

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE BUDAPEST AREA, HUNGARY

**LOCATION:** Budapest, the capital of Hungary, is located in the north-central part of the country. The city is situated on both banks of the Danube River. Most of the city is hilly, with elevations ranging from a little over 300 feet to some 1,435 feet above sea level. Buda (west bank) is higher than Pest (east bank).

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	8:56	10:14	11:53	13:36	15:06	15:54	15:34	14:17	12:38	10:55	9:23	8:32
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	1:51	2:59	4:25	6:12	7:50	8:43	9:23	8:35	6:39	4:40	2:10	1:26
AREA OF BLUE SKY	32%	38%	45%	44%	48%	51%	59%	61%	59%	45%	32%	28%
LOW FOR MONTH	12°	14°	24°	33°	41°	49°	53°	51°	43°	32°	24°	16°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	26°	28°	35°	44°	52°	57°	61°	59°	53°	45°	36°	31°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	35°	39°	50°	61°	71°	77°	81°	81°	73°	61°	46°	38°
HIGH FOR MONTH	48°	53°	67°	75°	84°	89°	93°	92°	86°	75°	60°	52°
FROSTY MORNINGS	71%	69%	33%	6%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	19%	34%	56%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	9%	11%	1%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	77%	65%	56%	51%	51%	50%	45%	48%	53%	62%	75%	80%
DRY DAYS	63%	64%	66%	63%	60%	60%	69%	71%	75%	68%	58%	60%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	85%	85%	84%	81%	79%	78%	85%	85%	87%	83%	79%	83%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.24	0.25	0.26	0.34	0.43	0.46	0.32	0.32	0.30	0.35	0.37	0.31
LIKELY SNOWFALL	15.0"	10.5"	7.0"	1.7"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	5.2"	11.9"
SNOWY DAYS	35%	26%	15%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	10%	25%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	2%	1%	6%	21%	28%	21%	18%	4%	3%	1%	1%
FOGGY DAYS	29%	24%	9%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	8%	24%	32%

**COMMENTS:** Budapest shares the standard mid-latitude four-season year. Spring (late March through the middle of May) is the season of renewed vegetative growth, with spells of winter-like weather alternating with spells of summer-like weather. Summer (mid-May through mid-September) is marked by long, sunny, and hot days and short, mild nights. Autumn (middle of September through early November) is characterized by shortening days, falling leaves, and the first frosty mornings. Winter (mid-November through the middle of March) is the dominant season, and brings short, cloudy, chilly days and long, cold nights. Winter also brings frozen ground and frequent snows. When the mists start to rise from the river, the hills often appear as islands rising above a sea of fog. On such occasions, the hills are actually warmer than the valleys.