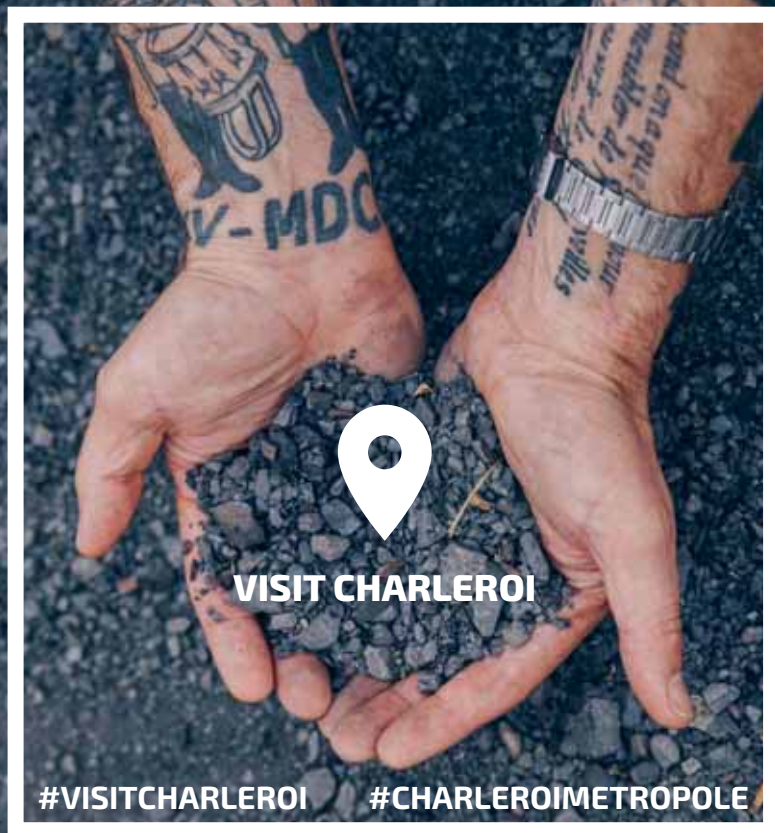


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A getaway in **Charleroi Métropole**

Charleroi, a post-industrial city that fascinates lovers of urban and/or underground activities, is situated to the north of the Metropolitan Area. Its periphery is made up of plateaus and green landscapes featuring small wooded valleys and a listed architectural heritage.

The southern part of the Metropolitan Area boasts a group of 5 lakes in the midst of a wild and unspoiled natural environment whose unique landscape features make this spot an ideal leisure and relaxing getaway destination in Europe. Charleroi Métropole offers year-round experiences to discover for everyone.

Charleroi Métropole, the ideal destination for reconnecting with nature, enjoying sports, urban experiences, discovering an impressive heritage, tasting the local culinary delights, going out...



A Getaway in the Pays de Charleroi

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Municipalities

Aiseau-Preles
Charleroi
Courcelles
Farciennes
Fleurus
Gerpinnes
Les Bons Villers
Pont-à-Celles

3

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Souvenirs, souvenirs...

Beers, gin, comics, Gayettes
(chocolate truffles)



Louis XIV, Rimbaud, Magritte, Barbara...
have all paid a visit to the Pays de Charleroi
Why not you?

Let's practise the Charleroi dialect

How's it going? : Kédiss ma biche ?

Come quickly! : Aabi vèné !

"Kiss, my dear"!

See you soon : Abérate

More

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SLAG HEAPS
to climb

**The perfect
destination!**

Tours, culture, outings and events,
shopping and accommodation,
restaurants and nightlife...

1 day *in Charleroi*



Discover the city centre

Several options are available to choose from!

Download our **free mobile apps** to discover the city on a totem pole hunt or while jogging (p.11).

Various **hiking maps** are available at the Maison du Tourisme du Pays de Charleroi, place Charles II, in the heart of the historical centre: Art Deco, Art Nouveau, Families, Street Art, History... (p. 50).

If you would like to discover the city with an enthusiastic local person, Our **Greeters** will welcome you, free of charge, in small groups, and share with you the highlights of the city and offer useful tips about Charleroi! (p. 11).

The Maison du Tourisme also offers **guided walks for individuals** at set dates.

Enjoy a “packet of French fries”

on the spot or to take away to continue to enjoy your day.

The iconic Friterie Robert has been a must-visit French fries outlet for the people of Charleroi ever since 1952. But here you will find French fries on every street corner (p. 99).

Visit one of our museums...

Take advantage of free admission to some of these museums on the first Sunday of the month (p. 11).

In the city centre: **the BPS22, the Fine Arts Museum, the Light Infantry Museum.**

Outside the centre, accessible by public transport from the Gare du Sud (South Station) or with a car park in the vicinity: **the Photo Museum, Le Bois du Cazier, the Glass Museum, the Scientific Culture Centre, the Pottery Centre, the Folklore Marches of the Entre-Sambre-et-Meuse Marches Region Museum...**

... or enjoy a shopping trip

Shopping centres, small shops, concept stores, shopping enthusiasts will find exactly what they are looking for. Take the opportunity to **buy the perfect souvenir gift** in Charleroi colours at T-shirt Mania or Wonderfriends or a locally brewed beer at the Manufacture Urbaine (p. 25).

To end the day...

Enjoy an aperitif or book a table in one of the many bars, cafés and restaurants in the downtown area (p. 96).

Enjoy the Charleroi nightlife and atmosphere: spend the night in one of our accommodation establishments: bed and breakfast, urban or rural self-catering accommodation, hotels, youth hostels... (p. 128).

2 days

in the Pays de Charleroi

Start with the historical centre...

A hearty breakfast at your hotel or brunch (p. 99), can be followed with a stroll through the historical centre to admire the City Hall with its UNESCO World Heritage Belfry and the Church of St. Christopher featuring a glass square and gold leaf-covered mosaic. Sunday is an opportunity to visit the market stalls. The Sunday market is the place to be for locals and visitors alike.

Set off to discover the region's industrial legacy

The city centre and its surroundings are populated with an abundance of street art works, leading towards the former ironworks. Urban art is here to be discovered while enjoying a walk, on a street corner or along one of the trails mapped out by the Maison du Tourisme.

If you are interested in learning this technique, workshops are available (by reservation only) (p. 17).



You may prefer to go for a walk out in the countryside

Starting from South Station, the 23-km long Black Circular Trail is another must-do route that takes you to the **top of the slag heaps** offering a 360° view of the industrial landscape.

Discover one of the Charleroi Region's municipalities for a nature walk: Les Bons Villers (p. 122), Gerpinnes (p. 120), Aiseau-Presles (p. 110), Pont-à-Celles (p. 124), Fleurus (p. 118), Farciennes (p. 116), Courcelles (p. 114), Châtelet (p. 112).

Looking for a high-adrenaline experience or a great burst of fun?

Treat yourself to a **freerfall jump** at the Airspace Indoor Skydiving (p. 24) or a **boulder ascent** at Maniak (p. 24), a lap in one of our **go-karts** (p. 75) or try to break out of one of our **escape rooms** (p. 22).

The **Quai10 Gaming Space** and **virtual reality venues** will attract the geekiest of us (p. 23)!



3 days *in Charleroi Metropole*

Spend the day at the water's edge!

A 30-minute drive away, the Eau d'Heure lakes boast nearly 70 km of lakeshore around five lakes offering nautical and recreational activities galore: tree climbing, spin cable, swimming pool, hiking and cycling...

The Lake Region is also blessed with a rich cultural heritage: the medieval city, the Belfry and the hanging gardens in Thuin, the Marble Museum, Chimay Castle, Aulne Abbey...

A great opportunity to combine culture and nature during your stay with us!

**YOU CAN COUNT ON THE MAISON DU TOURISME TEAM
TO OFFER YOU A TAILOR-MADE PROGRAMME
AND MAKE YOUR STAY HERE A MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE.**

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 Visit Charleroi

Things to experience

in Charleroi

Climb to the top of a slag heap for a 360° view of the industrial landscape (p. 58).

A visual feast on an urban art trail along the banks of the Sambre or around the Art Nouveau and Art Deco buildings (p. 50).

Taste a local beer in a micro-brewery (p. 107).

Get your adrenaline pumping with a freefall jump, an electric go-kart ride or a bouldering circuit (p. 24).

Meet a Greeter, a local who will introduce you to his Charleroi, the Charleroi of his everyday lives and of his hearts (p. 11).

Break free in less than 60 minutes from one of our escape rooms and virtual reality rooms or wake up your inner geek in a gaming space (p. 22).

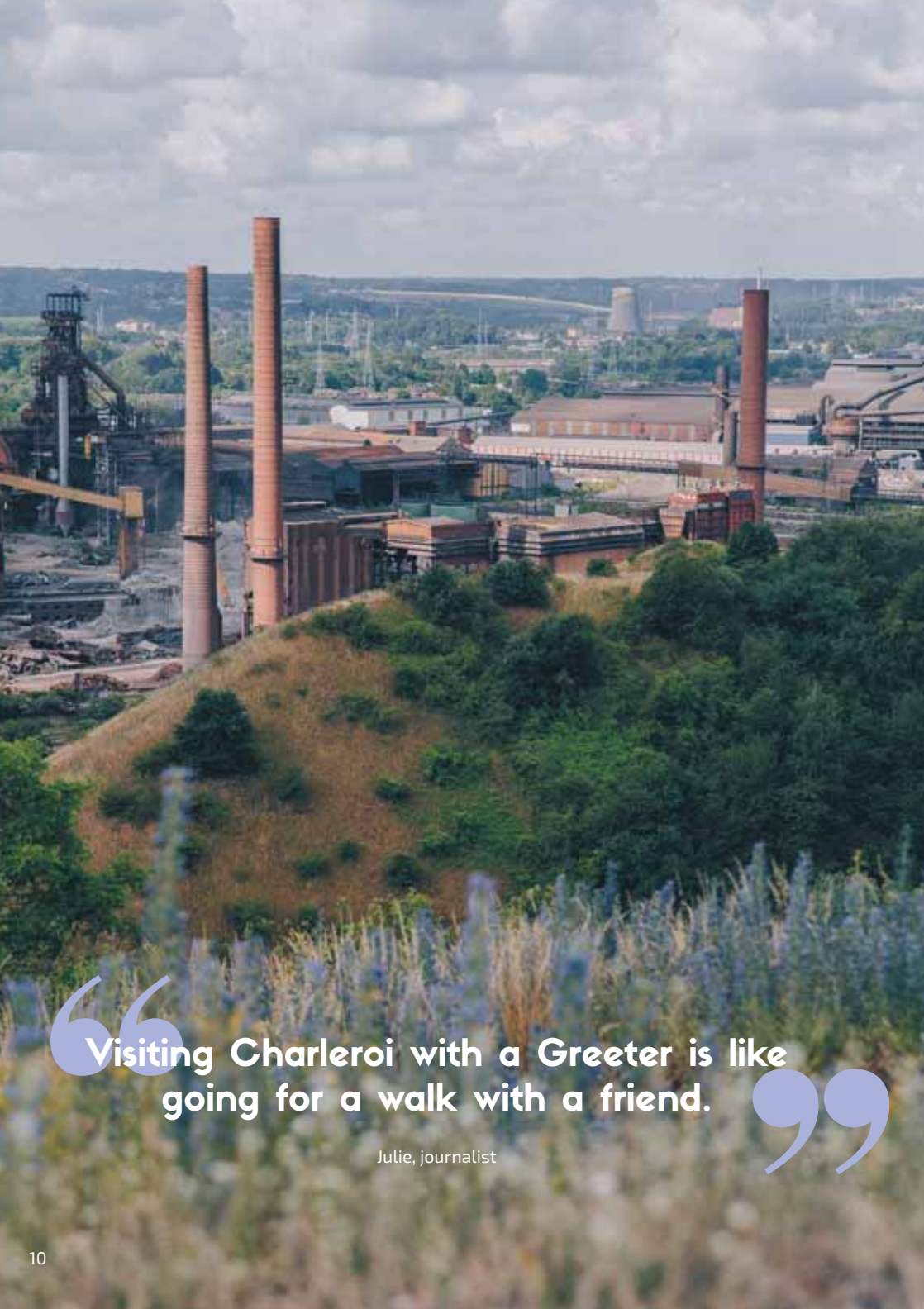
Enjoy a breath of fresh air along a footpath or cycle path, on a towpath or a RAVeL network of greenways (p. 48).

Stock up on souvenirs typical of Charleroi: gayettes (chocolate truffles), beers, mugs, T-shirts... and continue with a shopping trip (p. 25).

Enjoy a drink or a meal, with family and friends, in a trendy bar, a comfy brasserie or a bistro, on a terrace or on a rooftop (p. 94).

Get the most out of nightlife and experience an unforgettable festive atmosphere: Big Five, festivals, films and concerts (p. 84).

Accommodation in youth hostels, camping sites, homestays, country or city self-catering accommodation or hotels (p. 126).



“Visiting Charleroi with a Greeter is like going for a walk with a friend.”

Julie, journalist

With a mobile app

"TRY THE UNEXPECTED" (TOTEMUS TRAIL)

Somewhere between treasure hunting and geocaching, the tour takes you, between the lower and upper areas of the city, via a dozen iconic points of interest in Charleroi: comic book statues, street art, French fry outlets, park, old and new buildings...

Collect clues along the walk and get to the totem.

Free app, accessible 7 days a week, to be downloaded in advance, available for other Walloon cities as well.

"RUNNIN' CITY"

This app allows you to discover hundreds of cities around the world... by walking or running! Including Charleroi, a city offering three 5, 10 and 15 km routes. Discover the main sights through your headphones.

Also in
Fleurus
(p. 54)

Free app to download.

With a Greeter

Enjoy an authentic experience with someone from Charleroi to show you his city, indicate the highlights and offer useful tips!

A meeting with a Greeter is totally free, lasts between 2 and 3 hours, for a maximum of 6 people.

The tour is available in French, Dutch, English, German, Italian and Spanish.

Information and reservation required:
Maison du Tourisme du Pays de Charleroi
+32 71 86 14 14
maison.tourisme@charleroi.be



Great ideas...

... to visit the city in a different way

Museums admission-free on the 1st Sunday of the month

BPS22
Le Bois du Cazier
Glass Museum
Photographic Museum
Fine Arts Museum
Pottery Centre

Ask for our leaflets:

Guided tours for individuals
Guided tours for groups

How to reach us



BY PLANE:

10 km from the city centre, Brussels South Charleroi Airport is the 2nd leading national airport, acknowledged for its on-time performance and the quality of the services on offer.

Charleroi city centre can be reached from the airport with the shuttle bus (line A), which runs every 30 minutes during the week and once an hour at the weekend.



BY TRAIN:

Charleroi South Station is accessible from all the main Belgian railway stations and all major European cities, with a connection at Brussels-Midi. Located in the city centre, the station is the ideal starting point for discovering the city.

www.belgiantrain.be



BY BUS:

Towns and cities in the Charleroi Region are accessible by bus from the railway station in the city centre.



BY ROAD:

Charleroi is located at the intersection of the E42 (Mons-Liège) and A54 (Charleroi-Brussels) motorways. The city can also be reached via the main Charleroi ring road (R3) and the N90 (Liege-Namur-Charleroi-Mons) and N5 (Charleville-Mézières-Charleroi-Brussels) national roads.



BY BICYCLE:

Cycling tourists can find all the information they need on p. 68.



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STREET ART
ART NOUVEAU / ART DECO
COMIC BOOKS
ESCAPE ROOMS
VIRTUAL REALITY / GAMING
EXCITEMENT
SHOPPING IDEAS





At the heart of “underground” Charleroi

Charleroi has been reinventing itself over the last few years thanks to a constant flow of cultural and artistic activities, absolutely contemporary in its modes of expression: graffiti, sculptures, collages, stencils, mosaics...

A variety reflecting the concept of urban art.

Street art no longer focuses solely on the aspirations of the counterculture; it now has a fun-orientated relationship with the city, making its mark thanks to events, such as *Asphalte*, *Couleurs Charleroi*, *Urban Dream* and *Public Art*, whose colourful features are very much apparent in Charleroi!

Set off to discover this hiking or metro-accessible quirky artistic heritage, spread out along a trail in the city centre or along the banks of the river Sambre.



*An open-air art
gallery!*

STREET ART

In the city centre

THE "CITY CENTRE STREET ART" TRAIL

In 2014, international Street Art stars arrived in Charleroi to take part in the 1st biennial *Asphalte* urban art event. The majority of the frescoes created at the time can still be seen today. These monumental works are joined by new paintings and graffiti by local artists who let their talent speak for itself on the free-expression walls.

On the banks of the Sambre

THE "STREET ART ON THE BANKS OF THE SAMBRE" TRAIL

Take part in this offbeat walk: hop on a metro train and return on foot along the towpath. Looking out of the window, you will discover an industrial setting, worthy of the paintings by Pierre Paulus, the eulogist of the Black Country, and nature taking over again: the huge ironworks on the banks of the Sambre, the various slag heaps growing greener and greener... The return journey to Charleroi can be made on foot, along the towpath. Hikers will reach Charleroi South Station by passing through Charleroi's industrial environment while admiring the graffiti-covered walls.

📍 Route description available at the Maison du Tourisme and at cm-tourisme.be

INDIGEN WORKSHOPS

Street Art, graffiti, fresco, tag, graff, sprays, caps, letters... Intrigued? Fascinated? This workshop includes a graffiti artist who will explain various techniques and tricks to help you become acquainted with this colourful artistic universe.

Ateliers
rue de la Providence, 136
6030 Charleroi
+32 486 57 34 08 – indigenasbl@gmail.com
By reservation only.

Other urban art-related activities at cm-tourisme.be



ART NOUVEAU

Route description available at the Maison du Tourisme and at cm-tourisme.be

A military fortress for two centuries, Charleroi lost its fortifications around 1870 to allow the city to expand, while boulevards were built on the ramparts.

At the beginning of the 20th century, a new residential area took shape, occupied mainly by members of the bourgeois class resulting from the booming iron, glass and coal industries. Anxious to enjoy a comfortable lifestyle and show off their new status, they built luxurious residences, as a symbol of their newfound success.

Against this background, Art Nouveau found an environment conducive to its development, leaving its mark on the city's architectural landscape: wrought iron balconies and railings, sgraffiti, decorative art features...

A few buildings worth mentioning



GOLDEN HOUSE (MAISON DORÉE)

Built by Alfred Frère in 1899 for a wealthy glass manufacturer, this building now houses the Charleroi Press Centre. Its facade features a variety of colours thanks to the use of colourful bricks and golden sgraffito (hence its name).

DOCTORS' HOUSE (MAISON DES MÉDECINS)

Created in 1908 and granted listed status in 1994, the Doctors' House is indicative of the aim of confirming a certain degree of social well-being. Its facade displays a harmonious polychrome blend of various materials, combining bricks of different colours, stone, wood, metal, bas-reliefs and stained-glass windows.

MAISON LAFLEUR

This 1908 dwelling was the first Art Nouveau-listed dwelling in Charleroi, in 1989. Tall and erect, this building is notable for its understated appearance, its overall design reminiscent of the "Viennese Secession" movement, its trapezoidal windows and a particular geometrical arrangement in the ornamental work.



ART DECO

MODERNISM

Art Deco was expressed in a geometrical, stylised form, while retaining the decorative approach that formed part of architecture's golden age from the 18th century

Modernism, on the other hand, completely reinvented architecture.

The new, highly restrained style, with pure lines and shapes, marked a complete break with the past.



Highly rated!

CITY HALL

This Art Deco masterpiece by Jules Cézair and Joseph André was inaugurated in 1936.

DE HEUG PIANOS

Situated along the quayside, this renovated building is one of the architect Leborgne's greatest works, with its highly artificial volumes, its sleek lines, an omnipresent curve in the façade and a vertical structure defined by the column with the stairwell and its large windows.

RAILWAY HOTEL

The many windows creating a glass border and the horizontal appearance of the entire Paul Nouille-built structure are inevitably evocative of trains and speed.

 Route description available at the Maison du Tourisme and at cm-tourisme.be

The two decades, from 1920 to 1940, saw the emergence of a major social turning point. Society was changing, technological progress and industrialisation revolutionised working practices and resulted in new ways of living. Architects sought to cater for the requirements of all sections of society, deploying new techniques, such as reinforced concrete to help save on the construction costs. Life for the working class was steadily improving, while members of the bourgeois class were starting to leave the city centre for greener outlying districts.

Apart from several talented architects such as Léon Coton, Maurice Hosdain and many others, three towering figures left indelible marks on the urban landscape during this period: Marcel Leborgne, Joseph André and Marcel Depelsenaire.

Highly rated



Wow!

Comic books

Charleroi is regarded as one of the birthplaces of Belgian comic books.



The "Marcinelle School" is a comic book style associated with the magazine Spirou. Its distinguishing features include a dark line and round bubbles as opposed to the "Brussels School", associated with the magazine Tintin, where the emphasis is on a clear line style of drawing.

The first Dupuis publishing house albums were printed in 1965. Franquin, Morris, Jijé, three authors forming the basis for the Marcinelle school. Over 200 comic book authors and internationally renowned characters such as Spirou, Tif & Tondu, Boule & Bill, Lucky Luke, Buck Danny, the Smurfs, Natacha, Gaston, Yoko Tsuno, Papyrus, the Blue Tunics, Mélusine, Cédric, Largo Winch... are now part of the great Dupuis family.

Colourful references throughout the city

THE PARK METRO STATION, located along Queen Astrid Park, is dedicated to Lucky Luke's, the world's most famous cowboy.

A must-see: the station's cactus-shaped lampposts, the wall mosaics in reference to desert flora and the panels dedicated to our hero and the other characters in the series, Billy the Kid, the Daltons, Rantanplan...

Entrance : rue Willy Ernst.

JANSON METRO STATION is dedicated entirely to the Dupuis publishing house and its characters: Spirou and Fantasio, the Smurfs, Natacha, Agent 212, Gaston...

Entrances : boulevard Paul Janson – boulevard Zoé Drion.

PALAIS DU BAS

Here you will find everything related to comics and other comics-inspired art forms: figurative, narrative, urban, pop art or neo pop. This gallery dedicated to the 9th Art hosts temporary exhibitions and is a true meeting place for collectors of rare objects.

rue de Marcinelle, 27 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 477 25 73 79 – jeanmichel.net
Open by appointment only.

DREAMWALL AND KEYWALL STUDIOS

The Dupuis publishing house has kept pace with new technologies. The animation and graphic design studio DreamWall is world-renowned for its productions, the most famous being "Asterix, the domain of the gods". The Keywall multi-studio system allows programmes to be recorded using virtual sets. Studio 1 alone has 200 m² of greenkey space and is considered to be the largest real-time virtual studio in Europe.

Exceptionally open on certain dates:
contact the Maison du Tourisme.

SPECIALIST BOOKSHOPS, POPULAR HAUNTS FOR COMIC BOOK ENTHUSIASTS!

Here you can browse, rummage and find the treasure you are looking for: comic books and other 9th-art-related items (p. 27).

Too cool!

We had no idea our favourite
comic book characters
were born in Charleroi!

Maïa, Arthur, Robin, Diego, Stessy, Lola, Basile,
Thomas, Timéo and Ophélio, tiny tourists



Highly rated



Locked in a room with a variety of atmospheres, clues and codes, will you be able to get out of it in less than 60 minutes?



MASTER HEMBISE'S LAW OFFICE

This quayside escape room takes you 50 years back in time: you are the heir of an American great-great-aunt and have to recover some valuable papers hidden in the lawyer's office. Can you find them before he returns?

quai Arthur Rimbaud, 15 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 498 52 83 08

maxime@charlerooms.be – charlerooms.be

By reservation only – Every day including Sundays and public holidays from 10 am to 8 pm.

KALIKAZAN – NATURE'S SECRET

Our millennium tree, Kalikazan, is dying... It needs help. But who would dare to venture into the forest in the middle of the night? Don a scout's outfit, and help to save the tree using only your hands, nose and ears to gather clues!

Galerie Bernard, 18 – 6000 Charleroi –
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louise@charlerooms.be – charlerooms.be

By reservation only – Every day, including Sundays and public holidays, from 10 am to 8 pm.

LUDO'SCAPE

Located on the first floor of a board game shop, this escape room takes you to the centre of a mine. Unravel the mechanisms and solve the riddles in a hyper-realistic setting.

rue Emile Tumelaire, 6 – 6000 Charleroi

+32 471 18 81 78 – +32 71 50 07 71

info@ludoscape.be – ludoscape.be

ESCAPE ROOMS

“Disconcerting, ingenious, it was great!”

Bérengère, Christelle, Valérie,
friends for a weekend in Charleroi

VIRTUAL REALITY / GAMING

For game enthusiasts!

ANOTHER WORLD

With friends, family or even alone, accomplish a virtual reality mission and immerse yourself in the world of your choice to experience incredible adventures. In total immersion, Another World features a number of virtual reality escape rooms.

avenue Paul Pastur, 237 – 6032 Charleroi
+32 71 14 01 00 – +32 495 10 06 58
info@anotherworld.be – anotherworld.be
By reservation only.
Monday to Sunday from 9 am to 11.30 pm.

GAMING ROOM AT QUAI10

The Video Game Centre at Quai10 is a unique cultural and educational centre in Belgium. An opportunity to discover a bi-monthly selection of different games on display for their relevance, originality, appeal, accessibility and user-friendliness.

quai Arthur Rimbaud, 10 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 31 71 47
info@quai10.be – quai10.be
Wednesdays, Fridays and weekends as well as public holidays (except. 25/12 and 01/01).
Tuesday to Sunday from 1 pm to 5.30 pm during school holidays (except during course weeks).

SPACE BATTLE ACADEMY

This over-1000-m² gaming venue is an ideal setting for multi-console E-SPORT competitions open to everyone.

rue Neuve, 71 – 6280 Gerpinnes
+32 467 08 33 74
spacebattleacademy@gmail.com
spacebattleacademy.com
Closed on Mondays.

Highly rated



EXTREME THRILLS

AIRSPACE INDOOR SKYDIVING

Located opposite the airport, Airspace is one of the most powerful and quietest free-fall simulators available. Driven by 170 to 270 km/h winds, thrill-seekers will have the opportunity to fly through a 15-metre-high vertical tunnel. A briefing with an experienced coach and you are set to experience something truly out of this world!

rue Charles Lindbergh, 26 – 6041 Charleroi
+32 71 91 91 00

booking@airspace.be – www.airspace.be Open from Wednesday to Sunday, 10 am to 8 pm.

EUROPEAN FLIGHT SIMULATOR

Sit at the controls of a Boeing 737, assisted by a professional co-pilot, and use your skills to land on the world's finest runways!

avenue des Etats-Unis, 7 – 6041 Charleroi
+32 71 35 61 17

info@efsimulator.com – efsimulator.com
By appointment only, Monday to Sunday, from 9 am to 6 pm.

MANIAK

Maniak, one of the largest climbing halls in Belgium, welcomes climbing enthusiasts within a space of almost 1000 m². Beginners or experienced "bouldering" enthusiasts alike can climb the walls without any securing equipment. No harnesses or ropes here! Requiring skill, agility and mental power, this discipline is mostly confined to the use of arms and legs. Afraid of falling? Don't worry, heavy padded mattresses are there for you to land on! You can also practise yoga and enjoy the sauna.

chaussée de Bruxelles, 100 – 6020 Charleroi
(next to the Decathlon)
+32 71 18 20 05 – +32 471 11 86 72 info@maniak.club – maniak-charleroi.club

Open Monday to Friday from 10 am to 11 pm and weekends from 10 am to 10 pm (preferably by reservation).



SHOPPING IDEAS

From small local shops to shopping centres, from traditional craftspeople to shopping 2.0, from local produce outlets to specialist shops, you will find everything you need... or want!

SHOPPING CENTRES...

Rive Gauche

place Verte, 20 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 20 90 71 – rivegauche.shopping

Ville2

Grand'rue, 143 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 28 62 10 – ville2.be

Bellefleur

route de Philippeville, 303 – 6010 Charleroi
bellefleur.be

City Nord

route Nationale, 5 – 6041 Charleroi
(near the airport)
+32 71 25 92 59 – citynord.net

Bultia Village

rue du Bultia, 85-87
6280 Gerpinnes
bultiaivillage.be

... TO CONCEPT STORES FOR YOUR SOUVENIRS!

Tshirt Mania

rue de Dampremy, 39 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 43 23 63 – tshirtmania.be

Wonderfriends

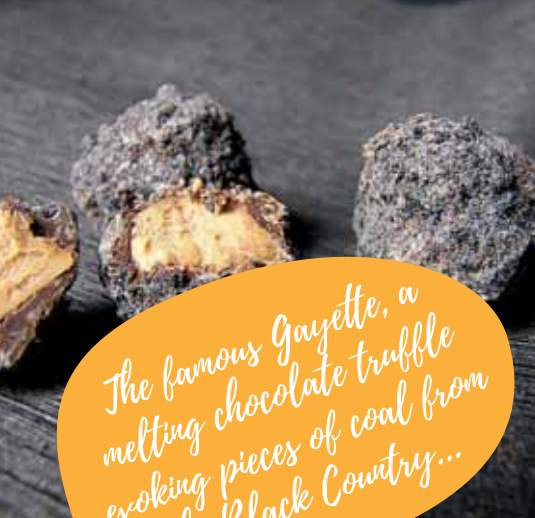
rue de Montigny, 13 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 491 07 62 16 – wonderfriends.be



Gadgets,
decoration,
t-shirts
...



Highly rated



The famous Gazette, a melting chocolate truffle evoking pieces of coal from the Black Country...



LOCAL BEERS, GIN, TEA, COFFEE, CHOCOLATE...

Maison Pilloy

rue Neuve, 60 – 6000 Charleroi

+32 71 32 66 73

Neuhaus Charleroi

rue de Dampremy, 1 – 6000 Charleroi

+32 71 70 30 77

Bruyère – Saveurs artisanales Ville2

Grand'rue, 143 – 6000 Charleroi

+32 71 41 44 19

Léonidas Ville2

Grand'rue 143/bte 48 – 6000 Charleroi

+32 71 41 46 84

Léonidas Rive Gauche

place Verte, 20 – 6000 Charleroi

+32 71 30 27 25

La Boutique de la Manufacture Urbaine

rue de Brabant, 2 – 6000 Charleroi

+32 71 30 60 13 – lam-u.com

L'épicerie de la Manufacture Urbaine Ville2

Grand'rue, 143 – 6000 Charleroi

+32 498 48 22 13

Au comptoir des Belges

avenue Eugène Mascaux, 507 – 6001 Charleroi

+32 472 71 26 26 – aucomptoirdesbelges.be

Cafés Van Hove

rue de Montigny, 2 – 6000 Charleroi

+32 71 31 42 03 – cafes-vanhove.be

Brunardi

rue du Bultia, 17 – 6280 Gerpennes

+32 499 90 82 14 – brunardi.be



... AND FOR LOVERS OF ELEGANT
BOOKS AND COMIC BOOKS

Librairie Molière

boulevard Tirou, 68 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 32 89 19 – moliere.com

Slumberland comic books World

place Emile Buisset, 2 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 47 58 60 – slumberlandbd.com

Grandchamps-Fafouille

passage de la Bourse, 17 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 31 22 94 – librairiegrandchamps.com

Livre ou Verre

passage de la Bourse, 6 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 470 70 62 99 – librairiegrandchamps.com

Galerie des Bulles

rue de Marcinelle, 38 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 485 85 25 65 – galerie-des-bulles.be

BD Choc

rue de Marcinelle, 28 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 65 59 93

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MUSEUMS
HERITAGE





MUSÉE DES BEAUX- ARTS

FROM MAGRITTE TO PAULUS...

The Fine Arts Museum bears witness to the artistic past – 19th and 20th centuries – and present of Charleroi and its region, the Hainaut basin and, more generally, Wallonia.

A huge collection of paintings, sculptures, prints, drawings, photographs, ceramics, videos and installations, the collection is based on the works of artists connected to the region by virtue of their birth, life, work or inspiration: René Magritte, Pierre Paulus, Alphonse Darville, François-Joseph Navez...

The museum also focuses on contemporary artists who, in one way or another, refer to this region and to the major present-day societal and human concerns.

*Reopening in
2022!* ↙

Anciennes Ecuries Defeld – boulevard Mayence – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 86 11 34 35 – mba@charleroi.be – charleroi-museum.be

Open Tuesday to Friday from 9 am to 5 pm, Saturday from 10 am to 6 pm and the 1st Sunday of the month from 12 noon to 6pm.
Closed on Mondays, the other Sundays and public holidays..



CONTEMPORARY ART

BPS22

HAINAUT PROVINCE
ART MUSEUM

boulevard Solvay, 22 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 27 29 71 – info@bps22.be – bps22.be

Open from Tuesday to Sunday, from 10 am to 6 pm.
Closed on Mondays, 24, 25, 31 December and 1 January,
as well as during the exhibition set-up
and dismantling periods.

Housed in a neo-classical-fronted glass industrial hall, built during the 1911 industrial exhibition, the art museum holds temporary exhibitions.

The venue has retained its distinctiveness and its industrial splendour: the large 12-metre-high hall features wide windows and lends itself well to monumental installations. A second hall, a white box-type hall, provides a more modernist space.

BPS22 focuses on art that highlights current societal issues and contemporary cultural developments.



*The park and the Museum Café
are also worth a visit!*

PHOTOGRAPHY MUSEUM

The largest photographic collection in Europe

avenue Paul Pastur, 11
6032 Charleroi
(GPS : Place des Essarts)
+32 71 43 58 10
mpc.info@museephoto.be – museephoto.be

Open Tuesday to Sunday from 10 am to 6 pm.
Closed on Mondays, 25 December
and 1 January.

Housed in a former neo-gothic Carmelite convent, the museum covers the entire history of photography from its invention to the most recent artistic developments.

Visitors are invited to discover the artistic and technical diversity of the 8th Art through the museum's permanent collections and temporary exhibitions.

At the back of the Museum, concealed behind high walls decorated with reproductions of famous works, the former 85-acre Carmelite convent park is a real oasis of peace: it contains two beech trees and a plane tree included on the list of remarkable trees of Wallonia, as well as a weeping ash.

LE BOIS DU CAZIER

A COMBINATION OF COAL, IRON
AND GLASS

Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the former mining site has three museum areas.

Through films, photographs and personal accounts, L'Espace 8 août 1956 provides an insight into the symbolic aspects of the mining disaster and immigration.

The Industry Museum shows the Industrial Revolution through its main fields of activity and evokes the status of the working class.

The Glass Museum has both an archaeological and a contemporary collection. The visit is topped off with a glass-blowing workshop.

Featuring two headframes, this magnificent architectural entity is surrounded by three slag heaps, which have been converted into footpaths. At the top, a landscape observatory offers a 360° panoramic view of the surrounding landscape.

UNESCO
heritage



rue du Cazier, 80 – 6001 Charleroi
+32 71 88 08 56 – info@leboisducazier.be – leboisducazier.be

Open Tuesday to Friday, from 9 am to 5 pm and weekends
and public holidays, from 10 am to 6 pm.
Closed in early January.

*Watch a
demonstration!*

GLASS MUSEUM



From the treasures of Antiquity to contemporary creations...

Located at Le Bois du Cazier site in Marcinelle, the Glass Museum displays its collections from an unusual perspective: from the present-day to the origins of glass, all periods are covered according to three different themes: art, history and techniques.

The Glass Museum's workshop is open to visitors for demonstrations of glass-blowing with a blowtorch and thermoforming: fire, breath, matter, colour... to offer them the unforgettable experience of magic and technical skills.

Le Bois du Cazier
rue du Cazier, 80 – 6001 Charleroi
+32 71 88 08 56 or +32 496 59 92 14
mdv@charleroi.be – charleroi-museum.be

Open Tuesday to Friday, from 9 am to 5 pm.,
Saturdays and Sundays from 10 am to 6 pm.
Closed in early January.



*Between science
and nature*

Nestled in a leafy setting, the museum hosts science-themed exhibitions, practical workshops to awaken the senses and encourage reflection, a biotechnology area, while holding events throughout the year such as the Night of the Stars, Halloween, Science Sunday, Science in the Springtime...

The 20-hectare park surrounding the building contains dozens of outstanding trees that are an invitation to take a leisurely stroll.

C.C.S.

ULB SCIENTIFIC CULTURE CENTRE

rue de Villers, 227 – 6010 Charleroi
+32 71 60 03 00 – ccsinfo@ulb.ac.be – ulb.ac.be/ccs

Open Monday to Friday, from 9.30 am to 5.30 pm.,
the 1st Sunday of the month from 10 am to 6 pm.
Closed on Saturdays and on all other Sundays.



POTTERY CENTRE

AGE-OLD SKILLS AND KNOW-HOW

Famous for centuries for its glazed stoneware sold all over the world, the village of Bouffioulx owes its reputation to the distinctive features of its stoneware – hard, impermeable, opaque and reflecting sound – as well as its high-temperature firing (from 1250 to 1350°C) and the addition of sea salt, which is thrown into the kiln during the firing process.

Situated in the middle of the village, the Pottery Centre pays homage to the potters of then and now. Visitors are invited to discover their techniques, their expertise in the use of earth, water and fire, through a special layout to illustrate the major changes in industrial sectors based on high-quality craftsmanship.

rue Général Jacques, 4 – 6200 Châtelet
+32 71 39 51 77 – tourisme@chatelet.be
chatelet-poterie.be

Open Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday,
from 10 am to 5 pm.

BOUFFIOULX, POTTERY VALLEY

AREA POPULATED BY STONEWARE CRAFTSPEOPLE

Dubois and Lardinois, two potter's workshops keeping the tradition alive today.

Each potter has a showroom where the public can discover utilitarian stoneware or original artistic creations...

DUBOIS POTTERY THE POTTERS' BARN

Potters from father to son for 13 generations, the Dubois family produces Bouffioulx stoneware in a former workshop (1868).

To ensure this exceptional legacy is more widely shared, Dubois Pottery invites visitors to discover real craftspeople at work and to experience the sheer magic of hand-turning.

Pay a visit to the brewery to taste regional products in stoneware vessels.

LARDINOIS POTTERY

Created in 1986, Lardinois Pottery is an exclusively family-run company specialising in the manufacture of salt-glazed, glazed and artistic stoneware. Producing a whole range of products, the pottery also supplies beer mugs to a large number of Belgian breweries, such as Waterloo, Chimay and Rochefort.



Dubois Pottery
rue E. Hermant, 20 – 6200 Châtelet
+32 71 38 17 61 – info@poteriedubois.be – poteriedubois.be
"Pottery Barn" Museum
Open every day, from 10 am to 6 pm.
Guided tours by reservation.

Lardinois Pottery
avenue Emile Vandervelde, 41 – 6200 Châtelet
+32 71 39 68 41 – la.poterie.lardinois@proximedia.be –
la-poterie-lardinois.be
Open Monday to Friday, from 8.30 am to 12 pm
and from 12.30 pm to 5.45 pm.
Saturdays, from 9 am to 12 pm and from 1 pm to 5.45 pm.



LIGHT INFANTRY MEMORIAL MUSEUM

Housed under the porch of Trésignies barracks, a listed monument, the museum offers a panoramic view of our history through 12 light infantry regiments from 1830 to the present day.

Different rooms displaying uniforms to illustrate how light infantry troops have helped to recover or maintain freedom, from the 1830 Revolution to the operations in the former Yugoslavia.

avenue Général Michel, 1B – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 30 07 48

president.ancap@chasseurs-a-pied-belges.be
chasseurs-a-pied-belges.be

Open on Mondays (by appointment) and Thursdays
except public holidays from 2 pm to 5 pm and on
Saturdays except public holidays
from 10 am to 1 pm.

TRADITIONAL MARCHES OF THE ENTRE-SAMBRE- ET-MEUSE REGION MUSEUM

Originating in the Middle Ages, the traditional marches have continued to adapt to important and historical periods that have marked the Entre-Sambre-et-Meuse region.

It was in 1801 that armed forces began to wear uniforms during religious processions and parades in honour of the patron saint of the villages. The museum presents a variety of costumes, hats and plumes from the 1st and 2nd Empires.

rue de la Régence, 6 – 6280 Gerpinnes
+32 474 61 46 44 or +32 71 21 30 35

conservateur@museedesmarches.be
museedesmarches.be

Open from 1 May to 30 September, Saturdays and
Sundays and public holidays, from 2 pm to 6 pm.
Closed in July.





CHARLEROI, FOUR HISTORICAL SITES

BELFRY, RELIEF PLAN,
WELLS AND UNDERGROUND PASSAGES
AT THE FORTRESS

1666, the creation of a fortress

Founded during the military turmoil that erupted between the Spanish Netherlands and France, the city owes its name to Charles II, King of Spain, who was placed on the throne at the age of four following the death of his father, Philip IV.

It was on 3 September 1666 that the Marquis de Castel Rodrigo, Governor General of the Netherlands, laid the first stone of the future fortified site: Charleroi. It was then abandoned by the Spaniards. Louis XIV took control of the city and commissioned Vauban to rebuild the fortress and improve its defences.

Place Charles II now reflects the city's military past: nine streets start from the centre of the square.

Would you like to discover these historical sites?
They are exceptionally open to the public on certain dates.
Contact the Maison du Tourisme du Pays de Charleroi
for further details.

FOUR HISTORICAL SITES HAVE BEEN EXCEPTIONALLY OPEN TO THE PUBLIC EVER SINCE THE 350TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION, IN 2016, OF THE CITY'S FOUNDATION.

BELFRY

A symbol of civil rights and the power of cities, the Charleroi Belfry, a magnificent Art Deco-style building, is made from blue and white stone and special bricks and topped with a bronze pinnacle.

The 272 steps lead up to a 47-bell carillon and a 360° panoramic view from the four balconies. Orientation tables will guide you during your visual explorations of the surrounding landscape. This monument is included on the UNESCO World Heritage List.

RELIEF MAP

A huge scale model of the Charleroi fortress is on display in one of the city hall rooms. It is an exact replica of the model that Louis XIV commissioned and was once available for visitors to admire in the large gallery in the Louvre and is now kept in the Lille Fine Arts Museum.

THE WELL OF THE FRENCH FORTRESS

A trip down into the underground passages on place Charles II brings you face to face with the rare remains of the Vauban fortress, dating from 1667.

The scenic design offers a detailed history of the square as well as the city's long history of water-related problems.

THE UNDERGROUND PASSAGES OF THE DUTCH FORTRESS

The underground passages of the old fortress are bound to arouse your curiosity.

Invested with a scenic design, the 150 metres of galleries are open for guided tours.



*Between
Classicism
and Art
Deco*



CHARLEROI CITY HALL AND ITS BELFRY

Inaugurated in 1936, Charleroi City Hall is an exceptional Art Deco building from every perspective.

The use of the finest materials, the impressive Belfry, a UNESCO-listed World Heritage Site, the masterpieces that decorate the halls and corridors and the monumental form of the structure – these are all typical features of this architectural style.

The entrance hall, the grand staircase, the central well and the council room are a testimony to the talent of the architect, Joseph André, who, together with various Belgian artists, contributed to the building's prestige and elegance.

Every 15 minutes, the Belfry's carillon used to play a few bars of popular songs by the Charleroi chansonnier Jacques Bertrand.

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heritage

place Charles II – 6000 Charleroi
Entrance place du Manège. The City Hall is open Monday to
Friday from 9 am to 5 pm, except on public holidays.
Belfry: contact the Maison du Tourisme.

THE CHURCH OF ST. CHRISTOPHER

Initially a royal chapel dedicated to St Louis, built in 1667 at the behest of Louis XIV for his garrison, it was converted in 1722 and dedicated to the worship of St Christopher.

All that remains of this building are the choir, the apse and the facade, which now enjoy listed status.

The building was covered with an impressive copper dome after the Second World War.

In 1956, the architect Joseph André provided it with a lavish glass mosaic. A one-of-a-kind achievement in Belgium, produced by the Venetian masters working for the Orsoni company and based on drawings by Jean Ransy, this work represents the Apocalypse according to the St. John.

***“What do I like most?
The mosaic composed of
coloured glass squares or
covered with gold leaf.”***

Agatha,
Tourist guide



place Charles II, 8 – 6000 Charleroi
Open Monday to Friday from 8 am to 7pm.



L'ALBA

MAISON DES TALENTS
PARTAGÉS
(HOUSE OF SHARED TALENTS)

Built in 1877 for Jules Audent, one of the first mayors of Charleroi, this magnificent building may well be one of the first houses built on the new boulevards in the 19th century.

Designed for receptions and official representations, Audent House has the character of a private mansion house. Its special features include a large number of voluminous rooms, the size of the spaces, their layout and the well-preserved condition of the building.

Occupied by the Italian Consulate for almost 50 years, the building has now become a forum for culture, exchanges and artists' residencies, thanks to the efforts of the singer Melanie de Biasio.

The Alba, Maison des Talents Partagés (House of Shared Talents) is a multidisciplinary platform for creation, dissemination and artistic development to enable artists to forge links, produce new works and hone their skills. The venue is open to both visiting artists and the general public.

MAGRITTE AT CHÂTELET

“THIS IS NOT AN HOMAGE”

The surrealist painter René Magritte spent his youth in Châtelet from 1904 to 1917. The painter has now become the focus of a walk through the city centre and a visit to his childhood home.

THE MAGRITTE WALK

Located in the pedestrian area of the city centre, the walk is a historical and artistic reminder of the painter's stay in Châtelet. Ground inlays and works by different artists are on display all along the route.

MAGRITTE'S CHILDHOOD HOME

Along the route, visitors will discover the Art Nouveau- style mansion, built in 1911 at the request of Magritte's father. The painter spent his early years in this beautiful, lavish residence. The interior architecture is still the same as it was when the artist lived there, with parquet floors, balustraded columns and two magnificent fireplaces. The kitchen walls are completely covered with now unobtainable Bouffioulx earthenware, which makes this room an exceptional space.

Maison Magritte – rue des Gravelles, 95 – 6200 Châtelet
From May to October, Wednesdays from 9 am to 12 pm
and from 1 pm to 5 pm.

(except July and August, from 9 am to 1 pm)

City of Châtelet Culture Department
+32 71 24 49 26 – culture@chatelet.be
Châtelet Animé Department
+32 71 39 51 77 – tourisme@chatelet.be

9 paintings by Magritte can be found in the Charleroi Fine Arts Museum collection.

La Fée ignorante (The Ignorant Fairy), one of Magritte's masterpieces, now decorates the Conference Hall of the Charleroi Centre for Fine Arts.

Open at set dates.

Further details at the Maison du Tourisme du Pays de Charleroi.



And in Charleroi?





*A walking tour
in the age of
fortified castles*

TRAZEGNIES CASTLE

AN IMPRESSIVE REMINDER OF BELGIUM'S FEUDAL PAST

The Trazegnies family owned a castle worthy befitting its name. The Romanesque cellars, rare reminders of the 11th century.

The entire castle was rebuilt at the end of the 16th century, after being ransacked and burnt down in 1554. During reconstruction work, Charles II, Marquis of Trazegnies, commissioned the construction of this superb main building, the real highlight of the present-day castle and an almost unique example in Belgium of Louis XIII Renaissance style architecture.

Listed as a historical monument in 1950, the castle features paintings and sculptures by Jean Ransy, Albert Mascaux, Charles Delporte and others in its various rooms.

The castle courtyard contains an admirable plane tree which the Marquis of Trazegnies had planted there on 7 November 1735.

Officially recognised as the finest specimen in Belgium, it has a girth of 4.60 m and a height of 44 m.

place Albert I^{er}, 32 – 6183 Courcelles
+32 71 45 10 46 – info@chateaudetrazegnies.be
chateaudetrazegnies.be

Open from May to September, Sundays and public holidays.
from 2.30 pm to 5.30 pm with a guided tour at 3 pm.

FORMER SOLEILMONT ABBEY

RELIGIOUS REMNANTS AND ENGLISH-STYLE GARDENS

This abbey is said to have been founded in the 11th century. After a long period of prosperity, the abbey saw its survival endangered by periods of war and epidemics. The abbey was given a new lease of life after the French Revolution when the buildings were restored or rebuilt.

Soleilmont Abbey was destroyed by a devastating fire on Christmas Eve in 1963. Priceless treasures were destroyed: statues, relics, precious objects... The nuns moved to a new abbey in 1973 while the old site was sold to private individuals.

The most interesting remains today – the remnants of the church, the cloister, the abbesses' tombstones and the main building (abbey house) – are part of an 89-acre site developed and operated by the non-profit organisation "Ancienne Abbaye de Soleilmont". "English" gardens featuring several collections of outstanding plants and trees serve as a setting for the tombstones, the cloister, and the 12th century pointed window of the Our Lady of Rome chapel.



Non-profit organisation Ancienne Abbaye de Soleilmont
Lieu-dit Abbaye de Soleilmont 1 – 6060 Charleroi
+32 475 80 64 41 – nathalie.zune@gmail.com –
ancienneabbayedesoleilmont.be
Guided tours or guided walks for individuals,
by reservation only.

Information: Maison du Tourisme du Pays de Charleroi

TOURS



WALKING TOURS
SLAG HEAPS
PARKS AND WOODS
NATURE RESERVES
CYCLING





URBAN VIBE IN CHARLEROI

A route reflecting 350 years of history

The route forms a 21-point loop signposted with arrows and hexagonal plaques evoking the shape of Charleroi's fortress. This route takes the visitor from station to station to discover the metropolitan area's past and its must-see sites such as the Belfry, City Hall, Art Nouveau houses...

Art Nouveau route

At the beginning of the 20th century, a new residential area took shape, occupied mainly by members of the bourgeois class resulting from the booming iron, glass and coal industries. Anxious to enjoy a comfortable lifestyle and show off their new status, they built luxurious residences, as a symbol of their newfound success. Against this background, Art Nouveau found an environment conducive to its development, leaving its mark on the city's architectural landscape.

Art Deco route

The two decades, from 1920 to 1940, saw the emergence of a major social turning point. Society was changing, technological progress and industrialisation revolutionised working practices and resulted in new ways of living. Architects sought to cater for the requirements of all sections of society, deploying new techniques, such as reinforced concrete to help save on the construction costs. Apart from several talented architects such as Léon Coton, Maurice Hosdain and many others, three towering figures left indelible marks on the urban landscape during this period: Marcel Leborgne, Joseph André and Marcel Depelsenaire.

📍 Routes available at the Maison du Tourisme and at cm-tourisme.be

Charleroi Adventure City Safari

Charleroi Adventure is an invitation to intrepid visitors to join a wildly offbeat urban safari. With his fun approach to clichés, this Charleroi artist provides a tour through the heart of the abandoned industrial landscape. The visit leads along industrial wastelands or even on top of a slag heap...

"It's art tourism" to be approached tongue in the cheek... or even with a pinch of salt...

+32 494 98 26 43 – info@charleroiadventure.com
charleroiadventure.com

By reservation only.

ON FOOT...

SIGNPOSTED TOURS
AND ROUTES

Two original
mobile apps

to discover the city while having fun
or going for a run (p. 11)

Street Art tour in the city centre

In 2014, international Street Art stars arrived in Charleroi to take part in the 1st biennial Asphalte urban art event. The majority of the frescoes created at the time can still be seen today. These monumental works are joined by new paintings and graffiti by local artists who let their talent speak for itself on the free-expression walls.

Street Art – Porte Ouest overhead metro line

Seriously quirky, this tour is a godsend for people keen on unusual photographs and other urban explorers. The Charleroi-Marchienne journey by overhead metro introduces you to an impressive industrial heritage embellished by the world of Street Art.

The outward journey is made by metro from the South Station, the return journey on foot along the towpath.

Downtown route

Following the downtown area's recent spectacular urban makeover new names are now being heard, such as Rive Gauche, Quai10, and the Manufacture Urbaine (LaM.U).

This tour along the river Sambre will help you discover the less well-known features of the city's history.

Facades and their hidden treasures

Armed with a booklet during their 11-stage tour, pint-sized hunters will have the opportunity to discover the treasures hidden in the city of Charleroi's facades in the form of a game. Page after page, it's all about looking for the intruder, looking for details in the facades, linking words to photos.

At the end of the tour, a surprise awaits the hunters at the Maison du Tourisme.

This is not black

This route leads you through the city centre to revive memories of Charleroi's social and industrial history. The trail relies on historical facts and anecdotes to guide you through the city, evoking social struggles, successive waves of immigration, leading figures that dominated its history and buildings which today make it the leading metropolitan area in Wallonia.

Magritte route in Châtelet

Located in the city centre pedestrian area, the Magritte walk is a historical and artistic reminder of René Magritte's stay in Châtelet where he spent his youth, from 1904 to 1917. Ground inlays and works by different artists are featured all along the route: Evelyne Lemaire, Charles De Rouck, Alphonse Darville, Léon Moisse and Jean-Michel Folon.

📍 Routes available at the Maison du Tourisme and at cm-tourisme.be





Contrasting sites!



NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

SIGNPOSTED ROUTES IN THE DISTRICTS OF CHARLEROI

Fontaine-qui-Bout at Marcinelle

This 3.4-km route, signposted with green rectangles, takes hikers to unexpected landscapes in the highly urbanised and industrialised Charleroi region: a forest area, a bocage landscape, a standard tree orchard, a rural district and ponds. The north side of the Fontaine-qui-Bout stream valley provides an uninterrupted view of the Bois de Prince forest area.

Bois du Prince Forest at Marcinelle

This 4-km walk, signposted with red rectangles, passes by the Saracen cave, a Natura 2000 site that is used as a bat refuge. At the Knight Templars' site, where archaeological digs take place, visitors will discover its history mingled with local legends. The natural environment is full of discoveries: the reappearance of a stream, a forest pool and the wealth of geological varieties.

Heigne Forest at Jumet

The 5.8-km walk, signposted with red rectangles, starts in the former municipality of Roux and mainly crosses the town of Jumet, whose multifaceted landscape still reflects the prosperity of the coal and glass industries. The route follows the canal towpath, the RAVeL network of greenways, Heigne Forest and its slag heaps. The historical legacy includes Bivort Park, Heigne chapel, the old collieries and the stone commemorating the workers' struggles of 1886.

Between Roche and Eure and the Brun Chêne Nature Reserve at Mont-sur-Marchienne and Montigny-le-Tilleul

Two routes in one offering an almost-4-km circuit signposted with red rectangles and a more modest 1-km circuit signposted with blue rectangles in the Brun Chêne Nature Reserve. A delightful walking tour, delving into an eventful geological past, on the wooded banks of the Eau d'Heure Lakes, through a peaceful bocage, a limestone hill and its former quarry.

SIGNPOSTED ROUTES AT AISEAU-PRESLES

Set off to explore four different villages, Aiseau, Pont-de-Loup, Presles and Roselies, boasting typical, well-defined stone-built houses

Situated along the Biesme Valley, they offer peaceful, scenic landscapes and walking tours filled with impressive hedges and trees, historical monuments and old stones.

Walking tour at Aiseau

This 10-km route, signposted with red diamonds, follows tiny paths through this charming village to reach the Ferme des Castors, Oignies Abbey and its park, the Zeulies and Vantelle woods. The Oignies ponds are real treasures. Created by the abbey's monks in the 13th century, they were used for fish farming and a reservoir in case of water shortages to supply the flour mill.

Walking tour at Roselies

This 8.5-km route, signposted with blue diamonds, leads you to the river Sambre and the Roselies lock, at the site of the water treatment plant and the 15th century Albart Farm.

Walking tour at Pont-de-Loup

This 9.5-km route, signposted with yellow diamonds, will introduce you to an old Romanesque tower, the so-called miraculous spring of Notre-Dame-Del-Manock and Broue Forest.

Walking tour at Presles

The 13.5-km walk, signposted with green diamonds, starts at La Drève and leads you through neighbourhoods with charming old stone-built houses. Small chapels are waiting to be discovered along the path. Visitors will pass through the 16th century Ferme des Golias, the village centre and Biesme bridge, near the castle of the Counts of Oultremont and through the Fond Coupe-Gueule woods.

The property of the family of the Counts of Oultremont for four centuries, the castle park opens its doors to the public once a year for daffodil-picking.



Also by bicycle!



WALKING TOURS AT FLEURUS

The Fleurus Municipal Tourist Office offers visitors the opportunity to discover the entity via various themed or specific tours.

Runnin'City app

3 routes to discover in Fleurus:
walking or running!

📍 Downloadable routes at fleurus-tourisme.be and cm-tourisme.be

Old Fleurus, along the streets and alleys

The town of Fleurus is known for its long and turbulent past, where smaller and larger historical events converge, often during the course of a battle. Generally speaking, while History (with a capital H) is fairly well known, local people and visitors alike find that the History of the City itself remains a mystery combining the true and false, real life and legend. This 3-km hiking tour is an opportunity for you to discover the town and its changes over the course of time.

Saint-Amand, the battle of 16 June 1815

This roughly 10-km-long hiking and mountain bike tour around the village will introduce you to the positions held by the French and Prussian troops in 1815.

Industrial route, from Fleurus to Roux

Starting from the Forêt des Loisirs, this cycling route (12 km) helps you to discover the world of glassmaking and mining. Here and there you can still see an old factory, an old glass factory site, a railway station, a church, a chapel, a school, a park and many other reminders of Charleroi's rich industrial legacy.

The Forêt des Loisirs routes

Pay a visit to this splendid 65-hectare estate to enjoy the pleasures of the natural world in the midst of a peaceful setting. Thirteen routes (walking, horse-riding, cycling or a combination), whose lengths vary between 1.5 km and 8 km, will help you discover the Forêt des Loisirs, the place to be for Fleurus tourism. Also featuring playgrounds, a shaded barbecue area is accessible free of charge.

WALKING AT GERPINNES

At the heart of Gerpinnes – “Back to the roots”.

This short 2.5 km walking tour leads you through streets and alleys to discover old houses, fountains and monuments. A return to the roots, from the Gallo-Roman past to the industrial epoch.

Around Gerpinnes – “From Roman times to the present day”.

Enjoy this hilly walking tour, among stunning landscapes and breath-taking views, passing through rocky country lanes, peaceful village roads and grassy paths to arrive near the Roman villa, the real birthplace of Gerpinnes.

Around Flaches – “In the footsteps of the Knights Templar”.

Starting from the Gerpinnes-Flaches church, this 6-km hiking tour travels through the woods and the Bertransart district to the farm of the same name, former Templar base. On the way back, hikers follow a country lane running through St Pierre Brook Valley.

At Gougnyes-Villers – “The industrial past”.

Along the paths, streets and alleys of the villages of Gougnyes and Villers-Poterie, you will discover their industrial past (marble quarry, pottery factory...) as well as various natural sites, including the prestigious Chêne Sainte-Rolende.

*The ideal
region for ... hikers!*

Pays d'Acoz – “Three bell-towers walking tour”.

This 7-km walking route links Acoz Church to Lausprelle via Acoz Castle and the village of Joncret. On the way back, you will pass through a scenic country lane used by the St. Rolende Procession every Whit Monday.

The Tournibus – “Between the natural and rural environments”.

This high-on 10 km-long route starts in Fromiée travelling almost only roads and forest paths in Tournibus Forest. A visit to Place d'Hymiée is well worth the effort.

Loverval – “Discovering Art Deco”.

This 6 km walking tour leads you to the Namèche orchard and the Bois de Loverval, where you will find the Saracens' Cave and the Leisure Centre of Marcinelle with its great lakes, its outdoor swimming pool and its health trails.

St. Rolende Tour

Starting from Place des Combattants, this 35-km trek takes you through the local villages, following in the footsteps of St. Rolende. After passing through the streets and alleys of Gerpinnes, you will cross the villages of Hymiée, Hanzinne, Tarciennes, Les Flaches, Joncret, Acoz, Villers-Poterie, Gougnyes and Fromiée to finally return to Gerpinnes, like a real Entre-Sambre-et-Meuse hiker!

📍 routes downloadable at atsi-gerpinnes.be and cm-tourisme.be



WALKING TOURS IN LES BONS VILLERS

Scenic villages, historical sights, rural landscapes and pastoral scenery are a sample of what is on offer in this selection of tours...

📍 Routes downloadable at les-bons-villers.be and cm-tourisme.be



"L'encloître" route

This route introduces you to the southern part of Frasnes-lez-Gosselies and its rich heritage: St. Nicolas Parish Church, the Alderman's Chamber and the chapel of Notre-Dame du Roux.

"Le Pierpont" route

Setting out from the Chapel of Notre-Dame du Roux, this route introduces you to the other part of Frasnes-lez-Gosselies as far as Grand Pierpont Farm, now a hotel-restaurant and golf club.

"Les Hameaux" route

This rural tour will introduce you to the different hamlets in the village of Rèves featuring the castle tower, St Rémy's Church and some of the local farms.

"Les Fermes" route

Lined with various farms, this rural walking tour will introduce you to the hamlet of Sart-à-Rèves.

"La Bruyère" route

This walking tour through the village of Villers-Perwin boasts a number of heritage sites, including a brick-built presbytery dating from the 17th century and listed as a Belgian Monumental Heritage Site.

"Les Chapelles" route

This trail will help you to discover the Mellet's rich heritage, thanks in particular to the various chapels spread out along this several kilometres long route.

"Les Fouilles" route

During this walking tour through the fields, you discover remnants of the Roman Vicus of Geminicum, a Roman road that was used for centuries by the legions of the Roman Empire.

"La Taravisée" route

Bearing the name of a farm located in the village of Wayaux, this walking tour will introduce you to various chapels as well as Tourelle Farm, a magnificent 17th century brick farmhouse listed as a Walloon Monumental Heritage site.

WALKING TOURS AT PONT-À-CELLES

Thiméon tour

Located just north of the motorway to Wallonia, the village of Thiméon boasts a local feature included in UNESCO's Oral and Intangible Heritage of Humanity list: the Terre al'danse. The 6-km walking tour is an opportunity to discover two listed buildings: the Village House and Bishop's Palace Farm.

Rosseignies and Petit-Roeulx

This 7.5-km walking tour is an opportunity to discover the countryside around the village of Rosseignies and its splendid Our Lady of Charity Chapel. It also crosses the centre of the delightful village of Petit-Roeulx (Seneffe) and its splendid St Martin's Church.

From Obaix to Rosseignies via the Scheldt – Meuse ridge line

The former municipality of Obaix lies between the Meuse and Scheldt catchment areas. This 6-km long walking tour is an opportunity to explore the municipality's agricultural features (fields as far as the eye can see), and to appreciate the magnificent two rows of trees that run along the main route between the two villages and the wind farm.

From farm to farm around Buzet

The former municipalities of Obaix and Buzet share the Obaix-Buzet SNCB (National Railways) stopping point, but they also share a single built-up area. The 8.6-km walking tour on offer runs along country lanes and paths through and around this agglomeration and features several outstanding farmhouses.

From Liberchies to Odoumont

Starting from Place de Liberchies, an outstanding architectural complex featuring a monument in tribute to Django Reinhardt, this 8-km walking tour continues across the fields after passing along the picturesque La Houssière Farm. The tour then makes a detour through the hamlets of Odoumont (Les Bons Villers) and Fromiée along the Rampe.



Pont-à-Celles across fields

This 10-km walking tour starting from the centre of Pont-à-Celles, travelling along country lanes and paths, paints a varied picture of the local landscape. You will discover the major features of the town: impressive farms, chapels, water tower, Bois de Courriaulx...

From Hairiamont to Biernimont

This 8-km walking tour located north of the Charleroi-Brussels canal is an opportunity to discover the hamlets of Hairiamont and Biernimont by crossing our splendid countryside via farm tracks, footpaths and the RAVeL network of greenways.

Viesville, Manants Forest and Nature Reserve

Viesville is the greenest village in the municipality. Starting from the old railway station, the 7-km walking tour is an opportunity to cross the municipal Manants Forest, to discover the Viesville lock on the Charleroi-Brussels canal, to join the RAVeL network of greenways and to walk along the Nature Reserve.

Luttre and Viesville

Starting from the Champion car park in Luttre, this walking tour takes you through the village of Luttre and along the Rampe, Liberchies and Natry rivers. Arriving in Viesville, you will discover St. George's Church. You next pass by the old Ployt Farm on your way back via the RAVeL network of greenways.

SLAGHEADS

ONCE UPON A TIME BLACK-COLOURED SITE, OWING TO THE COAL-MINING ACTIVITIES THERE, THE ARTIFICIAL HILLS CREATED FROM THE FORMER SLAGHEADS ARE NOW TRULY GREEN OASES IN THE CHARLEROI LANDSCAPE, STEEPED IN HISTORY AND RICH IN SOCIALLY RELEVANT VALUES.

Highly recommended!

SOME OPEN-ACCESS SLAGHEADS...

Martinet Slagheaps at Roux

The large Martinet slag heap offers a wide range of original and varied biotopes to be discovered along its many walking trails. This impressive 53-hectare industrial wasteland has been colonised by sometimes-rare wild species. Plantings of noble species and ponds are located alongside open areas containing pioneer species. The site is now also home to the brewing facilities of the Manufacture Urbaine and the Bread Centre of Excellence (forthcoming).

Access via Place Frédéric.

Terril des Vallées at Gilly

Close to Gilly velodrome, this slag heap has been adapted for mountain biking. At the top, the variety of slopes and southern flank orientations is conducive to biotopes as varied as they rich in biodiversity. Partly reforested on its northern flank, the slag heap is a riot of glorious colours in autumn.

Access via rue des Grandes Vallées.

Bayemont/Saint-Charles slag heap at Marchienne-au-Pont

The Bayemont slag heap was created as a result of the mining activities in shaft no. 18 of the Monceau-Fontaine collieries, which was located in the Rue des Réunis in Marchienne. The two cone-shaped slagheaps Bayemont and Saint-Charles were worked for their residual coal in the 1990s and then transformed into a single unit. Trees and herbaceous plants were planted and spontaneous flora and fauna came to enhance the site's biodiversity.

Access from the top of rue du Chemin de Fer.





Le Bois du Cazier slagheaps at Marcinelle

Now refurbished as a museum, the UNESCO-listed former colliery is surrounded by three slagheaps.

The first, and the oldest one, is a flat, easily accessible slag heap from which you can see the coalmine site from a fresh perspective. The second, on which the outdoor theatre is based, is accessible through the Drève de la Mémoire, planted with 12 species of trees from the countries of origin of the victims of the 8 August 1956 tragedy. To reach the third slag heap, the highest, cone-shaped slag heap, you have to walk over an incredible overhead timber and metal footbridge overlooking the rue de la Gare. At the top, the landscape observatory, at an altitude of almost 250 metres, offers an exceptional 360° panoramic view of the entire region.

Access via rue du Cazier or rue de la Gare.

Piges slagheap at Dampremy

Climb to the top to discover the remains of mining activities and an incredible 360° view of the city, the ironworks and other slagheaps.

The sloping summit is rather difficult to reach, suitable footwear is necessary.

Access via rue Arthur Decoux at Dampremy.

Full information on the cross-border platform

« destinationterrils.eu »



SIGNPOSTED ROUTES ON THE SLAGHEADS

“Terril Saint-Charles walking tour” at Marchienne

This 1.1 km accessible road leads gently up to the intermediate plateau of the Saint-Charles slag heap, where you will discover an old settling pond, dating from the 1990s, now filled with reeds. You are welcome to explore the surrounding dry grasslands in search of wild flowers and rare insects. The path then climbs gently upwards to the top from where you will have a magnificent view of the slagheap chain and the Marchienne ironworks.



The “Entre Fer, Charbon et Eau des Terrils” walking tour at Marchienne and Dampremy

A section of a route preceding the RAVeL network of greenways is an opportunity to warm yourself up before being led to a series of four slagheaps with an astonishing array of biodiversity: the Bayemont, the Saint-Charles, the Saint-Théodore Ancient and the Saint-Théodore Nouveau. From the top, you will enjoy an extraordinary panoramic view of the Porte Ouest iron and steelworks. The Saint-Théodore slag heap is the only one that is more challenging, but you will be up to the challenge if you do it step-by-step. It overlooks the Charleroi-Brussels canal, steelworks with a spectacular architectural design and other industrial landscapes much sought-after by photographers and film-makers.



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outing*”
Laurence, mommy

📍 Routes available at the Maison du Tourisme and at cm-tourisme.be



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GR of the Slagheaps or the GR412 path

Over 300 km long, this trail links Bernissart to Liège via Charleroi, La Louvière and Mons. An opportunity for many hikers to discover the remnants of Wallonia's distinguished mining legacy. Signposted by red and white paint strokes, the number refers to 4 December (4.12), the date on which the miners celebrated St Barbara's Day.

An additional 23-km near to the GR412

will appeal to the keenest hikers. Extending as far as Charleroi Station, it passes through scenic landmarks, such as the Marchienne and Monceau castles, the Martinet site and slagheaps, and the Dampremy and La Docherie slagheap chain.

The route includes climbing four slagheaps linked together by passages, paths and short sections of secondary roads. The signposting system consists of triangular slabs reminiscent of the shape of a slagheap.

 Route available at the Maison du Tourisme and cm-tourisme.be

“Beneath the green meadows
Beneath scenic groves
Full of songs of joy,
Lies the black coal...”

Jacques Bertrand, Pays de Charleroi



PARKS AND WOODS

IN THE CITY CENTRE...

Queen Astrid Park

An English park covering more than 2 ha, a crossing point between the upper and lower city areas. It boasts many outstanding exotic deciduous trees, including the Ginkgo Biloba, nicknamed "the 40 ecus tree", a price paid in the 17th century for this living fossil that was thought to have disappeared until that time. Various busts and statues bear witness to Charleroi's cultural activities and history.

boulevard Audent, Charleroi

Depelsenaire Park

Situated on the former army manoeuvres plain, between the Law Courts and the Commercial Court, this 72-acre green area is a park where all art lovers will enjoy taking a walk. It contains sculptures and contemporary works of art as well as stretches of water. History buffs will also be delighted to meet the lions of the former Law Courts, Totor and Tuteur... nicknames affectionately attributed to the sons of the caretaker of the time, Nestor and Arthur.

boulevard Defontaine, Charleroi



*Admire
his pavilion!*

AND ALL AROUND...

Nelson Mandela Park at Monceau-sur-Sambre

The four centuries-old common oak in the park is said to have witnessed the passage of Louis XIV's coach during his stay at the Château de Monceau in 1667, after Charleroi's fortress was captured. The part of the park facing the castle's south wing was designed in the French style, with parterres and geometric perspectives. The park's current scenic and landscaped appearance dates back to the 18th century fashion for English gardens. The park was renamed the Nelson Mandela Park, because its 67 hectares of land matches the number of years the struggle continued in South Africa.

Monceau Castle is a seigniorial residence dating back to the 17th and 18th centuries. Destroyed in 1554, it was rebuilt after 1607 to become the property of the Trazegnies, Hamal and Gâvre families. The 17th century gates provide access to the entrance pavilion, consisting of a porch and two wings ending in a tower. In the 19th century, the west wing was striking because of its classical layout, typical of the Louis XVI style. When this wing was added, a main courtyard was created with two 18th century pavilions on either side.

place Albert I^{er}, Monceau-sur-Sambre

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...*



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Mel and the Flamingo, blogeuse



Serna Park at Jumet

Within its 16 semi-wild hectares, the park features outstanding native species such as a 150-year-old boxwood, a giant sequoia and an impressive bald cypress. Created in the English style in the 19th century, the park includes three splendid ponds.

rue du Bosquet, Jumet

Bivort Park at Jumet

Taking its name from the Bennert and Bivort glassworks, the park's landscaped appearance is very much in keeping with the English style. A teardrop-shaped stretch of water graces the site's central area, where many rare and noteworthy species grow: a white maple, a western red cedar and a silver maple, three of the most beautiful trees in Wallonia and Belgium, with a trunk measuring five metres twenty-five inches in circumference.

rue Joseph Bivort / rue Maximilien Wattelar, Jumet

The municipal park at Châtelet

On the banks of a pond and a small brook, the admirable trees on display for visitors include silver lindens and exceptionally large copper beech trees, as well as exotic trees, rarely found in this part of the world. Children can also have fun in the three purpose-built playgrounds. Situated on a sunny slope, the communal orchard is home to 25 fruit trees, 218 shrubs and a flowery meadow covering the entire area.

rue des Campagnes, Châtelet

Municipal Forest at Châtelet

This 200-hectare woodland is of major ecological, landscape and scenic value. Located in its centre, the listed Agouloir cave is one of the last places where bats can winter. Follow the signposted footpaths!

rue de la Justice, Châtelet

NATURE RESERVES

The Brun Chêne Nature Reserve at Mont-sur-Marchienne

Created on the site of two former limestone quarries near l'Eau d'Heure, the quarry also has an impressive industrial heritage with its small traditional-style lime kilns and monumental industrial kilns in which kestrels and jackdaws nest.

The site's dry or wet natural environment, the cliffs, the forest edges and its mining past have all contributed to the amazing array of biodiversity. The 16-ha quarry is home to several of the most endangered amphibian species in Wallonia, such as the natterjack toad and the common midwife toad, as well as three species of newts and frogs.

Extensive reedbeds have been home to a remarkable variety of birds in recent years, such as the reed warbler and the reed bunting as well as dragonflies. It is also home to the blue-winged grasshopper, a protected dryland species, and a noteworthy array of flora typical of limestone areas.

The Brun Chêne Nature Reserve is open to pedestrians, subject to certain conditions. They should respect the area by keeping to the footpaths and keeping their dogs on a leash. Please remember that you are not allowed to enter the reserve by bicycle or with any motorised vehicle, to deposit waste, to pick any plants or to make fires or barbecues.

For further information, please contact the managers using the form available at the valdheure.be website.



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The Bouffioulx and Châtelet Sebastopol Nature Reserve

Bordered by a unique variety of flora and fauna and covered by several paths, the reserve is an ideal place to discover a diverse range of plants and trees, insects, birds, birds of prey and bat species. The walking tour features a flooded quarry, lime kilns and the blue pond, the pride and joy of this reserve.

The Gouy-lez-Piéton Nature Reserve at Courcelles

Partly situated at Gouy-lez-Piéton and Chapelle-lez-Herlaimont, the reserve is home to four specific types of biotopes: wet meadows containing small ponds with a wealth of flora and fauna, a wooded area, dry meadows and a 40-acre fir tree plantation.

The Viesville Nature Reserve at Pont-à-Celles

The reserve was created during construction work on the old Charleroi-Brussels canal in the 1950s, when sediments of various kinds were deposited randomly along the left bank of the canal. The reserve currently comprises almost 50 ha of forests and meadows, with more than 500 botanical species and 200 species of mushrooms.

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THE AREA COVERING THE CHARLEROI REGION IS A MAJOR HUB IN THE NETWORK OF REGIONAL AND EUROPEAN CYCLE TOURISM ROUTES.

The RAVeL line 1 "La Houillère" offers an outstanding walking tour, practically established on its own site, which runs through the entire north-east part of Charleroi. The old 119 line (14 km long) is supplemented with a 6-km section on the old 122a line. "La Houillère" connects the two banks of the Basse-Sambre at Châtelet to those of the Charleroi-Brussels canal at Roux.

The RAVeL line 3
The towpaths offer cycling enthusiasts the opportunity to choose their own route. The Sambre towpath joins Namur (53.3 km) or Thuin (23 km), while the towpath on the Charleroi-Brussels canal leads to Mons (55.4 km).

BY BICYCLE...

RAVEL NETWORK OF GREENWAYS,
RENTALS, APPROVED
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SIGNPOSTED ROUTES

📍 Other routes along the RAVeL lines are available for you to download from the website ravel.wallonie.be

BICYCLE RENTAL SITES

Bicycle Centre

The Bicycle Centre at Charleroi South Station provides a range of different services: sales of second-hand bikes, maintenance and repair, sales of small items of equipment, rentals of standard or electrically assisted pedal cycles and a secure bicycle parking area.

square des Martyrs du 18 Août – 6000 Charleroi
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By reservation only.

Le Relais du RAVeL

Located at the former Gilly Sart-Allet Station, on line 119 "La Houillère", this reception centre offers several services to greenway users, so that they can take a break:

- rentals of mountain bikes, electric bikes and four-wheel peddle gocars
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- the bicycle cleaning service "BIKE WASH".

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By reservation only.

Gerpinnes Royal Tourist Information Office

Various routes in the vicinity include the "1000 bornes à vélo" network with, in particular, a theme-based route of numbered junctions "In the footsteps of the Walkers of Sainte-Rolende" or line 138 of the RAVeL network of greenways.

rue Edmond Schmidt, 1 – 6280 Gerpinnes
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Bons Villers sports complex

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CERTIFIED OPERATORS:

Maison du Tourisme du Pays de Charleroi,
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Le Bois du Cazier,
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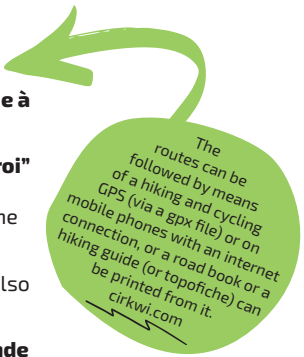
Bicycle routes

Several routes, created by the Province of Hainaut, also pass through Charleroi, in particular **the UNESCO Route in Hainaut** (Tournai-Mons La Louvière-Thuin-Charleroi) – **184 km** or **La Route Napoléon en Wallonie à vélo** – **118 km**.

The themed route “**Friches, art urbain et patrimoine du Pays de Charleroi**” – **25,6 km** – runs along the river Sambre, from Marchienne-au-Pont to Charleroi. The impressive industrial heritage along the river Sambre and the canal is becoming increasingly popular with foreign cycling tourists.

The second part of the route explores the city centre, where Street Art is also very prominent.

In Gerpinnes, the **15.9-km “Dans les pas des marcheurs de Sainte-Rolende route”** – takes tourists on the trail of the uniformed marchers carrying weapons who escort St. Rolende and St. Oger every Whit Monday. The route gives prominence to views of open landscapes, typical village centres and forest paths.



The routes can be followed by means of a hiking and cycling GPS (via a gpx file) or on mobile phones with an internet connection, or a road book or a hiking guide (or topofiche) can be printed from it.
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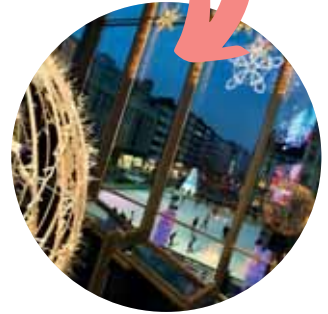
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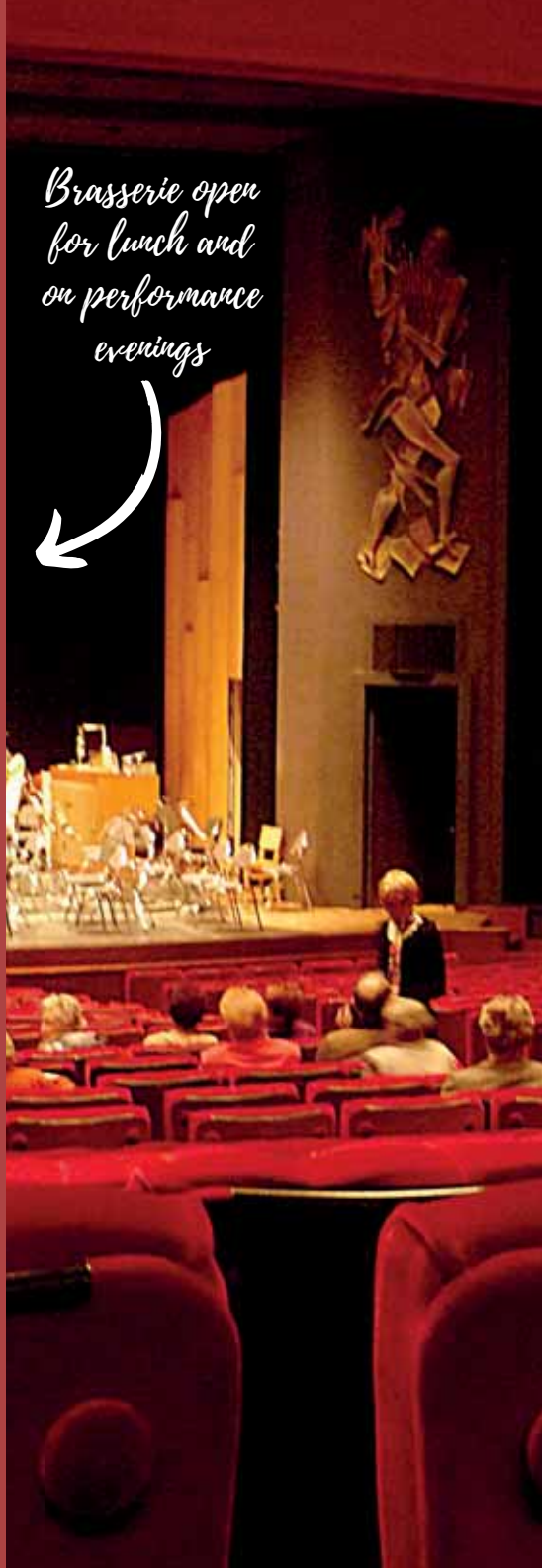
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info@theatremarignan.be – theatremarignan.be

LA RUCHE THÉÂTRE ROYAL

Built in 1920 and today transformed into a multicultural centre, the venue hosts all types of entertainment: theatre, concerts, cabaret, jazz, variety shows...

avenue Marius Meurée, 1 – 6001 Charleroi
+32 473 39 00 82
info@laruchetheatre.be – laruchetheatre.be

DÔME

The Dome organises various events attracting audiences from 2 to 5,000: shows, concerts, sports competitions, restaurant, corporate events and much more...

rue des Olympiades, 2 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 20 60 40
info@dome-events.be – dome-events.be





LE QUAI10

From art house cinema to more mainstream films, not forgetting the younger generation who also have screenings just for them. The programming policy is quite straightforward: quality cinema, in the original version, subtitled.

quai Arthur Rimbaud, 10 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 31 71 47
info@quai10.be – quai10.be

CINÉMA PATHÉ!

With 15 theatres and 3,748 seats in the heart of your region, the Pathé cinema also has a 4DX room: a room that allows the spectator to feel the film thanks to motion seats, scents or even simulated rain or wind.

It also has an IMAX screen (22 m x 11 m), the only one of its kind in Wallonia.

Grand'rue, 141-143 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 28 04 28
info@pathe.be – pathe.be

*Brasserie and terrace
with views of the
Quays and the
Sambre River*



Cinemas



GALERIES

GALERIE ALAIN BECIANI

rue de Montigny, 36 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 31 82 17 – galeriealainbeciani.be

PALAIS DU BAS (BD)

rue de Marcinelle, 27 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 477 25 73 79
Open by appointment.
contact@jeanmichel.net – jeanmichel.net

V2, GALERIE DU VECTEUR

rue de Marcinelle, 30 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 27 86 78
info@vecteur.be – vecteur.be

GALERIE JACQUES CERAMI

route de Philippeville, 346 – 6010 Charleroi
+32 71 36 00 65
info@galeriecerami.be – galeriecerami.be

ESPACE GARANCE

Galerie Frédéric Tillier
avenue Paul Pastur, 52 – 6032 Charleroi
+32 496 93 28 40

TEAMBUILDING

If you are looking for a room to rent for your professional meetings or a teambuilding event, feel free to contact the team at **the Maison du Tourisme du Pays de Charleroi**
+32 71 86 14 14 – cm-tourisme.be
maison.tourisme@charleroi.be





OUTINGS : EVENTS



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THE BIG FIVE

FIVE MAJOR FESTIVE EVENTS SCHEDULED
TO TAKE PLACE IN CHARLEROI

CARNIVAL

A Mardi Gras celebration for the whole family where gilles and masked folk are in charge for the enjoyment of young and old alike.



QUAYSIDE FLEA MARKET

This famous Charleroi weekend is a unique opportunity to discover a great flea market, stage entertainers, a food-truck village, many activities and concerts organised as part of the Music Festival.



QUARTIER D'ÉTÉ

A real haven of delight, featuring arbours, sand and sun loungers, the Quartier makes the holidays go with a swing, thanks to the many activities on offer. Great times with family and friends on the cards!



WALLOON FESTIVALS

Charleroi comes alive for the Walloon Festivals: lots of entertainment, concerts and fun activities rounded with a spectacular fireworks display and the appearance of the Charleroi Giants.



CHRISTMAS VILLAGE

A must for locals and tourists alike at the end of the year, the Christmas Village on the place de la Digue offers a wide range of street entertainment, culinary specialities, gift items and craftwork... On place Verte, at the foot of the Rive Gauche shopping centre, winter sports enthusiasts are sure to have lots of fun on the outdoor skating rink.



February

CHARLEROI CARNIVAL

MASKED BALL
OF THE CLIMBIAS

FESTIVAL ANIMA spread across
QUAI10

KICKS FESTIVAL (BIENNIAL)

March

LES 10 MILES
A race through the Charleroi
municipalities.

April

CHÂTELET CAVALCADE
On Palm Sunday, a large
number of visitors turn up to
see the pageant of processions
featuring a wide variety of
colourful groups.

FLEURUS CAVALCADE
On Easter Sunday, the streets
of Fleurus come alive with
a procession of traditional
groups and gilles societies.

THE CHARLEROI 15 KM RACE
One of the major health sport
events in Wallonia where
runners are able to (re)discover
the main attractions of the city
and the surrounding natural
environment.

AGENDA

UNMISSABLE EVENTS!



May

FESTIVAL DJANGO AT LIBERCHIES

FESTIVAL MAI'TALLURGIE (BIENNIAL)

FESTIVAL PÉPITES, L'ART ET LES TOUT-PETITS

SAINT-ROCH MARCH AT CHÂTELET

This traditional march features nearly 800 marchers wearing First Empire costumes.

FESTIVAL "LA RÉCRÉ DES DÉCIBELS"

TENNIS TOURNAMENT ASTRID BOWL CHARLEROI

An international event in which some of today's most distinguished athletes have already competed.

June

SPORT TERRILS POUR TOUS A variety of sports on the slag heaps of Le Bois du Cazier!

ST. ROLENDE MARCH The most important march in Gerpennes is included on UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity list.

MUSIC FESTIVAL A must-go musical event in Wallonia-Brussels, the free festival is a time when squares, parks and streets resound to the sound of all kinds of music.

QUAYSIDE FLEA MARKET

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PROCESSION IN GOSELIES Come and see the procession of St. John the Baptist and his retinue of knights, sappers, acrobats, grenadiers, musicians and young shepherds.

July

POTTERY FESTIVAL The first weekend in July, this event is focused on the skills of traditional craft potters.

INTERNATIONAL CHORAL SINGING FESTIVAL AT LE BOIS DU CAZIER

MARY MAGDALENE MARCH AT JUMET One of the most colourful Sambre folklore events. Included on the UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity list.

QUARTIER D'ÉTÉ



August

SAINT-ROCH AND SAINT-FRÉGO MARCHES

The Acoz and Lausprelle Companies pay homage to the two saints every year on the Sunday following 15 August. Included on the UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity list.

INDUSTRAIL

These 5 and 10-km routes will introduce you to Charleroi's industrial past!

September

HERITAGE DAYS

Dozens of sites and private residences are exceptionally open to visitors.

PARDON DE LA BATELLERIE

The Sambre quays are the scene of much excitement over the weekend as boats of all kinds pass by.

WALLONIA DAYS FESTIVE

UZINE FESTIVAL

SAC SALON ARTISTIQUE DE CHARLEROI Painters, sculptors, photographers, illustrators and visual artists will present their creations in a welcoming and professionally organised setting.

October

CHARLEROI DANSE (BIENNIAL)

FESTIVAL "LIVRESSE"



November

December

GRAND WHITE BALL

AT THE EDEN Dress code: white with a touch of fantasy, and a few frills!

FESTIVAL BIS-ARTS

CAROLORIDA

A race in the streets of the city centre where sport is synonymous with hospitality. Competitors in the 5 and 10-km run will make several visits to the Christmas market.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS

From 11 am until 5 pm, English buses will travel around the city centre to take part in a number of fun, educational and teaching activities.

CHRISTMAS VILLAGE

ST. STEPHEN'S EVE AT BOUFFIOULX

St Stephen is the patron saint of potters. To celebrate this, you are invited to the Poterie Dubois in Bouffioulx for a traditional kiln firing of pottery creations.



Festivals

Charleroi is alive with festivals all year round.

Music, theatre, cinema, dance... There is something for all tastes and for all ages, to be with the family or with friends!

Here is a selection of must-see events, to discover the festive and cultural side of our city!

“Top-quality programmes for truly unique experiences in every case!”

Matteo, student

FEBRUARY

Anima Festival spread across Quai10

A can't-miss event, the number one festival for animated films!

Kicks Festival (biennial)

This biennial theatre and dance festival explores the issue of today's youth, their fears, desires and challenges, while encouraging them to look at the world according to a different perspective!

MARCH

Festival "Printemps de Saint-Laurent"

The concerts held during this classical music festival take place in March, in the beautiful St. Laurent church in Couillet.

MAY

Festival Django at Liberchies

Django Reinhardt's native village comes alive in memory of this legendary jazz musician.

Festival MAI'tallurgie (biennial)

Community-based multi-arts festival (visual arts – theatre – music).

Festival Pépites, Art for the Very Young

This event is designed for children aged 0 to 3 years old and those accompanying them.

Festival "La Récré des decibels"

Slowly but surely, this pop/rock festival is making a name for itself at Frasnes-lez-Gosselies.

JULY

International Choral Singing Festival

The festival takes place in the form of walking concerts at Le Bois du Cazier.

SEPTEMBER

Uzine Festival

An event that lovers of rap, electronic and alternative music will not want to miss!

OCTOBER

Biennial Charleroi danse

The Choreographic Centre of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation enjoys an enviable reputation for the contemporary dance performances it creates.

Festival Livresse

Meetings, screenings, debates, concerts, workshops, pop-up bookshop...

NOVEMBER

Festival Bis-ARTS

Multidisciplinary offbeat festival!

Sunday market

Charleroi's colourful market attracts crowds of people every Sunday morning.

Started in 1709, this is one of the oldest markets in Wallonia.

You can find anything there: from clothing, music, fruit, vegetables, herbs and spices to flowers and plants or household accessories.



Christmas markets

The scent of cinnamon blends with the fragrance of mulled wine, Christmas carols ring out... The holidays are fast approaching!

To offer you a foretaste of the magical atmosphere of Christmas, here is a selection of Christmas markets to discover in the Charleroi Region.

CHARLEROI CHRISTMAS VILLAGE

CHRISTMAS MARKET AT TRAZEGNIES CASTLE

CHRISTMAS MARKET AT LE BOIS DU CAZIER

CHRISTMAS MARKET AT ROCKERILL

CHARMING CHRISTMAS SETTING AND ICE RINK AT COURCELLES

CHARMING CHRISTMAS SETTING AT LIBERCHIES

 Programme to be found at Visit Charleroi



Where to party in Charleroi?

- **Harpers**
boulevard Tirou, 88 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 471 88 53 79
- **Irish Times Pub**
boulevard Tirou, 86 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 31 61 52
- **Nautilus**
rue de Montigny, 104 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 475 30 73 70
- **Manolo Bar**
rue de Montigny, 6 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 30 18 38
manolobar.be
- **Le Carolopolitan**
rue de Marchienne, 25 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 785 63 76 79
- **Kosmopolitan**
rue d'Orléans, 26 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 479 01 56 27
- **UK Bar**
rue de Montigny, 97 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 475 54 21 20
- **Nirvana Bar**
boulevard de l'Yser – 6000 Charleroi
+32 484 99 96 32
- **Le Vecteur**
rue de Marcinelle, 30 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 27 86 78 – info@vecteur.be – vecteur.be
- **Rockerill**
rue de la Providence, 136 – 6030 Charleroi
rockerill.com

Feel like partying with friends or just chilling out with a drink after a hard day's work? Charleroi is full of places to enjoy partying...



EATING AND DRINKING



WHERE DO THE LOCALS EAT?
LOCAL PRODUCE / FARMHOUSE RESTAURANTS
CHARLEROI BEERS AND BREWERIES
WHERE DO YOU GO TO ENJOY A NICE BEER?



WHERE DO THE LOCALS EAT?

Brasseries, French, Italian and Asian cuisine... The Charleroi Region is blessed with a huge choice of trendy and friendly restaurants.

Here are the restaurants where people from Charleroi like to eat!*

* based on the opinions of our Facebook followers

Brasseries

La Brasserie du Quai10
quai Arthur Rimbaud, 10 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 18 12 03 – quai10.be

L'Atelier de la Manufacture Urbaine
rue de Brabant, 2 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 30 60 13 – lam-u.com

Le Bistro
rue de Dampremy, 8 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 32 13 43

La Quille
rue de Marcinelle, 33 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 31 41 48

L'Original – Local brasserie offering organic dishes
boulevard Joseph Tirou, 73
6000 Charleroi
+32 71 53 54 23

La Brasserie de la Digue
place de la Digue, 43 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 31 77 27 – brasserieedeladigue.be

La Brasserie de la Cour
rue Emile Tumelaire, 43 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 47 16 34 – brasserieedelacour.be

Chez Duche
avenue de Waterloo, 5 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 31 16 42 – chezduche.be

Meatball's Bar
rue de Marcinelle, 8 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 36 84 37

French and traditional cuisine

Papilles et Pupilles
rue Charles Dupret, 15 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 488 99 85 95

L'APTit restaurant
rue du Grand Central, 51 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 53 53 83 – laptit.be

Au Trou normand
rue du Comptoir, 12 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 12 73 59 – autrounormand.be



Bistronomic/ gastronomic cuisine

La Table de la Manufacture Urbaine
place Emile Buisset, 10 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 70 20 18 – lam-u.com

Chermanne
avenue de l'Europe, 62 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 12 41 14 – restaurantchermanne.be

Tribeca
rue de Bertransart, 10 – 6280 Gerpennes
+32 71 31 97 44 – tribeca-gerpennes.be

Italian cuisine

Osteria Romana
boulevard Joseph Tirou, 74 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 30 02 50

Emozione Latina
rue de Dampremy, 29 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 473 62 00 80

Al Piccolo Mondo
Grand'Rue, 87 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 42 00 17

All'Osteria
chaussée de Fleurus, 237 – 6060 Charleroi
+32 71 41 20 95 – restoallosteria.be

Spanish cuisine

Casa José
rue d'Oignies, 35 – 6250 Aiseau-Presles
+32 71 16 16 23





Greek cuisine

Athena
boulevard Joseph Tirou, 144
6000 Charleroi
+32 71 31 47 99

Le Kamiros
rue de l'Industrie, 84 – 6032 Charleroi
+32 71 47 20 71 – kamiros.be

Le Socrate
Grand-Place, 13 – 6240 Farciennes
+32 71 39 43 95 – www.restaurantsocrate.be

Asian cuisine

Pot au Pho
rue de Montigny, 34 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 32 20 03 – potaupho.be

Thai Café
boulevard Joseph Tirou, 79 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 2 888 80 80 – thaicafe.be

An-Nam
rue Charles Dupret, 14 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 30 10 70

L'Esprit Bouddha
place des Martyrs, 30 – 6041 Charleroi
+32 71 37 22 05 – espritbouddha.be

Wine bars

Blahblawine
rue de Marcinelle, 6 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 493 74 91 94 – blablahwine.business.site

SAKA 20
rue de la Chapelle, 66 – 6030 Charleroi
+32 475 25 91 59 – www.saka20.com

La Vigneraie
avenue Paul Pastur, 32 – 6032 Charleroi
+32 476 06 83 08 – lavigneraie.com

Oriental cuisine

La Palmeraie
place de la Digue, 26 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 30 44 54 – lapalmeraie-express.be

Orient thé vous
place Franklin Roosevelt – 6180 Courcelles
+32 71 95 31 05





Fancy an ice-cream or a delicacy!?

Fred's Belgian waffles & ice cream
Rive Gauche – place Verte, 20 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 484 41 45 27
fbwic.com

Dreams Donuts
boulevard Tirou, 24 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 470 94 45 66
dreamsdonuts.be

Hill's Donuts Charleroi
Rive Gauche – place Verte – 6000 Charleroi
hillsdonuts.com

Oggi Coffee
rue de Dampremy, 76 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 70 01 82

Sotto il Ponte
route de Philippeville, 342 – 6010 Charleroi
+32 71 47 37 57 (ice cream parlour from
Wednesday to Sunday)

Gelateria Osvaldo
rue la Tombe, 192 – 6001 Charleroi
+32 71 95 89 22

Les Délices d'Achille – Traditional-style ice-cream
tasting
rue des Essarts, 6 – 6230 Pont-à-Celles
+32 473 39 25 27
lesdelicesdachille.be

Gelatissimo – Traditional ice-cream maker
chaussée de Gilly, 214 – 6220 Fleurus
+32 71 39 54 60 – gelatissimo.be

Marceline Gourmandine
rue Neuve, 77 – 6280 Gerpinnes
+32 71 80 05 03

Where do you go for Sunday brunch?

Novotel Charleroi Centre – Gourmet Bar
place Verte, 17 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 28 28 28

Quai10
quai Arthur Rimbaud, 10 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 18 12 03 – quai10.be

Pain Quotidien
boulevard Tirou, 67 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 32 27 82 – lepainquotidien.com

Hôtel Charleroi Airport
chaussée de Courcelles, 115 – 6041 Charleroi
+32 71 21 00 50 – hotelcharleroiairport.be

Les Filles de l'Atelier Gourmand
rue Brigade Piron, 339 – 6061 Charleroi
+32 71 12 29 79



Fancy a packet of French fries or a mitraille?*

Robert La Frite
place de l'Ouest – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 16 40 39 – robertlafrite.be

**You'll find French fry outlets on almost every
street corner!**



* fries and meat between two slices of baguette
and sauce of your choice!

Local produce / Farmhouse restaurants

The region is home to many local producers: fruit and vegetables, meats and cold cuts, cheeses, cream and milk, aromatic plants and flowers, beers, wines and liqueurs.

Discover here our gourmet eating spots to promote short supply chains and local produce!



Ferme du Centre

Organic fruits and vegetables.
rue du Centre, 42 – 6250 Aiseau-Presles
+32 495 44 21 20
lafermeducentre.siteweb.e

Ferme Wyngaert

Dairy products: butter, cheese, ice cream, yoghurt.
rue Grande, 32 – 6250 Aiseau-Presles
+32 71 39 45 77 – +32 479 29 27 58

LaM.U – Epicerie

Beers, long-fermentation bread, roasted coffee and other derivatives. 100% local products.
rue de Brabant, 2 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 30 60 13 – lam-u.com

Chèvrerie des Saules

Dairy products made from goat's milk.
allée Centrale, 90 – 6040 Charleroi
+32 475 61 71 71
chevriedessauls.be

La ferme de Nauwes

Potatoes, seasonal vegetables, chicken.
rue des Nauwes, 1 – 6181 Courcelles
+32 474 33 90 79
ferme-des-nauwes.business.site

Ferme du Moulin de Caillet

Educational farm.
Butter – Ice-cream.
rue du vert Fagot, 2 – 6181 Courcelles
+32 64 54 16 80

Ferme Emplit

Fresh cheese, salted farm butter, chocolate spread, milk and yoghurts.
rue du Chaufour, 49 – 6181 Courcelles
+32 71 84 00 68

Ferme Houtet

Vegetables and potatoes.
rue de Monceau, 4 – 6180 Courcelles
+32 71 45 36 30

Ferme Le Sauruvin

Dairy products. Hard cow's milk cheese (plain or with herbs and spices).
rue Fonds des Rys, 52 – 6181 Courcelles
+32 71 84 41 35

Les Cafés Ervka

Coffees and teas
rue du Bosquet, 10 – 6181 Courcelles
+32 472 36 45 07 – cafeservka.be

Les Vergers de Fleurus

Various types of apple juice, sparkling apple, aperitif.
chaussée de Charleroi, 473 – 6220 Fleurus
+32 478 04 43 02
maxime@lesvergersdefleurus.be –
lesvergersdefleurus.be

Ferme du Grand Bois

Organic eggs, chickens, seasonal vegetables, apples and apple juice.
rue des Hauts Droits, 99 – 6280 Gerpinnes
+32 473 81 60 00

Ferme des Trieux des Montois

Production of milk and milk products, potatoes, spreads, eggs, chickens, rabbits.
rue de Biesmes, 45 – 6280 Gerpinnes
+32 71 50 12 67
caroline.moreaux@skynet.be

Ferme de Raz Buzée

Cheeses, ice cream, yoghurt.
rue des Flachés, 42 – 6280 Gerpinnes
+32 476 26 68 32
ferme-raz-buzee-fromagerie-glace-yaourt-
artisanale.be

Ferme du Limousin

Butcher's shop, delicatessen.
avenue Albert I^{er}, 33b – 6280 Gerpinnes
+32 71 50 53 47
lelimousin.be

Ferme du Trieu

Fruit and vegetables.
rue du Trieu Gilson, 22 – 6280 Gerpinnes
+32 71 32 20 91

Ferme du Warchais

Fresh cheese, white cheese, milk, buttermilk, fresh cream and butter.
rue Dominique Seret, 2 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 71 85 10 41
fermeduwarchais@gmail.com

Ferme de la Chapelette

Fruit and vegetables grown using sustainable farming methods.
rue de la Chapelette, 1 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 472 92 79 60
fermedelachapelette.com

Fromagerie Van Landschoot

Butter, cheese, milk, eggs, yoghurt.
rue du Berger, 8 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 71 84 40 55

Boucherie Thierry et Fabienne

Butcher's shop and delicatessen using a short supply chain system. Belgian Blue Beef and a wide range of home-made cold cuts. Selection of cheeses.
rue Vanbeneden, 8 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 71 85 11 86
boucheriethierryfabienne.com

*To taste or...
to offer!*



Les Ruchers Rêvois

Producing honey and honey products according to traditional methods: honey, pollen, royal jelly, propolis gums, honey syrup, honey sweets, wax or propolis ointment, propolis mother tincture.
rue Wattimez-Haut, 47 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 71 84 62 08

Ferme de la Couronne

Butter, plain or spicy fresh cheeses, fresh cream, tarte al Djote, quiches, seasonal fruit and vegetables, desserts.
rue de la Couronne, 1 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 71 85 13 30

Ferme de l'Estangue

Customised pressing for private and professional customers. Sale of various varieties of juice in one-litre bottles or 3-litre bag-in-boxes.
rue Sart-Bas, 18 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 474 40 77 30
fermedelestangue.be

Ferme aux Légumes

Wide range of seasonal vegetables on sale according to a self-service system.
Sale of local produce.
rue Wattimez-Bas, 48 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 476 52 59 13
lafermeauxlegumes.com

Aromarêves – poultry farming

Oven-ready chickens, started poultry, chicks, ready-to-lay pullets, chickens for rearing, feed, litter and rearing supplies.
rue du Moulin Charon, 1 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 71 84 61 54
elevagesdevolaille.be

Ferme Kairet

Dairy produce, potatoes, vegetables.
rue des Petits Sarts, 40 – 6230 Pont-à-Celles
+32 71 35 11 64 – +32 476 59 75 39

Ferme De Vriese

Dairy produce.
rue de la Liberté, 42 – 6230 Pont-à-Celles
+32 479 34 51 12

La tête dans les salades

Organic fruit and vegetables.
rue de la Chaussée, 71 – 6230 Pont-à-Celles
+32 487 70 14 29
latetedanslessalades.be

Chèvrerie du Cadeau

Goat's cheese, cheese preparations, butter, quiches, milk curds, cakes.
rue Cadeau, 1 – 6230 Pont-à-Celles
+32 67 21 40 28 – +32 473 55 12 02



Charleroi beers and breweries



La Manufacture Urbaine (LaM.U) & la Brasserie du Pays Noir

Very popular with locals and tourists, LaM.U brews several beers, all in a traditional way, favouring the short supply chain system.

LaM.U recently merged with another iconic Charleroi brewery: the Brasserie du Pays Noir. Brewing takes place in a micro-brewery in the city centre and the activities are spread over the former Martinet mining site, which now houses the storage and bottling facilities.

rue de Brabant, 2 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 30 60 13 – +32 477 41 06 47
lam-u.com

Beers brewed by the Manufacture Urbaine :

CharlesRoy 350, l'Asphalte, la Bancloque, la Blanc-Seing, la Cherry, l'Équinoxe, l'IPA, la Zébrée, la Bisous m'chou, la Seize 66, la Blonde du Pays Noir, la Brune du Pays Noir, l'Experience Berliner Weisse BPN, l'Experience NEIPA BPN IPA, la HopSession du Pays Noir (org)...

Two special vintages: the Farciennoise, whose label refers to the Farciennes Castle vampire legend, and the Cazi'elle, in homage to the miners, to be tasted exclusively at Le Bois du Cazier.



A photograph of a dark beer bottle with a yellow label and a crown logo, positioned in the background. In the foreground, a white tray holds several round, dark chocolate praline biscuits. Each biscuit is embossed with a crown logo and the text 'CHARLEROI 350 ANS'.

La Brasserie de l'Abbaye d'Aulne

The brewery is located in the former stables of the impressive ruins of the Aulne Cistercian Abbey. It offers visitors the opportunity to taste, as the monks did, the famous beers of Aulne Abbey, which enjoy the status of a recognised abbey beer.

We recommend the Blanche de Charleroi, a beer that stands out from other beers because of its rather fruity taste and its very thirst-quenching flavour... or the Sambrée, an original amber top-fermented beer, launched to mark the 350th anniversary of the city of Charleroi.

The praline 'La Sambrée' goes perfectly with this beer. It consists of a traditional praline containing 60% hazelnuts and a light crispy biscuit coated with a thin layer of dark chocolate.

rue Vandervelde, 273 – 6534 Gozée
+32 71 56 20 73 – abbayedaulne.com

Other Charleroi beers to be savoured judiciously ... or offered generously!



Cuvée Gerpinnoise Brune (Brasserie de Silly)

Cuvée Gerpinnoise Blonde (Brasserie Saint-Monon)

Cuvée de Trazegnies ou 'Troubouly' (Brasserie Renaux-Lefèbvre – Souvret)

Brasserie des Arondes

Now located in a former farm-brewery, the Brewery offers 4 traditional-style unfiltered, unpasteurised and refermented bottled beers in a variety of flavours. The Brasserie des Arondes gives priority to short supply chains and local craftspeople, highlighting the importance of rediscovering natural products made according to simple techniques used by our forebears. The same applies to the distribution process, to ensure the products are sold in local shops and markets around Villers-Perwin.

Beers brewed by the Brasserie des Arondes : Aronde blonde (5%), Aronde spéciale (7.2%), Aronde dorée (6.5%), Aronde de Noël (7.2%)

rue Gaston Boudin, 18 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 475 92 02 78
brasseriesdesarondes.be

Brasserie Schokmel

Traditional brewery where beers with a strong character are brewed and sold. Beers brewed by the Brasserie Schokmel : Tsar bomba (stout at 1%), Lycanthr'hop (IPA at 6.5%), Lithium (blonde at 3%).

rue de Bruxelles, 13 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
brasserie.schokmel@gmail.com



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rue de Brabant, 2 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 477 41 06 47



L'Original
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Brasserie de l'Eden
boulevard Jacques Bertrand, 68 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 498 84 49 82



Brasserie de la Digue
place de la Digue, 43 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 31 77 27



La Cuve à Bières
boulevard Jacques Bertrand, 68 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 32 68 41



La Quille
rue de Marcinelle, 33 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 71 31 41 48



Chez ta Mère
place de la Digue, 29 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 475 54 41 45



La Kavadom
rue de Seneffe, 66 – 6181 Courcelles
+32 17 99 77



GETAWAYS IN PAYS DE CHARLEROI



AISEAU-PRESLES
CHÂTELET
COURCELLES
FARCIENNES
FLEURUS
GERPINNES
LES BONS VILLERS
PONT-À-CELLES





BUS 35 & 158

14 km from Charleroi

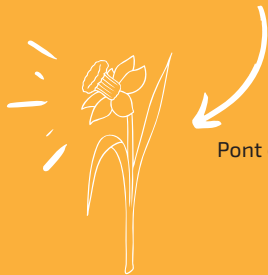
Aiseau-Presles

IMMERSED IN NATURE

Aiseau, Pont-de-Loup, Presles and Roselies are four typical villages with their stone-built houses and their own special history. Situated along the Biesme Valley, their assets and charms are irresistible: a Natura 2000 area, fields as far as the eye can see, slagheaps, ponds, a towpath, as well as outstanding monuments and sites. Aiseau-Presles is also in a class of its own thanks to its numerous ecological initiatives, sports facilities, arts centre and the Castorland amusement park.

Tourist Information Office at Aiseau-Presles
rue du Faubourg, 16-18 – 6250 Aiseau-Presles
+32 71 76 03 22 – syndicatdinitiative@castor.be

*In March,
picking daffodils
at Presles Castle!*



Heritage

Oignies Abbey
Pont de Loup church and Romanesque tower
Belle Motte Military Cemetery
Presles Castle and park



Folklore

St. Martin (May), St. Marie of Oignies (June) and
St. Rémy (September) marches



Local produce

Ferme du Centre at Aiseau
Ferme Wyngaert

Tours

Signposted walking tours
at Presles, Pont-de-Loup, Aiseau and Roselies



Group lodging

Ferme des Castors at Aiseau

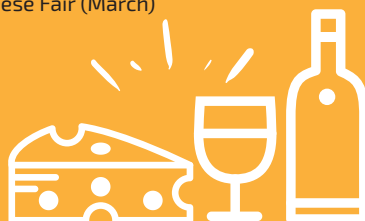
For children

Castorland



Events

Wine and Cheese Fair (March)



BUS 18

9 km from Charleroi

Châtelet

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MAGRITTE AND THE POTTERS

Famous for centuries for its ceramics and known as the town where the famous surrealist painter René Magritte spent his childhood, Châtelet is a town of contrasts situated at the gateway to Charleroi.

Exceptionally dynamic Châtelet has both an urban and a rural character. Although it still has industries, the town has managed to keep its green spaces, including the Sebastopol reserve, the Bouffioulx rock formation and the famous slagheaps, where the fauna and flora have regained their rightful place. Châtelet offers many opportunities to recharge your batteries in the midst of nature, whether in those places or during a walk or bicycle ride along the RAVeL network of greenways running through the town.

Tourist Office – Châtelet Animé
rue Général Jacques, 4 – 6200 Châtelet
+32 71 39 51 77 – tourisme@chatelet.be
chatelet-anime.jimdofree.com

Tourist Information Office at Bouffioulx
rue Haute, 11 – 6200 Châtelet
+32 71 38 19 27 – sibouffioulx@gmail.com



*René Magritte's
childhood home*



Folklore

Cavalcade (April)
Saint-Roch March (May)
Pottery Festival (July)
Organ Festival (Sept./Oct.)



Tours

Sebastopol Reserve
Municipal park and woods
Magritte Walk
Climbing slagheaps
RAVeL network of greenways



Heritage

Magritte House
Pottery Centre
The Pottery Barn

Crafts

Lardinois Pottery
Dubois Pottery
Biron Pottery



BUS 19 & 138b

12 km from Charleroi

Courcelles

BETWEEN CASTLE LIFE AND NATURE

A black landscape turned green, Courcelles has managed to transform the remains of its mining past into a leafy setting ideal for walking tours and the development of an impressive array of biodiversity.

The municipality's contrasting landscapes are criss-crossed by nine waterways and covered with slagheaps.

While the villages in the area are rural in character, boasting extensive farmland, its centre is mainly the site of residential and commercial activities. Situated at the crossing of several roads and close to the airport, it features several tourist attractions, such as Trazegnies Castle, several hiking trails, a vibrant arts centre and a public nature reserve.

Tourism Department of Courcelles
rue Jean Jaurès, 2 – 6180 Fleurus
+32 71 46 68 02 – christel.poilvache@courcelles.be
courcelles.eu

*Magnificent
16th century castle!*



Events

Open-air theatre (August)
Book and paper market (October)
Enchanted Christmas settings
in Courcelles (December)



Heritage and culture

Trazegnies Castle and La vie et le travail de nos aïeux (the Life and Work of Our Forebears)
Museum La Posterie Arts Centre



Tours

RAVeL
Source Tour
Mines Tour
Croix-Tourne Tour
Castle Tour
Six-Périer-Chenoit slagheaps Site
Gouy-lez-Piéton nature reserve



B&Bs and self-catering accommodation

Gîtes de L'Araucaria
Gîte du Petit-Bois



Local produce

Educational farm at Caillet Mill
Ferme des Nauwes farm
Ferme Emplit farm
Ferme Houtet farm
Ferme Le Sauruin
Les Cafés Ervka



Favourites

For lovers of good food:
Le Mont à Gourmet
Le Rendez-vous des Gourmets



BUS 35

12 km from Charleroi

Farciennes

A MUNICIPALITY IN TRANSITION!

On the banks of the river Sambre, Farciennes has much to offer. Bring back a local souvenir, the Farciennoise, a purely local beer offered by the Confrérie du Marquisat de Farciennes. Legend has it that the castle's park, now a pleasant place to stroll, was once inhabited by vampires!

Along the pathways, you will discover a lake that is very popular members of the fishing community. Whether they serve as a launching pad for paragliders or as a backdrop for hikers on the GR412, the Farciennes slagheaps are a reminder of the area's rich mining past. Finally, Street Art is not left out thanks to the monumental fresco in the sports complex, the work of the artist El Niño.

Farciennes Plus
rue Le Campinaire, 215 – 6240 Farciennes
+32 476 98 52 72 – henri.vanhole@gmail.com
farcienneplus.be

The Roton colliery
was the last to close
in Wallonia. (1984)



Favourites

La Farciennoise, a beer brewed at the Manufacture Urbaine whose label recalls the legend of the vampires.



Folklore

Confrérie du Marquisat
The legend of the castle's vampires

Tours

Castle walking tour
Roton walking tour
Bois Monard
EuroVelo 3
GR412 (terrils des Aulniats)

Heritage

Art nouveau house on the Grand'Place
Listed 17th century castle and its park
"Le Roton" coalmine tour

Local produce

La Farciennoise beer
Gregory Lambotte – beekeeper
Le Rucher du Louât – beekeeper

Events

The Castle Gardens (April)
Fête de l'Amitié (May)
Summer (August)
Winter (December)



An "imperial"
stage



BUS 710

13 km from Charleroi

Fleurus

THE THREE-TIME VICTORIOUS TOWN

Fleurus boasts a rich past full of tragedy and glory. A Walloon territory united with France through similar origins and language, its name is featured on the Arc de Triomphe in Paris and evokes three pleasant memories in the hearts of the French: the victories of the Marshal of Luxembourg over the Austrian troops (1690), of Jourdan (the first major victory of republican France in 1794) and of Napoleon (1815).

A historical route to be explored on foot along the streets and alleys as an opportunity to discover the major and minor historical events of the town of the Bernardines.

Fleurus Municipal Tourist Office
rue de la Virginette, 2 – 6220 Fleurus
+32 71 88 50 72 – fleurus-tourisme.be

laurent.fauville@fleurus-tourisme.be – tourisme@fleurus-tourisme.be

Walk in the footsteps of
the Emperor along the
Napoleon Route



Heritage

Peace Castle and Napoleon's Room
in the Naveau Mill
Monument "Aux Trois Victoires Françaises"
(Three French Victories)



Folklore

Fleurus cavalcade



Local produce

Les Vergers de Fleurus

Tours

Old Fleurus,
along the streets and alleys
Saint-Amand, the battle of 16 June 1815
industrial route,
from Fleurus to Roux
Routes in the Forêt des Loisirs
3 Runnin'City courses



For children

La Forêt des Loisirs

B&Bs and self-catering accommodation

Wanfercée Castle
Au Gros Buisson farm
Yurterra



Favourites

The Fleurus Bernardin,
a local delicacy.



*Nature just
around the corner!*



BUS 19 & 138b

17 km from Charleroi

Gerpinnes



GETAWAY FOR FOLKLORE
ENTHUSIASTS AND LOVERS
OF GOOD FOOD

With its new residential areas, old houses, rural dwellings and rural landscapes, Gerpinnes is a municipality that has a lot to offer: walking and cycling in the village centre and in the surrounding countryside, local produce, gourmet venues...

A must-go event for its inhabitants and the 20,000 spectators who come to watch, the procession in honour of St. Rolende and its 3,300 marchers is always a splendid spectacle (featured on the UNESCO World Heritage List), which undoubtedly makes Gerpinnes the capital of Marches.

Gerpinnes Royal Tourist Information Office
rue E. Schmidt, 1 – 6280 Gerpinnes
+32 71 50 14 85 – info@rsi-gerpinnes.be
rsi-gerpinnes.be

+ than 3000 marchers!



Folklore

St. Rolende march (Whit Monday)
Saint-Roch and Saint-Frego march (August)
St Hubert (Loverval) march (September)
the Folklore Marches
of the Entre-Sambre-et-Meuse Region Museum



Gourmet breaks

Les Fraises du Village
Marceline Gourmandine (cupcakes)
Brasserie de City Hall (Bistrot du Terroir)



Local produce

Ferme du Raz Buzée
Ferme des Trieux Montois
Ferme du Grand Bois
Limousin de la Neuve Cense
Ferme du Trieu



Tours

Back to the roots
From Roman times to the present day
In the footsteps of the Knights Templar
Industrial past
Three bell-towers walking tour
Between natural and rural environments
Discovering Art Deco
St. Rolende tour
Numbered junctions /
Bicycle rentals at Tourist Information Office



For the Geeks

Space Battle Academy

Bed and Breakfast and self-catering accommodation

La Cantinière
La Quairelle
L'Adèle
La Haie aux Loups
Les Bruyères



Favourites

Cuvée Gerpinnoise beer
Ice cream from the Ferme de Raz Buzée

BUS 73

20 km from Charleroi

Les Bons Villers

CULTURE AND LOW-IMPACT TRANSPORT

Etymologically, Les Bons Villers means good land, a reference to the history and rural character of this place, which is still mainly involved in farming activities.

Comprising 5 villages, Les Bons Villers is recognised not only for its local dynamism and the virtues of country life, but also for the charm of its beautiful buildings. Heritage is also well represented with, among other things, a 12th century alderman's chamber, the magnificent Romanesque Chapel of Notre-Dame du Roux, a noteworthy 13th century keep, Dovecote Farm and the Rêves Tower as well as the Dobeleer Castle in Frasnes-lez-Gosselies.

Les Bons Villers gives pride of place
to low-impact transport!

Municipal Office – Les Bons Villers
place de Frasnes, 1 – 6210 Frasnes-lez-Gosselies
+32 71 85 81 00 – infos@lesbonsvillers.be
les-bons-villers.be

All near the airport!



Folklore

Mellet's Fire Display (April)

Local produce

Les Ruchers Rèvois
Ferme de la Couronne
Ferme de l'Estangue
Ferme du Warchais
Aromarêves – poultry farming
Ferme de la Chapelette
...



For cyclists

Electric bike rental service
at the Bons Villers sports complex

Tours

"L'encloître" route
"Le Pierpont" route
"Les Hameaux" route
"Les Fermes" route
"La Bruyère" route
"Les Chapelles" route
"Les Foulles" route
"La Taravisée" route

For sports enthusiasts

Brussels South Karting
Golf de Pierpont

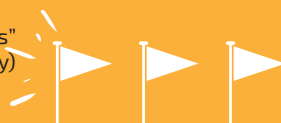
B&Bs and self-catering accommodation

Gîte de Pierpont
Au Fil des Rêves
Gîte de l'Espinette
Gîte des 3 Sources
Gîtes Joli Jean



Events

Festival pop/rock "La récré des decibels"
at Frasnes-Lez-Gosselies (May)



BUS 86 & 65

18 km from Charleroi

Pont-à-Celles

JAZZ AND MARCHES

Set in a rural environment, Pont-à-Celles is an essentially rural and residential municipality to the north of Charleroi.

The landscape consists of large tracts of farmland with a number of charming villages. It is also home to three nature reserves – Launoy lake, Biernimont and Viesville – which, each with their own distinctive features, provide a real breath of fresh air in this field crop farming region.

Every year, the Django Festival brings the municipality to life to the sound of gypsy jazz during the space of one weekend.

Alongside the concerts, Djang'Off organises a host of activities for the general public, ranging from street shows to music awareness workshops and exhibitions.

During the summer, more than 2,000 hikers and pilgrims also pass-through Pont-à-Celles for the Mary Magdalene Tour, a religious procession included on the UNESCO World Heritage list.

Municipal administration
place communale, 22 – 6230 Pont-à-Celles
+32 71 84 90 50 – info@pontacelles.be
pontacelles.be



Folklore

Django Festival
Mary Magdalene Tour



Gourmet outlets

La Ruchette

Tours

Thiméon tour
Rosseignies and Petit-Roeulx
From Obaix to Rosseignies
by the Scheldt-Meuse ridge line
From farm to farm around Buzet
Pont à-Celles across fields
From Hairiamont to Biernimont
Viesville, the Bois des Manants
and the Nature Reserve
Luttre and Viesville



Local produce

Ferme du Kairet
La chèvrerie du Cadeau (goat farm)
Le tête dans les salades
Ferme De Vriese



B&Bs and self-catering accommodation

Aux trois princesses
Ferme de Courriault
Gîtes de Rosseignies
Le Temps d'un Week-end
Conciergerie du Cheval Blanc
Coteau du Buzet



Camping

Le Trieu du Bois



ACCOMMODATION



HOTELS

SELF-CATERING ACCOMMODATION

B&B

FURNISHED TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

CAMPING SITES



The Charleroi Metropole offers different types of accommodation to suit all tastes and budgets, from the most recent Youth Hostel to 4-star hotels, B&Bs, urban and rural self-catering accommodation.

HOTELS

IN CHARLEROI CITY CENTRE

Novotel Charleroi Centre ★★★★★

place Verte, 17 – 6000 Charleroi
+ 32 71 28 28 28
HB134@accor.com – all.accor.com

Le Mayence – Apart Hôtel ★★★

rue du Parc, 53 – 6000 Charleroi
+ 32 495 43 92 80
lemayence@gmail.com – lemayence.be

Ibis Charleroi Centre Gare ★★

quai Paul Verlaine, 12 – 6000 Charleroi
+ 32 71 20 60 60
H2088@accor.com – all.accor.com

Youth Hostel

rue du Bastion d'Egmont, 3 – 6000 Charleroi
+ 32 71 15 81 28
lesaubergesdejeunesse.be



NEAR THE AIRPORT

Hotel Charleroi Airport Van der Valk ★★★★★
chaussée de Courcelles, 115 – 6041 Charleroi
+ 32 71 25 00 50
charleroi@valk.com – hotelcharleroiairport.be

Hôtel Best Western Plus Aero 44 ★★★
rue Louis Blériot, 4 – 6041 Charleroi
+ 32 71 31 32 11
info@aero44hotel.com – aero44hotel.com

Park Hotel Airport ★★★
rue Grand Piersoulx, 8 – 6041 Charleroi
+ 32 71 30 31 40
info@parkhotelairport.be – parkhotelairport.be

DC Hotel Charleroi Airport ★★★
rue Santos Dumont, 39 – 6041 Charleroi
+ 32 71 34 77 00
reception.ch@dchotel.be – dchotelcharleroi.be

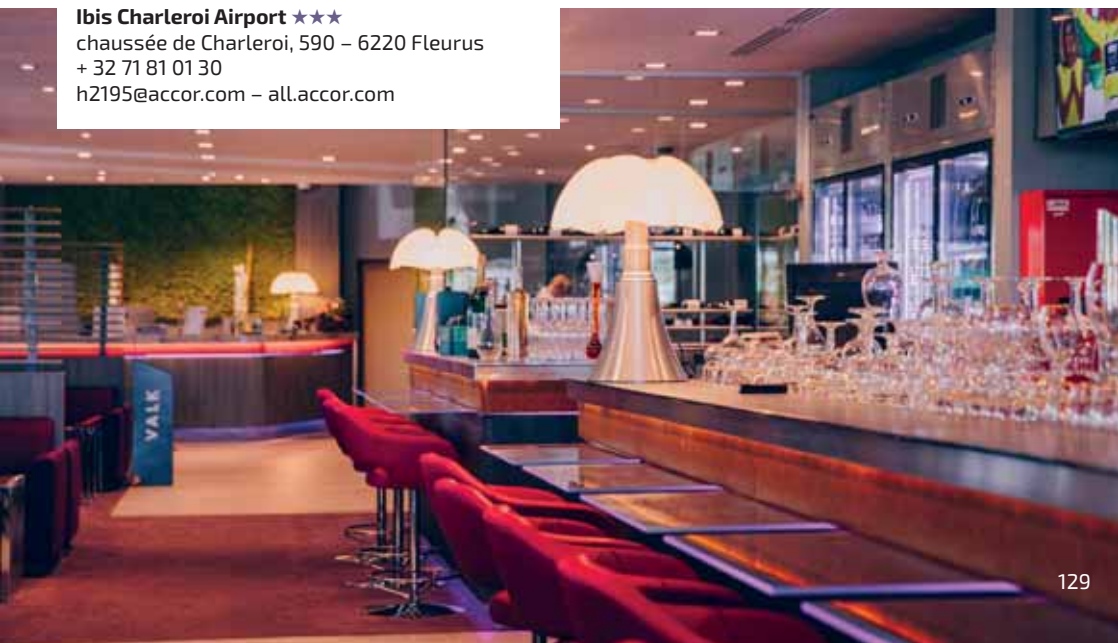
Ibis Charleroi Airport ★★★
chaussée de Charleroi, 590 – 6220 Fleurus
+ 32 71 81 01 30
h2195@accor.com – all.accor.com

Charleroi Hotel South ★★
chaussée de Gilly, 206 – 6043 Charleroi
+ 32 71 25 65 65
info@charleroi-hotelsouth.be
charleroi-hotelsouth.be

Ibis Budget Charleroi Airport ★
avenue Jean Mermoz, 33 – 6220 Fleurus
+ 32 71 37 36 32
h5517@accor.com – all.accor.com

IN THE CHARLEROI REGION

Golf & Hôtel de Pierpont ★
chemin Grand Pierpont, 1 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+ 32 71 88 08 30 – pierpont.be





SELF-CATERING ACCOMMODATION/ B&B/ FURNISHED TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

IN CHARLEROI CITY CENTRE

76 Tour – B&B 🏠🏠🏠

boulevard Pierre Mayence, 76 – 6000 Charleroi
+ 32 473 55 31 00
laurence.mundschau@skynet.be – 76tour.be

The Vertex – City self-catering accommodation 🏠🏠🏠

rue de Montigny, 93 – 6000 Charleroi
+32 485 37 47 91
vaelvalerie@hotmail.com –
gitesdupaysdecharleroi.com

Les Alpes Noires – City self-catering accommodation 🏠🏠🏠

rue de Montigny, 93 – 6000 Charleroi
+ 32 485 37 47 91
vaelvalerie@hotmail.com –
gitesdupaysdecharleroi.com

La Houille – City self-catering accommodation 🏠🏠🏠

rue de Montigny, 93 – 6000 Charleroi
+ 32 485 37 47 91
vaelvalerie@hotmail.com –
gitesdupaysdecharleroi.com

IN THE CHARLEROI REGION

Gîte Citadin de L'Araucaria 1 🏠🏠🏠

avenue Jean Jaurès, 12 – 6180 Courcelles
+32 476 34 73 99
avama@skynet.be – gites-araucaria.be

Gîte Citadin de L'Araucaria 2 🏠🏠🏠

avenue Jean Jaurès, 12 – 6180 Courcelles
+32 71 84 62 43 – + 32 476 34 73 99
avama@skynet.be – gites-araucaria.be

Le Gîte du Petit-Bois – Rural self-catering accommodation 🏠

la Drève, 21 – 6180 Courcelles
legitedupetitbois@gmail.com
airbnb.com – legitedupetitbois

Gîte au Gros Buisson – Bouton d'Or – Self-catering accommodation at a farm 🏠🏠🏠

rue du Gros Buisson, 1 – 6220 Fleurus
+ 32 472 52 99 60
gites-au-gros-buisson.be

Gîte au Gros Buisson – Coquelicot – self-catering accommodation at a farm 🏠🏠🏠

rue du Gros Buisson, 1 Bte 4 – 6220 Fleurus
+ 32 472 52 99 60
gites-au-gros-buisson.be

La Haie aux Loups I – Rural self-catering accommodation 🏠🏠🏠

bois d'Hymieé, 3 – 6280 Gerpennes
+ 32 71 50 33 31
githalou.be

La Haie aux Loups II – Rural self-catering accommodation 🏠🏠🏠

bois d'Hymieé, 3 – 6280 Gerpennes
+32 71 50 33 31
githalou.be

L'Adèle – Rural self-catering accommodation 🏠🏠🏠

rue Principale, 7 – 6280 Gerpennes
adele.fromiee@gmail.com
gite-adele-fromiee.jimdofree.com

Gîte Les Bruyères 🏠🏠🏠

rue de la Bruyère, 5 – 6280 Gerpennes
+32 497 84 75 58
lesbruyeresgerpennes.com

Gîtes Joli Jean – Les Hirondelles – self-catering accommodation at a farm 🏠🏠

rue Sart Haut, 1 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 474 51 33 06
joli-jean.vhb@busmail.net
users.skynet.be/fa439902/



Gîtes Joli Jean – Les Mésanges – self-catering accommodation at a farm 🌿🌿🌿

rue Sart-Haut, 1 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 474 51 33 06
joli-jean.vhb@busmail.net
users.skynet.be/fa439902/

Gîte des 3 Sources – 1 – self-catering accommodation at a farm 🌿🌿🌿

rue de la Baille, 15 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 473 29 81 31
chantal.francotte@gmail.com

Gîte des 3 Sources – 2 – self-catering accommodation at a farm 🌿🌿🌿

rue de la Baille, 15 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 473 29 81 31
chantal.francotte@gmail.com

Gîte de Pierpont – Rural self-catering accommodation 🌿🌿🌿

chemin de Pierpont, 4
6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 71 88.08.30
richarddepierpont@skynet.be
gitedepierpont.wikeo.be

Château de Wanfercée "Le Saule" – Rural self-catering accommodation

rue de la Chapelle, 72 – 6224 Fleurus
+32 71 81 80 85
chateaudewanfercee.be

Gîte de la Conciergerie du Cheval Blanc – City self-catering accommodation 🌿🌿🌿

Rue du Cheval Blanc, 17-A – 6238 Luttre
+32 71 37 43 09
gite-de-la-conciergerie-du-cheval-blanc-luttre.business.site

Gîte de Rosseignies – Rosa – self-catering accommodation at a farm 🌿🌿🌿

rue Lambemont, 3 – 6230 Pont-à-Celles
+32 477 84 41 62
vanzandeeric@gmail.com – gitederosseignies.be

Gîte de Rosseignies – Le Grand Gîte – self-catering accommodation at a farm 🌿🌿🌿

rue Lambemont, 6 – 6230 Pont-à-Celles
+ 32 477 84 41 62
vanzandeeric@gmail.com – gitederosseignies.be

Aux Trois Princesses – City self-catering accommodation 🌿🌿🌿

rue de Liberchies, 11 – 6230 Pont-à-Celles
+32 475 39 61 15

Ferme de Courriaulx – Gîte 2 – Rural self-catering accommodation 🌿🌿🌿

rue de la Ferme de Courriaulx, 7
6230 Pont-à-Celles
+32 496 32 74 84
phl.pieters@gmail.com – gites-courriaulx.be

Ferme de Courriaulx – Gîte 1 – Rural self-catering accommodation 🌿🌿🌿

rue de la Ferme de Courriaulx, 7
6230 Pont-à-Celles
+32 496 32 74 84
phl.pieters@gmail.com – gites-courriaulx.be

Le Coteau du Buzet – B&B 🌿🌿🌿

rue du Marais, 11 – 6230 Pont-à-Celles
+32 71 84 39 38

Château de Wanfercée – B&B 🌿🌿🌿🌿

rue de la Chapelle, 72 – 6224 Fleurus
+ 32 71 81 80 85
chateaudewanfercee.be



Au Fil des Rêves – B&B 🏠🏠🏠

rue de Bruxelles, 95 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 485 17 28 14
carine.hamdis@belgacom.net

Le Temps d'un Weekend – B&B

Rue des Champs, 52 – 6230 Pont-à-celles
+32 475 77 52 13 – giobuccella@hotmail.com
letempsdunweekend.be

La Cantinière – B&B

Route de Florennes, 2 – 6280 Gerpinnes
+32 475 98 33 99
lacantinière-gerpinnes.be

La Quairelle Gerpinnes – B&B

rue Armand Dancart, 12 – 6280 Gerpinnes
+32 472 39 70 38
delbovebrigitte@gmail.com

Yurterra – B&B

rue Try du Wez, 15 – 6223 Fleurus
+32 473 77 07 68
yurterra.be@gmail.com – yurterra.be

La Lodelinsartoise – Furnished holiday accommodation 🏠🏠🏠

chaussée de Bruxelles, 367 – 6042 Charleroi
bedandbreakfast.eu/chambre-d-hote/
charleroi/la-lodelinsartoise-meuble-de-
vacances-3-cles/5866684/

Gîte de l'Espinette – Furnished holiday accommodation 🏠🏠🏠

rue de Bruxelles, 124 – 6210 Les Bons Villers
+32 477 45 19 34
info@gitedelespinette.be – gitedelespinette.be

CAMPING SITES

Trieu du Bois – Camping ★

rue Picolome, 63 – 6230 Pont-à-Celles
+ 32 71 84 59 37
trieudubois@hotmail.com

Patro Saint-Martin – Youth Camp

Rue Aurélien Thibaut, 10 – 6001 Charleroi
+32 478 23 47 14
patromarcinelle@gmail.com



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LES
BONS
VILLERS



PONT-À-CELLES



FLEURUS



COURCELLES



CHARLEROI

FARCIENNES



CHÂTELET

AISEAU-
PRESLES



GERPINNES



LES LACS
DE L'EAU D'HEURE

CHARLEROI MÉTROPOLÉ

JUMET - GOSSELIES ✈️ 📍 - RANSART

MARCHIENNE-AU-PONT - DAMPREMY - LODELINSART - GOUTROUX - MONCEAU-SUR-SAMBRE - ROUX

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