



Welcome to the World Heritage City of Bruges!

It is only fair to say that the places that stir all your senses and that creep under your skin are extremely rare. These are the places that pluck your heartstrings, yet whose secrets you can't unlock completely. Bruges happens to be such a unique place. Cultural and artistic, cosmopolitan, unashamedly Burgundian, mysteriously medieval, and a Unesco World Heritage site to boot. Strolling along Bruges' alleys, picturesque canals and verdant ramparts you cannot but fall hopelessly in love with her elegant mysteriousness.



Events



Tour of Flanders

This historic and world-famous race for professional cyclists will be contested...



Film festival Mooov

Film festival where films are shown with artistic content in a broad social...



Procession of the Holy Blood

This procession that dates back to at least 1304, takes place in Bruges every...



14-18, The War in Pictures...

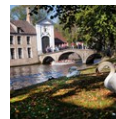
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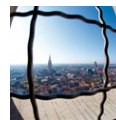
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THE CITY



For centuries the canals of Bruges have linked the city to the sea, a guarantee of wealth and prosperity. International merchants built up Bruges into one of the largest Hanse cities. In the 15th century the city flourished as never before. Large parts of the medieval heritage remained practically intact. Therefore, it is only logical that UNESCO designated the entire city centre as a world heritage site. Saunter along the enigmatic canals, the arteries of the city, and immerse yourself in Bruges' Golden Century.

The economic affluence of the 15th century brought rich merchants to Bruges. They moved into majestic city palaces, packed with works of art. In the wake of the Burgundian dynasty, the great Flemish Primitives, including Jan van Eyck and Hans Memling found their creative niches in Bruges. The fine arts reigned supremely and Bruges quickly became the meeting place and source of inspiration for many artists. The world famous masterpieces and other top collections can be seen today in one of the 26 Bruges Museums.

In medieval Bruges, polyphonic chamber music and choral music reverberated vibrantly. Internationally renowned polyphonists had the run of the elegant city palaces of the rich Burgundians.

Since the 19th century this tradition has been continued in the splendidly restored City Theatre, one of Europe's best preserved city theatres. And also in the contemporary Concertgebouw (Concert Hall), a stone souvenir of Bruges

2002 when Bruges was the Cultural Capital of Europe, top productions follow one after the other.

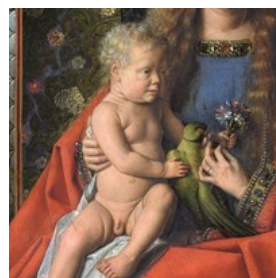
At the grand parties in the princely palace of the dukes of Burgundy, romance was all the rage. This is where mysterious stories found their roots.

The legend of the Bruges swans came about in the period after Mary of Burgundy's passing. Pieter Lanchals, a name which means 'long neck', who was one of the town administrators belonging to the court of Maximilian of Austria, was executed in the Bruges market square. Legend has it that Maximilian punished Bruges by obliging the population to keep 'long necks', or swans, on their lakes and canals till eternity. To this day, proud swans guard the Bruges canals. This elegant image, the windy, mediaeval streets and cobbled squares turn Bruges into the most romantic destination.

5 HOT TIPS



The Flemish Primitives: world famous art from Bruges



Admire the unique and worldfamous collection of pictures by the Flemish Primitives in the very city where they were painted. Or do you prefer the

groundbreaking contemporary art scene, or perhaps poignant and romantic folklore or majestic town palaces? The Bruges museums will happily serve all your needs.

The Beguinage and Minnewater: hushed beauty



Some places are so beautiful that you will have no choice but to fall silent. The Beguinage is such a beauty spot. When you amble through its quiet inner court, its purity

will leave you speechless. Therefore take your time and while away along the romantic Minnewater where you will fully enjoy the age-old view.

The Centuries-old Bruges Skyline: Church of Our Lady, Belfry, Saint Saviour's Cathedral



Three spires dominate the Bruges skyline each in their own way. The imposing Belfry has been the proud symbol of Bruges' independence for centuries. The stiff climb up its

stairs will be rewarded with an unforgettable panorama. The brick tower of the Church of Our Lady – the second highest tower of its kind in the world – exemplifies the craftsmanship of Bruges' artisans. Just as was the Saint Saviour's Cathedral, the Church of Our Lady has been completely restored recently.

Burg and City Hall: medieval opulence



The Burg is one of the city's most beautiful squares. For more than six centuries Bruges has been governed from its 14th century city hall, one of the oldest and most

venerable in the Low Countries. All this time this remarkable historic building has dominated this majestic square. Nowhere else will you be able to experience the city's wealth and affluence so strongly.

Address: Burg

Bruges' cultural shrines: culture with a capital 'C'



Bruges offers the possibility to experience culture under the best possible conditions. What about an opera at the state-of-the-art Concert Hall?

Or perhaps a groundbreaking performance at the theatre? It is absolutely no coincidence that this grand building is one of Europe's best-preserved city theatres. Whatever you choose, you can be sure of a great time in an exceptional setting.

BRUGGE CITY CARD



Brugge City Card - endless benefits!

Would you like to explore Bruges and go easy on your wallet at the same time? Would you like to enjoy special offers whilst getting to know the city in all its facets?

With the Brugge City Card you will accumulate one discount after another and even visit countless attractions completely free! This super bargain card is handy and inexpensive and your unique chance to save more than € 250.00! Available at the information offices on Markt, 't Zand and Stationsplein or order your Brugge City Card at: www.bruggecitycard.be

DO & SEE



Some places are so special, so breathtaking or so unique that you simply have to see them. Bruges is filled to the brim with wonderful witnesses of a prosperous past, whether they be peaceful and picturesque, spiritual or, on the contrary, extremely entertaining.

Sights

Beguine's house



The 'Princely Beguinage Ten Wijngaarde' with its whitewashed house fronts, tranquil convent garden and beguinage museum was founded in 1245. Today the nuns of the Order of Saint Benedict inhabit the site.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt
Address: Begijnhof 24-28-30
Internet: www.monasteria.org
More Info: free with Brugge City Card

Discounted / free entrance with Brugge City Card. More info in the City Card-section.

Belfry



This most important of Bruges' towers stands 83 metres tall. It houses a treasure-chamber, an impressive clock mechanism and a carillon with 47

silver-toned bells. Your reward after a climb up the tower's 366 stairs is a breathtaking and unforgettable panoramic view of Bruges and her surroundings.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet
Address: Markt 7
Internet: www.museabrugge.be
More Info: free with Brugge City Card

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Belgian Fries Museum



This didactic museum sketches the history of the potato, belgian fries and the various sauces and dressings that accompany this most delicious and most famous of

Belgian comestibles. The museum is housed in Saaihalle, one of Bruges' most attractive buildings.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt
Address: Vlamingstraat 33
Internet: www.frietmuseum.be
More Info: free with Brugge City Card

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Brewery De Halve Maan/guided tour + tasting



'Brugse Zot' is the pride of the traditional brewery 'De Halve Maan', whose earliest reference dates back to 1564. It is a tasty beer of high fermentation made of malt,

hops and yeast. If you wish to learn more about the production process and the history of the brewery, you can join a guided tour and try the beer.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet

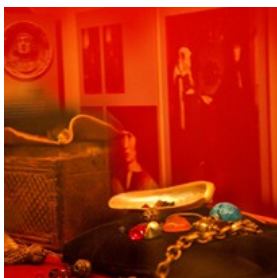
Address: Walplein 26

Internet: www.halvemaan.be

More Info: free with Brugge City Card

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Bruges Diamond Museum + diamond cutting demonstration



This museum illustrates the history of Bruges as the oldest diamond centre in Europe. Today, diamond remains one of Belgium's most important export products. The daily demonstration of diamond cutting is a sparkling affair.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

Address: Katelijnestraat 43

Internet: www.diamondmuseum.be

More Info: free with Brugge City Card

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Choco-Story/Chocolate Museum



The museum dips its visitors in the history of cocoa and chocolate. From the Maya and the Spanish conquistadores to the chocolate connoisseurs of today. A chocolate hunt gives

children the chance to discover the museum. Chocolates are made by hand and sampled on the premises.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

Address: Wijnzakstraat 2

Internet: www.choco-story.be

More Info: free with Brugge City Card

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City Hall



Bruges' City Hall (1376-1420) is one of the oldest in the Low Countries. It is from here that the city has been governed for more than 600 years. An absolute masterpiece is the

Gothic Hall with its late 19th-century murals and polychrome vault. The adjoining historic hall calls up the city council's history with a number of authentic documents and works of art. A multimedial exhibition on the ground floor illustrates the evolution of the Burg square.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

Address: Burg 12

Internet: www.museabrugge.be

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Church of Our Lady



The 122 metres high brick tower of the Church of Our Lady is a perfect illustration of the craftsmanship of Bruges' artisans. The church displays a valuable art collection:

Michelangelo's world-famous Madonna and Child, countless paintings, 13th-century painted sepulchres and the tombs of Mary of Burgundy and Charles the Bold.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

Address: Mariastraat

Internet: www.museabrugge.be

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Museum-Gallery Xpo Salvador Dalí



Admire the fantastic collection of world-famous graphic art, sculptures and drawings by the renowned Salvador Dalí inside the Belfry. All works are originals without a fault,

authenticated by the Fundació Gala-Salvador Dalí.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

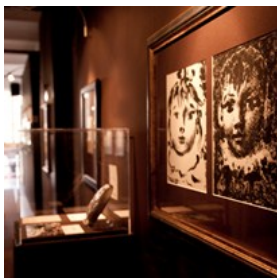
Address: Markt 7

Internet: www.dali-interart.be

More Info: free with Brugge City Card

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Expo Picasso



The historic area of the former Hospital of Saint John (Old Saint John's) hosts a permanent exhibition of more than 120 original works of art by Pablo Picasso. Admire the

engravings and rare illustrations as well as the drawings and ceramics of the world-famous artist. The exhibition outlines the evolution in his work: from his Spanish period to cubism to surrealism. Works by some of his artist friends such as Matisse, Miró, Braque, Rodin, Chagall and Ensor are also on display.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

Address: Oud Sint-Jan, Mariastraat 38

Internet: www.expo-brugge.be

More Info: free with Brugge City Card

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Groeninge Museum



The Groeninge Museum offers a varied overview of the history of Belgian plastic arts. Although the Flemish Primitives are a high point, you will also marvel at top

18th and 19th-century neoclassical pieces, masterpieces from Flemish Expressionism and post-war modern art.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet

Address: Dijver 12

Internet: www.museabrugge.be

More Info: free with Brugge City Card

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Gruuthuse Museum



The opulent palace of the lords of Gruuthuse include splendid tapestries, a unique prayer chapel, a five-centuries-old kitchen and a collection of objects

illustrating daily life between the 15th and the 19th century, from everyday kitchen ware to superb silverware.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

Address: Dijver 17

Opening hours: temporarily closed until 20 December 2013

Internet: www.museabrugge.be

More Info: free with Brugge City Card

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Historium Bruges



The Historium catapults you back to Bruges' Golden Age. Special effects, moving pictures and pieces of scenery breathe life into the year 1435. A thrilling love story

awaits you (which you can listen to in your own language on the audio-guide): take a walk around the port of medieval Bruges, take a look in the studio of the great painter Jan van Eyck and inhale the atmosphere of the city's streets. Let yourself be shocked and amused by the exotic fragrances and bawdy laughter in the bath house or take a spectacular flight over medieval Bruges. Afterwards, you can relive your experiences in the Duvelorium, a beer-concept store that has a breathtaking panorama of the Markt.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt
Address: Markt 1
Internet: www.historium.be
More Info: discount with Brugge City Card

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Lace Centre



The Lace Centre is housed in the 15th-century complex housing a.o. historic almshouses funded by the Adornes family, who also built the Jerusalem Chapel. Lace

demonstrations and a number of courses are regularly given. The shop sells all kinds of lace paraphernalia.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt
Address: Peperstraat 3a
Internet: www.kantcentrum.eu
More Info: free with Brugge City Card

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Museum of the Basilica of the Holy Blood



This double chapel consists of the Romanesque Church of Saint Basil (1139-1149) on the ground floor and the Basilica on the first floor, rebuilt in Gothic revival style in the 19th century. The Relic of the Holy Blood is kept in the Basilica.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt
Address: Burg 13
Internet: www.holyblood.com
More Info: free with Brugge City Card

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Saint John's Hospital



The St. John's Hospital is one of the oldest preserved hospital buildings in Europe. The museum gives a moving impression of what life was like in a medieval hospital

ward. Numerous pieces of furniture, silverwork, pewter, paintings, statues, etc. evoke images of the care of bodies and souls that took place right here, throughout the centuries. The hospital chapel is a virtual monument to the artistic genius of Hans Memling. This 15th-century artist created many of his greatest works for the St John's Hospital, including his famous St. Ursula Shrine. In the attic, visitors can admire one of the oldest monumental roof truss systems in the world, while the old apothecary chamber and the herb garden are also well worth a visit.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet
Address: Mariastraat 38
Internet: www.museabrugge.be
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Sound Factory - Lantern Tower



Discover the Sound Factory in the Lantern Tower of the contemporary Concertgebouw: create yourself the sounds of the city through interactive sound art.

The location also offers you an excellent view over the Old Town and its towers.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

Address: 't Zand 34

Internet: www.sound-factory.be

More Info: free with Brugge City Card

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Activities

Discover Bruges

You might want to stroll, amble and saunter down the streets of Bruges all day long or even for a whole weekend. Nothing wrong with that. However, it won't do you any harm if you look at the city from a different perspective. During a walking or bicycle tour a guide will show you numerous secret places. Maybe you prefer a boat trip on the mysterious canals. An unforgettable experience! And a ride in a horse-drawn carriage must surely be the perfect romantic outing.

Perhaps you simply want to tour all the highlights as quickly and as comfortably as possible? Then a minibus is what you need, and expert commentary is what you will get. And how about a balloon ride or a daytrip on a Vespa scooter? The choice is yours!

Bruges by Boat



A visit to Bruges isn't complete without a boat trip on its canals. Go aboard at any of the five landing stages (consult city map) for a half-hour trip that allows you

to appreciate the most noteworthy delights of the city from a completely different angle.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet

Opening hours: March-November: daily 10.00 a.m.-6.00 p.m.

Internet: www.bruges.be

More Info: free with Brugge City Card

Discounted / free entrance with Brugge City Card. More info in the City Card-section.

Bruges on Foot



Are you not exhausted from walking yet? Are you still in the mood for a tour with guide? Then hurry to the information office 't Zand (Concertgebouw) and register

for a two-hour fascinating guided walk. Languages: English, Dutch and French.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

Internet: www.ticketsbrugge.be

More Info: in Jan., Feb., March, Nov. and Dec.: free with Brugge City Card

Discounted / free entrance with Brugge City Card. More info in the City Card-section.

Bruges By Horse-drawn Carriage



The half-hour carriage ride along Bruges' historic winding streets trots off on Markt (at Burg on Wednesday morning). Halfway through the ride the carriage briefly stops at the

Beguinaage. The coachman gives expert commentary en

route.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet

Opening hours: 9.00 a.m.-6.00 p.m., in July and August: 9.00 a.m.-10.00 p.m.

Internet: www.bruges.be

Bruges by Hot Air Balloon



With Bruges Ballooning you can discover the city out of a hot air balloon. A morning flight (champagne breakfast included) or an evening flight (champagne, snacks and beer

included) lasts three hours, of which at least one is spent up in the air! On request only. Reservation for a balloon trip on the day itself is however possible until a few hours before departure.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet

Internet: www.bruges-ballooning.com

More Info: discount with Brugge City Card

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City Tour Bruges



The minibuses call at the different highlights of the city. They leave every half an hour from Markt for a fifty-minute trip. Headphones provide commentary in English, Dutch,

French, German, Spanish, Italian and Japanese.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet

Internet: www.citytour.be

More Info: discount with Brugge City Card

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Bruges by bike



Quasi Mundo Biketours

Bruges The narrow streets reveal the medieval character of the ancient port. The fascinating stories by the guide will catapult you back to

a time when knights and counts ruled the town. It goes without saying that there is a stop along the way for a thirst-quenching Belgian beer.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet

Internet: www.quasimundo.com

More Info: 'Bruges By Bike': March-November, daily: 10.00 a.m.-12.30 p.m.

DINING



Bruges is called the epicentre of the world's gastronomy for good reason. The city boasts one of the highest ratio of Michelin stars per capita in the world.

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- **FREE** admission to 26 museums, places of interest and attractions in Bruges
- **FREE** trendy city guide
- **FREE** round trip on the canals (1/3 > 15/11)
- At least 25% **DISCOUNT** on not to be missed concerts, dance and theatre performances
- At least 25% **DISCOUNT** on your hired bicycle and underground car parking
- Only € 6,00 for a three-day pass valid on all buses and trams in Flanders
- At least 25% **DISCOUNT** on various museums, places of interest and attractions around Bruges

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CAFES



Bar des Amis

Located on the illustrious Eiermarkt square, a favourite to any beer lover, this tranquil café immediately catches your eye. Bar des Amis is built in a traditional manner, complete with wooden bar chairs, a sturdy bar you can lean on all night long, and a great atmosphere that will keep you coming back.

Address: Eiermarkt 19

Internet: www.bardesamis.be

Delaney's Irish Pub & Restaurant



This Irish pub is the place to be for Irishmen who are far from home and for anyone who likes to have a Guinness once in a while. You can also have a bite to eat before or

after the drinking fest.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet

Address: Burg 8

Internet: www.delaneys.be

't Brugs Beertje



A paradise for beer lovers! The bar is where locals and tourists find each other and fraternize while tasting one of the 300 Belgian beers. It's no coincidence that the café has

been elected one of the world's 20 best beer cafés!

Address: Kemelstraat 5
Internet: www.brugsbeertje.be

Café De Reisduif

A popular village café in the middle of the city. That's Café De Reisduif in a nutshell. In other words, an authentic place with a pleasant atmosphere where it doesn't matter where you're from or where you're going.

Address: Langerei 30

Café Vlissinghe



Even though its roots go all the way back to 1515, making Café Vlissinghe the oldest café in Bruges, it is still full of life. In summer you can even play a game of pétanque in

the garden.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge
Address: Blekersstraat 2
Internet: www.cafevlissinghe.be

Cambrinus

Calling the beer menu of this beer brasserie extensive would be an understatement. It boasts no less than 400 kinds, enough to make you lose your bearings for a moment...

Address: Philipstockstraat 19
Internet: www.cambrinus.eu

Concertgebouwcafé



Concertgebouw, where you can enjoy concerts, plays and dance performances, also has a nice city bar. Perfect for those who want to have a cup of coffee in the afternoon or

enjoy a glass of wine at night.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge
Address: 't Zand 34
Internet: www.concertgebouw.be/cafe

Craenenburg

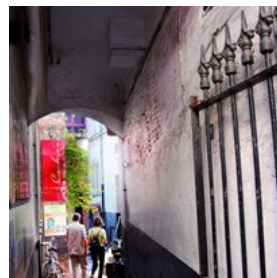


Huis Craenenburg has dominated Bruges' Markt square for centuries. Margaret of York watched the tournaments from this establishment, and it is also

where Maximilian of Austria was imprisoned. Today it is the place to be to enjoy a drink and a bite to eat in an authentic Flemish atmosphere.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet
Address: Markt 16
Internet: www.craenenburg.be

De Garre



De Garre lies hidden in one of the smallest streets of Bruges in the shadow of the Belfry. This small and cosy pub offers you different kinds of beverages, including the

exclusive 'Tripel van De Garre'!

Address: De Garre 1
Internet: www.degarre.be

De Lokkedize



Jazz, blues, chanson or a bit of rock 'n roll, De Lokkedize doesn't discriminate. So it won't surprise you that it is a place where both residents and visitors like to sit and

chat.

Address: Korte Vuldersstraat 33
Internet: www.lokkedize.be

't Hof van Rembrandt



Another classic on Eiermarkt square is 't Hof van Rembrandt, blessed with a lovely sun terrace and an impressive beer menu. From trappist and abbey beers over fruit beers to the beer of the month. Make your choice!

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt
Address: Eiermarkt 10
Internet: www.thofvanrembrandt.be

't Klein Venetië

All of Bruges' outdoor cafés are extremely popular, but that of 't Klein Venetië beats them all. It's an ideal spot to relax in the sun with a wonderful view of Rozenhoedkaai.

Address: Braambergstraat 1

L'Estaminet



An established venue and the favourite bar of many inhabitants of Bruges. L'Estaminet is famous for its authentic interior, its delicious bar snacks and its perfectly pulled beers. Now and then the tables are moved to the side to make room for dancing, which goes on until the wee hours of the morning.

Address: Park 5
Internet: <http://users.telenet.be/fclestaminet>

Punta Est



If you want to enjoy the sun for as long as possible, you should hurry to Punta Est to make yourself comfortable in the setting sun on the corner of Predikherenrei. It is without a doubt one of the city's best kept secrets.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet
Address: Predikherenrei 1

't Zwart Huis



will. A place where you'll never be bored.

Photo: Stad Brugge
Address: Kuipersstraat 33
Internet: www.bistrozwarthuis.be

Café Rose Red



Café Rose Red is a cheery café that is full of character. It is located in the heart of Bruges a stone's throw from the Market Square. A quiet side street takes you away from the tourist route and spirits you away into an authentic jewel in the town centre of Bruges. Their speciality is Trappist beer; hence they offer all the trappist beers that are recommended all over the world. Come savour this delectable nectar inside the café or on the pleasant terrace.

Address: Cordoeaniersstraat 16
Internet: www.caferosered.com

Li O Lait



This is a new coffee house, but it has plenty of old-world charm. A paradise for coffee-lovers, who know their filter-coffee from their espresso and their latte from their cappuccino. Tea-lovers will also find an impressive range of choice, while those with a sweet tooth can opt for

a white hot chocolate. Trendsetters may prefer an ice-cold coffee shake, whereas the true hedonists will undoubtedly go for a refreshing glass of cava.

Address: Dweersstraat 30
Internet: www.liolait.be

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



Bar Salon



A hip, groovy tapas bar that reminds you of Barcelona. A trendy spot that's always chock-a-block with locals who come here for a relaxing moment before going to lunch or dinner at the restaurant that belongs to the same owners.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt
Address: Langestraat 17
Internet: www.rock-fort.be

Bauhaus



Bauhaus, Youth Hotel, Budget Hotel, café, restaurant and well-known in backpacker circles, is the meeting point for travellers in search of adventure. This creates a contagious atmosphere. The bar is where locals and foreigners find each other and where close friendships are forged from time to time.

Photo: Stad Brugge
Address: Langestraat 145
Internet: www.bauhaus.be

B-In



Lounge bar, party place, lunch and dinner establishment and afternoon outdoor café. B-In is many things. Above all, it's a great spot where you can wave to the passing tourist boats in the afternoon and dance your heart out at night.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge
Address: Zonnekemeers Oud Sint-Jan
Internet: www.b-in.be

Charlie Rockets



Once it was a cinema today it is a meeting place for residents and backpackers. You can regularly enjoy live music here, and we haven't even mentioned the happy hour yet! And if that isn't enough, you can enjoy a game of pool.

Address: Hoogstraat 19
Internet: www.charlieroockets.be

De Kleine Nachtmuziek



Whisky lovers will be in for a real treat at this hidden gem. You can choose from no less than eighty single malt whiskies. So you'll have a lot of tasting to do. Even those who like to keep things a bit more discreet will find something to their liking in this candle-light pub.

Photo: Stad Brugge
Address: Sint-Jakobsstraat 60

De Republiek



Bruges' version of a Grand Café. Here, in the morning you can enjoy a cup of coffee, have your afternoon tea on the cosy sheltered inner patio, and in the evening you end your dinner with a couple of delicious cocktails. And afterwards there will definitely be a party.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

Address: Sint-Jakobsstraat 36

Internet: www.derepubliek.be

De Vuurmolen

This bar has been a go-to place for night owls for many years now. When all the other bars have long closed their doors, you can be sure that Vuurmolen is still shaking on its foundations. Indeed, there are still certainties in this world.

Address: Kraanplein 5

Du Phare



and at night.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

Address: Sasplein 2

Internet: www.duphare.be

Groot Vlaenderen

The latest hype in Bruges is called Groot Vlaenderen, a wonderful and particularly elegant cocktail bar where every cocktail is prepared right in front of you in an expert fashion. A must!

Address: Vlamingstraat 94

Internet: www.grootvlaenderen.be

't Hof van Beroep



This new place to be is already a hit with Bruges' inhabitants and in no time it has become the favourite spot to talk after football or to watch a match on TV.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

Address: Langestraat 125

Internet: www.thofvanberoep.com

Joey's Café



Situated in the middle of the hustle and bustle of the shopping zone, this small pub lies somewhat hidden from the outside world. It's a bit of an unusual place, but that doesn't make Joey's Café less authentic. Be prepared for a night of blues, jazz and rock.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet

Address: Zilversteeg 4

Nocturne



It's always exciting to descend into a medieval cellar. Immerse yourself in Bruges' glorious past and imagine the stories you might hear if these walls could talk. Cheers!

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt

Address: Wollestraat 29d

Internet: www.nocturne-brugge.be

't Risico

You can find 't Risico in a peaceful neighbourhood far away from the throng of tourists. It is an authentic neighbourhood pub where the locals still come together to

share the latest news. Don't worry though, non-locals are welcome too.

Address: Jeruzalemstraat 53

Internet: www.trisico.be

Vino Vino



Apart from perfectly pulled beers, this bluesy tapas bar also serves a few hearty tapas. So it won't surprise you that the bar is always full of locals who come in here

practically every other day.

Address: Grauwwerkersstraat 15

Wijnbar Est



In this tiny, yet super cosy wine bar, Noëlla serves excellent wines while telling you all about them. On Sundays it is the place to be for a Lazy Sunday and you are

treated to some laid-back live jazz.

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan Darthet

Address: Braambergstraat 7

Internet: www.wijnbarest.be

EVENTS



There is no better way to fraternise with the townspeople of Bruges than to immerse yourself in the infectious ambiance at the innumerable events that sweep through

the whole city.

The monthly magazine events@brugge offers a detailed events calendar. It is available free of charge at the information office at Markt, 't Zand or Stationsplein.

Tour of Flanders



This historic and world-famous race for professional cyclists will be contested for the 98th time in 2014. The start is on the Markt.

Address: Markt

Internet: www.rondevanvlaanderen.be

More Info: 6th April 2014

Film festival Mooov



Film festival where films are shown with artistic content in a broad social context.

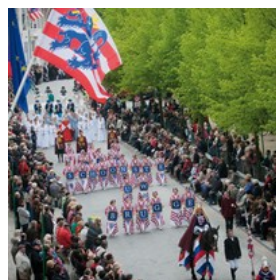
Address: Cinema Lumière / Cinema Liberty

Phone: +32 50 34 83 54

Internet: www.mooov.be

More Info: 23 April - 4 May 2014

Procession of the Holy Blood



This procession that dates back to at least 1304, takes place in Bruges every year on Ascension Day. Although there have been many changes over the centuries, the heart of the event is the reenactment of the passion and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Procession of the Holy Blood was added to the representative list of intangible cultural heritage of humanity.

Opening hours: 2.30-6 p.m.

Internet: www.bruges.be

More Info: Annually on Ascension Day, route through the city centre.

14-18, The War in Pictures | Bruges at War



Exactly 100 years after the German invasion of Bruges, the city of Bruges is commemorating the Great War with three exhibitions.

This world conflict is shown

both in its Bruges context and its international framework, from both a historical and an artistic point of view. A historical exhibition tells the little-known history of a city living under occupation while serving as an operations base for the war at sea. It zooms in on daily life in wartime Bruges and widens the canvas to take in the global dimension of the First World War. Two photography exhibitions continue this broader perspective and propel us forward to the present day. The work of contemporary photographers forms a counterpoint to archival photographs. With its long tradition of art exhibitions, the city of Bruges focuses once again on potent image-making.

Address: Belfry, Markt 7

Phone: +32 50 44 87 43

Internet: www.museabrugge.be

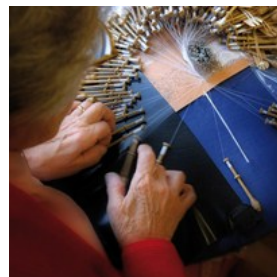
More Info: 14 October 2014 - 22 February 2015

SHOPPING



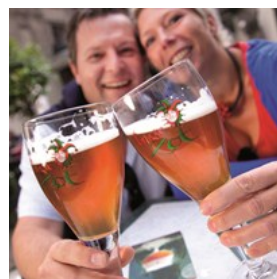
There is nothing more pitiful than returning home with a trivial souvenir that is immediately exiled to a cupboard. Bruges offers a solution. The World Heritage City impresses with a selection of authentic gadgets, novelties and other objects that you would dearly love to keep yourself. From unique lacework and glittering diamonds to frothy local beers and compellingly delicious chocolate. Too good and too tempting to resist!

Lace



You don't fancy a boring run-of-the-mill souvenir? Why not purchase some unique Bruges lace? A fine piece of fancywork with an incontestable reputation.

Beer



Let's not beat about the bush. A Brugean enjoys a pint of beer now and then, especially if the beer has been brewed in his own city. It is therefore only logical that Bruges

boasts two authentic city beers: Straffe Hendrik and Brugse Zot.

Chocolate



It only stands to reason that Bruges calls itself the capital of chocolate. In other words, if you don't succumb to a piece of chocolate here, you'll never taste chocolate in your

life. Almost the entire city is covered in the sweet smell of this delicacy, as around every corner a chocolate temptation is lurking.

Alfa Papyrus



Here, you will find quirky calligraphy cards and pebbles, special handmade paper and various unique creations, ranging from small note books to solid, timeless photo

albums. Books you will want to treasure for ever.

Address: Eekhoutstraat 25
Phone: +32 50 33 03 12
Internet: www.alfapapyrus.com
Email: els.brys@alfapapyrus.be

't Apostelientje



't Apostelientje, established nearly 30 years ago, is the place to be for handmade lace. It sells both contemporary pieces and beautiful antique lace gems,

sometimes even framed. Or why not buy some lace and have a go yourself?

Photo: Toerisme Brugge / Jan D'Hondt
Address: Balstraat 11
Phone: +32 50 33 78 60
Internet: www.apostelientje.be
Email: info@apostelientje.be

Chapellerie Baeckelandt



For more than two decades, Frédérique Baeckelandt has been kitting out the locals with suitable hats. She designs and manufactures the ladies' hats herself, and a sketch is all she

needs to make the hat of your dreams.

Address: Ezelstraat 120
Phone: +32 50 33 75 63

Djamil Zenasni

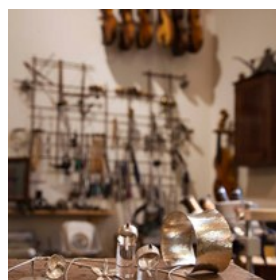


Djamil Zenasni's passion is restoring and re-upholstering antique or worn-out seats in the traditional way. And you can choose from a host of fabrics, from budget-friendly

to exclusive, tailored to suit every taste and every budget!

Address: Hoogstraat 42
Phone: +32 478 23 21 07
Internet: www.djamil-zenasni.be
Email: info@djamil-zenasni.be

Ginkgo



A solid-silver, timeless collection of jewellery, handmade in our own workshop at an affordable price. That is Ginkgo in a nutshell. But you can also buy

tailored pieces, as well as precious stone jewellery.

Anything is possible!

Address: Walplein 21
Phone: +32 479 26 94 89
Internet: www.ginkgojewels.com
Email: ginkgo@zilversmid.be

Kingin

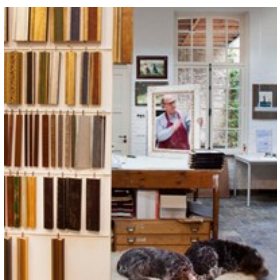


Every day, Nikolaas and Nathalie work tête-à-tête at their immensely long counter for hours. Each piece passes through both their hands. You will find both wedding bands

and pieces to suit your taste and budget, ranging from sleek silver, classical gold to exclusive gemstones.

Address: Ezelstraat 27
Phone: +32 50 34 19 09
Internet: www.kingin.be
Email: kingin@telenet.be

Monart

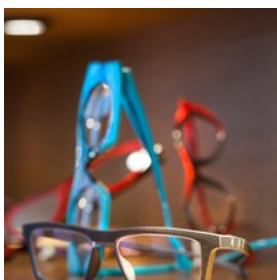


Since 1977, Monart has been working as framer and restorer of paintings and frames. His speciality is the gilded and handmade frames. Custom-made according to

ancient techniques.

Address: Genthof 33
Phone: +32 476 25 64 17
Internet: www.monartbrugge.be
Email: bart@monartbrugge.be

Optiek Hoet

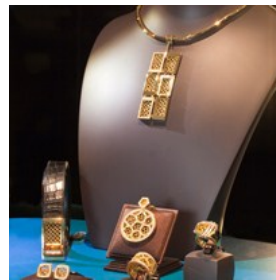


No trendy look, whether it's that of a designer, advertiser or woman in the media, is complete without Hoet glasses. This is the place for Hoet's own design classics.

Fashion for trendsetters. Popular the world over, but with its cradle in Bruges.

Address: Vlamingstraat 19
Phone: +32 50 33 50 02
Internet: www.optiekhoet-brugge.be
Email: brugge@hoet.eu

Quijo

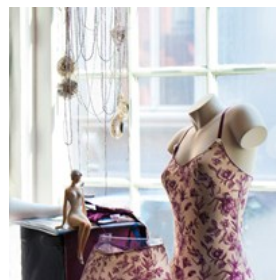


More than 60 years ago, father Quijo opened this exclusive jewellery store. Today, his son, Peter, is at the helm. He impresses with own designs and has even

managed to create two new diamond cuts. Something which promptly earned him a De Beers award.

Address: Breidelstraat 18
Phone: +32 50 34 10 10
Internet: www.quijo.be
Email: info@quijo.be

Sun Mae

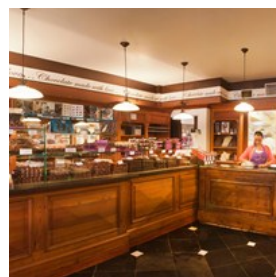


Luxury lingerie for ladies, that is what Sun Mae guarantees. In this boudoir-style lingerie boutique, simplicity, craftsmanship and feminine elegance prevail. All this with

an exclusive touch. So Sun Mae sells unique lingerie sets that appeal to the imagination.

Address: Hoogstraat 25
Phone: +32 50 34 78 34
Internet: www.sunmae.be
Email: info@sunmae.be

The Chocolate Line



Supplies to the best star-rated restaurants, is acclaimed the world over and makes ground-breaking chocolate creations, using ingredients as diverse as ginger puree and

wasabi. Each chocolate is an ingenious flavour composition that you will never forget.

Address: Simon Stevinplein 19
Phone: +32 50 34 10 90
Internet: www.thechocolateline.be

Email: info@thechocolateline.be

Veerle Praet



Couturière Veerle Praet impresses with exquisite bridal couture and prêt-à-porter collections. Why not get your wedding dress custom-made in her luxurious

salon where shop and workshop merge into one? You start with a blank canvas and end up with a unique, unforgettable dress.

Address: Genthof 3

Phone: +32 50 61 66 67

Internet: www.veerlepraet.com

Email: info@veerlepraet.com

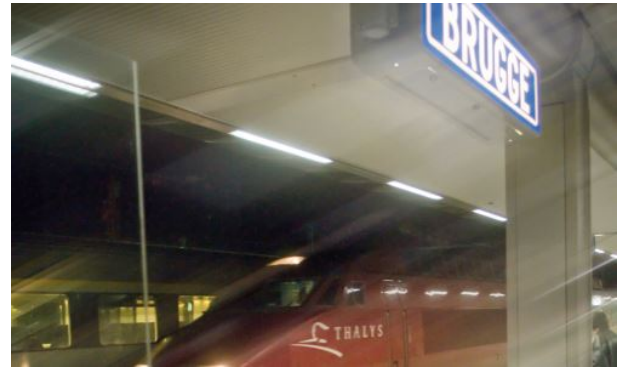
ACCOMMODATIONS



Stay the night in Bruges at competitive rates. Book a room in a cosy Bed & Breakfast or in one of our charming hotels.

Book online: www.bruges.be or upon arrival in the information offices at Markt, 't Zand or Stationsplein.

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



Airport

Via Brussels Airport daily flights from 200 destinations in 66 countries. Easy access to Bruges by train.

Via Brussels-South-Charleroi-Airport multiple flights a week by low cost airlines from several European cities. Frequent train and bus connections between the airport and Bruges.

Public Transport

Train:

transfer at Brussels-Midi/Zuid to Bruges when coming from other European cities. Multiple direct connections each day from Brussels, Ghent and Antwerp, but also from other Belgian cities to Bruges.

Ferry from the UK:

Dover-Dunkirk: DFDS Seaways

Dover-Calais: DFDS Seaways & P&O

Ramsgate-Ostend: Transeuropa Ferries

Hull-Zeebrugge: P&O

Rosyth-Zeebrugge: DFDS Seaways

Car:

Bruges is located along the E40 motorway, between Ostend and Brussels. Amsterdam, Paris & Cologne are 3 hours' drive away.

Health care

Doctors on duty: 7.00 p.m.-8.00 a.m. tel. +32 78 15 15 90

Pharmacists on duty: tel. +32 900 10 500

Dentists on duty: tel. +32 903 39 969

Hospitals:

A.Z. St-Jan: tel. +32 50 45 21 11

A.Z. St-Lucas: tel. +32 50 36 91 11

St-Franciscus Xaveriuskliniek: tel. +32 50 47 04 70

Poisons advice centre: tel. +32 70 245 245

Police

Reception: Monday-Friday: 8.00 a.m.-12.00 a.m. & 13.30 p.m.-17.00 p.m. (Tuesday: till 6.00 p.m.), Saturday: 8.00 a.m.-11.45 a.m.

Emergency Assistance: tel. 101

Address: Kartuizerinnenstraat 4

Phone: +32 50 44 88 44

More Info: Permanence: Lodewijk Coiseaukaai 3

Post offices

Bpost:

Address: Markt 5

More Info: The other post office in the inner city is located on Beursplein, Sint-Maartensbilk 14.

Market days

Wednesdays: 8.00 a.m.-1.00 p.m. Markt: Food & Flowers

Saturdays: 8.00 a.m.-1.00 p.m. 't Zand & Beursplein:

Miscellaneous

Tuesdays to Saturdays: 8.00 a.m.-1.00 p.m. Vismarkt: Fish

Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays: from 15 March to 15 November 10.00 a.m.-6.00 p.m. Dijver & Vismarkt: antiques, bibelots and crafts

Language

Dutch

Weather

Moderate sea climate

Discover Bruges through our webcams and immediately get an impression of our city and the current weather conditions:

Internet: www.bruges.be

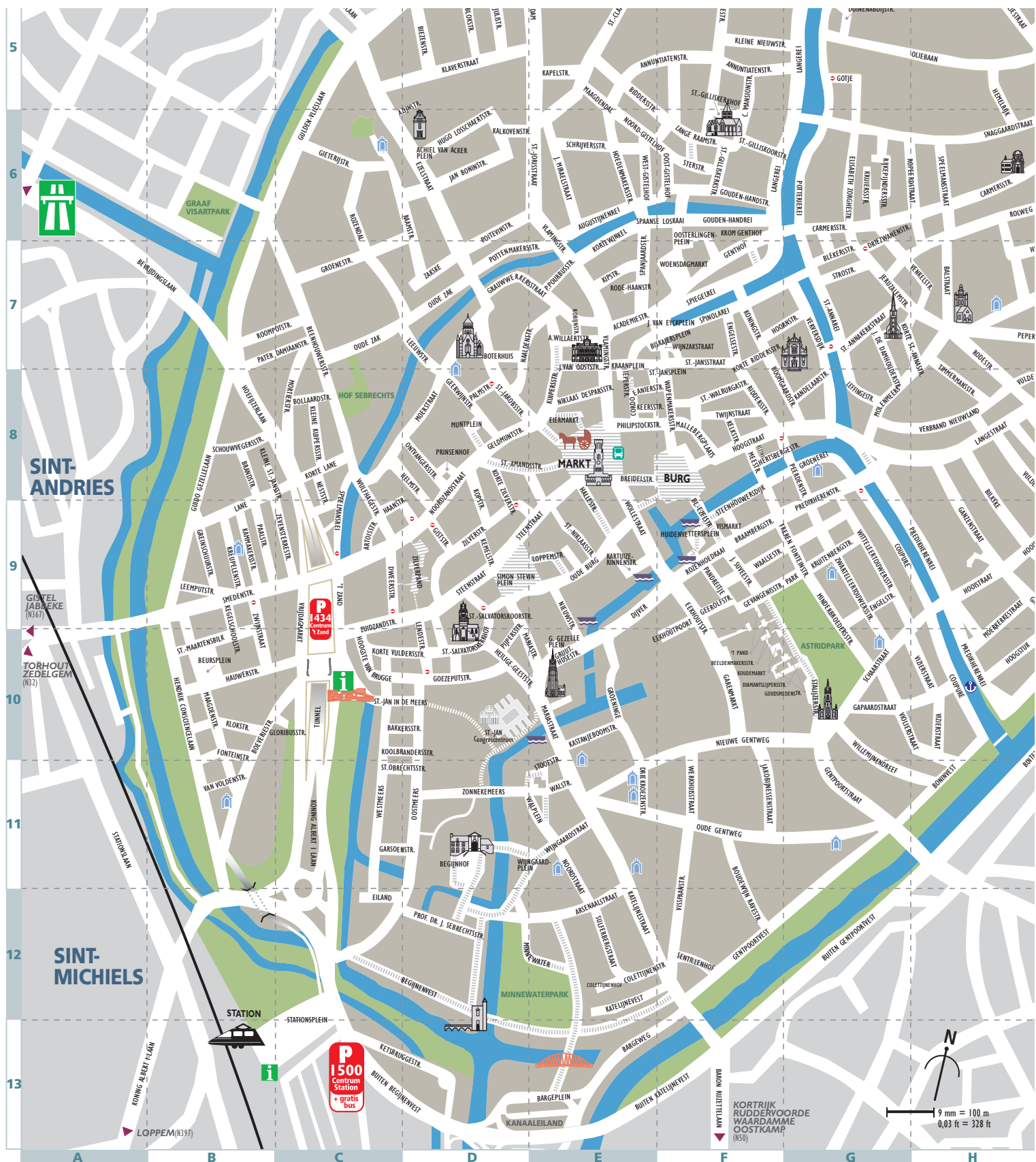
Telephone

Country code: +32

Area code: 050

Electricity

220V





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