

La Louvière



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Fifth biggest town in Wallonia and **capital of the 'Centre Region'**, La Louvière has a rich heritage originating from its industrial past.

These include the **historic 'Canal Du Centre'** and its genius **century-old boatlifts** as well as the **Bois-du-Luc mining site**. These two sites are recognised as World Heritage by UNESCO.

The town is also home to several museums including **Keramis**, Ceramics Centre, **Engraving and Printed Image Centre...**

This region is an exceptional 'river and cultural' tourism destination, but it's also a town of fascinating **folklore** with its carnivals and the original urban opera **Décrocher la Lune**.



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Practical information

Centrissime - Tourisme au Pays du Centre
Place Jules Mansart 21/22 • 7100 La Louvière
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centrissime.be

Public transport

La Louvière station

Where to Stay

Orange Hotel

Central and close to main roads, this hotel takes you to the heart of the local carnival. It takes influence from the folklore of the region with its orange notes in a sober and modern interior decoration.

Chaussée du Pont du sart 238 • 7110 La Louvière
orangehotel.be

Le Moulin Du Ya (Gîte)

This unusual (3'Epis') gîte is furnished in the style of a loft in an old 19th century windmill. It's a highly unusual and very charming accommodation covering three levels, in the countryside, 6 km from La Louvière.

Rue de Bignault 30 • 7110 Houdeng-Aimeries (La Louvière)
lemoulinduya.be

Le Castillon (Guest House)

You couldn't wish for a warmer welcome from the owners of this house. They have set up gorgeous 4'Epis' guest rooms named after Italian cities thanks to their passion for it. A little bit out of town, 5 km from La Louvière.

Rue du Castillon 9 • 7100 Trivières (La Louvière)
le-castillon.be

Camping du Domaine de Claire Fontaine

This scenic campsite, located in the heart of nature, 11 km from La Louvière, is set on the edge of Lake Godarville and its wellbeing centre with multiple activities. It's the perfect space for simple relaxation and change of scenery. Dog friends are welcome here.

Avenue Clémenceau 11
7160 Godarville (Chapelle-lez-Herlaimont)
visithainaut.be/domaine-de-claire-fontaine

Ferme de l'Abbaye Saint-Feuillien (farmhouse accommodation)

This farm, located in Le Rœulx, 11 km from La Louvière, offers 3 guest rooms (4'Epis') in a charming square of farmhouses looking out onto the idyllic 'Hennuyères' countryside. You'll feel like you're really in the heart of nature thanks to the farmyard atmosphere and proximity to the walls of the farmhouse, its interior courtyard and its relaxing garden.

Chemin de l'Abbaye St-Feuillien 10 • 7070 Le Rœulx
abbeyfarm.be



What to See and Do



1 Centre de la Gravure et de l'Image imprimée (Print Museum)

An impressive art museum dedicated to contemporary prints. Temporary exhibitions are organized here either from the collection or with works entrusted to the museum. Its documentation centre is made up of no less than 10,000 exhibition catalogues and reference books. Workshops and courses are also held on a regular basis.

Rue des Amours 10 • 7100 La Louvière
centredelagravure.be

2 Keramis (Museum)

An art and creation space dedicated to ceramics, Keramis is erected on the site of the former Boch pottery in La Louvière, a true flagship of Belgian industry. Its contemporary architecture encompasses an old listed building that contains three giant bottle ovens. Exceptional works stand alongside everyday pieces, testifying to the economic and social importance of earthenware in the young town of La Louvière.

Place des Fours-Bouteilles 1 • 7100 La Louvière
keramis.be

3 Musée Royal de Mariemont (Museum)

In the heart of a splendid park, this museum presents the rich collections assembled by its founder, Raoul Warocqué. His treasures came from some of the world's greatest civilizations—from ancient Rome to ancient China, including Egypt and the Near East. They juxtapose with local history and artefacts, that of the Hainaut region and Belgium, from prehistory to the twentieth century.

Chaussée de Mariemont 100 • 7140 Morlanwelz
musee-mariemont.be

4 Site minier de Bois-du-Luc (Mining Site)

Recognized by UNESCO, this former mining site is home to an innovative town built from 1838 to 1853. It had 162 workers' houses as well as all the facilities of an ordinary town: grocery store, schools, hospital, village hall... Since the closure of the site in 1973, the museum recounts the workings of its coal mine, the daily life and the poignant journey of workers from various backgrounds.

Rue Saint-Patrice 2B • 7110 Houdeng-Aimeries (La Louvière)
ecomuseeboisduluc.be



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5 Historic Centre Canal and Boat Lifts

This site is impressive both for its technology and longevity. The four elevators, built between 1888 and 1917, allow boats of a massive 300 tons to cross a total vertical drop of 66 metres on the Canal du Centre thanks to the force of the water. The whole site is rightly recognized as World Heritage by UNESCO. Exhibitions, engine room, cruises, electric boats, walks on foot or by bike on the shores... Discover the site in various ways.

Rue Raymond Cordier 50 • 7070 Thieu (Le Rœulx)
canalducentre.be

7 Saint-Feuillien Brewery

Since 1873, the Friart family has continued to manufacture various beers such as Saint-Feuillien and Grisette. During the visit, you can discover the old installations but also the new brewing room. The visit ends with a much-welcomed tasting.

Rue d’Houdeng 20 • 7070 Le Rœulx
st-feuillien.com

6 International Carnival and Mask Museum in Binche

This museum immerses you in the history of the Binche Carnival so you almost feel as if you were actually there. Filmed testimonials, archive documents and unpublished films, pieces from old and recent collections, smells and costume elements to touch will stimulate all your senses. Also see: the section dedicated to masks from around the world.

Rue Saint-Moustier 10 • 7130 Binche
museedumasque.be

Find out more at:
visitwallonia.be/en/la-louviere