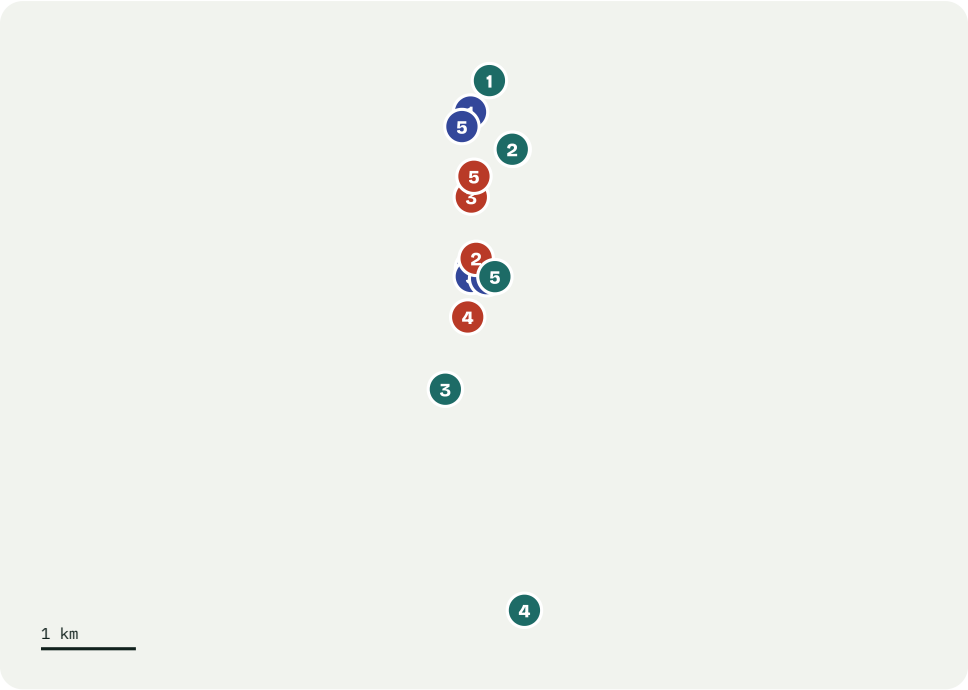
Curtea de Argeș

The first capital of Wallachia, with the Princely Church of 1352 and Neagoe Basarab's monastery, where Romania's kings are buried; the Transfăgărășan road starts here and heads north.



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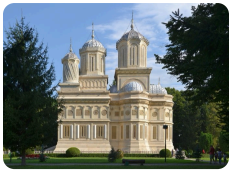
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How to use this guide

For each category we picked five places, in the order we would recommend them. Map numbers match the list. On arges.info you'll find the interactive map, Google Maps links and the always up-to-date version.

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What to see in Curtea de Argeș



1 Mănăstirea Curtea de Argeș și Necropola Regală

MONASTERY AND ROYAL NECROPOLIS · BULEVARDUL BASARABILOR, NORDUL ORAȘULUI, LA 1,1 KM DE CENTRU

It is the town's best-known monument and the burial place of Romania's first kings, Carol I and Ferdinand, with Queens Elisabeth and Marie; King Michael I lies in the new cathedral.

The church built by Prince Neagoe Basarab between 1512 and 1517, tied to the legend of Master Manole, and the new cathedral beside it with the royal necropolis. The old church has been closed to the public for restoration since December 2025 and is due to reopen in 2028.

Bulevardul Basarabilor 1 · Tel. +40 348 401 956 · hours not confirmed



2 Curtea Domnească și Biserica Domnească

MEDIEVAL PRINCELY COURT · STRADA NEGRU VODĂ, CENTRUL VECHI, LA 600 M DE CENTRU

It is the oldest surviving princely foundation in Wallachia, on UNESCO's tentative list, with some of the oldest wall paintings in the country.

The ruins of the first residence of the princes of Wallachia and the Princely Church of St Nicholas, finished in 1352, with paintings from the 1360s. The church is under restoration until 2028 but has been open to visitors again since summer 2026.

Strada Negru Vodă 1 · Tel. +40 733 945 161 · hours not confirmed



3 Muzeul Municipal Curtea de Argeș

HISTORY MUSEUM · STRADA NEGRU VODĂ, LÂNGĂ CURTEA DOMNEASCĂ

It shows objects from the history of the first capital and pieces of the old iconostasis of the Princely Church, rounding off a visit to the Princely Court next door.

The town museum, opened in 1969 in the former hospital of 1897, with collections of archaeology, medieval history and coins linked to the first capital of Wallachia.

Strada Negru Vodă 2 · Tel. +40 745 177 598 · Hours: Mo Closed · Tu 9–17 · We 9–17 · Th 9–17 · Fr 9–17 · Sa 9–17 · Su 9–17



4 Ruinele bisericii Sân Nicoară

MEDIEVAL CHURCH RUIN · PARCUL SÂN NICOARĂ, PE DEALUL DE LÂNGĂ CURTEA DOMNEASCĂ

It is a 14th-century ruin listed as a category A monument, free to visit and five minutes' walk from the Princely Court.

The ruins of a 14th-century church on a hill spur above the Princely Court, in a park overlooking the Argeș valley.

Parcul Sân Nicoară, Strada Plopiș · hours not confirmed



5 Fântâna Meșterului Manole

HISTORIC FOUNTAIN · PARCUL FÂNTÂNA LUI MANOLE, PESTE DRUM DE MĂNĂSTIRE

It marks the spot where, according to legend, Manole fell from the monastery roof; it is free and takes a few minutes, right next to the monastery.

Stone fountain from 1804 across the road from the monastery, linked to the legend of Master Manole.

Bulevardul Basarabilor, peste drum de Mănăstirea Curtea de Argeș · hours not confirmed

Where to eat in Curtea de Argeș

1 Bistro Subcarpați

ROMANIAN BISTRO · STRADA CUZA VODĂ, LA PARTERUL HOTELULUI SUBCARPAȚI, LA 800 M DE MĂNĂSTIRE

It holds 4.7 on Google from more than 600 reviews and 4.7 on TripAdvisor from more than 100, where it ranks first in town, with new reviews in October 2026.

The restaurant of Hotel Subcarpați, with Romanian cooking, Black Angus beef, burgers and a terrace.

Strada Cuza Vodă 75E · Tel. +40 720 033 223 · Hours: daily 7–23

2 Curtea Veche

ROMANIAN RESTAURANT · BULEVARDUL BASARABILOR, LÂNGĂ CURTEA DOMNEASCĂ

It has more reviews than any other restaurant in town, 4.4 on Google from almost 6,000, and a new menu from July 2026.

Large restaurant with a terrace next to the Princely Court, serving Romanian dishes and pizza, with its own bakery and pastry shop; Hotel Curtea Veche is in the same building.

Bulevardul Basarabilor 121 · Tel. +40 745 994 345 · hours not confirmed

3 La Ștefănel

TRADITIONAL RESTAURANT · BULEVARDUL BASARABILOR, CENTRU, VIZAVI DE CASA DE CULTURĂ

It holds 4.7 on Google from more than 600 reviews, level with the best score among the town's larger restaurants.

Restaurant with traditional Romanian cooking on the main boulevard, with a heated terrace, takeaway and a room for family events.

Bulevardul Basarabilor 52 · Tel. +40 770 837 965 · Hours: daily 8–23

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4 La Conac

RESTAURANT WITH ROMANIAN MENU · STRADA NEGRU VODĂ, SUDUL ORAȘULUI, LA 1 KM DE CENTRU

It holds 4.5 on Google from more than 1,100 reviews, and guests often come for the freshly made doughnuts and the salads.

Restaurant with a Romanian menu in an old manor-house setting in the south of town, with a terrace and its own car park.

Strada Negru Vodă 42 · Tel. +40 740 077 889 · Hours: daily 10–23

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5 Americano Coffee Lounge

CAFÉ AND LOUNGE · BULEVARDUL BASARABILOR, ÎNTRE CENTRU ȘI MĂNĂSTIRE, LA 700 M DE MĂNĂSTIRE

It holds 4.5 on Google from almost 450 reviews and is a good coffee stop on the way between the Princely Court and the monastery.

Café-lounge on Basarabilor Boulevard with coffee, cocktails, burgers and other modern dishes, open from morning until late evening.

Bulevardul Basarabilor A1 · Tel. +40 743 768 522 · hours not confirmed

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Where to stay in Curtea de Argeș

1 Casa Sima

GUESTHOUSE · STRADA PROGRESULUI, NORDUL ORAȘULUI, LA 400 M DE MĂNĂSTIRE ȘI 1,4 KM DE CENTRU

It holds 9.7 on Booking from more than 400 reviews, the best score in Curtea de Argeș with that many reviews, and has new reviews from autumn 2026.

Renovated three-star guesthouse in a quiet residential street in the north of town, with a garden, terrace, barbecue and a shared kitchen for guests.

Strada Progresului 29C

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2 Hotel Subcarpați

SPA HOTEL · STRADA CUZA VODĂ, NORD-ESTUL ORAȘULUI, LA 800 M DE MĂNĂSTIRE

It is the most-reviewed place to stay in town, with 8.9 on Booking from almost 1,000 reviews, and its bistro ranks first in Curtea de Argeș on TripAdvisor.

Hotel with 20 rooms in the north-east of town, with a spa, a wine cellar holding more than 600 wines and the Bistro Subcarpați restaurant on the ground floor.

Strada Cuza Vodă 75E · Tel. +40 725 740 755

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3 Casa 1 Mai

GUEST HOUSE · STRADA 1 MAI, SUDUL ORAȘULUI, LA 1,3 KM DE CURTEA DOMNEASCĂ

It holds 9.8 on Booking from more than 110 reviews, almost all with top marks, and has new reviews in 2026.

Guest house with seven rooms in the south of town, each with a private bathroom and kitchen equipment, plus a garden with a barbecue and parking in the yard.

Strada 1 Mai 14

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4 CabanaAframe

A-FRAME CABIN · STRADA VALEA SASULUI, MARGINEA DE SUD A ORAȘULUI, LA 4 KM DE CENTRU

It holds 9.6 on Booking from more than 140 reviews and suits anyone who wants a whole house and quiet, 10 minutes by car from the centre.

A-frame cabin rented as a whole on the southern edge of town, with two bedrooms, a terrace, a garden and a barbecue.

Strada Valea Sasului 63

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5 Casa Domnească

4-STAR GUESTHOUSE WITH RESTAURANT · STRADA PLOPIȘ, SUB RUINELE SÂN NICOARĂ, LA 300 M DE CURTEA DOMNEASCĂ

It is close to the town's medieval monuments, has its own restaurant and spa, and holds 8.7 on Booking from 280 reviews.

Four-star guesthouse with 12 rooms, a restaurant and a spa, next to the Sân Nicoară ruins and a few minutes' walk from the Princely Court.

Strada Plopiș 3 · Tel. +40 747 119 900

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