

Dinant



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Dinant is the stunning musical city of Adolphe Sax, the famous inventor of the saxophone. Giant gaily-coloured Saxes adorn the centre in a trail like a musical fanfare to its heritage.

On the banks of the Meuse, you only need to look up at the **Citadel** and the bulbous tower of the **Collegiate Church** to convince you of its beauty. For breath-taking views of the town and the valley, take the cable car or climb the 408 steps to the Citadel. Heritage and history lovers will also have a ball discovering the surrounding **castles**.

On the music side, **Adolphe Sax** is in the spotlight with several statues and an information centre dedicated to his life and work. Hugged by the River Meuse, Dinant also offers a great choice of water orientated events such as **cruises** and **kayaking trips**.

The more adventurous can explore the **'Merveilleuse' cave** (by name and by nature) or embrace challenges on offer by **Dinant Evasion** (forest and water adventure). After your visit, make sure you sit on the terrace to enjoy a typical **Caracole** beer, a **Dinant 'Couque'** or a Dinant **'Flamiche'**.



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Practical information

Maison du Tourisme 'Explore the Meuse'
Avenue Colonel Cadoux 8 • 5500 Dinant
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exploremeuse.be

Public transport

Dinant station

Where to Stay

Ibis Dinant Centre (Hotel)

The 3* hotel is only 5 minutes from the city centre along the Meuse, less than 50 m from the Casino and 2 km from the train station. The bar serves light meals and in nice weather, you can sit out on the terrace for drinks and snacks.

Rempart d'Albeau 16 • 5500 Dinant
all.acor.com

Hôtel Les Sorbiers

This eco-friendly hotel is nestled in a 6 hectare natural setting, classified 'Natura 2000' with remarkable flora and fauna. It has 32 rooms, without TV or telephone, which creates a more peaceful space to relax, dream, chat or read.

Rue des Sorbiers 241 • 5543 Heer (Hastière)
lessorbiers.com

La Grange d'Herbucenne (Farmhouse with accommodation)

On the Heights of Dinant, this cosy and comfortable (3'Epis') gite is housed in an old farmhouse dating from the 18th century. It's very close to the Meuse and Lesse Rivers offering lots of outdoor options for walking and cycling.

Rue du Pont de pierre 7 • 5500 Dinant
grange-herbucenne.be

Camping Villatoile (Campsite)

No ordinary campsite, Villatoile offers quirky accommodation options in the form of safari tents and pods. Nestled in the meanders of the Lesse and located 2 km from Anseremme, this temporary campsite welcomes travellers looking for something a little different for short stays. Dogs are welcome too. Emptying and refueling point for motorhomes.

Ferme de Pont-à-Lesse 31 • 5500 Anseremme (Dinant)
villatoile.be/camping

Hôtel Castel de Pont-à-Lesse

Situated just a few km from Dinant this elegant 3* hotel is set in an old castle surrounded by 25 ha of woods and gardens that you can sit and admire from the castle terrace. The hotel also has a fine dining restaurant set in an Orangery. Fine wine tastings are offered in an old brick cellar.

Rue de Pont-à-Lesse 36 • 5500 Anseremme (Dinant)
casteldepontalesse.be

Hôtel Jardin de la Molignée

Located on lustrous green grounds, between Dinant and Maredsous, this 4* hotel is close to the beautiful water gardens of Annevoie. It offers cosy bedrooms, a wellbeing facility with sauna and swimming pool, several leisure activities and a restaurant. A particular highlight is the railbikes - a sort of quirky 4 person pedal cart running along a local disused railway line. It's a great way to enjoy the beautiful Molignée Valley

Rue de la Molignée 1 • 5537 Anhée
jardins.molignee.com



Hotel Les Sorbiers

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What to See and Do



1 Dinant Citadel

Built in 1821, the citadel plunges you straight into a military history. From the pillage of the town in 1466 to WW1, you'll discover the history of the city and of the site itself. The view over the town in itself is worth a detour. Reach the summit on foot via the 408 steps, by cable car or by car.

Reine Astrid 3-5 • 5500 Dinant
citadellededinant.be

2 Maison du Patrimoine Médiéval Mosan (Heritage House)

The 'Maison du Patrimoine Médiéval Mosan' is located in Bouvignes, a charming little village with a medieval feel sitting along the Meuse River. The museum showcases the medieval heritage of the Meuse valley, setting your imagination back in time for a few hours. There are several permanent and temporary exhibitions taking place there. Models, multimedia terminals, original illustrations and authentic objects from recent archaeological excavations are available to visitors.

Place du Bailliage 16 • 5500 Bouvignes
mppm.be

3 Château de Freÿr (Castle)

The ultimate fairytale castle, Freÿr is listed as 'exceptional heritage of Wallonia'. The castle was built on the ruins of an old fortified castle destroyed in 1554 on the banks of the Meuse. Initially, a Renaissance-style mansion, the building was subsequently extended and modified in the 17th and 18th centuries. Not only does it have a refined and cosmopolitan interior Freÿr has large and beautiful gardens, adorned with magical labyrinths, shimmering fountains and the sweet scent of fruit trees. The organized beauty of the garden offers a magnificent contrast to the wooded slopes and rocks in the surrounding land.

Freÿr 12 • 5540 Hastière
freyr.be

4 Caracole Brewery

Discover this unique family brewery in Belgium where brewing is still done the old-fashioned way. The old copper vats, heated over a wood fire add to the charm of your visit. 4 beer tastings round off this enjoyable experience.

Côte Marie-Thérèse 86 • 5500 Falmignoul (Dinant)
brasseriecaracole.be



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5 Maison Leffe (Brewery)

Discover the history of Leffe beer. Through touch screens you can find out all about its brewing secrets, as well as singling out the flavours and aromas of beer in various interactive exercises. A beer tasting is also part of the visit.

Charreau des Capucins 23 • 5500 Dinant
leffe.com

6 RAVeL Trail

The RAVeL network trail here is one of most beautiful in the region running along a serene route from castles to abbeys. The asphalted RAVeL starts from Anhée Village and follows the cute little Molignée River. You can also swap your bike for the 'Draisines' (quirky rail bikes) which run through the Molignée Valley on old railway tracks from Warnant to Maredsous.

Rue Fetis 62 • 5500 Dinant
ravel.wallonie.be

7 Boat Trips

Discover Dinant by boat. Navigate the Meuse aboard a licence free electric boat that anyone can navigate through the local operator 'Dinant Evasion'. It is also possible to take advantage of cruises departing from Dinant or you can rent a barge for a weekend or a week.

Place Baudoin 1^{er} 2 • 5500 Dinant
dinant-evasion.be

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