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Luxembourg, with its modest 1000 square mile area, holds many unexpected treasures. From UNESCO-recognised medieval fortifications to the prized Moselle wines, a lively arts scene, cutting-edge architectural marvels, and influential EU institutions, this tiny European country has something for everyone. Outdoor enthusiasts can enjoy skiing on the excellent slopes of the northern Ardennes and exploring the scenic trails of the Valley of Seven Castes or Mullerthal with its unique sandstone formations.



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Spread your net wide when deciding on an itinerary around the Grand Duchy, for some of the area's most enticing attractions lie away from Luxembourg City (although almost always within easy access from here). Some of the unmissable highlights include Luxembourg's Medieval fairy tale castles and much-loved wine route, that stretches across the Moselle River valley connecting the towns of Echternach and Mondorf-les-Bains, the latter inviting weary travellers for a soak in effervescent thermal baths.

## **Moselle Valley**



The Moselle Valley wine region spans France, Luxembourg, and Germany, with wineries closest to Luxembourg City located within less

than a half-hour's drive from there. The scenic river valley offers abundant wine-tasting opportunities for Riesling and Elbling aficionados; tastings can be arranged at most local wineries, but contacting in advance to check for availability is recommended. If in doubt, try Caves du Sud in Remerschen, Caves St Martin or Caves Desom Saint-Remy in Remich, or Domaine Mathes and Domaine Alice Hartmann in Wormeldange. The region is also

excellent hiking grounds, with hiking trails and cycling paths, with boat tours running along the Moselle.

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#### Fond-de-Gras



To learn more about Luxembourg's past as a major iron ore mining centre, visit this historic location and take a ride on the steam train that

once transported ore from the Fond-de-Gras mines to the nearby town of Petange. Enjoy the scenic ride and pay a visit to the underground mining museum.

Photo: Raymond Thill/Shutterstock.com

Address: Fond-de-Gras, Niederkorn, Luxembourg

Phone: +352 26 58 20 69 Internet: http://minettpark.lu

## Mullerthal



Luxembourg's 'Little Switzerland' is defined by splendid landscapes and unusual rock formations, which can be explored on foot via the Mullerthal

Hiking Trail, spanning a total of 112 kilometres. The regional capital is Echternach, the oldest city in Luxembourg, which is worth a visit for its historic Benedictine abbey, Roman Villa remains, and fantastic local produce.

Photo: Bert Beckers/Shutterstock.com

#### **Vianden Castle**



The town of Vianden on the German border contains one of Luxembourg's most attractive castles. Set atop a scenic hill, this

Romanesque château is an excellent day trip from Luxembourg City (roughly a 30-minute drive), one that grants ample insight into Medieval life in the area.

Photo: Tatiana Popova/Shutterstock.com

Address: Montée du Château, Vianden, Luxembourg

Opening hours: Daily 10am-5pm

Phone: +352 83 41 08 1

Internet: https://castle-vianden.lu/gb Email: info@castle-vianden.lu

#### **Clervaux Castle**



Rebuilt entirely after being destroyed during WWII, Château de Clervaux is among the Duchy's most notable attractions. It contains a

fascinating UNESCO-listed photography exhibition, Edward Steichen's 'Family of Man', which takes its origins at MoMA (Museum of Modern Art in New York) and has now found a permanent home at Clervaux. The two other on-site museums, one displaying scale models of Luxembourg's castles, and another dedicated to the WWII Battle of the Ardennes (which resulted in the original castle's annihilation), are also worth exploring.

Photo: CIW1/Shutterstock.com

Address: Montée du Château, Clervaux, Luxembourg

Phone: +352 28 41 98

Internet: www.clervaux.lu/fr/le-chateau-de-clervaux.html

#### **Beaufort Castles**



Both castles of Beaufort are worth a visit. The first, demolished during the Battle of the Ardennes of WWII, is now in ruins, the second — a

Renaissance château— can be visited on a pre-booked guided tour during high season.

Tasting of a locally made fruit liquor is included in the price of admission.

Photo: Sabino Parente/Shutterstock.com

Address: 24 Rue du Château, Beaufort, Luxembourg

Phone: +352 83 66 01

Internet: https://beaufortcastles.com

#### Wiltz Castle



The Renaissance Château de Wiltz is no longer its original 13th-century incarnation, but a beautifully reconstructed building that contains a

museum dedicated to the Battle of the Ardennes, as well as an unlikely Beer & Tanney Museum (guided tours on request), with a functioning microbrewery and an impressive collection of bottles.

Photo: trabantos/Shutterstock.com

Address: 35 Rue du Château, Wiltz, Luxembourg

Phone: +352 95 99 39 250 Internet: www.visitwiltz.lu

## **Abbey of Echternach**



Founded in the 7th century by St Willibrord, the patron saint of Luxembourg, the Abbey of Echternach contains a fascinating scriptorium —

once the most important in Medieval Europe —



in its cellar, with manuscripts dating as far back as the 11th century. Part of the abbey complex, the Basilica of Saint Willibrord contains a crypt with the saint's holy remains. A dancing procession that draws visitors from all over the world (Saint Willibrord Pageant) is held in the town annually on Whit Tuesday.

Photo: Wicher Bos/Shutterstock.com Address: Echternach, Luxembourg

## **Valentiny Foundation**



Celebrated
Luxembourgish architect
François Valentiny
inaugurated this peculiar
crisp-white building in
Remerschen in late 2016

as a space to showcase his own and partner Hubert Hermann's artistic creations (over 3000 permanent exhibits). The permanent collection is regularly complemented by exhibitions featuring works by other artists.

Photo: blurAZ/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34 Waistrooss, Remerschen Schengen, Luxembourg Opening hours: Wed-Sun 2pm-6pm, Mon & Tue closed

Phone: +352 621 175 781

Internet: www.valentiny-foundation.com Email: info@valentiny-foundation.com

## **Biodiversum Nature Reserve**



The Biodiversum Nature Centre, designed by acclaimed Luxembourgish architect Francois Valentiny, is an interactive starting point

for a 2.5-kilometre nature circuit trail guiding visitors through the diverse flora and fauna of the region, with several bird-watching spots along the way.

Photo: Raymond Thill/Shutterstock.com

Address: 5 Breicherwee, Rëmerschen Schengen, Luxembourg

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 10am-5pm, Mon closed

Phone: +352 24 75 65 31

#### **Parc Merveilleux**



Aimed primarily at younger visitors, the park will still be a delight for the whole family. There are plenty of playgrounds and attractions for the

little ones, but also an impressive number of animal residents originating from 5 different continents. Among those you can encounter on a trip to the park are pink flamingos, penguins, monkeys and even crocodiles.

Photo: Nataliya Zinovyeva/Shutterstock.com

Address: Route de Mondorf, Bettembourg, Luxembourg

Phone: +352 51 10 48 1

Internet: www.parc-merveilleux.lu Email: parc@parc-merveilleux.lu

### Esch-sur-Sûre Castle



Another one of Luxembourg's historic castles, the now decrepit one in Esch-sur-Sûre was originally built in the Romanesque style as

early as the 10th century, with later Gothic additions two centuries later. Inhabited by commoners for a time, it is now but a relic of Medieval Europe open to the public.

Photo: Forrest L. Smith, III/Shutterstock.com Address: 4-6 Rue de Lultzhausen, Esch-sur-Sûre,

Luxembourg

Phone: +352 26 88 95 41 Internet: https://esch-sur-sure.lu

#### **Blast Furnace Belval**



For a close encounter with Luxembourg's industrial past, make time for a visit to this blast furnace once used for steel production. Furnace

A can be explored both independently or as part of a guided tour; those who make it all the way to the top will be rewarded with sweeping views of the surrounding areas.

Photo: LUC KOHNEN/Shutterstock.com

Address: 6 Avenue des Hauts-Fourneaux, Esch-Belval

Esch-sur-Alzette, Luxembourg

Opening hours: Wed-Mon 10am-7pm, Tue closed

Phone: +352 26 84 01 Internet: www.fonds-belval.lu

## **Esch-sur-Alzette Architecture**



Dubbed the architectural jewel of Luxembourg, the town of Esch-sur-Alzette boasts an incredibly diverse architectural landscape featuring

buildings in Art Nouveau, Art Deco, French Neo-Gothic, Modernist and Post-modernist styles. It's an open-air museum of European architectural efforts with guided tours on offer.

Photo: FLLL/CC BY-SA 3.0/Wikimedia Address: Esch-sur-Alzette, Luxembourg

#### **Trier**



Hop across the border for an excursion to the oldest German town of Trier, which contains some beautiful examples of well-preserved Roman

architecture, including the UNESCO-listed city gate of Porta Nigra (Latin for 'black gate'),

remains of Roman baths and an amphitheatre. Located in the Moselle Valley, the city is an essential stop to include in a wine route through the area.

Photo: wsf-s/Shutterstock Address: Trier, Germany

## **LUXEMBOURG CITY**



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The Duchy's capital of just over 130,000 inhabitants is largely made up of expats, but tourists are still few and far between — great news for those who prefer having the city streets all to themselves. There are a few excellent museums in Luxembourg City (the MUDAM is one not to be overlooked), plenty of Medieval remnants and lookout points to take them in from, as well as expansive dining offerings, including from Luxembourg's astounding many Michelin-starred establishments.

## Kirchberg



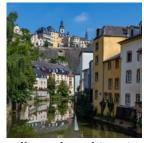
Situated in the northeast of Luxembourg City, Kirchberg is the city's business district overlooking the historic city centre, Ville Haute.

Linked by the iconic Grand Duchess Charlotte Bridge, also known as the 'Red Bridge', Kirchberg showcases a gallery of contemporary architecture designed by renowned architects. Noteworthy landmarks include the Museum of Modern Art Grand Duke Jean MUDAM, crafted by the acclaimed architect Ieoh Ming Pei, creator of the Louvre's glass pyramid. The district also features cultural gems like a glass cathedral adorned with Wim Delvoye's stained glass and the Philharmonie, renowned for its world-class acoustics. Kirchberg is also home to several key European Union institutions, including the European Court of Justice, the European Investment Bank, and the European Court of Auditors.

Photo: Sergey Novikov/Shutterstock.com

Address: Kirchberg

#### Grund



The charming area of
Grund in Lower
Luxembourg is one not to
be missed on a city tour.
Take the Saint Esprit lift
and descent into the

valley, where historic monuments, such as the UNESCO-listed Neumünster Abbey and 14th-century houses forge an inviting atmosphere – especially so when the Grund comes alive at night. There is some excellent dining to be had here, including the Michelin-starred Kamakura and Mosconi.

Photo: Steve Allen/Shutterstock.com

#### Rotondes



Two former railway roundhouses turned premier cultural hot spot, the refurbished Rotondes complex plays host to multiple artistic events all

through the year, from concerts to theatrical

performances, exhibitions, design markets, movie screenings, and more. Check the website to see what's on.

Photo: Christian Fregnan/Unsplash.com

Address: 3 Place des Rotondes, Bonneweg-Nord Luxemburg

Phone: +352 26 62 20 07 Internet: www.rotondes.lu/en

#### **Pfaffenthal Panoramic Elevator**



This panoramic elevator serves as a handy transportation link between the city quarters of Ville Haute, the historical city centre,

with Pfaffenthal, an area at the very bottom of the Alzette Valley. Its glass walls provide unobstructed views of Luxembourg from as high as 70 metres above ground. Riding the elevator is free of charge.

Photo: MorgenDew/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2 Rue du Pont, Luxembourg City

Internet: www.luxembourg-city.com/en/place/monument/pan

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## Wenzel Circular Walk / Chemin de la Corniche



The Wenzel Circular Walk is a great way to start off a day of sightseeing: starting at Bock Promontory and via the Castle Bridge, you soon

arrive at Chemin de la Corniche, one of the city's most scenic panoramic lookout points. Passing through the Grund Gate and along the Wenzel Wall, you will eventually reach the cultural centre of Neumünster Abbey, following along to Plateau du Rham, containing further defence fortifications.

Photo: Andrea De la Parra/Shutterstock.com



Internet: www.luxembourg-city.com/en/place/tour/wenzel-cir cular-walk

#### **Bock Casemates**



What remains of the impressive network of underground tunnels used as WWII bomb shelters is now open to the public, and belongs to

the UNESCO World Heritage list. Part of Luxembourg's extensive defence structures, the Casemates made up the fortification complex that earned the city its proud nickname of 'Gibraltar of the North', for being as impregnable as the rock of Gibraltar.

Photo: Adwo/Shutterstock.com

Address: Montée de Clausen, Grund Luxembourg

Opening hours: Daily 10:45am-3pm

Phone: +352 22 28 09

#### **Notre-Dame Cathedral**



Luxembourg's own
Notre-Dame (the
country's only cathedral)
was originally a Jesuit
church, and its
cornerstone was laid in

1613. It's built in the Gothic tradition, with Renaissance and Baroque decor elements. The cathedral also contains the tomb of John the Blind.

Photo: Grisha Bruev/Shutterstock.com

Address: Rue Notre Dame, Ville-Haute Luxembourg Opening hours: Mon-Sat 8am-6pm, Sun closed

Phone: +352 22 29 70 1

## Luxembourg American Cemetery and Memorial



This sobering memorial has become the final resting place for over 5,000 American soldiers who lost their lives during WWII. The expansive

50-acre grounds are dotted with sombre white tombstones, crosses and Stars of David for those of the Jewish faith. There is an informative visitor centre on-site.

Photo: emmanuellegrimaud/Shutterstock.com Address: 50 Val du Scheid, Hamm Luxembourg

Opening hours: Daily 9am-5pm

Phone: +352 43 17 27

Internet: www.abmc.gov/Luxembourg

## Nationalmusée um Fëschmaart (MNHA)



The Nationalmusée um Fëschmaart contains a large collection of fine and decorative art, archaeology and coins and even features works

by masters such as Cézanne and Picasso.

Photo: BearFotos/Shutterstock

Address: Marché-aux-Poissons, Luxembourg

Opening hours: Tue & Wed 10am-6pm, Thu 10am-8pm,

Fri-Sun 10am-6pm, Mon closed

Phone: +352 47 93 30 1

Internet: www.nationalmusee.lu/en Email: nationalmusee@mnaha.etat.lu

## Luxembourg City History Museum



The Luxembourg City
History Museum contains
both a permanent
collection and temporary
exhibitions dedicated to
the city and its past and

present. Do not miss the glass elevator with



views of the city below.

Photo: Cayambe/CC BY-SA 3.0/Wikimedia(image cropped) Address: 14 Rue du Saint Esprit, Ville Haute Luxembourg Opening hours: Tue & Wed 10am-6pm, Thu 10am-8pm,

Fri-Sun 10am-6pm, Mon closed Phone: +352 47 96 45 00 Internet: https://citymuseum.lu

#### **Palais Grand-Ducal**



The official residence of the Grand Duke and his parliament, the Grand Ducal Palace ranks among the city's finest architectural pieces. Built

in the Flemish Renaissance style in the 16th century, it combines Gothic and Romanticist influences in its interior, and can be visited as part of a guided tour from mid-July until the end of August only.

Photo: Natalia Bratslavsky/Shutterstock.com

Address: 17 Rue du Marché-aux-Herbes, Ville-Haute

Luxembourg

Phone: +352 22 28 09

Internet: https://monarchie.lu/en/visit-grand-ducal-palace

Email: touristinfo@lcto.lu

More Info: Tours available on pre-booking

## Skatepark Péitruss



Set in the valley separating the old town from the new, Luxembourg's Skatepark Péitruss is a highly modern hangout spot for

those who practice urban sports such as roller-skating and skateboarding, as well as BMX. The Péitruss Valley itself is an attractive site for both locals and visitors, with abundant greenery and recreation areas.

Photo: EBASCOL/Shutterstock

Address: 2 Rue Saint-Quirin, Ville-Haute Luxembourg

## Grand Duke Jean Museum of Modern Art (MUDAM)



Aiming to showcase the best of modern art, the MUDAM displays a thrilling collection of creations by Luxembourgish and

foreign artists spanning design, sculpture, new media and various forms of visual art.

Magnificent views unfold from the Park Dräi Eechelen, where the striking museum building is located.

Photo: Andrii Lutsyk/Shutterstock.com

Address: 3 Park Drai Eechelen, Clausen Luxembourg Opening hours: Tue & Thu-Sun 10am-6pm; Wed 10am-9pm;

Mon closed

Phone: +352 45 37 85 1 Internet: www.mudam.com Email: info@mudam.com

## Musée Dräi Eechelen



Located an arm's stretch away from nearby MUDAM is the Musée Dräi Eechelen, housed inside the restored 18th-century Fort

Thüngen. The museum is dedicated entirely to the history of Luxembourg from the mid-15th to the early years of the 20th century, with over 600 original artefacts and documents on display.

Photo: Peter Fuchs/Shutterstock.com

Address: 5 Park Drai Eechelen, Clausen Luxembourg Opening hours: Tue & Thu-Sun 10am-6pm; Wed 10am-8pm;

Mon closed

Phone: +352 26 43 35

Internet: https://m3e.public.lu/fr.html

Email: m3e@mnaha.etat.lu



## **Adolphe Bridge**



Luxembourg's double-decked arch bridge Pont Adolphe over the Pétrusse River valley straddles the Ville Haute and Gare areas of the

city. Apart from being used by traffic, it also has two scenic pedestrian lanes and is regarded as somewhat of an unofficial symbol of the country itself.

Photo: Sabino Parente/Shutterstock.com Address: Uewerstad, Ville-Haute Luxembourg

#### DINING



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With its location at the nexus of German and French culinary traditions, Luxembourgish cuisine has absorbed influences from both of its neighbours. Some of the specialities include the quintessential 'kniddelen' (boiled potato dumplings that come with different toppings), fried potato pancakes, imports from southern Germany such as 'flammekueche' (a kind of pizza covered with fromage blanc or crème fraîche, onions and lardons), schnitzel, as well as seafood from respectable suppliers in the region, and it doesn't end there. For such a small country, Luxembourg also boasts an enviable number of Michelin-starred restaurants (more per capita than in other countries in Europe).

#### **Brasserie Guillaume**



Located smack in the heart of Luxembourg City's old town, Brasserie Guillaume is an incredible address to remember for seafood lovers. Seafood

quality is taken very seriously here, with regular deliveries from the region's best suppliers and fishmongers. Treat yourself to an oyster platter, mussels, or opt for their signature carpaccio.

Photo: Rawpixel.com/Shutterstock.com

Address: 12 Place Guillaume II, Ville-Haute Luxembourg Opening hours: Mon-Sat 8am-1am, Sun 11am-1am

Phone: +352 26 20 20 20

Internet: https://brasserieguillaume.lu

Email: bg@pt.lu

#### Brasserie Osada



For a taste of traditional Luxembourgish fare, try this local eatery serving up specialities such as 'kniddelen' (boiled potato dumplings) that come in

several varieties (try the sampling platter for two if you're interested in having a few).

Photo: Marko Aliaksandr/Shutterstock.com

Address: 35 Rue Laurent Ménager, Pafendall Luxembourg

Phone: +352 26 20 21 14

#### **Brasserie Bosso**



Situated in the Grund and renowned for its homemade traditional comfort food, Brasserie Bosso attracts many, especially during the

warmer months when the outdoor terrace enjoys popularity. Some of the menu favourites include 'spätzle' (fried egg noodles done the Bosso way),



German-style flammekueche (pizza topped with crème fraîche, onions and lardons), 'rösti' (potato pancake), schnitzels, and more.

Photo: pojvistaimage/Shutterstock.com Address: 7 Bisserweg, Grund Luxembourg

Phone: +352 26 86 41 55

Internet: www.instagram.com/bossoluxembourg

#### L'Annexe



Nestled in the heart of Luxembourg's historic city, L'Annexe invites you to savour exquisite French cuisine, infused with Mediterranean and

international flavours. The restaurant's culinary creations showcase inventive designs and aesthetic compositions worthy of an Instagram post, which combined with its unparalleled service and warm atmosphere make it for a top-notch dining experience.

Photo: Senyuk Mykola/Shutterstock.com

Address: 7 Rue du Saint Esprit, Ville-Haute Luxembourg

Phone: +352 621 453 909

Internet: www.instagram.com/lannexeluxembourg

## **Beet**



Beet seamlessly pulls off vegan cooking, serving up several varieties of plant-based burgers that can easily compete with their meaty counterparts

- with chilly cheese, Vietnamese/mango and portobello patties, to name a few. A menu set comes with fries, salad and sauce.

Photo: Svetlana Turchenick/Shutterstock.com

Address: 26 Place Guillaume II, Ville-Haute Luxembourg Opening hours: Tue-Sat 11:30am-9:30pm, Sun & Mon closed

Phone: +352 26 20 13 75 Internet: www.beet.lu Email: info@beet.lu

#### Restaurant - Pizzeria II Bosco Sàrl



Almost painfully unremarkable from the outside, Il Bosco enjoys a near-cult following among locals, the main reason being their fantastic,

authentic-as-it-gets pizzas oven-baked in traditional Italian style. The hospitable owner family also serves up great pasta, seafood, and meat dishes.

Photo: Bea Rue/Shutterstock.com

Address: 8 Rue du Village, Schoenfels Mersch, Luxembourg Opening hours: Tue-Sun noon-2pm / 6pm-10pm; Mon closed

Phone: +352 26 32 07 29 Email: contact@ilbosco.lu

#### Bistro Quai



Overlooking the scenic Moselle River, Bistro Quai captivates with its expansive terrace surrounded by verdant landscapes and

floor-to-ceiling glass walls, creating a stunning dining ambience. The menu showcases a diverse array of refined European and local dishes, complemented by an extensive selection of regional wines. Situated in a prime location, it serves as an ideal dining spot for those exploring the Moselle on a wine tour.

Photo: UfaBizPhoto/Shutterstock.com

Address: 3 Route du Vin, Grevenmacher, Luxembourg

Phone: +352 24 55 87 75 Internet: www.quai.lu Email: info@quai.lu



## **CAFÉS**



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Alongside Belgium, Luxembourg has its own chocolate artistry to show for itself — the longstanding Namur, reputable Oberweis and artisan Chocolate House Nathalie Bonn are a few essential stops for those with a taste for sweet treats. A few cafés still retain local flavour — try Bistrot de la Presse or Café Interview to look beyond the sleek facades of the city's trendy mixology hot spots.

## Namur



A family patisserie with routes going back to the mid-19th century, Namur is still run by descendants of the founding father and continues to delight

with delectable pastries and desserts in Luxembourg and beyond. There is a very broad selection of sweets on offer, and a weekly lunch menu is served at select locations.

Photo: archimede/Shutterstock.com

Address: 27 Rue des Capucins, Ville-Haute Luxembourg Opening hours: Tue-Sat 8am-6pm, Sun & Mon closed

Phone: +352 43 69 23 500 Internet: www.namur.lu

#### Bistrot de la Presse



A place with character, Bistrot de la Presse is a haunt long-frequented by locals. Portraits of the royal family hang on the walls, and members of

the Luxembourgish parliament are known to hop across the street to grab a bite or a pint – you might well run into some, tucking into the bistro's no-frills local fare.

Photo: SeventyFour/Shutterstock.com

Address: 24 Rue du Marché-aux-Herbes, Ville-Haute

Luxembourg

Opening hours: Daily 9am-1am Phone: +352 27 74 30 60

Internet: www.bistrotdelapresse.lu

## **Chocolate House Nathalie Bonn**



Luxembourg's most respectable chocolatier runs a popular café right across from Palais Grand-Ducal, in a beautiful historic building

dating back to the 15th century. The speciality here is hot chocolate: take a pick from the impressive display of wooden spoons stuck in solid chunks of chocolate featuring a variety of flavours, from familiar to rather exotic, and watch the solid block dissolve in a cup of hot milk turning into a warming beverage. There is an abundance of sweet treats and cakes to go along, as well as savoury lunch options.

Photo: timkouroff/Shutterstock.com

Address: 20 Rue du Marché-aux-Herbes, Ville-Haute

Luxembourg

Opening hours: Mon-Fr 10m-6pm, Sat 9am-8pm, Sun

10am-8pm

Phone: +352 26 26 20 06

Internet: https://chocolate-house-bonn.lu Email: info@chocolate-house-bonn.lu



#### **Charles Sandwiches**



Affordable options are hard to come by in the heart of Luxembourg City, but Charles is a pleasant exception: with fresh sandwiches,

burgers, and well-dressed American-style salads that will fit any taste, there is hardly a better bargain in the area.

Photo: De Repente/Shutterstock.com

Address: 19 Rue Chimay, Ville-Haute Luxembourg

Opening hours: Daily 11am-10pm

Phone: + 352 27 99 38 38

Internet: www.charles-sandwiches.lu

#### Oberweis



Arguably the finest patisserie chain in Luxembourg, Oberweis is the place to go for delicate fruit-topped tartelettes, cream-filled

eclairs, and all manner of artfully crafted desserts. Savoury lunches are also served here. There are several locations across Luxembourg.

Photo: Ambiento/Shutterstock.com

Address: 16 Grand-Rue, Ville-Haute Luxembourg Opening hours: Mon-Sat 7:45am-6pm, Sun closed

Phone: +352 47 07 03

 $Internet: www.oberweis.lu/en\_US$ 

#### Kaale Kaffi



The vintage extravaganza that is Kaale Kaffi cares little about uniform interior design — the space is furnished with mismatched yet

oh-so-comfy armchairs and couches, and walls adorned with eclectic artwork — instead placing

emphasis on a welcoming atmosphere, homemade food, and great coffee. It attracts an artsy crowd, including for evening drinks.

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Address: 9 Rue de la Boucherie, Ville-Haute Luxembourg

Phone: +352 26 26 25 01

## **BARS & NIGHTLIFE**



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No visit to Luxembourg is complete without sampling the local wines; the Moselle Valley is known primarily for Riesling, but multiple varieties are produced, including Auxerrois, Elbling, Chardonnay, Pinot blanc, noir & gris — at least some of these are served at the overwhelming majority of local bars. A strong expat community of young professionals — nearly 50% of the country is now made up of foreigners — means that nightlife establishments rarely stand idle, especially in Luxembourg City.

## Les Rives de Clausen District



Rather tranquil by day, the Clausen district not far from central Luxembourg City really comes alive at night, when bars and clubs

dotting the area start drawing in customers. Most establishments are housed inside refurbished historic warehouses, forging a distinct atmosphere. Take your pick from the



assortment — some, such as Um Plateau, feature heated terraces.

Photo: Steijn Leijzer/Unsplash.com

#### Café des Artistes



Away from the luster of polished upper city bars, Café des Artistes is a nook of warmth and authenticity tucked away in the Grund. Every night

is either 'open piano', where anyone is welcome to hit the keys, or one led by an appointed piano player and singer, with a choir of bar-goers joining in a sing-along most of the time.

Photo: Gregory Hayes/Unsplash.com

Address: 22 Montée du Grund, Ville-Haute Luxembourg

Phone: +352 46 13 27

Internet: www.cafedesartistes.lu

## Restaurant Bar Brauerei



The historic brewery still retains artefacts and pieces of equipment used in the days forgone — albeit now more for their decorative value. Beer is

still brewed here just like in the olden days, its three varieties served with an accompaniment of specialities from southern Germany. Festivities are set up to mark certain holidays, most notably the Oktoberfest.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com

Address: 12 Rives de Clausen, Gronn Lëtzebuerg,

Luxembourg

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## **Liquid Bar**



A laid-back Grund fixture, Liquid is known for its wide variety of beers (both bottled and on tap), convivial vibes and table games, and a regular

rotation of live band performances.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com Address: 15 Rue Münster, Grund Luxembourg

Phone: +352 25 88 47 47 Internet: www.liquidbar.lu

#### Vinoteca



Run by one of the country's best sommeliers, Vinoteca is a refined wine bar and tasting room featuring wines from the Moselle

Valley. The cavernous inside space for colder days and a panoramic outdoor terrace complement each other well. Cheese and charcuterie platters are served in accompaniment to wines.

Photo: K.Decha/Shutterstock.com

Address: 6 Rue Wiltheim, Ville-Haute Luxembourg Opening hours: Tue-Sat 5:30pm-1am, Sun & Mon closed

Phone: +352 26 86 44 34

Internet: www.gastronomie.lu/vinoteca-luxembourg

#### **Urban Bar & Restaurant**



Despite the sleek ambience, Urban Bar attracts an approachable international crowd and is one of Luxembourg City's after-work drink

fixtures. There is plenty to choose from in the drinks department, including a wide selection of quality spirits, and the bottom-floor cocktail bar



is a find for mixed drink aficionados.

Photo: Michael Discenza/Unsplash.com

Address: 2 Rue de la Boucherie, Ville-Haute Luxembourg Opening hours: Sun-Thu 10am-1am, Fri & Sat 10am-3am

Phone: +352 26 47 85 78

Internet: www.instagram.com/urbanbar.city

#### Scott's



This lively Irish pub split across two levels is a summertime staple, primarily for its outdoor terrace overlooking the river (seating here is

limited, so arrive early). Inside, oldie hits and sporting event broadcasts draw in a mixed, jolly crowd that fills up the dance floor on Friday and Saturday nights.

Photo: Jacob Lund/Shutterstock.com Address: 4 Bisserweg, Grund Luxembourg

Phone: +352 26 20 38 53 Internet: www.scotts.lu Email: info@scotts.lu

#### Cinémathèque



The vintage
Cinémathèque cinema
holds an impressive
collection of over 10,000
international films,
screened in their original

language with English subtitles nearly daily, and at bargain ticket prices. It's a fascinating experience for all lovers of the art. In the summer, outdoor film viewings are held in the courtyard of Théâtre des Capucins.

Photo: Kilyan Sockalingum/Unsplash.com

Address: 17 Place du Théâtre, Ville-Haute Luxembourg

Phone: +352 47 96 26 44

Internet: www.vdl.lu/fr/visiter/art-et-culture/lieux-culturels/ci

nema/cinematheque

#### **Rockhal**



Located in the former industrial site of Belval, Rockhal is currently Luxembourg's premiere event venue, with a capacity to host up to

6,500 guests. Tickets purchased for any of the events held at Rockhal also include free public transportation to and from Rockhal across all of Luxembourg. Major international acts perform regularly — check the website for schedules.

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Address: 5 Avenue du Rock'n'Roll, Esch-sur-Alzette,

Luxembourg

Phone: +352 24 55 51 Internet: www.rockhal.lu

## **SHOPPING**



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The list of Luxembourgish specialities is surprisingly long for such a tiny place. A few items to consider shopping for include Villeroy & Boch ceramics featuring the Old Luxembourg pattern (the brand's first original creation); beer, liquor and wines from the Moselle (which are hard to come by elsewhere, outside of Luxembourg); Peckvillchen bird whistles, used on Easter Monday for the annual Emaishen festival (and functioning as souvenirs for the remainder of the year); chocolate by reputable Luxembourg chocolatiers; high-end watches

(Schroeder or Bijouterie Hoffman, for example), among others. Local handicrafts include wax and glass creations, which are often available at weekly markets, alongside fresh regional produce.

The last weekend of August or the first one in September is when the annual Braderie (large-scale sale/city-wide flea market) takes place, attracting both shoppers and vendors from across the country and beyond. There is also an antique fair held in Place d'Armes every 2nd and 4th Saturday.

## **Chocolate House Nathalie Bonn**



Luxembourg's most respectable chocolatier runs a popular café right across from Palais Grand-Ducal, in a beautiful historic building

dating back to the 15th century. Although the boutique stocks a plethora of hand-crafted chocolates and sweet spreads, the speciality here is hot chocolate: take a pick from the impressive spoon display featuring a variety of flavours, each individually packaged and ready to become an excellent souvenir or a drink to have right then and there. Treats sold are all-natural, with no artificial additives or palm oil.

Photo: timkouroff/Shutterstock.com

Address: 20 Rue du Marché-aux-Herbes, Ville-Haute

Luxembourg

Opening hours: Mon-Fr 10m-6pm, Sat 9am-8pm, Sun

10am-8pm

Phone: +352 26 26 20 06

Internet: https://chocolate-house-bonn.lu Email: info@chocolate-house-bonn.lu

#### Marché Luxembourg



Every Wednesday and Saturday Luxembourg City's Place Guillaume II (and Place de Paris on Wednesdays) transform into a fresh produce

market featuring the finest products from the region: fresh fruit and vegetables, meats, spreads, jams, and more. Many of the towns and villages across Luxembourg host their own weekly produce markets; the exact days of the week may vary by location.

Photo: Peter Wendt/Unsplash.com

## Factory Outlet Center Villeroy & Boch



A legendary home decor brand with a history of nearly 300 years, Villeroy & Boch produces ceramics that have made appearances everywhere

from onboard the Titanic to modern-day films and TV shows, such as House of Cards and Ocean's Eleven. The factory outlet in Luxembourg City's outskirts is an excellent place to find great deals on both original Old Luxembourg patterns and more experimental modern pieces.

Photo: Tom Crew/Unsplash

Address: 330 Rue de Rollingergrund, Limpertsberg

Luxembourg

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-6pm, Sun closed

Phone: +352 46 82 12 78

Internet: www.villeroy-boch.lu/fr



## **Luxembourg House**



Few places are a better find to shop for all things Luxembourgish than this fantastic store stocking everything from Moselle Valley wines and local

beer to ceramics, jewellery, designer accessories, books, and more – all created by artists from the region. It's a treasure trove of memorable, unique gifts and souvenirs.

Photo: Fanning Tseng/Unsplash.com

Address: 2 Rue de l'Eau, Ville-Haute Luxembourg Opening hours: Tue-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun & Mon closed

Phone: +352 26 35 28 33

Internet: www.luxembourghouse.lu

## Fromagerie Schmalen-Brouwer



It doesn't get any more fresh and organic than the Berdorfer Keis dairy farm, which produces multiple varieties of cheese with both cow and

goat milk, yoghurt, ice creams, and more. The on-site Fromagerie Schmalen-Brouwer shop stocks a selection of regional products alongside those from the farm itself.

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Address: 2 Rue de Consdorf, Berdorf, Luxembourg Opening hours: Mon, Wed, Fri & Sat 9am-11:30am /

1pm-4pm; Tue, Thu & Sun closed

Phone: +352 79 03 78 Internet: www.berdorfer.lu Email: mail@berdorfer.lu

#### Vinoteca



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Valley. The on-site boutique features nearly 3000 labels of fine wines produced both locally in the Moselle and imported from abroad (among them around 100 vintages).

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## **TOURIST INFORMATION**



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## Passport / Visa



Luxembourg can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of most European countries, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea,

Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate



in your country. International (non-Schengen) travellers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.

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#### **Best Time to Visit**



Luxembourg can be visited at any time of year. Keep in mind, however, that some attractions, especially in the Ardennes area, may

only function at full capacity during the high season months of July and August (for example, guided tours to some castles/museums may only be available during those months). Do not let this be a decisive factor though, since most attractions can still be visited on your own.

If you're looking for active pastimes, such as hiking, late spring or early autumn may be your best bet with regard to comfortable temperatures. While the summer season may be better for trips and excursions, the pre-Christmas period with its atmospheric markets is another good time to go, and temperatures rarely drop below zero even in the winter.

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## **Luxembourg Airport (LUX)**



Luxembourg's only international airport may be easily reached by public transport. Buses 6, 16, and 29 will take you to the city centre every

10 to 30 minutes. Since March 2020, public transport in Luxembourg has been free of charge. For more details on the schedules of these lines, visit the Luxembourg public transport website.

Taxis can be hired at the airport, as well as rental cars.

One can also travel to Luxembourg via the German city of Trier (Bus 117, which stops both at the Luxembourg airport and in the city). There are coaches that run to France (Metz, Nancy) and Belgium (Arlon, Bastogne, Marche-en-Famenne) operated by a private provider called Flibco.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Luxembourg Airport, Luxembourg

Phone: +352 24 640

Internet: www.lux-airport.lu

## **Public Transport**



As of February 29, 2020, Luxembourg has revolutionised public transportation by making it entirely free for both residents and tourists

alike. This groundbreaking initiative encompasses buses, trains, and trams. The extensive and interconnected network seamlessly connects urban centres, rural areas, and even extends across borders to Germany, France, and Belgium. Passengers only need to



show a personal identity document, if requested by the conductor.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair Internet: www.mobiliteit.lu/en/

#### **Pharmacy**



Pharmacies in
Luxembourg are
generally open Monday to
Friday from 8:30am to
6pm. Pharmacies in
Luxembourg City and

larger towns also operate on Saturdays.

Photo: Gemma Garner

Address: Pharmacie des Capucins, 3 Rue des Capucins,

Ville-Haute Luxembourg

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7:45am-6:30pm, Sat 8am-6pm, Sun

closed

Phone: +352 22 30 62

#### Taxi



There are multiple taxi
ranks in Luxembourg City
(next to the Central
Station and behind the
Notre-Dame Cathedral
are the two main

ones).

Uber does not operate in Luxembourg. However, the country has an Uber-like alternative called Hellotaxi. You can book your taxi online or via the app.

Photo: Taxi

Phone: +352 27 36 56 56 Internet: www.hellotaxi.lu

#### **Post**



Post offices normally work Monday through Friday, and some close for lunch. Letterboxes in Luxembourg are yellow.

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: POST Luxembourg - 12a Rue Aldringen, Ville-Haute

Luxembourg

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7am-6pm, Sat 9am-6pm, Sun closed

Phone: +352 800 28 004 Internet: www.post.lu

## **Electricity**



230 volts, 50 Hz.
Electrical outlet type F, a
2-plug socket primarily
used in Europe and
Russia.

Photo: Stirling Tschan

## **Telephone**



International dialling code: +352

Photo: Jardson Almeida

#### **Population**

134,714 (2023) Luxembourg City 660,809 (2023) Luxembourg

## Currency

1 Euro = 100 cents

## Opening hours

General commercial opening hours are roughly between 9am–6pm. Some businesses remain open until 8pm.

#### Internet

www.visitluxembourg.com www.luxembourg-city.com/en

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#### Newspapers

Luxembourg Times (in English): www.luxtimes.lu Delano (in English): https://delano.lu Luxemburger Wort (in German): www.wort.lu City Magazine Luxembourg (French & English): www.vdl.lu/fr/media-center/city-magazine

#### **Emergency numbers**

For Emergency Services, dial 112, or for the Grand Ducal Police, dial 113.

## **Tourist information**

Luxembourg City Tourist Office 30 Place Guillaume II, Ville-Haute Luxembourg Open Mon–Sat 9am–6pm, Sun 11am–4pm +352 22 28 09