Slovakia Republic Festivals

2024

January 1: New Year's Day/Republic Day (closures)

January 6: Epiphany (closures)

Through February (likely): Ice-skating rink on Hviezdoslav Square, Bratislava

April 7 (likely): <u>Bratislava Marathon</u>

March 29-April 1: Easter weekend (Good Friday through Easter Monday;

closures); Easter market on Františkánske Square in Bratislava

May 1: Labor Day (some closures)

May 3-4 (likely): Bratislava May Festival (concerts along the Danube, fireworks)

May 8: Liberation Day (commemorates end of World War II; closures)

May 30: Corpus Christi (religious festival; some closures)

Mid-June–July (likely): <u>City (Magio) beach</u>, Bratislava (imported sand, beach chairs on the riverbank)

June 27-30: Východná Folklore Festival, west of Levoča

June 28–30 (likely): <u>Coronation Festival</u>, Bratislava (medieval procession, fireworks)

July-August (likely): <u>Viva Musica! Festival</u>, Bratislava (classical, jazz, world music, including many street performances)

July 5: Sts. Cyril and Methodius Day (closures)

August 29: National Uprising Day (commemorates uprising against Nazis; closures)

September 1: Constitution Day (closures)

September 6–17 (likely): <u>Salamander Days</u>, northeast of Bratislava in Banská Štiavnica (tribute to Slovakian miners' traditions, culminates in evening parade on second Friday of September)

September 15: Our Lady of Sorrows Day (closures)

September 20–October 6 (likely): <u>Bratislava Music Festival</u> (classical concerts, opera, ballet)

October 18–20 (likely): Bratislava Jazz Days

November 1: All Saints' Day/Remembrance Day (religious festival, some closures)

November 1-7 (likely): One World Film Festival, Bratislava (human rights

documentaries from around the world)

November 17: Velvet Revolution Anniversary (closures)

December: Christmas Fair, Bratislava

December-February (likely): Ice-skating rink on Hviezdoslav Square, Bratislava

December 24-25: Christmas Eve and Christmas Day (closures)

December 26: Boxing Day/St. Stephen's Day (closures)

December 31: Christmas Eve (concerts and fireworks in Bratislava)

^{*}Courtesy of Rick Steves' Europe