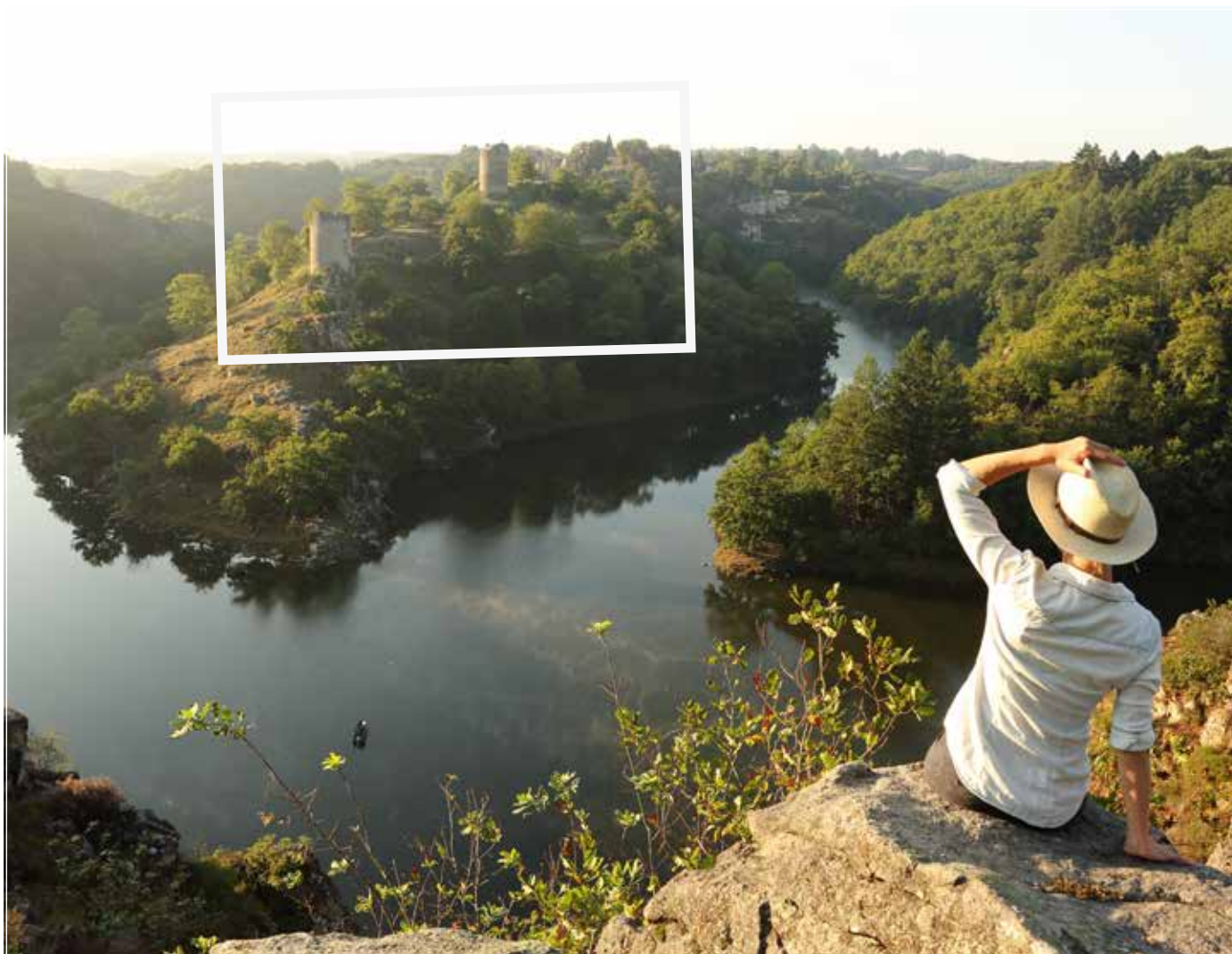


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Editorial

NOUVELLE-AQUITAINE SPIRIT

L'ESPRIT "NOUVELLE VAGUE"

Nouvelle-Aquitaine is the largest region in France. It is as diverse as it is surprising, with nature, the great outdoors, vibrant cities and legendary beaches. So, no matter what type of holidays you're looking for, there's bound to be a destination for you.

Nouvelle-Aquitaine conjures up famous places, like Bordeaux and the city of wine, Lascaux and the Dordogne Valley (which attracted more than 500,000 visitors in its very first year after opening), Biarritz and the Basque Country, Poitiers and Futuroscope (where visitor numbers grew by 6%), Cognac, Pau and the Pyrenees, or Limoges and its skilled craftsmanship.

But there is also 750 km of fine sandy coastline, with ports from Bayonne to La Rochelle, or the 110-metre-high Dune du Pilat and islands like the Ile de Ré and the Ile d'Oléron. It's increasingly easy to get to Nouvelle-Aquitaine. Bordeaux is just 2 hours from Paris by high-speed rail link (LGV), Biarritz, 3 hours 55 min, Futuroscope, 2 hours 20 min and La Rochelle just 2 hours 25 min. An 8% rise in international flight connections has slashed distances and travel times even more.

All this diversity attracts more than 27 million tourists each year and we're aiming for 32 million by 2020! The region's appeal is based a spirit of sharing, fun-loving, welcoming and gourmet spirit, one that embodies the quality of life that you'll find in gastronomy and fine dining.

We love sharing this inquisitive and innovative spirit with all those who come to visit us.

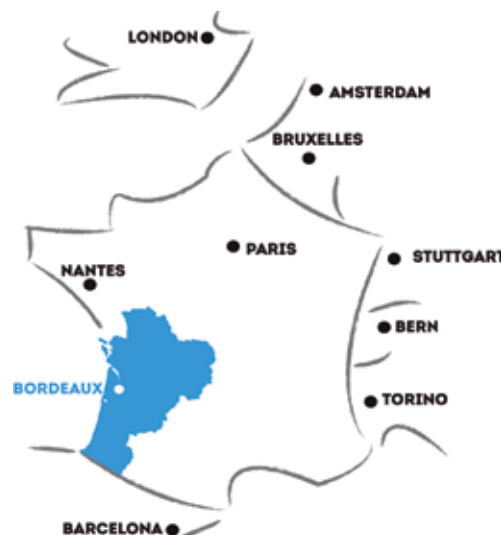
So, see you soon in Nouvelle-Aquitaine.



Michel DURRIEU
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Nouvelle-Aquitaine Regional
Tourism Committee

10 GOOD REASONS TO DISCOVER THE NOUVELLE-AQUITAINE REGION

- ⊙ **720 kilometres of coastline** with sandy beaches and **4** islands : Ré, Oléron, Aix and Madame.
- ⊙ **Our sunny climate.**
- ⊙ **2 famous wine-growing areas** : Bordeaux and Cognac.
- ⊙ **1 sizeable metropolitan area** : Bordeaux and **4** important urban agglomerations : Poitiers, Bayonne, Pau and Limoges.
- ⊙ Many **UNESCO listed cities, monuments** such as St Savin-sur-Gartempe abbey, the town of Bordeaux, St Emilion...
- ⊙ Great destination for **arts and crafts** : Aubusson tapestries, Limoges enamel, ceramics such as porcelain, leather industry...
- ⊙ A specific **way of life and gastronomy of the South-West** : foie gras, caviar, oysters, salt, goat's cheese...
- ⊙ **Winter sports** in the Pyrénées and **water sports** on the Atlantic coast.
- ⊙ **6 types of landscapes** from the ocean to the mountains, lakes to marshes and forests :
 - the Pyrénées,
 - the Landes forests,
 - the Pilat Sandy Dune,
 - the Marais poitevin, also named the Green Venice,
 - the Dordogne Valley,
 - Vassivière Lake.
- ⊙ **5 Nature Parks** :
 - Périgord Limousin,
 - Marais poitevin,
 - Landes,
 - Plateau des Millevaches in Limousin,
 - Pyrénées national park



KEY NUMBERS :

- ⊙ 5.8 million inhabitants
- ⊙ 83,339 square kilometres
the largest region of France
- ⊙ **10 airports** including 7 international : Bergerac, Biarritz, Bordeaux, La Rochelle, Limoges, Pau and Poitiers.
- ⊙ **2 maritime ports** : Bordeaux, La Rochelle
- ⊙ 27 million tourists
- ⊙ 85,334 employees in the tourism sector

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Nouvelle-Aquitaine spirit

FESTIVE AND SPORTING SPIRIT

There's no end of cultural activities, with museums, strolls in small, charming villages, visits to UNESCO world heritage sites or a multitude of festivals. What's more, the people of Nouvelle-Aquitaine haven't lost their reputation as revellers. After-work get-togethers are legendary, and the ferias are unmissable events for everyone.

The quality of life in Nouvelle-Aquitaine is also down to its surroundings. Whether you like the peace of the mountains or crashing waves, look no further. The Atlantic coast is the birthplace of surfing in Europe and riding the waves is a real religion. Each year, skiers of all levels are drawn to the region's 3 stunning resorts, hidden away in the Pyrenees. Nouvelle-Aquitaine is the top destination for winter sports lovers.

The region also has 4,200 km of bike paths, 51 golf courses, and esteemed and renowned horse racing industry and 40 marinas.

Finally, Nouvelle-Aquitaine's cultural identity also comes the ultimate team game, that binds people together and is steeped in sporting and moral values. Yes, rugby!



WELCOMING SPIRIT AND 'ART DE VIVRE'

Nouvelle-Aquitaine has FRANCE'S biggest outdoor tourism accommodation offer, but the region also has unique and original places to stay, unforgettable experiences with local people, together with charming and prestigious hotels. Spending the night in a regional nature park, experiencing life's pleasures in towns and villages is all about enjoying your time in amazing places. Nouvelle-Aquitaine is synonymous with well-being. Spa therapies, fine dining, culture, sailing, river tourism and visiting vineyards are the region's trump cards.

This year, nearly 28 million tourists visited Nouvelle-Aquitaine. Many came for short breaks, summer holidays, business meetings, conferences or trade shows, for a cultural or sporting events, or simply to visit their families.



GOURMET SPIRIT

Nouvelle-Aquitaine is FRANCE'S top culinary region for the quality of its products AND the country's largest farming region too. There's foie gras from the Périgord, apples from Limousin, oysters from Marennes-Oléron or Arcachon, caviar and cannelés bordelaise cakes. Eating is sacred in Nouvelle-Aquitaine! Plus, any meal in Nouvelle-Aquitaine wouldn't be complete without a glass of local wine. With 20% of FRANCE'S vineyards, the region boasts some of the most famous French AOC wines.



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BORDEAUX

ATLANTIC COAST

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DORDOGNE VALLEY

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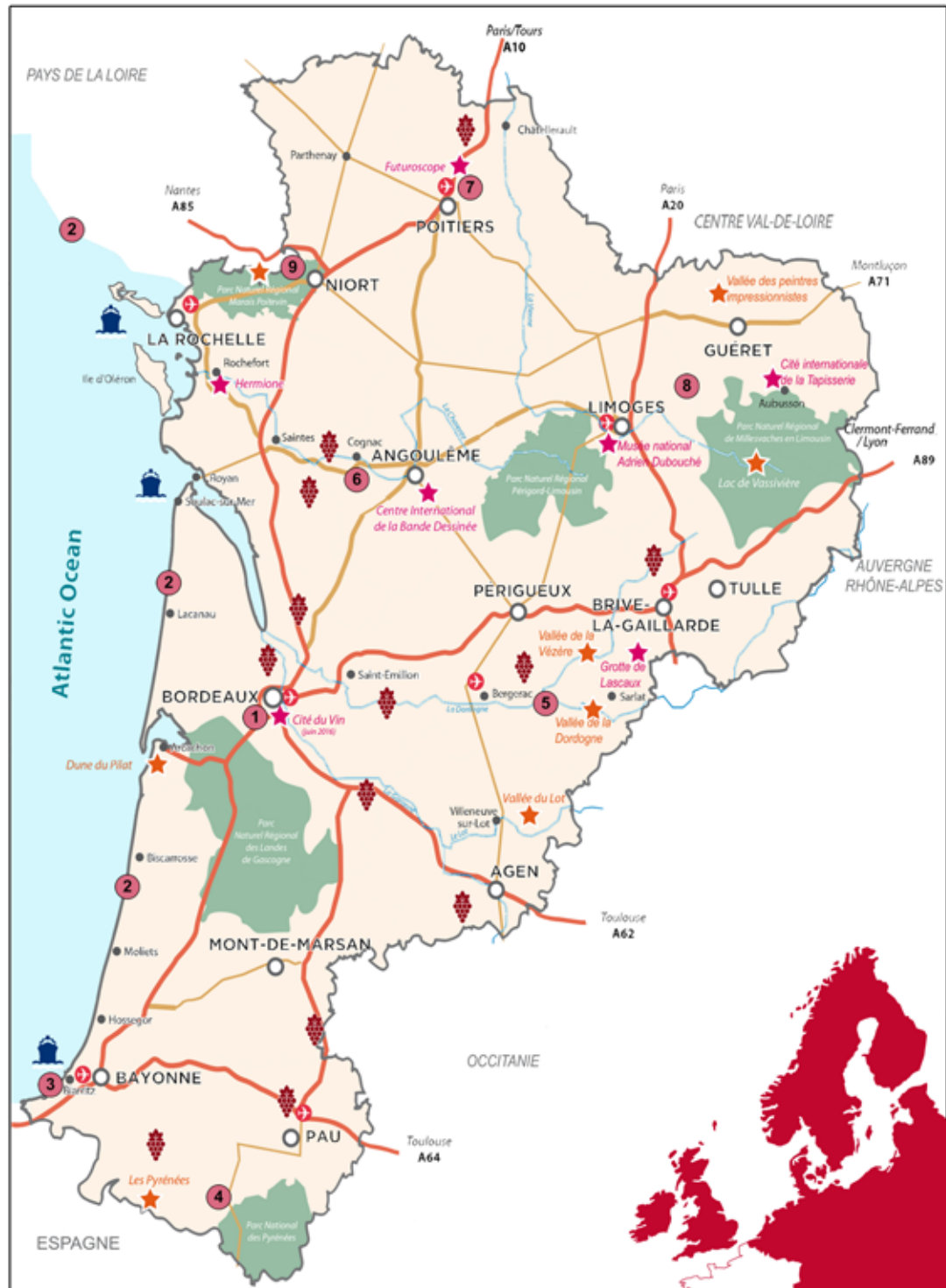
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LIMOGES - AUBUSSON

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Legend

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| ① Bordeaux |  Vineyards |
| ② Atlantic Coast |  Airports |
| ③ Biarritz, Pays Basque |  Harbours |
| ④ Pau - Pyrenees |  Must-see |
| ⑤ The Dordogne valley | |
| ⑥ Cognac | |
| ⑦ Poitiers Futuroscope | |
| ⑧ Limoges - Aubusson | |
| ⑨ Marais poitevin | |

Nouvelle-Aquitaine spirit, 8 essentials



1 – BORDEAUX

The city is a UNESCO World Heritage site and famous the world over for its Bordeaux wine and vineyards, especially since its heyday in the 18th century. It is home to the Cité du Vin, the city's new emblem. It lies on the banks of the Garonne and encapsulates French lifestyle. Bordeaux was named "European Best Destination 2015", came 2nd in the New York Times' list of places to go in 2016 and was on the Lonely Planet's best in travel for 2017. The city has become a popular tourist destination for international visitors all year round. It is now just 2 hours from Paris on the LGV train.

2 - ATLANTIC COAST

Nouvelle-Aquitaine's coastline runs over 720km and is staggeringly beautiful with sandy dunes lapped by the Atlantic Ocean and a huge maritime pine forest in the background. Here you'll find classic sea resorts, magical islands (île de Ré, île d'Aix etc.), amazing cultural heritage (La Rochelle, Rochefort, Bayonne etc.) and fabulous natural landscapes (Arcachon Bay,

Poitevin marsh and the highest sand dune in Europe, the Dune of Pilat). It's no wonder that in 2017 Conde Nast Traveller named the Ile de Ré, Cap-Ferret and Biarritz the "Best Beach Holiday in France and Europe"!

3 - BIARRITZ BASQUE COUNTRY

The town of Biarritz on the Basque coast is a stylish and glamorous sea resort. Its warm climate, beaches, 19th century palaces and history have sealed its reputation. Biarritz is now famous for its thalassotherapy, golfing, surfing and shopping. You can soak up the nearby French Basque Country and everything it has to offer

4 - THE PYRENEES - PAU

The Pyrenees National Park straddles France and Spain and is world-famous for its peaks and signature stages in the Tour de France. Visitors to Pau can explore the château where Henri IV, King of France and Navarre, was born and sample the city's signature "poule au pot" served with local Jurançon wine.



5 – LASCAUX – SARLAT

THE DORDOGNE VALLEY

The UNESCO-listed Dordogne is one of the largest biosphere reserves in the world. Its unique landscapes with steep cliffs dotted with stunning châteaux, prehistoric caves, listed picturesque villages and more make it an amazing destination. The new Lascaux site near the Vézère Valley takes visitors back 18,000 years to meet history's first artists.

6 - COGNAC

The city is where King François I was born and it is the place to experience its amber nectar 90 minutes from Bordeaux. The king of spirits is a high standard product made using age-old expertise. Learn the secrets behind it with a trip to the biggest brands such as Hennessy, Martell and Courvoisier.



7 – POITIERS - FUTUROSCOPE

An hour from Bordeaux and 80 minutes from Paris, explore the beloved city of Eleanor of Aquitaine who was Queen of France then Queen of England in the 13th century. Poitiers has a fantastic variety of Roman art sites and monuments that reflect its vibrant medieval past. Don't miss the nearby UNESCO-listed Saint Savin Abbey! Get your adrenalin pumping at Futuroscope, a top French theme park with fun for all the family.

8 – LIMOGES – AUBUSSON

Limoges is listed as a UNESCO Creative City because of its porcelain that adorns the world's best tables. Whilst here you can visit the Musée National de la Porcelaine Adrien Dubouché and famous factories such as Bernardaud and Haviland. Aubusson's world renown for tapestries has been set in stone by its expertise being made UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage. Make sure you visit the Cité internationale de la tapisserie!



Bordeaux city and wine area



BORDEAUX CITY

Among the vineyards, near the Atlantic Ocean and the Pyrenees mountains, Bordeaux proudly raises its splendid facades on the banks of the Garonne river.

Bordeaux is the first urban area to be distinguished by the UNESCO with such a vast and complex boundary. Its classic and neo-classic architecture has seen barely and stylistic change for over two centuries and **the city has over 350 buildings classified or listed as Historical Monuments.** A city of art, trade and history, **the capital of Nouvelle-Aquitaine** lives at the pace of the new century without losing any of its fondness for culture, food, sport, nature and everything which creates a good city lifestyle. **It is classed within the top most attractive and most dynamic cities in France.** Come and explore it in all its splendour and its diversity through the many visits offered by the Tourist Office.



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BY CAR

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2.00 from Biarritz

BY PLANE

1.10 from Paris

1.40 from Cognac

1.40 from Londres

2.30 from Poitiers

MUST-SEE

SAINT ANDRÉ CATHEDRAL - PEY-BERLAND BELL TOWER

World historic heritage UNESCO classified site.

A royal cathedral: Eleanor of Aquitaine and Louis VII, the future king of France, were married here in 1137, as were Anne of Austria and Louis XIII.

From the Cathedral of Saint-André bell tower, a flamboyant Gothic structure built in the 15th century, enjoy the outstanding view of Bordeaux and its monuments. The bell tower is open every day of the week except Monday.

GRAND THEATER - OPERA

Build by Victor Louis and inaugurated in 1780. Along with the operas of Versailles and Turin, the Grand-Théâtre has one of the most beautiful 18th century concert halls in the world!

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CAPC - MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART

Created 40 years ago in a former colonial warehouse (Entrepôts Lainé), the CAPC focuses on emerging art forms. With a permanent exhibition of some 1,300 works by 190 artists (Robert Combas, Annette Messager, Mario Merz, Richard Long, etc.) the CAPC offers an in-depth look at a half-century of culture and features new forms of contemporary art that link this museum with a strong international movement.

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LA CITE DU VIN : WELCOME TO THE WORLD OF WINE

Its bold, curvaceous lines seem to beckon you in. The building represents both a gnarled budding vine and the nectar swirling in the glass. The whole world of wine is reflected in the sun setting over the Garonne river; the Cité du Vin is lovely to look at and fascinating to visit.

Covering nearly 14,000 sq.m, this unique cultural site introduces you to the heart and soul of wine and its influence over thousands of years on civilisations and regions of the world.

The Cité du Vin looks set to become a staple feature of Bordeaux.

Inside, you can find out about all the various facets of wine: life science, its history, geography, art.

Visitors of all ages can enjoy the experience, with a **circuit geared around 20 themes that whet all five senses**. The permanent exhibition is the core feature of the Cité du Vin. It gives visitors a hands-on role in finding out all about wine.

Visitors travel through time and space to learn about wine-growing and wine-loving civilisations. There are tasting sessions and introductory workshops, temporary exhibitions, a boutique selling wines from all over the world, wine bars, a belvedere, **a panoramic restaurant on the 7th floor and a wine tourism platform**.

An opportunity to find out about a great era that inspired humankind, shaping their lives over the centuries.



"La Cité du Vin" ticket : €25.00/pers. includes the Permanent Tour visit, tasting of a world wine in the Belvedere, and interactive guide.
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www.gironde-tourisme.fr/decouvrir/les-routes-du-vin-de-bordeaux

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The "Architecture des Châteaux" circuit in Pauillac proposes to see 67 privately owned wine estates and châteaux, visible from public roads. They are nestled in their green backdrop and selected for their architectural interest.

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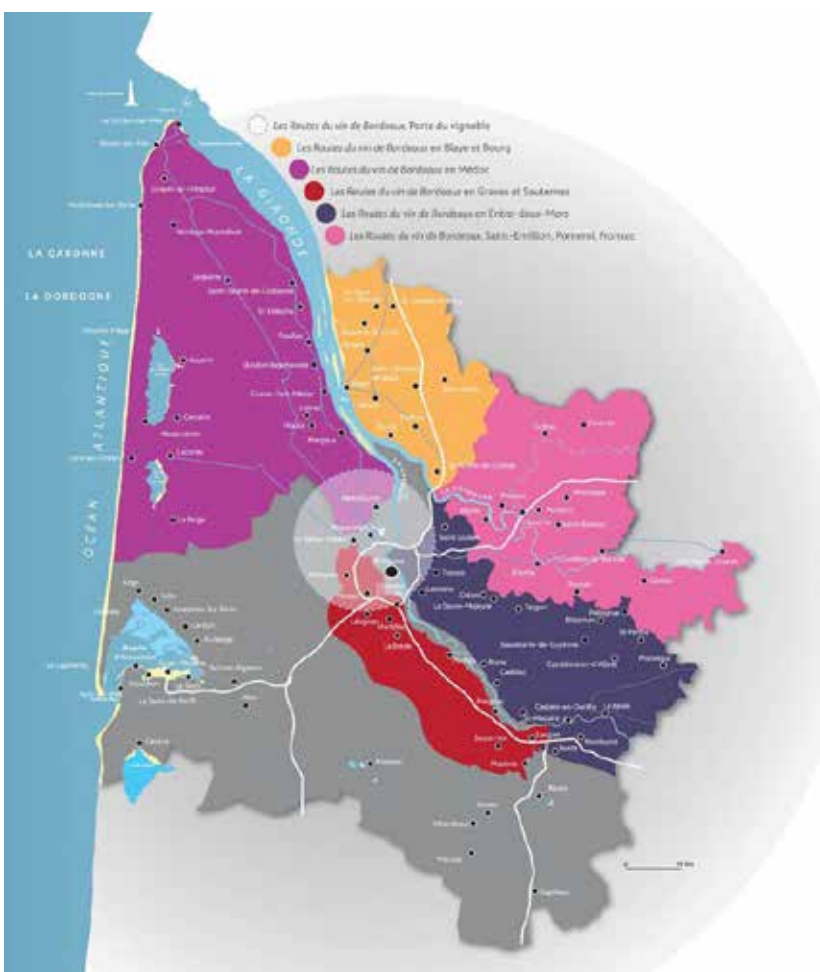
WINE ROUTE IN SAINT-EMILION, POMEROL, FRONSAC EN LIBOURNAIS

Château Ausone, Cheval-blanc, Pomerol, Pétrus...: Saint-Emilion is not only the name of a prestigious wine appellation of Bordeaux but also a lovely medieval town erected on a rocky hill. Both are listed as World Heritage. From the heights of Saint-Emilion, look down onto the patchwork of vines surrounding it. Walk down the cobbled alleyways and discover the village's craftspeople and their marvellous wares, from clothing to decorative items and the delicious local macaroons. There are many ways to taste wines: in wine estates, bars, shops and wine schools. Special events are organised in June and September.

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THE BORDEAUX WINE ROUTE IN ENTRE-DEUX-MERS

You're spoilt for choice! Entre-Deux-Mers means between two seas and is so called as this territory is bordered to the north by the Dordogne River and to the south by the Garonne River. Located at the East side of Bordeaux, it is the largest Bordeaux appellation with 2,400 hectares of vine producing around 1 million cases of wine per year. Entre-Deux-Mers touristic area produces reds, white, rosé, claret and sparkling wines and includes 12 AOC-AOP. Only the dry white wines can hold the Entre-Deux-Mers appellation. The Entre-Deux-Mers wines are very fruity and bring a pleasant sense of freshness. They are perfect for the aperitif and match marvelously with seafood, fish, white meats, poultry and a lot of cheeses, goat cheese in particular.

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THE BORDEAUX WINE ROUTE IN GRAVES AND SAUTERNES

The tour of the Graves region starts at Cadaujac, in the South of Bordeaux, runs through Léognan and Martillac, bordering all the Grands Crus, takes in Montesquieu's home at La-Brède, winds through Portets, Cérons, and Podensac, to Barsac, gliding into the universe of the great sweet white wines. It is the only Gironde route that has 3 appellations: Graves, Pessac Leognan and Sauternes – Barsac. The Pessac Leognan's produces white and red wines. The famous classification of 1855 identified 16 "Crus classes" including the famous château Haut Brion. The wine growers of the Graves produce 3 colours of wine: expressive reds and outstanding dry and sweet wines. Sauternes and Barsac provides some of the best sweet white wine of the world including Château Yquem. The vineyard covers the towns of Preignac, Bommes, Sauternes, Barsac and Fargues. The development of botrytis cinerea is encouraged by the mists and dew, created by the river Ciron, much colder than the Garonne.

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www.bordeaux-graves-sauternes.com

www.sauternes-barsac.com



THE BORDEAUX WINE ROUTE IN BLAYE AND BOURG

Bordering the Gironde region and having an incredibly rich terroir, the Blayais vineyard covers 6 000 hectares with three appellations: Blaye Cotes de Bordeaux, Côtes de Bourg and Bordeaux & Bordeaux supérieur. The limestones hillsides offer a breath taking view of the « river », as the locals here call Europe's widest estuary. With its fortresses, châteaux, vineyards, old cellars, ramparts, tiny harbours, and pigeon-lofts, the Blaye-Bourg region is a world straddling the frontier of the old languages of Oil and Oc, of land and sea.

Blaye Tourist office

info@tourisme-blaye.com

www.tourisme-blaye.com

Maison du Vin des Premières Côtes de Blaye

maison-des-vins@premieres-cotes-blaye.com

www.vin-blaye.com

Maison du Vin des Côtes de Bourg

info@cotes-de-bourg.com

www.cotes-de-bourg.com



SAINT EMILION WINE AREA

Saint Emilion is an enchanting medieval town perched on a hillside overlooking its reputed vineyards. **Listed as part of the UNESCO world heritage**, it will delight visitors with all the remains of a past steeped in art and history.

The charm of Saint-Emilion also lies in its cobbled lanes, with the steep slopes so typical of the Middle Ages, the Romanesque church and above all the Monolithic church which is entirely carved out in the limestone cliff, making it Europe's largest underground church.

SAINT EMILION TOURIST OFFICE

c.beck@saint-emilion-tourisme.com

www.saint-emilion-tourisme.com



ACCOMMODATIONS

HOSTELLERIE DE PLAISANCE 5*

21 rooms, "Relais & Châteaux"

1 Michelin star restaurant

Chantal PERSE, director

contact@hostelleriedeplaisance.com

www.hostellerie-plaisance.com

CHATEAU HOTEL & SPA GRAND BARRAIL 4*

46 rooms including 5 suites,

member of « Small Luxury Hotels of the World »

Mehdi REZHI, general manager

direction.grandbarrail@hotels-emeraude.com

www.grand-barrail.com

HOTEL MERCURE LIBOURNE-SAINT EMILION 4*

81 rooms

h6238@accor.com

www.mercure.com

HOTEL LE LOGIS DES REMPARTS 3*

20 rooms

contact@logisdesremparts.com

www.logisdesremparts.com

RESIDENCE LES GRANDS VIGNOBLES 3*

14 rooms

Libourne, 10 kms from Saint-Emilion

Elodie LAGORD, manager

contact@residence-grandsvignobles.com

www.residence-lesgrandsvignobles-bordeaux.com

CHATEAU DE COURTEBOTTE

6 rooms, 1 Pavillon (5 people), 1 Loft (5 people),

1 Cabane (4 people)

Saint-Jean-de-Blaignac, 11 kms from Saint-Emilion

Isabelle JEHANNO, owner

contact@chateaucourtebotte.com

www.chateaucourtebotte.com

PESSAC LEOGNAN WINE AREA



Located in the South East of Bordeaux, Pessac Leognan is a famous wine appellation within the Bordeaux wines.

ACCOMMODATIONS

LES SOURCES DE CAUDALIE 5* - PALACE

61 rooms including 9 suites and a vinotherapy spa (treatments based on grape pips)

"Châteaux & Hôtels Collection, Small Luxury Hotel"

2 Michelin stars restaurant

Martillac, 20 kms from Bordeaux

Alice TOURBIER, director of sales

alice.tourbier@sources-caudalie.com

www.sources-caudalie.com

PAUILLAC - MEDOC WINE AREA

The Médoc is situated north of the town of Bordeaux, on the left bank of the Gironde. Médoc is divided in two parts, the Haut-Médoc in the south, near the town, and the north part traditionally called Médoc. It hosts some famous wineries from different appellations such as Pauillac, Margaux, Saint Estèphe, Saint Julien, Moulis, Listrac... The Medoc wines are red tanins wines and often considered as the quintessence of Bordeaux wines, among them the Grands Crus Classés in 1855. Pauillac is the capital of the Medoc wine area.



MAISON DU TOURISME ET DU VIN DE PAUILLAC

Fabrice FATIN, director

fabricefatin@tourisme-medoc.fr

www.pauillac-medoc.com

ACCOMMODATIONS

GOLF DU MEDOC HOTEL & SPA 4*

73 Rooms and 6 Suites; "MGallery" by Sofitel

Le Pian-Médoc : 20 kms from Bordeaux

Vincent PARIS, General director

Emilie CHEVILLARD

contact@golfdumedocresort.com

<http://golfdumedocresort.com>

CHATEAU CORDEILLAN BAGES 4*

28 rooms including 4 suites,

2 Michelin stars restaurant,

"Relais & Châteaux",

Pauillac : 50 kms from Bordeaux

Céline DE LABROUSSE, general manager

contact@cordeillanbages.com

www.cordeillanbages.com



RELAIS DE MARGAUX

88 rooms including 6 suites,

Margaux, 35 kms from Bordeaux

Nathalie MILLET, manager

relais-margaux@relais-margaux.fr

www.relais-margaux.fr

LES HOTELS DE BORDEAUX

Mérignac, 5 kms from Bordeaux

contact@bordeaux-hotels.net

www.bordeaux-hotels.net

RESIDENCE LAGRANGE L'ESTUAIRE 3*

48 flats

Le Verdon-Sur-Mer, 100 kms from Bordeaux

verdon@lagrange-holidays.com

www.vacances.lagrange.com

QUALITY SUITES BORDEAUX AEROPORT & SPA 4*

247 rooms

Mérignac, 5 kms from Bordeaux

Damien VARIGAS

reservation@qualitybordeaux.com

www.qualitymerignac.com

CHÂTEAU GRATTEQUINA 4*

10 rooms including 2 suites,

Blanquefort 5 kms from Bordeaux

Stéphane HUE, manager

reservation@grattequina.com

www.grattequina.com



ENTRE-DEUX-MERS WINE AREA

Entre-Deux-Mers is the region located at the East side of Bordeaux, between the Dordogne river on the North and the Garonne river on the South. It is also the name of the wine appellation produced there.

ENTRE-DEUX-MERS TOURIST OFFICE

info@entredouxmers.com

www.entredouxmers.com



ACCOMMODATIONS

DOMAINE DE FOMPEYRE

50 rooms,
"Châteaux Demeures de Tradition et
Grandes Etapes des Vignobles"
Bazas: 60 kms from Bordeaux
Sabrina LACAZE, director
dir.bazas.fompeyre@gmail.com
www.domaine-de-fompeyre.com

HOTEL CLAUDE DARROZE

16 rooms,
"Tables et auberges de France"
1 Michelin Star restaurant
Langon: 50 kms from Bordeaux
Jean-Charles DARROZE, director
contact@darroze.com
www.darroze.com

CHATEAU MAISON NOBLE SAINT MARTIN

Saint-Martin-Du-Puy,
55 kms from Bordeaux
Stéphanie DE PAREJA
maison.noble@orange.fr
www.maisonnoblesaintmartin.com

SLEEP IN A WINE VAT "LA CUVE A MON LOUP"

Imagine opening the door of a former wine vat to discover a comfortable, modern room, "la Cuve à mon loup", where sophistication is set in concrete, and a room named "Design" is an ode to modernity. What do the owners of this B&B in the Entre-deux-Mers area propose: two completely different bedrooms, inspired by the names of the vats they have been crafted from.

Moulon: 33 kms from Bordeaux

Joël DUFFAU, owner
vignobles.jduffau@orange.fr
www.vignoblesjoelduffau.fr



YOU CAN GET A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP IN A FERMENTING ROOM, WHY NOT A BARREL? COUP2FOUDRES

Frédéric Charles Chassagne is the creator of company Coup2foudres the goal of which is to establish a different form of accommodation...within the Seguin-Moreau (world leader of cooperage) casks. Casks are enormous barrels holding 700 hl, which are usually used for the maturing of wine and the vinification process.

Saint-Jean-de-Blaignac, 40 kms from Bordeaux

Family FOURNIER, owner
contact@coup2foudres.com
www.coup2foudres.com



MUST-SEE

BLAYE CITADEL, LISTED AS WORLD HERITAGE BY THE UNESCO

The town was founded by the Romans who built a castrum there.

The Citadel built by Vauban in the 17th century remains the heart of Blaye. It is flawlessly preserved and serves as a typical example of the military architecture of the time.

Nicolas MONSEIGNE, director

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WINE SCHOOLS, WINE WORKSHOPS



URBAN WINE TRAIL: INSIDE BORDEAUX WINE BARS!

Urban Wine Trail allows you to discover the different districts of Bordeaux along its wine bars as they did flourish over the past few years. Nothing's more pleasant than meandering through the narrow alleys and enjoying a break at the terrace of a wine bar. This is for sure the best option to taste the emblematic nectars of the region paired with local specialties...or even from abroad!

What is the best option to walk through the wine road? Nothing's easier, a track has been recorded on the application called Cirkwi. You simply have to download it before to get started in the city streets and then follow the milestones indicated!

www.bordeaux-tourisme.com

ECOLE DU VIN DE BORDEAUX

Duration from 2 hours to several days, express summer courses, discovery of the Bordeaux appellations. French/English/German

ecole@bordeaux.com

www.bordeaux.com

MILLESIMA L'ECOLE DU VIN

Wine classes and a combination of tastings in an old cellar, in Bordeaux city

Manuela PICOT, director of sales :

mpicot@millesima.com

event@millesima.com

www.event.millesima.fr



www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com

B-WINEMAKER

Invent a wine to your own taste and design a label in your own style. Duration from 2 hours to 2.30 hours. - From 2 to 12 persons - French/English

Pierre DUFOURQ

pierre@b-winemaker.com

www.b-winemaker.com

VINIV

VINIV enables wine enthusiasts to create their own unique wine by working with Bordeaux's elite winemakers and using vineyards from the world's most coveted appellations.

Stephen BOLGER

info@vinivwine.com

www.viniwine.com

LES MÉDOCAINES

A lot of fun with the harvest or cheese workshop or the "Wine and beauty" workshop with Les Médocaines. Available by the Tourist Office of Bordeaux or Les Médocaines.

otb@bordeaux-tourisme.com

www.bordeaux-tourisme.com

MAISON DU VIN DE SAINT-EMILION AND ITS ECOLE DU VIN DE SAINT-EMILION

The Package (full day) combines a wine lesson, a gastronomic lunch, a visit of a prestigious Grand Cru classé, and the tasting of old wines. On request, maximum 12 people.

Everyday in summer, lesson from 11 to 12.30 am, French/English/Spanish. For groups, on appointment.

info@vins-saint-emilion.com

www.vins-saint-emilion.com



How To Visit A Wine Estate

BORDEAUX RIVER CRUISE

The "Bordeaux River Cruise" company, based in Bordeaux, runs cruises on the Garonne river and the Gironde estuary. For groups or individuals, cruises to some of the most famous vineyards within the Bordeaux area (Médoc, Côtes de Blaye, Côtes de Bourg...) including guide and tastings, or lunch and dinner cruises from Bordeaux.

guillaume@bordeaux-river-cruise.com

<https://croisiere-bordeaux.com>

CROISIÈRES BURDIGALA

Cruises from Bordeaux for groups throughout the year (75 to 150 pax). Also taxi boat La Clapotine, transfers to restaurant La Maison de Fleuve, along the Garonne river.

croisieresburdigala@orange.fr

www.croisieresburdigala.fr

BATEAU PÉNICHE ROYAL

Leaving from Bordeaux : tailormade cruises to Blaye, Bourg or Pauillac : 150 passengers.

contact@royal-garonne.com

www.royal-garonne.fr

CŒUR D'ESTUAIRE

Pre-dinner, seafood and wine tasting cruises departing from Blaye or Pauillac on a motor boat or with a schooner of 22 places starting also from Bordeaux.

Also taxi-boat for individual and personalize cruises.

www.coeurdestuaire.com

www.bateausinbad.fr

WINE CAB

Discover the vineyards on a traditional english cab and a driver guide.

contact@wine-cab.com

www.wine-cab.com

AQUITAINE CROISIÈRES

Cyclo-cruises with MS Bordeaux

Aquitaine Croisières offers 8 day cruises on an elegant boat combining navigation on the Dordogne and Garonne rivers and their estuary – the Gironde estuary – as well as bicycle trips through the different appellations of the Bordeaux vineyards.

contact@aquitaine-cruises.com

<http://aquitaine-cruises.com>

CROISIEUROPE

MS Princesse d'Aquitaine, (138 passengers) and MS Cyrano de Bergerac, (174 passengers).

Cruises on the Gironde estuary departing from Bordeaux, with stops at Pauillac, Blaye, Libourne and Cadillac.

Cruise themes offered: a trip on the Garonne and the Dordogne in order to discover the UNESCO World Heritage sites (Bordeaux, Blaye and Saint-Émilion), the most beautiful vineyards in the world and the gastronomy of the South-West of France.

info@croisieurope.com

www.croisieurope.com

SCENIC TOURS

MS Scenic Diamond with 78 suites (156 passengers) offers a "Beautiful Bordeaux" trip on the estuary of the Gironde, the Garonne and the Dordogne, via the prestigious locations in the Bordeaux vineyards and the essential sites of natural and cultural heritage.

www.scenic.com.au

CHATEAU MAUCAILLOU

Possibility to discover the Médoc vineyard by helicopter.

chateau@maucaillou.com

www.chateau-maucaillou.com



COOKERY LESSONS AND COURSES

RESTAURANT LA GRAND'VIGNE - 2 MICHELIN STARS RESTAURANT - Nicolas MASSE

Les Sources De Caudalie, hotel 5* : The chef, Nicolas Masse, offers 2 hour classes, two Saturdays a month in his kitchens. He teaches you how to break dishes down, dress a plate, respect natural products, organise a successful festive menu and save time in the preparation. You will learn simple actions, like how to cook products every day with new recipes and new flavours.

sources@sources-caudalie.com

www.sources-caudalie.com

L'ATELIER DES CHEFS

Right in the centre of Bordeaux, close to place Gambetta, attend the Chefs' workshop, the new generation of cookery classes. The chefs will pass on their knowledge to you in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere. Whatever your level and budget, choose a suitable option from a large range of classes from 30 minutes to 3 hours and become a real *corde bleu*!

infobordeaux@atelierdeschefs.com

www.atelierdeschefs.fr

RESTAURANT CORDEILLAN BAGES

Julien LEFREBVRE

Château Cordeillan-Bages, hotel 4* : Le Chef Julien Lefebvre tire son credo d'une enfance normande au contact des artisans de la famille amoureuse d'un terroir gourmand. Après, un parcours d'excellence, à 35 ans, il devient le nouveau chef exécutif de Cordeillan-Bages, en charge du restaurant gastronomique et du Café Lavinal situé dans le village de Bages.

Attaché à la valorisation du travail des producteurs, il est allé à leur rencontre, découvrant leurs merveilles (caviar d'Aquitaine, asperge blanche, fraise et escargot de Saint-Laurent-Médoc, huître du bassin d'Arcachon) pour ciseler la carte du restaurant gastronomique : coquillages marinières, crème foisonnée aux choux fleurs, soufflé contemporain aux praires et curry, riz vénéré au marc de raisin ; turbot confit, gibelotte de petit pois, décoction de coriandre, barbillon en tempura et béarnaise ou ris de veau braisé en croûte de sarrasin soufflé, mousseline de topinambour et jus gras au parfum de bourbon pointu.

Il transmet son savoir-faire et sa passion pour les produits du terroir lors de cours de cuisine participatifs! L'occasion de découvrir les secrets de ses recettes.

contact@cordeillanbages.com

www.cordeillanbages.com



THE CHATEAU AMBE TOUR POURRET IN SAINT EMILION

Near Saint-Emilion, only 45 min from Bordeaux, the Château Ambe Tour Pourret offers cooking classes all year round. Up to 12 students for 2 hours classes, followed by a lunch or dinner. Wines from the estates are served with the food.

visite@vignobles-lannoye.com

www.saint-emilion.fr

RESTAURANT LE SAINT JAMES - 1 MICHELIN STAR RESTAURANT - NICOLAS MAGIE

Coté Cours is the cooking school of the hotel Saint James Relais & Châteaux, hotel 4*.

In the veranda overlooking the citrus garden, the Chef is offering to share his culinary know-how with you in a unique setting. Many types of classes are offered, in English and French.

cotecours@saintjames-bouliac.com

www.saintjames-bouliac.com



NEW IN 2018

ATTRACTIVE AND LUXURY ACCOMMODATION

THE RADISSON GROUP IN BORDEAUX

The Bordeaux Maritime Radisson Blu Hotel is due to open for business in the first quarter of 2018 in Les Bassins à Flot district. This four-star hotel with 125 rooms will also include a congress area, a panoramic restaurant, a spa, a fitness centre, shops and a sky-bar overlooking the wet docks of the Cité du Vin.

BORDEAUX: OPENING OF A HILTON GARDEN INN HOTEL

(164 rooms), which will be the Hilton Garden Inn's first hotel in France and the very first Hilton hotel in the historic centre of Bordeaux, just 200 metres from St Jean train station.

BORDEAUX: THE ZOOLOGIE HOTEL WILL BE OPENING FOR BUSINESS JUNE 2018.

In the former Zoology Institute, in the rapidly developing station district, this 4-star hotel will include 40 rooms, a restaurant, a spa and an interior garden. The Institute was built in the early 20th century and bears witness to the university architecture of the times, combining brick, stone and a metal structure, with a large glass roof. This precious heritage will be majestically enhanced by the complete renovation of the building.

www.hotelzoologie.com
zoologie@designhotels.com

BORDEAUX: AT THE HEART OF THE VINEYARDS OF CHÂTEAU SMITH HAUT LAFITTE IN MARTILLAC, Les Sources de Caudalie was listed as a "Palace" (luxury hotel) in 2016. The estate also features a Vinothérapie Spa® and three restaurants, one of which with two Michelin stars and a wine bar.

www.sources-caudalie.com/
33650 Bordeaux-Martillac +33 (0)5 57 83 83 83 –
sources@sources-caudalie.com
reservations@sources-caudalie.com

AT THE HEART OF BORDEAUX, SEVERAL FINE 4- AND 5-STAR HOTELS bring wellness into the spotlight with

internationally famous spas (Inter Continental Bordeaux, the Grand Hotel, Hotel de Sèze, etc.). Concept hotels attract visitors: the Seek'oo showed the way with its futuristic design, followed by the Boutique Hotel (hotel and wine bar), the Mama Shelter designed by Starck, the Hotel de Tourny with its contemporary decoration, the intimate and luxurious Hotel des Quinconces and the Yndo Hotel. The most recent is the Cardinal with its ten elegant rooms, near the cathedral.

<https://hotelcardinalbordeaux.fr/>
33000 Bordeaux – Tel 05 56 01 62 32
contact@hotelcardinalbordeaux.com

100 metres from the Opera, the Best Western Bayonne Etche Ona Hotel welcomes travellers in an Art Deco and "cabinet of curiosities" atmosphere.

CHÂTEAU PRIEURÉ MARQUET, near Saint-Emilion in Saint-Martin-du-Bois – a prestigious château gues-thouse

www.prieure-marquet.com
33910 Saint-Martin-du-Bois
cvivez@gmail.com
06 69 11 90 00

BUSINESS TOURISM

BORDEAUX

New congress facilities: a **NEW HALL AT THE BORDEAUX PARC DES EXPOSITIONS** scheduled for late 2018: a renovation-extension project to create a versatile building for exhibitions and congresses

Opening of the **RADISSON BLU HOTEL** (125 rooms)

OPENING OF AIR SERVICES (Riga, Warsaw, Hamburg, Frankfurt, Dusseldorf, etc.)

MEETING ON THE WATER

The Bordeaux River Cruise* company organises customised cruises on its three boats for meals, congresses, gala evenings, incentive seminars and team-building activities for up to 280 people. Stopovers can be organised on the island Patiras, facing Pauillac, in the Gironde Estuary, as well as private cocktail events for up to 150 people in this little piece of paradise, a beautiful blend of nature and water, the sky and the land.

<https://croisiere-bordeaux.com/>

THE HALLE BOCA, part of the Euratlantique project

Between the station and the River Garonne, a new living area is taking shape: the Halle BOCA, BO for Bordeaux and CA for Commerces & Alimentation (Shops & Food) or Centre d'Affaires (Business Centre). Housed in the converted abattoirs on and around Quai de Paludate, the market building will include an indoor market, food shops and venues for events in a modernised historic architectural setting. Scheduled opening in April 2018.

GASTRONOMY

WINE TOURISM

TWO NEW RESTAURANTS WIN RECOGNITION FROM THE "GAULT & MILLAU"

The chef Victor Ostronczec and his restaurant Le Solena have won three toques. Felix Clerc, at the helm at the Symbiose, on Quai des Chartrons, has been given two toques. And the chef Ronan Kervarrec from L'Hostellerie de Plaisance in Saint-Emilion has made his debut in the Gault & Millau guide with four toques.

STARS

In the space of a few years, Bordeaux has been illuminated by three great chefs: first, Philippe Etchebest at Le Quatrième Mur in 2015, then the British chef Gordon Ramsay at Le Pressoir d'Argent (2 stars) and finally Pierre Gagnaire at the gastronomic restaurant La Grande Maison (2 stars). The gastronomic offer in the metropolitan area also includes Le Pavillon des Boulevards (1 star), the Saint-James in Bouliac (1 star) and Le Prince Noir in Lormont (1 star)

NOUVELLE-AQUITAINE = 52 MICHELIN-STARRED RESTAURANTS IN 2017

https://www.lepopulaire.fr/limoges/loisirs/gastronomie/2017/02/27/les-restaurants-etoiles-michelin-en-nouvelle-aquitaine-en-2017_12299651.html

NEW BACALAN GOURMET COVERED MARKET, IN BORDEAUX

The covered market is situated in the city's Bassins à Flot regeneration area and has 23 local, independent traders, including butchers, fishmongers, and oyster seller, cheesemonger, wine-seller, truffle producer, seasonal fruit and vegetable seller, Italian and Spanish and vegetarian caterers, and aperitif drinks bar, baker and cake-maker. There is counter to sample tapas in the food area and a café/bar called Le Familia where the menu has been designed to fit www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com

the true spirit of cooking straight from the market. There are also lots of events planned throughout the year. The market is run by two business owners, Biltoki, a Basque-based covered market operator, and Nicolas Lascombes, a restaurant owner who also owns several other food outlets in Gironde including, 7, the panoramic restaurant at the Cité du Vin.

<https://biltoki.com/hallesbacalan/>

SAUTERNES: CHÂTEAU GUIRAUD, with wines rated as "Premier Grand Cru Classé" in the famous listings of 1855, has announced the opening of a top-of-the-range restaurant in its chapel on 2 February 2018.

Nicolas Lascombes is at the helm of the restaurant serving fine local cuisine in an exceptional setting. Capacity: 225 people.

www.chateauguiraud.com/

Manager: Luc Planty- Tel. 05 56 76 61 01 –

lucplanty@chateauguiraud.com

SAUTERNES: OPENING OF A LALIQUE HOTEL AND RESTAURANT AT THE CHÂTEAU LAFAURIE-PEYRAGUEY

In spring, a gastronomic hotel-restaurant will be opening "in a style matching the region's spirit", as we read in a communiqué. Silvio Denz, the owner, makes no secret of hoping to reproduce the success of the Alsatian Villa Lalique, awarded two Michelin-Guide stars just three months after opening. So, Lalique's head chef, Jérôme Schilling, will be transferred to the brand-new kitchens in the future restaurant of the Château Lafaurie-Peyraguey. A wine-cellar has also been announced.

<http://www.chateau-lafaurie-peyraguey.com/info@lafauriepeyragueylalique.com>

ACTIVITIES / LEISURE / NEW CULTURAL SITES / WINE TOURISM/ EVENTS, ETC.

THE MILLÉSIME GROUP LAUNCHES WINEFULLNESS WINE TASTINGS

As part of its Ec(h)o programme dedicated to wellness, the Millésime group provides an unusual and original approach to wine-tasting: Winefullness. This form of mindful wine-tasting, conducted jointly by a relaxation therapist and a wine expert,

is based on the techniques of sophrology, and helps participants immerse themselves fully in the art of wine-tasting. The events have been taking place twice a month since December 2017 at La Course, a Millésime centre.

www.millesime-collection.com

RESTAURANT BOAT, WINE-TOURISM, VISITS TO BORDEAUX, PRIVATE EVENTS...

The “Bordeaux River Cruise”* company organises cruises in Bordeaux along the River Garonne and Dordogne, and in the Gironde estuary. On the boat, you will set off to explore the Aquitaine region: the famous Bordeaux wine regions (St Emilion, Médoc, Sauternes, Côtes de Bourg, etc.), UNESCO World Heritage sites, such as the Blaye Citadel, and the islands of the Gironde.

<https://croisiere-bordeaux.com/>

SEA AND MARINE MUSEUM:

Opening on Friday 15 June 2018, when the Bordeaux Fête Le Vin event is in full swing.

www.museedelamerbordeaux.fr

BORDEAUX FÊTE LE VIN

is Europe’s biggest wine-tourism event, and will be celebrating its 20th anniversary from 14 to 18 June. Bordeaux Fête Le Vin will be welcoming a special guest: the prestigious Tall Ships Regatta, an event bringing together the world’s finest large sailing ships. The Belem, the Morgenster, the Arawak, the Atyla - a few names are already confirmed, as we wait for the definitive list to be unveiled in April. The boats will leave from Liverpool, make a stopover in Dublin and arrive at Port de la Lune on or around 14 June. They will be moored for four days of celebrations, opening their bridges and holds to the public for daily visits.

www.bordeaux-fete-le-vin.com

CANELÉ-MAKING LESSONS BY BAILLARDRAN

An original introduction to one of Bordeaux’s specialities: the canelé. The famous Baillardran brand has opened a canelé school in partnership with L’Atelier des Chefs. For two hours, the chef will share his recipe for the little cake, caramelised outside and tender inside, and perfumed with vanilla and rum. Canelés come in a wide range of flavours - with polenta, poultry with lemongrass, as well as panna cotta!

www.atelierdeschefs.fr

BORDEAUX VINTAGE

<https://www.bordeaux-tourisme.com/offre/fiche/balade-gourmande-le-reveil-des-papilles/OP031A-QU033V50DMJZ>

<http://miam-bordeaux.fr/mes-balades/>

Miam invites you to savour the city – quite literally! There are several different visits, from “Market Day” to “Drunch”, from warm croissants to foie gras. Sylvie Berteaux loves Bordeaux and has unearthed some of the most exciting gourmet talents. Enjoy!

SPORTS/ OPEN-AIR ACTIVITIES

Bordeaux has been chosen as one of the host cities for the **RUGBY WORLD CUP: 2023 Rugby World Cup**

BORDEAUX – NEW SWING

A few miles from Saint-Émilion, between the vineyards and the centuries-old oak trees, a 5-star, 18-hole golf course was inaugurated in October 2015 by the Mourgue d’Algue family, whose members include several golf champions. The Grand Saint-Emillionnais Golf Club course was designed by one of the world’s top architects, the American Tom Doak, known for his “minimalist” style and his respect for the natural terrain. Voted by the major golfing magazines as one of the most eagerly awaited courses in the world for 2015, it has all the advantages needed to attract an international clientele.

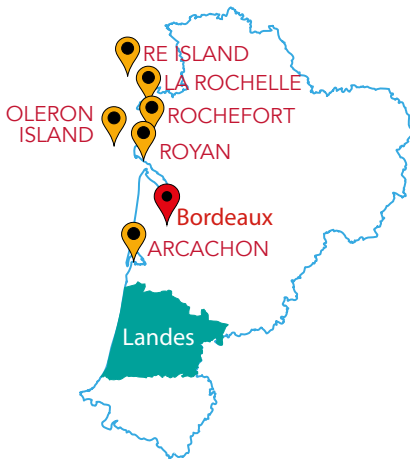
<https://www.segolfclub.com/>

A NEW 18-HOLE GOLF COURSE VILLENAVE D'ORNON

Inaugurated in September 2017, the Villenave-d’Ornon course (UGolf) is located on the estate of the Château de Geneste, on the banks of the Garonne. Covering 80 hectares, this county golf course in the middle of the city has a 9-hole course, and will be expanded to 18 holes from mid-2018.

<http://jouer.golf/villenave-dornon/>

Atlantic Coast



The Atlantic coast in Nouvelle-Aquitaine includes no less than 720km of coastline, joining the north of La Rochelle to the south of Biarritz, including the Île de Ré, the Île d'Oléron, the Arcachon Basin and the Landes coast. It therefore extends along fine sandy beaches, allowing for leisure seeking and water sports. Everyone can also try numerous kinds of seafood there, including the famous Marennes-Oléron oysters or those from the Arcachon Basin.

ARCACHON Tourist Office

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www.arcachon.com

www.bassin-arcachon.com

LANDES Tourist Board

The Landes, an area from the coastline to the countryside

Carine LUX

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LANDES D'ARMAGNAC Tourist Office

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ROYAN Tourist Office

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LA ROCHELLE Tourist Office

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ROCHEFORT Tourist Office

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ARCACHON

1 hour West of Bordeaux, on the Atlantic Ocean, the city of Arcachon represents a charming and relaxing day out destination, also reachable by train.

Arcachon developed in the 19th century with the tradition of the "sea baths" and also because the oceanic climate and the pine trees were considered good to cure tuberculosis. The Winter city was created: a concentration of beautiful 19th century villas to welcome all the wealthy Parisians, which is still a beautiful district to discover, on your own or with a guided tour offered by the tourist office.

ARCACHON Tourist Office

tourisme@arcachon.com

www.arcachon.com



MUST-SEE

ARCACHON BAY

Arcachon is also the name of the bay, facing the ocean. The bay is one of the main oyster breeding place in France and once there, **you have to make a break in one of the traditional oyster farms for a tasting.** South of the bay is the **Pilat sandy dune**, the highest in Europe (330 feet). It is totally natural and the panoramic view from the top is amazing!

www.bassin-arcachon.com

ACCOMMODATIONS

HOTEL RESTAURANT LA CO(O)RNICHE 5*

29 rooms by the designer Philippe STARCK

William TECHOUEYRES, director

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38 rooms including 7 suites
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103 rooms

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HÔTEL LE B D'ARCACHON 3*

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18 rooms, in the Winter city

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HOTEL LES BAINS D'ARGUIN THALAZUR 4*

124 rooms

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www.thalazur.fr/hotel-bainsarguin/

HÔTEL POINT FRANCE 4*

34 rooms

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LA MAISON DU BASSIN

11 rooms

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LES LANDES

Unspoilt beaches, lakes dotted along the coast: **100 kms of sandy beaches** lying alongside dunes and the huge Landes de Gascogne pine forest.

A wonderful destination for lovers of cycling, surfing, windsurfing, sailing, golf and surf-casting (angling in the ocean waves).

A distinctive architectural heritage: **the typical Landes house** has a lowered roof facing west to protect against the ocean wind and rain, an oak structure, and walls made of a mixture of straw and whitewash.

A famous spirit: **Armagnac**.



LANDES Tourist board

Mrs Carine LUX - carine.lux@cdt40.com - www.tourismelandes.com

MUST-SEE

HOSSEGOR, ONE OF THE BEST SURFING SPOT IN FRANCE

Hossegor welcomes every year, stages of the world championship of surfing. Around the lake and in the district of the golf, we can admire very beautiful villas of the beginning of the 20th century, characteristics of the style basco-from Bearn.

tourisme@hossegor.fr - www.hossegor.fr



LA BASTIDE D'ARMAGNAC

Regarding its role of fortified city, we have inherited the whole woven parcels, its main square with its covered walkways destined for commercial activity, its administrative center (today the town hall) with its attributes of power : a "setier" (a tool for measuring grains and cereals) and the prison.

contact@tourisme-landesdarmagnac.fr

www.tourisme-landesdarmagnac.fr

DOMAINE D'OGNOAS

The guided visit begins by looking at the countryside, where the Midou river, used to transport "eaux-de-vie". It then continues in the old winery where the oldest Gascony still (1804) has pride of place. Here, led by ambassadors of choice, you are an honoured guest and, introduced to the tasting session (7 armagnacs, Floc de Gascogne and, for food lovers, the famous Grands Millésimes chocolates), you will really get a feel for the spirit of Armagnac.

contact@domaine-ognoas.com

www.domaine-ognoas.com



LES VIGNERONS LANDAIS TURSAN-CHALOSSE

In the bastide of Geaune, the Tursan-Chalosse Landes Wine producers welcome you every Thursday from April to September, by appointment, for an informal showcase of their area and the culture of the south-west.

contact@vigneronslandais.com - www.vigneronslandais.com

BOAT CRUISE ON THE COURANT D'HUCHET

In 2, 3 or 4 hours, enjoy a guided tour on a "galupe" (flat-bottomed traditional boat) on the Courant d'Huchet, the natural curiosity and the overflow of the lake of Léon towards the ocean. Together with a boatman, explore this "Amazonia from the Landes" particularly rich in fauna (200 species of birds, otters, minks, grey herons, cistudes (tortoises) and quantity of fishes) and in flora.

batelierhuchet@orange.fr

www.bateliers-courant-huchet.fr

OUR COUPS DE



ACCOMMODATIONS

HOTEL LES PRES D'EUGENIE

Palace

33 rooms - "Relais & Châteaux";
3 Michelin stars restaurant in
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HERVE GARRAPIT 5*

8 rooms in Villeneuve-de-Marsan
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HOTEL LE RELAIS DE LA POSTE 4*

16 rooms including 4 suites,
"Relais & Châteaux",
2 Michelin stars restaurant,
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HOTEL RESTAURANT DES LACS D'HALCO 4*

19 rooms including 4 suites;
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www.hoteldeslacsdhalco.fr

HOTELLERIE LA PETITE COURONNE 3*

10 rooms, in Saint-Cricq-Chalosse
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LE CHATEAU DE BUROS 3*

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LE GRAND HOTEL DE LA PLAGE 4*

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HOTEL LES HORTENSIA DU LAC 4*

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Patrick BAYSELIER, director
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HOTEL LE PAVILLON BLEU 4*

20 rooms including 1 suite;
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Jenny LARTIZIEN, Manager
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HOTEL LES ÉCHASSES ECOLODGE 4*

8 rooms - Golf & Surf Eco Lodge
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VILLA SEREN 4* HOTEL SPA

27 rooms including 5 suites
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Lénaïg & Philippe LAGASSE
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www.villa-seren.com

HOTEL RESTAURANT LA CARAVELLE 3*

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HOTEL 202 - 3*

23 rooms - 2 suites
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HYPE HOTEL 3*

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75 rooms
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RESTAURANT 3 MICHELIN STARS

Michel GUÉRARD

Hôtel les Prés d'Eugénie 5* , le Couvent des Herbes 4* , La Grande Maison, L'Impératrice, Les Logis des Grives, La Maison Rose.

A unique introduction to Eugénie's three kinds of cuisine: 3-Star Michelin, Slimming and Earthy, all studied using a compendium of appetising recipes which will allow you to explore all the secrets and tricks used by our chefs.

Our cooking school's magnificent laboratory offers a number of week-long sessions of cookery lessons several times a year.

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www.michelguerard.com



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RESTAURANT 2 MICHELIN STARS

Jean COUSSAU

Hôtel Le Relais de la Poste 4*

Jean COUSSAU is keen to share with you his long experience and love of cuisine. He is delighted to invite enthusiasts and seasoned cooks alike to join him in the kitchens of Le Relais de la Poste for a friendly, entertaining cookery class.

Immerse yourself in our gourmet restaurant's kitchens for just a few hours, slip on your chef's hat and let our Chef show you the tools of his trade.

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www.relaisposte.com

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com

LES CLEFS D'ARGENT

RESTAURANT 1 MICHELIN STAR

Christophe DUPOUY

Learn how to cook new recipes with chef Christophe Dupouy. From 9:15 am, you will go to the market with the chef to choose the ingredients for the menu. Dressed with an apron, you will help the cook and his team.

lesclefsdargent@orange.fr

www.clefs-dargent.com

ROYAN

Strategically placed at the mouth of the mighty Gironde estuary, Royan has been a favourite holiday spot since 1875. Wealthy tourists arrived by train from Paris and Bordeaux and 'Belle Epoque' villas soon sprang up along the shoreline.

Many of these elegant properties were lost in the bombing raids of 1945, but in the 1950s, Royan was dramatically rebuilt to showcase the very latest in town planning and urban construction. More than half a century later, it's a beguiling mix of flamboyant 19th century buildings and post-war minimalist design, the largest resort on the Atlantic coast between La Baule and Biarritz.

But the one thing that hasn't changed is the emphasis on providing high quality facilities for every kind of holidaymaker. Whether you want to have fun on the sands with the children or get active over a round of golf, try your luck at the casino or spend a day out on the water, Royan can offer it, with the added bonus of 2,600 hours of sunshine a year.

Take a self-guided audio-tour to discover the different styles of architecture including the extraordinary concrete church in the shape of a ship; visit the colourful food stalls beneath the dome of the covered market; or take a cruise along the Gironde to the Cordouan lighthouse, France's oldest lighthouse.

With five sandy bays – most of them south-facing - Royan can justly claim to provide a beach to suit everybody, all in the heart of the town.



ROYAN Tourist Office
www.royanatlantique.fr
groupees@royanatlantique.fr

ACCESS

• BY CAR :

1.10 from La Rochelle,
1.45 from Bordeaux,
2.00 from Poitiers,
4.50 from Paris,
1.00 from Cognac

ACCOMMODATIONS

HOTEL CORDOUAN Thalazur 4*

So close to the Conche du Chay beach in Royan, the hotel Cordouan 4* dominates the ocean. Set in an exceptional position with an infinity-edge swimming pool and the Thalazur thalassotherapy centre for that moment of relaxation. 83 rooms with balcony, traditional restaurant and bar.

www.thalazur.fr/hotel-cordouan/ royan@hotel-cordouan.com

HOTEL LE MIRAMAR 3*

The 3* Miramar with its exceptional position so close to the sea is in a privileged spot. Facing the living spectacle of the ocean, the terrace and reception rooms are welcoming for a drink after the beach, whether a tea after a stroll along the coastal paths or an aperitif before trying a seafood platter or fish in one of the many restaurants in Royan.

contact@hotel-miramar-royan.fr
www.hotel-miramar-royan.fr

HOTEL LE DOMAINE DE SAINT-PALAIS 4*

Close to Royan the Domaine de Saint-Palais is ideally placed near Royan golf course, the cycle paths and just 650m from fine sandy beaches. Our rooms are pleasant and luminous, combining the contemporary with the prestigious.

www.domainedesaintpalais.eu - contact@domainedesaintpalais.eu



LA ROCHELLE

LET'S HEAD TO LA ROCHELLE!

By the Atlantic Ocean, opposite the Ile de Ré, the Ile d'Aix and the Ile d'Oléron, La Rochelle welcomes you to the department of Charente-Maritime. Culture and heritage, sea and nature, sports and leisure activities, the French way of life and gastronomy... La Rochelle can be discovered through all passions and at any pace.

A prestigious heritage : from the Middle Ages to the Renaissance, from the 17th century to now, it's the complete history of a town that can be discovered by strolling along the quays of the Old Port and the streets of the historic centre: arcade streets, half-timbered houses topped with slates, sculpted stone façades, 18th century shipowners' houses... La Rochelle enjoys some remarkable heritage.

Between land and sea : by bike or on foot, the town can also be seen from its many footpaths along the coast and in the vast parks and gardens. When a walker reaches La Pointe des Minimes after the marina, they are faced with an immense open panorama of the Ile de Ré, the Ile d'Aix and the Ile d'Oléron.

Way of life and gastronomy : in the centre of the Old Town, those who love flavour, taste and local products can be found in the 19th century covered market. Here you can discover charentais melon, charentais pork scratchings and stuffed vegetables, cognac, red or white pineau... Friendly service is the order of the day and it is not uncommon to see some oyster farmers opening oysters for their customers so that they can then enjoy them, comfortably settled on a café terrace by the market.

Charm and authenticity : charm, from the pedestrian streets to the little shaded squares, via the themed markets and car boot sales, shopping in La Rochelle takes on a particular appearance. Diversity and individuality characterise the brands in the shopping streets where numerous creators display and sell their work.

MUST-SEE

AQUARIUM LA ROCHELLE

In the heart of the city, in front of the Old harbor, it is one of the largest European private aquariums.

During 2 hours, visit the heart of the oceans and discover more than 12000 marine animals, to dream and understand the sea.

Dive into a new universe, for a magical journey into the deep sea... Hold your breath, sharpen your senses, the immersion into the Gallery of lights will fill you with wonder!

Opened 365 days a year - October to march: 10am- 8pm

April to June and September: 9am-8pm / July and August: 9am-11pm

www.aquarium-larochelle.com

FOOD MARKET – DAILY

La Rochelle's covered market takes place every morning until noon. On Saturdays and Wednesdays, the market takes over the square completely. It's really worth a visit, to discover all the regional specialities (don't miss the seafood stand !) and to live like a local - Address: Place du Marché.

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com



LA ROCHELLE Tourist Office

www.holidays-la-rochelle.co.uk

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ACCESS

• BY CAR :

2.00 from Bordeaux

4.30 from Paris

1.20 from Cognac

• BY TRAIN

3.00 from Paris to La Rochelle



THE TOWERS OF LA ROCHELLE

Tickets for the three towers: 8,50 €

The three towers of La Rochelle rearing up to face the Atlantic are among the most important remains of medieval maritime fortifications. The terraces of the Saint Nicolas, Chaîne and Lantern Towers are an ideal place to contemplate local history with outstanding views over the town and old port, with Fort Boyard and the islands of Aix, Oléron and Ré on the horizon.

www.tours-la-rochelle.fr/en

ACTIVITIES

BOATING ACTIVITIES AND ACTIVITIES BY THE SEA

Located at the bottom of a bay that opens onto the Pertuis sea, and protected by the Ile de Ré, Ile d'Aix and the Ile d'Oléron, La Rochelle has made the ocean its companion since birth. A town with four harbours, its historical and contemporary know-how make it a maritime city par excellence, a resolutely open window to the world. Whether you're a switched-on sailor or a curious and contemplative passenger, you can enjoy being on the water when you board a boat in La Rochelle. Between unforgettable stopovers and exceptional view points, a change of scenery is guaranteed!



LA ROCHELLE AND THE HORSES (1H30)

Through the old neighbourhoods, the sound of horses' hooves on the cobblestones will give this tour its rhythm, leading you from the parks and gardens by the sea, to the arcade streets. Then 30 minutes to explore the pedestrian area on foot.



ACCOMMODATIONS

HOTEL BEST WESTERN MASQHOTEL 4*

Rooms: 76

Ideally situated close to the old harbour and the historic city centre, our modern hotel has spacious and comfortable rooms. Easy access to nearby parking for coaches.

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info@masqhotel.com - www.masqhotel.com

HOTEL ST NICOLAS 3*

Rooms: 86

Nested in the former fisherman's district, 100m from the old harbour, this charming, contemporary hotel with 86 air-conditioned rooms has been fully-refurbished. Breakfast buffet served in the tropical greenhouse or in the rooms. Free internet and Wi-Fi.

info@hotel-saint-nicolas.com - www.hotel-saint-nicolas.com/en

RESIDENCE CLUB LA FAYETTE

Rooms: 116

Facing the Atlantic, the La Fayette residence-club is linked to the old historic port by both a walking and a cycling path which border the ocean. Apartments with accommodation from 2 to 7 persons are spread throughout a group of several 3 or 4 storey buildings linked together by wooden walkways.

Bar, lounges, restaurant, meeting and conference rooms, gardens, heated open-air swimming pool, outside games area...

accueil@residencelafayette.org - www.residencelafayette.org

HOTEL CHAMPLAIN

Former Mansion, situated right in the heart of city, in 5 min of the Old Port. <http://hotelchamplain.com>

HOTEL LA MONNAIE

An hotel with an exceptional design near the towers.

34 rooms and 2 suites.

www.hotelmonnaie.com contact@hotelmonnaie.com

PACKAGE

SEA PASSION (APPROACH LA ROCHELLE FROM THE SEA):

Board at the Port de Plaisance des Minimes

- Trip on a sea bus which links the Port de Plaisance des Minimes marina to the Old Port (Vieux Port) of La Rochelle going past the famous towers (Duration: 20 minutes).

- Available according to tide times.

- Guided tour of La Rochelle in a horse-drawn carriage and on foot (Duration: 1 and a half hours)

- Lunch close to the Old Port (drinks included)

- Trip to the La Rochelle Aquarium

Re ISLAND

Easily reached by a sweeping toll bridge from La Rochelle, Ile de Ré is known as **The White Island** for its attractive **whitewashed houses and the salt marshes** that fringe the north-west coast. Home to some 16,000 permanent residents, its numbers swell in the summer months as holidaymakers come to enjoy the sandy beaches and sparkling waters, historic villages and tempting restaurants.

Ile de Ré measures 30 km in length but is just 5 km across at the widest point. With the highest point just 19 m above sea level, **bikes are the favourite mode of transport and you'll find more than 100 km of marked trails winding through vineyards and forests, salt marshes and oyster beds** - a healthy activity for all to enjoy.

Two of the island's ten villages have been classified amongst the elite band of **Plus Beaux Villages de France**, the old salt port of Ars-en-Ré with its black church spire and La Flotte with its pretty harbour and bustling covered produce market.

Largest village is **St-Martin-de-Ré** which boasts towering ramparts and a harbour fortified by Louis XIV's prolific military engineer, Vauban.

Watch out on the ramparts for Les Anes en Culottes, the island's famous Donkeys in Trousers – a reminder of the days when donkeys worked the salt pans, their legs protected by striped trousers, one pair in front and one behind. Climb the bell tower for an unforgettable view of St Martin's star-shaped ramparts and enjoy sweeping sea views from the **Phare des Baleines - the Lighthouse of the Whales** - that stands on the northern tip of the island. No head for heights ? Then learn about these massive marine mammals in the exhibition at ground level.

MUST-SEE

THE CYCLING PARADISE

Bicycles are a way of life on Ile de Ré, where more than 100 km of marked cycle tracks wind through vineyards, salt marshes and nature reserves. And with the highest point just 19 metres above sea level, it is small wonder that bikes are the most popular way to explore the whitewashed villages, sandy beaches and coastal defenses. Bike hire in every village and at the hotel.

GUIDED TOUR OF ST-MARTIN-DE-RE, UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE

Saint Martin de Ré, a fishing harbour and the main town on the island of Ré, was also a trading town. The harbor has two basins, one for fishing smacks and the other for yachts. Superb houses recall the prosperity of the ship owners for whom they were built. Along the narrow streets are cottages with blue or green shutters, half-concealed during the summer months beneath a curtain of honeysuckle and hollyhocks. Don't miss the Citadel, its star-shaped ramparts, fortified and improve by Vauban, now part of Unesco World Heritage.

PANORAMIC VIEW ON THE ISLAND FROM ST-MARTIN BELLTOWER

From the top of the belltower, and particularly at sunset, you will discover a superb view over the town and the island.

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com



DESTINATION ILE DE RE

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ACCESS

• BY CAR :

30mn from La Rochelle, 1.40 from Bordeaux, 1.40 from Poitiers, 4.30 from Paris, 0.50 from Cognac.

• BY TRAIN

3.00 from Paris to La Rochelle





PHARE DES BALEINES LIGHTHOUSE

Built in 1854 to replace the original, smaller lighthouse, the high-tech Phare des Baleines was designed by the architect Leonce Reynaud. Octa-gonal in design, it has lenses by Fresnel and is still operational. Originally petrol powered it was passed onto the national grid after the Second World War. A truly spectacular lighthouse ! Climb the 257 steps for an amazing view !

SALT MARSHES

Situated at Loix and open all year round the eco-museum explores the history of salt production on the Ile de Re (which is now experiencing a revival) as well as the flora and fauna to be found on the salt flats. Expert guides bring the whole thing to life.

LA FLOTTE FOOD AND FISH MARKET

The daily market of La Flotte, dating from the Middle Ages, is set up in a paved and halfcovered marketplace. The best place to discover all local products, oysters and other shellfish, fish, salt, wine and seasonal fruit and vegetables, and meet the locals ! The market 'of La Flotte' is the only one on the Ile de Ré that is open every morning all year round.

ACCOMMODATIONS

HÔTEL DE TOIRAS 5*

Relais et châteaux

The Hotel Toiras is a 17th-century former ship owner's residence with a ideal location on Saint-Martin-de-Ré harbour. A perfect mix of elegance and luxury.

contact@hotel-de-toiras.com
www.hotel-de-toiras.com

HOTEL RICHELIEU 5*

Thalasso et spa

41 rooms

www.hotel-le-richelieu.com
info@hotel-le-richelieu.com

VILLA CLARISSE 4*

Relais et châteaux

Villa Clarisse, the sister property, opened this year and was included in the 'It List Best News Hotels 2012' of Travel + Leisure: "There's nothing we like more than uncovering a hidden gem. This year's outstanding new address Villa Clarisse is a petite hideaway on the picturesque French island of Île de Ré.

contact@villa-clarisse.com
www.villa-clarisse.fr/en

CLOS ST MARTIN HOTEL & SPA 4*

39 rooms

Le Clos Saint-Martin Hôtel & Spa stands in the middle of a park and offers quality service with a smile in a chic and relaxing atmosphere. The hotel reflects the spirit of the island just a few steps from the port and its fortifications. You'll enjoy the calm and peacefulness of this lovely residence, the heated outdoor pools, and of course the Spa by Clarins.

reservation@le-clos-saint-martin.com - www.le-clos-saint-martin.com/uk

HOTEL ATALANTE RELAIS THALASSO & SPA 4*

96 rooms

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HOTEL&SPA PLAISIR 3*

20 rooms

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HOTEL LA MAREE 3*

26 rooms - Logis

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HOTEL LE GALION 3*

29 rooms

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HOTEL LES VIGNES DE LA CHAPELLE 4*

19 rooms

Relais du Silence

www.lesvignesdelachapelle.com
hotel@lesvignesdelachapelle.com

HOTEL LES BOIS FLOTTAIS 3*

19 rooms

www.lesboisflottais.com
contact@lesboisflottais.com

HOTEL LE SENECHAL 3*

53 rooms

www.hotel-le-senechal.com
hotellesenechal@orange.fr

HOTEL L'OCEAN 3*

29 rooms

www.re-hotel-ocean.com
info@re-hotel-ocean.com

OLÉRON ISLAND AND MARENNES BAY

The Oléron island, commonly nicknamed the “**Luminous**” is, with its 175km², **the largest French island on the Atlantic coast**. Linked to the continent by a toll-free road-bridge, Oléron is a paradise for **nature and sport lovers**. Rich on contrasting landscapes, the Oléron Island and the Marennes Basin have a remarkable heritage made of picturesque villages, ancient citadels, numerous sandy beaches, forests and marshlands, and a colorful gastronomy. Discover La Cotinière’s fishing port, wander around sea-salt marches, visit Chassiron’s lighthouse and Oléron’s museum, taste oysters, mussels, seafood and local wines, ride a local train and don’t forget to take a picture of **the famous Fort Boyard**, which you can discover during a boat trip from Boyardville.



MARENNES-OLÉRON Tourist Office
www.oleron-island.com
groupees@marennes-oleron.com

ACCESS

• BY CAR :

- 1.00 from La Rochelle
- 2.10 from Bordeaux
- 2.15 from Poitiers
- 5.00 from Paris
- 1.20 from Cognac

MUST-SEE

PHARE DE CHASSIRON

The Ile d'Oléron has always been strategically important to sea travellers, friendly and unfriendly. Climb the Phare de Chassiron lighthouse near Saint-Denis d'Oléron, a vital landmark for ships passing the northern tip of the island.

CITE DE L'HUITRE

Situated between oyster beds and oyster farmer's huts, the Cité de l'Huître in Marennes takes you right to the **heart of the profession of oyster farmers**. During your visit, you will discover the world of the oysters and taste oysters of Marennes-Oléron.

BROUAGE

Founded in 1555, Brouage was initially specialized in the salt trade. Wealthy and prosperous, it soon took on strategic importance, so Cardinal Richelieu became its governor and transformed the town into a fortress. Very well preserved, the place was inhabited by several celebrities such as Samuel Champlain and Marie Mancini.

ACTIVITIES

PORT DE LA COTINIÈRE

The small fishing port of La Cotinière ranks 6th amongst the most productive fishing harbors in France, thanks to the 90 varieties of fishes being caught there. Follow our guide backstage and **take an insight look at the auction as if you were a professional fishmonger!**

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com



THE OYSTER PARADISE



ACCOMMODATIONS

VILLAGE DE VACANCES ARC EN CIEL 3*

Surrounded by a forest, the holiday camp 3* Arc en Ciel is about a mile away from Saint-Trojan-les-Bains and its three sand beaches. 70 apartments with different levels of standing.

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www.arcenciel-oleron.com

NOVOTEL THALASSA ILE D'OLÉRON 4*

Sheltered from the ocean winds, the thalassotherapy center Novotel 4* enjoys an exclusive site bordered by the Gatseau beach and a large forest. The hotel-spa is completely dedicated to your comfort and serenity with its 109 spacious rooms with sea and forest view.

www.thalasso-oleron.info

LE VERT BOIS 3*

21 rooms

www.hotel-vert-bois-oleron.com

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FACE AUX FLOTS 3*

22 rooms

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LE GRAND LARGE 4*

Located face to the ocean
Pool, spa and fitness room

Restaurant gastronomic with a panoramic view of the ocean

27 rooms

www.le-grand-large.fr

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LES CLEUNES 3*

41 rooms

www.hotel-les-cleunes.fr



OUR COUP DE

HOTEL MER ET FORÊT

Situated at the south of the island, in a small seaside resort, the hotel-restaurant Mer et Forêt is one of the best hotels of the island. It has a restaurant and a swimming pool, and offers you a wonderful view on the sea and the forest (43 rooms).

www.hotel-ile-oleron.com

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PACKAGE

TAKE A BREAK IN MARENNES-OLERON!

2 days/1 night for a group of 25 participants – 139€ (except July and August)

Day 1:

Arrival on the Oleron Island for lunch.

Afternoon, visit of **the La Cotinière's fishing port** and of **the lighthouse at Chassiron** with an English-speaking guide.

Day 2:

After breakfast, visit of **the oyster farm in Marennes**.

Lunch and discovery of **the citadel of Brouage**.

The price includes : overnight accommodation in a double room with full-board in a hotel 3* on the island, visits with English-speaking or French-speaking guides, everything is free of charge the driver of the bus.

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ROCHEFORT OCEAN

At the heart of Charente-Maritime, 30 km from La Rochelle and at equal distance between Bordeaux and Nantes, Rochefort Océan, **the Land of Fort Boyard**, belongs to the network of "Grands Sites de France". Between land and sea, it is a singular destination, combining nature and history.

Rochefort, « Town of Art and History », is famous for its **Naval Dockyard**, the **replica of the frigate Hermione**, the **Corderie Royale**, the **National Marine Museum**, the **Naval Medicine School**... The Estuary of the Charente river, protected under the label of classified sites, is bordered by the peninsulas of Fouras-les-Bains and Port-des-Barques, both seaside resorts and oyster sites, and the Aix and Madame Islands, lands where nature is preserved and protected.

Offshore, the famous Fort Boyard, is the witness and the centerpiece of the fortifications of the coast that protected the Naval Dockyard of Rochefort. Rochefort Ocean is the destination to live all year round, offering a unique experience in an exceptional setting, which will satisfy passionnates of history and adventurous stories as well as lovers of flora and fauna in search of serenity.

ACCESS

• BY CAR :

1.00 from La Rochelle
2.10 from Bordeaux
5.00 from Paris
1.20 from Cognac

• BY TRAIN:

3.00 from Paris to La Rochelle
and change for Rochefort

MUST-SEE

THE FRIGATE HERMIONE, LAFAYETTE'S FREEDOM FRIGATE : THE BIGGEST REPLICA OF A TRADITIONAL SHIP EVER REBUILT IN FRANCE.

The Versailles of the Sea, as Rochefort is known, is today home to Hermione – a replica of the frigate that took LaFayette across the ocean to join the American War of Independence in 1780. www.hermione.com info@hermione.com

THE ACCRO-MÂTS, A UNIQUE ADVENTURE PARK IN EUROPE WHERE YOU BECOME A SAILOR !

The dry dock becomes the start of grand adventures! It has seen the rebirth of the Hermione frigate, it now houses Accro-mâts, the urban adventure park, unique in the world, where you can experience the "Air trial", one of the frigate's voyages.

You are on the bridge of the vessel. Your challenge: like the seamen of the frigates who waged war on the world's oceans, climb the rigging, slide along the zip-wires and dart from mast to mast, 30m at the highest! A view of the Hermione, the Charente, the wetland and the town are guaranteed.

Accessible to everyone, from 6 years old.

www.weekngo.com - contacty@weekngo.com

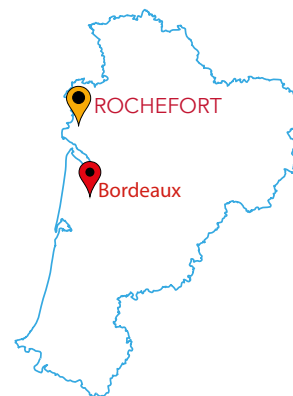
Open:

- from 1st April to 30th September from 10am to 7pm everyday.
- All Saints holidays from 1pm to 6pm, depending on the weather
- Christmas and February holidays from 1pm to 6pm.

Adults: €12; Carte privilège: €11; children from 6 to 15 years old: €7.

From 1st April to 1st October: access to the Hermione included

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com



ROCHEFORT OCEAN Tourist Office

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AIX 'THE GENUINE' WHERE NAPOLEON SPENT HIS LAST DAYS ON THE FRENCH SOIL

Aix is a small island (120 inhabitants) located between Ré and Oléron. It is 600 metres wide and three kilometres long. There are no cars or buses - only a boat to reach the island!

Looking toward Ré and Oléron, you can see Fort Boyard. The island is explored on foot, by bike and by carriage, taking about three hours to circumnavigate on foot. Aix is reminiscent of Brittany with its rugged landscape and is the only true 'island' in Charente-Maritime. The main town is composed of small white houses embellished with climbing roses. There is a pearl factory, two museums (Napoleonic and African) and a fort (Liédot) which is the epitome of the art of fortification.



PACKAGE

A MARITIME ADVENTURE IN ROCHEFORT OCEAN, THE LAND OF FORT BOYARD, CRADLE OF THE FRIGATE HERMIONE !

4 days – 3 nights from 399 € (inclusive of taxes) for 2 adults

You're fascinated by history and adventurous stories, this stay leads you to an exceptional setting, belonging to the network of "Grands Sites de France" from the Naval Dockyard of Rochefort to the Aix Island located a short stretch away from the Fort Boyard .



The price includes :

3 nights, breakfast and tourist tax included at the hotel 3* Roca Fortis

Access to the frigate Hermione, entries at the Corderie Royale , the National Marine Museum and the Naval Medicine School of Rochefort and the Napoleon Museum and the African Museum on the Aix Island

Ferry round trip - Fouras-les-Bains - Ile d'Aix / Booking fees.

The price does not include :

Cancellation-Interruption insurance / Personal expenses

Information and booking : 00 33 (0)5 46 99 08 60 or

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ACCOMMODATIONS

GRAND HOTEL DES BAINS 3* IN FOURAS-LES-BAINS

34 rooms

Interior heated swimming pool, balneotherapy, sauna and hammam. Flowered patio, cozy bar, seminar room, Wifi. Access: peninsula of Fouras-les-Bains, between Rochefort and La Rochelle. Take the RN 137, sortie Fouras-les-Bains.

Marie BOUCHET

www.grandhoteldebains.fr

hoteldesbains@wanadoo.fr

HOTEL ROCA FORTIS 3* IN ROCHEFORT

16 rooms

Charming establishment at the heart of the historical center of Rochefort centered around a flowered patio, Wifi. Access : town-center of Rochefort

Jérôme GRANSART

www.hotelrochefort.fr

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HOTEL-RESTAURANT DES REMPARTS 2* IN ROCHEFORT

71 spacious rooms

Restaurant, seminar rooms and outdoor terrace opened during the sunny days, Wifi. Access : town-center of Rochefort near the train station.

Pascale REBEILLEAU

www.hotelremparts.com

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LES JARDINS DU LAC 3* IN TRIZAY

16 rooms of charm

Relais du Silence establishment/ Restaurant referenced in the "Bonnes Petites Tables" in the Michelin guide/ Jacuzzi, outdoor heated swimming pool, Wifi. Access : 15 km South-east of Rochefort and 12km from Exit 33 Motorway A837.

Sabine SUIRE

www.jardins-du-lac.com

hotel@jardins-du-lac.com

HOTEL-RESTAURANT LOGIS DU PÈRE 4* : A RELAIS DU SILENCE NEAR ROCHEFORT Châteaux et hôtels de collection

8 rooms

This beautiful old manor house sits in acres of stunning grounds close to Rochefort at Saint-Coutant le Grand. The accommodation is attractive, mixing the very old and very new. There is a chapel in which wedding ceremonies can be held, a large reception area for up to 200 people and in the basement a games room is open to the public, as are the sauna, swimming-pool and spa in the old orangery.

www.le-logis-du-pere.com

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NEW IN 2018

ATTRACTIVE AND LUXURY ACCOMMODATION

LA GRANDE TERRASSE** HOTELS, RESTAURANT, NUXE SPA & MARINE SPA IN CHÂTELAILLON-PLAGE**

With 72 rooms and suites, a restaurant with a panoramic terrace looking out to sea, an indoor swimming pool, a Nuxe wellness centre, a Marine Spa and a three-hectare nature park, this is a real gem of luxury and relaxation. With a 180° view over the ocean and the islands of the Charente archipelago, the hotel's gastronomic restaurant, Le Gaya, serves "sea-inspired cuisine" conducted by the three-star Michelin chef, Pierre Gagnaire. 100m from the hotel, the Marine Spa will round off this idyllic picture in 2018. The metamorphosed former thalassotherapy centre is completely dedicated to sea treatments and now extends over 620m² with a modern and simple design.

www.la-grande-terrasse.com/

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THE 4-STAR SPLENDID, A LEGENDARY HOTEL IN THE TOWN OF DAX,

will be reopening for business on 1 April. This mythical hotel from the 1930s was built by André Granet, the designer of the famous ocean liner, the Normandie, and has been completely renovated by Vacances Bleues. 152 rooms, a restaurant, a bar,

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com

an Art Deco-inspired spa and a landscaped garden overlooking the River Adour, are all ready to welcome lovers of wellness and elegance to Dax, the top spa destination in France.

www.splendid-hotel-spa.com/

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ARCACHON BAY: EXTENSION OF THE CO(O)RNICHE:

18 new rooms at the rear of the existing building, plus a beauty salon (long demanded by our discerning guests), and a "Starck" lounge, reserved to hotel guests and available for private functions on request. 33115 Pyla-sur-Mer

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Tel. 05 56 22 72 11

THE 5-STAR CHÂTEAU MADER, A SUPERB "BELLE EPOQUE" CHÂTEAU, AT GUJAN MESTRAS

This "Belle Epoque" turn-of-the-century style chateau is furnished for high-end tourism and sits in a 4,000 m² parkland. On the first floor, the Château Mader welcomes families and groups of up to ten people in the "Panorama" area. It has three suites, the Belvédère, Marine and Exotic, each able to accommodate up to four people

www.chateaumader.fr/

LA FABRIQUE HOTEL, a relaxing and vintage spot -La Rochelle -

<http://www.hotellafabrique.com/>

Tel. 05 46 41 45 00

CENTRAL PARK HOTEL AND SPA – LA ROCHELLE

A new hotel, opened in 2016, 10 minutes from the port – 41 rooms, including 7 superior rooms with a terrace. Spa. Seminar room.

www.hotelcentralpark.fr

05 46 66 06 06

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SURF / OPENING OF Jo&Joe, a trendy spot for surfers that's truly "different" in Hossegor

A hybrid concept between a hotel and youth hostel.

www.joandjoe.com/fr/

GASTRONOMY/ WINE TOURISM

OLÉRON, PROUD OF ITS VINEYARDS!

Come and taste the natural charms of Île d'Oléron and the Bassin de Marennes!

Lapped by the waves of the Atlantic Ocean, the island is famous for its nature reserves with their unique fauna and flora, such as the Moëze Oléron reserve. Explore the Seudre marshland by bike along the canals or during a boat trip through the salt marshes.

What is less well known is that Île d'Oléron is also a wine-producing region. The small producers from the Oléron vineyards are committed to producing high-quality wines. The wines were officially given the "Local Charentais-Ile d'Oléron" label in 1999. Oléron is also part of the official Cognac area, with wine listed as "bois ordinaire": a typical regional taste, fruity aromas and rapid maturation.

Visit the vineyards by bike, especially during the cycling tour of the island in June, to enjoy the originality of an island winemaking destination with high-quality and wide-ranging facilities for visitors.
www.ile-oleron-marennes.com/

WELLNESS

LACANAU: VITALPARC

has a new look and will be reopening this year. The hotel-restaurant, owned by the Aplus group, will be investing three million euros in a renovation project. Reopening scheduled in June with new services. The renovation work will upgrade the hotel from 3 to 4 stars.

<http://fr.vitalparc.com/>

ACTIVITIES / LEISURE / NEW CULTURAL SITES / WINE TOURISM/ EVENTS, ETC.

THE MARQUÈZE ECO-MUSEUM,

at the heart of the Landes de Gascogne Regional Nature Park, recounts life on the upper moors in the 19th century. A sheepfold, a miller's house, a mansion, traditional activities and story visits are all on offer. Digital visits are an extra bonus for your visits, ideally before or after, so that you can make the most of your time on the site during the visit. This is also a fun approach to the eco-museum, in English, Spanish, German, Gascon and French.

<https://www.marqueze.fr/ma-visite/les-parcours-numeriques.html>

NEW ATTRACTIONS AT THE CITÉ DE L'OcéAN BIARRITZ:

a 3D activity provides a virtual immersion in the sea off the Australian coast and in the Red Sea. Sensation Surf 5D is a chance to take on the waves on a surf board mounted on a hydraulic cylinder together with a system of virtual reality and the Gear VR headset by Samsung. As well as the three dimensions of space, the simulator reproduces the aroma of the ocean and saltwater spray www.citedelocean.com

Biarritz and the Pays Basque



Two strong identities, the Basque Country (on the Atlantic side) and Béarn (inland), and an offering combining the countryside, the mountains and the seaside.

An unspoilt coastline (coves, ports) stretching 30 kms offering vast beaches (Anglet, Bidart, Hendaye) alternating with smaller ones in the town centres (Biarritz, Saint Jean de Luz).

From Anglet to Hendaye there is a wide range of spas and thalasso-therapy treatments.

The architectural and ethnographic heritage is rich and diversified: houses, churches, traditional fêtes and games, music and dance...

ACCESS

• BY CAR / BY TRAIN:

2.00 from Bordeaux

• BY PLANE:

1.15 from Paris

BEARN AND BASQUE COUNTRY TOURIST BOARD

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BIARRITZ



“The King of Beaches and the Beach of Kings”, launched by Empress Eugenie who brought the whole of the European aristocracy to this little fishing village in the 19th century. Habits have not changed. The imperial palace has been transformed into a luxury hotel (Hôtel du Palais) but the town also offers the whole spectrum of accommodation and, as well as boasting the beach and surfing, has become an art-lover’s paradise with its festivals (dance, music, cinema), and the major exhibitions that take place all year round.

BIARRITZ TOURIST OFFICE

Maylis CABANIEU, sales manager

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www.tourisme.biarritz.fr

MUST-SEE

BIARRITZ AQUARIUM

Housed in an Art-Deco building, the museum boasts twenty aquariums displaying 150 species of fauna and flora found in the Bay of Biscay, a large pool measuring over 1,500 m³ containing several species of sharks, rays, barracudas and various other schools of fish... The refurbished terrace continues to showcase the seals, the original stars of the museum who entertain both young and old during feeding time, at 10.30am and 5pm.

contact@biarritzocean.com

www.aquariumbiarritz.com

CITÉ DE L'OcéAN

Situated by the beaches of Milady and Ilbarritz in Biarritz, a constructed part-underground building boasting a wave-shaped roof is the home of the Cité de l'Océan, a museum devoted to the ocean. You can learn how the oceans appeared on land, what happens on the ocean bed and the fauna that live in the depths of the ocean... You can also step aboard a bathyscaphe armed with Polaroid glasses to discover the Gouf de Capbreton and "descend" towards the bottom of the ocean. The ocean is marked by tides, waves and currents and to fully appreciate them, you will enter a large tube (the wave) to experience the sensations of a surfer; a little further on and you will experience life as a passenger aboard a boat in distress in the middle of a storm...

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www.citedelocean.com



ACCOMMODATIONS

HOTEL DU PALAIS 5* PALACE

153 rooms including 33 suites, "Leading Hotels of the World, Tables et Auberges de France" 1 Michelin star restaurant

Located in the heart of Biarritz close to the Grande Plage, the new Casino Municipal and Bellevue Congress Center, the hotel used to be Napoleon III and Eugénie de Montijo's former summer residence. Valérie GALAN

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www.hotel-du-palais.com

REGINA BIARRITZ HOTEL & SPA 5*

MGALLERY COLLECTION

67 rooms including 12 suites.

Beside the famous golf Biarritz le Phare, very nice architecture with a patio, rooms overlooking the ocean or the golf course, one gastro-nomic restaurant.

Gabrielle LEGEAY, director

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HOTEL BEAUMANOIR 5*

8 rooms including 4 suites, "Châteaux & Hôtels collection".

Frédéric HUBERT, owner

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www.lebeaumanoir.com

HOTEL SOFITEL BIARRITZ

LE MIRAMAR THALASSA SEA & SPA 5*

126 rooms including 17 suites.

Located on the beach, close to the golf courses and Biarritz city center. The hotel has a direct connection with the Louison Bobet Institute, gastronomic and dietetic restaurant.

Delphine LAPEYRE, sales manager

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RADISSON BLU HOTEL BIARRITZ 4*

150 rooms including 8 suites

Overlooking the ocean with a swimming pool on the roof.

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www.radissonblu.com/hotel-biarritz

GRAND TONIC HOTEL 4*

63 rooms

Elaine LUBLINK, director

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www.tonichotel.com

HOTEL LE CAFE DE PARIS 4*

19 rooms including 8 suites, all rooms are overlooking the ocean.

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www.hmc-hotels.com

HOTEL FLORIDA 4*

41 rooms including 11 suites
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HOTEL MERCURE LE PRESIDENT BIARRITZ CENTRE 4*

69 rooms
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HOTEL DE SILHOUETTE 4*

21 rooms including 4 suites, modern hotel near the market place.

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HOTEL WINDSOR 4*

48 rooms including 7 suites
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HOTEL GEORGES VI 4*

21 rooms
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HOTEL CHATEAU DU CLAIR DE LUNE 4*

17 rooms
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HOTEL MERCURE PLAZA BIARRITZ CENTRE 4*

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HOTEL VILLA KOEGUI BIARRITZ 4*

14 rooms
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HOTEL LA MAISON DU LIERRE 3*

23 rooms
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HOTEL CAMPANILE 3*

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HOTEL LE GAMARITZ 3*

12 rooms
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HOTEL PALACITO 3*

24 rooms
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HOTEL ALCYON BIARRITZ 3*

15 rooms
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HOTEL LE BIARRITZ 3*

49 rooms including 6 suites
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HOTEL EDOUARD VII 3*

18 rooms
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HOTEL OXO 3*

20 rooms
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HOTEL SAINT JULIEN 3*

20 rooms
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INTER HOTEL AMARYS 3* - INTER-HOTEL BIARRITZ BORDEAUX

75 rooms
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BASQUE COAST

BAYONNE

The town in the Basque Country with its citadel, its old town famous for its arches and the chocolate makers in their shade, the gothic Sainte Marie Cathedral, the saga of the Jewish families who fled from Spain and Portugal and settled here... The Fêtes de Bayonne last a week at the end of July and are a great festive occasion for all Basque people and their friends. The beaches of Anglet (the most beautiful on the Basque coast) adjoin the town, and Biarritz is 8 kms away.



SAINT MARIE CATHEDRAL

World historic heritage UNESCO classified site.

Notre-Dame de Bayonne is one of the rare cathedrals in the south of France built in the northern Gothic style.

MUST-SEE

BASQUE MUSEUM

The Basque Museum offers exhibitions dealing with the life, culture and work of the men and women of the Basque Country.

Raphael ZULAICA

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A RUGBY MUSEUM IN BAYONNE is due to open in March with a surface area of 170 m² overlooking the River Adour.



BAYONNE TOURIST OFFICE

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New 2018

ANGLET

Anglet is a fine seaside resort on the Basque coast, where outdoor activities are well spread (surfing, cycling, wellbeing etc...).



ANGLET Tourist Office

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MUST-SEE ON THE BASQUE COAST

ISTURITZ AND OXOCELHAYA CAVE

Herd of reindeer engraved on a stalagmite pillar. Natural concretions. Isturitz is one of the most important paleolithic center in Europe, inhabited from 50,000 BC to the Bronze Period.

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SARE , CLASSIFIED AS “MOST BEAUTIFUL VILLAGE OF FRANCE”

Sare is located in a French enclave which penetrates into the Spanish Navarre. The village possesses beautifully decorated Basque houses of the 17th and 18th centuries. On the main square, the front wall, the theater of many pelota games, is one of the great historical places of that sport.

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www.terreetcotebasques.com



AÏNHOA, CLASSIFIED AS “MOST BEAUTIFUL VILLAGE OF FRANCE”

Aïnhua counts among the nicest villages in France. The bastide founded in the 13th century, used to be a halt for pilgrims on their way to Santiago de Compostela. The main street, lined with typical basque houses, leads to a square where stands a church outstanding for its golden woodwork choir, retable, and galleries. Houses have their walls white-washed every year. The half-timbering and shutters are painted green or “cow blood” red. In former times, they were painted with cow blood. That practice permitted to protect the wood from bad weather.

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LA BASTIDE-CLAIRENCE, CLASSIFIED AS “MOST BEAUTIFUL VILLAGE OF FRANCE”

La Bastide Clairence has kept its original lay-out and charm of a medieval village. While it has preserved its appeal and continues to celebrate its rich history, the village invites you to discover its treasures, sometimes hidden, may they be architectural, artists' shops, or beautiful panoramas.

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ACCOMMODATIONS, nearby Biarritz

CHATEAU DE BRINDOS 5*

29 rooms including 5 suites “Relais et Châteaux, Tables et Auberges de France”,

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54 rooms

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99 rooms

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90 rooms

Hendaye, 31 kms from Biarritz

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HOTEL LOREAK 3*

46 rooms

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TABLE ET HOSTELLERIE 4*

13 rooms, charming hotel with its famous restaurant in the heart of the Basque country, “Relais du Silence, Tables et Auberges de France”; 1 Michelin star restaurant.

Bidart; 6 kms from Biarritz

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HOTEL VILLA L'ARCHE 4*

11 rooms

Bidart; 6 kms from Biarritz

Florian BOUGET, director

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OKKO HOTEL 4*

92 rooms

10 minutes away to the center of Bayonne

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HOTEL DU FRONTON 3*

7 rooms

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HOTEL BRIKETENIA 4*

14 rooms

1 Michelin star restaurant,

Tables et Auberges de France;

Guéthary, 9 kms from Biarritz

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HOTEL DOMAINE DE BASSILOUR 3*

10 rooms

Bidart, 6 kms from Biarritz

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HOTEL-RESTAURANT SANTIAGO 3*

25 rooms

Hendaye, 31 kms from Biarritz

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LES BASSES PYRENEES 4*

20 rooms

Bayonne, 9 kms from Biarritz

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<http://hoteldesbassespyrenees-bayonne.com>

SAINT JEAN DE LUZ

In the Basque Country, Saint Jean de Luz is at the bottom of a bay on the Atlantic Coast. At the seaside, the town has a large sandy beach, protected from the ocean by three sea walls built on Napoleon III's orders in order to defend the town from incessant attacks from the sea; other wilder beaches, suitable for surfing (Lafiténia, Cénitz); and thalassotherapy centres for complete relaxation. Taste Basque cooking and local produce: Macaroons, a recipe created by Mr Adam in 1660, mouchous (small, light and fluffy macaroons) and Kanouga (soft caramel in dark chocolate or coffee, sometimes with walnuts or roasted hazelnuts). You can also visit Saint Jean Baptiste church where the wedding of Louis 14th and Marie-Thérèse of Austria, Spanish Princess, took place on the 9th June 1660; Louis XIV square opposite the town hall; and the pretty 17th century houses, like the Maison Louis XIV and the Maison de l'Infante.



SAINT-JEAN-DE-LUZ Tourist Office

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ACCOMMODATIONS

GRAND HOTEL THALASSO & SPA 5*

52 rooms including 3 suites, authentic palace on the beach with a Spa.

1 Michelin star restaurant

Véronique ALLEGRE, sales manager

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www.luzgrandhotel.fr

HOTEL PARC VICTORIA 5*

20 rooms including 5 suites and junior suites situated in three different buildings in the heart of the park.

"Relais et Châteaux", Art deco atmosphere, swimming pool.

Maïka MAUREL

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www.parcvictoria.com

HOTEL LA RÉSERVE 4*

41 rooms including 6 suites, looking over the ocean, "Akena, Châteaux & Hôtels Collection".

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HOTEL SPA HÉLIANTHAL BY THALAZUR 4*

100 rooms including 2 suites; Thalasso & Spa, direct access to the beach.

Nicolas LACROUTS, director

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www.helianthal.fr

HOTEL LA DEVINIÈRE 3*

8 rooms

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www.hotel-la-deviniere.com

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com



HOTEL HARRETCHEA 3*

12 rooms

Ahetze : 10 kms from Saint-Jean-de-Luz.

Sophie MORA, director

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www.hotel-harretchea.com

New 2018

CIBOURE: "LE MADISON" is now a 4-star hotel with 34 rooms. Opening in June 2018. The Corsair City can already boast several top-quality hotels with one 5-star (the Grand Hotel) and three 4-star hotels (Réserve, Chantaco, Hélianthal). Six parental suites on the fourth floor, a swimming pool in the basement and a restaurant on the ground floor are all scheduled. Raw fish and oysters will take pride of place. In time, Nicolas Olano would like to bring together the town's hotels to pool certain services (transport from the airport, sightseeing, etc.).

SAINT-JEAN-PIED-DE-PORT



SAINT-JEAN-PIED-DE-PORT Tourist Office

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www.pyrenees.basque.com

Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port est un des plus beaux villages de France et une étape majeure du pèlerinage vers Saint-Jacques de Compostelle, dernière étape avant la traversée des Pyrénées.

ACCOMMODATIONS

AUBERGE DE BIDARRAY OSTAPE - 5*

22 suites, restaurant with traditional cuisine "Relais du Silence".

Bidarray; 37 kms from Biarritz.

Christophe LE DU GOUPY, sales manager

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HOTEL LES PYRENEES - 4*

18 rooms including 4 suites

"Châteaux & Hôtels Collection, Tables et Auberges de France".

Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port,

55 kms from of Biarritz.

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HOTEL ARCÉ 4*

20 rooms; "Charme Hotel".

Saint-Etienne-De-Baigorry,

52 kms south from Biarritz.

Pascal ARCÉ, director

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HOTEL ITHURRIA 4*

26 rooms; "Châteaux & Hôtels Collection",

1 Michelin star restaurant.

Ainhoa,

27 kms from Biarritz.

Stéphane ISABAL, director

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HOTEL LA MAISON OPPOCA 4*

10 rooms

Ainhoa, 27 kms from Biarritz.

Chantal MASSONDE

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HOTEL ARGÍ EDER 4*

26 rooms, "Relais du silence, Tables et Auberges de France"

Ainhoa, 27 kms from Biarritz.

Bruno DOTTA

contact@argi-eder.com - www.argi-eder.com

HOTEL ARRAYA 3*

16 rooms; "Châteaux & Hôtels Collection"

Sare, 42 kms from Biarritz.

Jean-Baptiste FAGOAGA, director

hotel@arraya.com - www.arraya.com

HOTEL L'AUBERGE BASQUE 3*

12 rooms; "Châteaux & Hôtels Collection,

1 Michelin star restaurant

Tables et Auberges de France"

Saint-Pée-Sur-Nivelle, 17 kms from Biarritz

contact@aubergebasque.com - www.aubergebasque.com

The Pyrennes area

Pau and Jurançon vineyards

The Boulevard des Pyrénées is one of the favourite spots among locals: facing due south, they settle on the terraces of the cafés in the shade of the palm trees as soon as the sun comes out and admire the Pyrenean peaks as they think, depending on the season, about downhill skiing (in winter), about walks in the mountains and about excursions in the nearby Jurançon wine area (all year round). The castle of Henri IV, the Maison Bernadotte and the Fine Arts Museum are all essential sites to visit. The Basque coast is 1 ½ hour away by motorway, and Lourdes a one-hour drive away.



PAU Tourist Office

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- ACCESS -

• BY CAR / BY TRAIN :

2.10 from Bordeaux to Pau

• BY PLANE:

1.30 from Paris to Pau



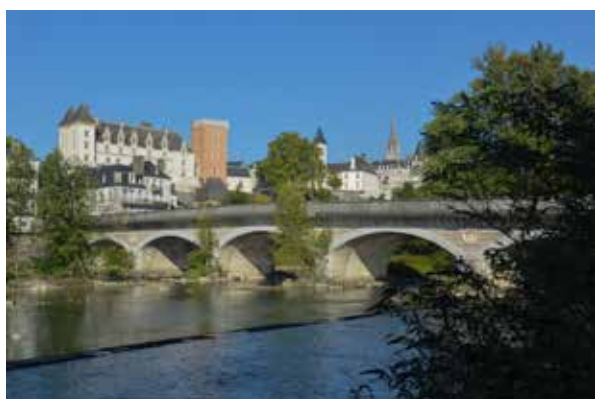
- MUST-SEE -

CHATEAU DE PAU

Equipped with its dungeon by Gaston Phoebus, then metamorphosed into a Renaissance palace by Henri II and Marguerite of Navarre, in 1553, the Pau castle provided shelter for the birth of the future Henri IV, who was rocked in a tortoise shell cradle!

www.chateau-pau.fr

reservations.chateau-de-pau@culture.gouv.fr



PAU NATIONAL FINE ARTS MUSEUM

Built in 1931, the museum is a remarkable example of Art Deco architecture. Its collections offer an extensive panorama of European artistic creation from the end of the 15th century to 1970.

musee.beauxarts@ville-pau.fr



- ACTIVITIES : WINE CHATEAUX AND VINEYARDS -

PYRÉNÉES BÉARNAISES TOURISTIC OFFER

Jurançon wines, culinary specialties, leisure activities, heritage, culture, traditions from the Oloron, and from the valleys of Ossau, Aspe, Barétous.

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CAVE D'IROULÉGUY

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- ACTIVITIES : COOKERY LESSONS AND COURSES -

LA TABLE DE L'AUBERGE BASQUE

1 Michelin Star restaurant - Cédric BECHADE

4* Hotel

A modern restaurant in the middle of a Basque inn from the 17th century with a wonderful view over the Rhune.

A light, healthy and natural cuisine, created with emblematic produce from the Basque Country - a generous Basque cuisine. Carefully selected produce: trout from Banka, pigeon from the Urruty farm, Saint Jean de Luz tuna, Ibaïona pork, etc. Unexpected flavour combinations: Squid and tamarind, cod and green tea, wood pigeon and seaweed, etc.

contact@aubergebasque.com

www.aubergebasque.com



THE DOMAINE DE BASSILOUR COOKING CLASSES

Hotel 3*

At 3 kms from the beaches of Biarritz and Bidart, a very warm welcome awaits you at the Domaine de Bassilour, a beautiful mansion of the Second Empire surrounded by a park overlooking the Pyrenees. The Hotel du Domaine de Bassilour is established in a 16th century farmhouse, Behereko Etchea. You can choose between 10 comfortable and cozy rooms, all different and furnished with exquisite taste. And for a gourmet stay, take advantage of courses offered in the beautifully renovated and equipped kitchen: prepare a "wine and cheese" evening, make a real Basque cake, make a variety of "pintxos a la plancha" or manage a real gourmet meal, then enjoy your creations.

12 people max.

bassilour@wanadoo.fr

www.domainedebassilour.com



New 2018

GOURMET PASS IN PAU

Thanks to this great pass you can explore all the specialties of Béarn over one or two days of visits at the heart of the city of Pau. In the Halles (covered market), you can enjoy an introduction to such savoury flavours as Henri IV ham with its "garlic and Jurançon wine" taste, ewe's milk cheese or Tomme cow's cheese. The pedestrian streets, close by the castle, are an invitation to take your time.

www.pau-pyrenees.com

SIX DAYS TO MAKE YOUR WAY THROUGH THE SOULE VALLEY between hills, canyons and beech-tree forests, from Sainte-Engrâce to Iraty. Six days to immerse yourself in the Basque spirit, together with a guide speaking French, Spanish and sometimes English. Cayolars in Basque are shepherd's cottages that have been restored in a traditional way for the pleasure of hikers, highlighting ancestral skills. A great big serving of nature and serenity!
[http://www.soule-paysbasque.com/A-voir-a-faire/Randonnees2/Sejours-a-pied-et-a-velo/randonnee-accompagnée-sentier-des-cayolars/12293](http://www.soule-paysbasque.com/A-voir-a-faire/Randonnees2/Sejours-a-pied-et-a-velo/randonnee-accompagnee-sentier-des-cayolars/12293)

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- ACCOMMODATIONS -

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80 rooms including 15 suites;
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HOTEL VILLA NAVARRE 5*

30 rooms including 6 suites,
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QUALITY HOTEL PAU CENTRE 4*

70 rooms including 9 suites
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HOTEL RONCEVAUX 3*

36 rooms
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HOTELINA

Hotels group : 8 hotels (Ibis, Novotel, Mercure) in Pau, Dax and Saint-Pau-lès-Dax.
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www.hotelina.fr
www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com

AROUND PAU :

HOTEL DU PARC 3*

50 rooms
Salies-De-Béarn: 65 kms from Pau
Marion FOLLIN, director
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www.hotelsalies.com

HOTEL DU GOLF LE LODGE 3*

29 rooms
Salies-De-Béarn, 65 kms from Pau
Francine MOUILLE
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www.le-lodge-salies.com



ALYSSON HOTEL 4*

49 rooms
Oloron-Sainte-Marie, 32 kms from Pau
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www.alysson-hotel.fr



HOTEL DU POURTALET 3*

10 rooms
Artouste, 55 kms from Pau
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Dordogne Valley and Gascony

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Access

• BY CAR / BY TRAIN : 1.30 from Bordeaux
• BY PLANE: 1.20 from Paris

The Dordogne area is a land of many assets : from gastronomy (foie gras, truffle...) to historical heritage (from the Lascaux caves to medieval villages and castles - Beynac, Castelnaud...) - but also of outdoor activities such as canoeing, golf, cycling, fishing.



THE PREHISTORIC CAVES IN THE VEZERE VALLEY

In the Vézère Valley, over 200 Paleolithic sites are known, including the famous decorated caves and rock shelters designated by UNESCO as World Heritage Sites.

TOURIST OFFICE OF LASCAUX-DORDOGNE, VÉZÈRE VALLEY

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LASCAUX INTERNATIONAL CENTER

TOTAL IMMERSION IN PREHISTORY

Lascaux reveals all its art, and much more... **For the first time, Lascaux appears in its entirety.** An unprecedented complete replica retraces the discovery of this famous decorated cave. But the adventure doesn't stop there: **6 exhibition halls investigate the place occupied by Lascaux in world cave art and its relation to contemporary creation.** The opening of the International Centre for Cave Art in 2016 marks the beginning of a new adventure combining the emotion of our ancestors' art and technological prowess.



LASCAUX INTERNATIONAL CENTER

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THE PREHISTORY WELCOME CENTER

With its numerous prehistoric sites open to the public, the "Pôle International de Préhistoire" invites scientists, amateurs and tourists alike to participate in this great quest for human origins. **A 300 m² space is devoted to the presentation of the prehistory of the Vézère Valley.** It includes a large 3D model of the region localizing all of the prehistoric sites. Films projected on a big screen presents the different species of human ancestors, their ways of life and their natural environments. The ensemble is completed by information stations and touch-screens available to the visitors.

contact@pole-prehistoire.com

www.pole-prehistoire.com

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF PREHISTORY

Tucked into the cliff overlooking the Vézère Valley, near the main centres of Paleolithic cave painting, **this museum holds an outstanding collection of objects from the most prestigious prehistoric sites in the Dordogne**, that were occupied by mankind 400-500,000 years ago : the Combarelles and Fond de Gaume caves, the Poisson shelter, the prehistoric site at Micoque, La Ferrassie, the shelters at Moustier and Laugerie-Haute...

Open all year round.

reservation.prehistoire@culture.gouv.fr

www.musee-prehistoire-eyzies.fr

COMBARELLES

This site accommodates around 800 paintings on a 300 metres gallery. Horses, lions, bison, rhinoceros as well as 48 human beings are drawn. They dated from 12,000 to 10,000 BC. The access is restricted by appointment only.

fontdegaume@monuments-nationaux.fr

<http://eyzies.monuments-nationaux.fr>



ABRI PATAUD

Archeological digs have revealed that there were more than forty encampments there between 35,000 and 20,000 years ago covering the Aurignacian, Gravettian and Solutrean periods. Open all year round, every day in season.

pataud@mnhn.fr

www.mnhn.fr

LA ROQUE SAINT CHRISTOPHE

Inhabited for 55,000 years, it is a large cliff face of 900 metres high which consists of 5 levels. It dominates the Vézère valley. Numerous civilisations, from prehistoric times to the medieval times lived in its 100 rock shelters. The phenomenal rock layers were able to house up to 1,000 men at a time. Here you can discover our ancestors' habits, traces of their tools, their work, their art and culture.

contact@roque-st-christophe.com

www.roque-st-christophe.com

THE GOUFFRE DE PROUMEYSSAC PARK (THE PARK HAS A TOURISM AND DISABILITY LABEL)

Known as the "Crystal Cathedral", Proumeyssac is the largest developed cave in Périgord today. Access to this huge underground vault whose walls are adorned with very tightly packed and exceptionally beautiful crystal formations is via a tunnel. You can also be lowered down into the cave in a rotating basket (11 people), which offers 360° panoramic views of the formations.

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www.gouffre-proumeyssac.com



VILLAGES AND MEDIEVAL CASTLES

There are many of them in Nouvelle-Aquitaine, particularly in the Dordogne – it is said that Périgord is the land of a 1001 castles - and they have lived through the centuries; their stone tells you all about the region's history, upheavals and anecdotes.

The following castles are ones not to be missed and are examples of the architecture of the Middle Ages, the Renaissance and the spirit of the 18th and 19th centuries.

From the Limousin to the Basque Country, Nouvelle-Aquitaine is dotted with villages with remarkable architecture that are well worth a visit. Awarded the "Loveliest Villages in France" label, they are characterised by at least two listed sites or monuments.

SARLAT-LA-CANEDA

67 kms south-east of Périgueux, north of the Dordogne valley and east of the Vézère valley, Sarlat-la-Canéda is one of the jewels of Périgord Noir. Visiting the town lets you see almost a thousand years of architecture with cobbled streets, grey slate roofs and warm, white Périgord stone. From the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, the city has preserved an outstanding monumental heritage which has been subject to exemplary restoration. Due to the density and consistency of its old buildings, Sarlat has achieved an outstanding place in Europe. Explore this authentic setting on foot, The cathedral, the chapel of the White Penitents, the Lantern of the dead, the Présidial court, the Gisson, Maleville, Plamom hotel and the Maison de la Boétie.

Sarlat's famous food (foie gras, ceps, Sarlat potatoes...) invite you to gather round its tables. It surprises and charms you throughout the seasons with the diversity of its events and colours: Its foie gras and truffle market in winter, Christmas market, night-time events in summer and many other events throughout the year.

SARLAT TOURIST OFFICE

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www.sarlat-tourisme.com



LA ROQUE-GAGEAC, CLASSIFIED AS "MOST BEAUTIFUL VILLAGE OF FRANCE"

10 kms from Sarlat

Nestled at the bottom of high cliffs in a curve in the Dordogne, La Roque-Gageac is one of the prettiest villages in France. Its pretty rows of houses facing the river date back to the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, like Tarde Manor which still stands out.

Like many places in Périgord Noir, La Roque-Gageac has been inhabited since the Prehistoric era and has a long history, with ruins of troglodyte forts (which can be visited) and the ruins of Évêques Château in Sarlat.

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www.sarlat-tourisme.com/la-roque-gageac



DOMME, CLASSIFIED AS "MOST BEAUTIFUL VILLAGE OF FRANCE"

14 kms south of Sarlat, overlooking the Dordogne, Domme is one of the prettiest villages in France. A bastide established in 1281 by King Philip the Hardy to contain the English advance.

perigordnoir.tourisme@gmail.com

www.tourisme-domme.com

BRANTÔME

The Dronne river circles Brantôme with its clear waters. The town dates back to Charlemagne who is said to have come and found the famous abbey in 769 to place there Saint Hilaire's relics. You should also tour the town at night, when lights inflame the river and monuments of that "Venice in Périgord".

contact@perigord-dronne-belle.fr

www.perigord-dronne-belle.fr



OUR COUP DE

BEYNAC CASTLE

Beynac castle is perched on a rock peak, over the Dordogne river in Beynac-et-Cazenac, one of the prettiest villages in France.

During your visit, you are told the story of this fortress built by Adhémar de Beynac in the 12th century, including famous characters such as Aliénor d'Aquitaine, Richard the Lionheart and even Simon de Montfort.

reservation@chateaubeynac.com

<http://chateau-beynac.com>



BIRON CASTLE

The Biron castle, near Monpazier, is well-known for its impressive, 22 metres long, 18th century vaulted kitchen. The well-preserved Biron castle has been used as a setting for several films.

contact@semitour.com

<http://chateau-biron.fr>

CASTELNAUD CASTLE

Listed as a Historical Monument in 1966, Castelnaud castle overlooks the Dordogne valley and has a great view over the château and village of Beynac.

Completely devoted to the art of war in the Middle Ages, this fortified castle is a children's dream come true: Powerful keep, machicolation, reconstructions of large-scale war missiles and a significant collection of weapons and armour in the Museum of War in the Middle Ages.

chateau@castelnaud.com

www.castelnaud.com

LES MILANDES CASTLE

Located in the town of Castelnaud-la-Chapelle, on the left bank of the Dordogne, Milandes castle is particularly known for having belonged to Josephine Baker. With an audio system in the background which combines music and history, your visit follows in the footsteps of Josephine Baker. See her show outfits, including the famous banana belt worn at the Folies Bergères and then head into the gardens for a birds of prey show.

contact@milandes.com

www.milandes.com

BOURDEILLES CASTLE

Whether you arrive in Bourdeilles from Brantôme or Ribérac, you are greeted by the sight of the powerful keep of the Bourdeilles castle and its 35 metres high, towers over a second Renaissance building which overhangs the Dronne in Périgord Vert.

contact@semitour.com

www.chateau-bourdeilles.fr

HAUTEFORT CASTLE

30 kms North of Montignac and Lascaux cave, in the 17th century, the medieval fortress of Bertrand de Born was converted into a holiday home, combining medieval defences with a classic main building. Admire the lounge decorated with Flemish period tapestries, the large reception room with huge fireplaces and even the Gentleman's bedroom with its canopy bed. On Wednesday evenings in summer, dramatisations in period costume re-enact the destiny of the Marquis of Hautefort and his family.

contact@chateau-hautefort.com

www.chateau-hautefort.com



MONBAZILLAC CASTLE

Perched on a hill overlooking the Dordogne valley, Monbazillac castle is a must-see on the Bergerac wine trail. Property of Monbazillac cellar since 1960, this 16th century building has unique and original architecture, a mix of defence systems, with its allure and moats, and Renaissance style, with bay windows. A Monbazillac wine-tasting session.

monbazillac@chateau-monbazillac.com

www.chateau-monbazillac.com



ACTIVITIES

THE DORDOGNE VALLEY, A UNESCO BIOSPHERE RESERVE

Take a gabarre boat ride down the « river of hope » and admire the breathtaking scenery of the Dordogne gorges.

Argentat, an old gabarre boat port and **Beaulieu sur Dordogne** « the Limousin riviera » are also well-worth a visit.



PACKAGE

« CRUISE AND BANQUET IN THE CHÂTEAU »

Discover the lake of Bort les Orgues in a panoramic speedboat, passing in front of the Château de Val.

Depart from Auzers in the late morning.

Lunch-banquet in the château, that has been inhabited by the same family since the 15th century.

Menu: welcome aperitif, Auvergne salad, round fillet of comfit pork cheek and potato gratin, cheese board, apple tart with a caramel sauce, wine and coffee.

From €42.40 per person.



NEW: "THE DORDOGNE, THE DAM SIDE"

Welcome at 10:30am by a local guide for a visit to the medieval city, former port of the barge masters.

Barge trip to the site of the dam of Chastang.

Discovery of the EDF space in a former caretaker's lodge, staged.

Fun route which showcases the expertise of the hydraulic production.

End of proceedings: 5:30pm

From €36.50 per person. Groups of 20-29 people.

CORRÈZE TOURIST AGENCY

www.tourismecorreze.fr

contact@tourismecorreze.fr

Pascal BREUIL :

Tél : + 33 5 55 29 58 67

ACCOMMODATIONS

LASCAUX AND NEARBY

HOTEL LES GLYCINES & SPA 4*

26 rooms including 8 suites and 3 eco-lodges;

“Châteaux & Hôtels Collection” cosy hotel, gastronomic restaurant.

Les-Eyzies-de-Tayac

Mr Pascal LOMBARD, director

glycines.dordogne@wanadoo.fr

www.les-glycines-dordogne.com

LE VIEUX LOGIS 4*

29 rooms including 9 suites,

“Relais & Châteaux”,

15 kms southwest of les Eyzies.

1 Michelin star restaurant.

Trémolat, 22 kms from Les-Eyzies-de-Tayac.

Mr Bernard GIRAUDEL, director

vieuxlogis@relaischateaux.com

www.vieux-logis.com

HOTEL DU CENTENAIRE

20 rooms including 9 suites,

“Relais et Châteaux”

Les-Eyzies-de-Tayac

Mr BELLIARD, director

ontact@hotelducentenaire.fr

www.hotelducentenaire.fr

HOTEL LE LASCAUX

10 rooms

Montignac, 25 kms from Les Eyzies-de-Tayac.

hotel.lascaux@gmail.com

www.hotel-lascaux-24.fr

HOTEL DE LA FERME LAMY 3*

12 rooms;

“Charme Hotel, Hôtellerie familiale, Relais du Silence”

Meyrals, 7 kms from Les Eyzies-de-Tayac

Michel BEYER, director

contact@ferme-lamy.com

www.ferme-lamy.com

LIVE THE CHATEAU LIFE WHILE PERCHED IN THE TREES

Directly inspired by the buildings of Monbazillac, Milandes and Hautefort, the Puybeton estate features five châteaux in Nojals-et-Clotte.

Rémy BECHEREL,

contact@chateauxdanslesarbres.fr

www.chateauxdanslesarbres.fr

SARLAT AND NEARBY

AU GRAND HOTEL DE SARLAT - PAVILLON CLOS LA BOËTIE 4*

11 rooms including 3 suites, an old family mansion from the 19th C. in Sarlat; “Châteaux & Hôtels Collection”.

Jean-Marc LARDY, director

augrandhoteldesarlat@gmail.com

www.au-grand-hotel-de-sarlat.com

RELAIS DE MOUSSIDIÈRE 4*

35 rooms including 4 suites

DUCOURET, director

contact@hotel-moussidiere.com

www.hotel-moussidiere.com

HOTEL LA VILLA ROMAINE 4*

17 rooms;

Châteaux & Hôtels Collection

Carsac-Aillac, 10 kms from Sarlat.

Mr VACELET, director

contact@lavillaromaine.com

www.lavillaromaine.com

HOTEL RESTAURANT LA HOIRIE 3*

16 rooms, totally renovated in 2015

Catherine MALEVILLE, director

jeanmarclardy@gmail.com

www.lahoirie.com

HOSTELLERIE LA ROSERAIE 3*

14 rooms

Montignac, 25 kms from Les Eyzies-de-Tayac.

Katia GUEDJ, director

hotelroseraie@wanadoo.fr

www.laroseaie-hotel.com

CAMPING LE PARADIS 5*

Saint-Léon-Sur-Vézère, 14 kms from Les Eyzies-de-Tayac

Ellen & Gé KUSTERS, director

le-paradis@perigord.com

www.le-paradis.fr

LE MOULIN DE MITOU 3*

17 rooms; “Relais du Silence”

Auriac-Du-Perigord, 31 kms from Les Eyzies.

Mrs & Mr BEGUE

lemoulindemitou@hotmail.fr

www.hotel-lemoulindemitou.com

AU GRAND HOTEL DE SARLAT - PAVILLON SELVES 4*

38 rooms

DUCATEL, director

augrandhoteldesarlat@gmail.com

www.au-grand-hotel-de-sarlat.com

MANOIR D’HAUTEGENTE 4*

16 rooms

In an elegant mansion from the 13th century.

Coly-en-Périgord, 20 kms from Sarlat.

Mr Patrick HAMELIN, director

hotel.manoir-hautegente.com

www.manoir-hautegente.com

DOMAINE DU CHATEAU DE MONRECOUR 3*

31 rooms

Saint-Vincent-de-Cosse, 12 kms from Sarlat.

contact@monrecour.com

www.monrecour.com

HOTEL-RESTAURANT LA BELLE ÉTOILE 3*

13 rooms

La Roque-Gageac, 10 kms from Sarlat.

Mr Régis ONGARO, director

hotel.belle-etoile@wanadoo.fr

www.belleetoile.fr

CAMPING SAINT AVIT LOISIRS 5*

Two new additions are the “Luxury Safari” tents (35 m²) and the “Madras” cottages (3 bedrooms + living room).

Saint-Avit-De-Vialard, 16 kms from Les-Eyzies-de-Tayac

Nicolas LEGER, director

contact@saint-avit-loisirs.com

www.saint-avit-loisirs.com

PLAZA MADELEINE ET SPA 4*

39 rooms

Mrs & Mr FLORENTIN, directors

contact@plaza-madeleine.com

www.hoteldelamadeleine-sarlat.com

HOTEL CLÉMENT V 3*

10 rooms

Belves, 35 kms of Sarlat.

Mrs Muriel FISCHER, director

contact@clement5.com

www.clement5.com

PERILOC FRENCH TOURS

Holiday Rental Accommodation - Bed & Breakfast in Dordogne - Périgord Noir. Small group and private tour in France

Mrs Martine CHATAIGNER

contact@periloc.com

www.periloc.com

PERIGUEUX AND NEARBY

Created 2000 years ago, Périgueux is a land of history : stop at the Périgord Museum of Art and Archaeology with prehistoric artefacts which will take you back to the origins of humanity. Go back to the splendour of the era of the Roman Empire in Vesunna Gallo-Roman Museum, designed by the architect Jean Nouvel. Imagine the 15th century medieval wall, with only Mataguerre Tower remaining, wander around the Renaissance town with pretty private mansions. And enjoy Périgord cuisine in restaurants with terraces opening onto the town squares, the Mimos Festival at the start of August and the New Orleans Music Festival, a tribute to the native of the area who established the French quarter in New Orleans, Louisiana (USA).



PERIGUEUX Tourist Office
Magali MANIÈRE,
sales manager
magali.maniere@perigueux.fr
www.tourisme-perigueux.fr

MUST-SEE

PÉRIGUEUX, SAINT-FRONT CATHEDRAL

Saint-Front cathedral is a UNESCO classified site on the way to Santiago de Compostela

m.maniere@grandperigueux.fr - www.tourisme-perigueux.fr

VESUNNA - THE GALLO-ROMAN MUSEUM IN PÉRIGUEUX

Discovered in 1959 in the Gallo-Roman district of Périgueux, the Villa Vesunna contains perfectly preserved remains of its residential rooms set around its central courtyard.

vesunna@perigueux.fr - www.perigueux-vesunna.fr

ACCOMMODATIONS

HOTEL MERCURE

PERIGUEUX CENTRE 4*

66 rooms including 4 suites

h6237@accor.com

www.mercure.com

CHATEAU DES REYNATS 4*

50 rooms including 5 suites

1 Michelin star restaurant

Chancelade, 6 kms west of Périgueux.

contact@chateau-hotel-perigord.com

www.chateau-hotel-perigord.com

HOTEL LE MOULIN DE L'ABBAYE 4*

20 rooms "Relais & Châteaux,

Tables et Auberges de France"

1 Michelin star restaurant

Brantôme, 26 kms from Périgueux.

reservation@moulin-abbaye.com

www.moulinabbaye.com

LE MOULIN DE VIGONAC 4*

10 rooms

Brantôme, 26 kms from Périgueux.

contact@moulindevigonac.com

www.moulindevigonac.com

CASTEL PEYSSARD

4 rooms, Spa and restaurant

Périgueux

contact@castelpeyssard.com

www.castelpeyssard.com

LE MOULIN DU ROC 4*

15 rooms, 1 apartment - "Châteaux et

Hotels Collection, Tables et Auberges de

France", 1 Michelin star restaurant.

Champagnac-de-Belair, 34 kms from Péri-

gueux.

info@moulinduroc.com

www.moulinduroc.com

HOTEL LE CHATEAU DE LALANDE 4*

17 rooms, "Châteaux & Hôtels Collection".

Annesse-et-Beaulieu, 15 kms from

Périgueux.

reservation@chateau-lalande-perigord.com

www.chateau-lalande-perigord.com

HOSTELLERIE L'IMAGINAIRE 4*

7 rooms including 1 suite,

"Châteaux et Hôtels Collection"

1 Michelin star restaurant

Terrasson-Lavilledieu, 55 kms from

Périgueux.

contact@l-imaginaire.fr

www.l-imaginaire.fr

ACCESS

• BY CAR / BY TRAIN :

1.30 from Bordeaux

• BY PLANE:

1.20 from Paris



LES JARDINS DE BRANTOME 3*

7 rooms

Brantôme, 26 kms from Périgueux.

lesjardinsdebrantome@gmail.com

www.lesjardinsdebrantome.com

INTER HOTEL

LE MOULIN ROUGE 3*

63 rooms

Terrasson-Lavilledieu, 55 kms from

Périgueux.

contact@hotel-dordogne-perigord.com

www.hotel-dordogne-perigord.com

AUBERGE DE LA TRUFFE 3*

13 rooms

Sorges, 20 kms from Périgueux.

contact@auberge-de-la-truffe.com

www.auberge-de-la-truffe.com

BERGERAC VINEYARDS AND NEARBY

Bergerac: the name of the town itself makes reference to water and drew its wealth from the river. In the 18th and 19th centuries, the town was an important river shipping port on the route of the "gabares", the large, flat-bottomed barges that ferried goods between the Massif Central region and Bordeaux. In Bergerac, barrels of the wine produced on the surrounding slopes were loaded: the wines of Bergerac, Pécharmant and Monbazillac. Thanks to the restoration of the old town, built around the port, you can take a pleasant stroll through squares such as the Place de Myrpe where the statue of Cyrano de Bergerac stands, or between the magnificent timber-fronted houses. On Wednesdays and Saturdays, around the Saint Jacques Church, a resting point for pilgrims on the way to Santiago de Compostella, a market full of local colour is held.



BERGERAC Tourist Office
www.pays-bergerac-tourisme.com

VISIT WINE CHATEAUX AND VINEYARDS IN Bergerac, Pécharmant, Monbazillac, Saussignac

DORDOGNE TOURIST BOARD

contact@dordogne-perigord-tourisme.fr - www.dordogne-perigord-tourisme.fr

TOURIST OFFICE OF BERGERAC

promotion@bergerac-tourisme.com - www.bergerac-tourisme.com

INTERPROFESSIONNEL DES VINS DE BERGERAC ET DURAS (IVBD)

« La Route des Vins de Bergerac »

map dedicated to wine châteaux to visit

ivbd.poletouristique@vins-bergeracduras.fr - www.vins-bergeracduras.fr

MAISON DU TOURISME ET DES VINS DE MONBAZILLAC

Winemaking of Monbazillac and Bergerac appellation is made by the Maison des Vins. Free tastings.

mtv.mbz@orange.fr - <http://maisondesvins-monbazillac.jimdo.com>

ACCOMMODATIONS

CHATEAU DES VIGIERS & COUNTRY CLUB 4*

71 rooms & 7 suites

"Golf & Country Clubs",

Monestier, 20 kms from Bergerac.

bienvenue@vigiers.com - www.vigiers.com

CHATEAU LES MERLES 4*

15 rooms including 2 suites

Mouleydier, 10 kms from Bergerac.

info@lesmerles.com - www.lesmerles.com

LA METAIRIE 4*

10 rooms,

"Châteaux & Hôtels Collection, Châteaux Demeures de Tradition et Grandes Etapes des Vignobles, - Relais du Silence"

Mauzac-et-Grand-Castang, 30 kms from Bergerac

info@la-metairie.com

www.la-metairie.com

HOTEL EDWARD 1ER 4*

17 rooms

"Châteaux & Hôtels Collection"

Monpazier, 45 kms from Bergerac

info@hoteledward1er.com

www.hoteledward1er.com

HOTEL DE BORDEAUX 3*

40 rooms

Bergerac

contact@hotel-bordeaux-bergerac.com

www.hotel-bordeaux-bergerac.com

LA CHARTREUSE DU BIGNAC

12 rooms including 2 suites,

"Châteaux & Hôtels Collection"

Saint Nexans, 9 kms from Bergerac.

info@abignac.com - www.abignac.com

[com](http://www.abignac.com)

ACCESS

• BY CAR / BY TRAIN :

1.30 from Bordeaux

• BY PLANE:

1.40 from London



LA GENTHILLOMMIERE

« ETINCELLES »

4 rooms,

"Châteaux & Hôtels Collection", 1

Michelin star restaurant.

Sainte-Sabine-Born, 32 kms from Bergerac.

accueil@genthillommiere-etincelles.com

www.gentilhommiere-etincelles.com

ACTIVITIES

WINE TOURS

THE HOUSE OF WINES IN BERGERAC

Training sessions for tasting, food and wine pairing.
Wine lovers school : 4 sessions of 2 hours each (French/
English)

contact@vins-bergeracduras.fr

www.vins-bergerac.fr

ORGANIC WINE AND FOOD PAIRING WORKSHOP AT

CHÂTEAU FEELY

No more wondering what wine to serve with what food!
At Château Feely, you will learn the principles of wine and
food pairing in a fun and friendly atmosphere. You will also
discover the vineyards and wine-growing and see biodi-
versity at work, as well as taste classic organic wines of the
region and natural preservative-free, certified organic and
biodynamic wines.

Website : chateaufeely.com/

caro@terroirfeely.com

chateaufeely.com

COOKERY LESSONS AND COURSES

THE "AUBERGE DE LA TRUFFE" COOKING CLASSES IN SORGES

Hotel 3*

Here, the truffle has become a passion ! A passion which
Pierre CORRE loves to share with his guests by preparing di-
shes for them which have all the rich flavours of the region.
"Truffle" and "Foie Gras" weekends are on offer.

contact@auberge-de-la-truffe.com

4-STAR HOTEL DE BOUILHAC

A little piece of paradise at the heart of prehistory in Montignac

<http://hoteldebouilhac-montignac.fr/> - Tel. 05 53 51 21 46 - contact@hoteldebouilhac-montignac.fr

Original accommodation / Eco-Tourism experience

AN ORIGINAL APPROACH TO GETTING BACK TO NATURE

Horses as a link between people and nature! This is the original approach on offer from Laurence at the
"Laurence of Arabians" estate in Mareuil-sur-Belle, at the heart of the Périgord Limousin Regional Nature
Park. Horse-riding coaching courses, gentle training, shiatsu, animal communication and "scratchy" snacks
for families are all on offer at the heart of a conservatory for traditional Arabian Bedouin horses. These acti-
vities are a unique chance to recharge your batteries in the only "Heritage Farm" in France, an authentic spot
where you can also spend your holiday with your horse. www.pnr-perigord-limousin.fr

Sports/Open-air activities

DORDOGNE FROM VILLAGES TO DAMS

From Bort-les-Orgues to Argentat,* this trail through the Corrèze region is designed for hikers,
mountain-bikers and trail runners, covering 150 km and with 4800 m of uphill passages, and unveiling
exceptional and breathtaking landscapes looking down on the River Dordogne. <http://www.correzerando.com>

www.auberge-de-la-truffe.com

CHÂTEAU LES MERLES 4*

Hotel 4*

Cooking class with Chef Bas HOLTEN at Château Les
Merles, a 17th century building with a unique contem-
porary design; all the rooms are modern, welcoming and
comfortable.

La Bruyère Blanche restaurant is just as inviting, with its
refined dishes of organic vegetables from the estate's own
vegetable garden. As for the bistro, stop for some food in a
relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

info@lesmerles.com

www.lesmerles.com

LA TREILLE

In the Dordogne valley near Sarlat, La Treille, hotel 2* -res-
taurant, offers 8 bedrooms and a restaurant where Philippe
helps you discover the thousand and one flavours of the
Périgord region : foie gras, truffles, walnuts, duck breast,
confits...

hotel@latreille-perigord.com

www.latreille-perigord.com

NEUVIC CAVIAR-MAKING EXPERIENCE

Tour Neuvic caviar estate, catch some sturgeons then join
our experts in a lab where you will be initiated to the art of
caviar-making : one of the world's most luxurious foods!
Indulge in a caviar-themed meal, and last but not least: take
the kilogram of caviar you made back home with you !

visites@caviardeneuvic.com

www.caviar-de-neuvic.com (In French)

New 2018

GARDENS

JARDINS DE MARQUEYSSAC, BELVEDERE DE LA DORDOGNE

Today, Marqueyssac is the most visited garden in Périgord. 9km from Sarlat, imagine 150 000 feet of perfectly shaped boxwoods, planted in the 19th century on a rocky outcrop overlooking the Dordogne Valley. Happily lose yourself in the kilometres of winding paths, on the sides of the cliffs or on the plateau, in the undergrowth or bordered by Mediterranean vegetation, and enjoy views across the curves of the Dordogne, on the Roque-Gageac and over the fortresses of Castelnaud and Beynac.

Every Thursday evening in July and August, from 7pm to midnight, 2000 candles illuminate the gardens of Marqueyssac, with the sound of live music.

jardins@marqueyssac.com

www.marqueyssac.com

LES JARDINS DU MANOIR D'EYRIGNAC

In Périgord Noir, north-east of Sarlat, the Manoir d'Eyrignac gardens are one of the best examples of topiary art and other French style garden traditions. Listed as Historic Monument, they were designed in the 17th and 18th centuries and continue to delight visitors today.

contact@eyrignac.com

www.eyrignac.com



LES JARDINS DE L'IMAGINAIRE

Created in 1996, the Jardins de l'Imaginaire, labelled a "Remarkable Garden" and overlooking the Vézère, offer a lovely trip in Périgord Noir. The Franco-American Kathryn Gustafson, a famous landscape architect, successfully integrated very contemporary architectural lines into the Périgord landscape, illustrating a dialogue between Man and Nature.

imaginaire@ville-terrasson.com

www.jardins-imaginaire.com



GASCONY

It is in the Gascony area that you will admire vestiges of the past : roman churches, medieval villages like, Damazan, Villeneuve-sur-Lot, Vianne, Monflanquin... You can also enjoy a houseboat cruise either on the Lot and Baise rivers or the Canal de Garonne.

LOT-ET-GARONNE Tourist Board

actour47@tourisme-lotetgaronne.com

cdt47@tourisme-lotetgaronne.com

www.tourisme-lotetgaronne.com

www.reservation.lotetgaronne.com

ACCESS

• BY CAR:

1.35 from Bordeaux to Nérac

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com



BONAGUIL CASTLE

To the north-east of Fumel, at the crossroads between the Agenais, Périgord and Quercy areas, Bonaguil is the archetype of the medieval French fortress. Built between 1480 and 1520, it boasts no fewer than thirteen towers and turrets alongside its dungeon sheltering vast halls, tunnels and underground chambers.

accueil@bonaguil.fr

www.chateau-bonaguil.com



MONFLANQUIN, CLASSIFIED AS “MOST BEAUTIFUL VILLAGE OF FRANCE”

About 15 kms north of Lot Valley, the bastide of Monflanquin stands out, perched high above a landscape of round hills and orchard groves. The checkerboard layout of this village, listed as one of the prettiest in France, forms a beautiful oval, corresponding to the boundary of the hill. Its pedestrian streets and alleys are very interesting: Half-timbered or florid stone facades, buildings with character like the house of the Prince Noir, many small access passages between houses, central square bordered by arcades and Saint André church. Come in the summer for the Medieval Days' costumed festivities for an even more memorable souvenir.

contact@coeurdebastides.com

www.coeurdebastides.com



NÉRAC & THE CASTLE OF HENRI IV

Nérac stretches along the Baïse Valley, a charming, small navigable river. Built on the land of a Gallo-Roman villa, the town prospered in the Middle Ages and the Renaissance. Henry IV forged his reputation as the “Green Gallant”, leaving the legend of Fleurette, the gardener's daughter who drowned in the waters of the Baïse of a broken heart.

A visit to Nérac is based around its river, the Baïse.

accueil@albret-tourisme.com

www.albret-tourisme.com



VILLASCOPIA

Built 1600 years ago in Castelculier, a few kilometres from Agen, Lamarque Gallo-Roman villa was re-born under the name Villascopia. This scenovision show combines theatre and cinema techniques to take you back to Aquitaine from the 4th century: Put on your polarised glasses to see the images in 3D and enjoy the show, with 5+1 surround sound and poetic staging, of the Gallo-Roman life of Paulin de Pella. Each summer, you can take part in the Nights at Villascopia, a sumptuous Gallo-Roman banquet followed by scenovision and a torchlight guided tour of the ruins of the old villa.

info@villascopia.com

www.villascopia.com

GENS DE GARONNE

Experience this scenovision and discover how the inhabitants of the fishermen village of Couthures sur Garonne used to live and still live with the Garonne river during the flows. The story takes place in the fifties (English).

gensdegaronne@valdegaronne.com

www.gensdegaronne.com

ACTIVITIES

WINE TOURS

BRULHOIS WINE CELLAR

Very near Agen, stop at Brulhois wine cellar to find local specialities such as Agen prunes, honeys and chocolates, not forgetting Armagnac and Côtes du Brulhois wines, one of the smallest appellations in the south-west. Try the famous "noir" wine or the "doux grain d'amour" wine and, every Saturday, have a chat with the local wine growers.

info@vigneronsdubulhois.com

www.vigneronsdubulhois.com

BUZET WINEGROWERS

Anchored to the hill slopes above the River Baïse, halfway between Bordeaux and Toulouse, the Buzet appellation covers about 2000 hectares not far from the Garonne.

tourisme@vignerons-buzet.fr

www.vignerons-buzet.fr

BERTICOT WINE CELLAR

Bio wines tours (Wednesdays)

contact@berticot.com

www.berticot.com

HOUSEBOAT RENTAL COMPANIES

LE BOAT

Serge NAÏM at Le Mas-D'Agenais

info@leboat.fr

www.leboat.fr

LOCABOAT HOLIDAYS at AGEN

agen@locaboat.com

www.locaboat.com

AQUITAINE NAVIGATION

Xavier GAREZ at Buzet-Sur-Baise

contact@aquitaine-navigation.com

www.aquitaine-navigation.com

EMERAUDE NAVIGATION

Jean-Pierre SZPALA at Fourques-Sur-Garonne

emeraudenavigation@wanadoo.fr

www.emeraude-navigation.com

COOKERY LESSONS AND COURSES

RELAIS ET CHATEAUX MICHEL TRAMA 2 MICHELIN STARS RESTAURANT

From December to March, the workshop offers customised cooking classes.

They are held in an area set aside in a resolutely contemporary room, next to the kitchens lorded over by the superbe La Cornue oven, designed for Michel Trama

The students themselves - 5 to 6 in a class - decide what they want to learn.

trama@aubergade.com

www.aubergade.com

LE CLOS DU MURIER - SYLVIE PRAGOUT

15 minutes from Villeneuve-sur-Lot, in the region of the medieval fortified towns (bastides), Le Clos du Murier has been restored out of the ruins of an old "mansion" dating from the 18th century. Your hostess Sylvie PRAGOUT, a former cooker and passionate about cooking can organize on request, off season, cooking classes like a "macarons" workshop (a macaron is a little biscuit confected with a sweet meringue-base and filled with ganache, buttercream or jam filling) in French, English or Spanish. - Max 6 people

sylviepragout@aol.com

www.france-cookery-course.com

www.leclosdumurier.fr



ACCOMMODATIONS

RELAIS ET CHATEAUX MICHEL TRAMA 5*

10 rooms including 1 suite,
"Relais et Châteaux",
2 Michelin stars restaurant.
Puymirol, 60 kms from Agen.
Michel TRAMA, director
trama@aubergade.com
www.aubergade.com



LE MOULIN DE MADAME 4*

30 rooms - Mercure hotel
Villeneuve-sur-Lot, 30 kms from Agen.
Loïc DUCLOUX, manager
ha6q0-gm@accor.com
www.lemoulinmadame.fr

CHATEAU DE LASSALLE

17 rooms
Laplume, 50 kms from Agen.
Cédric FRANCOIS, director
cedric.francois@chateaudelassalle.com
www.chateaudelassalle.com

HOSTELLERIE DES DUCS 3*

20 rooms
Duras, 90 kms from Agen.
Jean-François BLANCHET, director
hostellerie.des.ducs@wanadoo.fr
www.hostellerieducs-duras.com

HOTEL HENRI IV 3*

11 rooms
Nérac, 25 kms from Agen.
Julien PAUL, director
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www.hotelhenriIV.fr

HOTEL-RESTAURANT DU PRINCE NOIR 3*

19 rooms
Sérignac-sur-Garonne, 12 kms from Agen.
Mrs & Mr DUVERNEUIL, directors
contact@le-prince-noir.com
www.le-prince-noir.com



LES BASTIDES DU GOLF D'ALBRET 3*

52 apartments
Barbaste, 32 kms from Agen.
Alain MEYER, director
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www.bastides-albret.fr

Cognac city and wine area



In Cognac, town and eau-de-vie are one. So a stay in Cognac would not be complete without a visit to a grand spirit merchant to learn the secrets of distillation or discover the ageing cellars and the "Paradis", the cellar where the oldest eaux-de-vie are jealously kept. Discover the unique world of Cognac during a tour - one hour visit, an elaborate workshop or even a bespoke visit. It is best to visit the town of Cognac, certified Ville d'art et d'histoire (town of art and history) on foot: dawdle through the cobbled streets of the old town up to the Charente river, admire the Place François 1er (the great king born in Cognac in 1494), the convent of Les Récollets or the wonderful gardens of the town hall.

COGNAC OR COGNACS ?

Cognac is the second largest AOC vineyard of France in terms of volume after that of Bordeaux and the forth in terms of area. It occupies 80,498 hectares and includes 4,451 producers. The wine growing region of Cognac is divided into **6 vineyards with a concentric division** (grande champagne, petite champagne, borderies, fin bois, bons bois, bois ordinaires), offering eaux-de-vie with different and complementary characters.

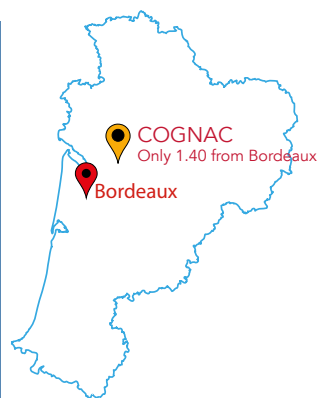
Cognac is obtained via **the double distillation of white wines** in copper stills created during the winter months. In the vineyards, the small producers of Cognac, Pineau des Charentes (a regional, Cognac and grape must based aperitif) and wines from Charente, also welcome visitors, who will discover the expertise and experience unforgettable moments. Nowadays, the global Cognac market represents nearly 179.1 million bottles and 2.76 billion Euros.

"VIGNOBLES ET DÉCOUVERTES" (V&D - VINEYARDS & DISCOVERIES) WINE TOURISM LABEL

The Cognac destination was distinguished at the 1st "Vignobles et Découvertes" Wine Tourism Certification awards in 2010. This certification distinguishes the "vineyard" destinations offering, within a defined area, a comprehensive and accessible offer of accommodation, catering, activities, cellar discovery, cultural sites, natural spaces, local expertise, leisure activities, events and receptive structures.

The scope of the Cognac destination covers a radius of 50km around the town of Cognac.

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com



COGNAC Tourist Office

www.tourism-cognac.com

marie@tourism-cognac.com

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ACCESS

BY TRAIN

Paris/Angoulême : 1.40 from July 2017
Bordeaux/Angoulême : 0.5 from July 2017
TER Angoulême/Cognac : 0.40

BY CAR

A10 Paris / Bordeaux - N10 Angoulême
N141 Limoges / Saintes
Paris - Cognac : 5.10
Poitiers - Cognac : 2.00
Limoges - Cognac : 2.00
Bordeaux - Cognac : 1.40
La Rochelle - Cognac : 1.30



ACCOMMODATIONS

HOTEL FRANÇOIS PREMIER 4* Cognac

21 rooms – 4 suites

In the heart of Cognac, this luxury hotel welcomes you into a modern setting, perfectly balancing the elegance of the mansions of the nineteenth century with the audacity of contemporary design.

The 'Bar Louise' serves incredible Cognac cocktails.

English and German spoken

Label "Tourism & Handicap" : mental - visual
Isabelle PÉRON

www.hotelfrancoispremier.fr

contact@hotelfrancoispremier.fr

DOMAINE DU BREUIL 3* Cognac

19 Rooms

A very beautiful 19th century residence surrounded by huge tree-filled grounds overlooking the Charente Valley, just 5 minutes by car from the centre of Cognac. Well-presented and up-to-date décor. Relais du Silence.

English, German and Spanish spoken

Label V&D / Label "Tourism & Handicap" : mental - hearing

www.hotel-domaine-du-breuil.com

contact@hotel-domaine-du-breuil.com

HOTEL LIGARO 3* Cognac

8 Rooms and 2 Suites

This boutique hotel was created in one of the oldest houses in Jarnac, dating from the 17th century. The calm and elegant décor is based around the harmony of the colours of cognac, Havana and stone.

English spoken

Label V&D / Label "Tourism & Handicap" : mental - visual

www.hotel-ligaro.com - contact@hotel-ligaro.com

Caroline ROONEY



QUAIS DES PONTIS - HOTEL 3* Cognac

19 Rooms

Located in the heart of Cognac on a little peninsula on the edge of the River Charente, this hotel is the result of a complete renovation of an old factory. Sixteen wooden lodge rooms, plus three rooms and a suite in cottage-style accommodation.

English and Spanish spoken

www.quaidespontis.com - reception@quaidespontis.com

Valéry EMIEL

INTERHOTEL LE VALOIS 3* Cognac

45 Rooms

Set in the middle of Cognac, this fully-renovated hotel is just a few minutes by foot from the main cognac houses and the historic town centre.

English, German and Spanish spoken

www.hotellevalois.com

Gérard BOUTINET

contact@hotellevalois.com

LE DOMAINE DE L'ECHASSIER 3* 5 km de Cognac

22 Rooms

Located close to Cognac, just 10 minutes by car from the town centre, and set in a hectare of grounds. Each room has its own unique decor in a traditional style.

English and Spanish spoken

www.echassier.com

Patrick JOLLY - echassier@wanadoo.fr

IBIS STYLES 3* 5 km de Cognac

50 Rooms

Situated 5 minutes by car from the town centre. Fully renovated in 2015 in a contemporary and up-to-date style.

English, German and Spanish spoken

Label "Tourism & Handicap" : mental - visual - motor

www.accorhotels.com

Patrick MEUNIER - h5167-gm@accor.com

HOSTELLERIE LES PIGEONS BLANCS 3* Cognac

6 Rooms

A traditional hotel-restaurant situated in a former family residence on the outskirts of the town centre, with a warm and welcoming décor.

www.pigeons-blancs.com - pigeonsblancs@wanadoo.fr

English, German and Spanish spoken

Label V&D - Label : Logis

L'YEUSE Cognac

21 Rooms - 3 Suites

An hotel-restaurant 10 minutes from the centre of Cognac and created in a beautiful 19th century residence on the edge of what's called the Respectful Garden, a garden designed to show respect for biodiversity. Gourmet restaurant, terrace and cognac room.

English and Spanish spoken

www.yeuse.fr

Céline DESMAZIÈRES

c.desmazieres@yeuse.fr

reservations@yeuse.fr



CASTLES

CHATEAU DE BRILLAC - FOUSSIGNAC

3 Rooms - 2 Suites

A 19th century château on an estate of several hectares, fully renovated in 2012 in a way that mixes stylish furniture with contemporary design.

Six minutes from Jarnac.

English spoken

www.chateaubrillac.com

Sylvie MAUPAS

CHATEAU DE LERSE - PÉRIGNAC

This 15th century château set on a 105-hectare estate has been renovated in a contemporary chic style.

4 Rooms ; 1 gîte for 6 person

Wifi – parking – table d'hôte (by reservation) – vespa-sand bikes rental.

English and Dutch spoken

www.chateaudelerse.com

Roel LEROY – Mic DEMANET

LE LOGIS DE PUYGATY

3 Rooms ; 1 house

Magnificent 15th century fortified farm surrounded by forests and vines. This traditional Charentaise house or Logis was renovated in a rustic-chic style with materials that emphasise the surrounding land and nature.

English spoken

info@logisdepuygaty.com

www.logisdepuygaty.com

Max GRIFFIN

CHATEAU DE MIRAMBEAU 5*

"Relais & Chateau" 5-star hotel and 1-star Michelin restaurant located close to Saintes. 40 rooms and suites in the castle and orangery place.

reservation@chateaudemirambeau.com

www.chateauxmirambeau.com

GUEST HOUSES

LA VILLA CLAUDE - COGNAC

2 Rooms - 1 Suite

A beautiful Art Nouveau villa set in 2 hectares of grounds, 5 minutes from the town centre.

English and Spanish spoken

Gîtes de France

www.villa-claude-cognac.fr

villaclaudecognac@gmail.com

Contact :

Mme Dominique MARIE



LES TILLEULS - COGNAC

2 Suites

Beautiful large 19th century house renovated in a contemporary setting in the centre of Cognac.

www.mccoates-lestilleuls.jimdo.com

ccoates@wanadoo.fr

Marie-Christine COATES

LE RELAIS DE SAINT-PREUIL

5 Rooms - 1 Suite

In the heart of the Cognac vineyards, this renovated former 17th and 18th century coaching inn is now a charming residence. Themed stays.

The owner also has his travel agency specialised in wine tourism in the Cognac vineyard : Cognac tasting tour (Excursions – workshop – holidays in Cognac vineyard)

English spoken

Relais du Silence

contact@relais-de-saint-preuil.com

contact@cognac-tasting-tour.fr

www.relais-de-saint-preuil.fr

Jean-Luc MONTEMBault

LE LOGIS DU PARADIS - CRITEUIL-LA-MADELEINE

5 Rooms - 3 Houses

Large fully-renovated former wine-making farm dating from the 18th century with a typical Charentais-style enclosed yard.

English and Spanish spoken

www.logisduparadis.com

info@logisduparadis.com

Sally BRIMBELCOMBE

RESTAURANT

LA RIBAUDIÈRE – 1 MICHELIN STAR

In a resolutely contemporary dining room, opening onto a terrace and garden on the banks of the River Charente, chef Thierry VERRAT, one Michelin star, offers a creative cuisine based on the best produce in the region.

2 place du Port – Bourg-Charente (16200)

+33 5 45 81 30 54

www.laribaudiere.com

Closed on Sunday (evening), Monday and Tuesday (lunch)



OUR COUP DE

THE COGNATHEQUE'S SHOP

Located in the Place François 1^{er} in Cognac, the Cognathèque's shop offers a wide range of cognacs and pineau des Charentes as well as an introductory tasting course with a cognac specialist (groups from 4 to 10).

www.cognatheque.com

MUSÉE DES ARTS DU COGNAC

Set on the quayside of the River Charente in a resolutely contemporary building, the Musée des Arts du Cognac (MACO) retraces the history of the world's best-known eau-de-vie in a permanent exhibition space of more than 1,600m², in addition to which there are temporary exhibitions, themed visits, lectures and workshops. With its own unique culture in the world of spirits, cognac has set the rhythm of life of an entire population for four centuries. The museum tells the story of vineyards, of men, of know-how and of the land; of industrial, skillbased and artistic adventures.



www.musees-cognac.fr

ESPACE DÉCOUVERTE EN PAYS DU COGNAC

The Espace Découverte en Pays du Cognac, as it is called, is next to the MACO museum and has been fitted out in one of the oldest cognac houses in the town. With the aid of some beautiful designs, it describes the history and the heritage attached to cognac country, using models, exhibitions, slide shows, projections and interactive terminals. Great emphasis is put in particular on Romanesque art which has shaped and added lustre to the landscape of vines.

info@espace-decouverte.fr

www.espace-decouverte.fr

LE MAINE GIRAUD - CHAMPAGNE-VIGNY

This vine-growing estate finishes off a traditional tour of a cognac distillery and storerooms with a visit to a museum dedicated to the acclaimed French poet Alfred de Vigny, the poet-viticulturist who once owned the property.

www.mainegiraud.com

LEARN MORE

OENOWOOD INTERNATIONAL

Alban PETITEAUX

Learn more about the wood and barrels in the aging process. A surprising and very interesting workshop, including tastings.

apetiteaux@oenowood.com - www.oenowood.com



OUR COUPS DE

CIRCUIT DU CHÊNE - CHASSORS

This oak tour or Circuit du Chêne first takes the visitor to the people who split the staves for the cognac barrels, then to the coopers or barrel-makers themselves, whose craft using wood and fire is always an amazing sight. The tour ends with a visit to a distillery where visitors learn how a traditional Charentais still works.

contact@moinefreres.fr

www.moinefreres.fr/circuit-du-chene

VISIT A COOPERAGE

TONNELLERIE ALLARY IN ARCHIAC

This cooperage firm or 'tonnellerie' offers guided tours of its workshops. Visitors discover all the stages of making the oak casks that will then be used to age the best wines and cognacs.

Contact@tonnellerie-allary.com

www.tonnellerie-allary.com



CASINO COGNAC - SPÉCIAL GROUPES

Created and run by the Étapes du Cognac ('Stages of Cognac') group, Casino Cognac is a game played in teams. Each of the eight tables is run by a professional distiller 'croupier', and during the game the participants learn how cognac is made, its different aromas and so on. For around two-and-a-half hours the teams stake their tokens, answer questions, take up challenges and risk bankruptcy.

www.cognacetapes.com

KONNOISSEUR

Germain CANTO

Germain organizes Cognac cocktail sessions

www.konoisseur.com - germain@konoisseur.com

ACTIVITIES – VISIT A COGNAC ESTATE

All the great Cognac houses offer guided visits and tasting sessions. They invite you to go on a unique and original journey into the heart of Cognac.

BARON OTARD

This is without doubt **the most historic of the cognac tours**: the Maison Baron Otard in fact owns the imposing **Château de Cognac where the French king François 1st** – a contemporary of England's Henry VIII - was born in 1494. The tours take you through the historic rooms in the château that belonged to the Valois dynasty, from the so-called Helmet Room to the remarkable State Room, the storerooms and the museum.

www.baronotard.com

Karine AIGUILLON

kaguillon@bacardi.com info@cognatheque.com

COURVOISIER

The history of this house based in Jarnac has been marked, since its origins by **the shadow of Napoleon I**. The designer building opening onto Charente backs onto the imposing 19th century château. **The museum visit gives prominence to the shared history of Courvoisier and the emperor, as well as the Parisian origins of the house.**

The Premium visit offers a range of sensory experiences, the most original of which is, without doubt, **"Le Nez de Courvoisier"**, a **blind-folded olfactory approach to the aromas of Cognac in a small room of the château**. Within its shop, the house also offers a choice of experiences to discover around their Cognac range, like for example **"Bottle Your Own"** where you bottle an eau-de-vie yourself, which you have selected with the cellar master.

www.courvoisier.com

sylvie.riviere@beamsuntory.com



COGNAC MARTELL & CO

The Martell House, located a stone's throw from the Charente quays in Cognac has artfully restored **its historic Gâtébourse site and its emblematic Art-Deco tower**; a timber clad tunnel now leading the visitor from the street to the ancestral cellars: this new landscaped space (larger than the Pompidou Centres esplanade in Paris) was transformed into a garden open to all: an ideal place to stroll or relax. The interior space, a departure from the tours, now houses a shop that is both modern and warm, where the industrial spirit of the place has been preserved. There you find all the ranges of Martell cognacs, but also (and above all) exclusive editions. **A foundation with a cultural purpose and a restaurant with a panoramic view over the town will soon inhabit some 6000m² of the tower.**

www.martell.com

Véronique DIAZ - veronique.diaz@pernod-ricard.com

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com

CAMUS

Atelier Master Blender

After learning how to taste Cognac, you will step into the world of the Cellar Master. Under professional guidance, you will compose your cognac according to a blend you have designed, using the best cognac crus. An exclusive, unique cognac, made for you, by you. 160€ / pers. 2h
21 rue de Cagouillet - 16 100 Cognac

www.camus.fr

camus@camus.fr

Sylvie PERRET - s.perret@camus.fr



OUR COUP DE

NEW

HENNESSY: NEW 360° TOUR Hennessy Signature Tour

The completely reinvented tour takes the visitor on **an immersive experience between history and modernity via a dynamic 360° route**. Three avant-guard pavilions, that you reach after crossing the Charente by boat, successively introduce the history of the House, the cycle of the vineyard, the creation of Cognac and a rendering of Hennessy throughout the world by international artists. **After visiting the ageing cellars and Le Paradis, the experience continues with an initiation in tasting** before discovering the shop designed by Benjamin Graindorge, the only one in the world to present all of the Hennessy range.

www.hennessy.com

Stéphane DAUGERON

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MEUKOW

The house founded in 1862 in the heart of Cognac is sheltered behind a monumental gate: as soon as you go through, the magic happens. A sensory visit, innovative scenography and very visual special effects make for a visit full of originality. You absolutely must follow the visit with a lunch at the **"Le Chai Meukow" restaurant where the chef creates an inventive and subtle Cognac cuisine and now offers "food pairing & Cognac" cooking classes.**

<http://visitemeukow.com>

Sibylle O'Byrne - Chargée de communication

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RÉMY MARTIN

There is no doubt that RÉMY MARTIN has the biggest range of tours when it comes to exploring the world of cognac. Its 'rendezvous' – which take the visitor from the vineyard to the final product in the cognac storerooms – range across the 30 hectares of the Domaine des Merpins (on a little train) and the firm's historic Maison or house in the centre of Cognac itself. Timeless locations, contemporary designs and some multi-sensory experiences all help deliver an intimate approach to the company's history and know-how.

A NEW "RENDEZ-VOUS" :

After the visit to the historic House and its cellars in the heart of Cognac, you will discover **a restaurant full of flavours bursting with spices, candied fruits, chocolates and gourmet bites**: you are completely free to choose two Cognacs to try marrying them as you like with the flavours of the table.

Length 2 hours - from 2 people

"La dégustation Gourmande" (gourmet tasting session)

€100 / person.

www.visitesremymartin.com

Delphine PAQUET

visites.remymartin@remy-cointreau.com

PERSONALISED VISITS IN THE MOST INTIMATE COGNAC HOUSES

DOMAINE ABK6 - CLAIX

The wine growing estate of Francis and Élodie Abecassis extends over 240 hectares of vineyards. Several educational tours offered in the heart of the property allow you to discover - in a unique place - the route the grape takes, from the foot of the vine to the glass. The visitor starts their trip with a walk in the vineyards positioned on the top of the hill, before discovering the Charente distillation in the bottom of the copper stills and exploring the ageing cellars, followed by a tasting session. Fans will even be able to participate in the "Cellar Master Workshops" to put together their own Cognac and leave with their bottle.

www.abecassis-cognac.com

A. DE FUSSIGNY

The cognacs produced by A. DE FUSSIGNY are created along the most traditional of lines in this distillery founded in 1814 on the edge of the River Charente in the historic centre of Cognac.

www.adezufussigny.com

THOMAS HINE & CO

This is one of the oldest cognac firms in Jarnac, having been founded in 1763. Its building, which was completely redecorated by British designer Russell SAGE, has a fantastic, astonishing atmosphere. .

www.hinecognac.com

DELAMAIN

This cognac firm with Irish origins specialises in the production of old cognacs from the Grande-Champagne growing area. The master blender reveals some of his secrets of blending and ageing cognac during a visit to the 18th century storerooms situated on the edge of the River Charente in Jarnac's historic district.

www.delamain-cognac.fr

DUPUY / BACHE-GABRIELSEN

SPECIAL SCANDINAVIAN CLIENTELE

Run by the BACHE-GABRIELSEN family for four generations, this firm with a 'Norwegian accent' has been producing cognacs in the centre of Cognac since 1852. After a quiet ageing in the historic storerooms, the cognacs are exported around the entire world.

www.bache-gabrielsen.com

TIFFON-BRAASTAD

SPECIAL SCANDINAVIAN CLIENTELE

This cognac firm, founded in 1875, stands like some stone vessel on the banks of the River Charente in Jarnac. Its spectacular building is home to the distillery and ten stills, the blending rooms and a remarkable museum. The Norwegian origins of this superb family business jump out at you during each stage of the tour.

www.cognac-tiffon.fr - www.braastad.com

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ACTIVITIES – Discover the vineyards differently...

RIVER CRUISING

The Charente snakes over 370km all the way to the Atlantic ocean and offers a journey along the water at your leisure. Navigable from Angoulême by houseboat, the Charente invites you on a "long-distance" singular journey, **punctuated by manual locks, small curved bridges and fisheries.**

On the banks, there are numerous stops and they allow you to see Angoulême, image and comic book capital, the post-card village of Saint-Simon, Bassac and its one thousand year old abbey, the great Cognac trading houses in Jarnac and Cognac, Saintes and its Gallo-Roman heritage, etc.

Location de bateaux habitables

Easy to manoeuvre, and not requiring a licence, these river boats can comfortably accommodate from 2 to 10 people as you explore the Charente by water.

Intercroisières

14 boats, based at Sireuil
www.intercroisieres.com
intercroisieres@orange.fr

Le Boat

29 boats, based at Jarnac
www.leboat.fr/tourisme-fluvial/des-destinations/france/charente
info@leboat.fr

Les Canalous

3 boats, based at Cognac
www.canalous-plaisance.fr/Infos-touristiques-au-depart-de-Cognac.html

GOLF

Golf du Cognac

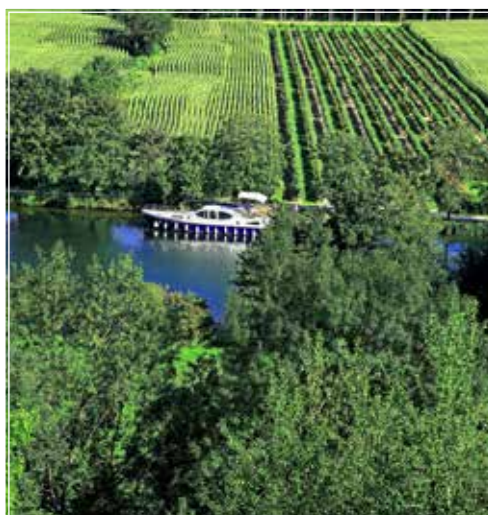
Near Cognac and Jarnac, the Golf du Cognac (Cognac golf club), has a par-72 18-hole course and was designed by former leading French golfer Jean Garaïade, is set amid vineyards on a slope overlooking the River Charente. Its restaurant has a terrace looking out onto the course.
www.golfducognac.com
accueilgolfcognac@orange.com

Bateaux de promenades

Le Chabot - Jarnac

This boat based at Jarnac offers trips with a commentary, and which last either 90 minutes or 3 hours. Private hire on request. Capacity: 26 passengers. Trips from May to September.

www.randonneefluviale.fr/le-chabot



HOT-AIR BALLOON

Discovering the vineyards of Cognac from the sky is a privileged and unforgettable experience.

Montgolfière Evasion

Based in Plassac-Rouffiac, the Montgolfière Evasion association ('montgolfière' is the French word for hot-air balloon) offers people the chance to climb aboard and explore the Charente landscape from the sky, between the Charente Valley and the vineyards of Cognac.

www.montgolfieres-charentes.com
mongolfiereevasion16@gmail.com

Charente Montgolfières

Based at Blanzac-Porcheresse, Charente Montgolfières lays on flights for individuals and groups, leaving from several different sites in the Charente.

www.charente-montgolfieres.fr



Gabarres

La Renaissance – Saint Simon

The traditional riverboat or gabarre 'La Renaissance' is based in the traditional riverboat village of Saint-Simon. It's an exact replica of the flat-bottomed boats that travelled along the River Charente as far as the sea. Capacity: 70 passengers (including 3 crew members).

Three trips a day on the river from mid-April to mid-October.

www.village-gabarrier.fr



AROUND COGNAC... CHARENTE VALLEY

ANGOULEME



ANGOULEME Tourist Office
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www.angouleme-tourisme.com

ACCESS

- **BY TRAIN**
from July 2017 :
1.40 from Paris Montparnasse and 1.00 from Bordeaux - Direct TGV
- **BY CAR :**
1.30 from Bordeaux,
1.20 from Poitiers,
4.20 from Paris,
1.50 from La Rochelle,
0.40 from Cognac.



MUST-SEE

GUIDED VISIT OF ANGOULEME WITH "VIA PATRIMOINE"

The Via patrimoine association which manages the Pays d'art et d'histoire de l'Angoumois et de la ville d'Angoulême certification offers numerous thematic and bespoke heritage visits for groups undertaken by guide-lecturers: frescoes, tours of the Château Comtal, treasure of the Saint-Pierre Cathedral, etc.

VIA PATRIMOINE

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INTERNATIONAL COMIC STRIP AND PICTURE CENTRE

Includes the Comic Strip Museum, temporary exhibitions, specialist bookshop, library and cinema.

www.citebd.org

equipe_accueil@citebd.org

contact@citebd.org

A CELEBRATION OF THE COMIC TRIP

Situated to the east of Cognac, Angoulême stands on a hill above the Charente - walk or cycle the shady towpath or just sit back and enjoy a relaxing river cruise. The town was once famous for its thriving paper industry and visitors can discover its industrial and artistic history at **Le Nil Paper Museum**.

Today, this picturesque town is better known as the '**Capital of the Comic Strip**', attracting writers, artists and enthusiasts from all over the world to its vibrant January festival. Visit the **Comic Strip Museum**, housed in a beautifully restored wine warehouse beside the river. Here you can discover every kind of comic strip - known as BD or bande dessinée in French - through a collection of 8 000 original plates and drawings, as well as temporary exhibitions of international standing.

Leave the river banks to find **the 21 painted walls** dotted through the town centre. And watch out for the street names, written inside speech bubbles like an open air comic strip. The **Romanesque church of Saint-Pierre cathedral** is definitely worth a stopover too, with its intricate sculptures and characteristic cupolas. Just behind it, **the town museum** houses paleontology collections that include the remains of dinosaurs found in Charente, as well as archaeology, fine arts, and art from Africa and Australasia. Then soak up the panoramic view from **the town ramparts** that have been the location for a vintage car race every September for 70 years.

Each year at the end of January in Angoulême, **the International Comic Book Festival** takes over the town in the last weekend of January. Over 250 exhibitors and 1,600 authors from 36 nationalities meet there to the joy of some 220,000 festival goers.



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THE TREASURE OF THE SAINT-PIERRE CATHEDRAL OF ANGOULÊME BY JEAN-MICHEL OTHONIEL

The renovation site of the Saint-Pierre Cathedral of Angoulême was completed in style with the opening to the public of its **"Treasure" which highlights a remarkable collection of Liturgical Art objects from the 19th century**. The scenography was entrusted to the artist Jean-Michel Othoniel who designed an immersive work linking contemporary art to history.

The blown coloured glass with magical and baroque notes is at the heart of the scenography. The stained glass with infinite shades of blue and gold gives off a coloured light which contributes to the dreamlike atmosphere of the place. Three rooms have been equipped to highlight nearly 150 objects. Monstrances, reliquaries, statues, chalices, etc. it is a unique collection from the Neo-Roman period which is magnificently unveiled.

Information on this work is insured via guide-lecturers from Via Patrimoine and visits can only be made upon reservation with the Musée d'Angoulême.



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www.lacharente.com/fiche/detail/174278

viapatrimoine@gmail.com

THE PAPER MUSEUM

A bridge building spanning the Charente river, **this museum presents a permanent exhibition on the history of the paper industry in Charente**, as well as temporary exhibitions from international artists: **in 2017, it is the Chinese man Li Hongbo**, who is becoming a leading figure in Chinese sculpture who has chosen the Paper museum for his first exhibition in France (exhibition from 12th May to 31st December 2017)

www.musee-du-papier.fr

museepapier@mairie-angouleme.fr

ANGOULÊME MUSEUM

One of France's most beautiful collections of African and Australasian arts, as well as one floor dedicated to fine arts, and an archaeology and paleontology department that includes dinosaur bones discovered in the local area at Angeac.

A grand **exhibition on the dinosaurs of Charente** will be housed in the museum from 20th May to 31st December.

www.musee-angouleme.fr

musees@mairie-angouleme.fr

THE FRESCO STROLL

Discover the town in a fun way by heading off in search of **its 25 frescoes and their comic book heroes!** Wonderful surprises on the corner of the streets, real works of art, some of which

come alive at night thanks to the magic of projected light! The works are commissioned and created by muralists from the Cité de la Création, while respecting the architecture and the urban landscape.

Guided visits for groups.

www.angouleme-tourisme.com



LES BATEAUX ROUGES

Many visitors explore the Charente from its banks and bridges, but take to the water and you will enjoy a completely different perspective. Get close to the flora and fauna, and really appreciate the tranquillity of the river on board an eco-friendly and silent electric boat – no licence or experience necessary. You can even book breakfast afloat in summer and by reservation.

www.lesbateauxrouges.com

bienvenue@lesbateauxrouges.com

RIVER CROSSING ON THE REINE MARGOT

This new passenger cruise boat offers simple cruises or cruises with a meal on the Charente. Departing from Angoulême - 120 person capacity - Length: from 2 hours 15 mins. to 3 hours 15 mins.

www.charentecroisieres.fr

mail@charentecroisieres.fr

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DISCOVER OLD ANGOULÊME ON BOARD LE TRAIN DES VALOIS SIGHTSEEING TRAIN

This little train allows you to discover the town of Angoulême by freeing yourself from the relief: the old town is built on a headland overlooking the valleys of Charente and Anguienne. The (recorded) commentary was created by guide-lecturers: it allows you to discover the historical heritage, the monuments, the frescoes, the river, etc. Length: 1 hour

www.letraindesvalois.fr

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ACCOMMODATIONS

HOTEL RESTAURANT LE SAINT GELAIS 4*

Skilfully converted in a 19th century building, Le Saint Gelais is a charming high-end hotel. Nestled in a calm neighbourhood of Angoulême, it offers 7 rooms and 5 suites with a contemporary atmosphere, a gourmet restaurant opening out onto a spacious tree-lined terrace, with a breathtaking view of the Notre Dame d'Obezone church.

www.hotel-saint-gelais-angouleme.com

contact@hotel-saint-gelais-angouleme.com

HOTEL MERCURE ANGOULÊME - HÔTEL DE FRANCE 4*

A completely renovated former private mansion in the heart of Angoulême, its garden, terrace, the "Le Jardin des Arceaux" restaurant and its new designer décor make it an especially popular place.

h1213@accor.com

www.mercure.com/fr/hotel-1213-mercure-angouleme-hotel-de-france

Contact commercial : Karine RENAY

HOTEL DU PALAIS 3*

Former 18th century convent located in a pretty square of the old town, it enjoys rooms and family suites rich in colour.

info@hotel-angouleme.fr

www.hotel-angouleme.fr

M. Dominiques THEMINES

HOTEL EUROPÉEN 3*

Ideally located near to shops and restaurants, with thirty recently renovated rooms offering excellent value for money.

www.europeenhotel.com

Contact commercial : Hervé FURLAN - europeenhotel@wanadoo.fr

POLE IBIS ANGOULÊME NORD :

- IBIS STYLE3 3*

64 spacious and comfortable rooms.

All the rooms are equipped with WiFi access. Located near to the RN10 (Paris-Bordeaux) and RN141 (Limoges-Angoulême) interchanges and only 7 kilometres from the town centre of Angoulême.

WiFi – parking – air conditioning

Tourisme & Handicap Certification (disabled accessibility) motor, visual, mental and/or hearing disabilities

Languages spoken: British English and Spanish

www.ibis.com/fr/hotel-0397-ibis-styles-angouleme-nord/index.shtml

Christopher VANDEWALLE - h0397@accor.com

- IBIS BUDGET ANGOULÊME NORD 2*

Spacious and light rooms.

Nearby restaurants. Angoulême town centre 10 minutes away by car.

Parking – WiFi – air conditioning

Tourisme & Handicap Certification (disabled accessibility) motor, visual, mental and/or hearing disabilities

Languages spoken: British English and Spanish

www.accorhotels.com

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RESTAURANTS

LA RUELLA RESTAURANT 3 FORK & SPOONS IN THE MICHELIN GUIDE

At the helm of this wonderfully equipped gourmet restaurant in a former back alley where it gets its name from, Guillaume Veyssières offers an inventive and bold cuisine.

laruelle16@wanadoo.fr

www.restaurant-laruelle.com

CHEZ PAUL

Right in the heart of the town centre, in square of the law courts of old Angoulême, "Chez Paul" invites you to discover its cuisine created from fresh produce. At lunchtime there are simple and quick set menus. In the evening, take the time to enjoy the meticulous, simple and gourmet menus in an Art Deco atmosphere or on the terrace.

Open everyday (closed on Sundays from 01/11 to 01/04)

<http://www.chez-paul.fr>

chez.paul16@gmail.com

SAINTES

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ACCESS

• BY CAR:

0.50 from La Rochelle, 0.30 from Cognac,
1.15 from Bordeaux, 1.20 from Poitiers, 4.15 from Paris

• BY TRAIN:

Saintes station at 0.20 from Cognac station and 1.30 from Bordeaux



MUST-SEE

GALLO-ROMAN AMPHITHEATRE

The amphitheater is found little out of the town center. Built under the reign of Tiberius and completed under the reign of Claudius, around 40 A.D, it is one of the oldest surviving examples in France. The monument is an oval shape with a central area — the arena — and seats concentrically placed around it. The amphitheater of Saintes takes the form of a combined structure : a ca-vea (set of steps) propped upon the flanks of a dale and on an embankment at the west ; on the eastern side, the dale is closed by structures made entirely of stones and concrete. Incredibly, this huge arena would once have held 15,000 spectators. This monument reflects the requirements of the specific forms of entertainment that roman people cherished — i.e., gladiatorial games and venationes, contests of beasts with one another or of men with beasts.

amphitheatre@ville-saintes.fr

www.ville-saintes.fr

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com

The antique city of Mediolanum, the present-day town of Saintes, was the capital of the territory originally inhabited by a Gallic people submitted and assimilated by the Romans. This Gallic tribe was known as Santones whence derive the name Saintes — and Saintonge, a former province of western France, covering most of the present département of Charente-Maritime. Built in the 1st century A. D. in a loop of the river Charente, Mediolanum was the capital of roman Aquitania for one hundred years. **The city was established on a major roman road** coming from Lugdunum (the present-day town of Lyon), the capital of Gaul — a road thus linking east and west of the country. **These 2000 years of history give Saintes an air of magnificence which few provincial cities can pretend to equal.**

The prestigious remains of the antique city, the jewels of Romanesque art, the elegance of the classic facades come together in simplicity and harmony. In some way, Saintes seems to capture quite indifferently the essentials of the passing time. The atmosphere is serene and acts like a charm with the closeness of natural wealth provided by the Charente River.

The surrounding area deserves to be discovered. The centuries have shaped the Saintonge identity, a secret and living soul, an alliance of land and sea. It is nourished by **Roman art, precious vineyards and elegant chateaux**. It is a bright gateway to the ocean, the coast, the islands and estuaries. Beyond local vocations, these two influences are undeniable. It gently grows on the visitor, over the course of walks and meetings, giving charm and meaning to the discovery of Saintonge.



Gallo-roman heritage : amphitheater, aqueduct, thermal baths, antique arch, archaeological museum

Romanesque art : many remarkable Romanesque churches





THE ABBAYE AUX DAMES

The Abbaye aux Dames was the first convent in the Saintonge region. It had enormous influence, and still does thanks to its musical activities. A haven of peace right in the centre of Saintes. Visit the abbey church, a jewel of local Romanesque architecture. See if you can spot the frolicking faun on the doorway, and contemplate the town from the bell tower.



MUSICAVENTURE, STEP INSIDE THE MUSIC !

Discover this new immersive 3D musical tour, the first of its kind in France. Discover the rich history of the Abbaye aux Dames with this new high-tech self guided tour. Don a set of wireless headphones and take a stroll through hundreds of years of history, in one of the world's most important women's abbeys.

- January, February, March, November : daily from Monday to Sunday from 14h00 to 18h00
- April, May : daily from Monday to Sunday from 10h00 to 12h30 and from 14h00 to 19h00
- October, December : daily from Monday to Sunday from 10h00 to 12h30 and from 14h00 to 18h00
- June, July, August & September: daily from Monday to Sunday from 10h00 to 19h00

1st module = 8€ - 2nd module = 2€

info@abbayeauxdames.org

www.abbayeauxdames.org

COGNAC GROSPERRIN

The Cognac Groperrin house is the last family house located in Saintes, on the banks of the Charente. This enterprise is almost exclusively dedicated to the selection and production of old Cognacs.

Open from Tuesday to Saturday.

www.lagabarre.com

contact@lagabare.com

AROUND SAINTES

NORTH OF SAINTES

From hiking trails to forest paths and little country roads, the wonder awaits you such is the richness and variety of the countryside and the heritage. Some monuments are recognized by UNESCO World Heritage. **Aulnay de Saintonge and Saint Jean d'Angély**, both pilgrim resting places, respectively offer to the glance a Romanesque church and a royal abbey.

STOP AT AULNAY DE SAINTONGE

Today a must-visit for lovers of Romanesque art, the origins of Aulnay de Saintonge are to be found in a Roman military camp and a Gallo-Roman village.

Saint-Pierre church, listed as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO because of its connections with the St James of Compostella trail starting from Tours (the Via Turonesis) stands between Melle and Saint Jean d'Angély.

Visitors will be dazzled by the quality of the **carved decorations on the capitals in the interior of the nave or outside on the south portal** where can be seen a rich Romanesque bestiary.

Towards the end of the afternoon, the wonderful golden light of Saintonge glorifies the blond stonework and carvings.

Complete your exploration of this exceptional site in the remains of a **Celtic temple and the Medieval Garden set behind the apse of the church**.

A brief detour to the centre of Aulnay enables the visitor to see the remains of a medieval keep and a 17th century dovecot.

You will be beguiled by this historic site, with its vast heritage...

contact@lasaintongedoree.com

www.saintongedoree-tourisme.com



ACTIVITIES

LE PINSON'S BALLOON VOYAGES

On one of Le Pinson's exceptional balloon voyages, you'll be overwhelmed by a new emotion - suspension! Between the sky and the sea, from the amazing Gironde estuary to the poetic Marais Poitevin, your experienced captain will delight in showing you the extraordinary treasures of our region. Le Pinson flies tranquilly over the land, towns and roofs of Saintonge Dorée. On your first balloon flight, drift over Saint Jean d'Angély and from your privileged position, admire its monumental heritage born out of the religious fervour of the Middle Ages and later from the sale of cognac. Prepare to be amazed by the majesty of the Abbaye Royale in the heart of a web of medieval lanes and discover the beauty of its impressive town-houses.

alain@montgolfieredupinson.fr
www.montgolfieredupinson.fr



PACKAGE

2 days - 1 night : 259 € per person *

Day 1 : Saintes

Day-long guided tour with commentary in English

Morning : The amphitheatre, St-Eutrope's Church, the Arch of Germanicus

Lunch in a restaurant

Afternoon : The historic centre and the Abbaye aux Dames
Diner at the hotel and little harp concert.

1 night in a 3 stars hotel.

Day 2 : Cruise on the River and visit of a distillery.

Morning : Cruise on the river Charente, from Saintes to Chaniers, with commentary in English

Lunch in a restaurant set up in a watermill of the 17th century, by the Charente.

Afternoon : return boat trip and visit of a distillery at a family estate, tasting of Cognac and Pineau des Charentes

*Group rates for groups of 20 people up to 50 people. Those prices do not take into account transport and insurance. Accommodation in double room.

RIVER CRUISING

One of France's most beautiful rivers, the Charente flows leisurely through beautiful countryside between Angoulême and the Atlantic Ocean. **Historic water mills** dot the river banks, **vineyard villages** slumber beside Romanesque churches, and **ancient humpback bridges** link tiny islands rich in vegetation. The river is easy to navigate and whilst there are no longer any lock-keepers along the route, the manual locks are easy to navigate – no previous experience necessary. You can even enjoy swimming on warm days.

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com

ACCOMMODATIONS

AU BLEU NUIT 3* IN SAINTES

30 chambres

bleunuit@brithotel.fr
www.brithotel.fr

CHATEAU DE LALEARD IN SAINT HILAIRE DE VILLEFRANCHE

36 chambres

reception@chateau-de-laleard.fr
<http://www.chateau-de-laleard.fr>

HOTEL IBIS 3* IN SAINTES

71 chambres

H0750@accor.com
www.ibishotel.com

ABBAYE ROYALE IN SAINT JEAN D'ANGELY

abbayeroyale@gmail.com
<http://abbaye-royale-angely.com>

36 rooms in this 17th century listed building have been restored to offer you all comfort needed during your stay. By respecting the original structure careful restoration has preserved beams, the lime walls lime, etc.

Total number of rooms: 36

English - German - Spanish spoken

DOMAINE DE LA LAIGNE IN ASNIERES LA GIRAUD

info@domainedelalaigne.com
www.domainedelalaigne.com

15 cottages

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English spoken



NEW IN 2018

ATTRACTIVE AND LUXURY ACCOMMODATION

LES CHAIS MONNET, A 5-STAR HOTEL FROM JULY 2018 IN COGNAC

From the time the first stone was laid, it has taken two years of building work to totally transform the historic Monnet Cognac wine cellars, founded in 1838. Everything has been designed with the aim of preserving the authenticity and historic heritage of the birthplace of Jean Monnet. The hotel will have around 100 rooms, suites and apartments. A luxury spa, seminar rooms, games and a learning area for children, luxury boutiques, a brasserie, a gastronomic restaurant, a jazz bar, a Cognac / cigar tasting area... the hotel's local and international clientele will lack for nothing with attentiveness at each instant to make their trip a unique experience.

chaismonnethotel.fr

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– Relais et Châteaux. Mirambeau (Charente-Maritime). 40 rooms, 1 Carira spa, 1-star Michelin restaurant, outdoor heated pool. New: major renovation work completed in 2016 with 18 rooms renovated in a château wing + 2 seminar rooms. 18 luxury rooms.

www.chateauxmirambeau.com/fr/

17150 Mirambeau - Tel.: 05 46 04 91 20

reservation@chateaumirambeau.com

5-STAR DOMAINE DES ETANGS- MASSIGNAC (CHARENTES)

The biggest 5-star resort in France, extending over 1000 hectares of preserved nature, a Château with seven rooms, a 1-star Michelin restaurant, spa and six luxury gîtes. An exceptional site including a fully renovated 11th century château, decorated with contemporary art works, a landscaped park, six farm buildings, a farmhouse, a vegetable garden, Gallo-Roman thermal baths, two swimming pools, a floating tennis court, a Michelin-starred gastronomic restaurant... Available for private functions (weddings, seminars, etc.). Cookery lessons, boat trips on the lake, horse-riding, spa, yoga lessons, 18-hole golf course nearby, helicopter, private jet, etc.

www.domainedesetangs.com

el. 05 45 61 85 00

reservations@domainedesetangs.com

BUSINESS TOURISM

JONZAC NEW CONGRESS CENTRE (opened in October 2017)

HAUTE SAINTONGE – JONZAC: A 4-STAR HOTEL RESIDENCE near the Congress Centre with 92 apartments managed by the Vacances Bleues group. June 2018.

GASTRONOMY/WINE TOURISM

COGNAC: LA MAISON CAMUS

CAMUS organises a range of visits and workshops, introducing visitors to its Cognacs and to a large number of exceptional wines, with the chance not only to enjoy a unique taste and sense experience with the brand's Cognacs, but also to immerse yourself in the culture, heritage and values of CAMUS in a traditional setting symbolising the philosophy of independence, tradition, quality and innovation that are the CAMUS hallmarks. Become a Head Blender : Step into the shoes of the head blender at CAMUS and explore a very exciting world. After an introduction to the art of tasting, you can blend a unique Cognac in your own style. Supervised by a professional from the brand, you select your own eaux-de-vie from among the best Cognac vintages before blending them – and savouring the result.

Duration: 2 hrs. Price: €160 per adult, including a 50cl bottle of your own Cognac XO. All the year round.

<http://www.camuschina.com>

ACTIVITIES / LEISURE / NEW CULTURAL SITES / WINE TOURISM/ EVENTS, ETC.

THE MARTELL FOUNDATION INAUGURATES THE MARTELL DE SELGASCANO PAVILION, IN COGNAC

The Martell Foundation has just inaugurated the Martell de SelgasCano Pavilion, which is the first piece of work by the pair of Spanish architects. The company foundation was established in 2016 and is developing a programme dedicated to discovering and experimenting with culture and know-how, while fostering local, national and international dialogue and collaboration. Embodied by a modernist building right in the centre of Cognac, the Foundation will eventually expand to occupy nearly 5,000 m² on 5 floors.

The ground floor and roof terrace will be re-opened to the public in spring 2018, followed gradually by the other floors. Martell is always working with architects, designers, artists and artistic directors and regularly supports ambitious art projects.

www.fondationdentreprenismartell.com

**MYSTERRA®, A NEW TAKE ON LABYRINTHS,
AT MONTENDRE - OPENS APRIL 2018**

Mysterra is world of relaxation, set in 11 hectares of nature where everyone, from 5 to 85, can choose their own experience. It has 6 labyrinths, designed by the forest and crafted by landscape architects, to play in, stroll, meditate or lose yourself, plus you can also discover the work of contemporary artists of today and tomorrow. Some of the trails take you further still, into games and challenges. You can use your smartphone or tablet to get an augmented reality view of a labyrinth forming in front of your eyes and to get out, you have to solve a series of puzzles. The park follows to a sustainable development approach and has secured the National Biodiversity Strategy label from the French Ministry of the Environment. Thanks to its scope and originality, Mysterra® is going to be the first park of this type in France and in Europe.

www.parc-mysterra.fr/

DISTILLERY CELEBRATIONS IN COGNAC

December 2017 to March 2018

Working distilleries are opening their doors and inviting the public to discover the secrets of making Cognac.

There is an events programme for every weekend during the period and in the Christmas school holidays too.

It features meals with the distillers, theatre by the still, concerts in the wine cellar, tastings and special menus at participating restaurants.

www.cognacetapes.com

Poitiers

and surrounding area



HISTORIC TOWN WITH A CONTEMPORARY EDGE

Regional capital, Roman capital, delve into over 2,000 years of history and take in all there is to see and hear.

Discover over 80 listed constructions across four historic heritage trails in the town centre. Outside of the Roman period, many architectural feats were achieved in Poitiers: ancient remains of the Roman amphitheatre from the 1st Century, medieval streets and squares with their half-timbered houses, luxury mansion houses from the 15th and 16th Centuries and many other public or civilian masterpieces in Baroque, Gothic, Renaissance or Art Nouveau style.

Lifestyle in Poitiers is propitious to relaxing pauses on the banks of the Clain or in the many nature areas, parks and gardens. Café terraces, restaurants and other establishments, which are lively all year round, are ideal for food lovers.



POITIERS Tourist Office

accueil@ot-poitiers.fr

<http://ot-poitiers.fr>

ACCESS

• BY CAR :

3.10 from Paris,

2.30 from Bordeaux,

1.30 from La Rochelle,

1.45 from Cognac.

• BY TRAIN :

1.17 from Paris

2.30 from Charles

de Gaulle airport.

MUST-SEE

THE NOTRE-DAME-LA-GRANDE CHURCH

The Notre-Dame-la-Grande church has one of the most magnificent groups of sculptures in Europe, and is remarkable due to the abundance of decor on its façade. This is a real work of art in the form of «legible» timelines. Inside, the numerous arches and columns showcase a spectacular decor (painted in the 19th Century) which is reminiscent of the polychromy which existed in Roman times. This same polychromy was the origin of lighting creations by Skertzo artists, projected onto the façade each evening in summer and over the festive period.

SAINT-JEAN BAPTISTERY

Saint-Jean Baptistry is one of the oldest Christian monuments dedicated to baptism. The octagonal baptismal pool lies at the very centre of this small building, which is also home to a group of Roman and Gothic mural paintings.



PALACE OF THE COUNTS OF POITOU-DUCS D'AQUITAINE

Currently serving as the law courts, the Palace of the Counts of Poitou-ducs d'Aquitaine was formerly one of the residences of Aliénor d'Aquitaine. This is one of the most magnificent architectural creations from the Middle Ages which is still visible today. The Palace is famed for the immense Aliénor ballroom, named the «salle des pas perdus» and the former dungeon, Maubergeon Tower.

THE EPISCOPAL DISTRICT

This is an ideal walk to head off and discover some of the major constructions and buildings in the town: Saint-Pierre Cathedral, Saint-Jean Baptistery, etc. It follows the ancient Grand'Rue, line with half-timbered houses, narrow stone façades and magnificent mansions, which all run from the east of the overhang as far as the Clain River.



THE SAINT-HILAIRE DISTRICT

Firstly following the route of pedestrian trails, this road will take you towards Saint-Hilaire village, which is named after the very first Bishop known in Poitiers, and along the way you will discover the various sites related to this eminent figure. It will lead you as far as the Saint-Hilaire-le-Grand Church, a Unesco World Heritage Site, along the Saint-Jacques Trail.

THE MONTIERNEUF DISTRICT

With its winding route, narrow façades lining the street, the depth between courtyards and internal gardens, Rue de la Chaîne will lead you as far as Saint-Jean-de-Montierneuf Church and its picturesque district. You can enjoy a gentle stroll along this route, to discover squares, churches or mansion houses at your own rhythm.

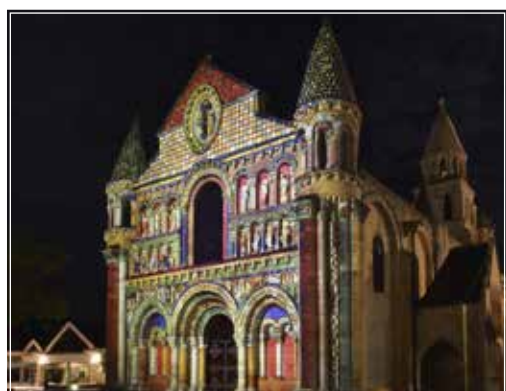
A MODERN CITY

After following this trail, you will certainly never see Poitiers in the same way ever again. City planners and architects share their understanding of the town. The design of a town square or a building is an indelible historical, political or sociological mark of a particular period. This understanding is essential for reinterpretations or construction which respects the heritage. This trail offers you the chance to discover the emblematic buildings and town developments having taken place since the 19th Century.

POLYCHROMIES OF NOTRE-DAME CHURCH

Located in the heart of the city, this Romanesque church is a jewel of the heritage of the region. Carved in the first half of the 12th century, its famous façade is covered in superb figurative and ornamental designs. Every evening at dusk, from mid-June to mid-September and in the Christmas holidays, step back into the Middle Ages with the spectacular 'Polychromies' light show on the west front of Notre-Dame la Grande church, one of Poitiers' most iconic buildings.

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com



ACCOMMODATIONS

CHATEAU DE CURZAY 4*

22 rooms - It is a Relais & Chateau property, dating back to the fifteenth century and set in 120 hectares of gorgeous parkland in the Vienne. There are a variety of courses and packages to suit all levels of horse rider. Activities: horse riding, ballooning, cycling, cookery courses, wine tasting, rowing and a wellness centre.

www.chateau-curzay.com info@chateau-curzay.com

HOTEL PLAZA FUTUROSCOPE 4*

274 rooms

Only 10mn from Poitiers city centre and facing Futuroscope, The Plaza offers 2 categories (Plaza rooms or Top-Club rooms, 3 or 4 stars), an indoor pool, a restaurant and a bar.

www.hotel-plaza-site-du-futuroscope.com reservation@plaza-futuroscope.com

MERCURE POITIERS CENTER 4*

A four star hotel in a former chapel of the Jesuit Fathers right in the heart of the town centre. The outside walls, the vault and the bell tower of the chapel will be preserved. The lower part of the chapel welcomes a bar and the "Les Archives" restaurant. 50 rooms

www.mercure.com/fr/hotel-8539-hotel-mercure-poitiers-centre/index.shtml h8589@accor.com

LE GRAND HOTEL 4*

47 rooms in the town center, close to the town hall

www.grandhotelpoitiers.fr direction@grandhotelpoitiers.com

INTERHOTEL ALTEORA FUTUROSCOPE 3*

Close to the Futuroscope

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PACKAGE

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Something to celebrate? A birthday? A present to give? How about a delightful "privilege" escapade in Poitiers? Any excuse to enjoy a good time!

Whatever the occasion, you'll hit the bulls-eye with a break in Poitiers.

To start with, a surprising gourmet reception at your 4* hotel where your room is in the unusual environment of a former chapel. This is the starting point for your exploration of the rich heritage of the city centre!

Dinner is served in the restaurant, itself inventive, modern and romantic...

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AROUND POITIERS

ABBAY CHURCH ST-SAVIN, UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE

Some 45kms east of Poitiers, the abbey church of Saint-Savin-sur-Gartempe is an architectural jewel and has been described as 'the Sistine Chapel of the Romanesque period'. First thing that strikes most visitors is the size : with **42m in length and 17m wide, the nave gives an immediate feeling of light and space.** But look up to see the real treasures of this remarkable building. **The vaulted ceiling is covered in paintings, a picture book of biblical scenes 17m above the floor.** Commissioned by Benedictine monks in the 11th century, the paintings cover 460 m² and, laid end to end, would stretch for 168m. The walls of the crypt are also decorated with paintings that depict the martyrdom of Saint Savin and Saint Cyprien. The abbey church has been listed by UNESCO since 1983 on two counts: as a masterpiece of human creative genius and as an outstanding example of a lost civilisation.



- Self-guided visits with an explanatory booklet (French, English, German, Spanish or Italian) - Full rate: 8€; Reduced rate: 6,50€; Free until 12 yo.

- With an official guide ; The guided tour allows the access of the church gallery. Full rate: 9€; Reduced rate: 7.50€; Free until 12 yo

- Groups (15+): Visits possible all year long on demand only, also in english and spanish. Adult rate(guided tour): 7€ (5€ with your own guide).

www.abbaye-saint-savin.fr

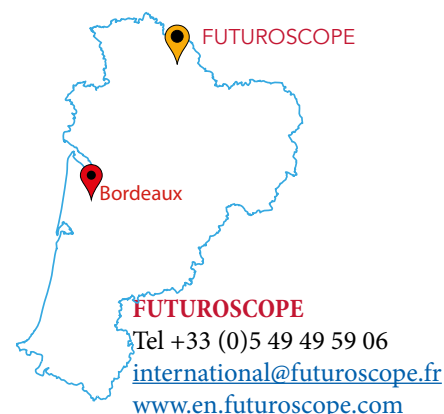
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GET AWAY TO ONE OF FRANCE'S MOST POPULAR AMUSEMENT PARKS AND THE ONLY ONE OF ITS KIND IN EUROPE !

Set off on amazing journeys and dive headlong into the fantastic, fun and festive Futuroscope atmosphere as it celebrates its 30th anniversary in 2017!

Futuroscope is following in the footsteps of Jules Verne with a new-look journey around the world in its latest ride **The Extraordinary Journey**.

Take to the skies aboard an incredible machine with your legs hanging free, and feel the thrill of being lighter than air... Fly like a bird to the edge of make-believe, whoosh by mirages in the desert, base-jump from the top of a skyscraper in a futuristic city, and more...



THE EXTRAORDINARY JOURNEY

THE ONLY FLIGHT MOTION PLATFORM IN EUROPE.

Futuroscope has created a technology-leading attraction system that combines a 90° tilting platform and a 6K film showing a mix of real and computer-generated 3D images on a 6,450-ft² surround screen to bring visitors the ultimate immersive experience of flying like a bird around the world.



ACCESS

- **BY TRAIN :**
1.30 from Paris to Futuroscope station or Poitiers
- **BY CAR :**
0.15 from Poitiers,
1.30 from La Rochelle,
2.20 from Bordeaux,
3.00 from Paris

icism, Orientalism, Ingrism, Symbolism) take visitors all the way through to the remarkable series of seven sculptures by Camille Claudel. Modern art from the early 20th century is brilliantly illustrated in paintings by Mondrian, Bonnard, Vuillard, Sisley, Marquet, etc.
www.musees-poitiers.org

ATTRACTIVE AND LUXURY ACCOMMODATION

New 2018

IN JUNE 2018, A HOTEL WILL BE OPENING FOR BUSINESS IN THE MAGNIFICENT CHÂTEAU DE DISSAY, with the aim of a 5-star classification, making it the only hotel in its category in all the Vienne region. What's more, the top-of-the-range brasserie and gastronomic restaurant will be headed by the chef Richard Toix. www.chateaudedissay.com/ 86130 Dissay
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direction@chateaudedissay.com - 05 49 11 11 11

ACTIVITIES / LEISURE / NEW CULTURAL SITES / WINE TOURISM/ EVENTS, ETC.

YOU CAN BE SÉBASTIEN LOEB'S CO-PILOT AT FUTUROSCOPE!

From April 2018, drive with Sébastien Loeb, the famous French rally driver! In a dynamic bucket seat with a virtual reality headset, you will set off in the car with the 9-times Rally World Championship winner!

CULTURE, LOCAL SKILLS

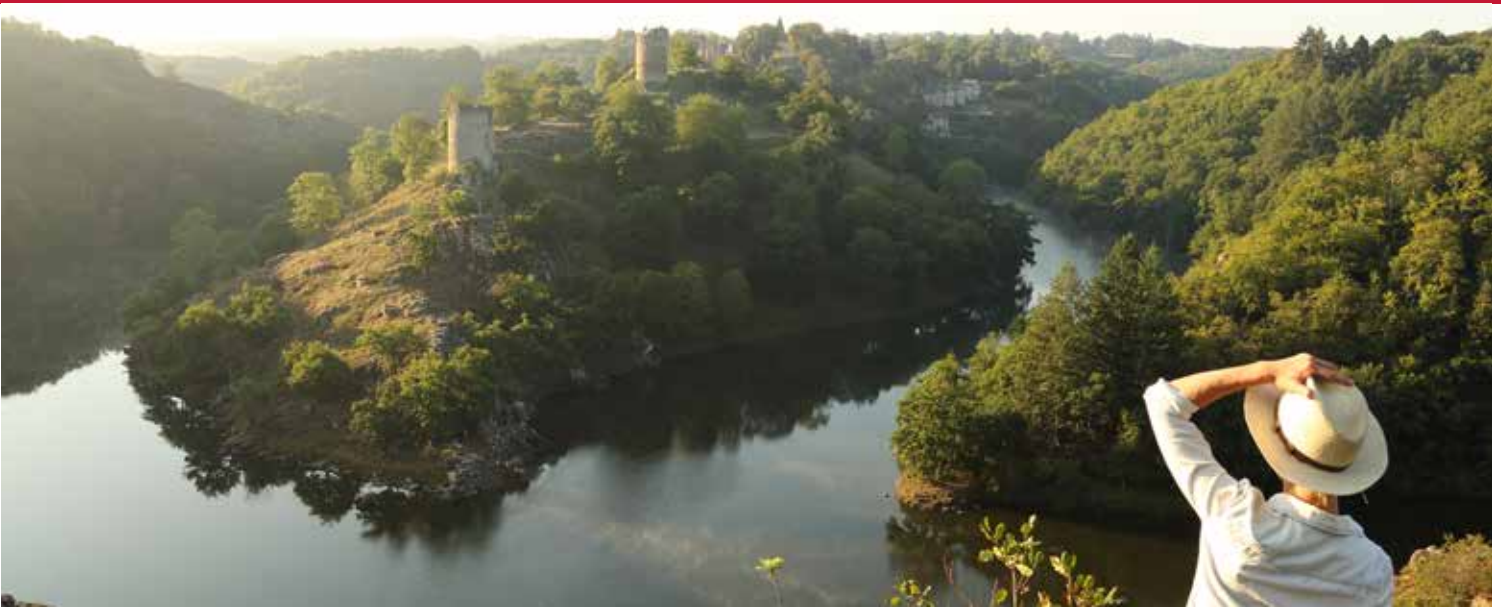
POITIERS FINE ARTS MUSEUM

The Sainte-Croix Museum, built in 1974, is the leading museum in Poitou-Charentes for the wealth of its artistic and archaeological collections. The Fine Arts collections on display range from the 14th century to contemporary art. The major artistic movements of the 19th century (Neoclas-
www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com

YOUR HEAD IN THE STARS WITH FUTUROSCOPE AND THOMAS PESQUET.

The youngest French astronaut invites visitors to follow his 6-month adventure in space, from his training before the launch of the International Space Station until his last few minutes on board. www.futuroscope.com/

Limousin



Haute Vienne Tourist Office
www.tourisme-hautevienne.com
Correze Tourist Office
www.tourismecorreze.com
Creuse Tourist Office
www.tourisme-creuse.com

Limousin, THE DAWNING OF LUXURY

Internationally renowned for its porcelain, Limoges is a multifaceted city rich in history, art, nature, and full of authenticity. Limoges reveals an important legacy reflecting 2000 years of history and is recognized as "City of Art and History" (religious buildings, civil and military architecture, industrial heritage).

Moreover, in the Limousin area, Limoges is the gateway to excellence and luxury. Here, prestigious manufacturers, and craftsmen and women strive to enhance their know-how, offering a range of luxury brands to an international clientele. Admire the leather creations, jewellery, enamels, stained glass, tapestry, furniture, ready-to-wear fashion... from historical to contemporary pieces through workshops, showrooms and museums. So, treat yourself to a piece of Limoges !



ACCESS

BY TRAIN:
3 hours from Paris-Austerlitz

BY CAR:
A20 motorway (to the south of Paris)

BY PLANE:
Limoges International Airport

About the Airport

WELCOME TO LIMOGES

LIG is ideally located in midwestern France: a 2.5 hours' drive to the Atlantic coast, as well as to the mountains of the Massif central.

The diversity of the landscape makes it a paradise for nature lovers and those in search of peace and quiet. Tourists can also enjoy a wide range of nature activities : fishing in many lakes, ponds and rivers, horse-riding, golf, mountain biking. Travel through the region and discover The Vezere Valley, the Millevaches plateau, the Dordogne gorges, the Vienne Valley, medieval villages and their history and delicious gastronomy.

Regarding passengers traffic, Limoges is the largest in the area, within 2 hours' radius by car. Close to the city centre (10kms), Limoges Airport offers modern facilities and improved infrastructures. There are also plans to extend current facilities. On site, a hotel, restaurant, snack-bar/café, a travel agency and several rental car companies offer their services all year-round.

The airport has successfully achieved +6.2% growth in 2017 with around more than 309,000 passengers. Its success was driven by the UK market, boosted by the opening of the London Gatwick route (+8.3%) and charter flights (+81.2%). This summer (2018), Limoges Airport will provide 7 destinations to the UK (London Stansted, London Gatwick, Manchester, Southampton, East Midlands, Bristol and Leeds-Bradford), 3 destinations to the South of France (Nice, Ajaccio and Bastia) and 15 charter flights to the South of Europe (2 Malaga, 3 Portugal, 2 Madeira, Croatia, Malta, Crete, Italy, Greece, Sicily, 2 Palma de Majorca).

Come and fly with Limoges Airport ...

FACTS AND FIGURES

- List of Top 5 Airlines: Ryanair, Flybe, Chalcir, Twinjet, British Airways
- Number of Serving Airlines: 9 scheduled airlines in the summer of 2018
- Number of Direct Destinations: 25 scheduled destinations for the summer of 2018
- Number of Terminals: 1
- Number of Runways: 1
- Length of Main Runway (m): 2,500
- Number of Passengers: 309.628 in 2017
- Ownership:
 - 49.6% Nouvelle- Aquitaine region,
 - 25.2% Haute-Vienne County Council,
 - 25.2% Limoges Agglomeration,
- Total Catchment Population: more than 1 million within 90' drive
- Urban Population: 208.390 (Agglomeration of Limoges)

MUST-SEE

LIMOGES, a **UNESCO CREATIVE CITY**, is the capital of fire arts. Its porcelain, enamel and stained-glass know-how are a combination of traditional skills and creative innovation. Limoges is also a Town of Art and History which offers visitors 2.000 years of history and heritage.

Limoges Bénédictins, one of Europe's finest railway stations, overlooks the city from the top of its bell tower. Stroll through la Cité district, the town's medieval streets, past Saint-Etienne cathedral. The **Fine Arts Museum**, located in the old 18th century episcopal palace, boasts archaeological vestiges, paintings (by Auguste Renoir, Maurice Denis, Suzanne Valadon...), and one of Europe's finest collections of enamel works, from medieval to contemporary items.



AROUND LIMOGES

On one of the Routes to Santiago de Compostela, **SAINT-LEONARD DE NOBLAT**, 30 minutes from Limoges, boasts a remarkable collegiate church, registered on UNESCO's world heritage list.

In the outskirts of the martyred village of **ORADOUR-SUR-GLANE**, the memorial centre recounts the events which led to the massacre of the town's inhabitants on June 10th, 1944. The art of tapestry-making is in the limelight in **AUBUSSON** and Felletin : a skill registered on UNESCO's intangible world heritage list. The Cité internationale de la Tapisserie venue is a 1.200 square metre exhibition which takes visitors on a journey throughout the centuries to explore tapestry-making and discover the most creative contemporary works as well.

The unspoilt wilderness around **CROZANT** and the Painters' Valley inspired many an Impressionist artist, including Claude Monet and Arnaud Guillaumin.

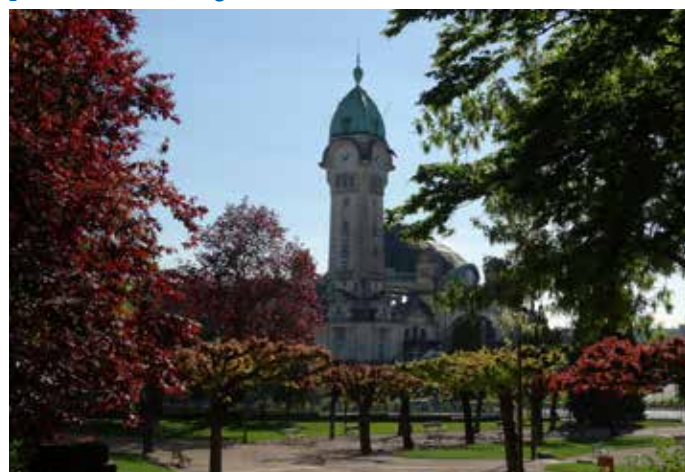
Head down south to discover Corrèze, along the Richard the Lionheart trail, and stop over at château de **POMPADOUR** to explore its national stud farm, then head off to visit three "Plus beaux villages de France" ("France's most beautiful villages"): **COLLONGES-LA-ROUGE**, Turenne and Curemonte.

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Discover the **medieval architecture** of the houses in the Butchers's district, and taste regional specialties in the area around the Halles de Limoges covered market. Wander through the city's streets and contemplate the Art Deco buildings, and la Cour du Temple with its Renaissance-style town-houses.

Admire the finesse, whiteness and transparency which gave **Limoges porcelain** its international fame, at the Adrien Dubouché Porcelain Museum, Bernardaud Manufacture and in shops, galleries and designer workshops. Luxury know-how shines in and around Limoges, with Weston leather shoes, and leather glove factories in Saint-Junien, who work for the world's great fashion designers, not to mention the art of weaving at Aubusson's Cité internationale de la Tapisserie ...



AROUND BRIVE LA GAILLARDE :

▣ MOST BEAUTIFUL VILLAGES IN FRANCE :

COLLONGES LA ROUGE

Picturesque Collonges is the town where the « France's most beautiful villages » association was created . This unique village is entirely built of reddish sandstone.

Nearby : Turenne, Curemonte, Saint Robert, Segur le Chateau.



▣ AUBAZINE AND COCO CHANEL

French fashion designer Mademoiselle Chanel was 12 years old when she was sent to Aubazine abbey orphanage in Corrèze (1895). It was a stark, frugal life, demanding strict discipline. She learned to sew during the six years she spent living there.

The elegance of simple fabrics, the refinement of sober colours... Coco Chanel drew her inspiration from this majestic place. In fact, the prestigious Chanel logo comes from the intertwining letters "C" on the abbey's stained-glass windows.

The abbey, with its pure architectural lines and stone walls, is nestled in a preserved decor at the heart of the medieval village of Aubazine. It was built in the 12th century and is a listed Historical Monument. It attracts many visitors and numerous events take place here each year.



GOURMET LIMOGES

Limousin beef is considered to be among the world's finest meats. Baronnet lamb and Cul-Noir pork are also quality culinary references. Pâté de pomme de terre, cherry clafoutis, chestnut cakes... there are many Limousin delicacies to choose from.

A NEW STAR IN LIMOGES !

Gilles Dudognon was awarded a Michelin star in 2018, with his La Chapelle Saint-Martin « Relais-châteaux » restaurant. Pierre Neveu from La Table d'Olivier in Brive also boasts this award.

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com



▣ THE DORDOGNE VALLEY, A UNESCO BIOSPHERE RESERVE

Take a gabarre boat ride down the « river of hope » and admire the breathtaking scenery of the Dordogne gorges.

Argentat, an old gabarre boat port and Beaulieu sur Dordogne « the Limousin riviera » are also well-worth a visit.

www.vallee.dordogne.com

PACKAGE

"AROUND COLETTE AND COCO CHANEL"

The morning will be dedicated to discovering the Jardins de Colette, which are a floral journey into the life and work of the writer Colette. Guided visit of the old area of Brive which marked her period. Lunch in the Le Saint-Julien restaurant. Then it is on to Aubazine following in the footsteps of Coco Chanel who stayed, from the ages of 12 to 18 in the orphanage of the abbey where she was inspired to create clothes with clean lines and neutral colours. Visit the different rooms, the cloister of the Cistercian Abbey and the abbatial church.

55 people maximum per group

From 50 people: €41 per person

Brive la Gaillarde Tourist Office

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ACCOMMODATIONS

GREEN DE SAINT LAZARE HOTEL 3* IN LIMOGES

Southern Limoges on a golf course.

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www.legreensaintlazare.com

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« THE LIMOUSIN RIVIERA »

Jean-Yves CASTANET

hotel.lebeaulieu@orange.fr

www.hotelelebeaulieudordogne.com

LE FRANCE HOTEL 3* IN AUBUSSON

21 rooms. The restaurant seats 110.

Rene-Jean HAWAI and Valerie AUDOUZE

contact@aubussonlefrance.com

www.aubussonlefrance.com



BEST WESTERN LE RICHELIEU 3* IN LIMOGES

This former mansion was built in the early 20th century. It is located in the town hall district of Limoges. It has preserved its private residence spirit, over the years. Recent renovations have added a contemporary touch and all the modern comfort. 46 rooms and suites, from 85 € per night.

Elena THARAUD

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info@hotel-richelieu.com

www.hotel-richelieu-limoges.com



LA CHAPELLE SAINT-MARTIN 4* in Nieul, near LIMOGES

You are invited to enter the universe of this 4-star hotel, which has been a member of the prestigious “Relais et Châteaux” label since 1973. Enjoy an exceptional stay in a 19th century bourgeois house which used to belong to a porcelain-maker, in the heart of a 30 hectare park. 14 rooms and suites, from 135 € per night. An unexpected and sophisticated culinary experience awaits you, courtesy of Gilles Dudognon, who was awarded a Michelin Star in 2018. Seminar and reception rooms available for up to 250 guests.

Aude BOURLIATAUX Tel. +33 555 75 80 17

info@chapellesaintmartin.com

www.chapellesaintmartin.com

HOTEL CAMPANILE CENTRE-GARE 3* in LIMOGES

This accommodation is one of the most recent Campanile hotels. It is a new generation hotel, which opened in June of 2017 in the centre of Limoges, halfway between downtown and Limoges railway station. The building is modern and its style is contemporary with an indoor garden. From 70 € per night. Seminar rooms available with a panoramic terrace overlooking the city.

Sandra JOHACHIM Tel. +33 555 10 70 60

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www.campanile.com/fr/hotels/campanile-limoges-centre-gare

HOTEL MERCURE ROYAL LIMOUSIN 4* in LIMOGES

City centre. 82 rooms, from 85 € per night.

+33 555 34 65 30

h5955@accor.com

www.mercure-limoges.com



HOTEL NOVOTEL LIMOGES LE LAC 3* in LIMOGES

Northern Limoges in the lac d'Uzurat district. 90 rooms, from 95 € per night.

+33 544 20 20 00

h0431@accor.com

INTER-HOTEL ATRIUM 3* in LIMOGES

City centre, near Limoges railway station. 70 rooms, from 75 € per night.

Tel. +33 555 10 75 75

ha8703@inter-hotel.com

www.interhotel-atrium.com

ACTIVITIES and GROUP OFFERS

LIMOGES,

A UNESCO CREATIVE CITY AND LUXURY KNOW-HOW

Tour of Adrien Dubouché National Museum and its collection of Limoges porcelain.

Limousin lunch in the city centre.

Guided tour of the Luxe & Excellence Showroom

Daily rates begin at 43 € per person (for a group of 30 visitors)



NEW IN 2018

GUIDED GROUP TOURS

City tours available in Italian (as well as French, English and German).

Guided tour deals from 80 € for an hour to 230 € for a day.

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LIMOGES TUK-TUK RIDES

An alternative to Limoges's tourist train : explore the town, its historical quarters and remarkable monuments on board a motorized TUK-TUK. Personalized tours available. Passenger capacity : 1 – 6 riders. Tours from 20 €.

www.petittrainlimoges.fr

Tel.: +33 643 75 65 70

tuktuk.limoges87@gmail.com



LIMOGES, NOT TO BE MISSED

Day 1 : Limoges , 2.000 years of history

Guided tour of the two hearts of the city : explore the Butchers' quarters, enjoy a Limousin meal in the Halles covered market district and visit the Medieval quarters and Saint-Etienne cathedral.

Gourmet dinner in the old district of Limoges.

Day 2 : Discover the steps involved in porcelain-making at the Bernardaud Manufacture(factory outlet shop). Lunch in a traditional brasserie. Tour of Limoges Bénédictins railway station, one of the finest stations in Europe. Tasting-tour in an old-fashioned distillery.

2 days/1 night 's stay in a 3-star hotel, from 142,50 € per person (for a group of 30 guests)

LIMOGES TOURIST OFFICE

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LIMOGES CITY PASS 2018

Discover Limoges and its surroundings thanks to this unique pass. Passes give you access to 20 sites and tours not to be missed as well as great deals from participating partners. Unique in France : 30% off accommodation deals if you book for at least 2 nights.

24hrs, 48hrs or 72hrs passes, from 10€.

www.limoges-tourisme.com

Information - booking : Sophie Trinques. Tel : +33 5 55 79 72 45 - reservationtourisme@cdt87.com

LIMOGES, TOWN OF ART AND HISTORY, AND SAVOIR-FAIRE

3 days / 2 nights in and around Limoges.

Day 1

Limousin lunch in the Butchers' district.

Tour of the medieval quarters, the « Maison traditionnelle de la Boucherie » and Saint-Aurélien private chapel.

Guided tour of Bernardaud porcelain manufacture. Gift shop-museum and factory outlet shop
Dinner in a refined restaurant in the city centre.

Day 2

Guided tour of the Adrien Dubouché National Museum: a unique collection of Limoges porcelain and a step back to explore the great steps of the history of ceramics.

Lunch in a traditional French brasserie

Guided tour of the Quartier de la Cité, Saint-Etienne Gothic cathedral, Evêché gardens, and Fine Arts Museum.

Gourmet dinner in a "Maître restaurateur" restaurant.

Day 3

Head eastwards, to Saint-Léonard de Noblat : guided tour of the town and its UNESCO collegiate church.

Next stop, Aubusson. Lunch in a gourmet restaurant.

Guided tour of the Cité internationale de la Tapisserie

3 days/2 nights' stay from 315 € per person

Groups of 25 guests.

4-star hotel accommodation.

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NEW IN 2018

ATTRACTIVE AND LUXURY ACCOMMODATION

3-STAR CAMPANILE HOTEL, IDEAL FOR SEMINARS IN LIMOGES, WITH A SEMINAR AREA.

<https://www.campanile.com/fr/hotels/campanile-limoges-centre-gare> - Tel. 05 55 10 70 60

limoges.centregare@campanile.fr Manager: Sandra Joachim

ORIGINAL ACCOMMODATION / ECO-TOURISM EXPERIENCE

A COCOONING EXPERIENCE IN CORRÈZE – DORDOGNE VALLEY IN THE PALAZINGES FOREST 4*

Spalazen Nature. Five atypical, top-quality lodges with five different atmospheres welcoming families, couples and friends for a weekend or a full week. The lodges on stilts (Irma, Henry, Marcel, Armand and Jeanne) include a living room with equipped kitchen, TV, wood-burning stove and sofa bed. Upstairs there are two bedrooms and an original

reading area. That little bit extra: a terrace with individual spa and water at 32°C. Here everything is designed for a “RELAXED” NATURAL BREAK with adapted thematic services (“Essential Nature” wellness, romantic, gourmet or green break).

www.spalazen-nature.com – Tel. 06 17 91 45 55 – contact@spalazen-nature.com

WE LOVE THE MAISONDHOTREFOIS IN ST BAZILE-DE-MEYSSAC

10 km from Collonges-la-Rouge, Solange and David have beautifully restored the traditional bread oven and pigsty, respecting the stone and wood, in a farm in Corrèze. Each guestroom is unique with a private terrace. The great attraction is the semi-troglodyte 45 m² sandstone cellar with the old winepress and table d’hôtes meals (on request) and the lounge opening onto the hilly tree-lined park. Don’t miss the breakfasts with multi-grain bread, home-made pastries and jams straight from the orchard. Foie gras, potato pâté, a delicious walnut-chocolate tart or salted butter walnut caramel and other regional specialities feature on the menu at this delicious table d’hôtes restaurant.

19500 Saint Bazile De Meyssac.

www.maisonshotrefois.com - Tel. 06 23 41 21 88 - maisonshotrefois@gmail.com

GASTRONOMY/WINE TOURISM

LAPARTÉ, IN LIMOGES, AN APPETISING ADDRESS TO TRY OUT

The restaurant opened last July and welcomes customers in an elegant and minimalist decor. The chef, Lucas Brocheton, is 27 and offers highly creative and very delicate cooking. “I cook simply, using local products, like beef, lamb or apples. Basically, these are all seasonal dishes that I like to eat and I want to share this pleasure”. The dishes are accompanied by exotic notes, such as mashed sweet potato, plantains and star fruits, everything rings true and is just right. His wife, Emilie, is a wine waiter by training and has developed an amazing wine list that is both cosmopolitan, inspired and very affordable. Lucas previously worked at “Les Cèdres”, with Jacques Bertrand (2 Michelin stars) then in London, with Anne-Sophie Pic and Hélène Darroze, two standard-setting multi-starred chefs.

www.facebook.com/laparterestaurantlimoges/

CULTURE, LOCAL SKILLS

OPENING OF THE “ESPACE MONET-ROLLINAT” ART CENTRE IN FRESSÉLINES IN THE CREUSE REGION.

Claude Monet, one of the greatest Impressionist painters, set up his easel in the Creuse Valley, “invited by his friend, the art critique Gustave Geffroy, who was himself a friend of the poet Maurice Rollinat”. Claude Monet arrived in Fressélines in March 1889 to paint, he said, “this

land of terrible wildness.” This art centre is a homage to Claude Monet and to his friend Maurice Rollinat. Music, live performance, graphic design, video, sound and plastic arts: an extensive cultural action policy is developed by the art centre in the “painters’ valley” between the Berry and the Creuse regions. With contemporary scenography and museum staging, all forms of expression are highlighted. www.sites-valleedespeintres.com

THERAPEUTIC ART AT THE CITÉ INTERNATIONALE DE LA TAPISSERIE IN AUBUSSON IN THE CREUSE REGION

Meditation while contemplating works of art: mindfulness meditation sessions alternate with thematic meditation sessions linked to works of art, enabling participants to explore the feelings and perceptions resonating with the body and mind. Wide range of themes (space, the thread, creativity, time, communication, colour, materials, etc.). The sessions explore meditation to activate the senses, consciousness, intuition, imagination, creativity, etc.

www.cite-tapisserie.fr/ Manager: Emmanuel Gérard

THE PORCELAIN OF LIMOGES WAS LISTED AS A PGI (Protected Geographical Indication) on 1 December 2017.

To be labelled as “Limoges porcelain”, the clay, moulding, firing and decoration of the porcelain must be all carried out in Haute-Vienne.

Another major recognition for Limoges: the town has been listed as a “creative city” by UNESCO in the field of arts and crafts and popular arts, particularly with its rich heritage in the “arts of fire”. This is the fourth French city to join the international network.

ADRIEN DUBOUCHÉ-LIMOGES NATIONAL PORCELAIN MUSEUM

At the heart of the world capital of the arts of fire, the Adrien Dubouché National Museum has developed a visit introducing various techniques in ceramic art. But the museum’s vocation goes well beyond this, displaying a wide-ranging history of art and civilisations through the prism of material that is far from having unveiled all its aspects. The visit takes place in a landmark setting, totally designed to enhance the 300,000 pieces in the collection. www.musee-adriendubouche.fr

Activities / Leisure / New cultural sites / Wine tourism/ Events, etc.

ESCAPE GAME IN BRIVE with several “worlds” devoted to rugby - www.gaillard-academie.fr/

Marais Poitevin

" The green Venice "



Imagine a magical landscape of shady cattle meadows bisected by tranquil waterways ; a landscape of pretty villages where bikes and boats are traditional forms of transport and where local people work to the rhythm of the seasons. Welcome to the Marais Poitevin or 'Green Venice', a protected natural area classified Grand Site de France and regional Nature Park of the Marais poitevin since 2014. Less than an hour's drive north of La Rochelle, the Marais Poitevin is France's second largest area of wetland after the Camargue, a landscape that exists thanks to a network of drainage channels first dug by medieval monks. Today it's a place to get close to nature, step down a gear, and enjoy a unique protected environment.

The fens stretch inland from the Baie de l'Aiguillon on the Atlantic Coast along the Sèvre-Niortaise river to the heritage town of Niort and include areas of wide-open cereal fields, drained by a system of sluice gates. But it's the shady Marais Mouillée or Wet Marsh that presents the iconic face of the Marais Poitevin and there's no better way to explore than in a traditional flat-bottomed boat or barque.

Niort

Step back in time and enter a different world by following the Sèvre Niortaise river to Niort, county town of the Deux-Sèvres department and gateway to 'Green Venice'. Stroll through the historic heart of the medieval town between Place de la Brèche, the covered market, river and castle keep, lasting witnesses to the vibrant commercial and artistic life of this old market square.



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www.niortmaraispoitevin.com



ACCESS

• BY CAR :

0.50 from La Rochelle,
2.00 from Bordeaux,
1.00 from Poitiers,
4.00 from Paris,
1.25 from Cognac.

• BY TRAIN :

2.00 from Paris-Montparnasse
0.45 from Poitiers
0.45 from La Rochelle
3.00 from Bordeaux

MUST-SEE

A PARADISE FOR CYCLISTS

The Marais Poitevin is a great place to go cycling with 600 km of marked routes. Set out from Niort or any one of the marshland villages to access a network of marked cycle trails in the shade of the pollarded ash trees, so typical of the area. Whether you want to explore for a few hours or a few days, by traditional or electric bike, you'll love cycling round this small corner of paradise.

See page 84 for more information about The Vélo Francette cycling route.



BOAT TRIPS THROUGH THE HEART OF 'GREEN VENICE'

Many charming villages in the Marais Poitevin offer opportunities to explore the maze of waterways by punt or canoe, with or without a guide. Look out for boat hire companies in Arçais, Coulon, La Garette, Magné, La Ronde, and St Hilaire, and discover for yourself why this magical landscape has been awarded the label Grand Site de France.



RENT A BIKE :

LA BICYCLETTE VERTE in Arçais

www.maraispoitevin-bicyclette.com

RENT A PUNT :

CARDINAUD in Coulon

www.marais-poitevin.com

info@marais-poitevin.com

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com

THE TOWN OF NIORT

Capital of Deux-Sèvres department with a population of 60,000, Niort boasts nine centuries of history. From its attractive Old Town fringed by the Sèvre-Niortaise river to the newly renovated Place de la Brèche, this ancient market town has a rich and eclectic heritage that includes an imposing twin keep dating from the 12th century, a 19th century covered market, and the ultra-modern Espace Niortais which includes the Town Hall and administrative offices.

NIORT MARKET

More than 100 traders are gathered inside Les Halles de Niort, a market hall that includes a wide range of speciality traders selling everything from fresh and cooked meats, to poultry, fish, bread, pastries, fruit and veg, honey and cheese. Right in the town centre, the market is held every morning from Tuesday to Sunday, and on public holidays, with the greatest number of traders on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.



THE KEEP

Dominating the banks of the Sèvre-Niortaise is one of the finest examples of twin Romanesque keeps in France, a monument of exceptional importance in the history of medieval military architecture. Built under the Plantagenet kings in the 12th century, it was added to in the 15th and 18th centuries. A permanent interactive exhibition puts the monument in its geographic, historic and cultural context as an emblem not just of Niort, but of the entire region.

New in 2017 : exposition permanente de collections lapidaires dans la salle du cachot clair (gisants, pierres tombales et chapiteau).



BERNARD D'AGESCI MUSEUM

Established inside a former girls' secondary school, the museum brings an eclectic mix of collections together under one roof – fine arts including sculpture, painting and musical instruments; natural history such as local geology and bird species; and educational artefacts such as maps, films and school furniture dating back 150 years.

LA MAISON DU MARAIS POITEVIN

Situated beside the Sèvre in the heart of Coulon village, La Maison du Marais Poitevin is housed in the former Customs House, which once managed the locks and the waterway. Today, this comprehensive interpretation centre provides a fascinating insight into the history, traditions and protected environment of the Marais Poitevin.

ACCOMMODATIONS

QUALYS HOTEL LA GRANGE 3* IN NIORT

29 rooms

An old stone farmhouse, decorated in a contemporary style, with a garden conducive to relaxation... This recently renovated 3 star hotel has 29 comfortable air-conditioned rooms with free WiFi access. The Hotel is ideally located just 3km from the motorway and also from the centre of Niort, and is a quality venue open since March 2013 on the site of a former farm, with trendy decor and a spa, sauna, gym and heated outdoor pool in the centre of a magnificent Mediterranean garden.

contact@lagrangehotel.fr

www.lagrangehotel.fr

HOTEL-RESTAURANT LE CENTRAL 3* IN COULON

13 rooms

A charming hotel and restaurant in one of the authentic villages of the Marais Poitevin, Le Central is decorated in soft colours for an atmosphere of warmth and welcome. Chill out on its floral patio, enjoy the bright rooms, cosy lounge and spacious, air-conditioned bedrooms, where wood stone and fabric blend subtly together.

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MERCURE NIORT MARAIS POITEVIN 4*

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PACKAGE

NIORT AND THE MARAIS POITEVIN

a winning combination - 2 days & 1 night - 110€/person

Explore Niort, historic market town and gateway to the Marais Poitevin. Soak up the atmosphere of the architectural heritage of the recently restored old town between the Place de la Brèche and the banks of the Sèvre-Niortaise. But within a short time you can be in the Marais Poitevin, ready for a 90-minute guided tour of 'Green Venice' and its canals in the company of a knowledgeable boatman.

Wander on your own through the brand new interpretation centre in Niort's Romanesque keep and the eclectic collections of the Agesci museum. Includes: one night in a 3* hotel with breakfast and dinner with regional menu.

Tourist Office of Niort-Marais Poitevin

resa@niortmaraispoitevin.com

DOMAINE DU GRIFFIER 3* IN GRANZAY-GRIPT

27 rooms

The château of the Domaine du Griffier is located near to the no.33 exit of the A10 motorway and on the edge of the RN 150 Niort-Bordeaux road, 15 minutes from Niort. This 18th century building over 7 hectares is made up of two reception rooms, a 380m² one (up to 330 people seated), and a 210m² one (up to 180 people seated), 8 seminar rooms (up to 50 people), an indoor pool, a restaurant - La Table de Sébastien and a 32 room, three star hotel.

nfo@chateau-griffier.com

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HOTEL-RESTAURANT SAINT MARTIN 4* IN SAINT MAIXENT L'ECOLE

10 rooms and 3 suites

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HOTEL LA CHAMOISERIE 3* IN NIORT

16 rooms

reservation@hotelparticulierniort.com

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Price per adult: €110 based on two people staying in a double room.

Price per child (under 12): on request

Valid: April to November.

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EVERYONE IN THE SADDLE... IN Nouvelle-Aquitaine!

Nouvelle-Aquitaine is the ideal country for cycling fans thanks to a network of very dense cycling paths, made up of numerous green ways and marked mountain bike trails. Along the coastline, it is possible to ride on beautiful green ways almost uninterrupted between the North and La Rochelle and Hendaye. You can access the Pointe de Grave by taking the ferry from Royan, which accepts bikes. This is the route that La Vélo-dyssée® takes.

On certain sections, users have the choice of several parallel paths linked by numerous side paths. You can reduce the journey by crossing the Arcachon Basin on boats which accept bikes.

Moreover, from the Landes pine forests to the Bordeaux and Cognac vineyards, from the peaks of the Pyrenees to the relief of the gentle rolling hills of Gascogne and between the sea and the mountain, Nouvelle-Aquitaine offers an exceptional diversity of landscapes, terroirs and routes, with as many opportunities for wonderful trips. Separate paths, but also peaceful country routes and forest paths, and even towpaths, snake across the whole of the Nouvelle-Aquitaine territory, whether it is in Gironde, Lot-et-Garonne, Dordogne, Landes, Bearn, the Basque Country or even in Creuse or Charente-Maritime. Major national, or even European routes cross Nouvelle-Aquitaine. La Vélo-dyssée®, La Scandibérique® or even Le Canal des 2 Mers à vélo®, The Véloroute of the Lot valley, La Vélo Francette®, etc. therefore allow you to experience a different kind of holiday, for a week's travelling or more. Numerous stations in Nouvelle-Aquitaine allow you to travel by train with your bike (www.velo.sncf.com). Safe trip!



- LA VÉLODYSSÉE® -



LA VÉLODYSSÉE®, A CYCLE ROUTE FOLLOWING THE OCEAN

Stretching for 1200 km between Roscoff, in Brittany and Hendaye in French Basque Country, La Véloodyssée® offers cycle routes lasting from a few hours to cycling holidays.

Adapted to all profiles of cyclists, in Nouvelle-Aquitaine, La Véloodyssée® spans some 600 km from North of La Rochelle to Hendaye.

There are many activities the length of the route : stop off for a swim or nautics sports on the Côte Sauvage near Royan, or on one of the beaches on the coastline in the Médoc or Les Landes, discover the Marennes-Oleron or the Bassin d'Arcachon oyster farms, go to the top of La Coubre or Cordouan lighthouse, ride down the Courant d'Huchet stream on a boat, enjoy a historical and cultural visit of La Rochelle, Rochefort, Biarritz and Saint-Jean-de-Luz, cross natural area like Marais Poitevin or pine forest.

La Véloodyssée® is strewn with accommodation labelled "Accueil Vélo" (Bike Friendly) where cycling tourists will be welcomed with open arms

www.lavelodyssée.com



Routes to discover:

- From La Rochelle to Royan, 123km between marshland and pine forests.
- From Royan to Lacanau, 82km
- From Lacanau to Arcachon, 80km between the ocean and the Basin.
- From Arcachon to Leon, 129km
- From Leon to Bayonne, 62km
- From Bayonne to Hendaye, 50km in the heart of the Basque Country

- INCOMING AGENCIES -

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GRAND ANGLE (IM038110022)

www.grandangle.f

VELORIZON (IM038100057)

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www.a-bicyclette.net

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- LA VÉLO FRANCETTE® -

LA VÉLO FRANCETTE® IS A NEW NORTH TO SOUTH ITINERARY FROM OUISTREHAM IN NORMANDY TO LA ROCHELLE IN Nouvelle-Aquitaine.

Leaving from the Channel and descending towards the Atlantic, thanks to **the thrice daily ferry connections from Portsmouth to Ouistreham**, the Vélo Francette® cycle route lets you discover the flavours of "la douce France".

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With family or friends, travel the whole length of the Vélo Francette® or branch off along other itineraries such as the Véloscénie®, La Loire à Vélo® or la Vélodyssée® to extend the ride.

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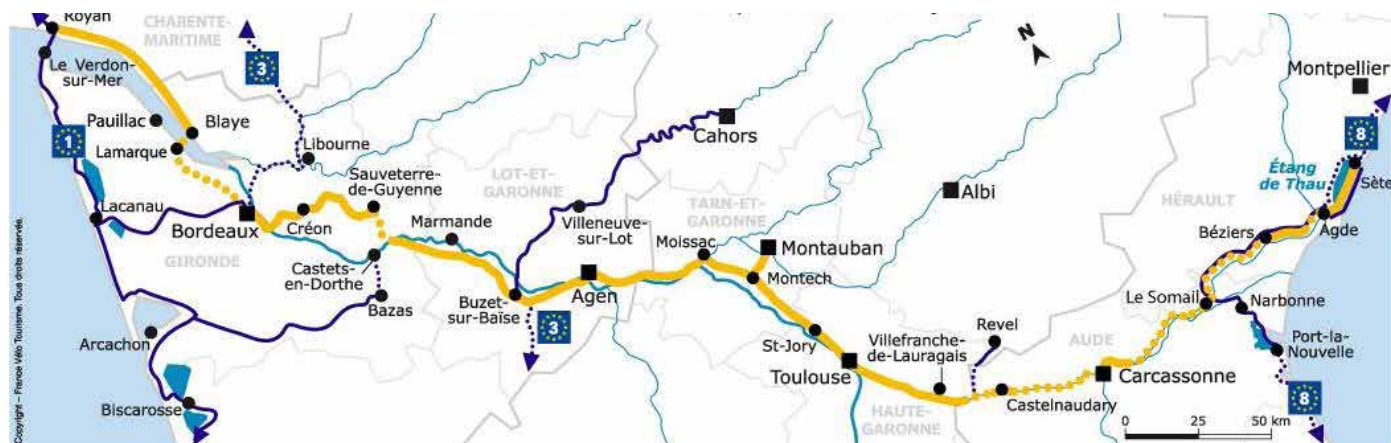
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- LE CANAL DES 2 MERS A VELO® -



This enchanting new cycle route, linking Atlantic and Mediterranean beaches, is marked by the warm atmosphere of the southern half of France known as the Midi. You cycle alongside the Gironde Estuary, the Canal de Garonne and the Canal du Midi, the latter a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with a thousand and one cultural and gastronomie stops to entice you along the way. Relish the Canal des 2 Mers à Vélo! This cycle path running the length of the canal offers a wonderfully peaceful ride on a sheltered trail and is relatively flat. Some lock houses offer accommodation and meals. Just a few kilometres from the cycle paths, there are also some wonderful rural and cultural stop off points: Royan (with its post-war architecture and Belle Epoque Villas), Talmont-sur-Gironde (with the church in front of the estuary), Meilhan-sur-Garonne (offering a wonderful vantage point), Gens de Garonne in Couthures (where you can enjoy watching the river and the life of local residents)...

www.canaldes2mersavelo.com



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- MORE ITINERARIES TO COME SOON -

LA SCANDIBERIQUE®

This route links Norway to Santiago de Compostela. It is 1,600 kilometres in France and crosses 19 départements including those in Nouvelle-Aquitaine. It is also a chance to discover the St. James' Way paths along this cycling route.



V92

THE NEW VELOURUTE, ALONG THE CHARENTE

The V92 will be launched in 2017 and will be able to link Excideuil in Dordogne to the Île d'Aix in Charente-Maritime, going through Angoulême, Cognac, Saintes, Rochefort and travelling along Charente valley.

It will join two Euroveloroutes: La Vélodyssée® joining the Cap Nord in Sagres (Roscoff French part in Hendaye) and the Scandibérique, joining Trondheim to Santiago de Compostela in Galicia.



- TOUR DE CHARENTE -



CYCLING THE CHARENTE COGNAC COUNTRY

The "Tour de Charente" is a circuit of nearly 400km in the west of France, which offers a green tour from Angoulême, the capital of image and comic books, to Cognac renowned for its prestigious spirits. With a temperate climate which also allows you to pedal outside of the tourist season, this route along the Charente river crosses wooded countryside, vineyards and small characterful sites like Nanteuil-en-Vallée, Confolens, Villebois-Lavalette and Aubeterre-sur-Dronne, also ranked as one of the most beautiful villages of France.

Along this route, nearly thirty Accueil Vélo certified hosts offer you stop-off points. The Charente producers open their doors to you to try the leading produce of this area such as Pineau des Charentes or

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Become a Bordeaux winemaker for a day thanks to a Médoc wine château.

Take a tour of the vines, taste the different varieties of grapes, learn how to pick and sort them, discover everything there is to learn about fermentation, then taste the final product!

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THE FINE ART OF FRENCH CUISINE AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

It's no secret that of all the countries in the world, France is perhaps the most famous for its cuisine. Learn the art of cuisine à la française with talented chefs who will be delighted to teach you the tricks of the trade. Here are some suggestions which will enable you to proudly state "I made it myself!"

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Dordogne :

France is known for its food, and the Dordogne region (aka Périgord) is acknowledged as one of the country's most important food regions. Duck and goose specialties, truffles, wines... get ready to impress your guests!

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www.auberge-de-la-truffe.com
- Restaurant La Treille :
hotel@latreille-perigord.com
www.latreille-perigord.com

Biarritz Pays Basque :

Piperade, chipiron, axoa, pintxos (Basque tapas)... these are just a few of the Basque Country's delicious dishes you'll be eager to master in Basque country!

- Nicolas STANZIONI
anethetcerfeuil@gmail.com
<https://www.facebook.com> (in French)
- Le Loft des Toqués

contact@leloftdestoques.com
<http://leloftdestoques.com> (in French)

- Atelier Culinaire et Vous
latelierculinaire.etvous@gmail.com
www.latelierculinaireetvous.com (in French)
- Domaine de Bassilour
www.domainedebassilour.com

The Landes area

Foie gras, Floc de Gascogne apéritifs, landaise salad, fish, wild mushrooms... Old Gascon gastronomic traditions are very much alive in the Landes, where quality crops are produced, such as kiwi fruit and asparagus.

- Relais De La Poste 2 Michelin-star restaurant, with chef Jean COUSSAU
coussau@wanadoo.fr
www.relaisposte.com



LIMOUSIN - FRENCH LIFESTYLE EXPERIENCE AT CHÂTEAU LA CREUZETTE

Experience the good life in a French château, with hands on cooking demonstrations given by celebrated chefs, selected tastings from the first wine fairs, visits to two of the area's largest antique fairs, and excursions to amazing sites including Aubusson, the world's tapestry capital.

info@lacreuzette.com
www.lacreuzette.com

PORCELAIN AND CERAMICS WORKSHOP IN LIMOGES

What better place to learn to make your very own tea cups, jewelry and other earthenware artifacts than in Limoges, in the world's porcelain capital? Our ceramist Elise will be delighted to teach you the tricks of her trade, in Limoges, South West France.

eliseleffr@yahoo.fr
asso2peanuts.wordpress.com



IGLOO-MAKING ADVENTURE IN THE PYRENEES

Have you ever dreamt of spending the night in an igloo? Set off on a snow-shoeing expedition, build your own igloo, then spend the night, wrapped up in a warm and cozy sleeping bag. You'll also get to relax in a Nordic bath or sauna, and enjoy a meal in a cabin as well as breakfast.

laventurenordique@gmail.com

Website.laventurenordique.fr (in French)



A STEP BACK INTO PREHISTORY AT CASTEL MERLE

Castel Merle, located in the Vézère Valley between the famous prehistoric sites of Montignac-Lascaux and les Eyzies-de-Tayac, offers visitors the chance to learn how to carve silexes, light a fire, use a throwing weapon... an immersion into the life of Neanderthal Man, who lived here 85 000 years ago!

site.castelmerle@orange.fr

www.castel-merle.com (in French)



DESIGN YOUR OWN FRAGRANCE WITH A FRENCH ARTIST PERFUMER

At Château Kirwan, where Bordeaux wines have been made for eight generations, you are invited to take part in a unique sensorial experience : create your very own perfume, with the help and guidance of a professional perfumer.

mail@chateau-kirwan.com

www.chateau-kirwan.com



MAJOR WINE EVENT : "SAINT-EMILION BAN DES VENDANGES" OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY OF THE 2018 GRAPE HARVESTING SEASON

On September 16th and 17th, don't miss the the official Jurade grape-harvesting opening ceremony in Saint Emilion. This year, 40 new jurats will be inducted. Take part in the torchlight procession and watch the fireworks light up the Saint Emilion skies.

communication@saint-emilion-tourisme.com

www.saint-emilion-tourisme.com

E V E N T S - F E S T I V A L S



INTERNATIONAL COMIC STRIP FESTIVAL IN ANGOULEME

25th - 28th JANUARY 2018

Each year in Angoulême, in Charente, the International Comic Strip Festival invades the town during the last weekend in January. Over 250 exhibitors and 1,600 authors covering 36 nationalities will meet for the greatest pleasure of the 220,000 festival goers.

www.bdangouleme.com

OLD CAR RACE IN PAU

MAY 2018

The Pau Grand Prix is one of the truly great motorsport events. The most famous drivers have come here to race: Fangio, Stirling Moss, Jim Clark, Graham Hill, Lewis Hamilton... The Historic Grand Prix continues the legend for a weekend with fantastic races throughout the day and an exceptional display of hundreds of collectors' cars in Parc Beaumont. Come and see this unique motor racing spectacle on the circuit through the mythical town of Pau, feast your eyes on the legendary cars and enjoy yourself in one of the nicest towns in south-west France, at the foot of the Pyrenees.

ww.grandprixdepau.fr/historique

HIGHLAND GAMES WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP IN BRESSUIRE.

2019 (tous les deux ans)

Come and see a marvellous demonstration of the traditional Highland Games played by renowned international participants from all over the world at the 11th century Château de Bressuire. Launched in 1991 thanks to the efforts of the towns of Fraserburgh, Banff and Buchan in Scotland, the Highland Games has evolved into a unique event that is equal parts a sporting event, a musical celebration and a Celtic Festival.

www.highlandgames-france.eu

MARAISTHON

16th-18th JUNE 2018 IN COULON

The eco-friendly Marathon is centred around Coulon in the Marais Poitevin, which is classified as a 'Grand Site de France'. Visitors may choose to watch the marathon, take part in a ten kilometre run, an eleven kilometre guided walk or simply browse through the accompanying exhibition and bio-produce market. Pre-registration is required. The Maraïthon is a sporting event that is entirely based around sustainable development and ecology. It's also the first sporting event in the world to have a charter of ten ethical points.

www.maraïthon.fr

HOT VIENNE, LIMOGES PLAYS JAZZ MUSIC, LIMOGES

9TH JUN. / 9TH DEC.

Limoges warms the soul with spirited traditional jazz! An intense collection of events for jazz enthusiasts and Afro-American culture : exhibitions, concerts, conferences...

COGNAC BLUES PASSIONS IN COGNAC

25 years !

3th - 7th JULY 2018

Soul, blues, jazz, gospel, swing... For five days and five nights, Cognac moves to the beats of Afro-American music. Established artists and future talent showcase their passion on the stages spread throughout the town.

www.bluespassions.com

FRANCOFOLIES IN LA ROCHELLE

11th - 15th JULY 2018

The 34th annual meeting of french song and current music will be held from the 11th to 15th july in the setting of La Rochelle. The program is representative of fashion music. The « Francos » unite every mixed public, all of whose taste are met. They take place in a rare environment, the heart of july in a spirit of rare conviviality.

www.francofolies.fr

38th VEZERE CLASSICAL MUSIC FESTIVAL IN JULY/AUGUST 2018

Festival de la Vézère - Festival de musique classique en Corrèze.

www.festival-vezere.com



FESTIVAL LUDIQUE INTERNATIONAL DE PARTHENAY

11th - 22th JULY 2018

Imagine a town completely transformed into an immense board for games, toys and fun activities of all kinds, for families and players of all ages. Free and open access to the greatest outdoor games festival in Europe.

www.jeux-festival.com

VIOLON ON THE SAND IN ROYAN

21th - 28th JULY 2018

Classical and lyrical music festival with a symphonic orchestra comprising some 80 musicians from Pars Opera and other major orchestra. Violon on the sand is an invitation for kids an grownup alike to sit on the beach, facing the ocean with their heart amongst the stars, and to enjoy some of the most beautiful and unexpected classical music ever heard in such a location.

www.violonsurlesable.com

"MIMOS" MIME FESTIVAL IN PÉRIGUEUX

23rd - 28th JULY 2018

Created in tribute to Marcel Marceau (who lived in the Dordogne in his youth), the Mimos festival aims to "modernise" the image of mime by presenting innovative forms of this art, with a style somewhere between nonverbal theatre, contemporary dance, plastic arts and nouveau circus...

One of the two biggest mime festivals in Europe (along with London), it is the only one of its kind in France. It takes place in the town of Périgueux and most of the shows are outdoors – in the town's streets, squares and parks.

mimos@perigueux.fr

www.mimos.fr

LA ROUTE DU SIRQUE

NEXON – 6TH-25TH AUG.

Circus festival,

www.sirquenexon.com

LIMOGES FRANCOPHONIES FESTIVAL 36th

26th SEPTEMBER-6th OCTOBER 2018

French language theatre festival

www.lesfrancophonies.fr

GRAND PAVOIS

26th SEPTEMBER - 1th OCTOBER 2018

Created in 1973, the Grand Pavois La Rochelle has become one of the major events in the international boat show calendar as it has seen the number of exhibitors attending multiplied by 20 and visitor numbers 30-fold, passing the 100,000 visitor mark in 2002 to make the Grand Pavois one of the largest international in-water boat shows. 100,000 square meter of exhibition, themed spaces for all of you, 300 displayed on the water among 750 exhibited boats, more than 800 international exhibitors.

www.grand-pavois.com

CIRCUIT DES REMPARTS IN ANGOULÊME

14th-16th SEPTEMBER 2018

In September, the roads through Charente and streets of Angoulême will play host to collector cars during the International Circuit of the Ramparts. Between speed trials in the town centre of Angoulême - around the Cathedral - a sophisticated circuit and tourist rally in the Charente countryside, through villages and vineyards, this has become one of the most fundamental events for lovers of collector cars.

www.circuit-des-remparts.com



37th INTERNATIONAL CARICATURE AND PRESS CARTOON FESTIVAL IN SAINT JUST LE MARTEL

29th SEPTEMBER - 7th OCTOBER 2018

www.st-just-humour.fr

FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL DU FILM ORNITHOLOGIQUE (FIFO)

FIN OCTOBRE A DEBUT NOVEMBRE 2018

(Toussaint holidays)

Considered as one of the major global events of animal cinema, the Ménigoute festival is an example to the whole profession. It aims to promote animal documentary films, special media to raise awareness on the need to protect biodiversity.

www.menigoute-festival.org



JAZZ ECLAT D'EMAIL LIMOGES 13th EDITION**15TH / 25TH NOV.**jazz music festival,
www.eclatsdemail.com**ENGIE OPEN DE LIMOGES,****NOV. 2018**international women's tennis WTA tournament,
www.engieopendelimoges.fr

Biennial « Toques et Porcelaine » Limoges porcelain and Limousin cuisine event – Sept. 2019

IN LA ROCHELLE**The Mini**, a solo yacht race for 6.5-metre craft, is coming back to La Rochelle after an absence of four years, with a new course to Le Marin in Martinique, and via Las Palmas.<http://minitransat.fr>

OUR COUP DE

- WINE and COGNAC EVENTS -**MARATHON DE BORDEAUX METROPOLE****24th MARCH 2018**

For its 4th edition, the Marathon of Bordeaux Métropole looks forward to meet all running lovers 24 mars 2018, whether they are competitors or simply amateurs, searching for pleasure and well-being. The race course will take the runners over the heart of the UNESCO world heritage site Bordeaux-Port de la Lune. They will then cross several neighbouring cities and some wineries. Over and above the personal challenge and the unique sensations provided by a night race, participants will also take advantage of the splendour of the city lights and exceptional historic sites. A huge opportunity to have access to the city's rich heritage

www.marathondebordeauxmetropole.com**WEEKEND DES GRANDS CRUS****16 - 17 juin 2018**

Unique opportunity to taste in one place a hundred of great wines, the "weekend of the Grands Crus" offers you the opportunity to participate in gala dinners, to visit properties and to play a round of golf.

contact@ugcb.netwww.ugcb.net**BORDEAUX WINE FESTIVAL****14th - 18th JUNE 2018**

The world's largest wine tourism attraction. A 2kms wine route between the river and the 18th century buildings. On the quayside listed as Unesco World Heritage, anyone with an interest in wine, gastronomy and culture can take part in the Bordeaux Wine Festival.

Pavilions featuring 80 appellations from Bordeaux and the Aquitaine Region, as well as the great brands of Bordeaux wine, form a "wine road" stretching over 2 km along the banks of the Garonne. Thanks to a tasting pass, visitors can enjoy sampling a host of different wines in the same location.

In 2018, The Tall Ships Regatta will depart from Liverpool and after a stopover in Dublin will sail to Bordeaux for a triumphant arrival that will coincide with Bordeaux's Wine Festival.

otb@bordeaux-tourisme.comwww.bordeaux-fete-le-vin.com

LA FÊTE DU COGNAC

26th - 28th JULY 2018

Three days of partying and fun at the riverside marina in Cognac to discover and enjoy the produce from the soils of the Charente. Each evening two concerts by highly-renowned artists bring the quayside alive.

www.lafeteducognac.fr

25th EDITION OF THE DURAS WINE GROWERS FESTIVAL

12th AUGUST 2018

During the Festival of the winegrowers of Duras, enjoy walks in the vineyards, meetings with winegrowers and musical programme. More than 150 references of wine are offered to be tasted. Duras winegrowers Festival brings together each year more than 5,000 people.

contact@paysdeduras.com

www.cotesdeduras.com

34th EDITION OF THE MÉDOC MARATHON

8th SEPTEMBER 2018

Rated by the Americans as one of the top 10 marathons in the world, the Médoc marathon is certainly the best for conviviality and atmosphere. Runners go through the villages and past the châteaux with a fanfare, at least half the competitors are in fancy dress, and the wine/sport tests and the "millipede" evening mobilise all the local inhabitants, among others (enrolments in January).



infos@marathondumedoc.com

www.marathondumedoc.com

THE BAN OF THE HARVEST OF THE JURADE OF SAINT EMILION

SEPTEMBER 2018

Last stage in the life of the vineyard: the future harvest. The Jurade proclaimed officially the beginning of harvest time.

st-emilion.tourisme@wanadoo.fr

www.saint-emilion-tourisme.com



CELEBRATE THE SPIRIT OF ARMAGNAC

26th - 28th OCTOBER 2018

At the start of the stills in Gascony, the medieval village of Bastide d'Armagnac reveals on the Place Royale the world of distillation, its smells, its colours, its taste... the market where you will be able to buy and taste Armagnac brandy, will allow you to appreciate this unique brandy. Cooking demonstrations of chefs help you to understand how to match wine and food. The neighboring villages offer also festive weekends until December. Many stays combining art de vivre and gastronomy are offered by winegrowers and by B&B accommodations.

www.tourisme-landesdarmagnac.fr

OPEN CELLARS ON THE ROAD OF THE JURANÇON WINES

8th - 9th DECEMBER 2018

Enjoy a wine tasting and visit of a one of the 45 properties along the Jurançon Wine Route..

contact@vins-jurancon.fr

www.vins-jurancon.fr

OUR COUP DE

From December to February : Distilleries en Fête

Winter is the key season among the Cognac vineyards, and what makes this area unique: it's the season of distillation. From December to February the local distillers invite the public into their distilleries that are bubbling with a pleasant warmth. Enjoy breakfast next to a traditional Charentais still that's humming away, find out about distillation, explore aromas, concerts, story-telling evenings or the cognac-based coffee called the brûlot charentais. The programme of events is put together each year by Les Étapes du Cognac.

www.cognacetapes.com



INCOMING AGENCIES

DRIVERS

MAP



- INCOMING AGENCIES -

BORDEAUX CITY AND WINE AREA

33TOUR

IM033100027

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www.bordeaux-tours.com

Languages spoken: British English

33Tour Bordeaux & Châteaux is an incoming agency specialised in Bordeaux and its region.

Grands Crus tasting, visit and discovery of the Bordeaux vineyards, 33Tour offers you personalised routes in Saint-Emilion, Margaux and Pauillac and opens the doors of the most prestigious châteaux to you.

AGENCE LA ROUTE DES VINS

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Incoming agency specialised in organising weekends and trips for individuals, in Bordeaux, Cognac and the South West.

Do you want to enjoy a relaxing getaway, discover the best of each region and make the most of the easy-going local lifestyle? We invite you to discover, in a couple, or among friends or family, our authentic "all-inclusive" trips, individually planned and organised on the dates of your choice.

For organising your "Discovery of the Bordeaux Wine Route" trips, for individuals & groups.

AQUITAINE TOURISME

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Tailor-made tours for groups

Languages spoken: GB, DE, SP

DMC in the South West of France, Aquitaine Tourisme suggests you personalized trips and weekends : Wine, Gastronomy, Culture, Sport, Industry ... in order to satisfy the requirement of each customer. Aquitaine Tourisme also organizes Congresses and Seminars everywhere in France. Its enthusiastic and efficient team with a 20 year experience in tourism will do everything to make your trip successful.

BERNARD MAGREZ

LUXURY WINE EXPERIENCE

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www.luxurywinetourism.fr

Tailor-made tours for groups of 2 to 10 people and FIT

Languages spoken: GB, Chinese, Russian

Our incoming agency organize Tailor Made Luxury Wine Tours in Bordeaux region. Those Very Exclusive Stay and Unique Bordeaux Wine Experience take place in top Chateaux in Bordeaux where you can boast of accommodation in the very old Chateau, gastronomic dinner in private dining room, chauffeur driven Rolls Royce....

BORDEAUX BY TERRES BASQUES

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<http://www.terresbasques.com>

www.visit-nouvelle-aquitaine.com

Live the Bordeaux by TerresBasques experience for your trips in the city, in the vineyards, around the river and in nature!

Incoming agency based for over 20 years in the South West, our agency shares its best experiences with you to organise your trips.

An experienced team of project managers combining a good mood and creativity organise all the logistics of your event: transfers, hotel reservations, visits, activities, dinners, etc.

BORDEAUX EXECUTIVE TRAVEL

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www.bordeaux-executive-travel.com

High-end tailor made tours for groups and FIT

Languages spoken: GB;

"Bordeaux Executive Travel" aims to serve demanding customers with tailor-made luxury sojourns. To this end, the team of travel designers has the ability to create dedicated programs for the guests while accompanying them all along their visit. The team has acute profiles with no less than 5-year practice in managing high-end services to the travelling customer. They attach great importance to fulfill the client's expectations, and even surprise him, by using their unique contacts to offer a privileged access to some of the well-kept secrets of the region.

BORDEAUX EXCELLENCE

WINE TOUR IN FRANCE

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www.bordeauxexcellence.com

www.vitivinitour.com

Tailor-made tours for groups (from 2 pax min) and FIT

Languages spoken: GB; SP, D

Our DMC expertise for more than 20 years in the French South West region (La Rochelle/Cognac/Bordeaux/Dordogne/Pays Basque) on the following :

MICE, we provide a la carte services to upscale specialists.

Wine discoveries

Leisure packages themed on French art de Vivre: culture & world heritage, gastronomy, well being & nature

Tailor-made & exclusive high end programs for VIP.

Shore excursion programs for cruise ship companies calling in the port of Bordeaux.

Semi private tours with bilingual driver/guide (English or German) to the Bordeaux vineyards and private tours in Bordeaux area, Dordogne & Basque country.

BORDEAUX LABEL

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Bordeaux Label is an incoming travel and events agency, specialised in tourist and professional trips in the South West. For individuals and groups, they design trips and routes with a cultural and touristic nature, as well as "all-inclusive", golf and luxury trips for individual customers.

BORDEAUX RIVER CRUISE**IM033110034**

contact@bordeaux-river-cruise.com
<http://croisiere-bordeaux.com>

Incoming tourism on the Gironde Estuary: Events, cruises and cultural trips to an original destination. From Bordeaux to Cordouan: between the renowned vineyards and the forgotten islands.

Company seminars, events (anniversaries, weddings), associations: the deals are adapted to a wide audience. All throughout the year, a programme of cruises allows for the discovery of the "river of Bordeaux" Come and discover the islands of Patiras, Margaux, Nouvelle, etc. Make stops at the prestigious Grands Crus on the riverbanks. Wine tourism, heritage and gastronomy: the "river" way is a fun and discernible alternative, marked by original encounters.

Bordeaux River Cruise invites you to experience an emotional landscape.

BORDEAUX SAVEURS**IM033110005**

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www.bordeauxsaveurs.com

Tailor-made tours for groups (2 pax min)

Languages spoken: GB ; NL ; D ; SP

Customised themed holidays – wine, gastronomy, culture and sport.. Accommodation in 3, 4 and 5-star hotels in urban areas or wine regions and in guest houses.

**BORDEAUX TRAVEL
BY VIDAL VOYAGES****IM033100047**

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Come and discover Bordeaux and Aquitaine with Bordeaux Travel. Allow yourself to be guided by our teams who will reveal all the riches of the Great South West: Bordeaux vineyards, UNESCO world heritage, the Arachon basin, the Basque Country, Landes and Dordogne. Cultural or business trips, trust in the experience of Vidal Voyages to organise your bespoke stay or offer you personalised routes: accommodation, journeys, cultural and sporting activities, etc.

BORDEAUX WINE TRAILS**IM033110010**

contact@bordeauxwinetrails.com
www.bordeauxwinetrails.com

Semi-private tours, in small groups of 8 people maximum, accompanied by a vineyard specialist professional guide, discover the best wines and the Bordeaux region. LEARN ABOUT WINE: We are often intimidated by the language of the wine professionals. In a simple and accessible manner, during visits and tasting sessions, you learn how the Grands Crus are created and the words to describe the sensations that they provoke in you.

EXPERIENCE BORDEAUX: A stroll through the streets of Saint-Emilion, a visit to a Grand Cru Classé from Médoc, a macaroon tasting session or a lunch in the property will be a visual and gustatory treat for the visitor curious about the Bordeaux way of life.

BORDOVINO**IM033100028**

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Tailor-made tours for groups, 2 to 500 people and FIT.

Languages spoken: GB

Bordovino is a DMC providing wine tours in the 3 main wine regions of Bordeaux : Medoc, Saint-Emilion & Graves but also the discovery of the Arcachon's Bay !

From pre-scheduled tours (small groups) to tailor-made trips (2 to 500 people).

BTA (BORDEAUX TOURISME AFFAIRES)**IM033140005**

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Since 2002, the transport company BTA has been welcoming visitors from all over the world to the South West of France and especially Bordeaux. It transports groups and also individuals, with the aid of luxury coaches, mini-vans and saloons. Option of organising your vineyard routes and town/city visits with a guide in your native language.

DECANTER TOURS**IM033150005**

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Decanter Tours organises bespoke wine tourism trips according to your tastes.

Your guides are wine professionals. Our programmes reflect your tastes and desires.

GÉRARD PONS VOYAGES**IM033100036**

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Welcome to the South West!

The incoming service organises your trip in the Bordeaux region and its surrounding areas for you.

Whether you want to discover the vineyards, the gastronomy or the easy living of this wonderful region, Gérard Pons Voyages offers you a programme adapted to your tastes.

GREENS & GRAPES**IM033160001**

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www.greensandgrapes.com

Greens & Grapes, are passionate about Bordeaux life and ready to share with you the Bordeaux region's secrets of exceptional wine, gastronomy and golf. For you, Lucius and Sylvie have selected accommodation, played on all the golf courses, tested each restaurant and met all the wine producers that they offer to you. An English speaking, high level of service to provide you with the best "French lifestyle" during your stay. Concierge service, organising drivers for you at the last minute. All the ingredients for English speaking golfer holidays.

**OPHORUS EXCURSIONS &
TOURS IN FRANCE****IM0331130002**

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Tailor made tours for groups

Languages spoken: GB, D

This incoming travel agency and transportation provider is specialized in organizing small group semi-private and private excursions and tours departing from Bordeaux. The English driver guides will introduce their clients to Bordeaux, the Basque country, the Dordogne. Their theme tours include food and gastronomy, prehistory, wine tours, cultural tours, religious tours...

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Pleasure or business trips, incentives or events: our team is there to listen to you.

Gay-friendly, we help you to achieve your projects in complete freedom.

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Bordeaux differently, Bordeaux having fun, Bordeaux moves, Bordeaux culture, Bordeaux passion, gourmet Bordeaux, our programmes are adapted to your needs.

TOURS DIT VIN IM033120041

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The Bordeaux vineyard, a region rich in flavours, figures and history.

Through our offer, come and discover the joy, passion and secrets of this vineyard.

Escape on discovery trips, plunged into the heart of the vineyards and into the intimate atmosphere of the châteaux.

Enrich your knowledge by sharing a unique experience with our oenologist and his wine classes.

Put yourself in a wine grower's shoes for a day by taking part in the creation of a wine in our workshops, with the unique experience of the grape picking or by putting together your own wine.

It is a comprehensive and very friendly wine programme, through the passion and expertise of our region.

COGNAC COUNTRY

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COGNAC TASTING TOUR IM016110010

Travel agency specialising in wine tourism in the Cognac vineyards.

Trips - workshops - stays in the Cognac vineyards

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LANDES

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Welcome to Land'escapades, an incoming, events and travel agency, located in Landes Chalosse and specialising in the creation and organising of itineraries and trips for individuals, groups and companies, in the South West and also in other region in France and abroad. The services: organising stays, itineraries and trips, booking hotels, guide services, organising conferences, seminars, dinners, themed evenings, Olympiads, rallies, team-building, organising and managing transport. Land'escapades is the partner of tourism professionals such as tour operators, hotel complexes, holidays villages, coach operators, etc. Come and discover their products and offers and contact them for any quotes or requests for detailed programmes.

LIMOUSIN

LIMOGES TOURIST OFFICE IM087100011

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