

Thuin



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Thuin is a small **medieval** town with charming buildings and UNESCO listed architecture such as its **Belfry**, its narrow streets and its amazing **hanging gardens**.

A must-see is a visit to its beautiful gardens, whose construction is linked to the city's fortifications. It takes walkers to unusual and tranquil landscapes on different levels. Today they are partly covered with **vines**.

These 200 terraced gardens are also home to an **artistic journey** that extends through the medieval town of its past but also its exciting urban development.

At the confluence of the Sambre and the Biesmelle Rivers, Thuin is also known as the capital of the **inland waterway industry**. Embark on the barge of the inland waterway museum and learn more about the romantic profession of a bargeman/sailor. **The surroundings of the city** are definitely worth a detour, both in terms of **rich heritage** and **walking options**.



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Practical information

Thuin Tourist Office
Place Albert 1^{er} 2 • 6530 Thuin
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Public transport

Thuin station

Where to Stay

L'Auberge de l'Abbaye d'Aulne (Rooms)

This 2* superior establishment offers charming rooms overlooking the ruins of the Aulne Abbey. The period stone building offers all the usual contemporary comforts during your stay on the banks of the Sambre River.

Rue Emile Vandervelde 286 • 6534 Gozée (Thuin)
aubergedelabbaye.be

Le Relais de la Haute Sambre (Accommodation)

Dive into the heart of this 3* accommodation surrounding a magnificent pond. It's a real oasis for your leisure or business with spacious rooms to chill out and unwind in the heart of nature.

Rue Fontaine Pépin 12 • 6540 Lobbes
rhs.be

Escale de Flore (Gîte)

This house steeped in history has become a (3 'Epis') gîte to the delight of tourists. A house where you feel good with a nice view of the town walls and where a warm welcome from the owners adds to the charm of the place.

Chemin du Halage 43 • 6530 Thuin
gitesdewallonie.be

Château de Ragnies Mansion

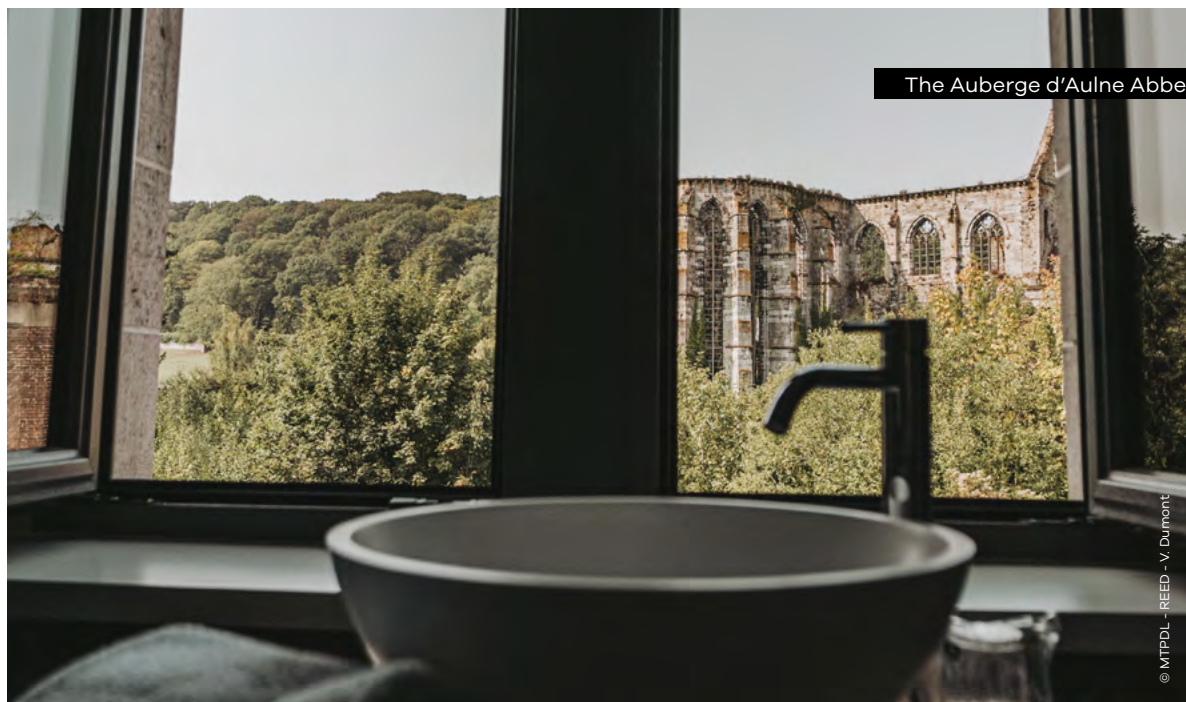
In the heart of the village, the Château de Ragnies welcomes you to its Mansion House with 4 guest rooms and a (4 'Epis') country cottage to recharge your batteries in peace. There's also the sociable possibility of a table d'hôte on reservation.

Rue du Tambourin 6, entrée par 6A
6532 Ragnies (Thuin)
chateauderagnies-bnb.be

Haut-Marteau Gîte

This little place is like a step back in time, an idyllic little corner of paradise, if that is what you are looking for, it's right here in this rural lodging (3 'Epis') located in a 'Natura 2000' area. This beautiful 17th century residence is ready with a warm welcome for a relaxing stay with family or friends at the foot of the Bois du Grand Bon Dieu. It's just a stone's throw from a RAVeL network, which is just perfect for walkers and cyclists.

Rue du Haut Marteau • 6530 Thuin
giteduhautmarteau.be



What to See and Do

1 Jardins suspendus (Hanging Gardens) and the Art Trail

Located on the southern slope of the Biesmelle valley, the Hanging Gardens of Thuin offer an original walk on the heights of the town. Recognized as an exceptional heritage of Wallonia, you can enjoy the meander around 200 terraced gardens along the winding cobbled streets. This unusual setting is dotted with works of contemporary art for extra pleasure.

Place du Chapitre • 6530 Thuin
tourismethuin.be

2 Beffroi (Thuin Belfry)

This monument was built in the first half of the 17th century on the ruins of an old Belfry. Recognized by the UNESCO World Heritage, it has the distinction of having assumed both a religious and a communal function. From the top of its 194 steps, it offers an ideal panorama from which to admire Thuin and the valleys of the Sambre and Biesmelle Rivers. Educational panels tell its story.

Place du Chapitre 3 • 6530 Thuin
beffroidethuin.be

3 Ecomuseum Le Thudo (Museum of Inland Navigation)

Thuin, town of boatmen, allows you to explore an interesting and nautical part of Wallonia's history. Embark aboard a barge-museum, the Thudo Eco museum, and discover the charming world of inland waterway transport: the stages in the construction of a boat, communication systems, life on board... Then take a walk in the boatmen district, in the lower part of the town, still today largely inhabited by a population of retired boatmen.

Quai de Sambre • 6530 Thuin
tourismethuin.be

4 Abbaye d'Aulne

The Cistercian ruins of the Aulne Abbey are located in Gozée, a stone's throw from Thuin. Discover its history and the life of the Cistercian monks thanks to information panels installed all along the outdoor route. You can enjoy the landscaped garden and its peaceful walking area, it's a great place to reflect and meditate. For a refreshing end to the visit, taste the beers of the Abbey of Aulne at the tavern.

Rue Émile Vandervelde 291 • 6534 Gozée (Thuin)
abbayedaulne.be



5 Chateau du Fosteau (Fosteau Castle)

This castle dates from the end of the 14th century with one of the most beautiful Gothic halls in Belgium, the Salle des Chevaliers. You can check out the stunning period furniture on site, an exhibition on Count Reille who was Napoleon's general, its pharmacy museum and a magnificently landscaped French garden.

Rue du Marquis 1 • 6530 Leers-et-Fosteau (Thuin)
chateaudufosteau.com

7 Centre de Découverte du Tramway Historique (Historical Discovery Centre)

This museum is dedicated to the tram in all its forms: steam, electric and diesel. Admire some twenty old trams and take a tram ride on the line from Thuin to Lobbes. Numerous events take place here throughout the year.

Rue du Fosteau 2A • 6530 Thuin
asvi.be

6 La Thudinie by bike

The RAVeL 3 route will make you discover the Thudin region and its treasures along the Sambre River. As you go along the water you can admire the Collegiate Church of Lobbes, in Thuin, the Tram Museum, the House of Printing and some manual locks. And further down the route, the Abbey of Aulne and its brewery for some refreshing tasting.

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