

Guide

Tourist Attractions
and Museums in Belgium



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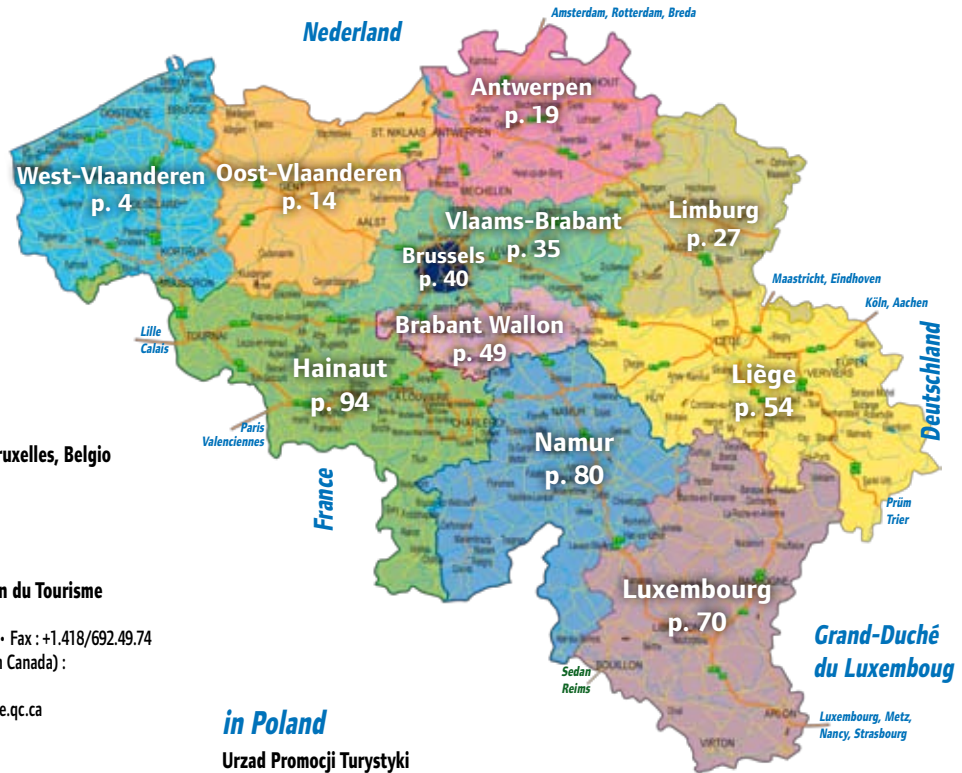
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1 BAKERY MUSEUM

Albert Ilaan 2, B-8630 Veurne • Tel : 058/31.38.97 • Fax : 058/31.24.71 • info@bakkerijmuseum.be
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VEURNE



The 17th century "Zuidgasthuishoeve", which houses the extensive collection of the Bakery Museum, makes you taste a marvellous nostalgia. The long way from grain to bread is represented in the restored barn. The rich collection connected to chocolate, ice-cream, waffles, gingerbread and confectionary is lodged in the dwelling-house. In the pleasant cafeteria you can taste some specialities from Veurne. During the school holidays you can enjoy the baking demonstrations on Tuesdays.

Open : week-days from 10 a.m. till 5 p.m. (closed on Fridays); weekends and festival days from 2 a.m. till 5 p.m. • July and August: week-days from 10 a.m. till 5.30 p.m.; weekends and festival days from 2 p.m. till 5.30 p.m. • **Admission :** adults € 5 • Seniors € 3,50 • Children (6-12y.) € 1 • **P**

2 DIAMOND MUSEUM BRUGES

Katelijnestraat 43, B-8000 Brugge • Tel : 050/34.20.56 • Fax : 050/33.63.26
• info@diamondmuseum.be • www.diamondmuseum.be

BRUGGE



Diamond polishing - it all began in Bruges more than 500 years ago...

Discover how diamond polishing was developed in Bruges, by the goldsmith Lodewijk van Berquen, during the rich period of the dukes of Burgundy, long before Antwerp or Amsterdam.



Learn the noble art of diamond cutting: cleaving, sawing, cutting and polishing.

Take the opportunity to discover the history of Bruges and its diamonds, learn to work with diamonds in our interactive 'Diamondlab' and discover our program for children.

At the end of the exhibition you will visit the treasure chamber containing some of the worlds most beautiful diamonds: rough diamonds, pear shaped diamonds, coloured diamonds fancy cut diamonds, as well as a precious collection of 1d Flemish jewellery.

Daily polishing demonstration at 12h15 (groups on appointment).

The diamond museum is situated in a beautifully restored mansion in the center of Bruges, not far from the Begijnhof and the railway station.

Open : daily from 10u30 to 17u30 • **Admission :** adults: € 6 • Child./stud.: € 4 • **Demonstration + museum :** adults € 9 child/stud: 6 €

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : € 5 • **Demonstration + museum :** € 8 • **advance booking required**

4 PUBLIC OBSERVATORY OF BEISBROEK

Zeeweg 96, B-8200 Brugge • Tel : 050/39.05.66 • Fax : 050/39.32.44 • info@beisbroek.be
• www.beisbroek.be

BRUGGE



The observatory and planetarium are situated within the beautiful surroundings of Beisbroek Park. The up to date Zeiss planetarium will take you on a magic-carpet ride among the mysteries of the universe. A full dome projection system (the first in Belgium) submerges you in the colourful beauty of faraway nebulae and rotating galaxies. In addition, you can visit the interactive exhibition and have a peek through the observatory's giant telescope. You also have the chance to make a genuine 'artistic' planetary walk, where the planets are shown as statues of their mythological representatives.

Open : public performances (Dutch): Sunday at 15.00 and 16.30, Wednesday at 15.00, Friday at 20.30. • During the local school holidays extra performances on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 15.00 • Each second Wednesday of the month: English performance at 16.30. • **Admission :** children (<18 y.): € 4 • Adults: € 5

Groups - advance booking required

Open : (starting from 15 persons) English performance possible on other days and hours, by reservation only. • **Admission :** free guide.

3 BRUGGE ANNO 1468

Vlamingstraat 86, B-8000 Brugge • Tel : 050/34.75.72 • Fax : 050/34.87.28
• www.celebrations-entertainment.be

BRUGGE



Go back in history with us to 3 July 1468. Charles the Bold and Margaret of York have the honour of inviting you to their wedding. You will be immersed in a sparkling feast of medieval banqueting with jesters, minstrels, knights, dancers, witches and fire-eaters. You will enter a world of mediaeval splendour from 19.00 to 22.15. The dukes servants bring you the four-course meal, washed down with as much beer and wine as you can drink.

Open : presentations during the year every Sat. evening • From 1 April to 30 October also on Fri. evenings • **Admission :** all-in arrangements: Royal € 72.50 - Merchants € 56.50 • Sat. from April to Oct.: add. charge € 2.50 • Discount for children • On reservation only

Groups - advance booking required

Open : other menus and dates available on request • **Admission :** 1 person free of charge per group of 20 paying people

5 BOUDEWIJN SEAPARK

A. De Baeckestraat 12, B-8200 Brugge • Tel : 050/38.38.38 • Fax : 050/38.23.43
• info@boudewijnseapark.be • www.boudewijnseapark.be

BRUGGE



Enjoy the splash in the Dolfidroom, where you can see the dolphins close up, even under water. In the lagoon you'll come face to face with the seals. And... enjoy the sealion show in the BRAND NEW sealion theater. Don't miss the breath-taking birds of prey demonstration. For the kids there's a mega-sized playground paradise. Daredevils will love the huge roller coaster, the rolling pirate ship and many other attractions. There are also extensive catering facilities.



Open : PARK • Opening on Sunday, April 5th, from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM • Easter holiday: daily from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM • May-June: daily from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. **Closed** on Wednesdays. • July-August: Daily, from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM • Sept.: Wed. and on Weekends: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM (until September 27th included) • **DOLFIGIDROOM** • daily performance(s) when the park is open • after the season also for groups by appointment • For the timetable of all performances, of up to 3 per day, go to our website. • **Admission :** children under 1 metre tall free • Special conditions for 60+ and people with disabilities. • **Access :** Brugge via the E40, exit 8, or the A17, exit Brugge. • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : every day from April till September - on special request from October till March • **Admission :** special prices for groups and schools on request

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6 CHOCOLATE MUSEUM

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• info@choco-story.be • www.choco-story.be

BRUGGE



A great experience!
You are immersed in the ancient Mexican world of the Mayas and the Aztecs for whom chocolate was the drink of the gods and cocoa beans a means of payment.

The chocoholic gets to find out all about the production of chocolate truffles, chocolates, hollow figures and bars of chocolate.

Open : every day from 10 am to 5 pm • Closed on January 1st, from 5 to 16 January, December 24th, 25th and 31st. • **Admission :** ad.: € 6 • Students, 65+: € 5 • Child. (6 to 12 years): € 4

Groups - advance booking required
Admission : € 5 pp.



8 LUMINA DOMESTICA

Wijnzakstraat 2, B-8000 Brugge • Tel : 050/61.22.37 • Fax : 050/61.22.37 • info@luminadomestica.be
• www.luminadomestica.be

BRUGGE



Experience the exciting story of light

The Museum of Lighting lets you experience the entire history of artificial lighting. This long story begins with the torch and the oil lamp and evolves over more than 400.000 years to the electric bulb and the LED. Lumina Domestica shows you this evolution with the help of the world's largest collection of lamps (more than 6,000) and more than 100 text and illustration panels
Come and light your lantern at Lumina Domestica

Open : Every day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. • Closed on January 1st, from 5 to 16 January, December 24th, 25th and 31st. • **Admission :** (combined with a visit to Choco-Story: the chocolate museum) adults: € 10 • Students: 8 € • 65+ : € 8 • Children (from 6 to 12 years): € 6

Groups - advance booking required
Admission : € 8 pp (Choco-Story included)



10 BRUGES WORLD HERITAGE CITY

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BRUGGE



The medieval street pattern, meandering canals, green ramparts and many cultural activities make Bruges a unique attraction that charms thousands of visitors every year. In 2000, the historic city centre was added to UNESCO's world heritage list.

The staff at "In&Uit", the visitors' centre located in the modern "Concertgebouw" will be glad to help you with information about culture and tourism. Our visitors guide, which you can buy there at 2 euro, contains a wealth of information on the various ways to visit Bruges, including 4 walking tours through the historic city centre.

Open : visitors' centre In&Uit Brugge (Concertgebouw), 't Zand, B-8000 Brugge: every day from 10 am to 6 pm • Closed: 25 December and 1 January • **Admission :** visitors' guide: € 2 • **Guided visit :** guided walking tours EN/Dutch/F/G: in June and September on weekends at 2.30 pm, every day in July and August • Tickets and departure: In&Uit Brugge (Concertgebouw) • **V :** 2 hours

Groups - advance booking required
Group reservations: Toerisme Brugge

7 FRIETMUSEUM

Vlamingstraat 33, B-8000 Brugge • Tel : 050/340150 • Fax : 050/343150 • info@frietmuseum.be
• www.frietmuseum.be

BRUGGE



The museum is located in the Saaihalles, one of Bruges' oldest and best preserved historical buildings (1399). The Frietmuseum is unique in the world. It is the first museum that shows the entire history, from the origin of the potato to the first fries. Visitors will be able to see an interesting collection of machines used for the cultivation, harvesting, peeling, sorting and frying of potatoes. The museum, however, also focuses on Belgian fries in art, in music and on film.

After the museum tour, the visitors will be able to taste the real Belgian fries, with delicious sauces and all sorts of meat preparations, in the mediaeval basement.

Open : Daily between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. • **Admission :** Individual: 6,00 EUR • Groups, students, seniors : 5,00 EUR • Children (6-12 y.): 4,00 EUR • Children (3-6 y.): 1,00 EUR • **V :** 45 min

9 SEAFRONT, MARITIME THEME PARK

Vismijnstraat 7, B-8380 Zeebrugge • Tel : 050/55.14.15 • Fax : 050/55.04.13 • info@seafont.be
• www.seafont.be

ZEEBRUGGE



The former fish market transformed into a theme park.

In the huge building of the Former Fish Market you learn about the various aspects of the sea. The theme park provides a wealth of information about the evolution of the harbour of Zeebrugge, the fishing industry, the origin of the North Sea.

No visit is complete without a visit to the Russian submarine and former lightship West-Hinder.

Fun for kids: ball pool and pirates play paradise

Open : daily from 10.00 to 18.00 • Closed on 25 December and 1 January and from 4/01/2010 to 22/01/2010 • **Admission :** adults : € 10.50 • 60+ : € 10 • Child.(-12) : € 8.50 • Child.(-1m) free when accompanied by a parent • **V :** 2 hrs. • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (min. 20 paying people) adults € 8.50 • Children € 6.25 • Schools (-14y.): € 6.25 • Schools (+14y.): € 8.50 • **Guided visit :** (max. 25 people per guide) E, NL, F, D : € 35 for schools, € 45 for groups (by appointment only) • **P :** 20



11 SINGFALA, MUSEUM OF THE ZWIN REGION

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• www.singfala.be

KNOKKE-HEIST



Here the exploration of the Zwin region starts. Discover in the visitors centre the fascinating and tumultuous history of 2000 years Zwin region. In the old school building (1899) you can immerse yourself in the hard life of the fishermen and their families. Taste the particular people's culture. Take a seat on the school desks. Go into the museum garden and board the Jessica, a shrimp boat from the 1930's.

In the visitors centre children do make a separate tour. In the attic of the old school building, they also can find things to do, both amusing and educating.

Open : Every day: 10-12 and 14-17.30 • **Admission :** Adult: € 3.50 • -12 and 60+: € 1.75 • -6y. free • **V :** 1-2 hours • **Access :** Coastal Tram: Tramstop Heist Heldenplein • NMBS: Trainstop Heist

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : Groups as from 10 pers.: € 1.75 per person • **Guided visit :** 1.5 hour



12 BOAT TRIPS BRUGGE-DAMME-BRUGGE

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DAMME



The paddle steamer "Lamme Goedzak" brings you from Bruges to Damme, the town of Tijl Uylenspiegel (170 places - bar on board).

Open : boating period: from 1/4 to 15/10 • Departure Bruges, Noorwegse Kaai 31, near Dampoort: 10.00, 12.00, 14.00, 16.00, 18.00 • Departure Damme, Damsevaart Zuid: 9.15, 11.00, 13.00, 15.00, 17.20 • **Admission** : one way: ad.: € 5,50 - 65+: € 5,00 - child. (3-11): € 4,00 • Return: ad. € 7,00 - 65+: € 6,00 - child.: € 5,00 • **V** : one way: 35 min. • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (min. 30 pers.) one way: ad.: € 5,00 - 65+: € 4,50 - child. (3-11): € 3,80 • Return: ad.: € 6,50 - 65+: € 5,50 - child.: € 4,50

13 ABBEY MUSEUM TEN DUINEN 1138

Koninklijke Prinslaan 6-8, B-8670 Koksijde • Tel.: 058/53.39.50 • Fax: 058/51.00.61 • info@tenduin.be • www.tenduin.be

KOKSIJDE



"Ten Duinen 1138": a window upon the mysterious and private world of cistercian abbeys in Europe. The museum tells the story of the former cistercian abbey "Onze Lieve Vrouw Ten Duinen". The abbey grew out of a modest hermitage into one of the most powerful monasteries within the county of Flanders. The monumental archaeological site reflects the lost glory of this abbey. The Maldague Collection is dedicated to the production of religious silver. The south abbey mill is situated 300 metres from the museum and now stands on one of the two original mill mounds.



Open : Tuesday till Friday: from 10.00 till 18.00, on weekends and holidays from 14.00 till 18.00. • Closed on Monday and on 25/12, 01/01 and in January (after the Christmas Holidays) • **Admission** : Adults: € 5 • Seniors, students (> 18), reduced rates: € 3 • Children (6- 18): € 1 • Family ticket: € 10 • Children under 6, people accompanying the disabled, people accompanying groups (1 per 20 people): free • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (min. 15 people) € 3 pp. • **Guided visit** : EN, NL, F, D upon request • **P** : 1

14 PLOPSALAND DE PANNE

De Pannelaan 68, B-8660 De Panne • Tel.: 058/42.02.02 • Fax: 058/42.02.45 • info@plopsa.be • www.plopsa.be

DE PANNE



Plopsaland De Panne creates an upside-down experience!!

Take your seat and gasp one more time for breath, because in 2 seconds' time you'll have reached a speed of 90 km/h.

In 2009, Anubis turns you upside down! This first rollercoaster for Plopsaland is an absolute novelty in the Benelux! The 3 loops following the vertical launch will have the adrenaline pumping through your veins.

Once your feet are firmly back on the ground, are you brave enough to experience even more thrills? Dive into Pirates' Bay with the SuperSplash, join

Mega Mindy in pursuit of the villains on the Flying Bicycles and enjoy a splashing water spectacle in the Jetski Ride, race across the Castle Yard on the Dragon's back or sing and swing during the show of one of your favourite Studio 100-characters.

Or maybe you like it to be a bit calmer? In that case you can enjoy a wonderful trip through Plop's Woods, go and explore the grown-ups' world together with Wizzy&Woppy or have your picture taken with your favourite Plopsa-character.

Our smallest friends discover the lives of their dwarf companions in the Plop garden or practise their circus skills in Bumba's playground.

Take the plunge into the park and experience 1001 thrills with the whole family! A day at Plopsaland De Panne is an unforgettable experience for young and old alike. Plop, Piet Piraat, Mega Mindy, and all your other Plopsa friends are just itching to take you on another enjoyable magical day full of surprises! King Plopsa is expecting you!

Open : Open daily from 4 April to 31 August inclusive, except on 1, 2, 3, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, and 28 April and on 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, and 26 May and 4 and 5 July. In September, open every Wednesday and every weekend and, in October, open every weekend and on 28 Octobre. Open daily during the Belgian half-term holiday which is from 31 October to 8 November inclusive, and on 14, 15, 21, and 22 November. WinterThrills from 19 December to 3 January except on 24, 25 and 31 December and 1 January (all this information is subject to change; surf to plopsa.be for the latest calendar).

• **Admission** : Children (under 85 cm): free • Children (over 85 cm & under 1 m): € 6 • Children (over 1 m) and adults: € 27 • Disabled: € 22 • Senior citizens: free • Season pass: € 75 • Ticket sales via plopsa.be • **Access** : E40 exit 1 Adinkerke, railway and tram stations near to the park • Very interesting options including transport + entrance with B-Dagtrip nr. 184 (individual) leaving from every Belgian railway station. • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : from 20 pers. : price on request • Special school prices • B-excursions n° 257 schools/394 groups from any Belgian railway station.

15 BOAT TRIPS EURO-LINE

Boat Company Euro-Line, Charles de Kerchovelaan 151, B-9000 Gent, J. Brel Steiger Oude Vissershaven, B-8380 Zeebrugge • Tel.: +32 475 20 94 52 • Fax: 09 224 22 96 • info@havenrondvaarten.be • www.euro-line.be

ZEEBRUGGE



Cruise in the harbour of Zeebrugge. Departure & Arrival: Old fishing Port Zeebrugge - Jacques Brel berth

Open : Easter holiday: 14.00 and 16.00 • May, June and September: on Sundays and Public Holidays at 14.00 and 16.00 • July and August: daily at 14.00 and 16.00 • **Admission** : adults: € 9,00 • Senior cit.: € 8,50 • Child.: € 6,80 • **V** : 1.15 hrs • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : daily departure by appointment

16 NATIONAL SEA LIFE MARINE PARK

Koning Albert I-Laan 116, B-8370 Blankenberge • Tel.: 050/42.43.00 • Fax: 050/42.44.24 • slcblank@merlinentertainments.biz • www.sealife.be

BLANKENBERGE



Welcome to the magical marine world. SEA LIFE centre will introduce you to many strange, and fascinating creatures of the deep. Prepare for astonishing close views of everything from humble starfish to mighty sharks, all in displays which carefully recreate their natural habitats. From the smallest shrimp to the biggest shark, passing the funny Humboldt penguins to giant lobsters. **Pirate Adventure Mini-Golf!** Climb aboard and set sail for our 18 holes Adventure Golf. **North Sea Discovery:** A fantastic new interactive experience for all ages, lifting the lid on the mysteries and marvels of the North Sea.

Open : Open every day from 10am (closing times vary, for more info: 050/42.43.00) • Closed on the 25/12 and in the morning of 1/1 • **Admission** : 3-11y: € 11.95 • Ad.: € 15.50 • stud., seniors and disabled: € 14.50 (subject to change) • **V** : 2.5 hours • **Access** : **By train:** from the station to the right (ten minutes). **By tram:** tram towards Blankenberge - stop Floreal. • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : Ad.: 10 € • 3-11yrs, stud., seniors, disabled: 7.50 € • **Guided visit** : Groups = from 15 persons

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P : Parking for cars • **P** : Parking for coaches : number of spaces available

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17 PROVINCIAL NATURE PARK ZWIN

Graaf Léon Lippensdreef 8, B-8300 Knokke-Heist • Tel : 050/60.70.86 • Fax : 050/62.20.00
• info@zwin.be • www.zwin.be

KNOKKE-HEIST



The Provincial Nature park Zwin invites you to have take a peaceful walk. You will encounter a vast collection of European birds. In the former Royal Residence you can enjoy an exhibition. From the top of the promenade, you have a beautiful view over the pools, ditches, mud flats and salt marshes of the extensive nature reserve Zwin, now property of the Flemish Region. You will discover very typical plants such as sea lavender and many birds in search of food and rest.

Open : daily • From Easter till 30 September from 9.00 till 17.30 • From October till Easter from 9.00 till 16.30 • Closed on Monday and from Christmas till New Year. • **Admission :** adults € 5.20 • Children (6-11) € 3.20 • 60+ : € 4.40 • **Guided visit :** guided walks EN/NL/F/D (2 hrs., rubber boots and wind- and rain coats necessary) each Sunday throughout the year at 10.00, from Easter until end of September each Thursday at 10.00 • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

All kinds of guided group activities possible provided that a reservation is made beforehand.

19 THE BUTTERFLY PARK

Bronlaan 14, B-8300 Knokke-Heist • Tel : 050/61.04.72 • Fax : 050/62.41.51
• info@vlindertuin-knokke.be • www.vlindertuin-knokke.be

KNOKKE-HEIST



The Butterfly Park, a fairy-tale park for young and old, where you can admire hundreds of brightly-coloured butterflies at your leisure.

Open : from 4 april up to the 4 october from 10.00 to 17.30 • **Admission :** ad. € 4.80 • Child. € 3.90 • 60+ € 3.90 • **Access :** from the station by bus 788 (stop at Bronlaan) • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : ad. € 3.90 • Child. € 2.50 • 60+ : € 3.40 • **Guided visit :** on request: € 15 • **P** : 4

18 SERPENTARIUM

Zeedijk 146, B-8370 Blankenberge • Tel : 050/42.31.62 • Fax : 050/42.31.63
• serpentarium@pandora.be • www.serpentarium.be

BLANKENBERGE



The Serpentarium at Blankenberge is a unique zoo of reptiles in Europe, where you can make an instructive trip through the jungle and the desert.

The decor was completely built of concrete walls with carefully sculpted rockcarvings. So the interior is a perfect reproduction of the natural biotope of different animal species.

All the terrariums were imitated true to nature and offer a unique aspect with a lot of living plants and artificial ones, very similar to the former.

The cascades present in many terrariums offer a real visual spectacle. We penetrate into the wonderful world of constrictor snakes, venomous snakes, lizards, iguanas, crocodiles and all kinds of amphibians.

We can admire impressive bird spiders, scorpions and strange insects.

The stalactite and stalagmite caves with their remarkable inhabitants like the axolotls and the Mexican blind cavefish, together with the exotic bats form the link between the jungle and the desert of this amazing zoo.

Open : July and August: from 10.00 - 19.00 • From Easter until June 30th and in September: from 10.00 - 18.00 • Weekends and holidays from October 1st until Easter: 10.00 - 18.00 • During week from October 1st until Easter: 13.00 - 17.00 • Closed on weekdays from 12/11 until the Christmasholidays (open on wednesday-afternoon) and on 25/12 and 1/01 • **Admission :** adults : € 8,5 • Children -12 y.: € 6 • 60+ : € 7 • **Guided visit :** on request • € 15 • max. 20 p. • **V :** +/- 1 hour • **Access :** The Serpentarium can easily be reached by train and by tram (NMBS and DE LIJN). B-DAYTRIPS are sold in every Belgian train station. In summer there are special conditions to visit the Serpentarium by tram (DE LIJN). Its nearest stop is in the centre of the town (Stationsplein). A short walk through the main street (Kerkstraat) will bring you to the sea (Zeedijk). Nearby you will find the Serpentarium.

Groups - advance booking required

Open : every day on request • **Admission :** elementary school: € 4.50 p.p. • Secondary school: € 5 p.p. • Groups from 15 persons: € 5 p.p. • **Guided visit :** on request

20 SEASTAR CRUISE SHIP & YSERSTAR & WESTSTAR

R. Orlentpromenade 2, B-8620 Nieuwpoort (Oostende-Diksmuide) • Tel : 058/23.24.25 • Fax : 058/23.24.00 • info@seastar.be • www.seastar.be



Excursions in the port in Nieuwpoort during the whole year. Discover the mouth of the Yser on the water, with view of the nature reserve, the channel, the harbour and the fish market.

Excursions on the Yser: daily between Nieuwpoort and Diksmuide. Departure from Nieuwpoort near the Albert I Monument and arrival at Diksmuide near the Ysertower.

In July and August **sea-excursions** (daily) with the Seastar between Ostend and Nieuwpoort. Every Saturday evening barbecue at sea in Nieuwpoort

• **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Trips in the port of Nieuwpoort or trips on the Yser between Nieuwpoort and Diksmuide for schools and groups • **Admission :** from 20 persons: price on request • Reservation necessary

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21 EARTH EXPLORER

Fortstraat 128B, B-8400 Oostende • Tel : 059/70.59.59 • Fax : 059/70.00.11 • info@earthexplorer.be
• www.earthexplorer.be

B-excursions OOSTENDE



Release the explorer in you and discover more than 50 interactives. Take the challenge in our 5 simulators like our furious earthquake, dive into the deepest ocean, survive the heat of a volcanic eruption, hold on tight when a tornado passes you and be ready to visit space in our Apollo 3000. In Earth Live, our monitoring centre, you can see and experience live the enormous powers of the 4 phenomena of our nature.

Open : from the 4th of April 2009 every day from 10 till 18 o'clock.

• **Admission :** Adults (>13y.): € 14,50 • Children (4-12y.): € 10,50 • Students, seniors, disabled € 12,50 • **V :** A visit takes about 2,5 hours. • **Access :** Take the E40 to Ostend, then take the N34 in direction of Bredene/Blankenberge. You can also take the tram at the station of Ostend, you get off at the stop Duin&Zee right in front of Earth Explorer. • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : Adults (>13y.): € 9.00 • Children (4-12y.): € 6.50 • Students, disabled, seniors: € 6.50
• **Guided visit :** The group rates are valid starting from 15 persons. A guided tour costs € 75 (maximum 30 persons per guide)

23 KUSTHISTORIES - VILLA LES ZÉPHYRS

Henri Jasparlaan 173, B-8434 Westende-Bad • Tel : 059/31.97.97 • Fax : 059/31.97.99
• info@kusthistories.be • www.kusthistories.be

WESTENDE-BAD



Villa Les Zéphyr in Westende-Bad has been restored and re-arranged as a historical visitor centre as part of the Coastal Histories project dealing with coastal tourism in Flanders. **A unique attraction is the original interior by Henry van de Velde.**

Enjoy the interactive experience of how a wealthy family spent its holidays during the 1930s, while the maid worked her fingers to the bone in the basement.

Open : 1 July - 30 Sept. and all school holidays: 9.30 - 17. • 1 Oct. - 31 May: 9.30 - 12.30 and 14.00 - 17.00 • Closed on Monday • **Admission :** € 2 • Children -12 y., seniors: € 1 • **Guided visit :** on request • **V :** 1 h. • **Access :** Tramstop Westend-Bath

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : from 10 people upwards: € 1 • **Guided visit :** on request • Possibility for guided walks through the cultural heritage of Westend-Bath.

24 THE OLDTIMER MUSEUM

Tempelare 12, B-8647 Reninge • Tel : 057/40.04.32 • Fax : 057/40.11.64 • www.oldtimermuseum.be

RENINGE



The Oldtimer Museum houses an exceptional collection of 95 cars and 25 motorcycles manufactured between 1899 and 1970.

Open : Monday from 13.30 to 18.15, Tuesday to Friday from 13.00 to 18.15, Saturday from 10.30 to 17.15 • Closed on Sunday and Bank Holidays • **Admission :** adults: € 6 • Students: € 4 • Children (-12y.): € 3 • Cafeteria, museum shop • **Access :** by car: road N8 from leper to Veurne • By public transport: bus 50, bus stop Meiboom • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (min. 15 pers.) adults: € 4pp • Students: € 4pp • Children: € 1.50/pp • **Guided visit :** on request • **P :** 3

26 TOWN HALL

Tourist Office, Grote Markt 29, B-8630 Veurne • Tel : 058/33.55.31 • Fax : 058/33.55.96
• info@toerisme@veurne.be • www.veurne.be

VEURNE



The Town Hall has a splendid Flemish Renaissance gable and was built between 1596 and 1612. Inside the Town Hall are rooms lined with leather and velvet, also paintings, objects from the 16th Century Judicial system and documents of the First World War.

Open : 1 April - 15 November, daily 10 - 12 a.m. and 2 - 5 p.m. • **Admission :** Adults € 3 • Senior citizens, children -12y. and groups >15 persons (on request): € 2 • **Guided visit :** EN, NL, F, D • **V :** 45 min. • **Access :** E 40/A 18 exit Veurne • Access by Bus (De Lijn): line 69, 56, 50 • Railway station Veurne.

Groups - advance booking required

Open : for groups of min. 15 pers., on request. • **Admission :** (>15 persons) € 2 • **Guided visit :** EN, NL, F, D • On request • **P :** 4

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P : Parking for cars **P :** Parking for coaches : number of spaces available

22 BELLE EPOQUE CENTRUM

Elisabethstraat 24, B-8370 Blankenberge • Tel : 050/42.87.41 • Fax : 050/42.79.74

BLANKENBERGE



The Belle Époque Centre offers you a glimpse into the period from 1870 to 1914, a time when Europe's middle class prospered, tourism gained increasingly more importance and Blankenberge was on its way to becoming a major seaside resort with the construction of the casino, the Pier, numerous stately homes along the coast and large hotels.



Three of these stately homes dating back to 1894 have been restored and remodelled to house a visitors' centre where you can experience firsthand the carefree and festive atmosphere prevailing in Blankenberge during the belle époque. An interactive exhibition featuring posters, picture postcards, clothing, photographs, footage and a

number of beautiful decorative wall tiles tell a nostalgic story and offer you an insightful opportunity to learn more about the influence art nouveau had in Blankenberge.

Open : tue-sun: 14-17h (1/7-31/8 until 18h) • **Admission :** € 3 • -26, 55+ : € 1,50 • -6: free
• **Guided visit :** on demand • **V :** 1h • **Access :** Train: Station Blankenberge - 5 min. by foot • Tram: stop 'Blankenberge station' - 3 min. by foot

Groups - advance booking required

Open : on demand • **Admission :** +10p: € 1,50 • **Guided visit :** maximum capacity: 50 people

25 HARELBEKE, A WEALTH OF TRADITION

Marktstraat 98, B-8530 Harelbeke • Tel : 056/73.34.70 • Fax : 056/73.34.74 • toerisme@harelbeke.be • www.harelbeke.be

HARELBEKE



Harelbeke : discover the old town.

The majestic church of Saint Salvador reflects the history of the influential chapter. The famous Peter Benoit museum brings Peter Benoit to interactive life. The Pipe and Tobacco museum, housed in a 18th century town mansion, tells the history of 'Tabac d'Harelbeke'. There are parking facilities for camper vans near De Gavers, the largest nature and recreation park in South-West-Flanders.

Open : Museums open from 1/03 to 1/12 from Tuesday to Thursday and at weekends from 10 am to 12 am and from 2 pm to 5 pm. • **Admission :** € 2

Groups - advance booking required

Guided visit : guided town walks, guided museum visits: € 1.75 p.p. • Ask for our day trip brochure with detailed packages at reasonable prices.

27 MUNICIPAL MUSEUM 'T SCHIPPERSHOF

Rijselstraat 77, B-8930 Menen • Tel : 056/53.23.63 • Fax : 056/53.23.64 • schippershof@menen.be

MENEN



900 years of history and 100 years of sculpture in a restored 17th century building.

Discover the enthralling history of the fortified town of Menen and become acquainted with the sculptures of artists Yvonne Serruys, Georges Dobbels and Johan Tahon.
NEW: brand new OCCUPIED MENEN room

Open : From 1 February to 21 December: 2:00 to 5:30 PM • Closed on Monday and Tuesday and on holidays

• **Admission :** Adults: € 2 • Children (6-12): € 1.50
• **V :** 75 min. • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Year round, by reservation • **Admission :** € 1.50 • **Guided visit :** Guide: €50 • **P :** 2

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28 THE IJZERTOREN (YSER TOWER)

IJzertoren 49, B-8600 Diksmuide • Tel : 051/50.02.86 • Fax : 051/50.22.58 • info@ijzertoren.org
• www.ijzertoren.org

DIKSMUIDE



A visit to the Yser Tower: Always an enriching experience! The 22 floors house not only a dusty collection of uniforms and arms, but involve the visitor in an ultra-modern, interactive event • **SHELTER:** An authentic barrack from 1919, made of planks and tarpaper, with the interior of the time • **Diksmuide '14-'18. Instinct for Survival:** A theme exhibition about animals in the war • **80 x Yser pilgrimages. Left-Right-Left:** A surprising retrospective of 80 Yser pilgrimages with unique photos and film footage, where no taboos are avoided, in a contemporary style.

Open : Apr.-Sep.: 10 AM to 6 PM • Oct.-Mar.: 10 AM to 5 PM • Closed: 24, 25, 26, 31 Dec. and 1, 2 Jan., + 3 weeks after the Christmas holiday. • **Admission :** Ad.: € 7 • 6-18y.: € 4 • -6y.: free • 3+pass € 5 • Family ticket: € 18 • **Guided visit :** to be requested in advance • Guide's fee: € 50 • V: 2 hours • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (>20 people): Ad.: € 5 • 6-18y.: € 3 • **Guided visit :** Guide: € 50 • Max. 25 pers./guide • 2 hours.

29 CYCLE MUSEUM

Polenplein 15, B-8800 Roeselare • Tel : 051/26.87.40 • Fax : 051/25.32.13
• wielermuseum@roeselare.be • www.wielermuseum.be

ROESELARE



The evolution of bicycles from the hobby horse to Michaux bicycles, from the high Bi's, tricycles, professional and army bikes to the present city and recreation bikes. Racing bicycles for bicycle tracks and road championships are on exhibition as well as accessories used to optimise cycling and cycling races.

Open : from Tuesday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. • Tickets sold until 45 min before closing. • Closed from 14/12/2009 until 1/02/2010 and on Sundays, Mondays and public holidays. • **Admission :** adults: € 5 • 60+, adults (+15 p): € 4 • students (-26y): 1 €; children (-12y): free • **Guided visit :** 1 hour • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : adults: € 4 • Children (-26 y): € 1 • Reservation 10 days beforehand



30 RAVERSIJDEN DOMAIN

Nieuwpoortsesteenweg 636, B-8400 Oostende • Tel : 059/70.22.85 • Fax : 059/51.45.03
• domein.raversijde@west-vlaanderen.be • www.west-vlaanderen.be/raversijde

OOSTENDE



Three historical museums by the sea. From the Middle Ages to after the Second World War: a fantastic voyage of discovery for the whole family.

Prince Karel Memorial

(V: 60 min. / partially accessible for wheelchair users)

The particular environment of Prince Karel (1903-1983), Belgium's Regent between 1944 and 1950, lived in. With the Prince's Pavilion a biographical exhibition.

Atlantic Wall Open-air Museum

(V: 120 min. / not accessible for wheelchair users)

A unique bunkers and trenches complex, scrupulously re-arranged to the conditions of

World War I and II. Visitors will breathe the atmosphere of 'The Longest Day'

Archaeology Museum Walraversijde

(V: 90 min. / fully accessible for wheelchair users)

After over 500 years a vanished medieval fishing village comes to life again! The visit includes an audiovisual presentation, four reconstructed medieval houses, the archaeological site and an interactive museum.

The Raversijde Domain includes a museum shop and the "Walrave" restaurant-cafeteria (tel.: 059/30.62.44 - fax : 059/30.62.43). Visitors are free to visit the park (± 40 ha), where they can enjoy the peace and quiet.

Open : 01/04 - 11/11: 14.00 - 17.00 • Weekends, Public Holidays and School Holidays 10.30 - 18.00 • Tickets sold until 1 hour before closing • **Admission :** combined ticket (3 museums + audio guide): adults € 9 and reduction € 7.50 • Per museum (audio guide included): adults € 6 and reduction € 5 • Children -12 y. (with parents): free of charge • **Access :** De Lijn bus 60 and 69 • Kusttram, stop 32: Domein Raversijde • N318, Nieuwpoortsesteenweg, within easy reach via E40, exit 5, direction "Oostende Vliegaven". • **Parking :** free of charge • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : 1/04 - 11/11: groups and schools only by written appointment, special prices !

31 IN FLANDERS FIELDS MUSEUM

Grote Markt 34, B-8900 Ieper • Tel : 057/23.92.20 • Fax : 057/23.92.75 • iflandersfields@ieper.be
• www.inflandersfields.be

IEPER



The memory of the future.

The IFFM is more than a museum. It is an interactive war museum bearing a message of peace. It is a captivating experience in which personal testimonies of ordinary men and women, civilians and soldiers take you back to Ypres and the Westhoek between 1914 and 1918, i.e. the Great War.

Open : 1st April - 15th November: daily 10 am - 6 pm • 16th November - 31st March: Tuesday through Sunday 10 am - 5 pm. • Closed: 5 through 26 January • Ticket sales stops 1 hour before closing time. • **Admission :** Adults € 8 • Children under 7 free entrance • youth (7 - 25): € 1 • V: 1,5 hours • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : 1 April - 15 November: every day from 10 am until 6 pm* - 16 November - 31 March: from Tuesday to Sunday from 10 am until 5 pm*

* Last admission: one hour before closing time

The museum is closed during the three weeks following the Christmas break (05/01 - 26/01/09)

• **Admission :** mixed groups (min. 20 p): € 5,50

schools: € 1 • Daytrip brochures on request



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32 MUSEUM OF EDUCATION

G. de Stuersstraat 6A, B-8900 Ieper • Tel : 057/20.58.36 • Fax : 057/23.94.59

IEPER



This museum offers you a view of the rich and fascinating history of education in Flanders from the Middle Ages until now. Eye-catchers are the two reconstructions of classrooms (one dating from 1700 and the other from 1930).

From September 6 2008 till June 9 2009, the museum organises the exhibition 'Gordijntje open, mondjes toe' on the importance of puppets and puppet théâtre in education.

Open : all year round, except Mondays, from 10.00 to 12.30 and from 14.00 to 18.00 (between 1 November and 31 March it is closed one hour earlier) • **Admission :** € 2.50 (= museum card for 3 museums) Free with a ticket of the In Flanders Fields Museum



Groups - advance booking required

Admission : € 1.25 • Schools € 0.50 • **Free** with an In Flanders Fields ticket • **Guided visit :** € 50

33 MUNICIPAL MUSEUM

Ieperleestraat 31, B-8900 Ieper • Tel : 057/21.83.00 • Fax : 057/23.94.59

IEPER



This museum is located in the former Saint John's Alms house. The present building constructed in 1555 is one of the few buildings in Ypres not to have been completely destroyed during the First World War. The Municipal Museum illustrates the age-old history of the city by means of old paintings, prints, maps and original photos. Here one also find an important collection of tin. The Municipal Museum also presents the highlights of the fine arts collection of the City of Ieper. The jewel in the crown is the extensive collection of works of art by the Ypres female painter Louise De Hem (1866-1922).

Open : all year round, except Mondays, from 10.00 - 12.30 and from 14.00 to 18.00 (between 1 November and 31 March it is closed one hour earlier) • **Only partially accessible for wheel chairs**
• **Admission :** € 2.50 (= museum card for 3 museums)
Free with a ticket of the In Flanders Fields Museum

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : € 1.25 • Schools € 0.50 • **Free** with an In Flanders Fields ticket • **Guided visit :** EN, NL, F, D : € 50

34 BELLEWAERDE PARK

Meenseweg 497, B-8902 Ieper • Tel : 057/46.86.86 • Fax : 057/46.75.95 • info-blw@cda-parks.com • www.bellewaerdepark.be

IEPER



Bellewaerde Park :

A trip to Bellewaerde Park is an event for the whole family! Nature, animals, exciting attractions for young and old: all tastes are catered for. The Niagara splash, the Boomerang loopings, the animal park, the El Volador fountains or the KidsPark, everyone feels at home straight away!

Events:

Halloween: every weekend from 17 October and every day of the autumn holiday.

Late night openings (open until 10 pm)

Summer late night openings: 15, 22 and 29 August

Halloween Horror Nights: 25 and 31 October and 7 November

Open : From 4 April! In April from Wednesday to Sunday and on public holidays. In May from Thursday to Sunday and on public holiday (except 07/05, 14/05, 15/05 - park closed) • From 27 May until 31 August every day • In September and October every weekend • From 31 October to 8 November every day • **Access :** car : E17/A19 Ieper, Exit 3 Beselare - Bellewaerde Park • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Reservations for groups of minimum 20 persons. Special prices for schools, youth groups, companies and seniors.

Website : www.bellewaerdepark.be/groups



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P Parking for cars **P** Parking for coaches : number of spaces available

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35 HOP MUSEUM

Gasthuisstraat 71, B-8970 Poperinge • www.hopmuseum.be • Tel : 057/33.79.22 • Fax : 057/33.57.03 • hopmuseum@poperinge.be • www.hopmuseum.be

POPERINGE



The town of Poperinge is renowned as the country's hop-growing capital. This plant is fascinating for more than one reason, as not only is it the fastest-growing plant in Western Europe, but its cones are also vital to the beer brewing process. While the history of hops is exciting enough, that of the folk who grow, harvest, sell and transform the hops is even more captivating. And all will be explained to you using cutting-edge technology at the Hop Museum. The building may be over 150 years old, but the tour developed for visitors is brand new (reopened at end of 2006). Images from films, audiovisual systems and even an interactive game on the hops theme transform a visit to the Hop Museum into an amazing experience for young and old alike.

Open : from 1/3 until 30/11: Tuesday - Friday: 10.00-18.00 - Saturday, Sunday and holidays: 14.00-18.00 • Closed on Monday • **Admission :** Adults: €5 • Children under 12: €2.50 - Children under 6: free - Concessions for the disabled, students, holders of a teacher's card, and senior citizens (60+) • **Guided visit :** Audioguide included • **V :** 1.15 h - 2 h • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Tuesday - Friday: 10.00-18.00 - Saturday, Sunday and holidays: 14.00-18.00 • Closed on Monday • **Admission :** Adults: €6 (with ale) / €4 (without ale) • Children until 12: €3,50 (with ale) / €2 (without ale) • **Guided visit :** EN/NL/F/D: €35/guide • **V :** 2 hrs. - 1 guide/30 pers.



37 FOLK EXPERIENCE MUSEUM

Dikkebusstraat 234, B-8950 Dranouter • Tel : 057/44.69.33 • Fax : 057/44.62.43 • info@folkdranouter.be • www.folkdranouter.be

DRANOUTER



The Folk Experience is an unparalleled interactive and multimedia folk music experience! Live the history of authentic music through several multimedia arrangements, discover the richness of songs and get acquainted with the instruments. Unique material and surprising picture fragments will guide you through time and music. Young and old, experts as well as amateurs will all enjoy a few hours of music. Please inquire about our day arrangements !

Open : (Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays, but available for groups by reservation) • Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM; weekends from 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM; Closed during the Christmas holidays + 1 week • **Admission :** Adults: €6 • Children and teenagers aged 6 to 18: €4 • children under 6: free admission • Family: €15 • **V :** 1 to 2 hours • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : As of 20 people: €4 • Schools of 15 people: €2.5 • **P** : 5

38 NATIONAL TOBACCO MUSEUM

Koestraat 63, B-8940 Wervik • Tel : 056/31.49.29 • Fax : 056/31.56.76 • tabaksmuseum@wervik.be

WERVIK



Smoke, chew and sniff... in picture and text. A new museum wing deals with the relationship between fire and tobacco, 20th century tobacco publicity and tobacco smuggling.

Open : from 1/3 to 31/10: 9.00-12.00 and 14.00-18.00 • Friday: 9.00-13.00 • Saturday: 9.00-13.00 • Sunday: 10.00-12.00 and 14.00-18.00 • Closed on Mondays • **Admission :** €3 • Children (-6): free • **V :** 1.30 • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : throughout the year • **Admission :** (min. 10 pers.) €2 • **Guided visit :** €35



36 BROELMUSEUM

Office : Broelkaai 6, B-8500 Kortrijk • Tel : 056 27 78 00 • Fax : 056 27 77 89 • broelmuseum@kortrijk.be • www.kortrijk.be/musea

KORTRIJK



You find the Broelmuseum situated next to the river Lys and the Broel towers in a beautiful mansion from the early 18th century. The museum presents a plastic and applied art collection from artists who lived or worked in Courtrai, from the 16th to the 19th century: Roeland Savery, Karel van Mander, Kerstiaen De Keuninck... Visitors will be charmed by the excellent works of the famous animal-painters! Next to the presentation of the historical collection the Broelmuseum organises temporary exhibitions with actual plastic art and design.

Open : Tuesday-fryday: 10h-12h and 14h-17h • Saturday, Sunday and public holidays: 11h-17h • Closed on Monday. • **Admission :** Ticket: €3, audioguide inclusive • Reduction: groups and seniors: €2 / students from 13 til 26 y.: €1 • Free entrance for children up to 12 y. • Combined ticket musea in Courtrai: €8 / €6

• **Guided visit :** (Educational) guidetour for groups on demand • Audioguides Dutch, French, German, English.

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Tuesday-fryday: 10h-12h and 14h-17h • Saturday, Sunday and public holidays: 11h-17h • Closed on Monday. • **Admission :** Reduction groups: €2 • Guidetour for groups from 15 persons: €55



39 MEMORIAL MUSEUM PASSCHENDEALE 1917

leperstraat 5, B-8980 Zonnebeke • Tel : 051/77.04.41 • Fax : 051/78.07.50 • toerisme@zonnebeke.be • www.passchendaele.be

ZONNEBEKE



Experience the hell of Passchendaele 1917 by means of authentic photographic material, historical artefacts and several life-like dioramas. Descend into a unique British dugout with communication and dressing posts, headquarters and accommodation..

Open : from 1/02 - 30/11 daily from 10.00 until 18.00 (also during weekends and holidays) • **Admission :** €5 • **Guided visit :** 30 € per guide • **V :** 1 hr • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : €3 pp. • **P** : 8

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40 FLAX MUSEUM

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• www.kortrijk.be/musea

KORTRIJK



Flax is an industrial plant offering optimal added value: each part is made economically viable and transformed into a range of finished products. This multi-faceted plant has been prepared since the 15th century in the region and has guaranteed the prosperity of Kortrijk and the Lys Valley. The Flax Museum recounts the history of flax and the people who processed it. It bears witness to their toils, their ingenuity and the commercial skills. The museum also has a beautiful collection of linen, lace and damask.

Open : The museum is open from 1 March to 6 December • Closed on Monday and national holidays
• Tuesday to Friday 09h00 to 12h30 and 13h30 to 18h00 • Saturday and Sunday 14h00 to 18h00
• **Admission :** Entrance: € 3 • € 2 groups and seniors • € 1 students • children <13 free. Audio guide included. • Combination ticket for 3 Kortrijk museums: € 8 / € 6 (discount) • **Guided visit :** € 55 per guide (NL-FR-EN-D) • **V :** 2 hours • **Access :** The museum is ideally located: easy to reach by public transport (bus 13) and by own transport (very close to the motorway, parking for coaches) • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : The museum is open from 1 March to 6 December • Closed on Monday and national holidays
• Tuesday to Friday 09h00 to 12h30 and 13h30 to 18h00 • Saturday and Sunday 14h00 to 18h00
• **Admission :** € 2 pp (+ €55 per guide) • **Guided visit :** The Flax Museum has a long tradition of receiving groups. The museum is ideally located: easily accessible by public transport and coaches (very close to the motorway, parking for coaches) • Taverne Vlasblomme, located on the same site as the Flax Museum. • **P :** 1

41 KORTRIJK 1302 - ONE DAY, SEVEN CENTURIES

Tourist Office, Begijnhofpark, B-8500 Kortrijk • Tel : 056/27.78.50 • Fax : 056/27.78.49
• kortrijk1302@kortrijk.be • www.kortrijk1302.be

KORTRIJK



A multimedia museum tells the true story of the Battle of the Golden Spurs that took place on 11 July 1302 on the Groeningekouter near Kortrijk. Experience the historic battle, search for the golden spurs, meet the heroes and the foot soldiers, hear the clash of weapons... Did Jan Breydel fight here? Where was the Lion of Flanders? And what has Conscience to do with it? You'll find the answer to all your questions. Close by on the same site you'll find the 'Visitor centre for Kortrijk and the Leiestreek'.

Open : from 10.00 am to 6.00 pm (closed at 5.00 pm from 1/10 to 31/3) • Closed on Mondays and on 24-25 & 31/12 and 1/1 • **Admission :** adults € 6 • Students € 1 • Senior citizens € 4 • Children (<13) Free • **V :** 1.30 • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : Groups >15 pers: € 4 p.p. • Schools: € 2.50 p.p. • Guided tour € 55 • Day trips, group and school packages. • **P :** 2

42 BAYERNWALD

Reningelstraat 11, B-8950 Heuveland-Kemmel • Tel : 057/45.04.55 • Fax : 057/44.89.99
• toerisme@heuveland.be • www.heuveland.be

HEUVELLAND-KEMMEL



This is a unique German site. German troops occupied this strategic position at the beginning of World War I. The site consists of an entrenchment and four bunkers. Tickets available at the Tourist Office in Kemmel.

Open : all year on weekdays from 9.00 to 12.00 and from 13.15 till 17.00 • On Saturday and Sunday from 10.00 to 12.00 • From 1 April to 31 October also open on Saturday from 14.00 to 17.00 and on Sundays and holidays from 10.00 to 12.00 and from 14.00 to 17.00
• **Admission :** € 1.50 • **V :** 1 hour • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : All year round • Parties by appointment at the Tourist Office in Kemmel. • **Admission :** € 1 per person • **Guided visit :** guided visits possible on demand. Price guide: € 50 • **P :** 2

43 DE OUDE KAASMAKERIJ

's Graventafelstraat 48A, B-8980 Passendale • Tel : 051/77.70.05 • Fax : 051/48.52.20
• info@deoudekaasmakerij.be • www.deoudekaasmakerij.be

PASSENDALE



An interactive history of cheese and cheese-making..... and afterwards you can taste various kinds of cheese.

Open : from 1/6 to 31/8: daily from 10.00 to 17.30 • From 22/2 to 31/5 and from 1/9 to 29/11 : daily from 10.00 to 17.00 • Closed on Mondays and on Friday morning • **Admission :** ad. € 4 • 60+, people w/disabil., child. (6-26y.): € 3,50 • Family rate: € 13 • Tasting: € 1.75 • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : all year round • **Admission :** adults: € 3.50 pp. • 60+, schools and people w/disabil.: € 3 pp. • Tasting: € 1,50 pp. • **Guided visit :** EN, NL, F, D

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OOST-VLAANDEREN (East Flanders)

Oost-Vlaanderen is a province full of diversity. Woodlands, flat polder landscapes, deep valleys, rustic villages, aristocratic historical towns and Gent the city of art and culture. All the ideal ingredients for a relaxed outing in the province. Each region in Oost-Vlaanderen has its own special atmosphere. Meetjesland, in the north-west of the province, is a prime example of discretion with its secluded coves. The typical round fields of Waasland are surrounded by pollarded willows in contrast to the cultural and industrial heritage sites that are the great assets of the Leie region. In Scheldeland rivers, dykes and hunting paths are the outstanding features while the Flemish Ardennes bears its title of «the most beautiful landscape in Flanders» with pride. And the beating heart in the middle of these five tourist regions is Gent the city of art and culture.



There are so many ways to discover all this beauty. On foot for instance. Around sixty signposted walks guide you safely around the wonderful attractions in our province. Cyclists have also been catered for; in Oost-Vlaanderen you can cycle to your heart's content on the biggest cycle route network in all Flanders. You just choose the route you want and cycle from one junction to another.

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1 REDERIJ DE GENTENAER

Office : , Hoogpoort 39 , B-9000 Gent • Tel : 0473/48.10.36 • Fax : 09/231.54.84
• info@rederijdegentenaer.be • www.rederijdegentenaer.be

GENT



Boat trips with guide in the old city of Ghent.
Trips of 55 minutes.
'Aperitif' boat trip or 'chocolate' boat trip available on request.

Open : 1/4 - 15/10: daily between 10.00 and 17.00 • 16/10 - 31/03: weekends from 11.00 to 16.00 • **Closed:** 24, 25, 26 & 31 Dec. and 1 & 2 Jan. • **Admission :** Adults. € 6,00 • 60+, people with disabilities: € 5,50 • Child.: € 3,50 • **Access :** Groentenmarkt / Vleeshuisbrug Ghent (100 m. from the Korenmarkt) • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : all year on reservation • **Admission :** (minimum 20 people) adults. € 5,50 • 60+, people with disabilities: € 5,00 • Child.: € 3,00



2 BOAT EXCURSIONS ON THE LYS

Benelux Rederij nv, Recollettenlei 32 , B-9000 Gent • Tel : 09/225.15.05 - 09/224.32.33 • Fax : 09/233.11.57 • benelux.rederij@proximedia.be • www.benelux-rederij.com

GENT



Boat trip on the Lys with free time in Sint-Martens-Latem. Enjoy yourself on a very beautiful boat trip on one of our Benelux-boats that will take you along the magnificent Lys with its typical views and adorable villages. You will have one hour of free time to explore Sint-Martens-Latem, the artists' village! Meals on request.

Open : MAY: Tues., Sun. • JUNE: Tues., Thurs., Sun. • JULY, AUG. and SEPT.: Wed., Sat., Sun. • Embarkation 12.30 - Departure: 13.30 - Return: 18.30 • **Admission :** ad.: € 13.00 • Child. (-12): € 9.50 • 60+: € 12.50 • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : open every day for groups of minimum 50 people on request. • **Admission :** for groups of min. 25 pers. ad. and 60+ : € 12.50 - child. (-12): € 8.50



4 A BOAT EXCURSION ON THE GHEENT WATERWAYS

Gent Watertoerist bvba , Graslei 7 , B-9000 Gent • Tel : 09/269.08.69 • Fax : 09/266.05.23 • info@gent-watertoerist.be • www.gent-watertoerist.be

GENT



Both open and covered boats leave from the Graslei, the old Ghent port area, for a sightseeing tour through Ghent.

Open : from March to Nov. daily continuous departures from 10.00 to 18.00 • Nov., Dec., Jan., Feb.: Saturday, Sunday and holidays from 11.00 to 16.00 • Ghent Festival: 10.00 to 01.00 continuously • **Closed:** 25/12 and 1/1 • **Admission :** with open boat : ad.: € 6 - child. (-12): € 3,50 • Rates with covered boat: ad.: € 6,50, child. (-12): € 3,50 • Open or covered boats according choice and/or weather conditions • **Guided visit :** guides EN, NL, F, D and Sp • **V :** 40 minutes

Groups - advance booking required

Open : all year round, except on 25/12 and 1/1 • Evening trips upon request • Tel. reservations : 09/269.08.69 • **Admission :** (min. 20 pers.) adults : open boat : € 5 pp., covered boat € 5,5 pp. • children (-12) € 3 pp.



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3 MINERVA BOAT COMPANY

Wildernis 13a , B-9190 Gent • Tel.: 03/779.67.77 (adm.) - Tel. harbour: 09/233.79.17 • Fax : 03/789.17.59 • www.minervaboten.be

GENT



A day out? Take the wheel of a Minerva Mini-Yacht... and take a trip on the Leie with your family or friends for a couple of hours or a full day. You will pass the picturesque villages St-Martens-Latem and Deurle and enjoy the beautiful country. You can also rent bigger yachts with a helmsman / guide per hour, per day. Boarding is in GENT at the Minerva harbour, on the corner of Coupure/Lindelei near the centre of Ghent, 2 km from St-Pieters station and 300 m from the Palace of Justice. Reservation STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.

Open : April, May, September, October from 13.00 to 19.00 • June, July and August from 10.00 to 20.00 • **Admission :** Boats for 4 people for 2 hours : € 49 • 5 people: € 66 - 6 people: € 81 - 8 people: € 98

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Watertaxi up to 6 persons with helmsman: € 57/hour - reservation required.



5 GHEENT, SPARKLING AUTHENTIC

Tourist Office Ghent - Inquiry Desk, Belfry (RaadsKelder) , Botermarkt 17A , B-9000 Gent • Tel.: 09/266.56.60 • Fax: 09/266.56.73 • E-mail: visit@gent.be • Website: www.visitgent.be

GENT



Ghent offers a unique combination of a glorious past with a lively present and invites you to discover its many monuments and museums. Here beats the young heart of a sparkling city full of culture, arts, events and, most certainly just as important, countless cosy pubs and original restaurants.

Open : Castle of the Counts • **Open:** 1/4 - 30/9: 9 am-6 pm; 1/10 - 31/3: 9 am-5 pm. • **Closed:** 24-25/12, 31/12 and 1/1 • **Prices:** adults € 8, -19 y. free (movieguide Philip and Mathilde € 3), 19-26/+55y: € 6 • **Info:** Sint-Veerleplein, B-9000 Gent • Tel.: 09/225.93.06 • Website: www.gent.be/gravensteen

Mystic Lamb • Open: 1/4 - 31/10: Mo. to Sa. 9.30am-4.30pm., Su. + pub. hol. 1pm-4.30pm • 1/11 - 31/3: Mo. to Sa. 10.30am-3.30pm, su. + pub. hol. 1pm-3.30pm • **Prices:** adults (incl. audio guide) € 3 • **Info:** St. Bavo's Cathedral, Sint-Baafsplein, B-9000 Gent • Tel.: 09/269.20.45 • Website: www.sintbaafskathedraal-gent.be

Kunsthof Sint-Pietersabdij: "Alison" - Virtual adventure and exhibitions on the history of the abbey • Open: 10am-6pm • **Closed:** Monday , 24-25/12, 31/12 and 1/1 • **Price:** adults € 8 • **Info:** Sint-Pietersplein 9, B-9000 Gent • Tel.: 09/243.97.30 • E-mail: dr.sintpietersabdij@gent.be • Website: www.gent.be/spa

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : Price (min. 15 pers.): Castle of the Counts: € 6 • Mystic Lamb: € 2.50 • Kunsthof Sint-Pietersabdij: € 6,75



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6 RECREATION PARK DE STER

Lange Rekstraat 30, B-9100 Sint-Niklaas • Tel : 03/776.03.48 - 03/777.69.50 • Fax : 03/765.94.17
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SINT-NIKLAAS



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Open : from 9.00 to sunset • **Pets not allowed.** • **Admission :** from 1/4 to 30/9: adults: € 2.50 - child. (5-13): € 1,25 - disabled and sen. cit.: € 1,25 • From 1/10 to 31/3: free. • **P**



Groups - advance booking required
Admission : € 1,25 pp. • **P** : 15

8 TOWN OF THE LEGENDARY HORSE "BAYARD"

Tourist Office, Town Hall, Grote Markt, B-9200 Dendermonde • Tel : 052/21.39.56 • Fax : 052/22.19.40 • toerisme@dendermonde.be • www.dendermonde.be

DENDERMONDE



Dendermonde, a unique day in town!
In the town of the legendary horse "Bayard", visitors discover culture as well as nature.

Open : Listed buildings can be visited free of charge.

Opening hours:

• **Town Hall (the old Linen Hall):** from 1 October to 31 March: Tuesday till Friday and Sundays, public holidays and Saturdays during school holidays from 10.00 to 12.00 and 14.00 to 16.30 • From 1 April to 30 September: Tuesday till Friday from 10.00 to 12.00 and 14.00 to 16.30. Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays from 10.00 to 12.00 and 13.30 to 18.00 • July and August : from Tuesday till Sunday from 10.00 to 18.00.

• **Church of Our Lady:** from 1 April to 30 September: Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays from 14.00 to 16.45 • In July and August from Tuesday till Sunday from 14.00 to 16.45.

• **Sint-Alexius Beguinage:** daily from 7.00 to 21.30

• **Museums:** from 1 April to the end of October: Tuesday to Sunday and public holidays from 9.30 to 12.30 and from 13.30 to 18.00 • Closed on Monday



Groups - advance booking required
Guided visit : on request (NL, F, EN, D, Sp., It.)

7 PROVINCIAL PARK PUYENBROECK

Puyenbrug 1A, B-9185 Wachtebeke • Tel : 09/342.42.21 • Fax : 09/342.42.59
• puyenbroeck@oost-vlaanderen.be • www.puyenbroeck.be

WACHTEBEKE



510 ha of Recreation and Nature

Children horse around in the renovated playground with water play area. In the high season, a train makes a tour through the Domain, boats are for hire, visitors can play mini golf and children can learn the traffic rules in the traffic park. Bikers (bikes are for hire) and walkers can follow the signposted tracks. Another point of interest is MOLA, the provincial mill centre. Golfers can hit a ball at the new Puyenbroeck golf course. Discover also the Sport Site with the new swimming pool. Visitors can take a breather in one of the restaurants or cafeterias and it is possible to stay overnight at the three star camping or motorhome site.

Open : all year through from 9 o'clock till sunset • The Domain is closed on Monday morning from October till March • **Admission :** free of charge, the attractions (only during the high season) have to be paid for. • **Meals:** self-service and à la carte restaurant • **Access :** from E17, exit 11 - Lochristi, follow the signposts • **P**

9 SPORT AND LEISURE CENTRE DE WARANDE

Warandelaan 14, B-9230 Wetteren • Tel : 09/369.01.86 • Fax : 09/365.40.59 • sport@wetteren.be • www.wetteren.be

WETTEREN



The "De Warande" leisure centre has two completely renovated and modernised open air swimming pools. Their unique design make these among the best in Belgium. There is also a separate toddlers' pool, underwater massage, a waterfall, a rough water section, a 25 meter competition pool, a diving area, two water slides, and a selection of water-spouting animals. In addition there is a children's playground, tennis courts, a beach-volley pitch, fishpond and café-restaurant. Free play area at the entrance.

Open : the open air pool is open in June, July and August, every day from 9.30 to 20.00.
• **Admission :** ad. € 5 • Child. (-12 y.) € 2.50 • Children (-5 y.) free • After 18.00 admission is half price. • **Access :** within easy reach of the E40 motorway (5 km) and the E17 (9 km). In Wetteren follow the brown signposts "De Warande". • **P**

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10 PROVINCIAL PARK DE GAVERS

Onkerzelestraat 280, B-9500 Geraardsbergen • Tel : 054/41.63.24 • Gaversbad : 054/43.53.51 • Fax : 054/41.03.88 • Gaversbad : 054/43.53.65 • gavers@oost-vlaanderen.be • www.degavers.be

GERAARDSBERGEN



"De Gavers", a little bit of holiday nearby!

Situated between the hills of the Flemish Ardennes and the rolling Dender landscape is the provincial park "De Gavers". There is plenty to do, whether you are staying there or just visiting for the day. Children can enjoy themselves in the play village, go skating or play mini-golf. The "Gaversbad" swimming complex offers all sorts of water pleasure with its various pools and water amusements. Afterwards you can relax in the sauna. For those who enjoy water sports, the lake offers the opportunity to surf, use surf bikes, canoes, rowing boats and pedalos. Accommodation available : youth hostel, bungalows, trekkers huts, or 4-star camping.

Open : "Gaversbad" swimming complex : daily, all year • Outdoor recreation facilities : from April to the end of September • The park is open all year. • **Admission :** free entrance, you pay per attraction. • **P**

Groups - advance booking required
Admission : Meals : prices and menus on request.

11 IWALK - CRYPT - TEXTILE

Tourist Office, De Biesestraat 2, B-9600 Ronse • Tel : 055/23.28.16 • toerisme@ronse.be • www.ronse.be

RONSE



Ronse is an effervescent and historical town located on the language border in the Flemish Ardennes region. To find out about the extremely varied history of Ronse, you can download a free guided walk from the town website at www.ronse.be. Then you can discover the most important and surprising sights for yourself in your own time. Haven't got an MP-3 player? Simply borrow one from the tourist office.

The **St Hermes crypt** is unique in Belgium and should not be missed under any circumstances. The crypt is noteworthy from both an aesthetic and archaeological point of view. The crypt was consecrated in 1089 as a storage place for the remains of St Hermes. During the Middle Ages, the crypt was a major place of pilgrimage for the insane.

Must (textiles museum)

At the Must museum you can marvel at the extensive collection of working looms and learn about the development of the textile industry.

In a second department of the museum, located in Bruulpark, find out about the social aspect of Ronse's textile past.

Open : the museums are open from 1/4 to 31/10 • From Tuesday to Friday 9.00 - 12.00 and 13.00 - 17.00 • Weekends and holidays: 10.00 - 12.00 and 14.00 - 17.00 • Closed on Monday: from 01/11 to 31/03 • From Tuesday to Friday 9.00 - 12.00 and 13.00 - 16.00 • Weekends and holidays: 10.00 - 12.00 and 14.00 - 16.00 • Closed on Monday and 25-26/12, 01-02/01 • **Admission :** ad.: € 2.50 • Children (-12y.) free • **P**



Groups - advance booking required

Open : Both the crypt and Must museum are open all year round for groups by appointment, guided tours in E/NL/FR/D

12 PROVINCIAL DOMAIN HET LEEN

Gentsesteenweg 80, B-9900 Eeklo • Tel : 09/376.74.74 • Fax : 09/376.74.76 • het.leen@oost-vlaanderen.be • www.hetleen.be

EEKLO



Take a bag with what you need and follow the discovery trail through more than 260 hectares of woodland. Wander through the history of the estate while you listen to the stories the trees in the woods have to tell. Carry out the tasks on the gnomes' path and make off with a certificate of 'gnome of the forest'.

Or maybe you'd rather relax amid the greenery? Make your own way along the 36 km of walking tracks. Half of these tracks are surfaced, so you can easily get into the woods with a wheelchair or pushchair. And if you have a valid fishing permit, you can cast a line from the banks of one of the three fishing lakes.

You'll find the answer to all your questions about woods and trees at the woodland information centre. Go looking for answers in the 'explanation' room, visit the permanent and temporary displays, ask at the information desk or watch a multimedia presentation.

The arboretum is internationally renowned for its genera of Magnolia, Viburnum, Rhododendron and Camellia. The overall collection features over 7 000 species and varieties of trees, bushes and shrubs. Visit the reception pavilion and find out everything there is to know about the way arboretums work in general and the one at Het Leen in particular.

Open : Every day from 9.00 am until sunset (5.00 pm in winter and as late as 9.00 pm in summer) • **Admission :** Free entry, free use of educational material • **Access :** Eeklo station 1.5 km, bus 58, community bus-stop in the park • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Guided visit : Guided tours: 25 EUR per 25 people for a tour lasting 2 hours. Contact the education service in the woodland information centre to find out about educational nature programmes. • Accommodation is available for multiple-day woodland classes for up to 34 people and there is a camping ground for accredited youth groups who want to spend the night in their own tents. • **P** : 10

13 RECREATION RESORT KLUISBOS

Poletsestraat 59, B-9690 Kluisbergen • Tel : 055/23.05.85 • Fax : 055/38.77.83 • info@kluisbos.be • www.kluisbos.be

KLUISBERGEN



Waterfun in the heart of the Flemish Ardennes!

3 heated outdoor swimming pools, disco slide, family slide, maxi waterslide, pelican slide shell, water-playground, beach volley, survival track, ...
Covered sports hall (2.000 m²).

Open : all year round, swimming pools from 1/5 to 20/9/2009. • **Admission :** inexpensive rates • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Group accommodation (20-125 p.) "Villa Vogelsanck" and "Villa Kluisberg" situated in the midst of 500 ha "Kluisbos". • **P** : 4

14 AMUSO MUNICIPAL MUSEUM OUDENAARDE

Tourist Office, Town Hall, Markt, B-9700 Oudenaarde • Tel : 055/31.72.51 • Fax : 055/30.92.48 • toerisme@oudenaarde.be • www.oudenaarde.be

OUDENAARDE



A trip to Oudenaarde could be as follows: a visit to the late Gothic Town Hall and the Roman Cloth Hall with its rich collections of historic tapestries, silverware, the Municipal Museum and the Alderman and Public Chamber. Furthermore guided or non-guided city tours passing countless monuments and more than 100 listed buildings. It is not surprising that Oudenaarde is considered to be the second heritage town in East-

Flanders. Guided visits, a stroll through the shopping centre, a stop at one of the many bars or restaurants make Oudenaarde a lovely place to spend some time.

Open : (Town Hall) from 1/4 to 31/10: on weekdays at 11.00 and 15.00, Saturday and Sunday at 14.00 and 16.00 • **Admission :** ad.: € 5 • Students, +3-pass: € 3 • Children (-12y.) free



Groups - advance booking required

Open : Town hall open all year round for groups on request • **Guided visit :** EN, NL, F, D on request

Payment with Ticket Compliments® Supreme Award and / or Ticket Compliments® Sport & Culture.

P Parking for cars • **P** Parking for coaches : number of spaces available

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15 STEAM CENTRE

Stationsplein 8, B-9990 Maldegem • Tel : 050/71.68.52 • Fax : 050/35.89.89
• info@stoomcentrum.be • www.stoomcentrum.be

MALDEGEM



Through "Meetjesland" by steam train.

The Steam Centre Maldegem has the largest collection of steam locomotives in Northern Belgium. Three of these engines are in use on the museum track Maldegem-Eeklo or on the narrow gauge to Donk. At the depot you can get acquainted with all aspects of the steam age (locomotives, engines, a fire engine, a portable engine and a live steam model railway). Rediscover how people used to travel in luxurious first class carriages, lined with cushioned seats! "De Statie" is a cosy cafeteria at the old railway station.

Events: STEAM FESTIVAL 1 - 2 - 3 May. RAIL FEST 15 - 16 August. SANTA SPECIALS 22 - 28 - 29 November, 5 - 6 December.

Open : museum and train every Sunday and public hol. from 1 May to 30 September • In July and August is the museum also open on Wednesday and Friday from 10.00 to 18.00 • **Admission :** Steam museum + narrow gauge € 4 • Museum track € 9 • Family ticket (2 adults + 3 child.) € 25

Groups - advance booking required

Open : open daily upon reservation

16 LOCAL HISTORY MUSEUM

Gentsesteenweg 80, B-9900 Eeklo • Tel : 09/378.12.22 • Fax : 09/378.12.22 • www@stad.eeklo.be

E EKLO



Old trades, the Minne clockmakers shop (1773 - 1985), artisanal trades, textile industry.

Open : Monday from 13.00 to 17.00 • Tuesday to Friday from 10.00 to 17.00 • Sundays and public holidays from 14.00 to 17.00. • Saturdays and Sundays from 1 June to 31 August from 14.00 to 17.00 • Closed from 21 December to 2 January incl. • **Admission :** Adults € 1 • Children above 10 years of age € 0.50 • Seniors and those entitled to a reduction: € 0.75 • **V :** 1.30 • **Access :** Eeklo Railway station at 1,5 km. • **P :**



Groups - advance booking required

Admission : € 0.75 • Schools € 0.25 per pupil. • Guided visits (on reservation, max. 20 pers.) € 1.25 per person. • **P :** 5

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17 GARDENS OF ADEGEM

Heulendonk 21, B-9991 Adegem • Tel : 050/71.06.66 • Fax : 050/71.71.32
• info@canadamuseum.be • www.canadamuseum.be

A DEGEM



Here you will find a romantic French garden with thousands of roses, an English landscaped garden with ponds and waterfalls, and splendid rocks in the Japanese garden, symbolizing human life from birth until death and beyond. Exotic garden with Menhirs and Druid circle.

Ample parking at the Canada War Museum.

Open : Open from 1st April till 1st November, tickets are sold from 13.00 to 16.30 • Closed on Mondays. Between 1st October to 1st November closed on Monday and Tuesday! • **Admission :** € 5 pp. • Reduction for combined ticket : Museum + Gardens • **Guided visit :** Guided visits - english guide need reservation! guide free

• **V :** approx. 60 à 90 minutes • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : visits possible from 10am upon reservation.

18 CANADA - POLAND WAR MUSEUM

Heulendonk 21, B-9991 Adegem • Tel : 050/71.06.66 • Fax : 050/71.71.32
• info@canadamuseum.be • www.canadamuseum.be

A DEGEM



World War II, as it was lived in Flanders. The Canada Museum takes you back to the heart of that time. Through many realistic scenes you experience war time. A monumental panorama represents the Battle of the Scheldt Pocket and Leopold canal in most impressive way. This exceptional museum is unique in Europe. Film 20 min. - 200 models. Tea-room for pancakes, ice-cream and snacks.



Open : Open from 1 April to 30 Sept. between 10.00 and 18.00 • Closed on Mondays - From 1 October to 31 March between 12.00 and 18.00 • From 1 October to 31 March closed on Monday and Tuesday! • **Admission :** € 5 pp. • Children <6y. free of charge • Reduction for combined ticket Museum + Gardens • **Guided visit :** Guide needs reservation • **V :** +/-40min • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Open from 9.00am • **Admission :** groups > 15 p.: € 4 pp. • Schools: € 2.50 pp. • Breakfast - lunch min. 20 pers. - booking required. • **P :** 8

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ANTWERPEN (Antwerp)



The Province of Antwerp boasts four exciting destinations. The city of Antwerp is both ancient and trendy at the same time. Mechelen is a paradise for both culture lovers as well as families with children. The Antwerp Kempen is the area to be for outdoor fun. And Scheldeland is synonymous with endless fun both on the water and on its shores.



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1 ANTWERP ZOO

Koningin Astridplein 26, B-2018 Antwerpen • Tel : 03/202.45.40 • Fax : 03/231.00.18
• info@zooantwerpen.be • www.zooantwerpen.be

ANTWERPEN



Antwerp ZOO: so well known yet always a new discovery!

Are you ready for a day out with friends, family or in a group? The Zoo has been a national source of pride and a top destination par excellence for an exciting day out for more than 160 years. Located in the heart of the city, it is an oasis of peace and tranquility. This romantic zoo with its stately architecture and colourful residents brings us so much closer to the exotic animal kingdom. And you may be interested to know that the revenues produced from your visit contribute directly to scientific research and preservation of nature. Discover the Zoo every day 365 days of the year, season in and season out and let yourself be seduced by the harmony of the beautiful gardens and almost 5000 animals from all the continents. And with its location right next to the central railway station in the heart of Antwerp, the Zoo couldn't be closer.



Come and see the historic town Zoo brought up to date in a surprising fashion. Come and visit Antwerp Zoo and get a lovely new souvenir of this splendid, modern Zoo. .

Open : All year round • Jan-Feb/Nov-Dec: 10h00 – 16h45 • March-Apr/Oct: 10h00-17h30 • May-June/Sept: 10h00-18h00 • July-Aug: 10h00-19h00 • **Admission :** Adults. (over 11 years of age) € 18.50 • Children. (3-11), people with disabilities: € 13.50 • 60+: € 14.50 • Different combinations possible with other attractions. For information please call 070/233.354 • **Access :** The Zoo is located next to Antwerp Central Station. Supersaver B-Daytrip tickets available from all Belgian stations (info in the departure station) • By de Lijn tram or bus (info: 070/220.200) • By car: E19/E313/E34 to Antwerp.

Groups - advance booking required

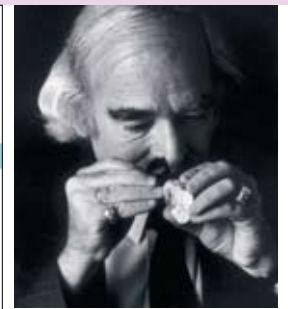
Admission : (+ 15 people) adults (over 11 years of age): € 15.50 • Children. (3-11), people with disabilities: € 10.50 • 60+: € 11.50 • **Guided visit :** NL/FR/ENG/D (min. 15 people.) by reservation only • € 40/guide



2 DIAMOND MUSEUM PROVINCE OF ANTWERP

Koningin Astridplein 19-23, B-2018 Antwerpen • Check out www.diamantmuseum.be • Tel : 03/202.48.90 • Fax : 03/202.48.98 • info@diamant.provant.be • www.diamantmuseum.be

ANTWERPEN



The Diamond Museum takes a fresh look at the wondrous world of the hardest and most fascinating stone in the world – which can be transformed into a dazzling diamond jewel, brilliantly cut by Antwerp craftsmen:

an ANTwerp story that is now even more brilliANT than ever! As Antwerp has an association with diamonds for more than 500 years, the Diamond Museum is preparing an appropriate tribute to "The Little Stone" through family testimonials of diamond traders – and workers. In July-August 2009, the museum is hosting the "HRD Awards", an exhibition based on the most important competition worldwide for contemporary diamond jewellery, organised by the Antwerp World Diamond Centre (www.awdc.be). In the fall of 2009, the Diamond Museum will be in the charm of antique cuff links; paying special attention to the ones decorated with diamonds and other precious gemstones.

Open : daily (except Wed.) from 10.00 - 17.30 • Closed: each Wed. (except for public holidays), 25 and 26/12 and January 2010.

• **Admission :** € 6 • 12 to 25 y. and 60+ : € 4 • -12y.: free • Special combined entry : Diamond Museum and Zoo/Aquatopia • Audio-guide incl. • V : 1,5 à 2 hrs • **Access :** Train: Central Station • Tram: lines 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 15 & 24 (Diamant) • Bus : lines 1, 16, 17, 18, 23, 27, 28, 31, 35 & 37, and all regional lines (F. Rooseveltplaats or Centraal-Station/Central Station).

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (from 15 people) € 4 • Pre-paid tickets available • Reservation is necessary - 1 month in advance.



3 AQUATOPIA

Koningin Astridplein 7, B-2018 Antwerpen • Tel.: 03/205.07.50 • Fax: 03/205.07.51 • E-mail: info@aquatopia.be • Website: www.aquatopia.be • Birthday parties and other events are also possible, for more information or reservations, call 03/203.13.81 or: ppaabanq@pph.com

ANTWERPEN



Discover the unique underwaterworld!

Aquatopia is much more than an aquarium. In this unique underwaterworld you discover more than 10.000 fish and animals (250 different species) in their natural environment! Sail along with a submarine. Climb among mangrove roots. Let yourself be ravished by the most colourful coral reefs, touch a snake and look a shark straight in the eyes!



Discover as well our indoor playground and ball pool. Ideal for a short family outing or as a relaxing break in between shopping.

Open : every day from 10.00 - 18.00 (except on Christmas Day) • **Admission :** Children - 3: free entrance • Children from 3-12 yr.: € 9,50 • From 13-60 yr.: € 13,95 • Senior citizens (60+) and people w/disab.: € 9,50 • Combined tickets with Antwerp Zoo and Pirateneiland (Pirate Island) available • Restaurant and shop. • **Guided visit :** EN/NL/F/D on request • **Access :** Aquatopia is located opposite to Antwerp Central Railway Station. It is also easy to reach by public transport and by car. Visit www.aquatopia.be for a road map.

Groups - advance booking required

Open : daily • **Admission :** (min. 15 people) Children - 3y.: free entrance • Children from 3-12: € 7,95 • From 13 - 60 : € 9,95 • Senior citizens (60+): € 8,95 • disabled: € 7,95 • School groups: € 6 • Combined tickets with Antwerp Zoo and Pirateneiland (Pirate Island) available. • **Guided visit :** EN/NL/F/D on request, call 03/203.13.81 • Special family tickets available.



4 SILVER MUSEUM STERCKSHOF PROVINCE OF ANTWERP

Hooftvunderlei 160, B-2100 Antwerpen (Deurne) • Tel : 03/360.52.52 • Fax : 03/360.52.53
• info@zilvermuseum.be • www.zilvermuseum.be

ANTWERPEN (DEURNE)



Located in a picturesque castle, the Sterckshof Silver Museum houses the treasures of the Belgian silversmith's from the 16th century to modern times. **Exhibitions 2009:** VAN KEMPEN (31/03-21/06) . ZILVERMARKT (01/05) . ZILVEREN RAMMELAARS (06/10/09-10/01/10)

Open : Daily from 10h to 17h30 • Closed on Monday and 25 & 26/12 and 1 & 2/01 • Cafeteria and garden • **Admission :** Entrance free • Entrance fee for temporary exhibitions € 6/ € 4/ € 1/ free • **Access :** Antwerp Ring Road exit 3 'Borgerhout' or E34/E313 exit 18, follow signs to Deurne-Zuid • Train: Antwerpen-Berchem/Centraal station and bus 21 (Collegelaan stop) • P

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : € 4 for temporary exhibitions • With guide: permanent collection € 60 per guide, max. 20 people • temporary exhibitions € 60 per guide, max. 20 people • P : 6



5 PROVINCIAL PARK RIVIERENHOF

Turnhoutsebaan 246, B-2100 Antwerpen (Deurne) • Tel : 03/360.52.17 - 18 • Fax : 03/360.52.13
• info@groenantwerpen.provant.be • www.rivierenhof.be

ANTWERPEN (DEURNE)



130 ha. rest and relaxation for the whole family. Walk amongst splendid trees, through a rose garden and by the ponds. Miniature golf, outdoor tennis, petanque, basketball courts, grassed areas, a playground, a gallery for artists and a tavern in the historical atmosphere of the Rivierenhof castle. Outdoor theatre with films and musical performances.

Open : daily from 6.00 to 22.30 • Gallery: Wed. to Sun., 12.00 - 19.00 (winter 17.00) • **Admission :** free entrance • Payable separately: tennis, miniature golf (April - Oct.) and performances of the outdoor theatre (end of June - beginning of Sept.) • V : 2 h. • P

Groups - advance booking required

Guided visit : on request



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6 DE AVEREGTEN PROVINCIAL DOMAIN

Langendijk 17, B-2220 Heist-op-den-Berg • Tel : 015/24.89.47 • Fax : 015/24.89.47
• info@averegen.provant.be • www.averegen.be

HEIST-OP-DEN-BERG



100 ha woods with 3 signposted footpaths. The "Averpad" is paved and wheelchair-friendly. Leashed dogs are allowed on the red footpath. Farm animals, a botanic garden with indigenous wild plants, playing woods, a beehive hall, a log cabin for nature education activities, playground and playing fields. The "Het Boshuis" Tavern is located next to a fantastic playground.

Open : daily free entrance from sunrise to sunset • **Admission :** free of charge • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Guided visit : on demand • **P** : 4

8 RECREATION CENTRE DE LILSE BERGEN

Strandweg 6, B-2275 Gierle - Lille • Tel : 014/55.79.01 • Fax : 014/55.44.54 • info@lilsebergen.be
• www.lilsebergen.be

GIERLE - LILLE



Recreation centre and 4-star camping equipped with all modern comfort. Surrounded by 400 ha woods. A wide choice of recreation facilities for all ages : swimming, lake, giant children's playground, minigolf, skelters, pedalos, tennis, climbing wall, adventure forest with level tracks, etc.

Open : Easter holidays to 15/9 : 10.00-18.00 • High Season 16/6 - 31/8 : 10.00-20.00 • **Admission :** Ad. High Season: € 4 - Low Season: € 3 • Child. (-14 years) High Season: € 3 - Low Season: 2 € • **Access :** by car : E34 exit 22 • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : schools : € 1,50 • Meeting and reception rooms available • Organisation of sports days for schools and companies. • **P** : 10

7 NETEPARK

Vorselaarsebaan 56, B-2200 Herentals • Tel : 014/85.97.10 • www.netepark.be

HERENTALS



In addition to the playground, this recreational park also boasts a new minigolf course, eight trampolines, table tennis and cross-country cycling circuit (from 1/5 to 30/9). • Enjoy a modern swimming pool complex with three indoor pools and a huge 70-metre slide. You can choose between the recreational pool, special purpose pool and a 25-metre competition pool. • Come

and enjoy a refreshing and stimulating wellness experience in the brand new perfumed baths and aromatherapy steam baths. • **TIP :** Combine a visit to the Netepark with a visit to the HIDRODOE interactive water exploration centre.

• **Admission :** +14y : 3,25 € • -14y, +60y, people with disabilities : 2,60 € • -3y : free. • **Access :** E313 and E314 - exit Herentals. 10' from Herentals railway station. • **P**



Groups - advance booking required

Open : Reservations are compulsory, also for the playground • **Admission :** Consult our website

9 HIDRODOE

Haanheuvell 7, B-2200 Herentals • Tel : 0032 14/44 26 44 • info@hidrodoe.be • www.hidrodoe.be

HERENTALS



In Hidrodoe, the interactive water-DO-center, you can explore the fascinating world of water. By engaging in superb fun exhibits, you pick up all kinds of information about water. By way of well thought-out experiments, sound and light effects, varied displays and multimedia applications water becomes an exploratory expedition for everybody.

Open : Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday from 9.30 - 17.00 • **Admission :** adults: € 7.50 • Kids (3 to 12 years), seniors (60+), people with disabilities : € 5.50

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : social rates for groups of 15 people or more, at least 14 days in advance.

10 SUPER PLAY TOWN AND MAGIC CITY

Voetbalstraat 16, B-2275 Wechelderzande - Lille • Tel : 03/309.21.13 • Fax : 03/383.27.40 • info@speelstad.be • www.speelstad.be

WECHELDERZANDE - LILLE



Super Play Town: The biggest indoor fun park in Belgium.

NEW: completely renovated Magic City outdoor fun park

NO MATTER WHAT THE WEATHER - IT'S ALWAYS PARTY TIME!

Adults always FREE !!!

A day packed full of fun for children up to 12 years of age. Mums and dads can enjoy a reasonably priced snack or a drink in the cafeteria while they keep an eye on their youngsters. You are not allowed to bring your own food and drink!

Indoor Fun Park • Tip - combine it with a trip to Magic City
Magic City: completely new outdoor fun park with loads of attractions

Popular fairy tales are brought to life including: Red Riding Hood, Cinderella, Tom Thumb, Robin Hood, Hansel and Gretel, Snow White, the Sleeping Beauty, and lots more. Plus... there is also a go-cart circuit, ball shooting, huge slides, air trampoline, trampoline park and lots lots more! And for animal lovers a mini zoo.

New : Ball shooting, air trampoline, huge slides

Enjoy the atmosphere on the terrace where you can get something to eat and drink a reasonable price. • **Tip:** combine it with a trip to Super Play Town

Open : **Super Play Town:** Wednesday from 13.30 - 17.30 • Saturday, Sunday and school holidays from 10h00 - 19h00 • July and August: every day 10h00 - 18h00 • **Magic City:** Saturday and Sunday and school holidays: 10h00 - 18h00 • **Admission :** One entrance price includes all attractions! Adults : free admission - € 7 per child on weekdays • € 8 on Sundays & Public Holidays • After 17h00: € 5 • **ALL attractions are included in the entry price.** • **Magic City:** € 5 per child - adults free admission • **V :** Play Town: day trip • **Access :** E34 exit 21 (15 min. from Antwerp) • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Extra opening days or hours by appointment. • **Admission :** **Super Play Town:** min. 10 children € 6.50 • Min. 20 children € 6 • **Magic City:** price per person (minimum 20 people.): € 2.50, in combination with Super Play Town • **Guided visit :** Group rates from 30 children.

Payment with Ticket Compliments® Supreme Award and / or Ticket Compliments® Sport & Culture.

P Parking for cars **P** Parking for coaches : number of spaces available

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11 BOBBEJAANLAND

Olensteenweg 45, B-2460 Lichtaart • Tel : 014/55.78.11 • Fax : 014/55.78.15
• info@bobbejaanland.be • www.bobbejaanland.be

LICHTAART



Bobbejaanland is one of Europe's most popular amusement parks! No wonder with **more than 50 attractions**, of which a lot are covered. You'll be upside down of the staggering thrillride such as the Sledge Hammer, 25 m. free fall of the Typhoon or the razor-sharp turnings of the Dreamcatcher. And then we have not yet mentioned the enraged water fun of the Banana Battle, the new attraction of previous season. More than enough to not be annoyed for a second. And since there are so much attractions, you won't have to wait long time.

But, the reason this season to come to Bobbejaanland is of course our **brand-new and spectacular King Kong**. This huge attraction ensures certainly and permanently giant fun!

Open : daily from Saturday 4 April till 8 November 2009 • April: all days open, except 20/4 up to 24/4 closed • June: all days open, except Wednesday 3, 10 and 17 June closed • September: open on Friday, Saturday and Sunday • October: all weekends open and daily as from 26/10 till 8/11.

• **Admission** : Adults and children >1,40 m: € 31 • Children from 1 m up to 1,40 m (< 1 m free): € 26 • **Access** : highway Antwerp / Hasselt / exit Herentals-West 20. • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : special rates for groups (at least 20 persons), youth groups, retired and people with disabilities and schooljourneys. The groups have to be announced in advance. • **P** : 100

14 RECREATION PARK ZILVERSTRAND

Kiezelweg 17, B-2400 Mol • Tel : 014/81.00.98 • Fax : 014/81.66.85 • info@zilverstrand.be
• www.zilverstrand.be

MOL



This friendly recreation park boasts a subtropical swimming pool, restaurant complex, fresh water lake with water chute, fishing lakes and recreation park and an accommodation park with campsite, bungalows for hire and new residential caravans for hire.

Open : campsite from 20/02 to 07/11 • Swimming pool : from 20/02 to 03/01/2010 : Mon.-Fri.: 14.00 - 21.00, Sat.: 10.00 - 21.00, Sun.: 10.00 - 20.00; from 1/7 to 31/08 from 10.00 - 22.00

• **Admission** : Swimming pool (2 h.): rate 1 (Sat., Sun., school- and pub.hol.) : ad. € 7 - child. (4-11) € 4.50 • Rate 2 (other days) : ad. € 4.50 - child. (4-11) € 3.50 • -4 yrs free • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : rates on request • **P** : 3

12 PROVINCIAL PARK ZILVERMEER

Zilvermeerlaan 2 - 2400 Mol, B-2400 Mol • Tel : 014/82.95.00 • Fax : 014/82.95.01
• info@zilvermeer.provant.be • www.zilvermeer.be

MOL



The Zilvermeer is a real breakthrough in the tourist world! The swimming lake has crystal clear water and a unique white sand beach. Fountains, water screens and whirlpools make for a complete water fun experience. The safe infants' playground and the challenging adventure playground guarantee hours of fun as well. Here you can play miniature golf, row, hire a pedalo or a go-kart and go fishing. Sports enthusiasts can use our modern sports fields or new fitness trail, or hire a bicycle. The water sports lake is ideal for diving. For opening hours, consult the web site: www.atlantis-zvw.be. Surfing, sailing and kayaking are also possible in groups on reservation (014-82 95 04).

And why not enjoy all this for more than just a day? Book a stay on our 5* campsite, in a log cabin or hiker's hut, or in the bunkhouse.

Open : all year round from 8.30 to sunset • From 4/3 to 9/30 : from 8.30 to 21.00

• **Admission** : € 2/pers. from 4/3 to 6/26 and September • € 3/pers. from 6/27 to 8/31 • -6 years always free • Other periods free entrance • Several restaurants • **Access** : by car : motorway E34 Antwerpen-Eindhoven, exit 25 (Retie, Mol/Molse Meren) • Motorway E313 Antwerpen-Luik, exit 23 (Geel-West/Molse Meren) • By train and Belbus (call-up bus service) or summerservice "De Lijn" (bus) 07/01- 08/31 • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : € 1.50/pers. from 4/3 to 6/26 and September • € 2/pers. from 6/27 to 8/31 • -6 jaar always for free • Other periods free entrance

13 MONUMENTS AND MUSEUMS

Tourist Office, Markt 1, B-2440 Geel • Tel : 014/56.63.80 • Fax : 014/56.63.99
• toerisme@geel.be • www.geel.be

GEE



Geel "town of mercy" will enthral you: by its past as well as by its present.

Walk through the town and get to know the monuments and picturesque places. The St.-Dimpna Church, the Hospital Museum St.-Dimpna, the St.-Amands Church and the old Town Hall will show you the history of Geel.

Relax in the park at the heart of the town.

The cosy market square with its statue and many pubs invite you to quench your thirst after a walk through the many shopping streets.

Also outside the centre, the town of Geel has a lot to offer: the bakery museum, the mill " 't Veld", the mill of Larum, the lamp museum, the clock museum, various nature reserves,...

Active recreation: St.-Dimpna route (bicycle route)

Open : The Tourist Office in Geel is open every weekday from 9.00 to 12.00 and from 13.00 to 15.30, every Saturday from 9.00 to 12.30 • From April to September also on Sunday and holidays from 10.00 to 14.00 • **Guided visit** : available by appointment at the Tourist Office • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : city walk : € 50 per guide for groups of max. 20 persons • **P** : 2

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15 TRAM 41 (TURNHOUT ROUTE ARCHIVE AND MUSEUMS)

TRAM 41, Grote Markt 1, B-2300 Turnhout • Tel : 014/44.33.98 • tram41@turnhout.be • www.tram41.be

TURNHOUT



Beguinaige Museum - TRAM 41

You cannot use diminutive terms for the 'beguines' because they were very serious women. They created their own rules, elected their 'grand dames' themselves and made their own money. Unfortunately there is only one beguine left in Belgium. She lives in Kortrijk. In the Beguinaige Museum in Turnhout the memory of thousands of beguines is kept alive. No sinecure, but in the house where they lived and with objects that they used or worshipped, a great success!

Info: Begijnhof 56, B-2300 Turnhout • Tel.: 014/42.12.48 • Fax: 014/41.74.59 • E-mail: begijnhofmuseum@turnhout.be

National Playing Card Museum - TRAM 41

The National Playing Card Museum is the showcase of Turnhout. If you are interested in the industrial, graphic and creative history of the town, then a visit to this museum is a must. A large number of companies have been printing playing cards and books here for ages. In the museum you will be able to discover all about the production processes used for playing cards. Old print presses, a steam machine and lots of colourful playing cards demonstrate that this branch of industry relies on ice-cold precision and fiery passion!

Info: Druivenstraat 18, B-2300 Turnhout • Tel.: 014/41.56.21 • Fax: 014/41.43.24 • E-mail: museum.speelkaart@turnhout.be



Taxandria Museum - TRAM 41

"Granpa, tell us about the olden days." Have you ever asked this question? Or do your grandchildren ask you? There's a significant chance the answer will be yes, because people have an innate curiosity about how things were in the past. The Taxandria Museum is a great way to satisfy this curiosity. Visitors can wander through the past of the Kempen. You can get a picture of the lives our ancestors led

from the cradle to the grave in specially designed theme rooms. Definitely worth a visit!

Info: Begijnenstraat 28, B-2300 Turnhout • Tel./Fax: 014/43.63.35 • E-mail: taxandriamuseum@turnhout.be

The following applies to the three museums:

Open: Tuesday to Saturday, 14h00-17h00 Sunday 11h00-17h00. • Closed on Monday, 1&2/01, 25&26/12 • **Price:** € 2.50 - Reduction: € 1.50 • Children under 18 free • **Guided tours:** € 40 •

National Playing Card Museum: price includes exclusive set of playing cards: € 3.50 - reduction plus exclusive set of playing cards: € 2.50

Info: TRAM 41, Grote Markt 1, B-2300 Turnhout • Tel.: 014/44.33.98 • E-mail : tram41@turnhout.be • Website: www.tram41.be

In addition to these three municipal museums you will also find the following in Turnhout **Historische Drukkerij (Historic Printers)** (www.historischedrukkerij.be), the **Würth Art Forum** (www.wurth.be - click to Kunstforum) and the **Natuurpunt Museum** (www.natuureducatie.be - click to Museum&Educatieve tuin).

16 PRINSENPAK PROVINCIAL DOMAIN

Kastelsedijk 5, B-2470 Retie • Tel : 014/37.91.74 • Fax : 014/37.34.62
• info@groenkempen.provant.be • www.prinsenspark.be

RETIE



A 215 ha green haven of peace with 6 walks that have been mapped out along ponds, viewing huts, benches and picnic tables. The Visitors' Centre shows varying exhibitions. Brochures and information help in the preparations of a walk through the domain. Joggers, bikers and wheelchair users are welcome! Dogs that are kept on a leash are admitted.

Open: daily free entrance from sunrise to sunset • **Admission:** free of charge • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Guided visit: upon request • **P** : 5

17 RECREATION PARK KEIHEUVEL

17de Esc. Lichtvliegwezenlaan 14, B-2490 Balen • Tel : 014/81.03.01 • Fax : 014/81.04.21
• info@keiheuvel.be • www.keiheuvel.be

BALEN



Recreation park with many facilities for all ages: open air swimming pools, playground, miniature golf, trampolines, petanque, skate ramp, bicycle hire, all in- and outdoor sports accommodation, aeroclub, riding school, campground, wooded area with interesting cycling and walking routes, children's farm.

Open: from 25/4 to 25/9: daily from 9.30 to 21.00 • From 28/9 to 24/4: daily from 9.30-16.00

• **Admission:** entrance to the park, including the playground: free • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Sports Hotel Keiheuvel for schools, sports and other societies • Service Centre Keiheuvel: for parties and meetings • **P** : 5

18 OLMENSE ZOO

Bukenberg 45, B-2491 Olmen (Balen) • Tel : 014/30.98.82 • Fax : 014/30.23.46
• info@olmensezoo.be • www.olmensezoo.be

OLMEN (BALEN)



NEW : BEAR WOODS, unique in Belgium!

Perfect for a "beastly" day out!

Thanks to its wild natural character both humans and animals feel at home here. The African Savannah (about 2ha) and the walk-in aviary are 'musts' for lovers of nature! As well as the white tiger and the white lion you will see lots of other animals : all kinds of cats, apes, white wolves, reptiles, spiders, zebras, exotic birds, etc ..

The childrens farm, the playground, the bouncy castles and trampolines, plus the summer attractions (show & zoo train) make your visit a true play paradise!

Extras: Museum and Educational packages - party hall - self-service restaurant - Events: Halloween, World animal , Dreamnight at the zoo ...

Open: Summer season from 04/04/'09 to 08/11/'09 daily from 10.00 to 18.00 • Winter season from 09/11/'09 to 02/04/'10 only on weekends and Belgian schoolholidays • **Admission:** Summer entrance fee: ad. € 12 • Children (3-12y.) € 9 • 60+, people w/disabil. € 11 • Children -3y. free • Winter entrance fee: € 7 • Bolderkar-carts and wheelchairs for hire • **Guided visit:** on demand • Guide (20 pers./guide): € 20 • **Access:** E34 Antwerp - Eindhoven: Exit 25 or 26 (Retie), direction Dessel • E313 Antwerp - Luik: Exit 25 (Ham-Leopoldsburg); direction Ham • Follow signposts "Olmense Zoo" • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open: other days possible upon reservation • **Admission:** (>20 pers.) Summer entrance fee: ad. € 10 • Children € 8 • 60+ and handicapped € 9.50 • Children -3y. free • Winter entrance fee: € 7 • **Guided visit:** on demand • Guide (20 pers./guide): € 20 • Arrangements for groups, schools and companies

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19 MUNICIPAL MUSEUMS

Tourist Office, Grote Markt, B-2500 Lier • Tel : 03/800.05.55 • Fax : 03/488.12.76
• toerisme@lier.be • www.toerismelier.be

LIER



Lier, the town on the river "Nete", shows its classics in the municipal museums. Special attention is given to the writer and artist Felix Timmermans. You can see his work in the "Timmermans-Opsomerhuis".

This famous Lier born writer often mentioned the town's tourist attractions: the Town Hall, the Beguinage, the Saint-Gummarus Church and the Zimmer Tower. In the region described so vividly by Felix Timmermans you can walk and cycle to your heart's content. The ideal spots are along the Nete.

Open : Museums are open daily, except on Mondays, from 10.00 to 12.00 and from 13.00 to 17.00
Admission : € 1, except for special exhibitions



Groups - advance booking required

Guided visit : guided visits to the city centre in EN, NL, F, D, S

20 DOLLS AND DOLLS HOUSES MUSEUM "DE KLEINE WERELD"

Werf 3, B-2500 Lier • The museum is accessible to wheelchair users • Tel : 03/293.07.57
• museumdekleinewereld@gmail.com • www.museumdekleinewereld.be

LIER



Since April 2007 Lier has been a wonderful tourist attraction richer.

A charming collection of antique girls' toys is being exhibited in the dolls and doll's house museum De Kleine Wereld.

A track full of surprises leads you through two floors of wonderful glass cases full of doll's shops, doll's houses, doll's rooms and doll's kitchens, doll's services and dolls from the 1860- 1930 period.

All pieces are original and authentic, and reflect the life style of the 19th century: luxuriant interiors and costumes, the longing for

pomp and circumstance, the evolution of the style periods.

Dolls Museum 'De Kleine Wereld' is the result of more than thirty years of collector's passion, and its purpose and versatility are unique in Europe.

This high quality collection is being exhibited with love and care, and guarantees a lot of viewing and discovery enjoyment.

Open : Open from Tuesday to Sunday inclusive from 10 am to 5 pm • **Admission :** tickets: adults: € 5 • children: € 2 • groups, 60+, inhabitants of Lier: € 4 • **Guided visit :** Guides are available at the tourist info Lier, contact tel.03/8000 555- www.toerismelier.be • **V :** One hour • **Access :** The museum is located in the center of Lier, about 12 KM from Antwerp or Mechelen



Groups - advance booking required

Open : Normal openings hours • **Admission :** Groups +10 persons: 4,- euro • **Guided visit :** Reservations are not obliged but recommendable; tel. 03/293.07.57

21 PROVINCIAL DOMAIN VRIJBROEK

Hombeksesteenweg 264, B-2800 Mechelen • Tel : 015/45.13.80 • Fax : 015/45.13.91
• info@groenmechelen.provant.be • www.vrijbroekpark.be

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The alleys and ponds of this park are very impressive and its rose gardens rank among the most beautiful in Belgium and even in Europe. The dahlia and fuchsia collections are a masterly example of horticulture. Sportsmen can really enjoy themselves on one of the nine tennis courts or on the hockey, cricket, football or basketball field. Also: two cafes and a playground for the children.

Open : daily • **Admission :** free entrance • **Access :** entrance for motor vehicles: Ridder Dessainlaan • **P :**



Groups - advance booking required

Guided visit : upon reservation

23 PLANCKENDAEL

Leuvensesteenweg 582, B-2812 Mechelen • Tel : 015/41.49.21 • Fax : 015/42.29.35
• info@planckendael.be • www.planckendael.be

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Fancy a fun day out with friends? Planckendael is the perfect spot. You can play Tarzan in the trees, 14 metres off the ground. Or if you prefer, why not travel by raft from Africa to Oceania? Surrounded by nature, you'll experience an exceptional day, and our animals will benefit

from your visit as the receipts help towards our scientific research. This takes place at Planckendael, but also in the wild, as we're continually extending our knowledge about our animals and have even won awards for it. So you too can learn a lot about nature and animals to surprise your friends ... Even in Roman times, Planckendael was a wildlife haven. Ok, it wasn't called Planckendael back then and there weren't any rhinoceroses, bison or hyenas in the vicinity, but the species and numbers have grown, with the result that, today, it's a wild animal park unique in its genre, with bags of space for adventure and discovery • When nature calls you, you must reply. Hurry up and come to Planckendael and spend a day full of adventure with your friends.

What we've renewed...

Not thick necks, but long necks!

Planckendael has very recently made a brandnew giraffe living quarters and a big Savannah where the new inhabitants will hopefully feel so good that they will surprise us with some little long-necks.. Did you realise that an adult male can be 5 metres tall? Then you really do have to look up !

Open : throughout the year • Jan-Feb/Nov-Dec: 10.00-16.45 • March-Apr/Oct: 10.00-17.30 • May-June/Sept: 10.00-18.00 • July-Aug: 10.00-19.00 • **Admission :** adults (+ 11 years) € 18.50 • Children (3-11 years), people w/disabil.: € 13.50 • 60+: € 14.50 • Why not enquire about combined tickets with other attractions. For more information please call 070/233.354. • **Guided visit :** Consult our website for details of the different guided visits. • **V :** One day • **Access :** E19 Brussels-Antwerp, exit 11. Follow the "Planckendael" Traffic Signs. • **P :**



Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (+ 15 pers.) adults (over 11 years) €15.50 • Children (ages 3-11) €10.50 • 60+ €11.50 • Disabled € 10.50 • **Guided visit :** NL/F/EN/D (min. 15 pers.) advance booking required. Different themes possible. • € 70 per guide • **P :** : 20

22 PROVINCIAL SPORTS AND RECREATION CENTRE DE NEKKER

Nekkerspoel-Borcht 19, B-2800 Mechelen • Tel : 015/55.70.05(06) • Fax : 015/55.66.10
• reservatie@denekker.be • www.denekker.be

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65 ha of green and water with swimming area, beach, playgrounds, water slide and fountains • plenty of in- and outdoor sports facilities • 18-hole miniature golf, go-carts and skatetstreet • indoor play-land 'Nekki' • reasonably priced accommodation for hikers and groups • ideal for families, schools and associations

Open : 22/03 - 20/06 and 01/09 - 30/09 : recreation open daily from 10.00 to 20.00 • 21/06 - 31/08 : from 09.00 to 21.00 • **Admission :** Consult www.denekker.be or e- mail reservatie@denekker.be • **P :**



Groups - advance booking required

Information about entry prices and reservations: 015/55.70.05 • E-mail : reservatie@denekker.be, or via www.denekker.be • **P :** : 4

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24 EXPLORING MECHELEN

departure and tickets : Toerisme Mechelen , , Hallestraat 2-4-6 , B-2800 Mechelen • Tel : 070/22.00.08
• Fax : 015/29.76.53 • toerisme@mechelen.be • www.toerismemechelen.be

MECHELEN



Mechelen will show you the grace of its ancient palaces, the elegant St.Rumbold's Tower, its world-famous carillons, the beguinage, several gothic and baroque churches, the annual "Hanswijk" procession. Mechelen, a place where you can wander around all day long and where children also are more than welcome.

Open : guided tours • From 1 April to 30 September: every Saturday, Sunday and public holiday at 14.00: city walk • From 4 to 19 April and July and August: daily at 14.00: city walk • **Admission :** adults € 5 • Child. € 2.50 • **V :** 2 hours • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : the whole year upon request • **Admission :** € 60 for 2 hours visit • **Guided visit :** EN, F, NL, D, It, Sp • Max. 25 pers. per guide



25 TECHNOLIS®

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Technopolis®... where experimenting is FUN!

A day out at Technopolis® is a unique experience. You can carry out experiments to your heart's desire using loads of interactive devices. Take a nap on a bed of nails, be a real pilot and land a plane safely on the ground, sprint against a dragonfly and take an exciting bike ride on a cable five metres above the ground. Outside

in the Science Garden there is even more action going on. Brave the Bascule Bridge and try to get to the other side in one piece, demonstrate your strength and lift up a car or make music with the Pump Flute and the Musical Railing.

The weekend programme includes a host of cool shows and surprising demos. See some of the most exciting experiments from close up in the front row. And for a hair-raising experience, the Van de Graaff generator will be operating several times during the day. Spectacular – and fortunately – not dangerous. In the Children's Science Center, 4 – 8 year-olds get to roll their sleeves up. They get to take a brand new look at the world thanks to a lifelike décor full of interactive devices. They make money in 'the City', listen with the ears of an animal in 'the Park', build their own igloo on 'Under construction' and cycle past a skeleton in the 'My Body' theme zone... and they do everything themselves.

Open : Open every day from 9h30 to 17h00. • Closed on 1 January, 25 December and during the first full week of September

• **Admission :** Adults and children from the age of 12: € 9.50 • children from 3 to 11: € 7.00 • seniors (55+): € 8.50 • adults with disabilities: € 8.50 • children with disabilities € 5.50.

• **V :** +/- 3 hours • **Access :** Easy to reach • By car : E19, exit 10 Mechelen-Zuid. • By public transport : Mechelen station and bus No. 282 or 682 to Technopolis (connections every 30 minutes on weekdays)

• **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Special rates for schools and groups of 15 people and more by reservation only.



26 NATIONAL MEMORIAL OF THE FORTRESS OF BREENDONK

Brandstraat 57 , B-2830 Willebroek • Tel : 03/860.75.25 • Fax : 03/866.53.91 • info@breendonk.be
• www.breendonk.be

WILLEBROEK



Breendonk, an exceptional and unique site of its kind. A page in World War II history. A camp where many Belgians became victims of the Nazi horror. There were the heroes and the false, the tormentors and their victims. During the visit you will be guided by audioguides, original audio-visual witnesses and films. You will also visit the labour place, the torture room, the execution spot and the prisoners' cells.



Open : daily 9.30 - 17.30. Last admittance at 16.30 • Closed: 24-25/12 and 01/01 • **Admission :** adults € 6 • Children (6-18 y.): € 5. Free audioguides. • **Guided visit :** guide and/or audioguides GB,NL,F,D • **Booking:** 03/860.75.24 • **V :** +/-2h • **Access :** by road: motorway A12, way-out 7 • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (min. 10 pers.) € 5 p.p. • Schools: € 2/student • **P** : 10



27 TOY MUSEUM

Nekkerspoelstraat 21 , B-2800 Mechelen • Tel : 015/55.70.75 • Fax : 015/55.20.85
• info@speelgoedmuseum.be • www.speelgoedmuseum.be

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An Aladdin's cave of toys and games for the young and young-at-heart. 10,000m² of dolls, cuddly toys, tin soldiers, trains; old, new, traditional, educational, computer games – children love it, adults will be taken back to their childhoods.

Open : from Tuesday to Sunday from 10.00 to 17.00 • Closed on Mondays, 24, 25, 31 December and 1 January • **Admission :** ad. € 7 • Child. (3-12) € 5 • 60+: € 6 • **V :** 2 hrs. • **Access :** close to Mechelen Nekkerspoel station • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : ad. € 6 , 60+: € 5.50 • Child. (3-12): € 4 • **Guided visit :** only on request • EN, NL, F, D: 25 €/20 pers. • Workshops • **P** : 3



28 PROVINCIAL RECREATION CENTRE DE SCHORRE

Schommelei 1/1 , B-2850 Boom • Tel : 03/880.76.00 • Fax : 03/880.76.11 • info@deschorre.be
• www.deschorre.be

BOOM



De Schorre Recreation Centre - "A great day out"

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Open : from sunrise to sunset (all year) • **Admission :** free (activities have to be paid for) • Tavern with terrace • **Access :** E19 exit Rumst or A12 exit Boom • **P**

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29 ARBORETUM KALMTHOUT

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• info@arboretumkalmthout.be • www.arboretumkalmthout.be

KALMTHOUT



Arboretum Kalmthout in the north of Antwerp is an amazing place with almost 150 years of history. A stroll through the 12-hectare arboretum plunges you into a discovering journey of the luxuriant and diverse world of plants. Enjoy the beauty of the colourful flowering borders, smell the wonderful scents in the rose garden and admire the butterflies and insects in the butterfly garden. In spring there are flowering magnolias and cherries, while in the autumn the maples are a blaze of colour. More than 7,000 varieties of plants from all over the world provide an unique setting for magnificent nature walks. Afterwards, enjoy a local beer in our cafeteria, or stroll in the gift and bookshop. And don't forget to visit the plant centre!

Plant fair (*) : Sunday 20 April and Sunday 5 October
End of season "Happening" : Sunday 30 November

Open : daily from 15 March to 15 November from 10.00 to 17.00 • Open in Winter according to the blooming of the Hamamelis and other winter flowering plants and international Hellebore days (check our website for dates) www.arboretumkalmthout.be/en • **Admission** : ad.: € 5 • Sen.cit. € 4 • Child. (-12) free • (*)Special admission : € 6 • **Guided visit** : walks with a guide (NL) on Sundays and pub. hol. at 2 pm (no extra charge) • **V** : 2 hrs. • **Access** : Train : Antwerp - Roosendaal, Kalmthout station • Car : motorway E19, direction Antwerpen - Breda, exit 4, then follow signs to Kalmthout Centrum, or E19 Antwerpen, A12 Bergen op Zoom, exit 13, then follow Stabroek and Kalmthout Centrum. • Entrance opposite Kalmthout station. • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (min. 15 pers.): € 4 • Child. (-12): free • **Guided visit** : upon request EN, NL, F, D : € 30 • also available : theme, evening, poetic or children's walk.



30 THE VEGETABLE MUSEUM ('T GROM)

Midzelen 25A, B-2860 Sint-Katelijne-Waver • Tel : 015/31 50 55 • brigitte.myle@tgrom.be
• www.tgrom.be

SINT-KATELIJNE-WAVER



The Vegetable Museum ('t Grom) is the first museum in Flanders about vegetables and horticulture heritage. In the Vegetable museum, which is located on a site with 18 Th Century farmhouses, you discover not only forgotten horticultural material, the arise of the vegetable region and horticultural inventions. You learn also more about cookery history, conservation of vegetables and vegetable promotion trough history. Outside you can experience a lot. In the beautiful gardens you can uncover the typical greenhouses from this region, (forgotten) vegetables, a hotel for insects, an apiary, ...

Open : Mon-Fri: 10-16h • Sun and Holidays: 13-18h • Tue, Sat: closed • end of Dec-end of Feb: closed • Oct-end of Apr: closed on holidays • **Admission** : Ad.: 3 € • Kids: 2 € • unemployed, +55, stud.: 2,5 € • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : after booking. • **Admission** : 2,5 € • With guide: 5 € (kids: 3,5 €) • min. 15-max. 25 pers./guide



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31 BOAT TRIPS FROM MECHELEN TO PLANCKENDAEL

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• info@v-zit.be • www.v-zit.be

MECHELEN



Did you know that you can visit the Planckendael zoo without standing in line and waiting? With Malinska! You step right out of the train onto one of our refurbished boats. Our boats are fully equipped for people with disabilities.

Open : From 4/4 to 8/11/09: all weekends, national holidays and bridging day. Easter holiday, 29/6 to 31/8/09: daily. **Outward** : every 40' from 9h30 to 14h50 **Return** : every 40' from 10h10 to 18h50 (The last two only in July and August). • **Admission** : +11y: 5.75 € • 3-11y: 5.25 € • 60+, disabled: 5.25 € • Obligatory guide 5,25 € (O/R). • **V** : 30' • **Access** : free parking • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : The whole year round, by reservation (24/7) (> 15 people). Special deals for schools and youth associations. Holiday internships and Planckendael subscriptions. • **Admission** : +11y: 5.50 € • 3-11y: 5.00 € • 60+, disabled 5.00 € • Obligatory guide* 5.00 € • * 1 guide per 15 travellers (O/R)



32 BOAT TRIPS ON THE INNER DYLE

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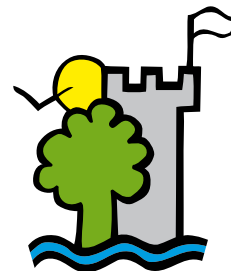


Did you know that Mechelen is the only Flemish city that appears no less than four times on the list of Unesco World Heritage Sites? And that the city centre has more than 300 protected monuments? But above all that you can admire a number of these sites from the Mechelen Inner Dyle?

Open : From 21/3 to 31/5/09: weekends, national holidays and bridging days • Easter holidays: every day • June and Sept. : every day except Mon. • July and Aug.: every day. • Oct. - 8/11 : all weekends and national holidays. • Departure times : 13h30, 14h30, 15h30, 16h30, 17h30 • **Admission** : +18y: 6 € • -18y : 4 € • -3y: free • **V** : 45' • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : the whole year - 24/7 by reservation. • **Admission** : Regular hours (min.10 people) : +18y : 5 € • -18y : 3 € • -3y : free • Outside regular hours : +18y: 6 € • -18y : 4 € • -3y : free • Min. fee 120€



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1 GLAZEN HUIS / HOUSE OF GLASS

Dorp 14b, B-3920 Lommel • Tel : 011/54.13.35 • Fax : 011/55.22.66 • info@hetglazenhuis.be • www.hetglazenhuis.be

LOMME



The House of Glass (literally a house made of glass) is a unique project for Lommel and Flanders.

In this Flemish Centre for Contemporary Glass Art, GLASS is represented in a myriad of different forms with detailed explanations. The House of Glass plays a combination of different roles. It acts as an exhibition space and shows glass items from different collections. Another of its many roles is to show works by contemporary (glass) artists. Visitors can also discover how glass blowers transform raw materials into a ball of glass and then into wonderful works of art. See them at work in their workshop and admire their handiwork. You will find the results of their craftsmanship in the exhibition area and the glass shop.

Open : Tuesday to Sunday inclusive from 10h00 to 17h00. Closed on Monday • For other closed dates - see website • **Admission :** Adults € 3, Children under 12 € 2.50, Children under 6 free • **Guided visit :** Guides € 25 per guide by appointment. 1 guide for 25 people • **Reservations :** Tourist Office Lommel - Tel.: 011/54.02.21 • **V :** +/- 1 hour • **Access :** Entrance via the Tourist Office, Markplein Lommel • **More info :** see website

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : Groups starting at 12 people € 2.50 p.p.

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2 FASHION MUSEUM HASSELT

Gasthuisstraat 11, B-3500 Hasselt • Tel : 011/23.96.21 • Fax : 011/22.10.66
• modemuseum@hasselt.be • www.modemuseumhasselt.be

HASSELT



The Fashion Museum approaches fashion and fashion history in its broadest sense. The exhibitions shed alternately more light on aspects of the history of western fashion from the 18th to the 20th century, on a fashion designer, on a certain material or a technique. For more information on the current exhibition: www.modemuseumhasselt.be.

Open : Tuesday to Sunday from 10.00 to 17.00 • Weekends from 1/11 to 31/3 from 13.00 to 17.00
• **Closed:** Mondays, 1/1, 5/1 tot 6/2, 11/5 to 29/5, 9/11 to 27/11, 24-25-31/12 • **Admission :** € 5
• -12 years free • **V :** 1.30h. • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : € 4/pp. • **Guided visit :** on request • NL: € 50 per guide • EN, F, D: € 60 per guide • 1 guide per 25 pers. • **P :** 11

3 NATIONAL GENEVER MUSEUM

Witte Nonnenstraat 19, B-3500 Hasselt • Tel : 011/23.98.60 • Fax : 011/21.10.50
• jenevermuseum@hasselt.be • www.jenevermuseum.be

HASSELT



The power of 'living water'!

The listed distillery complex, which houses the National Genever Museum, forms a unique place to show the history of this Belgian gin. An interesting story of how the aqua vitae from the 14th century developed to the genever we know today. Shot glasses, bottles and jars, promotional posters, gadgets and all sorts of archived treasures represent what genever meant to agriculture, economy and society. Authentic distillery equipment shows you how genever is made. Don't forget to taste it before you leave!

Open : from Tuesday to Sunday from 10.00 to 17.00 • Weekends from 1/11 to 31/3 from 13.00 to 17.00 • **Closed:** Mondays (except July and August), 1/1, 24-25-31/12 • **Admission :** (including a drink) € 3,50 • -12 y.: free • **V :** 1.30 h. • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : € 2,50/pp. • **Guided visit :** on request • NL: € 50 per guide • EN, F, D: € 60 per guide • 1 guide per 25 pers. • **P :** 11

4 MUNICIPAL MUSEUM HET STADSMUS

Guido Gezellestraat 2, B-3500 Hasselt • Tel : 011/23.98.90 • Fax : 011/26.23.98
• hetstadsmus@hasselt.be • www.hetstadsmus.be

HASSELT



Discover Hasselt from a bird's eye view!

In Het Stadsmus you will discover the streets of Hasselt with its famous inhabitants and even a mysterious citizen who only sees the light of day once every seven years. You will hear why the people of Hasselt didn't lose any sleep over 1302 and 1830. You will take part in a procession with mysterious tales and colourful ceramics and Hasselt's silversmith's trade show you the riches of the city.

The museum is situated in a beautiful restored building with parts from the 17th and 19th centuries.

Open : Tuesday to Sunday from 10.00 to 17.00 • Weekends from 1/11 to 31/3 from 13.00 to 17.00
• **Closed:** Mondays, 1/1, 5 to 31/1, 24-25-31/12 • **Admission :** free • **V :** 1.30 h. • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : free • **Guided visit :** on request • NL: € 50 per guide • EN, F, D: € 60 per guide • 1 guide per 25 pers. • **P :** 11

5 JAPANESE GARDEN

Kapermolenpark, B-3500 Hasselt • Tel.: 011 23 95 40 (Tourist Office) • Fax: 011 22 50 23 • **Dogs not allowed** • 5°21'23,70377°O 50°56'09,56887°N

HASSELT



East meets West...

The garden in Hasselt is the largest Japanese garden in Europe. It reflects the Japanese landscape and is set out on the lines of the 17th century tea garden. To walk in a Japanese garden is to open yourself up to another culture, being steeped in an atmospherical environment, involving all your senses.

Open : 1 April to 30 October: Tuesday to Friday from 10.00 to 17.00 • Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from 14.00 to 18.00 • **Closed** on Mondays and Easter • **Admission :** € 5 • Sen.cit., and CJP: € 4

Tickets sold until 30 min. before closing.

• **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : € 4/pp. • **Guided visit :** on request • NL: € 50 per guide • EN, F, D: € 60 per guide • 1 guide per 25 pers.

6 THE MOATED CASTLE

Kattestraat 22, B-3770 Riemst • Tel : 012/44.03.75 • Fax : 012/44.03.79 • toerisme@riemst.be • www.riemst.be

RIEMST



This renovated complex is one of the four visitors' centres of the 'Citadels and Fortifications in the Maas-Rhine Region' Bicycle and Car Route Network. Please ask for comprehensive tourist information in the tourist information tavern. The interactive museum explains how Nobility lived in the 16th and 17th centuries.

Open : from 1/04 to 30/09 : Tuesday to Sunday between 10.00 and 18.00 • From 1/10 to 31/03 : Wednesday to Sunday between 10.00 and 18.00 • **Admission :** free of charge • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Guided visit : on demand (EN/NL/F/D) • **P :** 4

7 PLOPSA INDOOR HASSELT

Gouverneur Verwilghensingel 70, B-3500 Hasselt • Tel : 011/29.30.40 • Fax : 058/42.02.45
• info@plopsa.be • www.plopsa.be

HASSELT



Plop the Gnome, Samson & Gert, Pete the Pirate and Bumba are proud to welcome you to Plopsa Indoor Hasselt. This theme park combines the magic of the Studio 100-characters with the fun of tailor-made attractions for children.

On a surface of 2 football pitches, 20 attractions are integrated in a breathtaking scenery. Enjoy a stormy ride in the rollercoaster, visit Plop the Gnome in his mushroom-house, lose track of time in the roundabout and have a drink at the Studio 100 Café.

On arrival, your TV-friends welcome you and of course your day in Plopsa Indoor Hasselt would not be complete if you didn't see one of the real tv-characters giving a great show at the amphitheatre.

Come and enjoy an unforgettable day in Plopsa Indoor Hasselt!

Open : Daily during Christmas-, Carnival-, Eastern-, Summer- and Autumnholidays and every (extended) weekend • Every Wednesday during the year as well as every Thursday and Friday in May and June • Closed the 25th of December and the 1st of January, 14 & 15 February, 8 March and 17 & 18 October • Visit www.plopsa.be for the most current calendar. • **Admission :** Children <85 cm: free • Children >85 cm and <1 meter: € 6 • >1 meter: € € 16 • Disabled: € 22 • 70+: free • Seasons Ticket: € 75 • Tickets for sale in all Postoffices. **For a guaranteed entry, buy your tickets at plopsa.be** • **Access :** E313 Hasselt-Eindhoven, Exit 29: 'Hasselt Oost-Tongeren', follow 'Grenslandhallen' • B-excursions nr. 187 from all Belgian railwaystations. •

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Daily during Christmas-, Carnival-, Eastern-, Summer- and Autumnholidays and every (extended) weekend • Every Wednesday during the year as well as every Thursday and Friday in May and June • Closed the 25th of December and the 1st of January, 14 & 15 February, 8 March and 17 & 18 October • Visit www.plopsa.be for the most current calendar. • **Admission :** from 20 pers.: tariffs on request • Special schooltarifs • B-excursions from every Belgian railwaystation.

B-excursions



9 RAIL BIKES

VVV-Tessenderlo, Town Hall, Markt z/n, B-3980 Tessenderlo • Tel : 013/66.17.15 • Fax : 013/67.36.93 • www.vvvtessenderlo.be

TESSENDERLO



There is only one place in Flanders where you can cycle on a railway line and that is in Tessenderlo. The rail bikes seat four people; two pedal while the two behind enjoy the Limburg countryside.

After a 3.5 km trip, you stop near the Albert Canal. There you have a short, pleasant break. The seats are turned and the return trip of about 20 minutes begins. You can be a cycling locomotive and pedal through woods and heather, meadows and pastures. You can combine rail trip with a ride to some of the places of interest in the area on a hired bicycle. One-day arrangements have been developed to cater to everyone's wishes.

Open : From the end of April to October, every Saturday and Sunday, at fixed starting times: 10:30 AM, 1:30, 3:30 and 5:30 PM. In July and August, every working day too. Departures are by group, and you can still get going up to fifteen minutes after the starting time.

• **Admission :** €16 per rail bike • Reductions: €14 per rail bike. • Reservations: VVV-Tessenderlo, tel. 013/66.17.15 of 0478/21.61.12 (Georges Houtmeyers)

• **V :** Distance: 7 km: 3.5 km to and 3.5 km back ; 20- to 30-minute break. Total duration: one hour and a half.

• **Access :** Departure from the Spoorwegstraat (near the station). Traffic lights in the centre of Tessenderlo.

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Also for school trips, by appointment • **Admission :** €14 per rail bike

Ticket Compliments

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Parking for cars

Parking for coaches : number of spaces available

8 NATURE AND CULTURE PARK

Runksterkiezel 113, B-3500 Hasselt • Tel : 011/76.66.61 • Fax : 011/27.29.44
• info@parknatuurcultuur.be • www.parknatuurcultuur.be

HASSELT



For some time now, Hasselt is the proud owner of a new unique attraction. The Nature & Culture Park stretches out over 15,000 m² and includes 25 leaf-shaped garden plots full of surprises and different scenes that are a feast for the eye. In a playful and contemporary way, the visitors can discover crafts of days gone by such as the weaving of willow and rattan, how to shape and prune a box tree etc ... There are more than 100 different kinds of box tree for visitors to admire throughout the entire park. In the middle of the park you can see the biggest basket in the world made of hand-woven wicker. There is a tremendous panorama from here. You can also enjoy a drink or snack in the attractive pavilion with beautiful sun terrace • All the way through from April to October there are exhibitions by national and international artists • Access for people with disabilities • Dogs on leashes allowed

Open : From 28 March to 3 November • every day (Tuesday and Friday by reservation only) • from 10h00 to 18h00 • From 5 December to 19 March only open during the weekend and on national holidays, during the holiday periods and by reservation only. • **Admission :** Adults € 4.50 • Children under 12 years accompanied by parents free entrance • **Access :** By car: motorway E313 (Antwerpen - Hasselt - Luik) exit 28, left to Ring road. 2nd lights left direction Stevoort, drive 1.5 km and take 1st street at your right hand. Bus route 5 direction St-Truiden and bus stop "Runksterkiezel" (Line H7 soon). • Bike route from number 96 to number 177 and vice versa. •

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : Groups of 10 and upwards: € 4 p.p • School groups: € 2 p.p • : 4

10 HENGELHOEF LEISURE PARK

Tulpenstraat 141, B-3530 Houthalen-Helchteren • Tel : 089/38.25.00 • Fax : 089/84.45.82
• info@recreatieparkhengelhoef.be • www.recreatieparkhengelhoef.be

HOUTHALEN-HELCHTEREN



Swim, play, enjoy You can do them all in the "Hengelhoef" Leisure Park. Enjoy the breathtaking subtropical swimming paradise with the famous rough water cascade or get to know the unique indoor playground Villa Victor. Then you can relax and have something tasty in our homely tavern or on the terrace with a view over the beach. Have a look at www.recreatieparkhengelhoef.be. Victor the fox is ready to welcome you.

Open : all the year round • **Admission :** consult our website or ask for our leaflet • **Access :** via E314 Motorway Antwerpen-Aachen, exit 30 sign-posted "Park Midden-Limburg"

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11 AN OUTSTANDING DAY AT PARK MOLENHEIDE.

Molenheidestraat 7, B-3530 Houthalen-Helchteren • Tel : 011/52.10.44 • Fax : 011/52.18.68 • sport@molenheide.be • www.molenheide.be

HOUTHALLEN-HELCHTEREN



An outstanding day out at Park Molenheide !!

Park Molenheide is the perfect location for a family outing. There is something to suit all tastes.

"The Forgotten Mine" is a unique and fascinating 18-hole INDOOR ADVENTURE GOLF COURSE - on the theme of the mine. We use light and sound effects, as well as smoke and even smell effects to make sure that the golf courses will be as adventurous as possible. The animations and obstacles on the different golf courses make the



whole concept even more exciting and amusing. UNIQUE IN EUROPE.

Our SWIMMING PARADISE has something for everyone. Tiny tots and young children can splash about in the Pixie Pool with its slides, pixie houses, bubbling toadstools and pixies.

And for our teenagers, there is our 'Super Flume'. This 100 metre-long slide is an exciting way to get down to the bottom. But for pure adrenalin you have to try the 50-metre 'Aqua Wizz' with a 40° slope. The 'Blackhole' with a starry sky and flashlight. Not to be missed!!!

Fancy going on the slide with your family all together. Then don't forget our 3-metre wide family slide.

The 25-metre pool is great for people who love to swim lengths.



Try our PLAY PARADISE measuring 5,500 m². A huge indoor and outdoor play paradise with a huge selection of safe and fun toys. Rope circuit, go car circuit, climbing structure, shooting gallery, fun house, pirate fortress, ghost castle, etc. make this not just the greatest but also the biggest play paradise in all Belgium. The ideal outing for children under 12.

The combination of all of this with our extensive hotel and catering possibilities, make Molenheide the place to be for a wonderful family outing.

Open : consult our website www.beourguest.be • Admission : consult our website •

12 KARTING GENK

Europaalaan 555, B-3600 Genk • Tel : 089/35.55.65 • Fax : 089/65.85.32 • info@kartingenk.be • www.kartingenk.be

GENK



Karting Genk is a FIA homologated track. For beginning karters, we can offer a 80cc kart, to ride on a 550m track. For those who like to speed it up, we also have 125cc racing karts. With these type of karts, you have to drive on the FIA competition track of 1380m. Also don't forget to bring your kids, for their first driving experience, we have special 50cc kidskarts. After all the racing, you can relax in our bar/restaurant, in the middle of the track.

Open : Every day from 9h till 19h. Closed each tuesday • Winter: from 9u till it's dark. • Admission : 50cc and 80cc: 15€ for 15' • 125cc = 50€ for 15' • Access : E314 - Exit 32 - direction As. 500m after the exit, you will see the track on your left site. •

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Every day from 9h till 19h. Closed each tuesday • Winter: from 9u till it's dark. • Admission : 1€/minut/person •

13 HEUSDEN-ZOLDER, VARIED AND GREEN

Tourist Office, Vrunstraat 6, B-3550 Heusden-Zolder • Tel : 011/80.80.88 • toerisme@heusden-zolder.be • www.heusden-zolder.be

HEUSDEN-ZOLDER



Multicultural mine town where racing and silence go together.

Zolder, with the roaring motors of the Zolder racing circuit? OK! But you might be surprised by the recently restored Bolderberg hermitage, with its meditation garden, in the middle of a quiet area. Be tempted by one of the many signposted nature or cultural walks. The child-friendly Bovy estate is freely accessible and includes a gnome walk and catering facilities. Rent a bike (city, laying down or mountain bike) for a ride over the cycle path network, the "castles" cycle route, the mountain bike route or on the Zolder Circuit. Look for traces



of the mining past at the restored former mine site or along the "zebra" path. Visit the multicultural market on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday afternoons of the month. For culture enthusiasts there are three art studios or galleries, the Woutershof museum, the unique Sint-Vincentius- and Sint-Hubertus church, and the "Muze" cultural centre. Excellent restaurants have earned us the title "Gastronomic Mecca of Limburg". Others will enjoy the bird and mammal sanctuary, a dive in the heated open-air pool, or mini-golf and beach volley. Hotels and guest rooms offer special arrangements for a weekend or midweek. The tourist office will gladly give you further information.

Open : April 1 - September 30: every day: 09.00-12.00 and 13.00 -16.00

October 1 - March 30: monday - friday: 9.00 -12.00 and 13.00 - 16.00

• Admission : on demand • Guided visit : upon reservation • Access : E 314 exit 27 •

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : € 25/h (min. € 50) + € 10 adm.

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14 BOKRIJK PARK

Bokrijklaan 1, B-3600 Genk • Tel : 011/26.53.00 • Fax : 011/26.53.10 • bokrijk@limburg.be • www.bokrijk.be

GENK



From 28 March to 30 September 2009 you can take a journey back in time in the living Open Air Museum of Bokrijk. The residents of Bokrijk are there to welcome you seven days a week and will show you how people lived 100 years ago. Check out what school was like in your grandmother's day. Take a peek into the pots and pans that were used in 1909 and shudder in fear at the priest's fire and brimstone speech. You can also go on a discovery tour and find out all there is to know about smuggling in the old days. The Year Theme 'Going smuggling' is a fabulous multi-media project that is brought to life with a dynamic museum game.



The rest of the park is accessible throughout the year. You can choose from a sporty walk or link up to the extensive Limburg cycle route network. Nature lovers can enjoy the expansive arboretum with its different theme gardens. There are seven appealing and authentic eateries in the grounds. Great places to try one of the different regional dishes or an ice-co beer. Children will have the time of their lives the huge open air playground.

Bokrijk Park is your guarantee of a varied and full day outing.

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Open : The Open Air Museum is open from 28 March to 30 September 2009, from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. The rest of the estate is open throughout the year.

• **Admission :** Open Air Museum: Adults: 10€; senior citizens/disabled persons: 8.50€; < 26: 1€; < 6: FREE □ Car park: 3€ □ Season pass: 75€. • **P** : 17

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : Special school and group rates: various group programmes and theme routes possible. • **P** : 17

15 FLEMISH MINING MUSEUM

Tourist Office, Markt 8, B-3580 Beringen • Tel : 011/42.15.52 - 011/42.15.32 • Fax : 011/45.36.63
• toerisme@beringen.be • www.toerismeberingen.be

BERINGEN



The Flemish Mining Museum tells visitors the story of miners and mining. A tour of the museum starts with an atmospheric introductory film, followed by a visit to the rest of the museum accompanied by an enthusiastic guide.

A reconstructed pillar gives a good picture of the underground workings.

A model with sound and light effects shows the working of the surface installations. The visitors centre, in one of the four "lift-buildings" contains an exhibition about the past and present of the mining region.

Open : 1/1 to 31/12 every day at 11.00, 13.00 and 15.00 • Closed on public holidays • Every second weekend of September: Mine-happening. • **Admission :** Tour 1 + 2 : ad. € 5.50, sen. cit. € 4.50, child. € 4 • Tour 3 (for people with disabilities) : € 3.50 • Tour 5 (combination of tours 1+2) : ad. € 6.50, sen. cit. € 6, child. € 5.50 • **Access :** Museum : Koolmijnlaan 201, B-3582 Beringen • E313, exit 26 Paal-Beringen, direction Beringen, Beringen-Mijn • E314, exit 28 Heusden-Zolder, direction Beringen, Beringen-Mijn • **P** : 17

Groups - advance booking required

Open : all year upon request • **Admission :** Tour 1 + 2: ad. € 4 - sen. cit. € 3.50 - child. 3 • Tour 3 : € 3 • Tour 4 (only for groups of min. 20 pers.) : € 4 • Tour 5 (combination of tours 1+2) : ad. € 6.50, sen. cit. € 6, child. € 5.50 • **Guided visit :** in EN, NL, F, D

16 EUROPLANETARIUM

Domein Kattevennen, Planetariumweg 19, B-3600 Genk • Tel : 089/65.55.55 • Fax : 089/65.55.74
• info@euromanetarium.com • www.euromanetarium.be

GENK



The perfect balance between education and recreation.

The most modern planetarium in Belgium is situated in the midst of greenery. An interactive exhibition provides a foretaste of your journey through space, with a

breath-taking audiovisual show in quest of our solar system, as you enjoy a spectacular film presentation in HD quality. You can then visit the observatory accompanied by a specialist. And last, but far from least, do not forget to visit the unique planet stroll. The Europlanetarium has been expanded and has become one of the entrances to the Hoge Kempen National Park, namely the Kattevennen Entrance. Visit the Europlanetarium and explore the National Park too.

Open : Permanent public performances in the planetarium facilities (in Dutch): Wednesday at 2:00(*) and 3:00 PM, Friday at 8:00 PM, Saturday at 4:00 PM, Sunday at 2:00 (*), 3:00 and 4:00 PM. • Performance in German on Wednesday at 4:00 PM • Extra performances during the school holidays: Monday to Friday at 2:00 (*) and 3:00 PM

(*) performances for young people

Film showing (in Dutch): Wednesday at 2:15, 3:15 and 4:15 PM, Friday at 8:15 and 9:15 PM, and Sunday at 2:15, 3:15 and 4:15 PM.

Extra showings during the school holidays: Monday to Friday at 2:15, 3:15 and 4:15 PM.

• **Admission :** Planetarium performance: Adults: € 6 • Family: € 17 • Children under 5: free admission • Persons under 16 and over 60: € 5

Film showing: Adults: € 3

Combination tickets (planetarium and film): Adults: € 8.50 • Family: € 25 • Children under 5: free admission • Persons under 16 and over 60: € 7.50

• **V :** 2 to 3 hours

• **P** : 17

Groups - advance booking required

Open : By appointment • **Admission :** As of 25 people: Adults: € 5; Senior citizens; € 4; Schools/ Youth groups/Disabled persons: € 3

Combination tickets (planetarium and film): Adults: € 7.50 • Senior citizens: € 6.50 • Schools/young people: € 5.50 • **Guided visit :** NL, F, D, EN • **By appointment only!**

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17 DAY TRIPS BY HORSE AND CARRIAGE

Koning Albertlaan 110, B-3620 Lanaken • Tel : 089/72.24.67 • Fax : 089/72.25.30
• info@vvlanaken.be • www.vvlanaken.be

LANAKEN



A day trip by horse and carriage driven by yourself along a route laid out by the Tourist Board cannot fail to be a perfect excursion. Lanaken.. a new concept in tourism and leisure activities.

Open : from May to October • **Admission :** horse and carriage: € 33.50, ad.: € 7.20, child. (3-12): € 5.45 • In May, June and September seniors pay € 28.50 instead of € 33.50 to rent a carriage. • This reduction cannot be combined with other reductions. • **Reservation necessary** • **P**

18 DOMEIN PIETERSHEIM

Neerharenweg 12, B-3620 Lanaken • Tel : 089/71.21.20 • Fax : 089/73.17.73
• pietersheim@lanaken.be • www.lanaken.be/pietersheim

LANAKEN



As the most southerly gateway to the "Hoge Kempen" (National Park 6000 ha), Domein Pietersheim Lanaken is well worth a visit. At the kiddies' farm, the children can wander between the many farm animals before going for a romp to let off steam in the large playground.

Groups can pre-book a ride aboard a covered wagon. The gnome trails takes you through some of the loveliest spots in the grounds. In addition to seeing the little gnomes' house, you can also visit the castle built in 1926 (Grand Café-Restaurant-Hotel) before catching a glimpse of the 12th century Roman fortress ruins (being restored). School groups can take part in various farm and nature activities. Groups of 20 to 68 persons can even stay overnight in the accommodation centre.

Open : From sunrise to sunset. • **Admission :** Free entry • **Guided visit :** Can be arranged if booked in advance - 1.90 € per person. • **V :** 90 minutes. • **P**

20 DE LIETEBERG

Zuurbroekstraat 16, B-3690 Zutendaal • Tel : 089/62.94.53 • Fax : 089/64.94.30 • info@lieteberg.be
• www.lieteberg.be

ZUTENDAAL



Take your shoes off and discover a fascinating micro-cosmos De Lieteberg in Zutendaal is the gateway to the Hoge Kempen National Park. It makes the ideal spot to come and relax, especially if you like bugs and creepy-crawlies. The creepy-crawlies you'll find at the insect museum and you can stroll amid the colourful butterflies in the butterfly hothouse. And from De Lieteberg, you can take an outing through the beautiful countryside that makes Zutendaal the most wooded municipality in Flanders.

Set your feet free as you make your way along the first barefoot walking track in Flanders. Experience the extraordinary tactile sensation of wood, stones, tree mulch, grass, clay and water underfoot on the monitored route that is only accessible to bare feet. Clamber up the lookout towers, walk in the footsteps of early man, get lost in the maze and enjoy the fullness of nature swinging in a couch hammock.

Open : From Easter till Allsaints: from 10:00 to 6:00 PM, (closed on Mondays). • **Admission :** Insect Museum + Butterfly Conservatory: € 1.50/person; Barefoot path: € 2.50/person • **Guided visit :** Guided tours for groups, by reservation • **Access :** E314, Exit 32 "Genk-Zutendaal", follow Zutendaal and "Lieteberg"; bicycle route at interchange 64 (between 64 and 30) • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Group visits possible outside opening hours by reservation • **Admission :** As of 20 people: Insect Museum + Butterfly Conservatory: € 1.25; Barefoot path: € 2.50; Guide: € 25.00 (40 people maximum) • **P** : 2

19 MAREC, A SMALL PIECE OF THE MEDITERRANEAN

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• www.marec.be

OPHOVEN



... 500 ha of navigable water connected directly to the river Maas and 2 ultra modern marinas with a total of 1.400 berths.

A boat trip in the sightseeing vessel "De Paep van Meinecom II" runs from "De Spaanjerdt Yacht Marina" (Ophoven-Kinrooi). The trip crosses the gravel lakes and the river Maas where it forms the national border with destination Stevensweert or the white town of Thorn in the Netherlands.

Open : scheduled ferry services at weekends, public holidays and Wednesdays in July and August. • Departures from "De Spaanjerdt" : 13.30, 15.30 and 17.30. • **Admission :** return trip : ad. € 6.50, child. (5-12) € 5 • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : whole year • Groups of 25 persons and upwards may hire the ferry boat. • **Admission :** fares on request • **P** : 5

21 DE WISSEN MEUSE CENTRE

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• info@dewissen.be • www.dewissen.be

DILSEN-STOKKEM



On the banks of the Old Meuse, the De Wissen Meuse Centre is the point of departure for a stunning exploration of the Meuse Valley.

The exhibition on the Meuse - complete with interactive animation stand and a superb film about the river - offers a captivating insight into the watercourse that gives the Meuse Valley its extraordinary character. And our basket weaving museum will explain to you how Stokkem was formerly the centre for this fascinating craft.

From April to October, you will be able to discover the exceptional flora and fauna of the Old Meuse from onboard a 'Fluisterboot' as it glides silently over the water, and during the course of a stroll in Kerkeweerd nature park.



Open : January-March and October-December: weekdays: 09:00-12:00 and 13:00-17:00 • Sundays and public holidays: 13:00-17:00 • April, May, June and September: weekdays: 09:00-12:00 and 13:00-17:00 • Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays: 13:00-17:00 • July and August: Weekdays: 09:00-17:00 • Saturdays and Sundays: 10:00-12:00 and 13:00-17:00 • public holidays: 13:00-17:00 • **Admission :** Adults : €2.00 • Over 60s: €1.75 • Families: €5.00 • Under 10s: free • **Guided visit :** NL, F, D, EN: at all times on request • **V :** 2 hours • **Access :** Car park • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : idem • **Admission :** Adults: €1.75 • Over 60s: €1.50 • **Guided visit :** Price for groups of over 10 persons. Subject to booking only. • Demonstration of basket weaving available, subject to booking

22 THE AMBIORIX TOUR

Tourist Office, , Stadhuisplein 9, B-3700 Tongeren • Tel : 012/39.02.55 • Fax : 012/39.11.43
• info@toerismetongeren.be • www.tongeren.be

TONGEREN



In order that the many tourists can enjoy all the beauty that Tongeren has to offer, there is the signposted "Ambiorix" route.

This 4,5 km long walk doesn't only lead you

past historic public buildings, but also points out some special private houses from different times.

Bronze nails in the pavement, lead you past different monuments and sites. At these spots you'll notice signboards full of information. Would you like to learn even more about the history of Tongeren, then a useful guidebook will help you.

Ambiorix, the basilica, the beguinage, the Roman walls,... will reveal all their secrets to you.

Daily : with a guide, on your own or with a guidebook. Follow the easy trail of nails.



Open : Tourist Office: Mon. - Fri. 8.30 - 12.00 and 13.00 - 17.00 • July - August: 08.30 - 17.00
• Weekends and pub.hol.: Oct.-March: 10.00 - 16.00 ; April - Sept.: 9.30 - 17.00 • Closed on pub.
hol.: 1 and 2/1, 17/9, 15/11, 25 and 26/12 • **Admission :** brochure : € 2,50

24 LANDCOMMANDERY ALDEN BIESEN

Kasteelstraat 6, B-3740 Bilzen - Rijkhoven • Tel : 089/51.93.44 • Fax : 089/41.70.33
• aldenbiesen@vlaanderen.be • www.alden-biesen.be

BILZEN - RIJKHOVEN



The Landcommanderij Alden Biesen is situated in the rolling landscape of Haspengouw. A walk in the extensive and beautiful estate and in the English park will help you to get an impression of the grandeur of the site. The French garden, the exhibition(s) and the new visitors centre are certainly worth a visit. The grounds and the estate are open all year round. The castle building is only to be visited accompanied by a guide.

Open : Daily from 1/4 to 30/9 from 9:00 till 18:00 • From 1/10 to 31/3 from 10:00 till 17:00
• **Access :** by car: motorway E313, exit 31 • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : EN, NL, F, D on request • Groups can have a meal in the "Buitenhof" restaurant, in the "Gasthuis" or in the "Apostelhuis" upon request.

23 GALLO-ROMAN MUSEUM, TONGEREN

B-3700 Tongeren • Tel : 012/67.03.30 • grm@limburg.be • www.galloromeinsmuseum.be

TONGEREN



The NEW Gallo-Roman Museum WANTS YOU!

If the prospect of a breathtaking journey through time fills you with excitement, you'll be delighted to hear that Tongeren's new-look Gallo-Roman Museum will be opening in April 2009! Prehistory and the world of the Romans and Gauls will be brought to life by means of original displays, impressive objects and multimedia presentations. Intriguing, fascinating, unforgettable!

But there is more! In a bid to keep you abreast of the latest archaeological discoveries and insights, the Gallo-Roman Museum will also be organizing unmissable events, exclusive temporary exhibitions and fascinating workshops. Afterwards you'll be able to relive the memory of your journey through time in the exclusive museum shop and attractive café.

Open : Tuesday till Friday: 09.00 - 17.00 h.

Saturday, Sunday and holidays: 10.00 - 18.00 h. • **Admission :** Children/youths (4 - 26 year): € 1 - adults: € 7 - families: € 15 - 55+, disabled, groups (20 persons minimum): € 5 - schools: € 1

• **Guided visit :** Available on demand: € 50 / 2 hours • **V :** 2 hours • **Access :** The museum is situated in the center of Tongeren.

Bij way of motorway: E 313: exit Tongeren - E 40: exit Waremme

By train: line Antwerpen - Tongeren, line Liège - Tongeren

• **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Tuesday till Friday: 09.00 - 17.00 h.,

Saturday, Sunday and holidays: 10.00 - 18.00 h. • **Admission :** € 5 (minimum 20 persons) • **Guided visit :** Available on demand: € 50 / 2 hours • **P** : 20

25 EDUCATIONAL NATURE CENTRE APOSTELHUIS

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• toerisme@bilzen.be • toerisme.bilzen.be

BILZEN - RIJKHOVEN



The former main entrance of Alden Biesen is now set up as an educational nature centre. Not a stuffy museum, but an up-to-date centre provided with the most modern audio-visual equipment to present you all the aspects of the landscape of Haspengouw.

Open : from Easter to the end of October: daily from 10.00 to 18.00 • From 1 November to Easter: daily from 11.00 to 18.00 • Closed on Wednesday • **Admission :** ad.: € 2

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : € 1.50 • Schools: € 1.25 • **Guided visit :** guide on request: € 25/hour

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26 RECREATIEZWEMBAD SINT-PIETER

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 • info.zwembad@sint-truiden.be • www.sint-truiden.be

SINT-TRUIDEN



Swimming pool with a 51 m long slide, family slides, rapids with cascades and massage wall, toddlers' pool with fountains and mini slide, sunbathing area, outdoor swimming pool connected with the indoor pool, whirlpool, 25 m pool and instruction pool, garden, large cafeteria.

Open : during schooltime: Mon. and Tues. from 18.00 to 21.00, Wed. from 13.30 to 21.00, Fri. from 18.00 to 22.00, Sat. from 13.30 to 20.00, Sun. and public holidays from 10.00 to 17.00 • During school holidays: Mon. and Thur. from 13.30 to 21.00, Tues., Wed. and Fri. from 13.30 to 22.00, Sat. from 13.30 to 20.00, Sun. and public holidays from 10.00 to 17.00. • July and August: Mon. to Fri. from 10.00 to 22.00, Sat. from 10.00 to 20.00, Sun. and public holidays from 10.00 to 19.00
Admission : € 3.75 • Child. under 14: € 3 • **Access :** in Sint-Truiden follow the white roadsigns with 'P St. Pieter' • **P**



Groups - advance booking required
Admission : season tickets from € 25 and € 30

27 FLEMISH FRIAR MINORS MUSEUM

Capucienessenstraat 1-3, B-3800 Sint-Truiden • Tel : 011/67.29.71 • Fax : 011/68.47.05
 • musea.vlaamse.minderbroeders@skynet.be • www.museum-minderbroeders.be

SINT-TRUIDEN



Regionally recognised museum with an important collection of art treasures from the Flemish Friar Minors heritage : 16th century paintings, valuable carvings, religious silversmith artefacts. Special exhibitions on a regular basis.

Open : Tuesday to Saturday from 10.00 to 12.30 and from 13.00 to 17.00 • On Sundays and pub.hol. from 14.00 to 17.00 • Closed: Mondays, also pub. hol. from 1 November to 31 March
Admission : free entrance • **Guided visit :** on request

28 MUNICIPAL MUSEUM

Tourist Office, Grote Markt 44, B-3800 Sint-Truiden • Tel : 011/70.18.18 • Fax : 011/70.18.20 • info.toerisme@sint-truiden.be • www.toerisme-sint-truiden.be

SINT-TRUIDEN



In the abbey's former quarters. Local produce market: Delicious, mostly fruit-based local product can be smelt, sampled and bought at democratic prices. Brustem Air Base Historical Centre: This military aviation museum is a must-see.

Open : from April 1st till the end of September: every day from 2 p.m. till 5 p.m. May and June: only in weekends. Closed from October 1st till end of March. Admission free, except during exhibitions. Guided visits can be arranged on demand. • **Admission :** free • **Guided visit :** during the monumentwalk, every Sunday and public holiday from april till the end of september, at 2 pm. You meet the guide in the tourist office, town hall. • **Duration :** 2 hrs • **Price :** 2.50 €



Groups - advance booking required
Open : groups of at least 10 people, after appointment with the guide. • **Admission :** entrance is free. € 50 for the guide

29 ABBEY TOWER

Tourist Office, Town Hall, Grote Markt 44, B-3800 Sint-Truiden • Tel : 011/70.18.18 • Fax : 011/70.18.20 • info.toerisme@sint-truiden.be • www.toerisme-sint-truiden.be

SINT-TRUIDEN



The Abbey Tower is the city of Sint-Truiden's pounding heart. Modern pilgrims can visit the former Benedictine Abbey's renovated tower. On their way to the top, visitors will experience the simple power of its structure, its glorious past and 1000 years of building history. After 5 resting and informative platforms - as well as 196 steps - visitors will enjoy the breath-taking panorama over the city and the region.

Open : daily from April 1st till the end of September from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. • From October 1st till the end of March: from 10 a.m. till 4 p.m. • **Admission :** the Tower Ticket is for sale at the Sint-Truiden Tourist Information centre: adults € 2 • +55 years, students (-26 years): € 1 • children -12 years free of charge (if accompanied) • During the opening hours, the Tower Ticket also gives admission to the crypt, the Capuchin Chapel, the Academy Hall (if available) and the Emperor's Hall



Groups - advance booking required
Admission : € 1

30 FESTAETS' CLOCK

Tourist Office, Grote Markt 44, B-3800 Sint-Truiden • Tel : 011/70.18.18 • Fax : 011/70.18.20 • info.toerisme@sint-truiden.be • www.toerisme-sint-truiden.be

SINT-TRUIDEN



In 1937, Kamiel Festraets began building the province of Limburg's oldest touristic attraction: his astronomical clock. This is vintage nostalgia. Shows last 40 minutes and start on the dot.

Open : from April 1st till the end of September: presentation every day at 9.45 a.m., 10.45 a.m., 11.45 a.m., 1.45 p.m., 2.45 p.m., 3.45 p.m. Weekend: 2 p.m. till 5 p.m. Closed on Monday and from the end of September till March 1st.



• **Admission :** free. Groupes visits can be arranged on demand • **V :** 30' • **P**
Groups - advance booking required
Open : on request, also out of season • **Guided visit :** EN, NL, F, D

31 THE CHURCH OF THE BEGUINAGE

Provinciaal Centrum voor Cultureel Erfgoed, Begijnhof, B-3800 Sint-Truiden • Tel : 011/23.75.75

SINT-TRUIDEN



The church of the beguinage in Sint-Truiden is probably the oldest and most beautiful church of all Flemish beguinages. The church is known for its remarkable wall paintings, the most important collection in Belgium. The 38 wall and pillar paintings form a varied whole, dating from the end of the thirteenth till the beginning of the seventeenth century.

Open : from April 1st till the end of September: every day from 10 a.m. till 12.30 a.m. and from 1.30 p.m. till 5 p.m. Weekends: from 2 p.m. till 5 p.m. Closed on Monday and from the end of September till March 1st. • **Admission :** Admission free, except during exhibitions. Guided visits can be arranged on demand.



Groups - advance booking required
Guided visit : on request (E, NL, F, D)



VLAAMS - BRABANT (Flemish Brabant)



Are you looking for a surprising day out? Welcome then to the heart of Flanders. Old, traditional Leuven is actually hotter and livelier than ever – you should come and discover it! Take in a deep breath of fresh air in the luxuriant gardens and parks of the Green Belt around Brussels. Enjoy a glass of wine or a cool beer in a rural setting in the Hageland. Unique, exotic and fun attractions are all awaiting you in Vlaams-Brabant. So, what are you waiting for?



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1 THE NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDEN OF BELGIUM

Bouchout Domain, B-1860 Meise • Tel.: 02/260.09.70 • Fax: 02/260.09.47 • E-mail: info@br.fgov.be • Website: www.botanicgarden.be

MEISE



The National Botanic Garden of Belgium is one of Europe's largest botanic gardens. Its location, is just 4 km from the famous Atomium, and in easy reach of Brussels. You will discover a paradise for nature and plant lovers, and a historic royal domain that extends over 92ha.

Walkers and their families will enjoy this quiet haven strolling amongst century old trees, just some of the 18,000 plant species that grow in our garden. Discover plants from tropical regions in the environs of the Plant Palace, a complex of 13 interconnecting glasshouses covering 1 ha and providing visitors with a wealth of fascinating plants from around the world. View orchids, tall palm trees, spiny cactuses and many exotic flowers. Five houses have recently been renovated. In the latest, the Evolution House, you will discover the origins of life on Earth, witness bubbling mud and find out what was on the menu of dinosaurs. Take an educational journey over 450 million years of plant evolution from simple algae to our most complex flowering plants.

Outside we have a wealth of plants that will intrigue, pathways meander through extensive collections of rhododendrons, conifers, maples, medicinal and herbaceous plants and much more. These provide a tapestry of refreshing colours and perfumes each season!

Visit the National Botanic Garden of Belgium in Meise, you will be amazed!

Open : daily from 9.30, except on 25/12 and 01 and 04/01/2010 • **Admission :** adults € 5 • Disabled, students, 60+ : € 4 • Children (-12) free • Supplement for special events • Individual Year Card: € 15, Individual Year Card Gold: € 25, 1+3 Year Card Gold: € 40 • Admission provides access to all plant collections included the public glasshouses (partially undergoing renovation). • **Guided visit :** Upon prior reservation (EN, F, NL, D, Sp). • **Access :** The Garden can be reached by public transport with De Lijn buses (250 and 251), departing from Brussels-North station • By car Exit 3 from the A12 motorway Brussels-Boom (Antwerp) • **P** :

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : adults: € 4 • Schools: € 1 • **Guided visit :** (±2 hrs) on request: € 45 per group of max. 15 persons (EN, NL, F, D, Sp.) • **P** : 6

2 TIENEN, SCINTILLATING TOWN

Dienst Toerisme, Grote Markt 4, B-3300 Tienen • Tel : 016/80.56.86 • Fax : 016/82.27.04
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TIENEN



The sugar town of Tienen, situated in hilly Hageland country, has a rich past, as well as inspiring monuments and fine buildings. You can see that Tienen was a former Roman settlement by enjoying a visit to

“Het Toreke” museum. The totally refurbished layout of the displays introduces you to a mystical and fascinating world dealing with the rituals about life and death in Roman times. We also show you the results of the excavations that began in 1997, uncovering the largest Roman cemetery in the Benelux. This extensive “dig” has revealed a treasure trove of objects and finds and gives us a look at the burial rites of the Romans and what they thought about the dead and the hereafter. Guided tours can be arranged. Situated nearby is the Sugar Museum, which guarantees a unique and almost overwhelming experience. Take an audio-guide on the surrealistic “search for the lost taste of sugar”, which immerses you in an amazing world of fact and fiction. The whole rich and colourful world of sugar is covered on the tour: the enthralling social history of the seasonal worker, harvesting the beet and processing it into sugar, the way bees produce honey, the effect that sugar has on our body and all the possible uses that sugar can be put to. Simply not to be missed!

Open : Heritage site Tienen, Grote Markt 3-6, B-3300 Tienen: open every day, except Monday, from 10.00 to 17.00 (last ticket sale at 16.00) • **Admission :** Sugar Museum: adults € 5 • Under 26, 60+ € 4 • “Het Toreke” museum: adults € 4 • Under 26, 60+ € 2 • **Combi-ticket:** adults € 6 • Under 26, 60+ € 5

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : Sugar Museum: € 4 • “Het Toreke” museum: € 2 • **Guided visit :** Tours of Tienen or “Het Toreke” Museum, with town guide: € 50 (every 2 hours)



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3 MUNICIPAL MUSEUM

Elisabethlaan 103, B-3200 Aarschot • Tel : 016/56.84.51 • Fax : 016/56.97.22
 • museum@aaarschot.be • www.aarschot.be

AARSCHOT



The brand-new museum shows a typical Hageland city. The exhibited utensils date from the end of the 19th or the beginning of the 20th century. The Demer Exhibition could be your next stop.

Open : from Tuesday to Friday between 09.00 and 12.00 and from 13.30 to 16.30 • On Saturdays and Sundays from 13.30 to 16.30 • Closed on public holidays • **Admission :** € 1 • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : daily on appointment, not on Mondays • **Guided visit :** on request, with a city guide. The tour takes 2 hours and includes a visit to the museum and a visit through the city (E/NL/F/E/D)
 • Price: € 50

4 PROVINCIAL PARK HET VINNE

Ossenwegstraat 70, B-3440 Zoutleeuw • Tel : 011/78.18.19 • Fax : 011/78.42.36
 • provinciedomein.zoutleeuw@vlaamsbrabant.be • www.vlaamsbrabant.be/zoutleeuw

ZOUTLEEUEW



Provincial domain 'Het Vinne Zoutleeuw', the ideal area to recharge your batteries: discover our new visitors centre, the long shores of the lake and forest with its flora and fauna, under qualified guidance on request. Bicycles can be rented for a bicycle tour in the Zoutleeuw area. Take a break at the Bistro, while the kids have the time of their lives on the playground area. Please visit our website for a complete overview of possible activities.

Open : all year round from sunrise till one hour before sunset • Opening hours visitors center : www.vlaamsbrabant.be/zoutleeuw • **Admission :** admission free • **P**

6 HET MOT • MUSEUM FOR OLD TECHNIQUES

Guldendal 20, B-1850 Grimbergen • Tel : 02/270.81.11 • Fax : 02/270.09.83 • info@mot.be
 • www.mot.be

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 Discover a unique collection of tools; be part of the demonstrations forging; milling or bread baking. Recapture the old profession of the wagonsmith or carpenter, learn everything there is to know about wood or dirty laundry and how to wash it. Enjoy a lively and active museum in a charming picturesque green setting.

Open : from April to September every weekend and public holiday from 14:00 to 18:00.

• Main building Guldendal open all year round during the week from 09:00 to 17:00.

• **Admission :** adults € 3 • children (6-12) € 1

• V : 1 hour per building, walk of 1 hour approx.

• **Access :** From Brussels-Nord by bus. Info: De Lijn Grimbergen, 02 269 19 83

• **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Opening hours: also outside normal opening hours. To book call 02 270 99 30 or 02 260 12 99 • **Admission :** (+ 15 pers.) € 3 per person milling demonstration included • Guide: € 30 • **P** : 10

5 BLOSO DOMEIN HOFSTADE

Tervuursesteenweg, B-1981 Hofstade • Tel : 015/61.83.60 • Fax : 015/61.78.94
 • hofstade@bloso.be • www.bloso.be

HOFSTADE



Bloso Domein Hofstade is situated next to the E19 Antwerp-Brussels motorway, exit 11 (Zemst-Weerde). The park covers an area of 160 hectares with two lakes of 35 hectares and 25 hectares respectively. There is a sandy beach with a patrolled swimming area (11.00 am to 7.00 pm), a large playground with separate play area for toddlers. Part of the park is a nature reserve. Various supervised sports are available. Options for sports training, sports camps and sports days (on request). Café-restaurants "Bootshuis", "Zomerlust" and beach restaurant.

New: sports ground and multifunctional multi-sports field.

A covered swimming pool and a sports hall are also linked to the park.



Open : Apr-oct from 9.00 am to 9.00 pm • Nov-Mar from 9.00 am to 7.00 pm

• **Admission :** Access to the park free • **Parking :** € 3

• **P**

7 PROVINCIAL PARK HUIZINGEN

Torleylaan 100, B-1654 Huizingen-Beersel • Tel : 02/383.00.20 • Fax : 02/380.84.44
 • www.vlaamsbrabant.be/provinciedomeinen/huizingen

HUIZINGEN-BEERSEL



A family park in a superb natural setting. An oasis of peace on weekdays. Unique rock garden and garden designed especially for the blind. 45 ha of woodland plus Zoo. Tennis courts, football field, athletics track, minigolf, tourist train, recreation ground.

Open : daily from 9.00 to 1 hour before sunset • **P**

8 SPORTIMONIUM

Bloso-domein Hofstade, main entrance on Tervuursesteenweg, Bloso-domein Hofstade, Trianondreef 19, B-1981 Hofstade • Tel : 015/61.82.22 • Fax : 015/61.82.21 • publiekswerking@sportimonium.be
 • www.sportimonium.be

HOFSTADE



More than a sports museum!

Unforgettable television excerpts, surprising sports items and beautiful posters recount the history of sport. After visiting the museum visitors can have some fun in the people's sports garden and enjoy fabulous views over the Hofstade Lake. And on Sunday afternoons there is an enthusiastic live wire who will get young and old moving.



Open : Weekdays: 10.00-17.00 • Sun. and national holidays: 11.00-17.00. • Closed: Saturday and Christmas holidays. • **Admission :** Adults: € 4 • Youth (6-26): € 1 • Pensioners (+65): € 3.50 • Children -6 free • V : 2 hrs. • **Access :** see website • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Reservation imperative • **Admission :** Adults: € 3,50 • Youth (6-26): € 1 • Pensioners (+65): € 3 • Children -6 free • **Guided visit :** People's sport coach: € 38/hr., 30 min. extra time possible, max. 30 p. • **P** : 40

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10 PROVINCIAL PARK KESSEL-LO

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KESSEL-LO



Family-orientated centre offering all types of active and more relaxing activities.

Adventure playground, heated paddling-pool, electric cars, electric boats, traffic park, rowing boats, pedalos, animal garden, apiary, herb garden with sundial, skate ramp, fishing lake, water playground.



Open : Park open all year • Attractions open from 1 April to 30 September from 11.00 to 19.00 (not on schooldays) • **Admission :** Free entrance to the park and playgrounds •

9 LEGENDARY, LIVING, LEUVEN

Information and tickets: Tourism Leuven • In&Uit Leuven, Naamsestraat 1, B-3000 Leuven • Tel.: 016 20 30 20 • Fax: 016 20 30 03 • tourism@leuven.be • www.leuven.be/tourism

LEUVEN

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At a stone's throw from Brussels lies Leuven. No city in Flanders appeals more to the imagination than this centuries old university city. Walk through a rich historic heritage. Enjoy the jovial, Burgundian city culture. Experience the charms of its prevailing creative spirit. Because Leuven is not only centuries old it is also very much ... alive and kicking!

On the Grote Markt (Great Market Square) of Leuven you won't know where to look first: you are surrounded by magnificent 15th century monuments like the **stadhuis** (town hall) and the **Sint-Pieterskerk** (Saint Peter's Church). Make sure you also pay a visit to the **Groot Begijnhof** (Great Beguinage) just a short distance away. Does this centuries old splendour mean that Leuven has become a dormant

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city? Nothing could be further from the truth! Leuven is alive and kicking, and this will become immediately apparent when you see the numerous recent exceptional architectural achievements. If you want to discover Leuven as a university city while simultaneously acquiring some scientific knowledge, make sure you include the walking route "**Aha! WetenStappen**" in your visit.

On the way you will notice that Leuven is a multifaceted art city!

NOT TO BE MISSED:

On 20 September 2009 **M. M of Museum Leuven** will open its doors for the first time. This is the name of a new museum, in a new building, with a new idea. The exhibition "**Rogier van der Weyden 1400•1464 – Master of Passions**" start at the same time. More information at www.rogervanderweyden.be

Groups - advance booking required

Guided visit : by reservation at visit@leuven.be • **Price:** € 50 for a guide for two hours (maximum 25 persons per guide)

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Stadhuis (town hall)

Open: visits with guide only. From 1 October through 31 March at 3 p.m. From 1 April through 30 September at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.; on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays at 3 p.m. only.

Price: 2 €

M. M of Museum Leuven

Open: As from 20 September 2009; from Tuesdays to Sundays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Price: various price categories

M/Schatkamer van Sint-Pieter (Treasury of Saint Peter)

Open: from Tuesdays to Fridays between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4.30

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11 THE BUIGENAGE, A MINIATURE OF GLOBEL SIGNIFICANCE

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DIEST



Beguinage 'Beguine Court. Come to my court my Brides of Christ'

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Open: every day • art workshops: open on Saturdays and Sundays; Sint Catharina Church from 1 May to 15 September, every day from 13h30 to 17h00. • **Admission:** Free • **Guided visit:** NL, FR, EN, D. - Reservations minimum 2 weeks before the visit. • **V:** Approx. 1 hour. • **Access:** Public transport: Train No. 35 Hasselt-Leuven info 011/29 68 00. By car: E314 Aachen-Leuven motorway - exit 24 or 25; E 313 motorway - exit 24 - Geel West, follow N174 Geel-Diest • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission: Reservations min. 2 weeks before the visit • **Guided visit:** EN, NL, F, D



12 TERVUREN, A GREAT EXPERIENCE!

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Open: from 10.00 to 17.00 during weekdays, from 10.00 to 18.00 on Sat. and Sun. • Closed on Mondays, 25/12 and 1/1 • **Admission:** permanent collection: ad.: € 4, sen.cit.: € 3, child. and stud.: € 1.50 • Every first Wednesday of the Month free admission from 13.00

Groups - advance booking required

Admission: permanent collection.: € 3 pp. • **Guided visit:** Guided tours: week € 62 + € 1.50 pp., WE € 75 + 1.50 pp.



13 HOFSTADT MUSEUM

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The De Hofstadt Museum is housed in the Gothic crypt and Roman cellar underneath the town hall. It contains a number of valuable works of art including "The Annunciation" by one of the most important painters from the Utrecht school, Hendrik ter Brugghen. There are also two unique "Besloten Hofkens", expressions of naïve devoutness from the 17th century.

In the Oranje hall the history of the bannerets and their successors, the princes of Oranje-Nassau, is depicted. Numerous sculptures, paintings and objects in silver and gold illustrate the history of the town.

Open: The reopening of the museum is planned for mid-May 2009 - Open every day from 10h to 12h and from 13h to 17h. - Closed on Mondays • **Admission:** € 1.50/person • **Guided visit:** € 5.00 NL, F, EN, D • **V:** 1 hour • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission: Groups from 20 people upwards: € 1.00/person



14 HOF VAN MELIJN

Melijndreef 6, B-3080 Tervuren • Tel: 02/769.20.81 • Fax: 02/769.20.80 • toerisme@tervuren.be
• www.tervuren.be

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This municipal museum presents an interesting collection of paintings pertaining to "the School of Tervuren", a colony of 19th century landscape painters. Another section of the museum is dedicated to Tervuren's rich history.

Open: Fri, Sat. and Sun. from 14.00 to 17.00 or upon prior arrangement • **Admission:** ad.: € 2.50, sen.cit. and stud.: € 1.50.

Groups - advance booking required

Admission: € 1.50 pp. • **Guided visit:** € 50 + € 1.50 pp.



15 PROVINCIAL DOMAIN HALVE MAAN

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Open: daily from 9.00 until 1 hour before sunset • **Admission:** from 1/5 to 15/9: ad. (+12y.): € 5,00 (€ 3,00 Fl.-Br.) - child. (3-11y.): € 2,00 - child. -3y.: free • **Guided visit:** in Dutch only (2 h.): € 1,50 (on reservation) • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission: min. 12 pers. (guides pay the same price): ad. (+12y.): € 4,00 (€ 2,50 Fl.-Br.) child (3-11y.): € 1,50 - child. -3y.: free • **P** : 10



16 ARBORETUM

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• www.arboretum-tervuren.be

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This open-air-museum with over 400 different foreign species of trees is world renowned. The part dedicated to the North American west coast with its beautiful sequoias and the araucarias from the Andes is specially eye-catching.

Open: Open all year round • **Admission:** Free entrance

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Open: Open all year round • **Admission:** Free entrance, 40 € for a guided tour. • **P** : 5



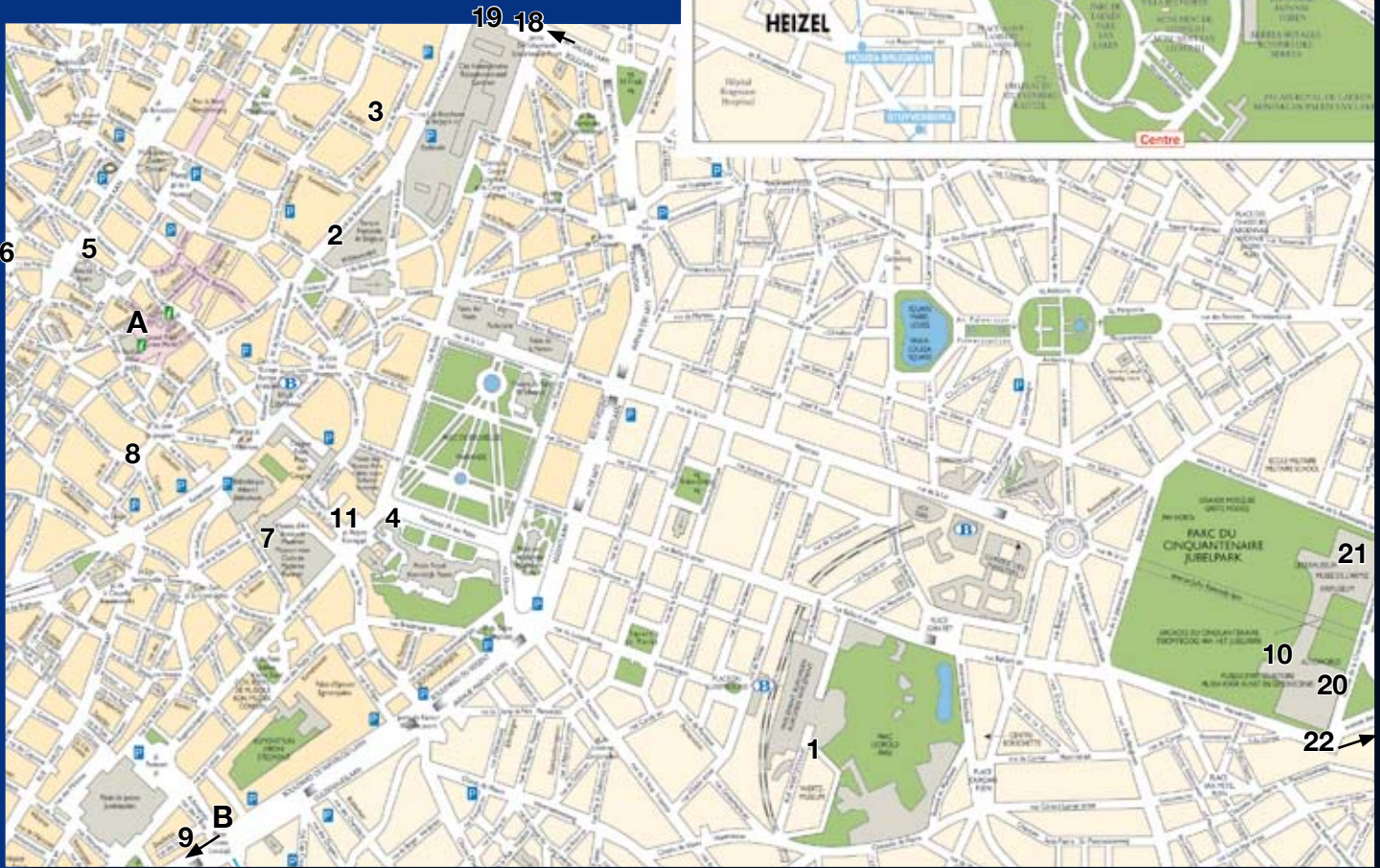
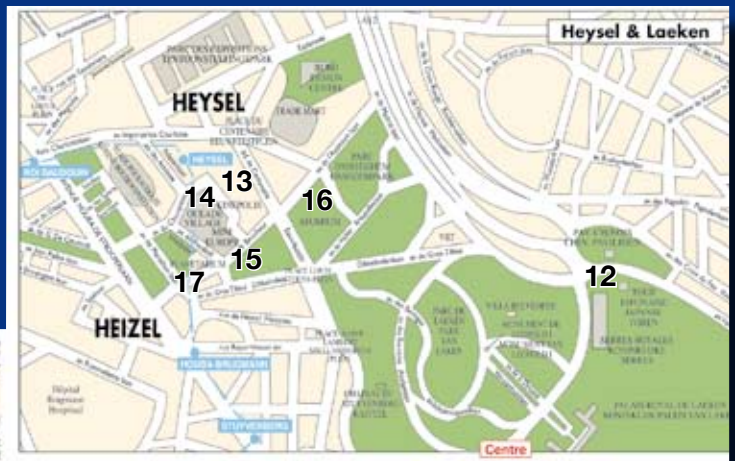
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Town Hall - Grand Place

Opening hours : every day from 9.00 to 18.00

Sunday : in summer : from 9.00 to 18.00

In winter : from 10.00 to 14.00;

2/1 up to Easter : closed on Sunday.

Closed on 25/12 and 1/1

B

Tourism Information Brussels-TIB

Southstation - Central Hall

Opening hours : In winter : Monday to Thursday : from 8.00 to 17.00, Friday 8.00 to 20.00; Saturday from 9.00 to 18.00;

Sunday and bank holidays from 9 up to 14.00

In summer : Monday to Thursday :

from 8.00 to 20.00;

Friday from 8.00 to 21.00; Saturday and Sunday from 8.00 to 20.00 • Closed on 25/12 and 1/1



1 MUSEUM OF NATURAL SCIENCES

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with support of the royal house. And there is a lot more to discover. The new **Evolution Gallery** tells the story of past, nowadays and future Life. Almost thousand fossil and recent specimens let you discover the incredible richness, sophistication and complexity of life. The evolutionary mechanisms are explained through many interactive displays. This

marvellous hall makes the history of life accessible to everyone (as from 13 February 2009). Temporary exhibitions :

In **X-treme**, the natural survivors, you'll travel to the most extreme spots on our planet, where survival is an art. You will meet organisms which can freeze and unfreeze again, which are able to survive without a drop of water, to support a temperature of 120°C, to find their way in pitch-dark environments or to live at very high altitudes with oxygen deficiency- impossible for human beings. These plants and animals are the real survival specialists! Hands-on activities and experiments are part of the exhibition (until 30 August 2009).

Are you captivated by whales, dolphins and other marine animals? Do not miss the **Whales and dolphins exhibition**, which takes you to the depths of the sea, tells you about the diversity of species, their origins and their evolution, their way of life as well as the often ambiguous relationship between men and marine mammals. Discover this fascinating exhibition from October 14th 2009 on.

New permanent exhibitions :

Have you seen Europe's greatest **Dinosaur Gallery**? Not yet? Well, 450 000 visitors already did - what are you waiting for?

The permanent exhibition **250 years of natural sciences** presents fourteen emblematic objects, witnesses of two and a half centuries of exciting research history, explaining research, collections, discoveries and adventures. At the entry you are greeted by an elephant that used to live in the former Brussels Zoo, located in the park nearby the Museum. Two gorillas recall the National Parks of Congo, founded by the Museum in 1930,

Open : Tuesday to Friday from 9.30 to 16.45 • Saturday, Sunday and school holidays (except July and August) from 10.00 to 18.00 • **Closed** on Monday, on 25/12, 1/1 and 1/5 • Attention: our opening hours change as from 1 July 2009. Info: 02 627 42 38 or www.naturalsciences.be • **Admission : General admission :** adults € 7 - 6-17-years-old € 4.50 - students, senior citizens and disabled people € 6

- Extra fee for temporary exhibition • **Access : Public transport :** Brussels-Luxemburg train station • subway Maalbeek (line 1) and Troon (line 2) • bus stop Museum (line 34 and 80), bus stop Parnassus (line 38, 95 and 96) • **b-excursion 510** for individuals - 511 for groups • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : For the permanent exhibitions : (min. 15 pers. - Booking compulsory) adults € 6 - youngsters (2-25 y.) € 3 - Extra fee for temporary exhibition • **Guided visit :** (Max. 15 pers.) schools € 35 - adults € 62 during the week, € 75 at weekends • **Booking :** 02/627.42.52



2 NATIONAL BANK OF BELGIUM MUSEUM

Wildewoudstraat 10 rue du Bois Sauvage, B-1000 Brussels • Tel : 02/221.22.06 • Fax : 02/221.31.60 • museum@nbb.be • www.nbb.be

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Open : All year, 10.00-18.00 • **Closed** on Mondays, 1/1, 1/5, 1/11, 11/11 and from 24/12 until 31/12 • **Admission :** (including an audioguide) Adults € 5 - Senior citizens and Students € 4 - People w/disab. and Children under 12 : free - Free for all visitors at weekends and in July and August • **Access :** 5-minute walk from Brussels Central Station.

Groups - advance booking required

Open : (Min. 15 persons) on reservation only: Tel.: 02/221.22.06 - Fax: 02/221.31.60 - E-mail: museum@nbb.be • **Admission :** € 3 - School groups : free • **Guided visit :** with audio guide or 1 € pp. with guide.



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3 BELGIAN COMIC STRIP CENTER

Rue des Sables 20 Zandstraat, B-1000 Brussels • E-mail : visit@comicscenter.net • Website : www.comicscenter.net • Tel : 02/219.19.80 • Fax : 02/219.23.76

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This is the Kingdom of the Smurfs, Tintin, Lucky Luke and plenty of other paper heroes! One of the major Brussels tourist attractions and a superb example of Art Nouveau architecture, the Belgian Centre for Comic Strip Art brings together everything related to the comic strip, from its prestigious beginnings to its most recent developments, over an area of more than 4,000 square metres : permanent and temporary exhibitions, library, documentation centre, bookshop, brasserie.

Open : All year (except 1/1 and 25/12), every day (except Monday) from 10.00 to 18.00 • **Admission :** Adult € 7.50 - Senior/ EURO -26 and ISIC € 6 - Child (6-11 y.) € 3 - Child (-6) free • **Access :** close to Central Station.

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (min. 15 pers.) Schools € 4.50/pupil • Ad. € 6 • **Guided visit :** EN, F, NL, D, Sp, It - 1.30 h - Price per guide (max. 25 people) € 50 • Reservations minimum 2 weeks in advance (call, fax, E-mail or write).



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4 ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE AND MUSEUM OF THE COUDENBERG

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The Coudenberg Museum

The former Hoogstraeten mansion - and its magnificent Gothic gallery - now completely restored - houses the Coudenberg Museum. The best of the archeological finds, discovered during various digs over the last 20 years are exhibited here and reveal the history of the Coudenberg.....



Open : From Tuesday to Friday from 10.00 to 17.00 • Weekends from 10.00 to 18.00 • Closed on Mondays, 1/1, Easter Sunday, 1/5 and 25/12 • **Admission :** Coudenberg: € 5 - Sen. cit. € 4 - discount € 3 - until 18 y.: free • **BELvue + Coudenberg :** € 8 - Sen. cit. € 6 - discount € 5 - until 18 y.: free

• **Guided visit :** on request - Audio-guide • **V :** 1.30 h

• **Access :** Entry through BELvue - close to the Place Royale and Central Station •

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Admission : (from 15 pers.) € 4/pers. • Refreshments on site.

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7 ROYAL MUSEUMS OF FINE ARTS OF BELGIUM

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• info@fine-arts-museum.be • www.fine-arts-museum.be

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Presents one of the most remarkable collections of Art of the Southern Netherlands from the 15th to the 18th century, plus a selection of representative works of foreign schools.



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Open : From 10.00 to 17.00 • Closed Mondays, the 2nd Thursday of January, 1/1, 1/5, 1/11 and 11/11, 25/12 • **Admission :** Ad. € 5; free for children under 13 years; stud. and senior citizens € 3.50; 13-18 years, disabled and unemployed € 2 - **Admission free** every first Wednesday afternoon of the month, from 13.00 • **Guided visit :** no guided visits, only audioguides : € 2.50 for hire at the reception desk • **V :** min. 1.30 h • **Access :** close to the Central Station, Royal Palace, Brussels Park.

Groups - advance booking required

Open : From Tuesday to Friday - Reservation through Educateam : Tel. in French : 02/508.33.50 - in NL : 02/508.34.50 • **Admission :** Please ask the Educational Services when making the reservation.

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5 SCIENTASTIC

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Groups - advance booking required

Open : daily • **Admission :** (min. 10 pers.) € 6.10, -26 y.: € 4.90 • School groups (min. 25 pers.) € 3.60 (duration of the visit 1 h) or € 4.90/pers. (duration of the visit 1.30 h)

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Open : All year round, every day from 10.00 to 23.00 • The exhibitions are open from 10.00 to 18.00 • Closed on 1/1 and 25/12 • **Admission :** Admission charge for some exhibitions : € 2/pers. - Children under 12 accompanied : free • **Guided visit :** EN-F-NL-D by appointment only • **V :** 1 h • **Access :** 200 metres from the Bourse, in the city centre.

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : School groups accompanied by a teacher : free.

8 EDITIONS JACQUES BREL

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Open : From 1 January to 31 December, from Tuesday to Sunday from 10.00 to 18.00 • Last entrance at 16.00 • Closed Mondays and public holidays • **Admission :** € 8 - Senior citizen, student and disabled € 5 - Free for children under 12 accompanied by their parents • **V :** approximately : 1h20 • **Access :** Train/Metro : Brussels Central Station • Bus : 'Lombard' stop • Parking nearest : Albertine.

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Groups and schools, reservation obligatory - Réservations: 02/511.10.20

• **Admission :** (min. 15 people) € 5/pers. - Free admission for accompanying person.

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9 PORTE DE HAL (RMAH)

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• www.kmg-mrah.be

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Although thousands of people pass every day close to this remaining part of the second surrounding wall of Brussels, along the "petite ceinture" between the Place Louise and the Midi Station, very few of them are conscious of its eventful history. This fairytale monument, more than 600 years old is in fact the most remarkable witness of the City's medieval past. From June 2008, after renovation work, the Porte de Hal will house a permanent presentation dedicated to the medieval City of Brussels. Part of the building, however, will still remain available to

accommodate temporary exhibitions with a multicultural theme. Don't hesitate to come and learn the history of the building and of City life in the Middle Ages, and at the same time admire the most important items of this rich past!

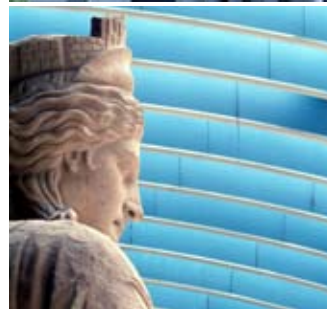
Open : From Tuesday to Friday from 9.30 to 17.00 • Weekends and public holidays from 10.00 to 17.00 • Closed on Monday and 01/01, 01/05, 01/11, 11/11, 25/12 • **Admission** : Adults € 5 - students, under 18, seniors € 4 - persons with disabilities € 1.50 • **Free** for those under 13 and on each first Wednesday afternoon of the month • **Guided visit** : Audio-guide
• **V** : 1 hour • **Access** : **Train** : Bruxelles Midi • **Metro** : Line 2 (stop Porte de Hal)
• **Bus** : 27, 48, 134, 136, 137, 365, W (stop Porte de Hal) • **Tram** : 3, 4, 51.

Groups - advance booking required
Admission : € 4 • **Guided visit** : F and NL, on reservation (02/533.34.52).

10 CINQUANTAIRE MUSEUM (RMAH)

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Open : From Tuesday to Friday from 9.30 to 17.00 • Weekends and public holidays from 10.00 to 17.00 • Closed on Mondays, 01/01, 01/05, 01/11, 11/11, 25/12
• **Admission** : Permanent exhibitions : Adults € 5 - students and seniors € 4 - persons with reduced mobility and unemployed € 1.50 • **Free** : children under 13 years and the first Wednesday afternoon of the month, except for temporary exhibitions • **V** : 2 h • **Access** : **Train** : Centrale train station, Schuman • **Metro** : Merode, Schuman • **Bus** : 22, 27, 80, 61 • **Tram** : 81 •

Groups - advance booking required
Admission : Permanent exhibitions : € 4 • **Guided visit** : upon request (02/741.72.14) • Restaurant - Museum shop • : 40

11 MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS MUSEUM (RMAH)

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Even if we no longer mention the building in which it is housed, MIM is above all internationally renowned for its collections. Through its 1,150 items the instruments and their history will no longer be secrets; from the viola da gamba of the Brussels Court to the 20th century Theremin, not forgetting the African kora ! MIM is certainly alive with music. Headphones let you explore its themes listening to the sounds of its instruments. Welcome then to MIM. You will see what you hear !



Open : From Tuesday to Friday from 9.30 to 17.00 • Weekends from 10.00 to 17.00
• Closed on Monday, 1/1, 1/5, 1/11, 11/11 and 25/12
• **Admission** : Adults € 5; 13-26 years and seniors € 4 ; persons with reduced mobility and unemployed € 1.50 • **Free** : children under 13 years with the family, music and Conservatoire students, teachers • **Access** : **by metro or train** : Central station stop • **Tram/Bus** : Royale stop.

Groups - advance booking required
Guided visit : EN,F,NL,D on request • **Pay car park** : Congrès-Albertine.

12 MUSEUMS OF THE FAR EAST (RMAH)

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Open : From Tuesday to Friday from 9.30 to 17.00 • Week-ends and public holidays from 10.00 to 17.00 • Closed on Mondays, 1/1, 1/11, 11/11 and 25/12
• **Admission** : Combined ticket € 4 • **Free** first Wednesday after noon each month • **Access** : **Bus** : 53, 230, 231 "De Wand" stop • **Tram** 4, 23 "Araucaria" stop - 19 "De Wand" stop.

Groups - advance booking required
Admission : Permanent exhibitions € 3 • **Guided visit** : upon request (02/741.72.14).

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Mini-Europe (02/474.13.13)

Mini-Europe offers you a journey across Europe by means of some 350 exquisitely made model buildings and sites, exact replicas of these architectural jewels of the European Union. Visit also the exhibition Spirit of Europe full of interactive multimedia games.

Océade (02/478.49.44)

All year round, this vast aquatic complex offers you the pleasures of swimming among lush vegetation, sliding sensations in 140 m waterslides, relaxation in whirlpool baths, saunas and Turkish baths in a subtropical climate at 29° C. Discover also the interactive Aqua Fun House.

Kinepolis (02/474.26.00)

Equipped with modern sound and visual technology for maximum audience comfort, this complex of more than 7.000 seats houses 24 ultramodern auditoria.

The Village (02/474.83.83)

The bars and restaurants with their sunny terraces that surround the Village square offer Belgian and foreign specialities. Also merry-go round and playground. Free admission.

For more information : www.bruparck.com

Open : All year round • Call the different centres for opening hours • Access : Heysel metro station • Ringroad exit n°8 • P

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SUBTROPICAL AQUATIC PARK (outdoors and indoors).

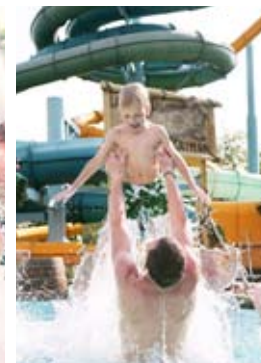
Enjoy the everlasting summer of OCEADE, forget the time and spend an unforgettable day, afternoon or evening !

AQUA FUN HOUSE

Interactive water playground - 160 square metres and 5 metres high.

THE NUMBER 1 IN

TOBOGGANS ! (12 in total). Mini-toboggans for the little ones. Try the giant toboggans : blue for everyone, yellow "Hurricane" and "Salto Angel"



for the super-speed fanatics (80 m in 7 sec.).

SPECIAL FEATURES (leisure and fun for the whole family).

In addition to water sports for all ages, you can take part in different water attractions : "monkey-bridge", "climbing the waterfall", "nautic tubes",

THE WARMEST BEACH IN THE COUNTRY (water 29°C).

Waves, rapids, streams, geysers, jetstreams,

SAUNALAND : included in the admission fee (spoil yourself).

Accessible to adults in swimsuits. Relax in an oasis of peace : a bubblebath, two indoor and one outdoor sauna, solarium, garden, steambath, bar, ...

BOUNTY RAFT : the longest twin toboggan slide in Belgium.

NEW : ANACONDA - THE FUNNIEST FAMILY SLIDE.

Open : School holidays daily from 10.00 to 21.00 • School period (1/4-30/6) : Saturday and Sunday from 10.00 to 21.00; from Tuesday to Friday from 10.00 to 18.00 • School period (1/9-31/3) from Wednesday to Friday from 10.00 to 18.00; Saturday and Sunday from 10.00 to 21.00 • Admission : (4 hours) Ad. € 16 - Child (<1m30) € 13 - Child (<1m15) free • Free use of children's swim jackets • Combined ticket Océade + Mini-Europe : € 23.90 • Access : By train : Brussels Centre then metro Heysel (1A) • By car : Brussels Ring, exit 8 • P

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : School groups, only valid during the school period : € 7.10 • (min. 20 pers. - 1 person free for 20 paying persons) • Other groups : € 13 (min. 20 pers. - 1 person free for 20 paying persons) • P : 10

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DISCOVER EUROPE'S NICEST PLACES ...

Europe in a few hours... A unique experience !

Mini-Europe is above all an "invitation to travel". The chimes of Big Ben, the gondolas in front of the Doge's Palace, the Grand-Place in Brussels, the Acropolis ... an animated tour with visual and sound effects of 350 miniature models and attractions that you won't find anywhere else.

All kinds of working models.

Be surprised by the eruption of Vesuvius or the fall of the Berlin wall. Cheer on the matador at the Corrida in Seville, watch the launch of Ariane V, follow the Thalys from Paris to the other end of France and marvel at many other working models, for both young and old.

The best miniature park in Europe.

All the monuments have been recreated down to the smallest detail. Big Ben is 4 m high. With its height of 13 m, the Eiffel tower projects above a 3-storey building ! And yet all the buildings are on a scale of 1 to 25. The town hall of Brussels is decorated with 294 hand-carved statues.

All against a backdrop of miniature gardens with an area of 2.5 hectares.

Visit also the exhibition the Spirit of Europe, full of interactive multimedia games.

Fascinating and enjoyable : as you play you will make one discovery after another; the European Union, its members, its history, its achievements ... among the numerous games don't miss the virtual game ! Make it a family outing.

Open : Daily from 21 March to 3 January • **Admission :** Ad. € 12.90 - Child. (-12 y.) € 9.70 - Child. (<1m20) free • **Guided visit :** Catalogue included in the entrance fee for adults and available in 9 languages (EN, F, NL, D, It, Sp, PL, Ru, Heb) • **V :** 2 to 3 hours • **Access :** by train : Brussels Central Station, then metro Heysel (1A) • by car : Brussels Ring, exit 8 Heysel-Wemmel, follow the signs Bruparck • **P** : 10

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (min. 20 pers.) Ad. € 11 - Senior citizens (+55 y.) € 10 - Child. (>1m20), schools, young and disabled people € 7 - Nursery and children <1m20 : € 5 • Combined tickets available

• **Guided visit :** upon reservation only • Restaurant - Cafeteria • **P** : 10

16 THE ATOMIUM

Square de l'Atomium / Atomiumsquare, B-1020 Brussels • Tel : 02/475.47.75 - 02/475.47.76 - 02/475.47.77 • Fax : 02/475.47.79 • info@atomium.be • www.atomium.be

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The Atomium - The most astonishing building in the world!

This jewel of Belgian architecture has been built for the Universal Exhibition of 1958. You can discover 4 spheres by walking through different tubes and you can visit the upper sphere with panoramic views on Brussels by taking the elevator. You will find more information about the Atomium and its exhibitions on www.atomium.be • Info Restaurant : 02/479.58.50 - 0496/10.58.58.

Open : Every day from 10.00 to 18.00 (last entry at 17.30) • **Admission :** Adult € 9 - Sen. cit. (+65 y.), Child (+12 y.) € 6 - Child (6 to 11 y.) € 2 - Child (-6 y.) free • **V :** 1h to 1.30 h • **Access :** Brussels Ring, exit 8 Heysel-Wemmel, follow signs "Atomium" • By train : "Central" station + underground Heysel line 1A • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (min. 20 pers.) Adult € 7 - Sen.Cit. (+65 y.), Child (+12 y.) € 4 - Child (6 to 11 y.) € 2 - Child (-6 y.) free • **Guided visit :** Admission price + € 70 for the guide for max. 25 pers.

18 PANORAMA FROM THE KOEKELBERG BASILICA

Parvis de la Basilique 1 Basiliekvoorplein, B-1081 Brussels • Tel : 02/421.16.69 • info@basilique.be • www.basilique.be

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The Koekelberg Basilica is the fifth largest church in the world. With a lift, you go to an external gallery, at a height of 52,80 m, right under the Dome. You discover the most fantastic and most beautiful panoramic view on Brussels. Free parking.

Open : From 31 March to 31 October from 9.00 to 17.15 (last entrance) • From 1st November to 30 March from 10.00 to 16.15 (last entrance) • Entrance at door 6 or door 8 • **Admission :** Ad. € 4 - Senior, Stud., Child (6-12 y.) € 3 • **V :** 1 h • **Access :** By metro : line 1A and 2, Simonis station, and from there tram 19 • By bus : AL, 355, 49, 87 • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : (min. 20 pers.) € 3/pers. • **Guided visit :** (on request) EN, F, NL, D + € 65 for the guide / 1.30 h • Organisation of cultural activities, concerts, exhibitions • **P** : 10

17 PLANETARIUM

Boechoutlaan 10 Avenue de Bouchout, B-1020 Brussels • Programmes in English and German during the school holidays. • Tel : 02/474.70.50 • Fax : 02/478.30.26 • planetarium@planetarium.be • www.planetarium.be

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Open your eyes wide and be transported to the stars ! A fabulous show projected on to the gigantic dome of the Planétarium shows you how to recognise the constellations and explore the immensity of the Universe.....

We promise you an adventure into Space and a really good show, without you having to leave your seat !

Open : Expo: Monday- Friday 9.00 - 16.30 and Sundays 13.30 - 16.00 • Show programme : www.planetarium.be or 02/474.70.50 • Closed on Saturdays and official public holidays • **Admission :** € 4 • Children, students, +60 : € 3 • People with disabilities : free • **V :** 1 hour • **P**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : € 3 (from 20 people.) • Reservations compulsory for groups • **P** : 4

19 AQUARIUM OF BRUSSELS

Avenue E. Bossaert 27 E. Bossaertlaan, B-1081 Brussels • Tel : 02/414.02.09 • Fax : 02/414.02.09 • aquariologie@skynet.be • www.aquariologie.be

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100 metres from the Basilique, an extraordinary journey across all continents and the warm seas. A fantastic world of fish, amphibian, coral from all over the world, in 48 aquariums. Species that are in danger or have disappeared. A discovery journey where you can see and also get to understand, respect and get a sense of responsibility.

Open : Every day except Monday and public holidays • During the Belgian school year : from Tu. to Frid. 12.00-18.00 - Sat. and Sun. 10.00-18.00 • During the Belgian school holidays : from Mon. to Sun. 10.00-18.00 • Last entries at 17.00 • **Admission :** Adult € 8 Child - 1m free/ 1m to 15 y. : € 5 • Senior € 6 on Tuesday (except in Belgian school holidays) • Audio-guide • **V :** 1.30 h • **Access :** Central station + metro Simonis, tram 19, bus 49.

Groups - advance booking required

Open : During the Belgian school year: Tu. to Frid. 9.00-18.00 - Sat. and Sun. 10.00-18.00 • During the Belgian school holidays: Mon. to Sun. 10.00-18.00 • Last entries at 17.00 • **Admission :** (guided visits min. 10 pers.): Ad. € 9 - (extracurricular)school € 5 • Always guided visits for (extracurricular)school.

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• info@autoworld.be • www.autoworld.be

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Autoworld, the most impressive collection of old-timers in the world, officially opened its doors at the Palais Mondial in October 1986. It is situated in a very beautiful and luxurious building, inviting you to stroll through the history of the automobile from 1886 until the seventies. The majority of the old-timers belong to the Mahy collection of Gent, the largest in the world (950 vehicles). Both Belgian and foreign cars are on display. Moreover, temporary exhibitions are held at the Palais Mondial on a regular basis.

Open : From 1/4 to 30/9, 10.00-18.00 - From 1/10 to 31/3, 10.00-17.00 • **Closed** 1/1 & 25/12
• **Admission :** Ad. € 6 - Child (6-13) € 3 - Sen. cit., stud., disabled € 4.70 • **V :** 1.30 h • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Admission : Ad. € 4.70 from 8 pers. - Sen. cit., stud., disabled € 3.50 from 8 pers.

- Child (6-13 y.) from 15 pers., nursery school € 2.25 • **Guided visit :** 1.30 h - max. 20 pers. - with advance booking • **P :** : 40

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21 ROYAL MILITARY MUSEUM (RMM)

Parc du Cinquantenaire 3 Jubelpark, B-1000 Brussels • Tel : 02/ 737.78.09 • infocom@klm-mra.be

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From mediaeval armour to the F-16 fighter plane : the RMM presents 12 centuries of military history through an imposing array of uniforms, weapons and pieces of heavy equipment, not forgetting some 130 flying machines in the magnificent Aviation Hall. The terraces on top of the arcades offer a spectacular panoramic view of Brussels and its surroundings.

Open : Every day (except Monday) from 9.00 to 16.45 • **Admission :** free • **V :** 2 to 3 hours • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Guided visit : upon reservation, Tel.: 02/737.79.07 • Cafeteria - Shop • **P :** : 40

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22 BRUSSELS TRAM MUSEUM

Tél.: 02/515.31.10 (during Museum opening hours) , Avenue de Tervuren 364b Tervurenlaan , B-1150 Brussels • Tel : 02/515.31.08 • Fax : 02/515.31.09 • info@trammuseumbrussels.be
• www.trammuseumbrussels.be

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A rich collection of more than sixty vehicles (trams, trolley buses, buses and taxis) that have served Brussels from 1869 to the present day. Old trams operate between Woluwe-Dépôt and Tervuren through the Forêt de Soignes (1 h return trip), or to the Cinquantenaire. Historic buses from "Cinquantenaire" to the Bande Dessinée Museum (Belgian Centre for Comic Strip Art) serving various other Brussels Museums on the way.

Open : From 4 April to 4 October, WE and bank holidays, 13.30-19.00 • **Admission :** Visit and as many rides as you wish : Adult € 5 - Child (6-12) € 2 • **Guided visit :** Sundays (by appointment) tour of city with commentary between Woluwe-Dépôt and Heysel (3 h return trip) : € 12 • **Access :** Ring Est (R 0) exit 1 Tervuren, then head for Brussels via av. de Tervuren • "Montgomery" metro + trams 39/44 "trammuseum" stop or Bus 36/42 "Woluwe" stop • **P :**

Groups - advance booking required

Open : Guided visits, special conditions and opening times : by appointment • The vehicles and halls can be privately hired for city tours/events - with or without catering services • Shop : Retro-Shop (books, models, gifts, souvenirs).

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**BD COMICS STRIP
BRUSSELS 2009**

BD COMICS STRIP YEAR!

The different authorities in Brussels have decided to dedicate the tourist year 2009 to the theme of the comic strip.

A logical choice for a city that plays host to numerous comic strip creators, one that has witnessed the birth of a number of legends of the 9th art: Hergé (Tintin), Franquin (Gaston Lagaffe) and Peyo (The Smurfs) are all from Brussels.

Moreover, Brussels is also home to the Belgian Centre for Comic Strip Art, housed in a magnificent Art Nouveau building, that will be celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2009.

www.bruxellesbd.com