

# HUNGARY





„There is a rumor in  
America that there are two  
intelligent races on Earth:  
Humans and Hungarians”

• Isaac Asimov

# **General information about Hungary**

- Territory: 93 030 square kilometres
- Location: Central-Europe, Carpatian Basin
- Bordered by Slovakia, Ukraine, Romania, Serbia, Croatia, Slovenia, Austria.
- Population: 9 730 000
- Language: Hungarian
- System of government: republic
- Capital: Budapest
- Member of European Union, NATO, United Nations, etc.



# Geography

## Hills & plains

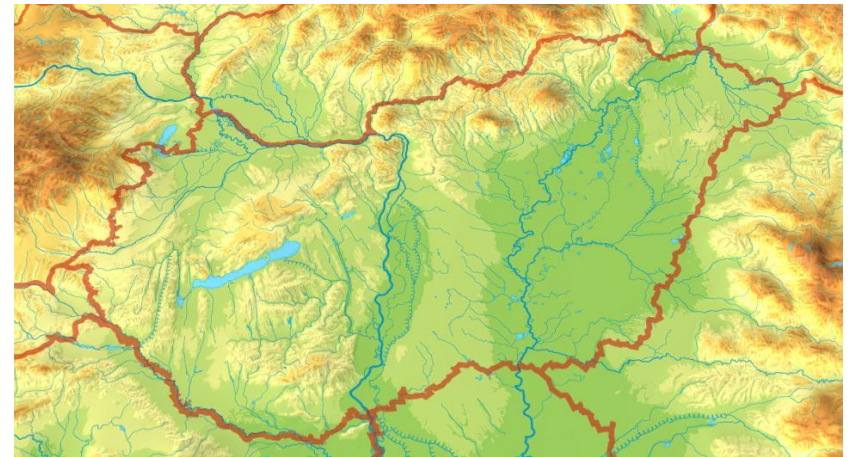


### **Mountains:**

- Foothills of the Alps
- Transdanubian Mountains
- North Hungarian Mountains
- Mecsek

### **Plains:**

- Great Hungarian Plain  
(Hortobágy)
- Little Hungarian Plain





# Rivers & Lakes

## Big rivers:

- Danube
- Tisza

## Lakes:

- Lake Balaton
- Lake Neusiedl
- Lake Velence
- Lake Tisza



# Hungarian History



Hungarian tribes coming from East Europe conquered the Carpathian Basin under the rule of grand prince Árpád in **895**.

Árpád's great-grandson **Stephen the I** ascending the throne in 1000, converting his realm to a Christian kingdom.

Reaching cultural and political height in the 15th century (**Matthias Corvinus**)

Partial occupation by the **Ottoman Empire** in the 16-17th century.

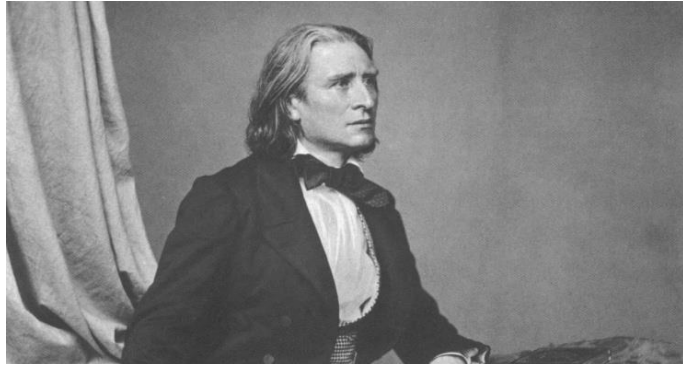
Under **Habsburg rule** from the 18th century, joining Austrian Empire to form Austria-Hungary, the Dual Monarchy in 1867.

Collapse of Austria-Hungary **after the World War I** - Treaty of Trianon: establishing Hungary's current borders, resulting in the loss of 71% of its territory, 58% of its population, and 32% of ethnic Hungarians.

Hungary joined the Axis Powers in **World War II**. Postwar Hungary became a satellite state of the Soviet Union, following the failure of the 1956 revolution became a member of the Eastern block until 1989, when finally became a democratic parliamentary republic. Hungary has been a member of the **European Union** since 2004.

# Culture: Music, Film

**Ferenc Liszt**



**Béla Bartók**



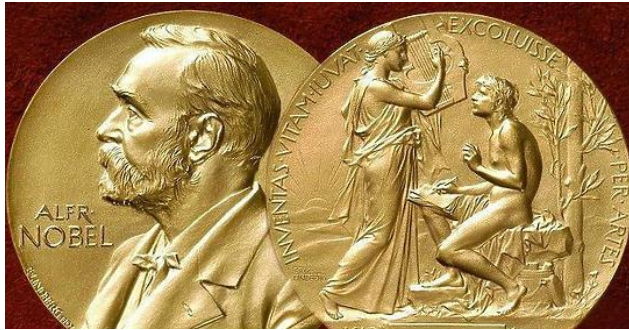
<https://youtu.be/h6ykWwhkGqc>

**Cinematography** of Hungary started earning international reputation lately, numerous Hungarian productions have won prestigious awards at high-profile festivals including Cannes Film Festival, Berlin International Film Festival or even The Academy Awards (Oscar).



# Literature, Painting

Literature of Hungary isn't well known worldwide but this seems to be slightly changing since **Imre Kertész**, the first Hungarian won the Nobel Prize in Literature in 2002.



**Mihály Munkácsy** (1844 -1900) was a Hungarian painter. He earned international reputation with his genre pictures and large-scale biblical paintings.



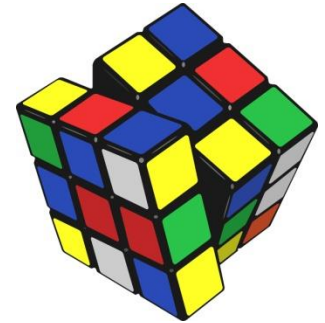


# Folk Art

- Folk dance
- Folk music
- Architecture
- Folk embroiders
- Folk art



# Science



- Albert Szent-Györgyi - Vitamin C
- Ernő Rubik – Rubik’s Cube
- Leo Szilárd – Atomic bomb
- Dénes Gábor - Holography (Nobel prize)
  
- Hungarian Universities ...





# Sport



The most popular sport is football.

We are very proud of our olympic champions  
in waterpolo, kayak-canoe,  
boxing,  
wrestling, pentathlon and  
swimming.



# Gastronomy

- Goulash Soup
- Lángos
- Fisherman's Soup
- Tokaj wine





# Tourism



Small territory - plenty of sightseeings

Puszta - Hortobágy

Mountains: Balaton Highlands, Bakony, Buda Hills, Börzsöny, Mátra, Bükk, Zemplén - amazing landscape (like Tuscany)

Rivers: Danube (the Danube Bend - Dunakanyar), Tisza, Körös Rivers

Lakes :Balaton (Badacsony), Lake Neusiedl

Historical cities, monuments

Budapest, Székesfehérvár, Eger, Pécs, Veszprém, Mohács, Ópusztaszer, Debrecen, Diósgyőr,

Spa, recreation

Budapest, Hévíz, Hajdúszoboszló

Balatonfüred - Tagore Promenade

Nature - diverse floral and animal life



# Budapest



**Thanks for attention!**

