

WHAT'S ON WHILE IN BRUSSELS?

SUMMER VIBES

2026

“What’s on while in Brussels” is the handbook of insider tips on how to experience the real Brussels in just a few hours.

We have added a few of our favourite things to do!

Boredom is banned in Brussels!



INTEREST PICKS



STROLLING THROUGH THE CITY

Take your pick of thematic walks to explore the city on your own or with a guide! Discover [Brussels from all angles](#), [guided tours](#), [Hop on hop off bus](#) or [thematic walks!](#)



FOR CULTURE LOVERS

The options are legion whatever your interests:

- For Art lovers: the [Magritte Museum](#), [BOZAR](#) and the [Royal Museums of Fine Arts of Belgium](#).
- For history buffs: the [BELvue](#) and [Coudenberg](#)
- For Art Nouveau and Art Déco enthusiasts: [Maison Horta](#), [Maison Cauchie](#), and the [Villa Empain](#).
- To fulfil specific passions: the [Royal Museum for Central Africa](#), the [Musical Instruments Museum](#), the [Museum of Natural Sciences](#), the [Belgian Comic Strip Centre](#) and [Autoworld](#), for instance.



TO ADMIRE OUR SUMMER

Brussels is a very green capital city that gives each of its inhabitants 28m² of nature: historic parks, pleasant public gardens, broad tree-lined avenues, a wood, and even a forest! There are so many opportunities to stay in touch with nature:

- Go for a walk (or a bike ride) to [the hidden corners of the magnificent Sonian Forest](#).
- Explore Brussels’ parks and gardens: [visit.brussels selection](#) or [Brussels gardens](#).
- Use the running city app [for disabled](#) people or [strava](#).
- Run with a group and join a thematic run like the [city run Art Nouveau](#) or the [city run Comics Art](#).
- [Take a bike ride, the green side of Brussels is all yours!](#)



INESCAPABLE TEMPTATIONS

- A brand new vegan/vegetarian’s address? Discover [Verdo](#) or [Visit one of our numerous breweries](#).
- Combine chocolate shopping with tasting at the renowned [Laurent Gerbaud](#), [Jérôme Grimonpon](#), [Frédéric Blondeel](#) or [Pierre Marcolini](#) shops.
- Taste Brussels’ best prawn croquettes at [Fernand Obb Delikatessen](#), la [Quincaillerie](#) or at the new [Jardin !](#)

AFTER HOURS

HERE, YOU WILL APPRECIATE THE QUALITY OF LIFE, THE MANY CULTURAL POSSIBILITIES AND, NOT LEAST, THE GREAT FOOD



BEER EXPERIENCE LIKE NO OTHER

Places not to miss where you can taste Belgian beers: [Here is the beer route to follow](#) (with moderation!).



LOVE THESE WINE BARS

From grand crus to wine to sip with colleagues, natural or biodynamic, old world or new – these top Brussels wine bars are really great: [Rubis](#), [Chez Félix](#), [Etiquette](#), [Wine Fever](#), [Winery Brugmann](#) or [Tarzan](#).



COCKTAIL TIME ARRIVES...

Cocktail bars will put a punch in your evening drink: [The Modern Alchemist](#), [La Pharmacie Anglaise](#), [LIB \(Life is Beautiful\)](#) and [The Green Lab](#).



... AND ROOFTOP BARS ARE BACK!

[Discover our whole selection HERE !](#)



WORTH THE DETOUR RESTAURANTS

Discover [Cosmos](#) in the stunning building on rue de Trône, featuring the listed fresco of fishermen...

[Ratz](#) proposes 14 food stalls in the setting of a giant garage !

[Share & Fun](#), is a brand-new concept : a mix of good fast food, arcade games, immersive experiences and party. A must see ! You only realize just how varied and full of flavor espresso can be, once you've visited [Lil'Bouche](#)...

And don't forget, the [Brusselicious label](#) is our lists of the best tables that honour Belgian cuisine!



UNIQUE DINING EXPERIENCES

- The dizzying [Villa in the Sky](#) (Michelin-starred).
- The best vegan restaurant of the world [humus x hortense](#)
- [Wolf](#) is the first 100% typically Brussels food court with 16 restaurants, a bar, a micro-brewery, an organic market, a chocolate factory...
- Embark on a unique gastronomic journey through Brussels with our [unique Tram Experience!](#)



CULTURE AT NIGHT

- [Wiels](#) contemporary art centre (open until 09:00 p.m. on 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month).
- Theatre plays, exhibitions or concerts for international travellers (with some English programmes too): [Théâtre National](#), [Flagey](#), [Bozar](#), [Botanique](#), [La Monnaie](#).

From 13/06 to 15/11/26
: Alone, not even scared



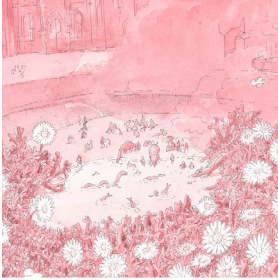
Until 09/08/26 : Flight



Until 10/06/26 : Queen Elisabeth Competition/Cello



From 14/08 to 29/08/26:
Brigittines Festival



Until 21/06/26 : Elegance in motion



05/08/26 : La Boum géante



SUMMER 2026 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

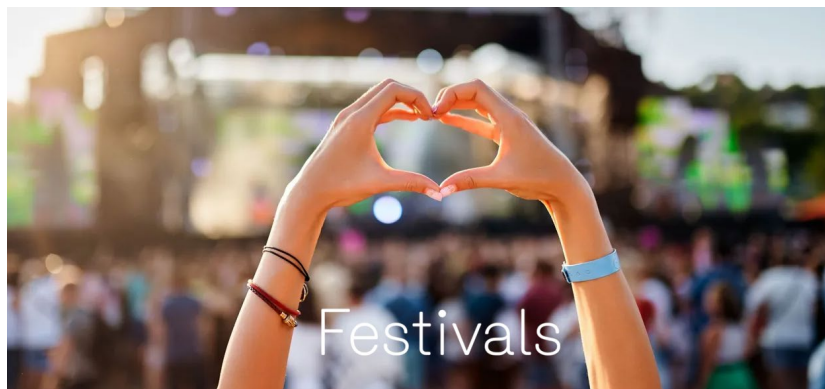
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EVENTS IF YOU
ARE IN




Belgian National Day



CLICK TO SEE ALL EVENTS



Where else but Brussels?

[agenda.brussels](#)  Cultural and festive activities finder, the only site you'll need



24
hours

24/48/72 hours passport to discovering Brussels including access to 41 museums, numerous discounts, an information guide and transportation (optional)



Moving around in the city

[Bus, metro or tram](#)

[Shared taxis](#)

[Scooters](#)

[Collecto night taxi](#)



Please visit the websites or contact the suggested places directly to make your reservations, to check opening days and times and to verify that all information is still valid.

AND IF IT RAINS?

COSY UP IN A CAFÉ

Relax and watch the world go by and take in the atmosphere in the warmth of [one of Brussels' many cafés](#).

GET CULTURAL

Brussels has so many museums [that you will be spoiled for choice](#)

SHOPPING SPREE

[Explore traditional arcades](#) such as Galeries Royales Saint-Hubert, Porte Louise or Galeries Toison d'or or the shopping malls City 2, the Woluwé Shopping Centre, and Docks Brussel.

BROWSE BOOKSHOPS

Brussels has some truly great bookshops (sometimes with cafés):

- Over 20 languages: [Librebook](#)
- French, English & Flemish: [Filigranes Arts-Loi](#)
- English: [Cook & Book](#),
- Italian: [La piola Libri](#)

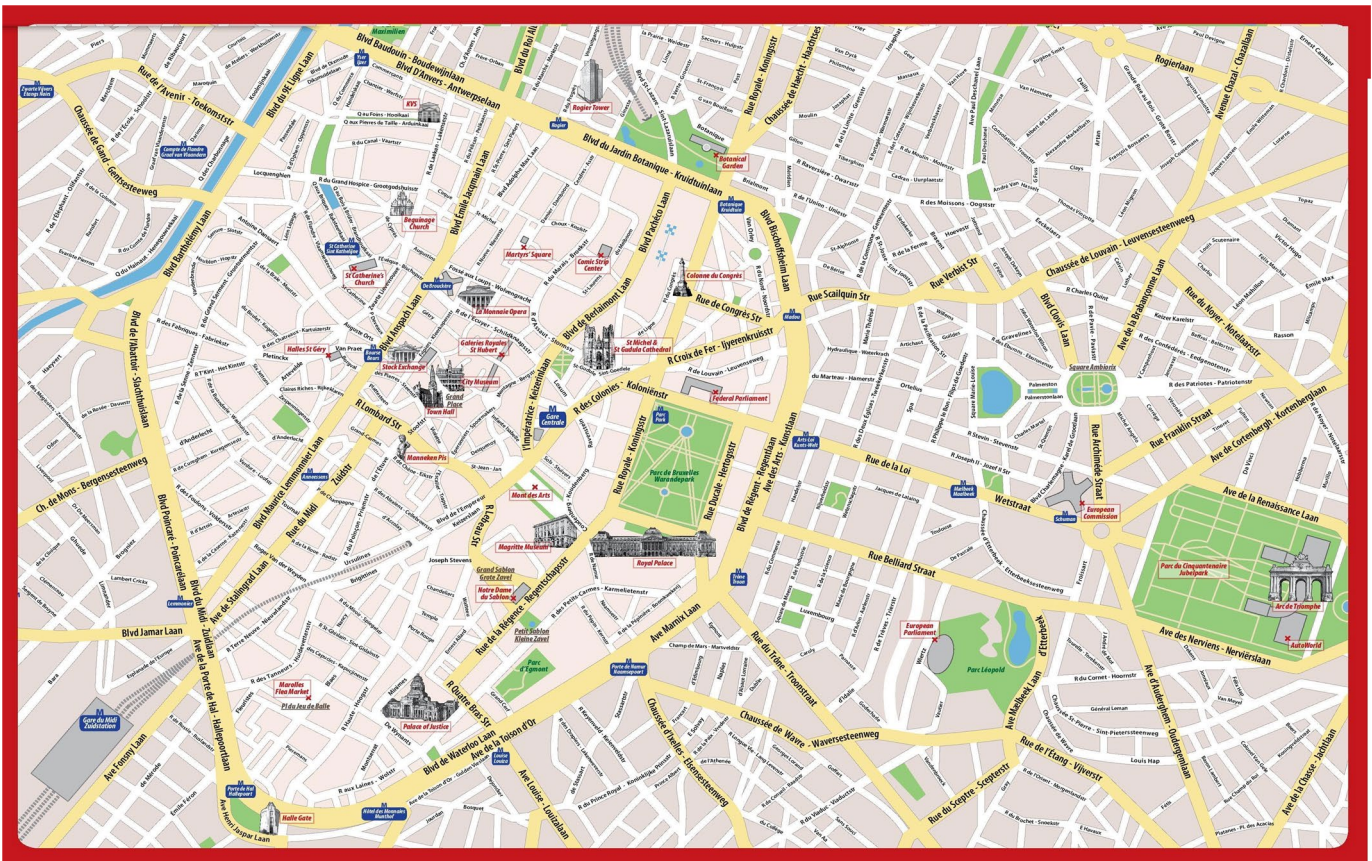




**1 Roi Baudouin
Koning Baudewijn**



**5 Erasme
Erasmus**



BELGIAN BEER WORLD EXPERIENCE, THE BEST BEER EXPERIENCE !



BOOK
YOUR TICKET

