

Culture

1. *Bucharest Museum – Palatul Șuțu:*

An unique travel through the history Bucharest with interesting temporary collection of art. Not to miss if you are eager to walk within the history of the city in relation with the regional events in the past 3 centuries.

Address: Bld. Ion C. Bratianu, no. 2.

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (21 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/RDayYz9z6CtL4vYW8>

Public Transport (14 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/jaQUyHY9RxBsEQcz5>

Website: <https://muzeulbucurestiului.ro/en/>

2. *The National Art Museum of Romania (MNaR) – The Royal Palace*

The National Museum of Art of Romania is the country's prime holder of Romanian, European and Oriental art. Located in the former Royal Palace in Bucharest, it includes the National Gallery (Romanian medieval and modern art) and the European Art Gallery.

Address: Calea Victoriei, no. 49-53

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (22 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/C2aFfRCNtUNtX4UPA>

Public Transport (20 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/tnavicdYaG5esr869>

Website: <http://www.mnar.arts.ro/en/>

3. *The National Village Museum “Dimitrie Gusti”*

The expression of the Romanian village condensed in 14 ha, The National Village museum makes you feel the ancestral way of leaving of Romanian peasants from all over the country's regions. This is an opportunity to understand how Romanians have sustainably adapted their housing condition to their living landscape.

Address: Sos. Kiseleff, no: 28-30

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (65 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/fARr8pX4PpqZ3kor6>

Public Transport (50 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/sebMZVcAjeycNZiK6>

Website: <https://muzeul-satului.ro/en/>

4. National Museum of Contemporary Art (MNAC)

An interesting place to explore the modern perspective towards arts. Located within the Palace of Parliament, or the People's House as it was meant to be called by its constructors, the museum offers collections for all ages and tastes.

Address: Izvor, no. 2-4, Wing E4 – Inside the Parliament Palace#

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (31 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/gPtb1z3VNzqfMkWc9>

Public transport (16 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/Pxbwb94WkW9R77FL6>

Website: <http://www.mnac.ro/home>

5. The National Museum “George Enescu”– Cantacuzino Palace and Memorial House

The National Museum “George Enescu” was opened in the Cantacuzino Palace, one of the most beautiful buildings in Bucharest, a historical monument and one of the European Heritage Label buildings. The sumptuous entrance, in Art Nouveau style, announces the luxury and the refinement of the époque, reunited in one of the most imposing palaces in Bucharest.

Address: Calea Victoriei, no. 141

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (31 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/jNjsiXrkSkhac8Pn7>

Public transport (34 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/mW1wRMX5S4KwXDzLA>

Website: <https://www.georgeenescu.ro/en/>

Miscellaneous

1. Cotroceni Palace – The Presidential Palace

Used as a summer residence by Alexandru I. Cuza, the ruler who have united Moldova and Tara Romaneasca (Wallachia as it was known in the Western Europe) and a permanent residence by the first king of Romania – Carol the 1st of Romania, Cotroceni Palace is now known to be the Presidential Palace. This is the place where most of the major foreign policy and national decisions have been made since the fall of the communist regime.

Address: Bld. Geniului, no. 1

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (29 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/fWS1QVgyu51AtYhq5>

Public transport (17 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/s8UkJtro5teHaTAT6>

Website: http://www.muzeulcotroceni.ro/index_eng.html

1. Spring Palace (Palatul Primaverii)

Eager to know more about the former dictator Nicolae Ceausescu? Then the Spring Palace will offer you the intimate landscape in which the former ruler lived in. This is the place where all political decision were made between and where all world leaders of that time where officially received between 1965 to 1989. Check the website for more information about the visiting procedure.

Address: Bld. Primaverii, no. 50

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (66 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/NQBrgyDby4JNdNvA7>

Public transport (40 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/QFezkRWcexyeHmWb8>

Website: https://casaceausescu.ro/?page_id=3403&lang=en

2. Ferestroika

If you have visited the Spring Palace then you can't miss Ferestroika Museum. Located in an exclusively communist neighbourhood, the museum recreates the housing conditions of an ordinary Romanian household under Ceausescu's regime. We leave it to you to spot the antithesis of the two lifestyles.

Address: Ion Manolescu,

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (70 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/LjL846zCGoHP7VZb8>

Public transport (28 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/zZCSm5LM58a6w7kx5>

Website: <https://ferestroika.com/>

3. Kitsch Museum

This is the perfect place if you want to visit an “out of the box” concept of museum. The Romanian Kitsch Museum is the best way of understanding Romanian (sub)culture. Romanian Kitsch truly is authentic as the Romanian people can be creative, ridiculous and proud! There is no good or bad taste, beauty is in the eye of the beholder... so they say.

Address: Covaci, no. 5

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (21 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/HRTzW2rT9yGZXgzK6>

Public transport (14 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/ECmeoSNxeGx6uRbQA>

Website: <https://kitschmuseum.ro/>

4. Museum of senses

If you want to post some funny picture or stories on your FaceBook or Instagram, then this is where you should be. Located in one of the to many shopping malls from Bucharest (Afi Palace Cotroceni Mall), the Museum of Senses is a place of fun and illusion. If visiting this neighborhood try imagining that before the shopping mall there was an industrial platform there, and you will have the perspective of the urban landscape dynamics in Bucharest in the last 30 years, as this functional reconversion happened everywhere. Oh... and of course you can enjoy a shopping experience as well.

Address: Bld. Vasile Milea, no.4

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (44 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/bXxrejKze3qFTjY96>

Public transport (23 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/uzJQt8rYpwoCB8FT7>

Website: <https://www.museumofsenses.ro/en>

5. National Museum of Old Maps and Books

The patrimony of the museum consists of over 1000 works dating from the 16th to the 20th century. Among them you will find maps of the regions inhabited by Romanians and their ancestors, continents of the world, astronomical maps and city plans. Also, the patrimony of the museum includes graphic works with various subjects: landscapes, portraits, traditional costumes.

Address: Str. Londra, no. 39

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (45 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/bnYpMKudzDm5zcxc7>

Public transport (51 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/WnGgtocVyA4fvRU3A>

Website: <http://www.muzeulhartilor.ro/?lang=en>

6. Old Court Museum

Probably one of the most known character associated with Romania is Bram Stoker's Dracula, and many places throughout the country have been related to him... or it. However, the Old Court was the residence of Vlad the Impaler, the Wallachian ruler that inspired Stoker's novel, and no, he was not a vampire and yes, this is a historical accurate place related with him.

Address: Str. Franceza, no. 27-31

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (20 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/DTAqvnXrLFay9hAu8>

Public transport (12 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/B28Kv56HgJt4XHi39>

Website: <https://muzeulbucurestiului.ro/en/the-old-princely-court-museum.html>

Urban Landscape

1. Cismigiu Garden

Cișmigiu Park is a vast English-style garden with fountains, monuments and a popular boating lake where the landmark Monte Carlo restaurant stands on a central island. Elegant pre-communist buildings line nearby the Regina Maria boulevard.

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (12 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/eWryypRsAeaD8ZsdA>

2. Old Centre of the City

Popular for its night life and worldwide cuisine, the old city centre is mix of architectural styles, mainly dating from the interwar period.

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (23 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/o8RU7qhiW4LQjKRU6>

3. Calea Victoriei avenue

Calea Victoriei, is the avenue were the wealthy Romanian are spending their spare time since beginning of the 20th century. It is lined by interwar, communist and modernist buildings, most of them of national heritage, and it links the Dambovita meadows with the Government Palace (Victoria Palace).

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (24 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/CmNirW1ktgsn9xxt8>

4. Unirii Avenue

Planned in the 80's, together with the People's House or Parliament Palace, the Uniri Avenue (formerly called the Victory of Socialism Avenue) resembles the communist urban planning system. Wishing to imitate the more famous Champs Elysees Boulevard from Paris, it links the Constitution Square with the Alba Iulia Square. Along the avenue you will pass through the Union Square, admiring a system of water fountains, the National Library, Bucharest's Court of Justice and multi-dwelling buildings initially destinated to higher communist officials.

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (20 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/g67uQfDBWuiqxnB38>

5. Bucharest Botanical Garden

Once a part of the Cotroceni Palace domain, the Botanical Garden “Dimitrie Brandza” belongs to the University of Bucharest since 1874. This is a quietness oasis within the noisy and busy Bucharest, where people go to enjoy nature.

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (21 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/WCytSu18FcsPPhDu7>

6. King Michael I Park

King Michael I Park, formerly Herăstrău Park, is a large park on the northern side of Bucharest. Part of a chain of green areas established around the wetlands of Colentina river, the public park hosts the National Village Museum and several restaurants and pubs, being the biggest public park in Bucharest.

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (62 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/2Qtu2AGQCZFmcdVi6>

Public transport (38 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/aLv3kZxgFB83RJ1k9>

7. Vacaresti Natural Park

The area is the result of a failed, magalomaniac communist project, desired to host water sports event during the presumably organisation of the Olympic Games by Romania, and also a desired harbour to the Danube. Abandoned in the post-communist transition years, in the wetland covering 189 ha, nature and biodiversity have flourished and it was declared the first urban natural protected area from Romania.

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (114 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/j67WCmhVZcwnUdAL9>

Public transport (60 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/9TVmy3VHjtbipYMg9>

Relaxation

1. *Carusel Carturesti*

A monument-building in the historical center of Bucharest reopens its doors after a quarter of a century to house Cărturești Carusel Bookshop.

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (20 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/AaqBjsnTpFeAN86U7>

Public transport (18 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/PjvdgitemPN6VpCr8>

Website: <http://carturesticarusel.ro/>

2. *Romanian Athenaeum*

The Romanian Athenaeum is a concert hall in the center of Bucharest, Romania and a landmark of the Romanian capital city. Opened in 1888, the ornate, domed, circular building is the city's main concert hall and home of the "George Enescu" Philharmonic and of the George Enescu annual international music festival.

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (25 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/1EfxJLMVyFZFXnj98>

Public transport (20 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/CyHKBFmdhbQCqEk47>

Website: <https://www.fge.org.ro/>

3. *Therme Bucharest*

Located outside of the city limits, at 10 minutes driving time from Otopeni International Airport, Therme Bucharest is a wellness center using geothermal waters, aiming to create an unique relaxation experience for their guests.

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Free bus from Piata Romana Station (travel time from Piata Romana to Therme Bucharest is about 25 minutes):

Walking (33 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/Ae9dGM9Ta1dGwe7q6>

Public transport (23 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/uAp1sRSGjKfstCcF6>

Taxi/Uber/Yango (30 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/7jTyRMxL9j6czMsH8>

Website: <https://therme.ro/en/>

Places for dining and supper

1. *Costelaria*

Suited for meat lovers

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (28 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/x3hgH9ewA6cnco2PA>

Public transport (27 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/5YT35gguJj4onVgi7>

Website: <https://www.coaste.ro/>

2. *Bocca Lupo*

Suited for Mediterranean cuisine lovers

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking: <https://goo.gl/maps/buoN3Yb2aG681Nhv6>

Website: <https://boccalupo.ro/>

3. *Bistro Cismigiu*

Suited for international cuisine lovers

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (13 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/C94MvQB1bbcnbPXt7>

Website: <http://cismigiu.ro/en/>

4. *Hanul Berarilor Casa Oprea Soare*

Suited for customers wishing to try the taste of the Romanian cuisine

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (11 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/BmsQ8CyqvCPbw1HM6>

Website: https://hanuberarilor.ro/en/restaurants/casa_oprea_soare

5. *Ciorbarie*

Suited for take away, offering you tastes of Romanian traditional soups or “ciorba”

How to reach it from the workshop venue:

Walking (23 min): <https://goo.gl/maps/t85G5Qz4wz1zRLsj7>

Website: <http://ciorbarie.ro/>