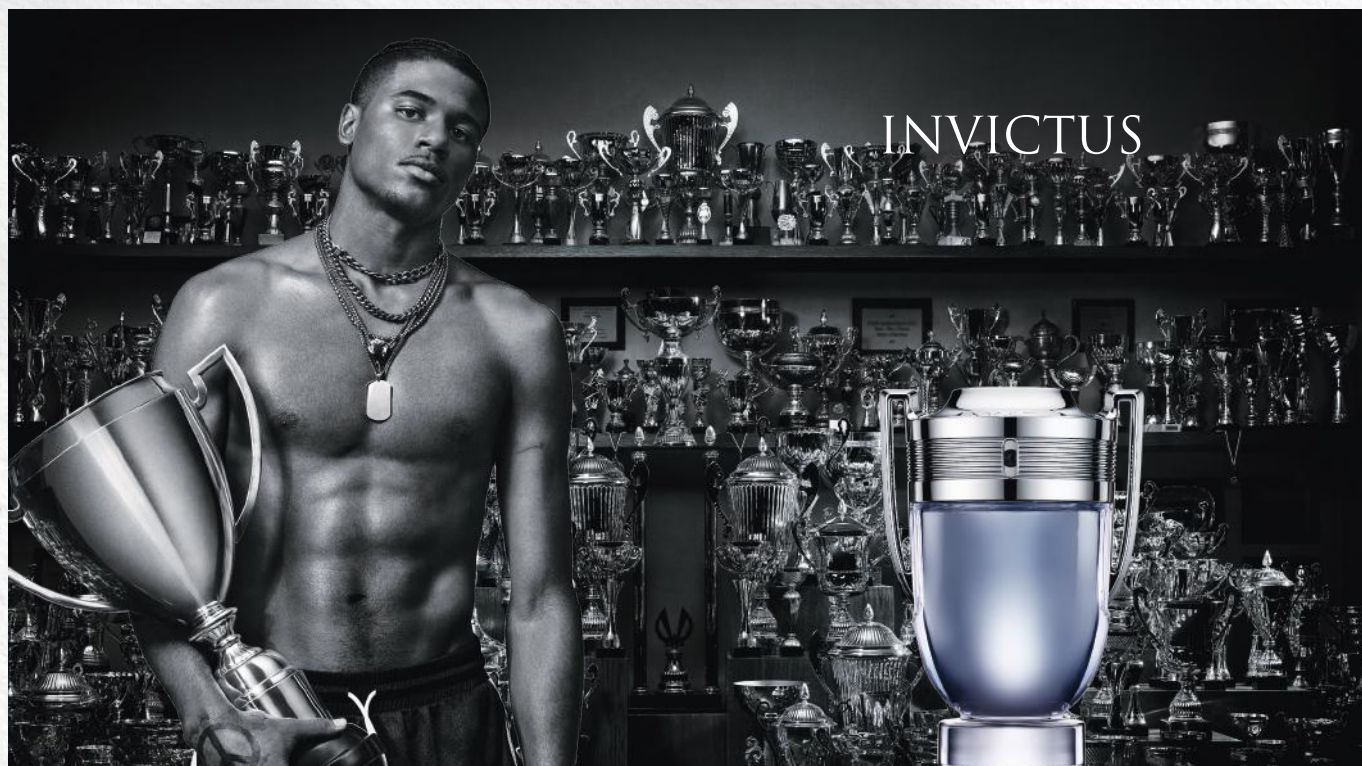
Sweet

White floral

Warm spicy

€62

€55



# INVICTUS

# rabanne



**SPEND MINIMUM €40 ON THIS SELECTION AND GET A €5 DISCOUNT**

FRAGRANCES

FOR HER



**CERRUTI 1881**  
for Women  
EdT 50ml

Lily of the Valley

Jasmine

Sandalwood

FOR HIM



**HUGO**  
Just Different  
EdT 40ml

Aromatic

Fresh spicy

Woody

EACH FOR  
**€20**  
ONLY

FOR HER



**CALVIN KLEIN**  
Sheer Beauty  
EdT 50ml

Fruity

Floral

Fresh

New

FOR HER



**BANDERAS**  
Her Golden Secret  
EdT 80ml

Bergamot

Mandarin

Apple & Peach



OR SPEND MINIMUM €60 AND GET A €8 DISCOUNT!

FRAGRANCES

FOR HER



**BOSS  
Woman**  
EdT 30ml

- White floral
- Vanilla
- Sweet

FOR HER



**ELIZABETH  
ARDEN**  
5th Avenue  
NYC Love  
EdP 75ml

- Mandarin
- Gardenia
- Patchouli

EACH FOR  
**€20**  
ONLY

FOR HIM



**BANDERAS**  
The Icon  
EdT 100ml

- Fresh spicy
- Aromatic
- Citrus

FOR HIM



**CALVIN  
KLEIN**  
ck Free  
EdT 50ml

- Woody
- Aromatic
- Fresh spicy



**SPEND MINIMUM €60 AND GET A €8 DISCOUNT!**

FRAGRANCES



**LANCÔME**  
Trésor  
EdP 30ml

FOR HER

- Rose Petals
- Apricot Blossoms
- Sandalwood and Musk



**LANCÔME**  
Miracle  
EdP 30ml

FOR HER

- Floral
- Warm
- Fruity



*Travel retail exclusive*

**BOSS**  
Ma Vie L'Eau  
EdT 50ml

FOR HER

- Floral
- Rose
- Fresh

EACH FOR  
**€30**  
ONLY



**VERSACE**  
The Dreamer  
EdT 50ml

FOR HIM

- Velvety Fresh
- Aromatic
- Warm



*Travel retail exclusive*

**RABANNE**  
Paco  
EdT 100ml

FOR HIM

- Citrus
- Aromatic
- Woody

**New**



*Travel retail exclusive*

**BOSS**  
Dark Blue  
EdT 75ml

FOR HIM

- Mahogany cedar
- Vetiver
- Patchouli & Vanilla



**DAVIDOFF**  
The Game  
EdT 100ml

FOR HIM

- Woody
- Aromatic
- Iris





# FALL SAVINGS

New

FOR HER



**PLAYBOY**  
Keep it real  
EdT 40ml

Mandarin sorbet

Hibiscus

Musk

New

FOR HIM



**PLAYBOY**  
AM-PM  
EdT 60ml

Ginger

Electric sage

Smokey Patchouli

EACH FOR  
**€15**  
ONLY

New

FOR HER



**WOMEN SECRET**  
Intimate  
EdP 100ml

Mandarin

Jasmine

Tonka

**BRANDS ON BOARD  
FOR A BETTER FUTURE**



**FLY THE  
GREENEST**

We're proud to have the lowest CO2 emissions per passenger kilometre in the industry, but we know there is more we can do for the environment. That's why we're pleased to offer you products that go beyond recyclable packaging to make the world a better place.



**€2**

**GIFT BAG**

Our Green Grass gift bag is made from Grass and 100% biodegradable



FOR HER



**MICHAEL KORS**  
Sexy Amber  
EdP 100ml

- Floral
- Warm
- Ambery

€40

FOR HIM



**BOSS**  
Orange Man  
EdT 100ml

- Frankincense
- Szechuan Pepper
- Vanilla Bean

€40

**VERSACE**  
Woman EdP 100ml



€40

- Floral
- Fruity
- Sensual

FOR HER

€49  
(HSP\*€105)

FOR HER



**EMPORIO ARMANI**  
She  
EdP 100ml

- Powdery
- Musky
- Vanilla

Huge saving!

€49  
(HSP\*€105)

FOR HIM



**EMPORIO ARMANI**  
He  
EdT 100ml

- Woody
- Amber

Huge saving!



# FALL SAVINGS! 20% OFF

**MICHAEL KORS**  
Pour Femme  
EdP 50ml

New



€80

- Floral
- Woody
- Musky

FOR HER

**MARC JACOBS**  
Daisy Wild  
EdP 30ml  
Refillable

New



€53

- Jasmine
- Macadamia
- Sandalwood

FOR HER

**MICHAEL KORS**  
POUR FEMME | POUR HOMME



# GENTLEMAN SOCIETY



GIVENCHY



# FALL SAVINGS! 20% OFF

FRAGRANCES FOR HIM

€75

New



**MICHAEL KORS**  
Pour homme  
EdP 50ml

- Woody
- Spicy
- Citrus

€80



**YVES SAINT LAURENT**  
MYSELF  
EdP 60ml

- Fresh accord
- Orange blossom
- Wood accord



€69

(HSP\*€79.9)

**CAROLINA HERRERA**  
Bad Boy  
EdT 50ml

- Warm spicy
- Amber
- Woody

Huge saving!

€88

New



**GIVENCHY**  
GENTLEMAN  
Society  
EdP 60ml

- Woody floral
- Sage
- Cardamome

€63



**VERSACE**  
Eros  
EdT 50ml

- Fresh
- Oriental
- Woody



**VERSACE**  
EROS

\*HSP: High street price





Piu  
by Pimente

We create  
exclusive jewels  
for all your precious  
moments

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# AUTUMN ACCESSORIES



€35

## ALLEGRIA SET Necklace & Earrings

The "Allegria" set is to be worn on every occasion. The 3 gold colour charms reflect the positive & joyful mindset of the person wearing it. Made of hypoallergenic stainless steel which is 18ct gold plated.

## SENSUELLE 'Hoop earrings'

Can be worn in 4 different ways, Hoop earrings only, Hoop with Piu charm, Hoop with the magnificent high lustre handmade shell pearl, or with both charms. They are 18ct gold plated.



€27

Buy the Bracelet  
and the Earrings  
together and get  
the keychain  
for free!

## SENSUELLE 'bis' Bracelet

The 9 handmade shell pearls are crowned by the 18K gold plated PIU design locker. This bracelet revives the art of jewellery in a contemporary look, with shades of "Haute Couture". It enhances the daily and dressed-up look.

€32



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by Pimente

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exclusive jewels  
for all your precious  
moments

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New

€60

Only on Wizz Air\*



New

€100

### CASIO Iconic Vintage watch

A well-known shape and design that remains. You always in fashion. Daily alarm, hourly time signal and auto calendar makes every day operable. Blue backlight illuminates watch face to be in time even in the night!

### CASIO G-SHOCK watch

The most resistant watch in the world. The GA-2100-1A1ER is built with a Carbon Core Guard structure, light and strong, equipped with 200m water resistance (WR 20bar), full-auto calendar, alarm, stop-watch, timer, world time and bright double backlight.



New

€120

Limited stock

### FURLA Metropolis Envelope\*

This new limited edition from Furla, the Italian leather specialist has an elegant color combination in onyx and vanilla calfskin. Its internal pocket and three card slots make it versatile and functional. The modern V-shape leather wrist strap allows it to be held as a wristlet.

Dimensions: 25 (w) x 15 (h) x 3 (d) cm

\*Available only on selected flights, please ask our crew for availability.



New

€140

(HSP\* €349)

### MICHAEL KORS GIFT SET Watch & Bracelet

Michael Kors' gift set includes a rose-gold MK sterling silver slider bracelet and Parker 33mm watch featuring a red sunray dial, rose-gold case, multifunction movement, and red leather strap.

Huge saving!





€30



**CHARM Bracelet**

This stunning airline exclusive charm bracelet makes the perfect holiday accessory or gift. Complete with 5 hand finished, uniquely crafted travel themed charms. The charms are interchangeable making it super easy to mix and match the charms how you like them, and personalise your look. Anti tarnish rhodium plated.

€23

**WIZZ Pearl Bracelet**



Full size products

FALL SAVINGS!  
20% OFF



€30

Big saving

**LANCÔME MyMakeUp Favorites Set**

All your make-up favorites in one set, with Hypnôse Mascara, L'Absolu Rouge Cream, Crayon Khôl Noir and Bi-Facil.





€9

**PLANTABLE EYELINER BY SPROUT**

Apply beauty to the world with this world's only plantable make-up liner.

Flower to plant →



New

€22

**DIEGO DALLA PALMA My Toy Boy Mascara**

My Toy Boy Mascara! The only toyboy that will never let you down! The biggest mascara ever for an immediate WOW effect, 4D, ultra volumizing, high definition, and promotes the natural growth of your eyelashes in just 30 days!

WITH FREE SPROUT EYELINER

Buy My toy boy Mascara or L'Oréal Nudes Lipstick trio and get the plantable eyeliner for **FREE!** **SAVE €9!**

WITH FREE SPROUT EYELINER

€29

**L'OREAL PARIS Shades of Nudes Lipstick Trio**

Get the iconic Color Riche Nudes Satin Lipstick Trio Set from L'Oréal Paris. Rich nude shades with hydrating oils.





# FALL SAVINGS! 20% OFF

BEAUTY & SKINCARE



€23

## BABOR HYDRA & GLOW Ampoule Serum Concentrates

This Set creates plump and radiant skin in just 7 days due to hyaluronic acid, ProVitamin B5, and ExoPolySaccharides.

New

€11



## BABOR Cleansing Enzyme and Vitamin C Cleanser 15g

A fine cleansing and exfoliating powder for every skin type with an enzyme-activated keratolytic effect. Effectively removes dirt particles, excess sebum, and dead skin cells for the best absorption of subsequent care.

## GENTLE YET POWERFUL CLEANSER AND PEELING IN ONE

REFINING ENZYME & VITAMIN C CLEANSER



### HOW TO USE

Mix the powder with warm water in your hands and gently work into a lather.

Massage the foam onto dry skin on your face, neck, and décolleté using circular motions. Avoid contact with eyes and mouth.

Rinse thoroughly with warm water.

Suitable for daily cleansing; for best results, use no more than once a day. For sensitive/dry skin: Use 1-2 x per week.

# BABOR

EXPERT SKINCARE. MADE IN GERMANY.



# FALL SAVINGS! 20% OFF



New

€11

Only on Wizz Air\*

New

€11

## HELIA-D Botanic Concept Anti-wrinkle Day Cream 50ml\*

The unique tokaji wine-based vegan anti-wrinkle cream with nature's treasures. Developed for all skin types with a unique combination of carefully selected natural ingredients. Bakuchiol contributes to more elastic, smoother skin and may reduce wrinkles.

\*Available only on selected flights, please ask our crew for availability.

## HELIA-D Botanic Concept Anti-wrinkle Eye Cream 15ml\*

This eye cream contains tokaji wine extract, hyaluronic acid, bio grape seed oil, centella asiatica, ginseng root extract, evening primrose oil, shea butter, panthenol and vitamin E that. This anti-aging formula helps the skin to stay hydrated, increases skin elasticity and firmness.

\*Available only on selected flights, please ask our crew for availability.



New

€17

## SABON Aftershave All-in-One Face Moisturizer 100ml

Say goodbye to skin irritation and hello to soothed, refreshed skin when you use this lightweight, non-sticky vegan formula, which includes 96% natural origin ingredients.



€13

New

## SABON Butter Hand Cream 75ml

Take care of your hands with this deliciously scented hand cream, enriched with 3 organic botanical butters. This creamy balm quickly penetrates the skin and provides an immediate soothing and smoothing effect.





# FALL SAVINGS! 20% OFF



€21

**SOL DE JANEIRO**  
**Cheirosa 62**  
**Perfume Mist 90ml**  
**Pistachio & salted**  
**caramel 90 ml**

This expertly crafted fragrance blends gourmand, nutty notes with silky vanilla, subtle florals and creamy sandalwood for a full-bodied fragrance experience that turns heads and inspires compliments.



€18

**SOL DE JANEIRO**  
**Brazilian Bum Bum**  
**Body Cream 75 ml**

Brazilian Bum Bum Cream visibly firms and tightens skin while providing fast-absorbing hydration and a lit-from-within glow. It features the iconic Cheirosa 62 fragrance, a warm and sunny scent with notes of pistachio, salted caramel, vanilla and sandalwood.

## SOL DE JANEIRO



JOYFUL,  
 BRAZILIAN-  
 INSPIRED  
 BEAUTY



BRAZILIAN BUM BUM CREAM 75ML

TWO icons  
 ONE OBSESSION



CHEIROSA 62 PERFUME MIST 90ML



# FALL SAVINGS! 20% OFF



€20

New

L'ORÉAL

Day Cream 50ml + Night Cream 50ml  
+ Eye Cream 15ml

Discover the perfect routine with the Revitalift Program from L'Oréal Paris with the Hydrating Anti-Wrinkle Day Cream, the Anti-Wrinkle Night Cream and the Anti-Wrinkle Eye Cream. Developed to smoothe wrinkles and tighten skin, this daily routine is enriched in Advanced Pro-Retinol and Fibrelastyl.



Full  
skin care  
routine on  
board

€50

Full size products

CLINIQUE

All About Moisture

Get non-stop hydration for glowing skin on the go. The set contains Moisture Surge 100-Hour Auto-replenishing Hydrator 75ml, All About Eyes Serum 15ml, Moisture Surge Face Spray 30ml. Skin feels plumped and looks glowing.



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exclusive



# Innovation for everyone

Find your Xiaomi travel companion on board



Explore more on [mi.com](https://mi.com)





€20

Only on Wizz Air\*

New

New

€19



### XIAOMI Redmi Buds 6 Active

Compact & portable, easy to carry, amazing music experience, with 30 hours long battery life and a clear voice call, very comfortable to wear, supporting the Xiaomi Earbuds App, it is a great companion for your phone.

### XIAOMI Redmi Power Bank 10000 mAh 10W\*

Fast Charging 10,000 mAh Redmi Standard Power Bank, Micro-USB charging cable. With dual USB-A output ports you can charge two devices simultaneously. Convenient with dual input ports, a Micro-USB and a USB-C port.

\*Cannot be used on-board during your flight!



Limited stock

### XIAOMI Electric Shaver S101\*

Is Movember's Over yet? Time to shine! Dual-track 18-blade design for a fast, clean and reliable shave. Perfect to get back to shape and prevent skin pinching. Sporting a built-in battery with long standby for travel.

\*Cannot be used on-board during your flight!

New

€28

Buy Xiaomi  
Electric Shaver  
and Sabon After  
shave face cream  
together for €40!  
SAVE €5







€49  
**€30**

**New**

**TRU VIRTU®  
 Wallet Silk Silver**

Compact, super flat and water-resistant: this ultra-light and stylish aluminium wallet protects its contents from water and sand, in addition to safeguarding credit cards against data theft and demagnetisation. Ideal for travelling, for outdoor activities or everyday use.



**New**  
**€15**

**CABLE 5IN1**

Biodegradable multifunction cable. Designed to fit all your devices, it features multiple output options, including Type-C, Lightning, Micro-USB, and USB-A ports. The input can be connected via a standard USB or Type-C port.



**€17**

**INFINITY  
 The Universal Phone Strap**

This phone strap by Vonmählen slips around any phone with ease and the adjustable nylon drawstring assures the most comfortable, secure hold, it's the perfect tech accessory when you are on-the-go!



**€48**

**Limited stock**

**GESKE  
 Sonic Thermo Facial Brush 6 in 1**

Compact yet powerful it's a cleanser, a heated brush, and a facial massager rolled into one. Get ready to unlock natural, brighter, and rejuvenated skin, starting from its deepest layers.



# THE WIZZ EXPERIENCE

Buy the model aircraft and the WIZZ building blocks together for €20 only. **SAVE €6**



## 1. WIZZ MODEL AIRCRAFT

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