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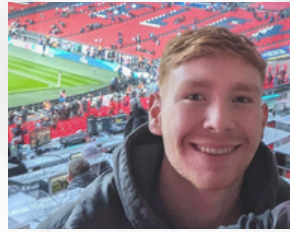
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Hello and welcome to another issue of our lovely fanzine, which we hope you will enjoy and find really useful on your journey to Budapest! We've packed it with fun facts and some tips on how to navigate yourself around the place. Plus, and most importantly, we have filled it lots of propaganda to tell you how great we are. If you're a business that wants to give us LOTS of money to show how great YOU really are, well give us a shout!

The Lansdowne Roar Team!

Window Timetable

Monday 10th: Window Preview LIVE!

Wednesday 12th: Ireland v Portugal Preview

Thursday 13th: Pre-Game / Aftermath LIVE!

Saturday 15th: Hungary Preview

Sunday 16th: Pre-Game / Aftermath LIVE!

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Sinne Fianna Fáil, atá faoi gheall ag Éirinn,
Buíon dár slua thar toinn do ráinig chughainn,
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Le gunna scréach faoi lámhach na bpiléar,
Seo libh canaig amhrán na bhfiann

Editor's Message

Hello, dear reader! Well, what an absolute balls we've made of this campaign, eh? We've gone from a video rallying call to "can we just get this over with, please? However, somehow, we're still in this. Although there is a very real possibility that our final group game could be a dead rubber (ooh er) - again.



This will be my third time in Budapest, an enchanting city. Although this will be my first for football, I'm not sure what to expect. First time was with my partner at the time, all the way back in February 2020, when wearing a face mask was considered a tad odd. And the second was with the lads for a 40th this past August.

If we do pull off the miracle to end all miracles and somehow manage a play-off place, it will be interesting to see the local reaction. Of course, it was the reverse of this fixture that started all the merriment. A win was guaranteed. Then, when we somehow managed a draw, we were on a roll. Apparently. Then, when we completely shat the bed in Yerevan, the sky was falling in.

We were unlucky in Portugal, despite the officials' best attempt to make Ronaldo score (allegedly), we were cruelly denied a famous draw in Lisbon. However, any positivity restored from that performance was quickly evaporated in Dublin, just three days later.

Now, we need Armenia to do us a favour in Yerevan, a couple of hours before we take on Ronaldo FC, sorry, Portugal. If Armenia beats or draws with Hungary and we lose to Portugal, we need a win in Budapest. If we beat Portugal, then a draw in Budapest will do.

However, if Hungary beats Armenia by a single goal, and we draw with Portugal, we need to win 2-0 in Budapest and so forth, depending on the winning margin in Yerevan. If we beat Portugal and Hungary beat Armenia, then a straight win for Ireland in Budapest will clinch a play-off.

Understand all that? Me, neither...

Now, if Hungary beats Armenia and we lose to Portugal, then, well, at least we can look forward to another FAI drama-free managerial hiring process....

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Hungary

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Area: Hungary has a surface area of 93,030km²

Population: Approximately 9.6 million

Official Language: Hungarian

Time zone: UTC+1

Currency: Forint

Government: A unitary parliamentary Republic

President: Tamás Sulyok

Prime Minister: Viktor Orbán

Religion: 42.5% Christianity (27.5% Catholicism 15% other Christian), 40.1% no answer, 16.1% irreligion, 1.3% others (Based on the 2022 national census)

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From the Airport to the City Centre

You can travel from Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport to the city centre by bus, taxi, or private transfer.

Transportation Options

By Bus

Buses are available outside the Arrivals area.

200E Route

Bus line 200E operates day and night between Terminal 2 and Nagyváradi tér Metro Station. The fare is HUF 350.

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This is a direct bus which links Budapest Airport with downtown (Deák tér). It operates every 30 minutes. Please note that on its way to the airport, it only stops at Kálvin tér. It operates 24 hours a day, with different timings depending on the time of day. The fare is HUF 900.

For more information and timetables, [please visit this link](#).

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Minibud Shuttles offers shuttle bus services between Budapest Airport and other destinations. More information is available on its [website](#).

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Taxis are located immediately outside the terminals.

Taxi companies

Főtaxi is the official company in Budapest Airport.

Reservations can be made in person at the Főtaxi booths located at the exits of Terminals 2A and 2B. For your own safety, only board official and authorised cabs and negotiate a price in advance. This is the Főtaxi [website](#). The fare to Budapest city centre is about HUF 10,800 (€ 28.00). Payment by card is possible.

Bolt is also available at Budapest Airport.

Private Transfers

If you wish to transfer to and from Budapest Airport on your own, there are several transfer companies available within the airport premises. Via this link [book a transfer at Budapest Airport](#)

Train

Since there is no direct connection between Budapest Airport and the train, passengers will need to take a further transport to get to the closest train station (Ferihegy Train Station).

How to get to Ferihegy train station?

Bus

To get to Ferihegy Train Station from T2, passengers can take bus 200E.

How to get to the Stadium



How to get there

Train - The main train station in the city is Budapest-Keleti, with inter-city trains across the country and international services to Austria (Vienna & Salzburg), Croatia (Zagreb), Czechia (Prague), Germany (Munich), Slovakia (Bratislava), and Romania (Bucharest). The Puskás Aréna is located just east of central Budapest at only a kilometre from Budapest Keleti central railway station (or 10 minutes walking). The city's historic centre is about two kilometres further west.

Metro - The stadium is easily reached with metro line 2, which runs from the historic centre in eastern direction. Take the metro at, for example, Kossuth Lajos, Deak Ferenc, Astoria, or Keleti in the direction of Ors Vezer. Get off at stop Puskas Ferenc Stadion.

Trolleybus - Trolleybus 75 runs from Jászai Mari tér to the Puskás Ferenc Stadion, stopping at the Puskás Aréna.

Bus - Several bus lines, including the 195, 75, and 80, stop near the stadium at the Puskás Ferenc Stadion M stop, just a 2-minute walk away.

Puskás Aréna



Puskás Aréna

Address: Puskás Aréna, Budapest, 1146 Hungary

The Puskás Aréna was opened on 15th November 2019, and is named after the country's legendary footballer, Ferenc Puskás (1927–2006). Replacing the former Ferenc Puskás Stadium, it is an all-seater arena with a capacity of 67,215 and is located in the 14th district (Zugló) of Budapest. The project cost 610 million euros. The architectural design is sleek and modern, featuring a combination of steel and glass that gives it a futuristic vibe.

Its first game was an international friendly between Hungary and Uruguay. It hosted three Euro 2020 group matches and a Round of 16 match with the Czech Republic defeating the Netherlands 2-0. It also hosted the 2020 UEFA Super Cup and the 2023 UEFA Europa League Final.

Inside the stadium, the Puskás Arena Museum offers a fascinating look into the history of Hungarian football. Key exhibits display memorabilia related to Ferenc Puskás, including his jerseys, trophies, and personal artifacts.

Guided tours are available at the Stadium. These tours offer a behind-the-scenes look at the stadium, including the changing rooms, press areas, and the pitch itself.

The Puskás Arena is located in an area that is a mix of other sports facilities, offices, residential buildings, and some retail. While you may find the odd place to eat or drink, it is likely a better idea to do this in central Budapest as this is only a short metro ride or walk away.

Timeline of Puskás Aréna

1953. Construction of the original Népstadion (People's Stadium) begins. The project is led by architect Károly Dávid.

1953. The stadium opens its doors to the public. The inaugural match sees Hungary's national team defeat England 7-1, a historic game that echoes across the football world.

1954. Népstadion hosts the European Athletics Championships, marking its place as a premier sporting venue in Europe.

1960s-1980s. The stadium witnesses a golden era, hosting numerous international football matches, concerts by global music icons, and various other major events.

2002. The stadium is renamed Ferenc Puskás Stadium in honour of Hungary's legendary footballer, Ferenc Puskás, one of the greatest players in football history.

2016. The original structure is demolished to make way for a new, modern stadium that meets international standards.

2019. The newly rebuilt Puskás Aréna is inaugurated, boasting a stunning design and state-of-the-art facilities. The first match at the new stadium features Hungary vs. Uruguay.

2020. Puskás Aréna hosts several matches of the UEFA Euro 2020, cementing its status as a key venue for top-tier football events.

Present Day. Ferenc Puskás Stadium, now known as Puskás Aréna, stands as a symbol of Hungary's rich football heritage and continues to be a central hub for major sporting and cultural events.

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Budapest – What to see

Budapest, the capital of Hungary, is a city formed by the union of three distinct cities: Buda and Óbuda on the west side of the Danube River, and Pest on the east. This stunning city is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, renowned for its beauty and rich history. Budapest's history spans from ancient times, with influences from the Romans and Ottomans to its role in the Austro-Hungarian Empire and its modern-day significance as a cultural and economic hub. Its unique blend of architectural styles and historical significance makes it a must-visit destination in Europe.



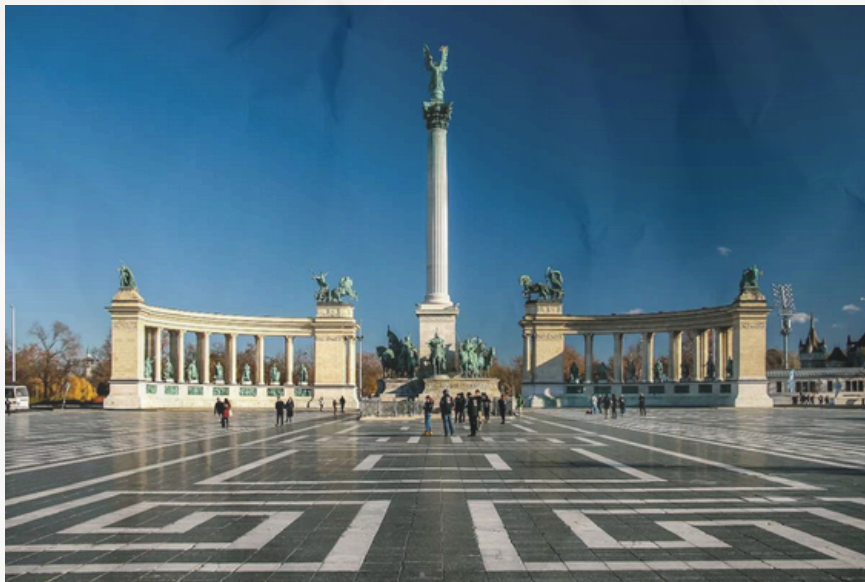
Parliament Building – The Hungarian Parliament Building is the seat of the National Assembly of Hungary, a notable landmark of Hungary, and a popular tourist destination in Budapest. It is situated on Kossuth Square in the Pest side of the city, on the eastern bank of the Danube. It was designed by Hungarian architect Imre Steindl in neo-Gothic style and opened in 1902. It has been the largest building in Hungary since its completion.

Gellért Baths – Soaking in the thermal waters of the Art Nouveau Gellért Baths is an impressive experience. There are six thermal pools and the water is high in calcium, magnesium, and hydrogen carbonate. The baths are said to be good for joint pains, arthritis, blood circulation, and asthma.



Budapest – What to see

Fisherman's Bastion – The Fisherman's Bastion is one of the best known historical monuments in Budapest, located near the Buda Castle, in the Várkerület (Buda Castle District). Since 1987, it has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It offers a unique panorama of Budapest from its Neo-Romanesque lookout terraces.



Heroes Square – Heroes' Square, also known as Hősök tere in Hungarian, is a remarkable place that stands as a symbol of Hungarian pride and history. Located at the end of Andrassy Avenue, next to City Park in Budapest, this iconic square captivates visitors with its monumental dimensions and neoclassical architecture.

Chain Bridge – The Széchenyi Chain Bridge spans the Danube River, linking the hilly Buda side with the flat Pest side of Budapest. It was the first permanent bridge across the Danube in Hungary, officially opened in 1849. At the time of its construction, it was regarded as a marvel of modern engineering and its decorations are made of cast iron.



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Beckett's Irish Bar and Restaurant

Address: Liszt Ferenc ter 11, Budapest 1061

Experience the charm and vibrant atmosphere of Beckett's Irish Bar & Restaurant, nestled in the heart of Budapest. This warm and inviting pub offers a delightful menu featuring authentic Irish cuisine, ensuring a memorable dining experience. The bar serves an extensive range of Irish whiskeys and classic cocktails.

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Address: Pilvax köz 1-3, Budapest 1052

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James Joyce Irish Bar and Gastro

Address: Podmaniczky Frigyes tér 4 Budapest 1054

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Republic of Ireland

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- ☐ MANNING Ryan (Southampton)
- ☐ O'TOOLE Kevin (New York City FC)
- ☐ EGAN John (Hull City)
- ☐ DUNNE Jimmy (Queens Park Rangers)
- ☐ CULLEN Josh (Burnley)
- ☐ COVENTRY Conor (Charlton)
- ☐ TAYLOR Jack (Ipswich Town)
- ☐ MOLUMBY Jayson (West Bromwich Albion)
- ☐ AZAZ Finn (Southampton)
- ☐ SYKES Mark (Bristol City)
- ☐ MORAN Andrew (Los Angeles FC)
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- ☐ FERGUSON Evan (Brighton)
- ☐ IDAH Adam (Glasgow Celtic)
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Hungary



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- ☐ Zsolt Nagy (Puskás Akadémia)
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- ☐ András Schäfer (Union Berlin)
- ☐ Callum Styles (West Bromwich Albion)
- ☐ Dominik Szoboszlai (Liverpool)
- ☐ Alex Tóth (Ferencváros)
- ☐ Milán Vitális (ETO FC Győr)
- ☐ Donát Bárány (DVSC)
- ☐ Zsombor Gruber (Ferencváros)
- ☐ Dániel Lukács (Puskás Akadémia)
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Head-to-Head Record



15 Dec 1934 Republic of Ireland v Hungary L 2-4 International Friendly

03 May 1936 Hungary v Republic of Ireland D 3-3 International Friendly

06 Dec 1936 Republic of Ireland v Hungary L 2-3 International Friendly

19 Mar 1939 Republic of Ireland v Hungary D 2-2 International Friendly

18 May 1939 Hungary v Republic of Ireland D 2-2 International Friendly

08 Jun 1969 Republic of Ireland v Hungary L 1-2 FIFA World Cup

05 Nov 1969 Hungary v Republic of Ireland L 4-0 FIFA World Cup

08 Mar 1989 Hungary v Republic of Ireland D 0-0 FIFA World Cup

04 Jun 1989 Republic of Ireland v Hungary W 2-0 FIFA World Cup

11 Sep 1991 Hungary v Republic of Ireland W 1-2 International Friendly

04 Jun 2012 Hungary v Republic of Ireland D 0-0 International Friendly

08 Jun 2021 Hungary v Republic of Ireland D 0-0 International Friendly

04 Jun 2024 Republic of Ireland v Hungary W 2-1 International Friendly

06 Sep 2025 Republic of Ireland v Hungary D 2-2 FIFA World Cup

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Flashback

Ireland 2-0 Hungary 4th of June 1989

Ireland made one change from their previous game (a match they won against Malta 2-0 with goals from Houghton and Moran), with Andy Townsend replacing the suspended Ronnie Whelan in midfield. Ireland was considered favourites for this game despite having never beaten Hungary before.

Hungary managed to keep Ireland at bay for the opening half an hour, with a combination of bad luck and poor finishing from the home side. The visitors had one opportunity when Disztl had joined the attack and played a one-two with Mészáros, only to fire straight at Bonner from 18 yards.

Ireland eventually went 1-0 up on 33 minutes when Staunton combined with Sheedy to get to the byline, he had his cross headed out by Garaba, but only as far as McGrath, whose low, right-footed cracker of a shot swept past Disztl and into the net. Ireland was outclassing Hungary, and the midfield duo of McGrath and Townsend were running the show. Shortly after, Aldridge fired a shot straight at Diszti. The home side's only first-half blemish was a yellow card for Townsend, booked for kicking the ball away after Cascarino had, according to the referee, fouled Fitos.

Ireland came out of the traps fast in the second half, and could have been in front, but Moran's header from five yards out bounced straight into the arms of the Hungarian goalkeeper.

Midway through the second half, Hungary twice went close, and twice through the right boot of Garaba. His first attempt came after Détári and Vincze combined following a short corner from the right and found Garaba lurking on the edge of the area. The Hungarian number 6 had to reach back to get to the ball and shot narrowly over Bonner's crossbar. His second attempt went even closer: teed up, again by Détári, he struck the outside of Bonner's right-hand post.

Ireland sealed the win though when Townsend played a ball down the left side channel for Houghton to chase, he appeared to lose out to Garaba, but the Liverpool man, eased his opponent aside (never a foul!), gained control of the ball, and crossed it via a deflection over the goalkeeper's head and into the direction of Cascarino, who was left to nod it across the goal line from just inches out.

Flashback

Ireland 2-0 Hungary 4th of June 1989

Townsend had run himself into the ground and really bossed the midfield, being well worth his 'man of the match' award. This was another crucial step in Ireland's quest for World Cup 1990 qualification.

Rep of Ireland: Pat Bonner, Chris Hughton, Kevin Moran (Captain), David O'Leary, Steve Staunton, Paul McGrath, Ray Houghton, Kevin Sheedy, Andy Townsend, John Aldridge Tony Cascarino

Substitutions:

Liam Brady for John Aldridge 74, Chris Morris for Paul McGrath 79

Hungary: Péter Disztl, László Disztl, József Fitos, Imre Garaba, Lajos Détári, József Keller, István Kozma, Imre Boda, Ferenc Mészáros, Zoltan Bognar, Andras Cseh

Substitutions:

György Bognár for Andras Cseh 65, István Vincze for Ferenc Mészáros [GKR] 71

A look at Hungary

By James Agnew

The Hungarian national play their home matches at the Puskás Arena, in Budapest and are currently coached by Marco Rossi. Their home kit is red shirts, white shorts and green socks. Their alternative kit is all white.

The team has made nine appearances in the FIFA World Cup Finals, and five in the UEFA European Championships.

The Hungarian Football Federation was founded in 1901. Though Hungary was part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire at the time, both countries decided to form separate associations. Hungary participated at its first World Cup in 1934. They defeated Egypt 4-2 in their debut match, but were then eliminated by neighbours Austria 2-1 in the quarter-finals. Four years later, a much improved Hungary squad defeated Dutch East Indies, Switzerland, and Sweden on the way to the country's first World Cup Final. However, they were defeated 4-2 by Italy in the final.

The 1950's were a golden era for the "Mighty Magyars". Excluding the 1954 World Cup Final, they achieved a remarkable record of 43 victories, 6 draws, and 0 defeats from 14 May 1950 until they lost 3-1 to Turkey on 19 February 1956.

On 25 November 1953, England played Hungary at Wembley. In front of 105,000 spectators Hungary stunned the football world, winning 6-3. In the return game in Budapest, they went one better, defeating England 7-1. This remains England's biggest ever defeat.

In the 1954 World Cup in Switzerland, Hungary lost 3-2 in the final in Bern against Germany. In 1958, they failed to advance past the group stage after a draw and then play off defeat by Wales. They did better in 1962, as they defeated England and Bulgaria to make the quarter-finals, where they lost to Czechoslovakia. Two years later, they qualified for their inaugural European Championship, finishing third.

The 1966 World Cup was something of a swan song for the Hungarian national team. After losing to Eusebio's Portugal, they recorded key victories against Brazil and Bulgaria to qualify for the quarter-finals, where they were defeated by the Soviet Union. They participated at three more World Cups in the following years (in 1978, 1982 and 1986) but never managed to get past the group stage. They also qualified for the 1972 Euros, where they eventually lost the 3rd place play off.

A look at Hungary

By James Agnew

Following the 1986 World Cup, Hungary entered a barren spell. From 1988 to 2014, they failed to qualify for any major international tournaments. This streak was finally broken in 2016, when they qualified for Euro 2016. They then backed that up by qualifying for the next two European Championships.

Hungary have played in League A of the Nations League (where they beat England twice, including a remarkable 4-0 victory over England in Wolverhampton). In the next iteration of the Nations League though, Hungary will be in League B, after they lost the relegation play-off 6-1 against Turkey in March of this year.

Hungary are currently 37th in the FIFA rankings. Their highest ever ranking was 18th place in April-May 2016 and their lowest was 87th place in July 1996. Hungary's biggest ever wins came on 14th July 1912 when they defeated Russia 12-0, 12th June 1927 when they defeated France 13-1 and 24th September 1950 when they defeated Albania 12-0. Their heaviest defeats are 7-0 against England on 30th June 1912, 7-0 against Germany on 6th April 1941 and 8-1 against the Netherlands on 11th October 2013.

Their most capped player (with 109 appearances) is Balázs Dzsudzsák, who currently plays for Debrecen. Their highest goal scorer with 84 goals is the legendary Ferenc Puskás.

The Hungarian squad is made up of domestic players from the Hungarian league and also players currently plying their trade in England, Germany, Turkey, Austria and Sweden. Their star player is their captain and Liverpool midfielder Dominik Szoboszlai.

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Citizens can also follow the Irish Embassy in Budapest on social media (X [@irlembbudapest](#) and [Facebook](#)) to ensure access to relevant updates and alerts.

Emergency Assistance

The best help is often close at hand so if you have problems, try talking to your local contacts, or hotel management. You can contact the emergency services in Hungary by dialling 112 and waiting until it offers the English menu. Specific emergency numbers are:

- Police: 107
- Fire brigade: 105
- Ambulance: 104

Driving

There is 0% alcohol tolerance in operation when driving or using other vehicles. You must hold valid insurance to drive in Hungary. If you are planning to drive in Hungary, be aware it is compulsory to carry your passport, international driving licence, and third-party insurance with you when driving.

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Where to get off the metro in Budapest?

The Parliament: Kossuth Lajos tér (red line).

Széchenyi Thermal bath: Szecheyi fürdő (yellow line).

Vaci utca (shopping street): Vörösmarty tér (yellow line).

Heroes Square: Hősök tere (yellow line)

Big Market Hall: Fővám tér (green line)

Allee Shopping Mall: Ujbuda kozpont (green line).

West End City Center: Nyugati Palyaudvar (blue line).

Arena Plaza: Keleti Palyaudvar (red/green line).

Köki Terminal: Kobanya-Kispest (blue line).

Árkád Mall: Őrz Vezér tere (red line).

State Opera: Opera (yellow line).

Puskás Arena/Budapest Sportarena: Puskás Ferenc Stadion (red line).

Castle: Széll Kálmán tér (red line) – walk or take the bus from there.

Hungarian National Museum: Astoria (red line), Kálvin tér (blue/green line)

The big synagogue: Astoria (red line)

New York Confectionery: Blaha Lujza tér (red line).

Gerbeaud confectionery: Vörösmarty tér (yellow line)

Budapest metró- és hév-hálózata

Metro and Suburban Railway Network in Budapest

Metróvonalak / Metro lines



Hév-vonalak / Suburban Railway lines



Átszállóhely / Transfer point

Metróvonalakközötti átszálláskor nem szükséges új vonaljegyet érvényesíteni.
On the metro network single tickets allow transfers between the lines once.

Vasútállomás / Railway station



A Postcard from Pest

By Jason Conlon

Ah, Budapest in November.

Embrace the utter coldness of Eastern Europe. Grab a dodgy yellow cab from the airport, preferably with a driver who pretends he can't speak English. Surrender to the strangeness and beauty of the place. And the people.

I found myself on a long, penetrating dual carriageway that stretched towards the city centre. Rusty train cables crisscrossed overhead, while marvellous warehouses, crumbling factories and modest, red-roofed bungalows rushed by outside. It all felt like a reminder that the old Iron Curtain had once fallen on these parts. Still the road went on. An hour now. It was becoming clear this was a city on a vast scale. The taxi driver was delighted!

I then think back to the hazy excitement of getting lost down a passageway in Király Street, where some friendly locals accosted me, keen to offer some of their special sweets. I politely declined and moved on swiftly.

Hours later. Night-time. Disorientated. The grand and beautiful Oktogon lay before me, Budapest's busiest intersection. Never have I felt so unimportant. 'I could disappear in this place', I thought, 'and never be found.' The invisibility was enticing.

Suddenly, there's a luxurious steakhouse with framed pictures of David Coulthard on the wall. All bore his autograph. Prime cuts of meat floated out on platters. Glasses of merlot were ordered. Then bottles. A boat of peppered sauce was brought out from the kitchen for the chips. I was shook. There's other nightlife in Budapest too, if you fancy. But be careful to watch your step navigating the seductive chaos of the ruin bars. I know of a poor crater who had to be carried home, leg broken in two: 'It wasn't the drink; it wasn't the drink!'

'Typical fuckin' Irish', spat a bearded Hungarian butcher across the road, rolling up his shutters to begin a day's work.

Ah, Budapest.

The magic of the Széchenyi thermal baths stands out as a must-do highlight for anyone with time on their hands in the city. Overcrowded changing rooms of rickety benches and stinky feet are worth enduring. Submerged in the heat with the cold air around your head is a cure indeed. And if a chilled can should make its way into your hand, then so be it. Some hangovers require a little TLC.

This city will steal your heart. It will prod your imagination. And perhaps, in the name of God, it might even be the scene of a memorable and magical football match, too.

Come on, you Boys in Green.

Welcome to Dublin!



From the Airport

Amazingly in 2025, Dublin still has NO rail connection to the City Centre or anywhere. Which is pretty outrageous, but hey ho. However you do have plenty of other road options.

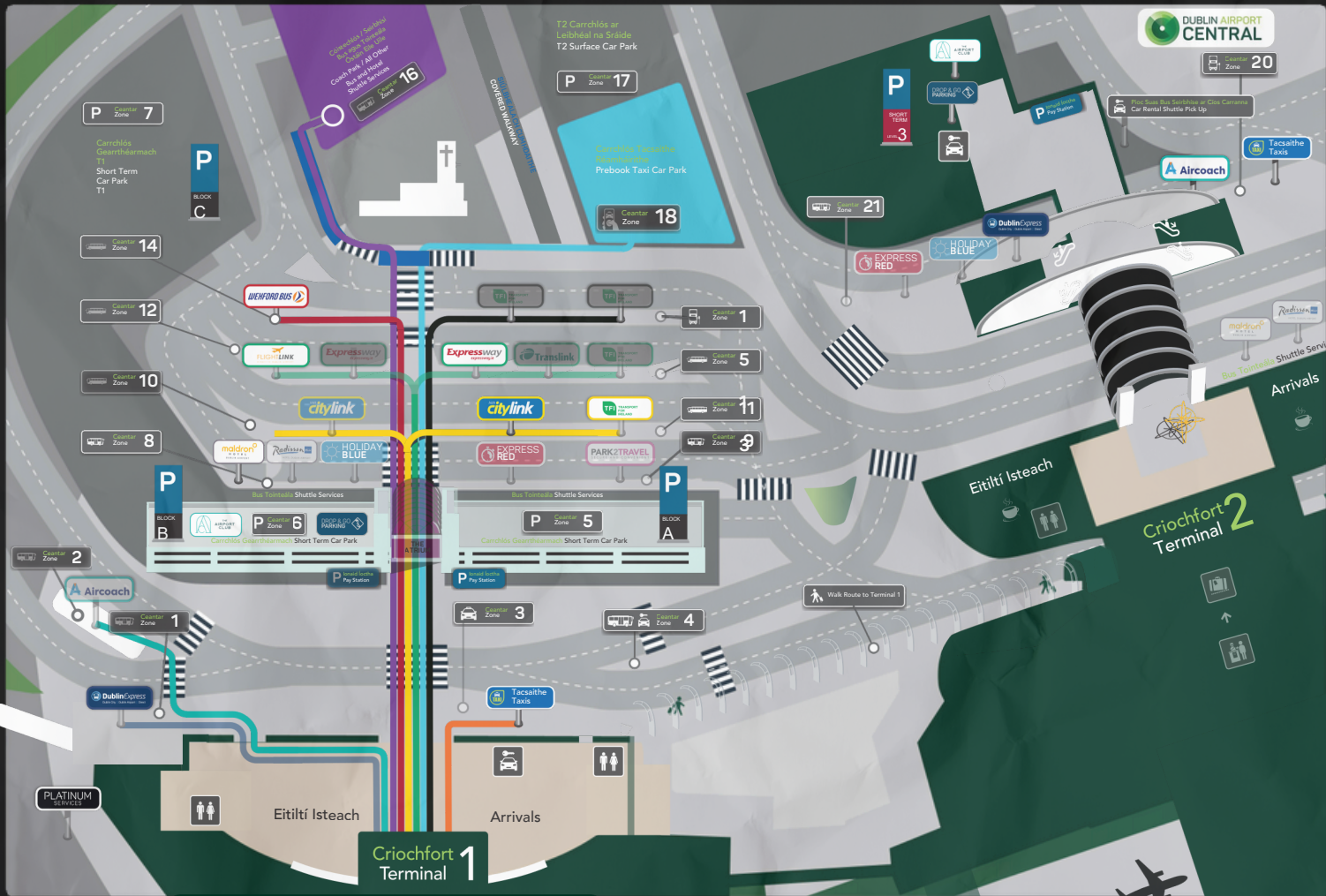
There is a LEAP Card available which is a travel top up card and normally results in cheaper travel throughout Ireland's capital. These are available in the newsagents in Dublin Airport. You download the app from your normal stores and you can physically top-up your card through your phone. This can be used on most buses, trams and trains including the DART which goes direct to the Aviva Stadium.

Check out the maps we have attached on the following pages to help get you going!

Terminal One



Eolas Iompar Poiblí Public Transportation Information





Seirbhísí Bus Átha Cliath Dublin Bus Services

Oilbreoir Operator	Lean Dath na Line Follow Line Colour	Counter Zone
Dublin Bus		1
Aircoach		2
VNI		11 15



Tacsaithe Taxis

Oilbreoir Operator	Lean Dath na Line Follow Line Colour	Counter Zone
Stad Tacsaithe T1 Taxi Rank T1		3
Bailíó Réamhárthithe Tacsai Prebook Taxi Car Park		18



Seirbhísí Bus Náisiúnta National Bus Services

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Dublin Bus		1
Aircoach		2
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BUS LINK		0
Expressway		12 13
VNI		13
Translink		13
Buses		14

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Pleanáil do Thuras Plan Your Journey



Clós Bhus Tointeála & Chóiste Shuttle Bus & Coach Park

Oilbreoir Operator	Lean Dath na Line Follow Line Colour	Counter Zone
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Bus Tointeála Shuttle Bus		1
Bus Eile Other Bus		6



Carranna ar Clós Car Rental

Seirbhís Service	Counter Zone
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Carranna ar Clós Bus Tointeála T1 Car Rental Shuttle Bus T1	4



Carrchlós Gearrthéarmach Short Term Car Park

Seirbhís Service	Counter Zone
CarrchlósGhearrthéarmachT1 Short Term Car Parks T1	Faigh ar an Léaslíne
PRM / Chauffeur / CarrchlósDenscothT1 PRM / Chauffeur / Premium Car Park T1	Faigh ar an Léaslíne
T2 Carrchlós Páirceáil T2 Drop & Go Car Park	17
Réimseáil Fíorúil / Áraí Carrchlós Dromchla High Vehicle Parking / Surface Car Park	
CarrchlósGhearrthéarmach T2 Short Term Car Parks T2	Faigh ar an Léaslíne



Carrchlós Fadtéarmach Long Term Car Park

Seirbhís Service	Counter Zone
Bus Tointeála Holiday Blue Holiday Blue Shuttle Bus	8
Mearbhus Tointeála Dearg Express Red Shuttle Bus	9
PARKTRAVEL Póinte Bailíocháin T1 Collection Point T1	9

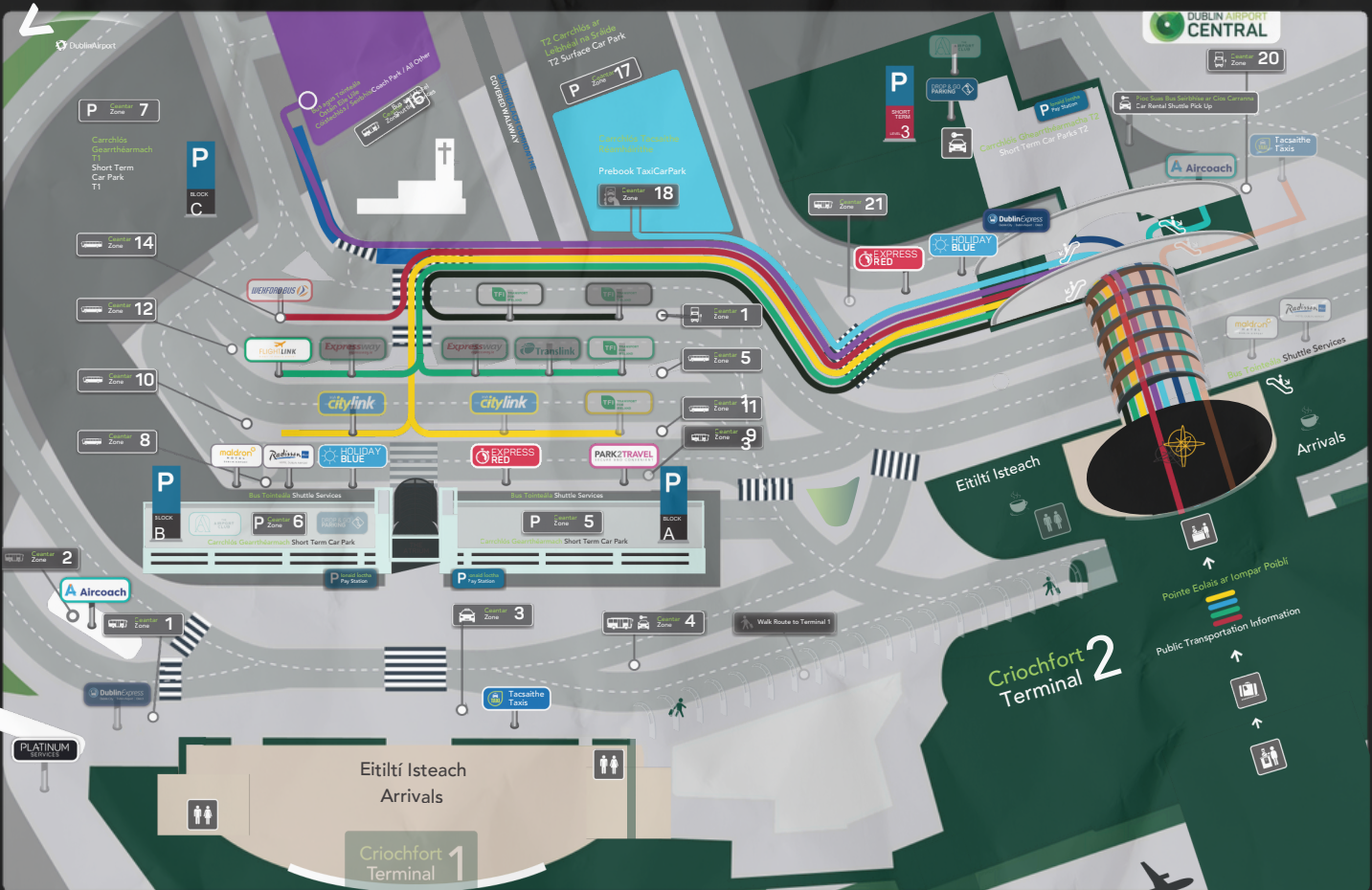
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Terminal Two

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Seirbhísí Bus Átha Cliath Dublin Bus Services

Operator	Line	Path	Follow Line Colour	Zone
Dublin Bus	21			21
Aircoach	20			20
Citylink	11			11
Citylink	15			15

Tacsaithe Taxis

Operator	Line	Path	Follow Line Colour	Zone
Stad Tacsaithe T2	20			20
Bus Táirgíocht Taxis	18			18

Seirbhísí Bus Náisiúnta National Bus Services

Operator	Line	Path	Follow Line Colour	Zone
Dublin Bus	21			21
Aircoach	20			20
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Clós Bhus Tointeála & Chóiste Shuttle Bus & Coach Park

Operator	Line	Path	Follow Line Colour	Zone
Coach Park	16			16
Bus Táirgíocht Shuttle Bus	16			16
Other Bus	16			16

Carranna ar Cíos Car Rental

Operator	Line	Path	Follow Line Colour	Zone
Car Rental Desk T2	16			16
Car Rental Desk T2	16			16

Carrchlós Gearrthéarmach Short Term Car Park

Operator	Line	Path	Follow Line Colour	Zone
Carrchlós Gearrthéarmach T2	21			21
Short Term Car Park T2	21			21
PRM / Chauffeur / Carrchlós den scoth T2	21			21
PRM / Chauffeur / Premium Car Park T2	21			21
T2 Drop & Go Car Park	16			16
PRM / Chauffeur / Carrchlós den scoth T2	17			17
Carrchlós Gearrthéarmach T1	11			11

Carrchlós Fadthéarmach Long Term Car Park

Operator	Line	Path	Follow Line Colour	Zone
Bus Táirgíocht Shuttle Bus	21			21
Holiday Blue Shuttle Bus	21			21
Express Red Shuttle Bus	21			21
PARK2TRAVEL Collection Point T1	9			9

Aviva Stadium



Entry to the Aviva Stadium

There are 5 coloured coded routes to access the stadium. The route you must take is dictated by the location of your seat within the stadium. The applicable route colour will be stated on your event ticket. On event days stewards will be positioned outside the stadium to provide further assistance.



Irish International Football at Lansdowne Road

The famous Lansdowne roar was in full evidence recently against France as we were treated to a raucous and stirring fan reaction to the arrival in Dublin of the World Cup Finalists. As ever, we were the 12th man for our Boys in Green. Lansdowne Road (or the Aviva if you prefer!) is a special place when Ireland play. But what of the history of the Irish soccer team at this famous venue?

Located in Dublin 4 (Ballsbridge) and nestled beside the River Dodder, the venue is named after the nearby road, which in turn was called after William Petty-FitzMaurice (the 1st Marquess of Lansdowne).

The history of the ground can be traced all the way back to 1872, when it was founded by Henry Dunlop, a track walker, an engineer and Trinity College graduate who founded the Irish Champion Athletic Club and was the organiser of the first All-Ireland Athletics Championships.

The orientation of the old ground was initially East/West, changed to North/South and the first stand was a covered stand on the West side with an uncovered stand to the left (completed in 1908). In 1928 the East side of the ground was fitted with a stand. The West stand was then replaced by a two-tier structure in 1955. In 1974 the lower tier of the West stand was renovated and then the East stand was completely rebuilt in 1983. The old Lansdowne Road had some iconic touches (such as the rail track running directly under the West Stand). It was of course used primarily for Rugby (for international fixtures and Lansdowne Rugby Football Club and Wanderers Rugby Football Club), but the first international soccer match took place at Lansdowne Road on 17th March 1900 between Ireland and England (this was a time when the Belfast based Irish Football Association controlled the game throughout the island of Ireland) and England won 2-0. In 1927 the Irish Free State played an international game against Italy and this was the last soccer game played at the venue until Manchester United played Waterford in a European Cup tie in September 1968.

The FAI first leased the ground for international matches in 1971 and from 1990 until 2006 the ground was used for the vast majority of the home fixtures for the Irish soccer team. The traditional home of Irish Football is of course Bohemians Dalymount Park in Phibsborough (a wonderfully historic and atmospheric old venue with a storied history all of its own), but when Dalymount was deemed no longer suitable to host international fixtures, games were eventually moved to Lansdowne Road and the last full Irish international match played at Dalymount was in 1990 (in a friendly versus Morocco).

As most of the games were played at Lansdowne Road post 1990, floodlights were installed in 1993 to allow international soccer matches to take place in the evenings.

In 2010 the famous old ground was replaced by a 51,700 all-seater football and rugby stadium. The development of the new stadium was announced in January 2004 at an initial cost of approximately €365 million (growing to €410 million). €190 million was to come from the Irish government with the remainder paid by the IRFU and the FAI.

The development was originally meant to begin in January 2007 but was slightly delayed (works commenced on 17th May 2007). While the stadium was being rebuilt internationals were mainly played at Croke Park with matches also staged at the RDS and Thomond Park in Limerick.

In February 2009, a sponsorship deal, reported to be in the region of €44 million for 10 years, was struck under which the new stadium would be known as the Aviva Stadium and it officially opened on 14th May 2010.

Irish International Football at Lansdowne Road

Unlike the old ground, which was exclusively owned by the IRFU, the Aviva Stadium is owned and controlled by the IRFU and the FAI through a 50:50 joint venture which has a reported 60-year lease on the stadium.

The revamped stadium is a bowl shape with four tiers on three sides of the ground. The North Stand incorporates only the lower tier of the bowl (with the roof dipping and rolling down at this end) and is mostly used by away fans for international games. Planning permission was granted for this stand on the condition that it did not intrude on the local housing any more than the previous section of Lansdowne Road did. Decked out in green seats, on a match night the lit-up stadium with flashing lights and booming music is quite a sight and experience.

The first international game at the revamped stadium was a friendly against an Argentina side featuring Lionel Messi on 11th August 2010 and the first competitive goal was scored by Kevin Kilbane against Andorra on 7th September 2010. It is also the current venue for FAI Cup Finals.

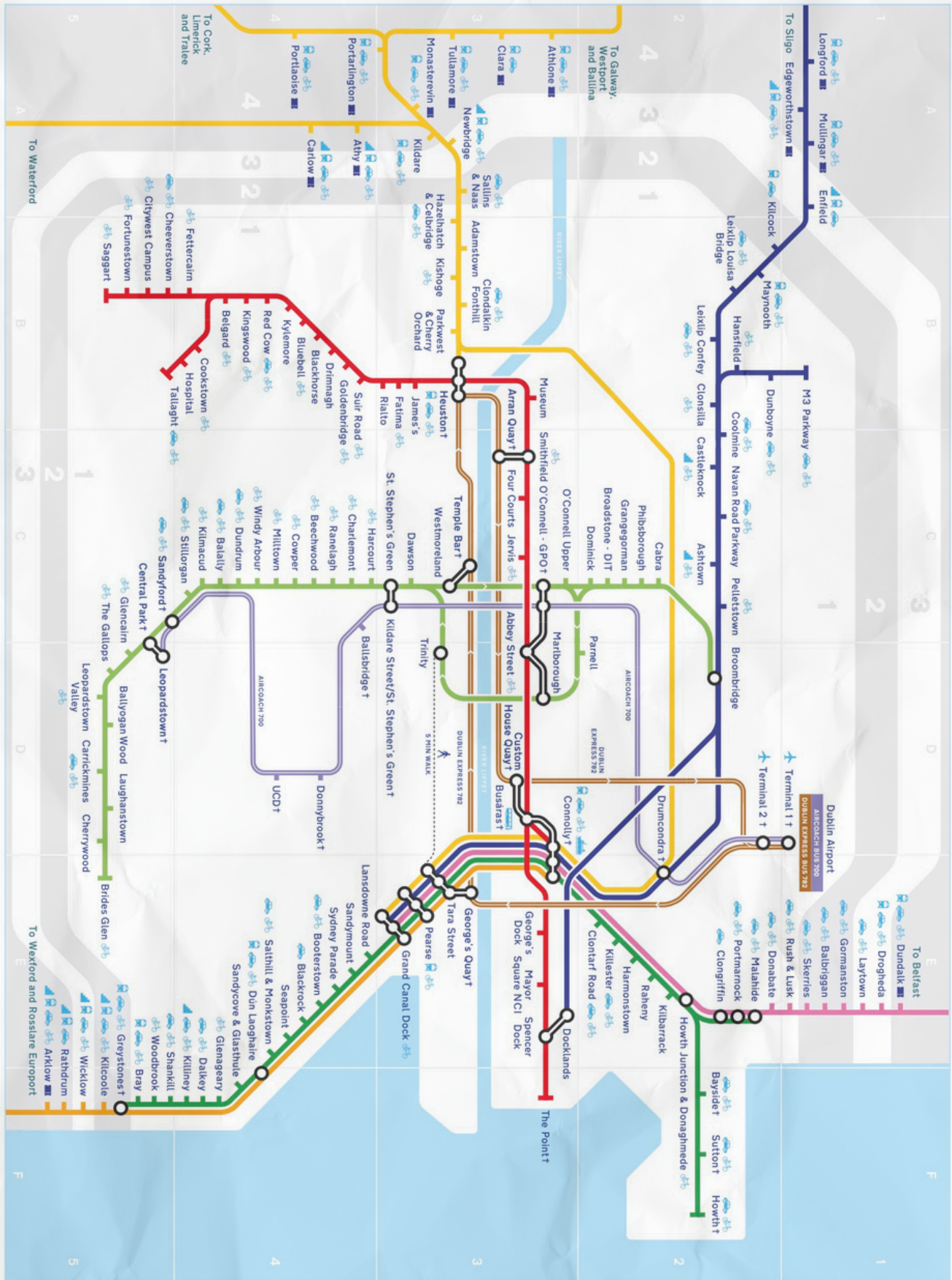
The Aviva Stadium is Ireland's only UEFA Category 4/Elite Stadium and has won recognition (including an award by the British Construction Industry for the innovation of its design).

There have been lots of famous games and moments over the years. Think Liam Brady's winner over Brazil in 1987. Jason McAteer's goal and our outstanding win against Holland in 2001. Shane Long's breakaway strike in the crucial 1-0 victory against Germany in 2015. Special times that are seared into the memory of Irish football fans.

Admittedly, after the rebuild, the cavernous new Aviva Stadium felt corporate and sterile. We missed the famous creaky old Lansdowne Road with its memories of agony and ecstasy. But new grounds take time to bed in. We needed to get acquainted with our new home. And as the years have gone by, we have begun to feel comfortable in our surroundings. And that was in full evidence when France came to town. What an atmosphere (of course driven by our singing section in the South Stand!). And although we didn't get the result we craved, we left the stadium with heads held high, and back into the night proud of our players and fellow supporters. The feeling and emotion that we collectively created was special.

Here is to more great memories in our famous home!

Dublin rail and airport bus services | Leap Card zones 1-4



Key to lines

High frequency

(Usually every 5-15 minutes, Mon-Sat)

- DART Train
- Luas Red Line Tram
- Luas Green Line Tram

Medium frequency

(Check timetables before travel)

- Aircoach Bus 700
- Dublin Express Bus 782
- Northern Commuter Train
- Southwestern Commuter Train
- Western Commuter Train

Low frequency

(Check timetables before travel)

- Southwestern Commuter Train

Key to symbols

- Airport
- Bike parking
- Car parking
- Central Bus Station
- Dublin Port bus connection
- Intercity station
- No step-free access
- Interchange (may involve a short walk between stops)

Check before you travel

- ↑ DART services**
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You can travel to Dublin Port via a bus from Connolly Station. Check timetables first.
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Timetables

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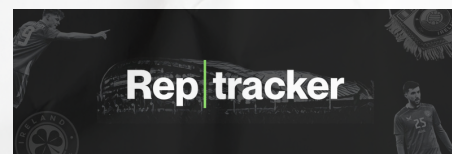
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