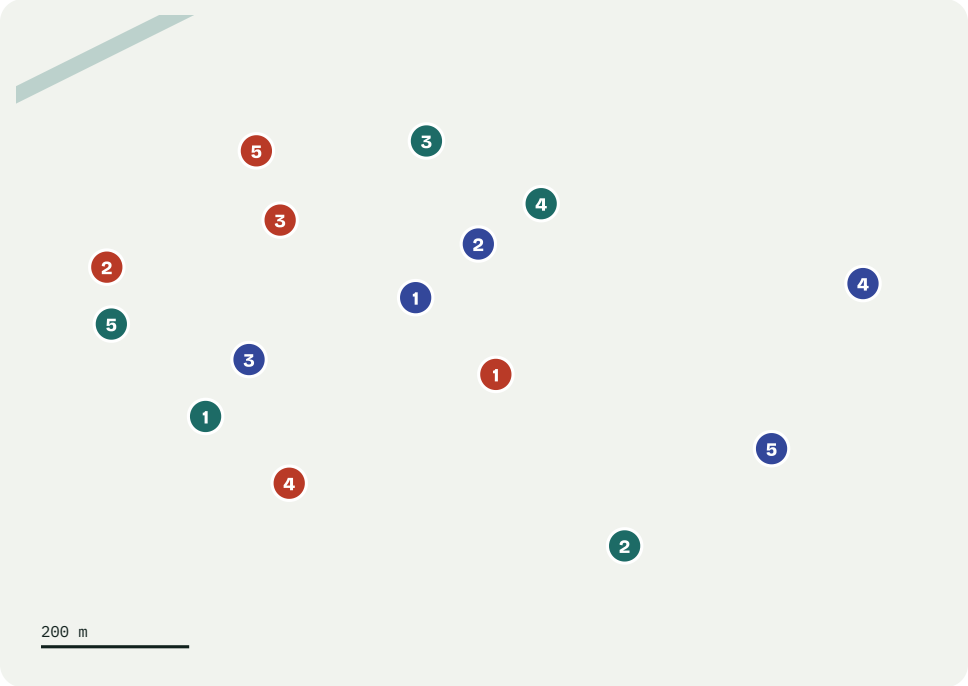
Cluj-Napoca

Cluj's historic centre, between Piața Unirii and Piața Avram Iancu: St Michael's Church, the Bánffy Palace, the Ethnographic Museum, the National Theatre and the old town walls; from 20 November 2026 to 1 January 2027, the Christmas market fills Piața Unirii.



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Sketch, not exactly to scale.

How to use this guide

For each category we picked five places, in the order we would recommend them. Map numbers match the list. On cluj.guide you'll find the interactive map, Google Maps links and the always up-to-date version.

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What to see in Cluj-Napoca



1 Piața Unirii și Biserica Sfântul Mihail

SQUARE AND GOTHIC CHURCH · PIAȚA UNIRII, CENTRUL ORAȘULUI

St Michael's is the second-largest church in Transylvania by floor area and won a Europa Nostra award in 2024 for its restoration, and the square holds 4.7 on Google from more than 10,000 reviews.

Cluj's main square (Főtér in Hungarian), with the Roman Catholic Church of St Michael and the equestrian statue of King Matthias Corvinus. From 20 November 2026 to 1 January 2027 it hosts the Christmas market.

Piața Unirii · Tel. +40 264 595 252 · Hours: daily 9–13, 15–18



2 Palatul Bánffy – Muzeul de Artă

BAROQUE PALACE AND ART MUSEUM · PIAȚA UNIRII, LATURA DE EST

The palace is a category A listed monument, and the National Gallery upstairs shows five centuries of art in 15 rooms, with works by Grigorescu, Andreescu, Luchian and Tonitza.

The most important Baroque palace in Cluj, built between 1774 and 1785 for Count György Bánffy and now home to the Cluj-Napoca Art Museum.

Piața Unirii 30 · Tel. +40 264 596 952 · Hours: Mo Closed · Tu Closed · We 10–17 · Th 10–17 · Fr 10–17 · Sa 10–17 · Su 10–17



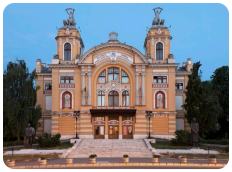
3 Muzeul Etnografic al Transilvaniei (Palatul Reduta)

ETHNOGRAPHIC MUSEUM · STRADA MEMORANDUMULUI, LA 250 M DE PIAȚA UNIRII

It had 111,739 visitors in 2025, among the most visited cultural institutions in the county, and the Redoute hall hosted the Memorandum trial in 1894.

The ethnographic museum of Transylvania, in the Redoute Palace, with the permanent exhibition 'Folk Culture in Transylvania, 18th–20th Centuries'.

Strada Memorandumului 21 · Tel. +40 783 005 146 · Hours: Mo Closed · Tu Closed · We 10–18 · Th 10–18 · Fr 10–18 · Sa 10–18 · Su 10–18



4 Piața Avram Iancu și Teatrul Național

SQUARE AND HISTORIC THEATRE · PIAȚA AVRAM IANCU ȘI PIAȚA ȘTEFAN CEL MARE, LA 600 M EST DE PIAȚA UNIRII

The theatre building, designed by the Viennese firm Fellner & Helmer, houses both the theatre and the opera, holds 4.7 on Google from more than 3,000 reviews, and you can see it from inside at an evening performance.

The largest square in the centre, with the 1906 building of the National Theatre and the Romanian National Opera and the Orthodox Metropolitan Cathedral.

Piața Ștefan cel Mare 20 (Teatrul Național) · Tel. +40 264 595 363 · hours not confirmed



5 Biserica Reformată și Bastionul Croitorilor

GOTHIC CHURCH AND MEDIEVAL BASTION · STRADA MIHAIL KOGĂLNICEANU ȘI STRADA BABA NOVAC, LA 500 M DE PIAȚA UNIRII

The church is one of the most valuable Gothic buildings in Transylvania (category A monument), and next to it you can see the bastion and a section of the town wall with its wall walk.

Gothic church begun in 1487 with the support of King Matthias Corvinus, 120 m from the Tailors' Bastion, the only fully preserved bastion of the walls of medieval Cluj.

Strada Mihail Kogălniceanu 21; Bastionul: Strada Baba Novac 35 · hours not confirmed

Where to eat in Cluj-Napoca

1 Yuso Yum

ASIAN STREET FOOD · CENTRU, COLȚUL DE SUD-EST AL PIEȚEI UNIRII, LÂNGĂ PRIMĂRIA VECHE

It took 1st place for the 'Public Choice Award – Best Opening' at the Romanian Hospitality Awards 2026, and has 4.5 on Google from more than 550 reviews.

A small Asian street-food restaurant on the south-east corner of Piața Unirii, with ramen, Japanese sandwiches (sando), fried snacks and rice bowls.

Piața Unirii 2 · Hours: Mo Closed · Tu 16–22 · We 16–22 · Th 16–22 · Fr 16–22 · Sa 12–15, 16–22 · Su 12–15, 16–21:30

2 Roata

TRADITIONAL RESTAURANT · CENTRU, STRADA ALEXANDRU CIUREA, LA 450 M DE PIAȚA UNIRII

It holds 4.6 on Google from almost 6,900 reviews, the most of any Romanian restaurant in Cluj, and had very good reviews in summer 2026.

Restaurant serving Romanian and Transylvanian food on a quiet street between Piața Unirii and the Central Park, with traditional décor and a terrace.

Strada Alexandru Ciurea 6 · Tel. +40 755 592 022 · Hours: daily 12–23

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3 Tortelli Pasta Bar

ITALIAN PASTA BAR · CENTRU, STRADA VIRGIL FULICEA, LA 250 M DE PIAȚA UNIRII

It holds 4.8 on Google from almost 3,900 reviews and 4.7 on TripAdvisor, a rare score for a restaurant with so many reviews.

Pasta bar opened in 2017, with an open kitchen where the pasta is made by hand every day.

Strada Virgil Fulicea 2 · Tel. +40 753 889 880 · Hours: Mo 12–22 · Tu 12–22 · We 12–22 · Th 12–22 · Fr 12–22:30 · Sa 12–22:30 · Su 12–21

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4 Zama

TRANSYLVANIAN BISTRO · CENTRU, STRADA NAPOCA, LA 250 M DE PIAȚA UNIRII

It holds 4.5 on Google from more than 5,200 reviews, with many very good 2026 reviews for its goulash, cabbage rolls and homemade sausages.

Bistro serving reinterpreted Romanian and Transylvanian food on Napoca Street, one of the streets with the most restaurants in the centre.

Strada Napoca 16 · Tel. +40 755 080 777 · hours not confirmed

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5 Olivo Coffee Culture – Piața Muzeului

SPECIALTY COFFEE SHOP · PIAȚA MUZEULUI, LA 300 M DE PIAȚA UNIRII

It holds 4.7 on Google from more than 800 reviews, and Olivo's roaster Marius Nica finished 7th at the 2026 World Coffee Roasting Championship.

The Piața Muzeului café of Cluj roaster Olivo, with brunch, coffee roasted in Cluj and a terrace on the square.

Strada Octavian Petrovici 7 (Piața Muzeului) · Tel. +40 732 331 149 · hours not confirmed

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Where to stay in Cluj-Napoca

1 Siesta Boutique Smart Suites

BOUTIQUE SUITES HOTEL · CENTRU, STRADA GHEORGHE ȘINCAI, LA 300 M DE PIAȚA UNIRII

It holds 9.5 on Booking from almost 1,000 reviews and 4.8 on Google, and guests praise the large rooms and the quiet nights.

Boutique hotel with spacious suites on Gheorghe Șincai Street, 300 m from Piața Unirii, with self check-in and a terrace for guests.

Strada Gheorghe Șincai 6 · Tel. +40 740 164 896

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2 Courtyard by Marriott Cluj-Napoca Downtown

HOTEL · CENTRU, STRADA AVRAM IANCU, LA 400 M DE PIAȚA UNIRII

It holds 9.4 on Booking from almost 1,000 reviews and 4.7 on Google, with 2026 reviews praising the cleanliness, the beds and the breakfast.

New Marriott hotel on Avram Iancu Street, with an Italian restaurant, a fitness room and a shared lounge, a few minutes from Piața Unirii.

Strada Avram Iancu 23–25 · Tel. +40 364 800 000

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3 Ferdinand Boutique

BOUTIQUE HOTEL · CENTRU, STRADA REGELE FERDINAND, LA 250 M DE PIAȚA UNIRII

It holds 9.3 on Booking from almost 300 reviews and is a 4-minute walk from Piața Unirii and the Art Museum.

Small boutique hotel on Regele Ferdinand Street, between Piața Unirii and Piața Muzeului, with single, double and triple rooms and an apartment with a kitchenette.

Strada Regele Ferdinand 10 · Tel. +40 740 228 899

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4 Guest House 1568

GUESTHOUSE IN A HISTORIC HOUSE · CENTRU, BULEVARDUL 21 DECEMBRIE 1989, LA 250 M DE PIAȚA UNIRII

The 14th–15th-century house won a Europa Nostra award in 2022 for its restoration, and the guesthouse holds 4.7 on Google and scores above 9 on Booking.

Guesthouse with 11 rooms and 3 apartments in the House of Religious Freedom, the former residence of the Unitarian bishops and one of the oldest houses in Cluj.

Bulevardul 21 Decembrie 1989 nr. 14 · Tel. +40 744 372 941

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5 DoubleTree by Hilton Cluj – City Plaza

FIVE-STAR HOTEL · CENTRU, STRADA SINDICATELOR, APROAPE DE PARCUL CENTRAL, LA 450 M DE PIAȚA UNIRII

It holds 4.6 on Google from more than 1,500 reviews and 8.9 on Booking, and the top-floor pool with a view over the city is welcome in winter.

Hilton five-star hotel a 10-minute walk from Piața Unirii, with a restaurant, an indoor pool and a sauna on the top floor.

Strada Sindicatelor 9–13 · Tel. +40 264 450 101

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