

history & architecture



- 1. Old City (Icherisheher)**
UNESCO World Heritage historic core of Baku, surrounded by medieval walls.
- 2. Flame Towers**
Trio of contemporary skyscrapers of over 30 storeys dominating Baku's skyline.
- 3. Palace of Happiness**
Neo-Gothic former mansion of oil baron Murtuza Mukhtarov, currently the Palace of Marriage Registrations.
- 4. Flag Square**
Formerly home to the world's tallest flag-pole, this is a key landmark on the Baku Boulevard.
- 5. Martyrs' Lane**
The moving burial site of many national heroes and victims of tragedies, such as Black January and the First Karabakh War.
- 6. Museum of History**
Housing up to 300,000 artefacts, the museum highlights the key people, periods and events that have shaped modern Azerbaijan.
- 7. Ismailiyya Palace**
Erected by the oil baron Musa Naghiyev in 1913, this Venetian Gothic building now houses the Presidium of the Academy of Sciences.
- 8. Ateshgah**
The current fire temple dates from the 17th century, built on an ancient Zoroastrian worshipping site.
- 9. Yanardag**
Natural gas from subterranean flues has been burning for thousands of years. Now with exhibitions and recreation attractions on the territory.
- 10. Gobustan**
Designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Gobustan has over 7000 rock engravings and drawings, a dazzling display from 15,000 years of rock art.
- 11. Villa Petrolea House Museum of the Nobel Brothers**
The Nobel brothers' key role in Baku's oil boom is exhibited in their restored mansion, first built in 1884.
- 12. Military Trophies Park**
A 5-hectare park displaying captured military equipment from Azerbaijan's victory in The Second Karabakh War.

nature & wellness



- 13. Baku Boulevard**
This huge park, which is one of the longest seaside promenades in Europe, has attractions aplenty for entertainment. Enjoy the cool Caspian breeze while floating along the waterways of Little Venice.
- 14. Highland Park**
A free observation spot that overlooks downtown Baku with a close-up of the iconic Flame Towers.
- 15. Central Park**
A wonderful way to escape the urban hustle and bustle without leaving the city centre in this contemporary park.
- 16. Chambarakand Park**
Equipped with comfy benches, fountains and a kids' playground, lush Chambarakand Park is a great place to get away from the urban frenzy and enjoy panoramic city views.
- 17. Philharmonic Garden**
Baku's oldest park is a green oasis just outside the medieval walls of the Old City.
- 18. Aquatics Palace**
Modern swimming, diving, water polo and fitness centre open to the public. The world's first-ever mechanically drilled oil well is also located here.
- 19. Agha Mikayil Hamam**
Baku's oldest functioning hammam conjures an authentic Eastern atmosphere.
- 20. HamamBath Wellness & Spa Complex**
The complex offers unique wellness experiences with various packages for men and women.
- 21. Tezebay Hamam**
Housed in a former oil-boom mansion, enjoy massages and treatments at this eclectic modern hammam.
- 22. Mud Volcanoes**
Explore the incredible lunar landscapes created by mud volcanoes. Azerbaijan is home to about 350 active volcanoes. Most are perfectly safe, but some occasionally like to show off!

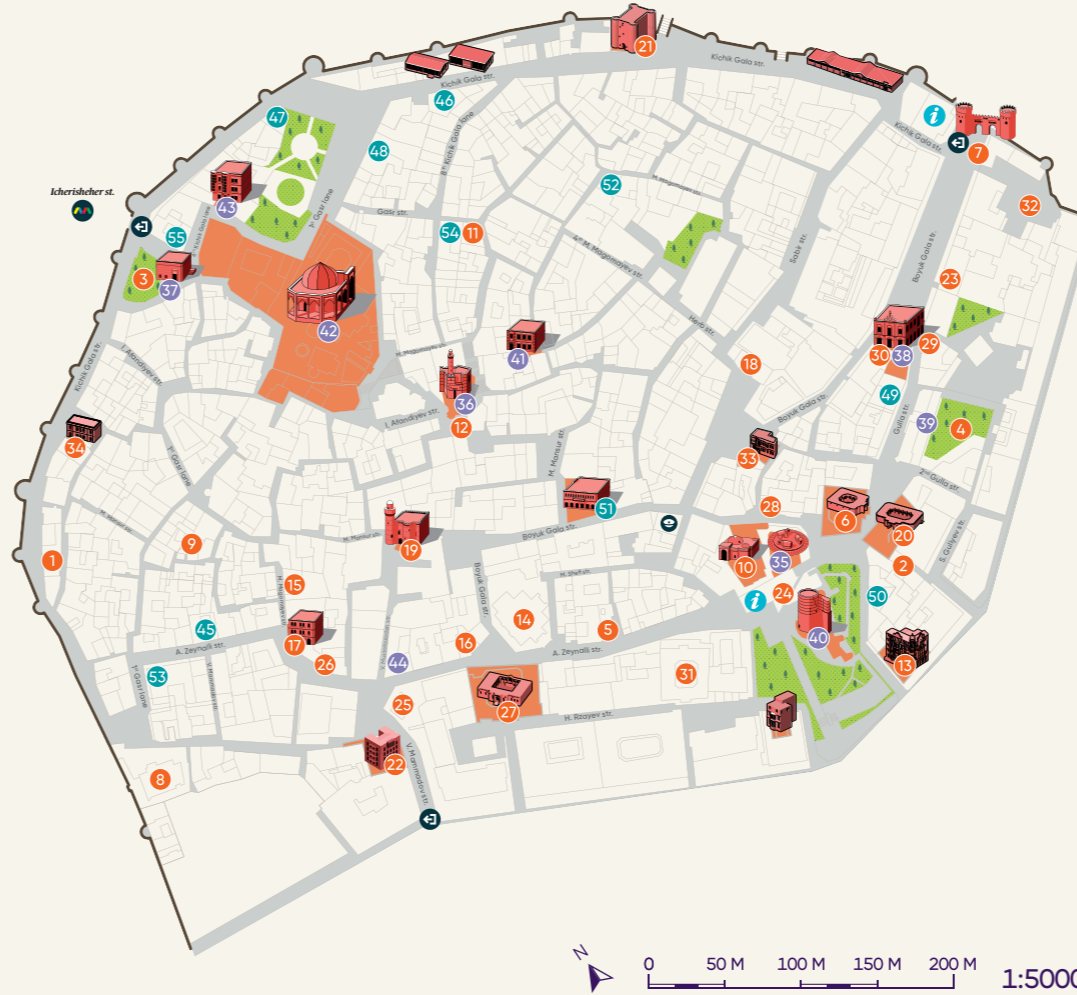
food & shopping



- 23. Yashil Bazaar**
Visit this market for caviar, dairy products, meat, fish, honey, jams, juices and saffron, in addition to fresh organic products of local farmers of the highest quality.
- 24. Sharg Bazaar**
Pop into the neighbouring Sharg Bazaar, a modern-day synthesis of food, crafts and music to stimulate all the senses. This architectural gem is based on the traditional principles of closed oriental bazaars with typical oriental domes and ornamentation.
- 25. ABAD Centre**
Find some decorative crafts and souvenirs made locally around the country, each with information about the products' origin and creator. Here you will also find quality food brands introduced by family farmers.
- 26. Port Baku Mall**
Hunt for the latest fashion trends and enjoy coffee in classy cafés at this contemporary shopping centre.
- 27. Ganjlik Mall**
One of the biggest malls in Azerbaijan offers great shopping and entertainment for the whole family.
- 28. Park Bulvar Mall**
A multi-storey shopping centre on the Baku Boulevard with trendy shops, cafés, cinema and food court.
- 29. Deniz Mall**
Also on the Baku Boulevard, this architectural marvel is the largest mall in the Caucasus with five floors of shops, restaurants, entertainment centres and a cinema.
- 30. Baku Caviar Boutique**
Near the Maiden Tower, this luxury boutique offers to sample and buy Azerbaijan's famous black caviar, with great views from the rooftop bar.
- 31. CHELEBI Store**
Interiors company CHELEBI sells original furniture, textiles and tableware, featuring designs by Azerbaijani artists, at its flagship store located in Port Baku.

Baku

Old City



getting around

Public Transport

The Bakikart is the main transport card in Baku. You can top up your balance and use this card on buses and the metro.

- For more info: bakikart.az
- Also download the 'Bakikart' application
- Purchase and top up the card in advance

Sightseeing

Baku's Hop On Hop Off bus tour is a great way to see all the main sights of Azerbaijan's capital, covering 25 km in only 1.5 hours. Hop off at any of the 15 stops to discover an area in more detail and then hop on another bus at one-hour intervals.

Airport Transportation

The Airport Express shuttle bus service operates between Heydar Aliyev International Airport and the city centre (28 May metro station). Modern, comfortable buses run every hour, stopping en route at Koroghlu metro station to pick up passengers. To take the bus from the airport, proceed to the bus stop just outside the exits of terminals 1 and 2. The ride costs less than 1 USD, but note that to pay you need to buy a Bakikart at the nearest Bakikart terminal. For assistance at the airport, head to the tourist info point.

Currency

Manat (AZN ₼)
Card payments are accepted at most shops and restaurants in the city, and MasterCard/Visa ATMs are widespread. Exchanging money back is no problem and should be done at banks, which are usually open from 09:00 to 18:00.

Emergency telephone numbers

Fire Service - 101
Police - 102
Ambulance - 103

Internet

Most hotels are fully equipped with Wi-Fi and major hotels will also have business centres with computers available. Wi-Fi is also available in the majority of cafés and restaurants across Baku and beyond. Mobile phone providers offer relatively inexpensive dongles allowing you to access the web.

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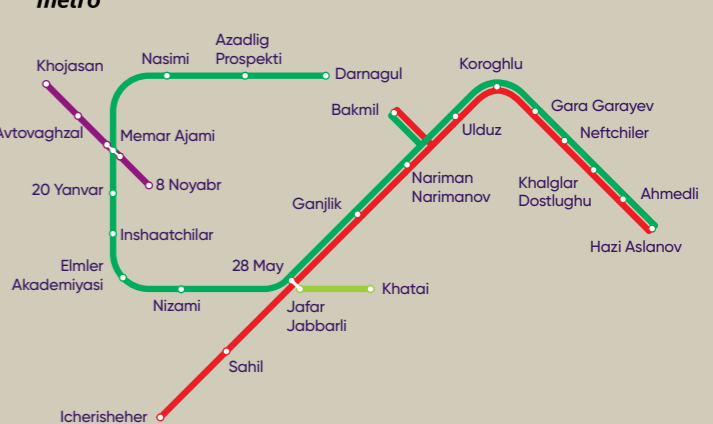
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Baku metro map













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Caspian Sea

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visitor map

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