

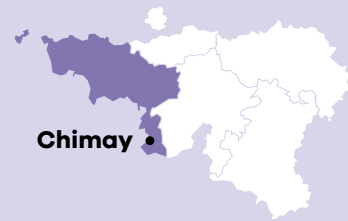
Chimay



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Chimay is best known for its **eponymous Trappist beers** and **cheeses** made in the **Abbey of Notre-Dame de Scourmont**. A stone's throw away in the village of Bourlers, the visitor centre **'Espace Chimay'**, will allow you to discover some of the manufacturing secrets of these two exceptional products, not to mentioning a little sampling.

Chimay is a friendly and charming little town with historical monuments, such as the **Old Tower** or the **Collegiate Church**, made all the more beautiful by its striking bulbous bell tower.

Set off with your family to conquer its ramparts and steep alleys leading to the **Château de Chimay**.

Fans of the great outdoors and sports enthusiasts will be spoiled for choice by the many possibilities for **hiking** in the form of signposted walks or cycling. The network of trails is the perfect way to discover the picturesque surroundings.

Nature sites such as the **Lac de Virelles** are packed with flora and fauna. It's also home to the **Aquascope** and a rehabilitation centre for animal species living in the wild. Don't forget your binoculars for maximum bird watching delight.



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Practical information

Chimay Visitor Information Centre
Rue de Noailles 6 • 6460 Chimay
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Public transport

Charleroi Sud station (50 km)
Bus 109a (Chimay - Charleroi)

Where to Stay

Le Petit Chapitre (Guest Rooms)

Fancy a unique (3'Epis') guest room where charm and calm are the buzzwords? This comfortable house is full of character and is located in the heart of the old medieval part of Chimay. Its rooms are all very tasteful and designed with passion, each in an individual vintage style with a retro atmosphere.

Place du Chapitre 5 • 6460 Chimay
lepetitchapitre.be

Communal campsite

This charming 3* campsite, is located in the middle of nature and near the historic centre of town. Dog friends are welcome there.

Allée du Prince 1 • 6460 Chimay
visitchimay.be

Auberge de Poteaupré (Poteaupre Inn)

A stone's throw from Notre-Dame de Scourmont Abbey, the inn has been welcoming guests for over 100 years in a warm and rural atmosphere. The ambience is reminiscent of an English pub where beer and cheese are a big feature. It has 8 bedrooms including one for people with reduced mobility decorated in the theme of 'Chimay'. Espace Chimay is located next to the Auberge.

Rue de Poteaupré 5 • 6464 Bourlers (Chimay)
chimay.com/auberge-de-poteaupre

Le Gîte de la Principauté

You'll be blown away by the authentic charm of this house dating from 1892 with its brick façade, local blue stones and old ceramic paving stones which houses (3'Epis') gîte. Located in the heart of the small medieval town, 30 m from the Grand'Place (town square) you'll be perfectly placed to enjoy all aspects of the town centre.

Rue du Château 11 • 6460 Chimay
gitedelaprincaute.be

Aux Peupliers (Gîte)

Located in the small village of Vaulx, a few minutes from Chimay, this (3'Epis') farm gîte offers relaxation in a green setting. It's the perfect choice for nature lovers, being so near to the countryside animals and the forests and the world-famous products of this region.

Rue Neuf-Maisons 8 • 6462 Vaulx (Chimay)
auxpeupliers.be

Le Jardin du Feuillet (B&B)

Passionate gardeners, the owners of the Jardin du Feuillet welcome you into their green, pleasant and very flowery home. This 4 ('Epis') bed and breakfast is only 1 km from the Château des Princes de Chimay, the town centre and the RAVeL routes.

Rue Les Feuilletts 18 • 6460 Chimay
lejardindufeuillet.be



What to See and Do



1 Chimay Old Town

In Chimay, the vestiges of the past rub shoulders with the present. With its alleys, its old stairs leading to the washhouse, its abbey, its collegiate church, the medieval town really do transport you back in time.

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2 Château de Chimay (Castle)

The history of this castle is closely linked to that of the town. Since 1486, it has been continuously inhabited by the ancestors of the Princes of Chimay. Discover the architectural elements, ornaments, works of art and furniture of the castle. You can choose your virtual guide: either Chimay's family or an animated character for the kids. A 35-minute film will reveal the history of the site.

Rue du Château 14 • 6460 Chimay
chateaudechimay.be

3 Espace Chimay

The Espace Chimay is dedicated to Chimay cheese and Trappist beers. It's a journey of discovery of the history, treasures and the manufacturing secrets of these local products. Don't forget to take a detour through the boutique for some enticing regional treats to take back home. A few steps away, you can also explore the peaceful and scenic Trappist Abbey of Scourmont.

Rue de Poteaupré 5 • 6464 Bourlers (Chimay)
chimay.com/espace-chimay

4 Aquascope de Virelles

The Aquascope is a nature centre built on the banks of the Virelles Lakes. In this nature reserve, there's a harmonious blend of tourism, nature protection and environmental education. A series of indoor or outdoor activities add to the experience.

Rue du Lac 42 • 6461 Virelles (Chimay)
aquascope.be



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5 Forest of the 'Pays de Chimay'

The 'Pays de Chimay' Forest, dotted with ponds and streams, is home to a rich biodiversity. There are so many walks there, especially via the GR trails that cross it. Various protected bivouacs, but also hideouts have been set up so you can spend the night in the forest listening to the sounds of the animals going about their nocturnal activities. Survival camps and team building courses are also organised there.

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6 Le Secret de Chimay (The Secret of Chimay)

This game leads you to discover the mysteries of Chimay. A belt with pockets closed with padlocks, an orientation book, accessories... Armed with these tools, players progress from one point to another by solving puzzles during a course of an hour and a half.

Grand'Place 6 • 6460 Chimay
visitchimay.be/le-secret-de-chimay

7 Chimay Escape Room

Plunge into the universe of Chimay's Trappist beer and experience a unique adventure in the old city dungeons. Work as a team to solve the puzzles, follow secret passages and discover the fabulous treasure of the Abbey.

Hôtel de Ville • Grand'Place • 6460 Chimay
chimayescaperoom.be/

Find out more at:
visitwallonia.be/en/chimay