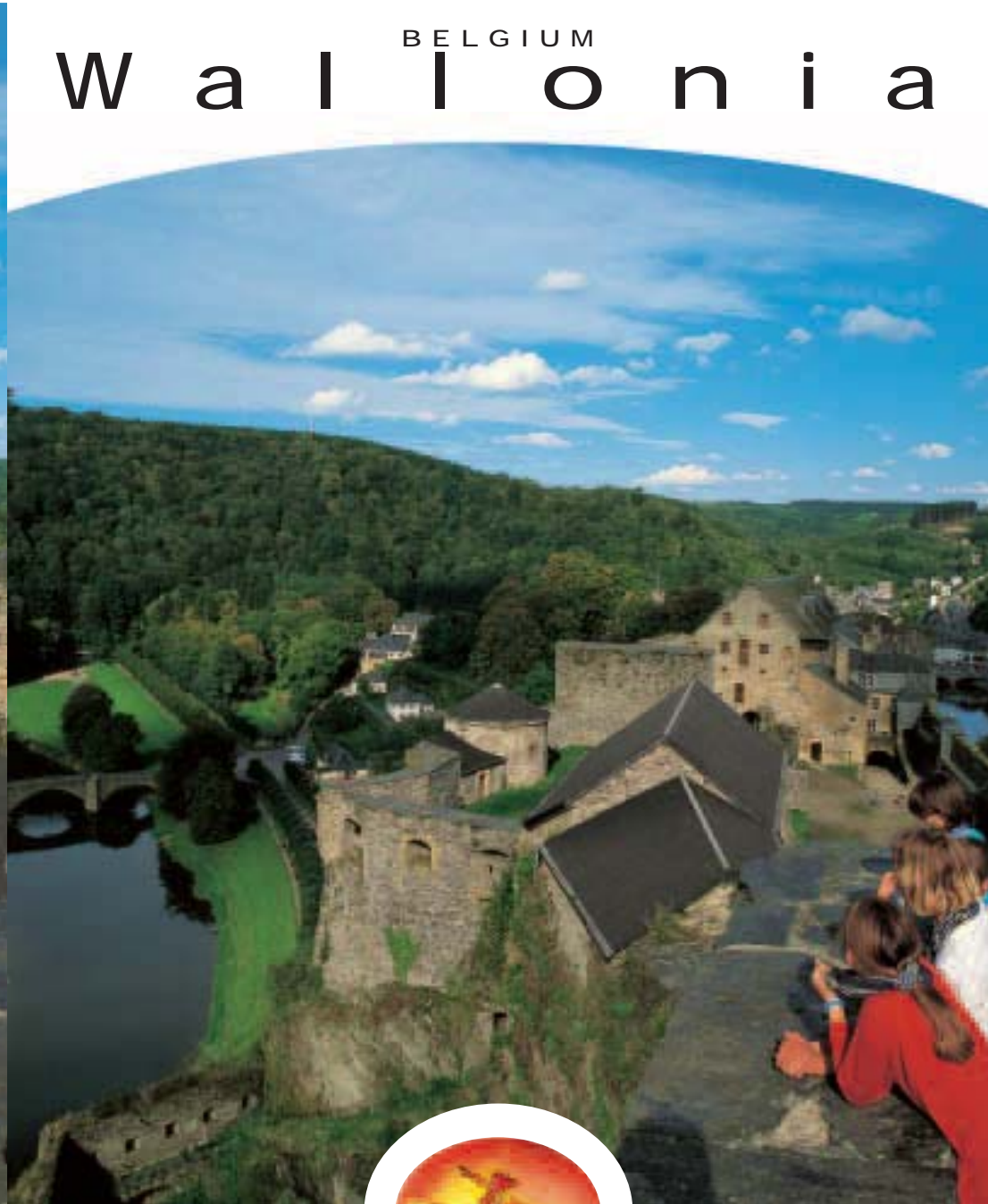


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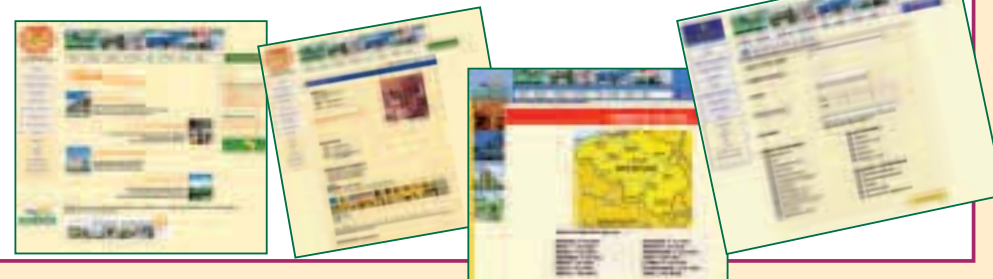
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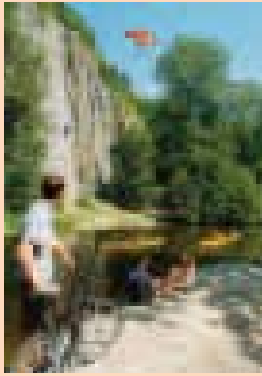
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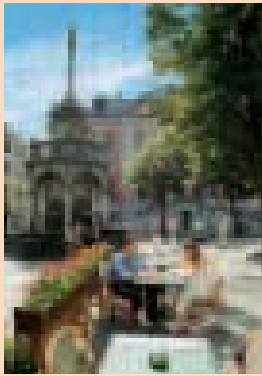
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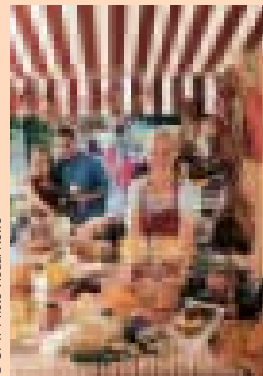
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*A countryside filled with charming, welcoming towns Whether you visit Namur, capital of Wallonia, Or a tiny village in the middle of nowhere You will be met by locals with a warm smile Offering to assist you in any way they can. You'll also find pretty squares in which to sit And quaint cobbled streets to wander.*

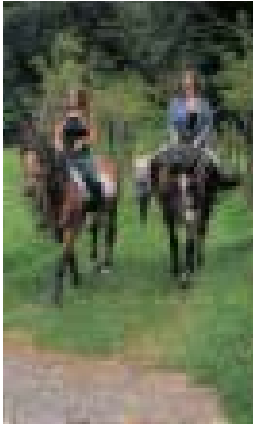


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*A small country with a huge appetite The southern part of Belgium is known for its cuisine - and rightly so. Thirst-quenching ales, smoked hams, creamy cheeses and Michelin-starred dishes are just a few of the local delights waiting to be sampled.*



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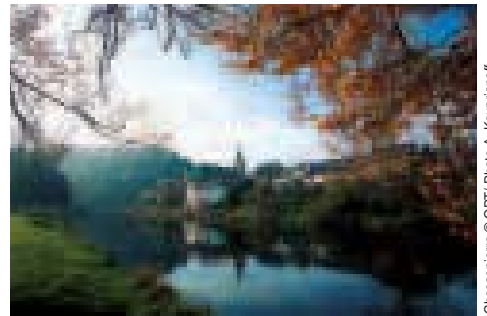


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Grounds of the Castle of Louvignies

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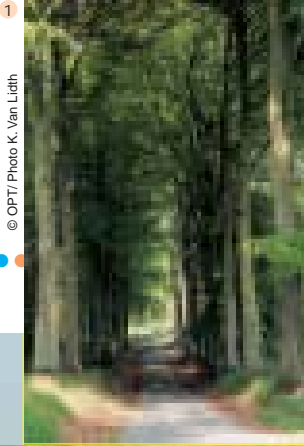
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*In Wallonia, not a single colour of every shade of grey and blue, with the bright greens, reds and yellows*

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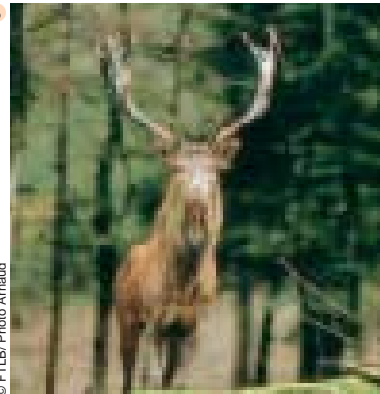
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- 1- Huy
- 2- Paragliding - Frahan
- 3- Colza crops
- 4- Castle farm - Moset
- 5- Another look on Wallonia
- 6- The Lord of our woods
- 7- Robertville lake
- 8- Walking in the Fagnes

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*an artist's palette is left untouched: the sky covers while the fields and forests are bursting of the latest haute couture shows.*

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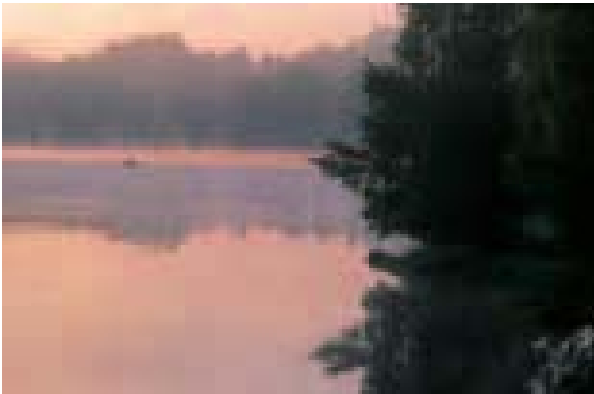
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*In the southern Belgian countryside, you'll find your sneakers and hip sports wear... if you don't mind **K**ayaking, horse riding, walking are just some of the options.*

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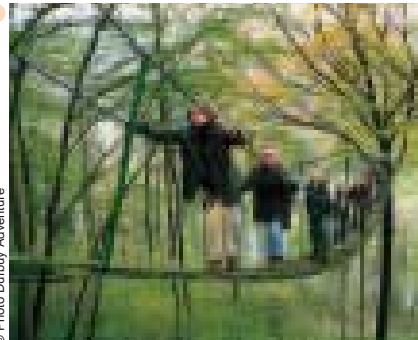
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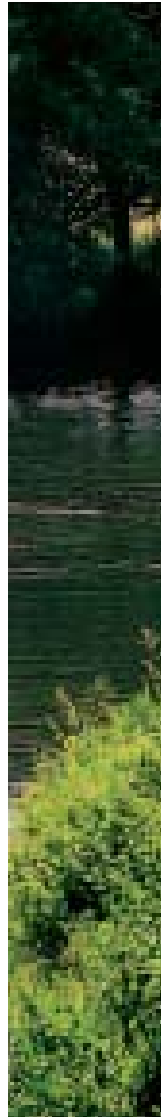
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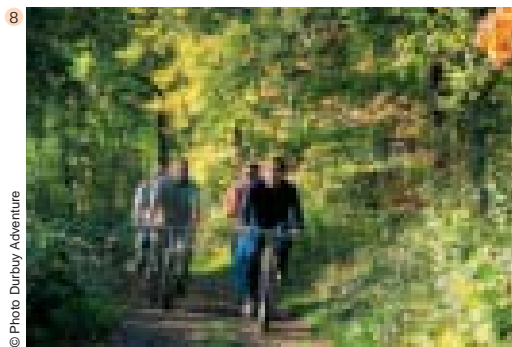
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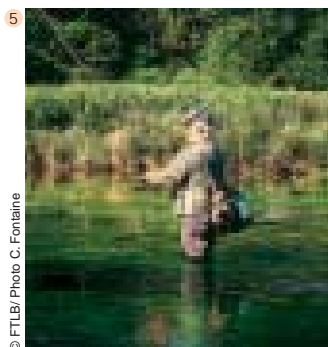
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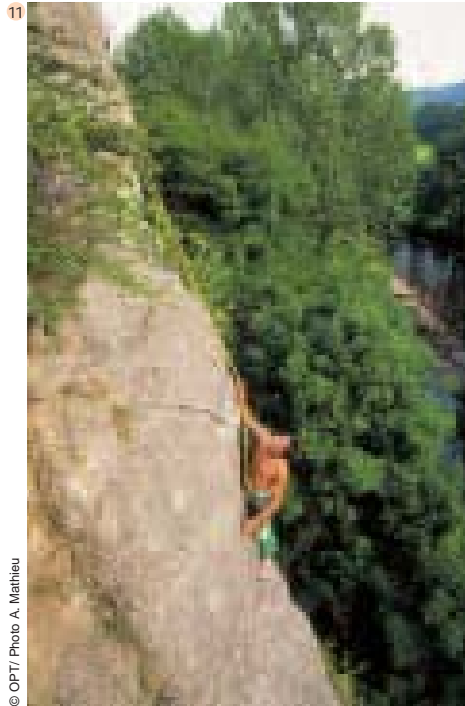
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- 2- Rafting
- 3- Adventure ride
- 4- Rochehaut-Sur-Semois
- 5- Fisherman on the Semois
- 6- Golf du Bercuit
- 7- Family leisure
- 8- Mountain bike
- 9- Thieusies
- 10- Glider – Saint Hubert
- 11- Climbing



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# *Centuries of tradition make for great festivals*



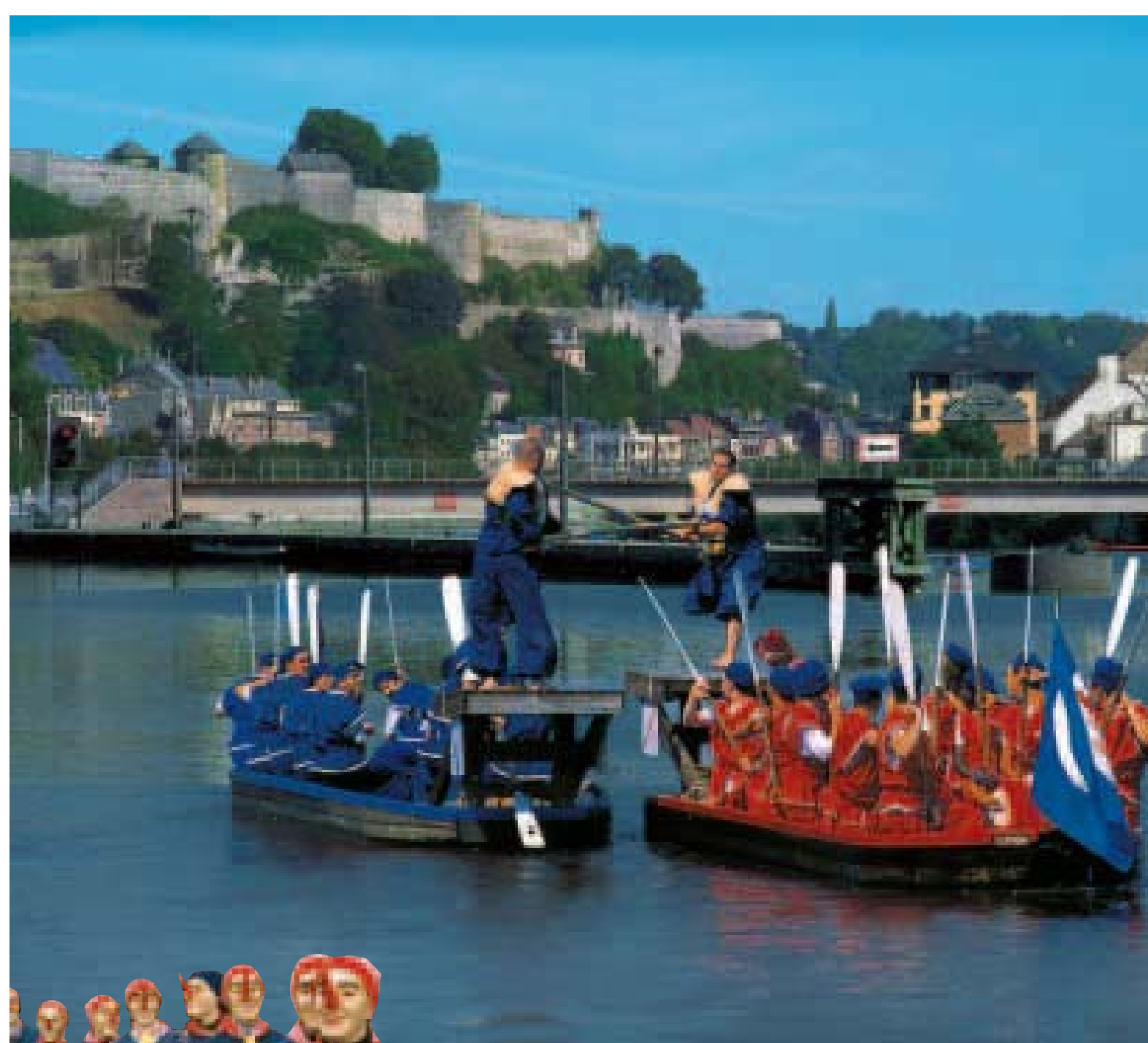
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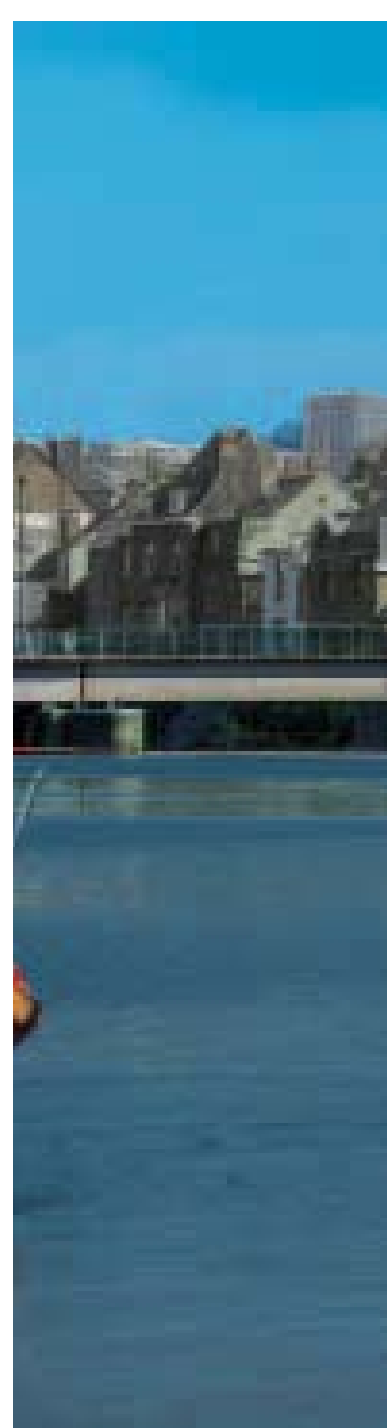
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2 *A constant stream of festivals takes place throughout the year, each one with its own extravagant – and colourful – show of costumes and all involving a party, making a specific event the perfect hook for a holiday.*



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- 1- Water tournament – Namur
- 2- Carnival – Malmedy
- 3- The "Doudou" – Mons
- 4- "Les Porais" – Tilff
- 5- Carnival – Malmedy
- 6- Carnival – Malmedy
- 7- The "Chinels" – Fosses-la-Ville
- 8- The "Blancs Moussis" – Stavelot
- 9- The Bears Carnival – Andenne

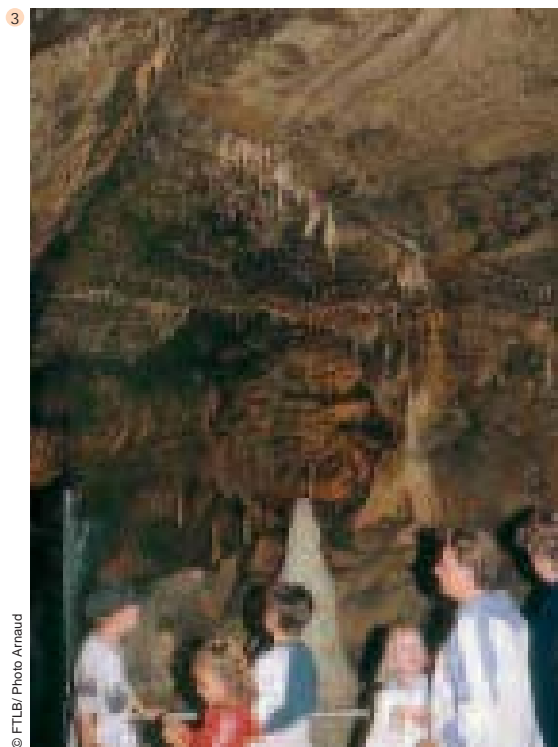
*Whether you are seven or seventy-seven,  
of southern Belgium. Theme parks,  
and nature reserves: you are  
funicular  
Wallonia*



sure to enjoy the many activities  
trains, underground caves  
has them all.



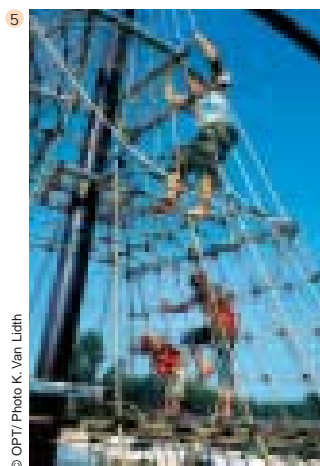
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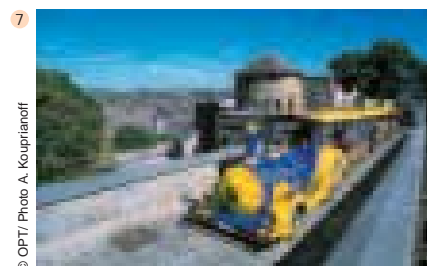
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- 2- Six Flags – Wavre
- 3- Caves – Hotton
- 4- Labyrinth – Barvaux S/Ourthe
- 5- Park Paradisio – Cambron Casteau
- 6- The Tracks of Molinee – Falaën
- 7- Tourist train – Namur
- 8- Six Flags – Wavre



# *A countryside filled with charming, welcoming towns*



Grand-Place – Mons © OPT/ Photo A. Kourpianoff

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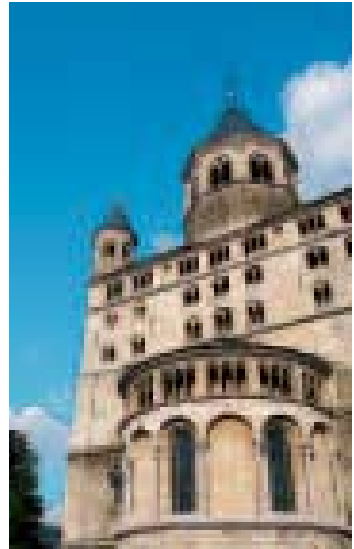
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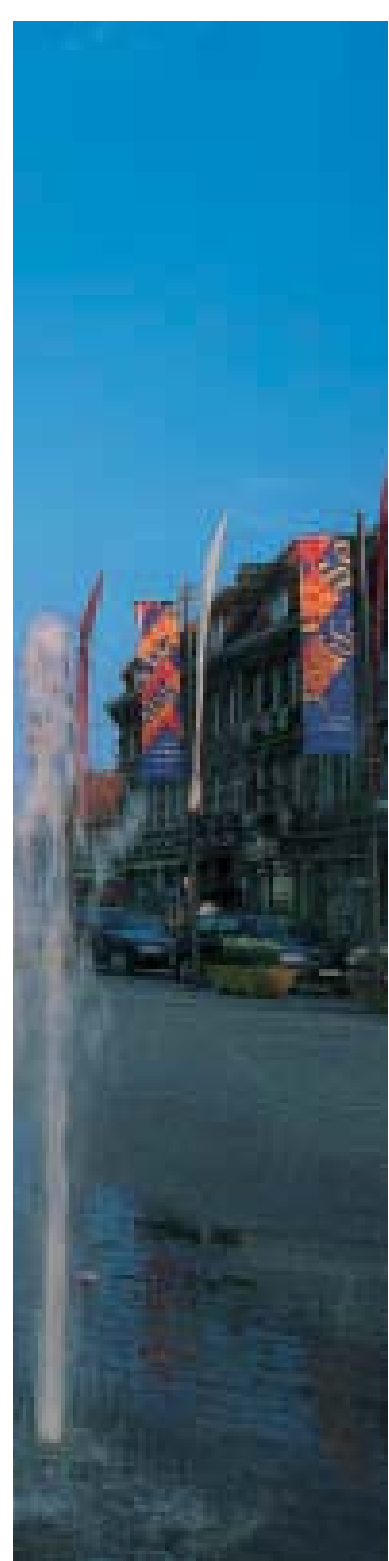


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*The historic towns of Wallonia bubble over with pretty squares, interesting battlefields and battlements, and excellent shopping opportunities, which are guaranteed to keep the whole family happy.*



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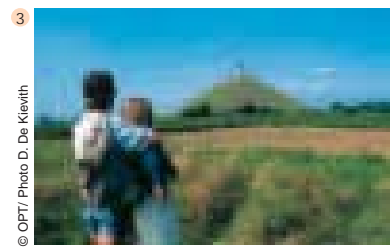
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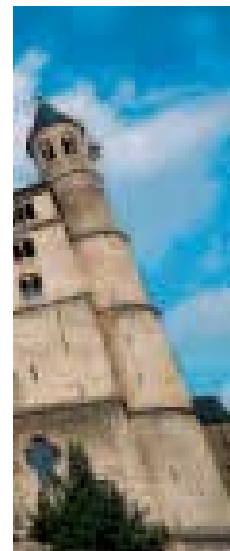
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- 1- Grand-Place – Tournai
- 2- Durbuy
- 3- The Lion's hill – Waterloo
- 4- Place Saint Lambert – Liège
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- 6- Collegiate Church St Gertrude – Nivelles
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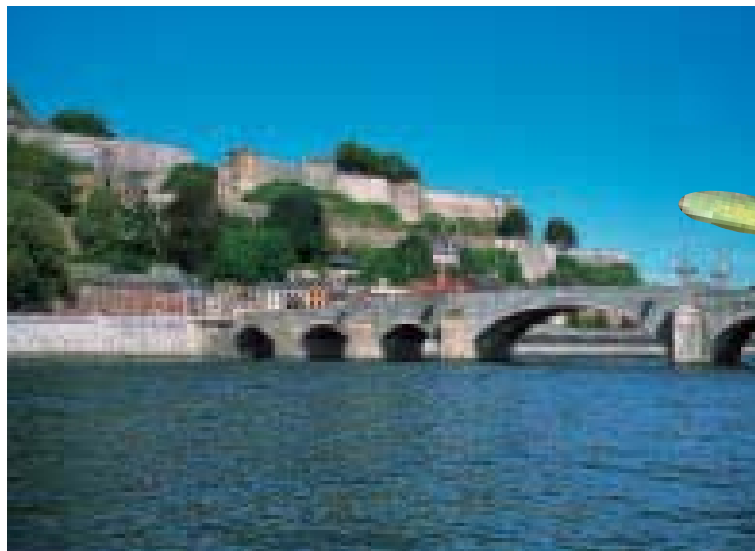
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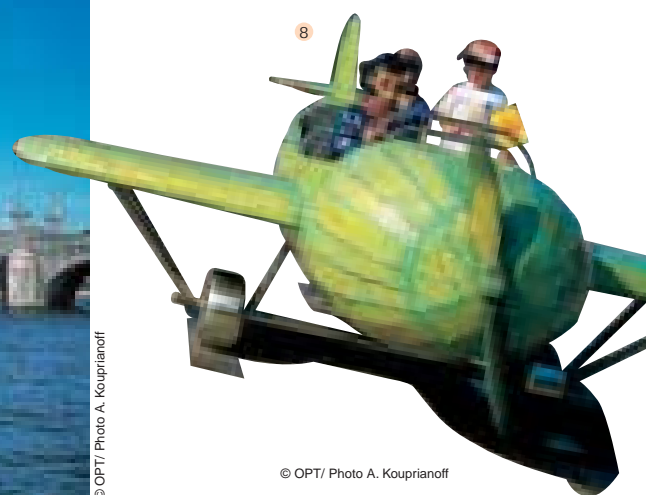
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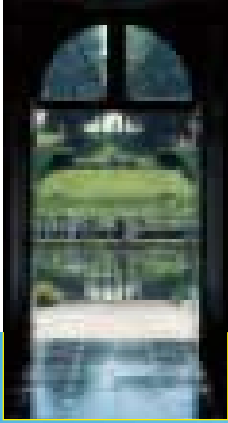


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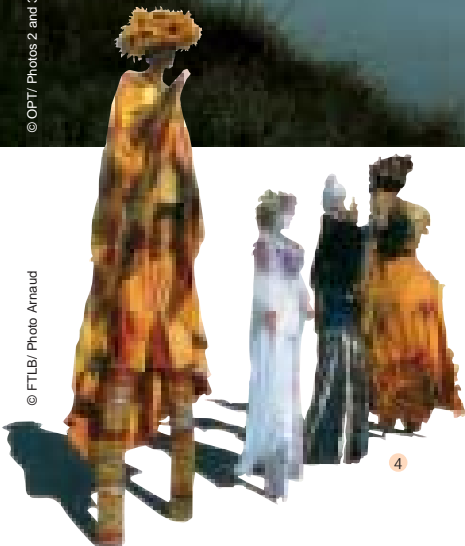
*Culturally rich Wallonia is full of castles and theatre performances and “son et providing the perfect mix of education*

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*museums to explore by day,  
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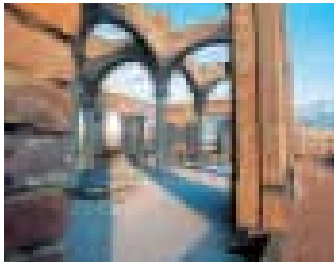
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- 4- Street theatre festival – Chassepierre
- 5- Figaro's Wedding – La Hulpe
- 6- Francofolies – Spa
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- 9- Grand Hornu
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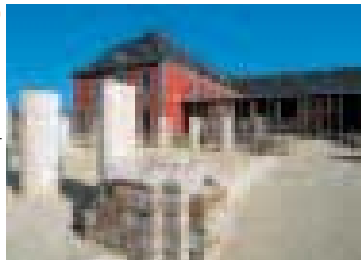
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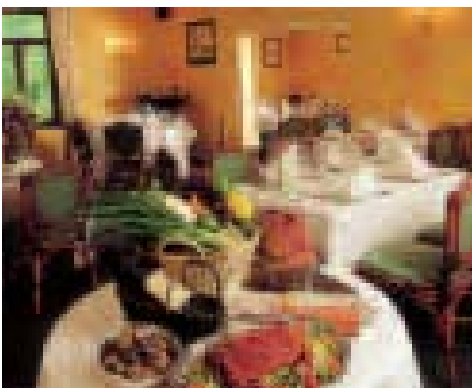


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*For those who really love to savour southern Belgium is the perfect meal or a gourmet feast, it will attention to detail*

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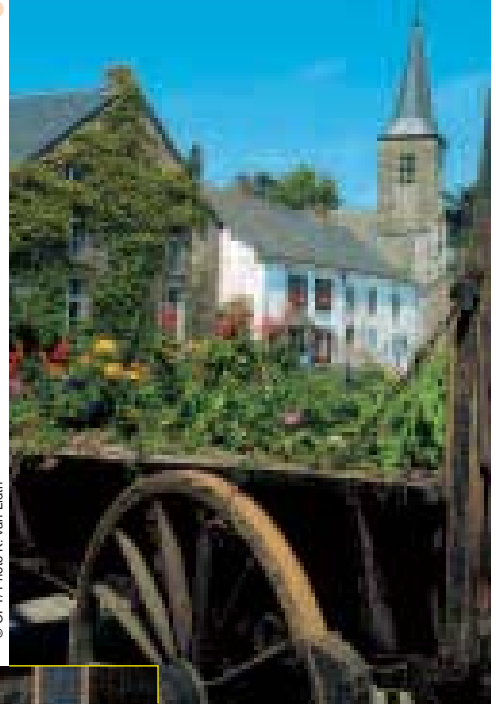
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- 4- Rochehaut-Sur-Semois
- 5- Walloon products
- 6- St Monon Brewery – Ambly
- 7- "Mushrooms picking..."
- 8- Rochehaut-Sur-Semois

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*their food over a long lunch or dinner,  
destination. Whether it's a simple  
be served with immaculate  
and a great deal of passion.*



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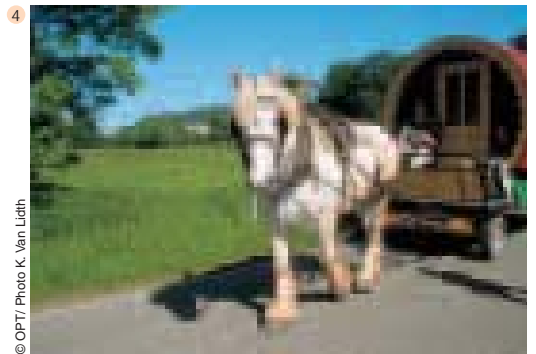


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- 2- Chassepierre
- 3- Herve
- 4- Aublain
- 5- Boats on the river Meuse – Yvoir
- 6- "Montgolfiades" – Holton



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# EVENTS CALENDAR

## Eastern Cantons

On Thursday preceding the shrove days, Shrove Sunday, Shrove Monday or Roses Monday and Shrove Tuesday  
Carnival

## Marche-en-Famenne

On Shrove Saturday, Sunday and Tuesday  
Carnival of the "Grosse Biesse"

## Binche

Preparations begin 7 weeks before carnival and the main days are Shrove Sunday, Monday and Tuesday  
Carnival of the Gilles

## Bouge

On the 1st Sunday of Lent  
The 7 big bonfires or the big bonfire of Bouge

## Stavelot, Tilff, Welkenraedt, Esneux

The "Laetare", 4th Sunday of Lent  
Carnival of the "Laetare" (in Stavelot: Carnival of the "Blancs-Moussis") (in Tilff: Carnival of the "Porais")

## Andenne

The "Laetare", 4th Sunday of Lent  
Carnival of the Bears

## Fosses-la-Ville

The "Laetare", 4th Sunday of Lent  
Carnival of the "Chinels"

## La Louvière

On Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of the "Laetare"  
Carnival of the "Laetare"

## Mons

On the weekend closest to 25 March:  
Annunciation  
"Ducasse" of Messines

## Tournai

On Holy Friday  
Flower market

## Herve

On Easter Monday  
Eastern Monday Cavalcade

## Grez-Doiceau

On the Sunday following 23 April  
Saint-Georges's Fair

## Brussels

Conservatory and Palace for Fine Arts  
End of April – begin May  
International Musical Contest  
Queen Elisabeth

## Brussels

Everywhere in Brussels  
Mid May  
Brussels Jazz Marathon

## Rochefort

Ascension Week  
International Laughter Festival

## Thuin

On the 3rd weekend in May  
March for Saint Roch

## Arlon

On the 4th weekend of May  
"Maitrank" Fair

## Namur

On the last weekend of May  
Festival of Funfair Arts

## Gerpennes

On Whit Monday  
March for Saint Rolende

## Soignies

On Whit Monday  
Saint Vincent Tour

## Ecaussines

On Whit Monday  
Matrimonial tea

## Tournai

On the 2nd Sunday in June  
Day of the four processions



Saint-Hubert - FTLB © L. Aproso

## Mons

On Trinity Sunday  
Procession of the Golden Float and "Lumeçon" fight.

## Ellezelles

On the last Saturday in June  
Witches fair

## Aubechies

On the last weekend in June  
Celtic fair and "beltaine" bonfire

## Durbuy

July and August  
Festival of Durbuy

## Brussels

Grand-Place  
On the 1st Thursday of July and the previous Tuesday  
Ommegang

## Chiny

On the 2nd weekend in July  
Fairy Tale Festival

## Spa

Mid July  
"Francofolies" of Spa

## Namur

On the 2nd Saturday in July  
The Great Parade of the Canary Battalion

## Province of Namur

From mid July till mid September  
"Festival de l'été Mosan"

## Vielsalm

20th July  
"Sabbat des Macrâles" (Witches' fair)

## Jumet

20th July  
Procession and Military March of "La Madeleine"

## Vielsalm

21st July  
Bilberries fair

## Throughout the country

21st July  
Belgian National Holiday

## Brussels

9th August  
Plantation of the "Meyboom"

## Ittre

15th August  
Procession of Our Lady of Ittre

## Marche-en-Famenne

15th August  
Birds market

## Dinant

15th August  
International Regatta of Bathubs

## Liège

15th August  
15th August celebrations in Outremeuse

## Chassepierre

On the weekend of the last but one Sunday in August  
Artists Fair

## Ath

On the 4th weekend of August  
"Ducasse" of Ath: "Vèpres Gouyasse" and Giants Procession

## Spa-Francorchamps

On the last Sunday of August (upon confirmation)  
Belgian F1 Grand Prix

## Saint-Hubert

On the 1st weekend in September  
Hunting and nature day

## Lessines

On the 1st weekend of September  
Historical Banquet Fair

## Throughout Wallonia

On the 2nd weekend of September  
Days of the Heritage

## Tournai

On the 2nd Sunday of September  
Great Historical Procession of Our Lady of the Sick

## Tourinnes-Saint-Lambert

On the 2nd Sunday of September  
Pumpkin and strange or forgotten vegetables fair

## Liège, Namur and Charleroi

One weekend mid September  
Wallonia Celebrations

## Brussels

On the 3rd weekend of September  
Days of the Heritage

## Nivelles

On the Sunday following 29th September, St Michael celebration  
Sainte-Gratude Tour

## Soignies

On the 3rd Saturday of October and the following Tuesday  
Monok Celebration or "Simpélourd"

## Saint-Hubert

On the 3rd November  
Saint Hubert Celebration

## Bouillon

On Sunday preceding the 1st of December  
Saint Eloi Celebration

## Throughout Wallonia and Brussels

November and December  
Christmas Markets

## Virton

On 26 December  
The Lovers' Fair

For more information, all tourist federations are entirely at your disposal.

We have applied the greatest care to the gathering of data, as well as to the drafting of this calendar. However, we cannot be held responsible for possible changes carried out later on to the document. That is why we recommend you, before setting out for your trip, to check whether the data mentioned in our calendar are still applicable.

For further information throughout the year, please visit our website:

[www.belgium-tourism.net](http://www.belgium-tourism.net)

The tourist board "OPT Wallonie-Bruxelles" publishes each year (in French and in Dutch) specific events calendars:

- Mid March: the calendar for cultural happenings
- Mid May: the summer calendar
- Mid November: the calendar for the end of the year
- Mid December: the calendar for carnival happenings

# 2004

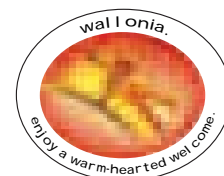
## in Wallonia and in Brussels

## Enjoy the beat

Tourism  
**Music 2004**  
Wallonia • Brussels

Music breathes life and colour into words, places, faces and things. It's an integral part of life in Wallonia and Brussels, it is an essential element of every festival, celebration and emotion. What better magic formula could there be for discovering Wallonia and Brussels? 2004 "Enjoy the beat" in Wallonia and Brussels is a unique key to discovering the soul of this land, its traditions, its places and its people. From Roland de Lassus to José Van Dam, Adolphe Sax to Toots Thielemans, Grétry to Vieuxtemps, Brel to Maurane or Adamo, the musicians of this region – composers or performers – have not ceased to invent or excel in their art or in their style. With music as the keynote, the 2004 tourism year is a perfect opportunity to explore Wallonia and Brussels in a different way. With the rhythm of its harmonies.

**The theme year in detail:  
[www.music2004.be](http://www.music2004.be)**



Brochure available free of charge from the "Office de Promotion du Tourisme"  
Rue Marché-aux-Herbes 63 – 1000 Brussels – Tel.: 02/509.24.00 (only from Belgium)  
Tourist information: Tel.: + 32-(0)2/504.03.90 – [www.belgium-tourism.net](http://www.belgium-tourism.net) – [info@opt.be](mailto:info@opt.be)



**TOURNAI BOULE DE WALLONIA (18/04/2001)**

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 Mairie de Tournai de France-Pays (18/04)  
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**PROVINCE DE NAMUR**

- Mairie de Tournai de France (18/04)  
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# Practical information



## Welcome to Wallonia

### • Area

Wallonia: 16,844 km<sup>2</sup>  
Brussels: 162 km<sup>2</sup>

### • Provinces and provincial capitals

Brabant Wallon (Wavre)  
Hainaut (Mons)  
Namur (Namur)  
Liège (Liège)  
Luxembourg (Arlon)

### • Demography

Population density: 200 inhabitants/km<sup>2</sup>  
Population: 3.3 million in Wallonia,  
1 million in Brussels

### • Climate

Temperate maritime.  
Average temperatures : 20°C in summer,  
5°C in winter.

### • Languages spoken

French in Wallonia and Brussels  
German in the Eastern Cantons of the country  
Dutch (15% of those living in Brussels)

## Practical details

### Official public holidays

New Year (1/1), Easter Monday (12/4),  
Working Day Holiday (1/5), Ascension  
Thursday (20/5), Whit Monday (31/5),  
Holiday of the Dutch-speaking Community  
(11/7), National Holiday (21/7), Assumption  
(15/8), Holiday of the French-speaking  
Community (27/9), All Saints' Day (1/11),  
Armistice Day (11/11), Christmas (25/12)

### Telegram

Telephone direct line: 1325  
Fax direct line 0800/33.035 (FR) and  
0800/22.035 (NL)  
<http://www.telegramme.be>  
Opening hours: 24 hours a day

### Opening hours

Post offices are usually open Monday to  
Friday from 8.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Banks are open from Monday to Friday  
from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Shops are open every day from 9 a.m.  
to 6 p.m. except on Sundays.  
Some close from noon to 2 p.m.

### Emergency and out-of-hours services

You can reach emergency services (the police  
and fire brigade) by telephoning 112 in any  
of the member states of the European Union –  
the number can even be dialled from mobile  
phones. All out-of-hours medical services are  
listed in the daily press and pharmacies  
display the location of the nearest 24-hour  
pharmacy

### Services to the disabled

#### Belgian Red Cross

Tel. +32/(0)2/645.44.11  
Fax +32/(0)2/646.04.39

### Exchange rates

As at 04/09/2003 (provided for information only)

1 \$ = 0,9201 €  
1 £ = 1,4252 €  
1 SEK = 0,1075 €  
1 DKK = 0,1285 €  
1 JPY = 0,0077 €  
1 CHF = 0,6438 €



### Commission of the European Union

Tel. +32/(0)2/299.11.11

## Hotel reservations

If you wish to contact a hotel directly, please  
ask for the "Wallonia Hotel Guide" and  
"Brussels Hotel Guide", which are available  
on request  
at the :

### OFFICE DE PROMOTION DU TOURISME WALLONIE-BRUXELLES - O.P.T.



Rue du Marché-aux-Herbes 63  
B - 1000 BRUSSELS  
Brochures : 02/509.24.00  
(from Belgium only)

#### Tourist information :

Tel. +32/(0)2/504.03.90  
Fax +32/(0)2/513.04.75

#### Administrative information :

Tel. +32/(0)2/504.02.00  
Fax +32/(0)2/513.69.50  
e-mail: [info@opt.be](mailto:info@opt.be)

<http://www.belgium-tourism.net>  
or at the Belgian Tourist Office Wallonia-  
Brussels in your country.

You can also order the "2004 Guide of  
the Logis of Belgium" from:

### LOGIS DE BELGIQUE



Rue de l'Eglise 15  
B-6980 LA ROCHE-EN-ARDENNE  
Tel. +32/(0)84/41.27.67  
Fax +32/(0)84/41.11.42  
<http://www.logis.be>  
e-mail : [info@logis.be](mailto:info@logis.be)

## Transport and travel

### Train

#### SOCIÉTÉ NATIONALE DES CHEMINS DE FER BELGES - S.N.C.B.



Rue de France 85  
B - 1060 BRUSSELS  
<http://www.sncb.be>

### Passenger information:

National traffic, International traffic,  
THALYS and EUROSTAR :  
+32/(0)2/528.28.28 (7 days/ 7)



### Urban transport

Belgian towns and cities have well-organised  
public transport networks. In Brussels, there  
are trams and buses, as well as a metro  
system. Enquire about combined tickets and  
reduced-price multiple-journey tickets.

#### SOCIÉTÉ DES TRANSPORTS INTERCOMMUNAU DE BRUXELLES S.T.I.B.



Avenue de la Toison d'Or15  
B - 1050 BRUSSELS  
Tel. +32/(0)2/515.20.00  
<http://www.stib.be>

#### SOCIÉTÉ RÉGIONALE WALLONNE DU TRANSPORT - S.R.W.T.

Avenue Gouverneur Bovesse 96  
B - 5100 Namur (Jambes)  
Tel. +32/(0)81/32.27.11  
Fax +32/(0)81/32.27.10  
<http://www.infotec.be>

#### TEC TRANSPORT EN COMMUN T.E.C. - WALLONIE

#### TEC Brabant Wallon

Tel. +32/(0)10/23.53.53  
<http://www.tecbw.com>

#### TEC Liège - Verviers

Tel. +32/(0)4/361.94.44  
<http://www.tec-liege-verviers.be>

#### TEC Namur - Luxembourg

Tel. +32/(0)81/25.35.55  
<http://www.tec-namur-luxembourg.be>

#### TEC Hainaut - Mons

Tel. +32/(0)65/38.88.11

#### TEC Hainaut - Charleroi

Tel. +32/(0)71/23.41.11

### Car

The Belgian motorway network is one of the  
best in Europe. There are no tolls, and the  
motorway signs are green.

#### Speed limits:

- in built-up areas: 30 km/h or 50 km/h
- on all other roads,  
aside from motorways: 90 km/h
- on motorways: 120 km/h

The wearing of a seat belt is compulsory in  
both the front and back of the car.

#### Road information:

Police : <http://www.policefederale.be>



### In case of breakdown:

Touring Secours:  
070/34.47.77

(number accessible from Belgium only)

### Air

#### BRUSSELS NATIONAL AIRPORT (Zaventem)

Zaventem is 14 km from the city centre.  
A train runs between the airport and Brussels Gare du Nord, Gare Centrale and Gare du Midi stations every twenty minutes.  
A new busline (line 12 – Airport Line) operates between the airport and the city centre (25 min.).

Information: flight times (from Belgium only):  
0900/70.000, from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. (answering machine: 7 days/week)

From abroad: +32/(0)2/753.77.53

Other information: B.I.A.C. (Brussels Airport):  
+32/(0)2/753.40.00

#### BRUSSELS SOUTH CHARLEROI AIRPORT (Gosselies)

Tel. +32/(0)71/25.12.11

e-mail: bsca@charleroi-airport.com  
http://www.charleroi-airport.com

### Distances in km between cities

#### Distances departing from Brussels

Amsterdam	204 km
Antwerpen	46 km
Arlon	187 km
Charleroi	61 km
Köln	209 km
København	913 km
Düsseldorf	206 km
Eupen	131 km
Liège	95 km
Lille	113 km
London	318 km
Luxembourg	214 km
Milano	883 km
Mons	68 km
Namur	63 km
Paris	310 km
Strasbourg	434 km
Tournai	87 km

## Tourist information

### OFFICE DE PROMOTION DU TOURISME WALLONIE-BRUXELLES - O.P.T.

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B - 1000 BRUSSELS

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Fax +32/(0)2/513.04.75

http://www.belgium-tourism.net

e-mail: info@opt.be

Administration:

Rue Saint-Bernard 30

B - 1060 BRUSSELS

Tel. +32/(0)2/504.02.00

Fax +32/(0)2/513.69.50

e-mail: info@opt.be



## Provincial Tourist Federations

### TOURIST UNIT OF THE PROVINCE OF WALLOON BRABANT

Bâtiment Archimède – bloc D

Avenue Einstein 2

B - 1300 WAVRE

Tel. +32/(0)10/23.63.31

Fax +32/(0)10/23.63.54

http://www.brabantwallon.be

e-mail: pbw.tourisme@busmail.net

### TOURIST FEDERATION OF THE PROVINCE OF HAINAUT

Rue des Clercs 31

B - 7000 MONS

Tel. +32/(0)65/36.04.64

Fax +32/(0)65/33.57.32

http://www.hainaut.be

e-mail: federation.tourisme@hainaut.be

### TOURIST FEDERATION OF THE PROVINCE OF LIEGE

Boulevard de la Sauvenière 77

B - 4000 LIEGE

Tel. +32/(0)4/237.92.92

Fax +32/(0)4/237.95.78

http://www.ftpl.be

e-mail: ftpl@prov.liege.be

### EAST BELGIAN TOURIST OFFICE

Mühlenbachstrasse 2, Pbox 66

B - 4780 SANKT VITH

Tel. +32/(0)80/22.76.64

Fax +32/(0)80/22.65.39

http://www.eastbelgium.com

e-mail: info@eastbelgium.com

### COMMISSARIAT GÉNÉRAL AU TOURISME DU MINISTÈRE DE LA RÉGION WALLONNE - C.G.T.

Place de Wallonie 1

B - 5100 JAMBES (Namur)

Tel. +32/(0)81/33.40.70 or 85

Fax +32/(0)81/33.40.77

### BRUSSELS NATIONAL AIRPORT

Information Office

ESPACE WALLONIE

Arrival Hall

B - 1930 ZAVENTEM

Open: 7 days/week

### TOURIST FEDERATION OF THE PROVINCE OF LUXEMBOURG

Quai de l'Ourthe 9

B - 6980 LA ROCHE-EN-ARDENNE

Tel. +32/(0)84/41.10.11

Fax +32/(0)84/41.24.39

http://www.ftlb.be

e-mail: info@ftlb.be

### TOURIST FEDERATION OF THE PROVINCE OF NAMUR

Avenue Reine Astrid 22

B - 5000 NAMUR

Tel. +32/(0)81/74.99.00

Fax +32/(0)81/74.99.29

http://www.ftpn.be

e-mail: tourisme@ftpn.be

### BRUXELLES INTERNATIONAL TOURISME & CONGRES

Hôtel de Ville - Grand-Place

B - 1000 BRUSSELS

Tel. +32/(0)2/513.89.40

Fax +32/(0)2/513.83.20

http://www.bruxelles-tourisme.be

e-mail: info@brusselstourisme.be

## Other useful addresses

### ATTRACTIONS ET TOURISME ASBL

c/o Grottes de Han – Rue Lamothe 2

B - 5580 HAN-SUR-LESSE

Tel. +32/(0)84/37.77.32

Fax +32/(0)84/37.77.12

http://www.attractions-et-tourisme.be

e-mail: att.tourisme@attractions-et-tourisme.be

### CONVENTION BUREAU WALLONIA - BRUSSELS

Rue Saint Bernard 30

B - 1060 BRUSSELS

Tel. +32/(0)2/504.02.35

Fax +32/(0)2/513.95.66

http://www.meetingpointbelgium.be

e-mail: meetings.incentives@opt.be



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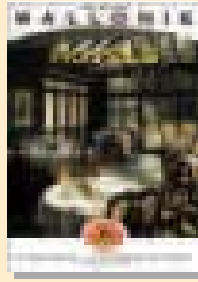
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# All the information you need : our brochures



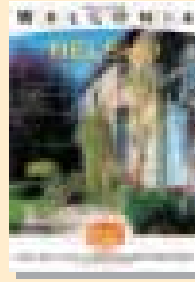
## Wallonia

The tourist's visiting card of Wallonia presents you a panel of its numerous charms (landscapes, gastronomy, folklore...) and provides you with some practical information in order to facilitate your stay and, as such, make it more entertaining.



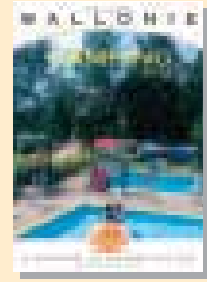
## Guide to hotels Wallonia

Official guide with almost 600 hotels recognized by the Walloon Region presented by province and by locality including prices, facilities, etc. The ideal vademecum for your next stay in Wallonia.



## Holiday Accommodation Belsud

Official guide giving all the possibilities for country accommodation recognized by the Walloon Region (self-catering country breaks, farms, B&B and holiday villages). Each place is presented with a photograph, description, prices and address for booking.



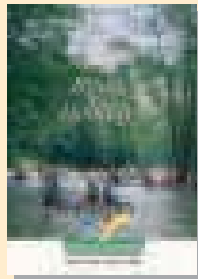
## Guide to campsites Wallonia

You prefer to sleep in the great outdoors ? Ask for the new Wallonia campsite guide. It gives all the campsites officially recognized in Wallonia as well as all the information you need to make the right choice (price, facilities, etc.).



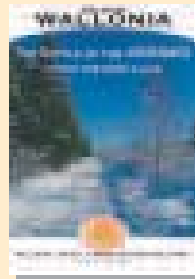
## Escapades

A trip of one or more days to discover Wallonia's various assets: nature, leisure, sports, discoveries and gastronomy.



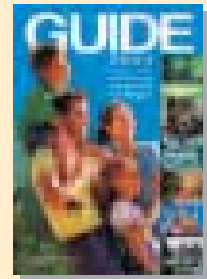
## Budget Holidays

Travelling alone, in family or in group, associative and family tourist centres offer you much more than just accommodation, and they also aim to be the place for meetings, exchanges and animations.



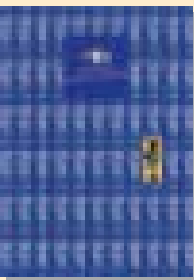
## The Battle of the Ardennes (Down Memory Lane)

An illustrated brochure that will lead you from steles to monuments, in museums and along military cemeteries, in and around the towns and villages that participated to the tragic events of the Battle of the Ardennes.



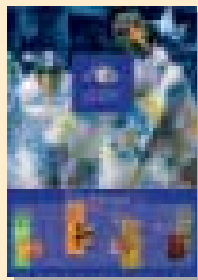
## Guide to the tourist attractions and museums of Belgium 2004

This richly illustrated 96-page guide, accompanied by a map of Belgium, offers you 300 suggestions for family excursions. You will find a host of practical information : opening times, prices, duration, etc. Available in FR, NL, D, ENG.



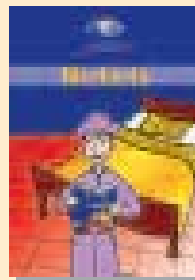
## Brussels, you're to discover

This guide will help you discover Brussels through its streets and its people with a wide range of suggestions for short breaks and activities. But be warned. Many have fallen in love with this city full of royalty and music with the human touch.



## Calendar of events Brussels

One page for each month presenting the highlights of the year 2004. Brussels offers you a multitude of memorable events ranging from the opening of the Royal Greenhouses of Laeken to the Jazz Marathon, not forgetting a chance to see some decorative retables.



## Guide to hotels Brussels

This guide makes a list of all chartered hotels in Brussels and Brabant-wallon with all useful information: addresses, facilities, prices...



## 2004 Enjoy the beat in Wallonia and in Brussels

With music as the keynote, this 2004 tourism year is a perfect opportunity to explore Wallonia and Brussels in a different way. With the rhythm of its harmonies, throughout a variety of museums, castles, festivals, concerts...

To order one or more of these brochures (maximum 3 brochures), please refer to the Belgian Tourist Office Wallonia-Brussels in your country (see addresses on next page). A voluntary contribution to the postage costs is requested.

You can also consult and order these documents over the Internet : <http://www.belgium-tourism.net>