

About BDPST Group

Established in 2015, BDPST Group is a dynamically growing capital investment company. Its strategic objective is to become a group of companies with outstanding market performance and to be competitive in global markets in line with a strong economic vision across sectors. The group of companies manages a number of investments on the tourism-related real estate market as well as in the financial sector. The principle and practice of economic, social and environmental sustainability are of key importance to BDPST Group, therefore, it is looking for investments that meet all these requirements.

BDPST Hotel Management Zrt. is the consulting company of BDPST Group and is in charge of hotel management and hotel development. It offers its clients the widest choice of hotel services in all project phases, from developing the first ideas and concepts to the successful operation. BOTANIQ Castle of Tura is operated by BDPST Hotel Management Zrt.

BOTANIQ Castle of Tura and its renovation

It was Baron Sigmund Schossberger, a magnate and wholesaler of crops, who had the castle built in 1883. The architect of the castle with Neo-Renaissance and Baroque style elements was Gyula Bukovics, the talented student of Miklós Ybl. The castle was owned by the Schossberger family for a long time. Then, following the death of Sigmund's son, Baron Viktor the Elder in 1938, the building was inherited by his two children. One of the heirs, Clarisse, who was the granddaughter of Sigmund, moved to England with her husband in 1924, and the other, Baron Viktor the Younger passed away while he was on labour service during World War II. During World War II, it was first German, then Russian soldiers moving into the castle, and, after nationalisation, the building was used as a primary school until 1973, following which it passed into private hands.

By the 2000s, the state of the castle had deteriorated significantly, and it was the investment of BDPST Group saving it from complete destruction in 2016. During the complex renovation works lasting for nearly 30 months, not only the historical restoration of the building and that of the castle park was in the focus, but also, great emphasis was laid on modernisation, too. Following its renovation, BOTANIQ Castle of Tura could re-open its doors in the summer of 2020.

BOTANIQ Castle of Tura

The hotel

Following its opening in 2020, BOTANIQ Castle of Tura opened its doors to its guests as a fully equipped, modern five-star hotel. Retaining the original style elements of the castle, the hotel offers its visitors recreation with its 19 guest rooms as well as complex wellness, fitness and gastronomic services for a stay of one or more days. When making the reservation, the guests can choose from various room types: the Superior and Deluxe rooms as well as the Junior, Executive and Schossberger suites all ensure the comfort of the days to be spent in the castle with their different size and a wonderful view of the castle garden.

In case of the castle, a number of capacity-building developments are being carried out right now, and others are also being planned. In support of the aspects of monument protection and the conservation of the green surfaces of the castle park as well as the creation of harmony, the rehabilitation of the plot that is located in the immediate vicinity of the castle is also being carried out. The rehabilitation of the area concerned, which once formed an integral part of the historical castle garden, is to be carried out in line with the plans of the period, just like in the case of the present, industry award-winning park of BOTANIQ Castle of Tura. Along with the necessary capacity enhancement, the development is another step towards the restoration of the original state of the castle park.

Wellness and fitness services

Along with the various room types, the guests can choose from a number of recreational services offered inside and outside the hotel. The wellness area of the hotel is open all day, and it can be used any time during the stay in the hotel. In the spa there are, among others, Finnish sauna, plunge pool, steam room, salt room as well as outdoor and indoor pools contributing to absolute relaxation, and, in the relaxation area guests can even relax together. Thanks to the heated outdoor pool, the guests can also bathe under the open sky even when the weather is cooler.

Along with the wellness area, there is also a fully-equipped fitness area awaiting the visitors. With its modern outdoor and indoor sports equipment, the fitness centre is perfect for those longing for active recreation. Thanks to this area, the guests can continue their usual daily routines here, and those enjoying competitive challenges can also spend some time on the tennis court of the hotel, which can be used any time in the warmer months.

Gastronomy

In the castle, the guests can also have great dining experiences. The hotel has two restaurants, Clarisse and the Palm House, and they both invite their guests on an unforgettable taste trip with their different, but equally outstanding atmosphere. In case of both restaurants, the respect for the traditions of Tura and the cooperation with the local producers are extremely important. The ingredients come from the neighbouring producers, hereby conveying the authentic flavours of the area. In the field of gastronomy, the castle strives to be self-sufficient: herbs and vegetables are already growing in its raised beds, hereby contributing to the operation of the restaurants.

The Clarisse restaurant

With its intimate atmosphere and special menu focusing on the local ingredients from the region of Tura as well as on the traditions of the castle. The Clarisse Restaurant, which is named after the former heir Clarisse Schossberger, is awaiting its guests, from Wednesday to Saturday between 18:30 and 23:30. The menu which was inspired by the garden and the landscape surrounding the castle, is complemented with Hungarian and international wines as well as exceptional cocktails. The aim of the restaurant is to present the local gastronomy as well as the environment surrounding the castle in a unique way, hereby showing that the castle always had a close relationship with nature and the local community. Based on the farm to table concept, all items on the Clarisse menu are either home grown ingredients or coming from local suppliers within 50km radius. . Executive Chef, Tibor Jantner is in charge of the excellent meals of the Palm House, and Head Chef, György Szűcs

is responsible for creating the fine dining menu of Clarisse. Furthermore, the special desserts are served on the tables thanks to the creations of the Head Pastry Chef Róbert Mártha.

The Palm House restaurant

Along with Clarisse, the Palm House restaurant also awaits the hotel guests and the lovers of gastronomy visiting the castle for a lunch or dinner with its neat bistro atmosphere, a bright space thanks to its huge windows, a picturesque view of the castle garden and delicious meals on every day of the week. The Palm House is a perfect choice for those who wish to experience the charm of the castle in a more relaxed, but still elegant atmosphere. Thanks to the varied menu, everybody can find the ideal meal for themselves, whether they look for Hungarian or international flavours.

The castle garden

Along with the impressive view of the castle and its services, the surrounding garden also provides an eye-catching view. The park with ancient trees on 10 and a half acres was restored in line with the original garden architecture plans and relying on the research findings in relation to the history and archaeology of the garden. Thanks to this, an authentic but still modern castle garden could be created. The area of the castle park was divided into seven units, they are the so called "moods": forest, tranquillity, journey, dream, game, time and diamond are intended to symbolize the values represented by the castle. It is the different species and designs of plants of the different units that create the unique atmosphere of each section of the park. The garden is home to more than 2,000 trees, and also, the pear trees loved by the Schossberger family can also be found there. The environment of the garden and the castle appears in the menu of Clarisse restaurant as well as in the patterns of the ceramics to be served on the tables.

The recognitions of BOTANIQ Castle of Tura

BOTANIQ Castle of Tura has received a number of recognitions so far: it was awarded with the Landscape Architecture Award 2021, the Booking.com Traveller Review Awards 2021 as well as the 'Best European Castle Hotel 2021' and the 'Best 5-Star Hotel in Hungary 2022' in the International Travel Awards competition.