

Budapest

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

A short coach trip to Vienna and Budapest in September 2008 allowed a very brief look at some of the sights of Budapest, Hungary from a geological point of view..

Budapest, the capital of Hungary, is situated on the banks of the River Danube in the heart of the Carpathian basin. Buda - a hilly area - is situated on the right bank of the Danube surrounded by low mountains. Across the river is the large flat area of Pest. Geology has played an important role in the past with many hot springs from the limestone supplying water at 35 - 76°C to numerous spas utilised from Roman times. Some of our party spent an afternoon in the hots baths near City Park, Budapest.

Gellért Hill behind the Elizabeth Bridge in Budapest is situated on a limestone escarpment with Buda on the high ground to the north. These high vantage points provide panoramas of the town of Pest below - a very flat vista which has been subjected to some flooding in the past due to high river levels. The following pictures give a brief review of this section of the city.

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