

Burgas Travel Guide

Burgas: Bulgaria's Black Sea Gateway

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Things to do in Burgas

Beaches & Coastal Areas

Burgas is renowned for its long stretches of sandy beaches and waterfront attractions along the Black Sea. The city's beach culture offers relaxation, water sports, and stunning sea views.



Must See

Burgas Central Beach

Half day to full day No Booking Needed



Map

The main **sandy beach** of Burgas stretches for kilometers and is ideal for swimming, sunbathing, and water sports. Well-maintained with lifeguards, beach bars, and facilities. Perfect for families and visitors seeking a classic beach experience with clear waters.



Must See

Sea Garden (Морска градина)

2-3 hours No Booking Needed



Map

An expansive **waterfront park** stretching along the coast with walking paths, gardens, sculptures, and cafes. Home to the *Sea Casino* cultural centre and ideal for leisurely strolls with panoramic Black Sea views. Features public art installations and seasonal events.



Top Pick

Book Ahead

Water Sports & Activities

1-2 hours Book Ahead



Map

Experience **jet skiing, windsurfing, parasailing**, and boat rentals along Burgas beaches. Multiple water sports centers offer equipment rental and instruction for all skill levels during the summer season from May through September.

Tips for Beaches & Coastal Areas

- Best beach season: May to September with warmest waters in August
- Arrive early in summer to secure parking and beach space
- Bring sun protection—the Mediterranean sun is strong
- Most water sports operate June through August



Museums & Galleries

Burgas preserves its rich cultural heritage through world-class museums showcasing archaeology, ethnography, and maritime history. Essential visits for understanding Bulgaria's historical significance.



Must See

Burgas Archaeological Museum

2-3 hours No Booking Needed



Map

A premier **museum featuring ancient artifacts** spanning from prehistoric times through the Ottoman period. Highlights include Thracian treasures, Greek and Roman sculptures, coins, and jewelry. Impressive collections of pottery and bronze items from archaeological excavations in the region.



Top Pick

Burgas Ethnographic Museum

1.5-2 hours No Booking Needed



Map

Explore **traditional Bulgarian crafts, textiles, and folk costumes** from the Burgas region. Displays showcase traditional clothing, household items, agricultural tools, and jewelry representing local heritage and lifestyle from past centuries.



Notable

Art Gallery Burgas

1-2 hours No Booking Needed



Map

Contemporary and classical **art exhibitions** featuring works by Bulgarian and international artists. The gallery showcases paintings, sculptures, and installations in rotating exhibitions throughout the year.

Tips for Museums & Galleries

- The main museums are open daily 10:00-18:00
- Adult admission is EUR 3 per museum or EUR 4.60 for two
- English labels available in major museums



Religious Sites

Burgas features notable churches and religious monuments reflecting centuries of Orthodox and Christian heritage along Bulgaria's Black Sea coast.



Must See

Sveta Bogoroditsa (Assumption) Church

45 minutes No Booking Needed



Map

One of the city's main **Orthodox churches** (the Assumption church) featuring impressive Byzantine architecture and ornate interior decorations. Built in the 19th century, it dominates the city center and showcases intricate iconography, marble columns, and a grand dome.



Top Pick

St. Cyril and Methodius Church

30 minutes No Booking Needed



Map

A **charming Orthodox church** featuring traditional Bulgarian religious art and architecture. Named after the brothers who created the Glagolitic alphabet (Cyrillic developed from their work in Bulgaria) and built in 1897-1907, it is Burgas's landmark cathedral-style church and it offers insight into Bulgarian spiritual traditions and contains beautiful religious icons.

Tips for Religious Sites

- Visit churches during morning hours for best lighting and photography
- Dress respectfully—cover shoulders and knees
- Remove shoes or wear clean footwear
- Services typically occur early morning; ask locals for schedules



Parks & Green Spaces

Burgas offers multiple parks and gardens perfect for relaxation, recreational activities, and enjoying nature. From formal gardens to wooded areas, these green spaces provide peaceful retreats throughout the city.

Tips for Parks & Green Spaces

- Parks are best visited during morning or late afternoon hours
- Bring water and sun protection
- Nature reserves require respectful behavior and proper trail adherence
- Early morning visits may reward wildlife spotting



Squares & Streets

Burgas features charming historic squares, elegant buildings, and preserved architecture reflecting its development as a modern Black Sea port city with traditional Bulgarian character.



Top Pick

Aleksander Batenberg Square

1 hour No Booking Needed



Map

A civic square (the city's central square is Troikata) in Burgas, surrounded by important government buildings, hotels, and restaurants. A social hub featuring public monuments, fountains, and event spaces where locals and tourists gather for dining and people-watching.



Notable

Sea Casino (Morsko Kazino)

2-3 hours No Booking Needed



Map

The historic **Sea Casino** building in the Sea Garden is no longer a gambling venue: it is now the city's cultural centre, hosting exhibitions, concerts and events, with a terrace above the sea. Check the programme when you visit.

Tips for Squares & Streets

- Historic squares are best explored in late afternoon when crowds diminish
- Photography is excellent during golden hour before sunset
- Many cafes and restaurants surround major squares
- Bring comfortable walking shoes for exploring old town streets



Tours & Activities

Burgas offers guided tours, adventure activities, and specialized experiences that provide deeper insights into the city's culture, nature, and coastal environment.



Top Pick

Book Ahead

Guided City Tours

3-4 hours

Book Ahead

Professional **guided walking or coach tours** covering major landmarks, historical sites, and cultural attractions. Knowledgeable guides provide historical context, local insights, and engaging narratives about Burgas development and significance.



Top Pick

Book Ahead

Boat Cruises & Sea Trips

2-4 hours

Book Ahead

Experience **scenic boat cruises** along the Black Sea coast, fishing trips, or sunset cruises from Burgas harbor. Explore coastal scenery, visit nearby beaches, and enjoy marine wildlife viewing opportunities with experienced captains.



Notable

Cycling Tours

3-5 hours

Book Ahead

Explore Burgas and surrounding areas by **bicycle through dedicated cycling routes** and scenic pathways. Tours accommodate various fitness levels and showcase coastal landscapes, local villages, and nature areas from an active perspective.

Tips for Tours & Activities

- Book tours 1-2 days in advance during peak season
- Early morning tours often provide better photography conditions
- Bring water, sun protection, and appropriate footwear
- Ask about group discounts for larger parties



Day Trips & Excursions

Burgas serves as an excellent base for exploring nearby coastal attractions, historic towns, and natural areas within easy reach via car, bus, or organized tours.



Must See

Sozopol Ancient Town

4-5 hours No Booking Needed



Map

A picturesque **ancient coastal town** approximately 35km south featuring medieval fortifications, narrow cobblestone streets, art galleries, and seafood restaurants. Originally founded as a Greek colony, it offers authentic charm with minimal commercialization.



Must See

Nessebar Medieval Town

4-5 hours No Booking Needed



Map

A UNESCO World Heritage site about 36km northeast featuring **Byzantine churches, medieval fortress walls**, and historic charm. One of Bulgaria's oldest settlements with well-preserved medieval architecture, archaeological sites, and thriving tourist infrastructure.



Top Pick

Book Ahead

Pomorie Salt Pans & Wine Valley

4-6 hours Book Ahead



Map

Visit **traditional salt production facilities** and nearby wineries showcasing Bulgarian wine heritage. Pomorie Lake features unique salt harvesting, and regional wineries offer tastings and tours of wine production areas.

Tips for Day Trips & Excursions

- Rent a car or use buses for day trip flexibility
- Start early to maximize daylight hours for distant destinations
- Pack snacks and water for longer excursions
- Nearby medieval towns get crowded mid-afternoon; visit early morning



Food & Dining

Real, highly-rated Restaurants in Burgas, sourced from Google Places (rating above 4★).



La Bottarga★★★★★ 4.9 (519)

1-2 hours



Map

La Bottarga is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.9★ from 519 reviews. Located at кв.Ветрен, ул.11 6, 8124 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Thursday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Friday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Saturday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Sunday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM



Crea Restaurant★★★★★ 4.8 (262)

1-2 hours



Map

Crea Restaurant is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.8★ from 262 reviews. Located at g.k. Petko R. Slaveykov, zh.k. Slaveykov 169, 8010 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Tuesday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Wednesday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Thursday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Friday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Saturday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Sunday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM





Diverso★★★★★ 4.7 (1,047)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

Diverso is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.7★ from 1047 reviews. Located at Burgas Center, ul. "Saedinenie" 7, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 6:00 – 11:00 PM
- Tuesday: 6:00 – 11:00 PM
- Wednesday: 6:00 – 11:00 PM
- Thursday: 6:00 – 11:00 PM
- Friday: 6:00 – 11:00 PM
- Saturday: 6:00 – 11:00 PM
- Sunday: Closed



Grog★★★★★ 4.7 (4,897)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

Grog is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.7★ from 4897 reviews. Located at g.k. Petko R. Slaveykov, zh.k. Slaveykov 135, 8005 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Tuesday: 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Thursday: 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Friday: 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Saturday: 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Sunday: 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM





Butlers Coffee & Kitchen 3★★★★★ 4.7 (77)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

Butlers Coffee & Kitchen 3 is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.7★ from 77 reviews. Located at Burgas Center, bul. "Stefan Stambolov" 601, 8001 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Thursday: 8:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Friday: 8:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 11:00 PM



Bistro "BONELA"★★★★★ 4.7 (164)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

Bistro "BONELA" is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.7★ from 164 reviews. Located at Burgas Center, ul. "Tsar Simeon I" 54, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 10:00 PM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 10:00 PM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 10:00 PM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 10:00 PM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 10:00 PM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 10:00 PM
- Sunday: Closed





Butlers Coffee & Kitchen★★★★★ 4.7 (1,033)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

Butlers Coffee & Kitchen is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.7★ from 1033 reviews. Located at Burgas Center, ul. "Mihail Lermontov" 13, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- Thursday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- Friday: 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM



KAMANITE pizza★★★★★ 4.6 (2,993)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

KAMANITE pizza|bar|dinner is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.6★ from 2993 reviews. Located at Sarafovo, ul. "Burevestnik" 4, 8016 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Thursday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Friday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Saturday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Sunday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM





Restaurant La Rose De Bogoridi★★★★★ 4.6 (255)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

Restaurant La Rose De Bogoridi is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.6★ from 255 reviews. Located at Burgas Center, bul. "Aleko Bogoridi" 19, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 10:30 PM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 10:30 PM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 10:30 PM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 10:30 PM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 10:30 PM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 10:30 PM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 10:30 PM



Opera Garden Restaurant Burgas★★★★★ 4.6 (427)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

Opera Garden Restaurant Burgas is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.6★ from 427 reviews. Located at g.k. Vazrazhdane, ul. "Lyuben Karavelov" 36, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Tuesday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Wednesday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Thursday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Friday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Saturday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Sunday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM





Happy Bar & Grill Center (Burgas)★★★★★ 4.6 (9,174)

1-2 hours



Map

Happy Bar & Grill Center (Burgas) is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.6★ from 9174 reviews. Located at Burgas Center, bul. "Aleko Bogoridi" 60, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM
- Tuesday: 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM
- Wednesday: 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM
- Thursday: 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM
- Friday: 11:00 AM – 10:30 PM
- Saturday: 11:00 AM – 10:30 PM
- Sunday: 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM



Dock 5★★★★★ 4.5 (3,052)

1-2 hours



Map

Dock 5 is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.5★ from 3052 reviews. Located at Harbour complex, MARINA, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 7:30 AM – 12:00 AM
- Tuesday: 7:30 AM – 12:00 AM
- Wednesday: 7:30 AM – 12:00 AM
- Thursday: 7:30 AM – 12:00 AM
- Friday: 7:30 AM – 12:00 AM
- Saturday: 7:30 AM – 12:00 AM
- Sunday: 7:30 AM – 12:00 AM





MEDUSA★★★★★ 4.5 (839)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

MEDUSA is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.5★ from 839 reviews. Located at Лазур, ул. "Adam Mickiewicz" 7, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Tuesday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Wednesday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Thursday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Friday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Saturday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Sunday: 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM



Ti Bar & Kitchen - ресторант и бар в Бургас★★★★★ 4.5 (1,225)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

Ti Bar & Kitchen - ресторант и бар в Бургас is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.5★ from 1225 reviews. Located at Burgas Center, ул. "Silistra" 4, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 7:30 AM – 11:00 PM
- Tuesday: 7:30 AM – 11:00 PM
- Wednesday: 7:30 AM – 11:00 PM
- Thursday: 7:30 AM – 11:00 PM
- Friday: 7:30 AM – 11:00 PM
- Saturday: 7:30 AM – 11:00 PM
- Sunday: 7:30 AM – 11:00 PM





Cardamon Soul Food & Drinks★★★★★ 4.5 (1,161)

1-2 hours



Map

Cardamon Soul Food & Drinks is a highly-rated restaurant in Burgas, rated 4.5★ from 1161 reviews. Located at Burgas Center, bul. "Aleko Bogoridi" 27, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 1:00 AM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 1:00 AM



Beach Bars

Real, highly-rated Beach Bars in Burgas, sourced from Google Places (rating above 4★).



Beach Bar SUMMER VIBE★★★★★ 4.8 (37)

1-2 hours



Map

Beach Bar SUMMER VIBE is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.8★ from 37 reviews. Located at SUMMER VIBE, Плаж Крайморие, 8014 Бургас, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 11:30 PM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 11:30 PM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 11:30 PM



Baywatch bar★★★★★ 4.8 (550)

1-2 hours



Map

Baywatch bar is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.8★ from 550 reviews. Located at Плаж Север (под летен театър, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 7:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Tuesday: 7:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Wednesday: 7:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Thursday: 7:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Friday: 7:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Saturday: 7:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Sunday: 7:00 AM – 12:00 AM





HashtagPAVILION★★★★★ 4.6 (651)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

HashtagPAVILION is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.6★ from 651 reviews. Located at Sea Garden, Seaside road, next to the bridge, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 8:00 PM – 4:00 AM
- Tuesday: 8:00 PM – 4:00 AM
- Wednesday: 8:00 PM – 4:00 AM
- Thursday: 8:00 PM – 4:00 AM
- Friday: 8:00 PM – 4:00 AM
- Saturday: 8:00 PM – 4:00 AM
- Sunday: 8:00 PM – 4:00 AM



Barabar★★★★★ 4.6 (512)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

Barabar is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.6★ from 512 reviews. Located at Морска Градина, 8000 Бургас, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Tuesday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Thursday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Friday: 10:00 AM – 4:00 AM
- Saturday: 10:00 AM – 4:00 AM
- Sunday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM



Bar Bossa★★★★★ 4.6 (966)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

Bar Bossa is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.6★ from 966 reviews. Located at Burgas Center, ul. "Serdika" 2, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 8:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Thursday: 8:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Friday: 8:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Sunday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM





Ailyaka Beach Bar★★★★★ 4.5 (374)

1-2 hours



Map

Ailyaka Beach Bar is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.5★ from 374 reviews. Located at Крайморие, 8014 Бургас, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM



Hidden Beach Bar★★★★☆ 4.4 (1,191)

1-2 hours



Map

Hidden Beach Bar is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.4★ from 1191 reviews. Located at MPH6+QJ, 8240 Sunny Beach, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM
- Tuesday: 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM
- Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM
- Thursday: 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM
- Friday: 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM
- Saturday: 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM
- Sunday: 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM





Beach Bar An-Mari★★★★☆ 4.4 (285)

1-2 hours



Map

Beach Bar An-Mari is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.4★ from 285 reviews. Located at Централен плаж Пред хотел Европа, 8240 Sunny Beach, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM



Saxa Beach★★★★☆ 4.3 (1,372)

1-2 hours



Map

Saxa Beach is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.3★ from 1372 reviews. Located at Северен Плаж 5, 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: Open 24 hours
- Tuesday: Open 24 hours
- Wednesday: Open 24 hours
- Thursday: Open 24 hours
- Friday: Open 24 hours
- Saturday: Open 24 hours
- Sunday: Open 24 hours





Chill Beach Club★★★★☆ 4.3 (447)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

Chill Beach Club is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.3★ from 447 reviews. Located at Slanchev Bryag, 8240 Sunny Beach, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: Open 24 hours
- Tuesday: Open 24 hours
- Wednesday: Open 24 hours
- Thursday: Open 24 hours
- Friday: Open 24 hours
- Saturday: Open 24 hours
- Sunday: Open 24 hours



Viking Beach Bar★★★★☆ 4.3 (3,010)

1-2 hours



[Map](#)

Viking Beach Bar is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.3★ from 3010 reviews. Located at Sunny Beach, on the beach at GLOBUS Hotel, Slanchev Bryag, 8240 Sunny Beach, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 8:00 AM – 5:30 AM
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM – 5:30 AM
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM – 5:30 AM
- Thursday: 8:00 AM – 5:30 AM
- Friday: 8:00 AM – 5:30 AM
- Saturday: 8:00 AM – 5:30 AM
- Sunday: 8:00 AM – 5:30 AM





Playa Beach Club★★★★☆ 4.3 (518)

1-2 hours



Map

Playa Beach Club is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.3★ from 518 reviews. Located at Slanchev Bryag, 8240 Sunny Beach, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 2:00 AM



Pillow★★★★☆ 4.2 (324)

1-2 hours



Map

Pillow is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.2★ from 324 reviews. Located at 8000 Burgas, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM
- Thursday: Open 24 hours
- Friday: Open 24 hours
- Saturday: Open 24 hours
- Sunday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM



Kikki Beach★★★★☆ 4.2 (1,545)

1-2 hours



Map

Kikki Beach is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.2★ from 1545 reviews. Located at Resort, 8240 Sunny Beach, Bulgaria.

Opening Hours

- Monday: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
- Friday: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
- Sunday: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM





Beach Bar Algae★★★★☆ 4.2 (78)

1-2 hours



Map

Beach Bar Algae is a highly-rated beach bar in Burgas, rated 4.2★ from 78 reviews. Located at Unnamed Road, 8201, кв. Свети Георги, 8201 Бургас, Bulgaria.

Practical Information

Seasonal Overview

Best Season: May to September offers warm weather (20-27°C), sunny days, and perfect beach conditions. July and August are peak season with warmest waters.

Summer (June-August): Ideal for beach activities, warmest sea temperatures (22-24°C), but crowded and higher prices.

Spring (April-May): Pleasant temperatures (15-20°C), fewer crowds, perfect for sightseeing. May offers great beach conditions.

Fall (September-October): Warm weather continues, golden light for photography, swimming still possible, fewer tourists.

Winter (November-March): Cold (3-8°C), fewer tourists, museums and indoor attractions dominate, occasional rainy days.

Getting Around Burgas

Public Buses: Affordable local buses connect city areas. Purchase tickets from kiosks or directly from drivers. Comprehensive coverage for beaches and attractions.

Taxis & Ride Apps: Reliable taxi services available; use official metered taxis or ride-sharing apps. Reasonably priced short distances within the city.

Rental Cars: Several rental agencies at airport and city center. A valid EU driving licence is accepted; other licences may need an international permit. Useful for day trips to nearby destinations.

Bike Rentals: Bicycle rental shops available throughout the city. Dedicated cycling paths along the coast.

Walking: Compact city center ideal for walking. The Sea Garden, the pedestrian Alexandrovka Street and the pier are easily explored on foot.

Arriving in Burgas

Airport: Burgas Airport located 10km from city center. Bus 15, taxis and pre-booked transfers are available; about 25-30 minutes to the city centre by bus.

Bus Station: Central bus station connects to other Bulgarian cities and international destinations. Located near city center.

Train Station: Limited train service; buses more convenient for regional travel.

→ Airport Transfer

Burgas Airport (BOJ) to city center:

- **Public Bus 15:** Runs to the South Bus Station in about 25-30 minutes; the fare is EUR 0.80 (2026)
- **Taxi:** Takes about 15 minutes to the city centre; agree the fare or use a taxi company's published prices
- **To Sunny Beach:** about 35 minutes by taxi or pre-booked transfer (around EUR 50 one way from one local taxi company)



Shopping Areas

Alexander Batenberg Square & Surroundings: Modern shopping area with international brands, Bulgarian shops, cafes, and restaurants. Alexandrovska Street, the pedestrian promenade nearby, is the main central shopping street.

Burgas Mall: Modern shopping center with international brands, electronics, fashion, dining options, and entertainment facilities.

What to Buy

Traditional Crafts: Handwoven textiles, embroidered items, wooden carvings, and traditional Bulgarian dolls.

Wines & Spirits: Bulgarian wines, rakia (traditional brandy), and local spirits at competitive prices.

Rose Products: Rose oil, cosmetics, and perfumes from nearby rose-growing regions.

Sea Products: Fresh seafood, fish products, and caviar from local fisheries.

Spices & Foods: Local honey, herbs, kaolin (Bulgarian mineral), and traditional food products.

Bargaining Tips

Bargaining is **not customary** in established shops. Craft vendors may negotiate on handcrafted items. Markets occasionally open for informal haggling. Prices are generally very reasonable already compared to Western Europe.

Annual Events

Burgas's main summer event is the State Opera's summer programme, including the Emil Chakurov festival (from 1 July in 2026); check the Burgas Opera and tourism sites for dates.

National Holidays

January 1: New Year's Day

March 3: Liberation Day (marks the 1878 liberation from Ottoman rule; Independence Day is 22 September)

May 1: Labor Day

May 24: Bulgarian Culture Day (Cyrillic Alphabet Day)

September 6: Unification Day

September 22: Independence Day

December 25: Christmas Day

Easter: Orthodox Easter celebrated with special events and family gatherings (dates vary yearly)

5-Day Burgas Itinerary

Day 1: Beaches & Sea Garden

Morning: Relax on **Burgas Central Beach**, swim, and enjoy water sports. Lunch at beachfront restaurant. Afternoon: Stroll through **Sea Garden**, visit public art installations, and enjoy sunset views. Evening: Dinner with fresh seafood near the pier.

Day 2: Museums & Culture

Morning: **Archaeological Museum** exploring Thracian treasures and Roman artifacts. Late morning: **Ethnographic Museum** showcasing traditional crafts and costumes. Afternoon: **Art Gallery Burgas** viewing contemporary exhibitions. Evening: Relax at cafes in Aleksander Batenberg Square.



Day 3: Religious Sites & Architecture

Morning: Visit the **Assumption Church**. Mid-morning: **St. Cyril and Methodius Church**. Afternoon: Walk along Alexandrovska Street and Aleksander Batenberg Square. Evening: Wine with traditional Bulgarian dishes.

Day 4: Day Trip to Sozopol

Full day excursion to ancient town of **Sozopol** (about 35km south). Explore medieval fortifications, fortified walls, and charming cobblestone streets. Visit local galleries and seafood restaurants. Swim at quiet beaches near the old town. Return to Burgas for evening.

Day 5: Nature & Relaxation

Morning: Bike along the coastal path. Afternoon: Take a boat to St. Anastasia Island (reserve a departure in advance; bad weather cancels sailings) or visit the Pomorie Salt Pans. Evening: Final sunset at Sea Garden or beach, farewell dinner highlighting local specialties.

Best Photography Locations

Sea Garden at Sunset (Golden Hour): Stunning coastal views with warm lighting perfect for landscape and portrait photography. Best in the hour before sunset (around 19:50-20:50 in early July; check the date). Capture monuments and sculptures with sea backdrop.

Central Beach (Early Morning): Peaceful beach scenes with soft morning light (6:00-8:00 AM). Fewer crowds, calm waters, and dramatic sky opportunities. Ideal for landscape and nature photography.

Aleksander Batenberg Square (Evening): Monument and square beautifully lit at dusk with vibrant nighttime atmosphere. Great for city photography and architectural details (19:00-21:00).

Burgas Harbor (Morning): Active port with fishing boats, cranes, and maritime activity. Industrial landscape photography with authentic Black Sea port atmosphere (7:00-10:00 AM).

Coastal Paths (Golden Hour): Scenic walking paths along cliffs and beaches with panoramic Black Sea views. Best lighting 1 hour before/after sunset for dramatic seascape photography.

Electrical Standards

Voltage: Bulgaria uses 230V AC electrical current (European standard).

Frequency: 50 Hz (cycles per second).

Plug Types: Bulgaria uses **Type C (Europlug)** and **Type F (Schuko)** electrical outlets.

Adapter Requirements

Type C (Europlug): Two round pins. Common in Europe. Adapters available from this to other plug types.

Type F (Schuko): Two round pins with earth clips on sides. More common in modern buildings.

North American (Type A/B): Two flat/round pins. Requires adapter for Bulgaria.

British (Type G): Three rectangular pins. Requires adapter for Bulgaria.

Australian (Type I): Three angled pins. Requires adapter for Bulgaria.

Adapter Options

Purchase adapters before travel or at airport duty-free shops. Universal travel adapters covering multiple plug types recommended for flexibility. Bulgarian shops and hotels often provide adapters for standard devices.

Voltage Consideration: Most modern devices (laptops, phones, cameras) automatically adjust to 230V with proper plug adapter. Check device labels for voltage compatibility.



Must-Try Bulgarian Dishes

Shopska Salad: Traditional Bulgarian salad with tomatoes, cucumbers, onions, and white cheese (sirene). Fresh, healthy, and served at every restaurant. Perfect light meal or appetizer.

Banitsa: Flaky pastry filled with cheese, spinach, or meat. Crispy exterior and savory filling. Eaten for breakfast or snacks throughout the day.

Moussaka: Layered eggplant and meat casserole with béchamel sauce. Rich, warm, and deeply satisfying main course found in all traditional restaurants.

Grilled Fish & Seafood: Fresh Black Sea fish, shrimp, mussels, and squid grilled simply with lemon and olive oil. Burgas specialty reflecting coastal location. Incredibly fresh and flavorful.

Kebab & Pita: Grilled meat (pork, chicken, lamb) served in thin flatbread with yogurt and vegetables. Affordable, delicious street food or casual meal.

Tarator: Cold yogurt soup with cucumber, garlic, and dill. Perfect refreshing dish on hot summer days. Unique Bulgarian specialty.

Rakia: Traditional fruit brandy (grape, plum, or apple). Potent local spirit served as aperitif or digestif. Moderate sipping recommended.

Dining Tips

Restaurant Quality: Burgas offers excellent value with fresh local ingredients, generous portions, and reasonable prices compared to Western Europe.

Lunch Specials: Many restaurants offer fixed-price lunch menus (12:00-15:00) with significant discounts versus dinner pricing.

Seafood Restaurants: Concentrated near the beach and harbor. Check daily specials for freshest catch. Prices vary significantly—ask before ordering.

Service & Tipping: Service charge not usually included. 10% tip is customary for good service. Cash tips appreciated in local establishments.

Vegetarian Options: Bulgarian cuisine includes numerous vegetable dishes. Clearly communicate dietary restrictions—restaurants accommodate with notice.

