

Traditional cultural programmes are regularly organised in the county, which have also become well-known attractions :



The Folklorfestival of the Danube at Kalocsa and Baja; The „Hírös” Week Festival in Kecskemét; The Wine Festival on Orbán day in Hajós; The „Sárféher” Wine days in Izsák or various harvest programmes.

The splendid wines of the wine regions Hajós-Baja and Kunság are also celebrated. Vermouth and liqueur can be tasted in Kiskunhalas, and the knowledge of producing champagne can be learned in Izsák. The noble local wine, Hajós Cabernet, matures in the cellars made of volcanic soil in Hajós, but one can't miss a wine tasting in Nemesnádudvar either.



*Winecellars in Hajós*

Bács-Kiskun County attracts its visitors with colourful sights, friendly people and a great variety of programmes. The owners of guesthouses and other institutions are doing their best to gain the confidence of both regional and international guests, with thoughtful new improvements and new kinds of services, to make their holiday in Hungary unforgettable.



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*„Where the sky with the earth meets...”*



## Dear visitors!

*Welcome to the sunniest region of Hungary,  
in the land of adventures.*

Let us begin our journey in Kecskemét, the centre of Bács-Kiskun county! Awaiting our guests are the art nouveau-styled town centre, the living heritage of its famous sons, and a wide range of collections and unique museums .



*Kecskemét – Kossuth Square*

Other cities of our region include Baja, the city of waters and tastes. It was founded on the banks of the river Danube and the backwater of Sugovica, with protected flora and fauna of the neighbouring forest of Gemenc. It is a peaceful residence of Hungarian, German, Serbian and Croatian minorities.

One of the most beautiful Baroque squares in Hungary is the Szentháromság square in Kalocsa. Kalocsa is an important church centre, with such precious sights, as the Archbishop's Palace and the Cathedral. Other places of interest for those who are keen on culture are the birthplace of Sándor Petőfi in Kiskörös, and the memorial house of Ferenc Móra in Kiskunfélegyháza. .

Nature lovers have the opportunity to test special walking tours in different places from typical Hungarian Great Plain country at Bugacpuszta to the training path of the Danube backwater at Baja. The never ending plain is also an ideal area for horse riding, in addition to seeing



*Kalocsa – Archbishop's Palace*

the ancient traditions of the region, dating from the first Hungarian settlers. A great variety of horse farms, many of them possessing the horseshoe quality classification of the Hungarian Equestrian Association, offer different riding facilities and services for the guests. Our county is also a traditional venue for numerous national and international horse riding events.



*Traditional Hungarian horse riding*

For the lovers of relaxing cycling tours a lot of routes are offered, where there are no steep challenges to overcome. Indeed very attractive sights make the tours unforgettable. One of the most interesting trips is the southern part of the cycling route along the Danube in Hungary, which is already well-known in Europe. Under much of our county, in the depth of the earth, there are hot springs suitable for medicinal purposes. The traditions of bathing in this area were introduced by the Turks.



*Tisza Thermal Bath*

Since then a bustling life has been established in our health-resorts. The most significant health centre, which can be visited all year round, can be found in Kiskunmajsa. Other smaller ones are the Tisza Thermal bath in Tiszakécske, and the Csajda bath in Kalocsa. During the summer season the Aqua and Waterslide Park in Kecskemét, and the Health Resort in Dávod are also popular.

Besides the romanticism of the Great Plain (Puszta), and healing thermal waters, the traditional tastes and dishes of the Hungarian cuisine are highly recommended. Guests are warmly invited to the special Hungarian restaurants of the region: in the surroundings of Kecskemét, Lajosmizse, Baja and Kalocsa. The area is rich in products, which are usually called *Hungaricum*, like the apricot brandy of Kecskemét, the pear brandy from Kiskunhalas, and the red pepper of Kalocsa.

The most famous gastronomical event of the region is the Fish Soup Feast in Baja, where fish soups are prepared on an open fire, in more than 2000 pots at the same time.

The Tanyacsárda in Lajosmizse attracts its guests with a wide range of gastronomic programmes every month not only from the capital, but from the surrounding cities as well.

The Paprika Days in Kalocsa, and the Cooking competition of Paprika dishes, and the Goose Festival in Kiskunfélegyháza are also outstanding events of the area.

