# YOU ARE WELCOME AT THE CITADEL OF DINANT & BEYOND for groups only

#### **Discover the Citadel of Dinant**

Perched on a rocky spur high above the city, the Citadel of Dinant majestically overlooks the town and offers a breathtaking view of the Meuse River.

The first fortification was built here in the 10th century to protect Dinant and the Meuse Valley. The current Citadel, built in 1818 by the Dutch, still stands on the foundations of those medieval walls.

Those up for a challenge can climb the 408 steps leading up to the Citadel, or simply take the cable car for an easier ride to the top.

Once there, take a well-deserved break on the Les Canons terrace and enjoy a drink with the best view of the region. You can also grab a tasty bite — burgers, fries and more. Families will love the children's play area too.

For a taste of local cuisine, the Restaurant La Citadelle awaits you at the foot of the cable car.



# The HistoPad: Your New Visiting Companion

The Citadel now offers an all-new augmented reality experience that is interactive, educational and fun!

With the HistoPad tablet, you can dive into an immersive journey through time, exploring the Citadel across the centuries and reliving key moments in the history of the fortress and the city.

Thirteen "time portals" scattered along the visitor route let you discover the Citadel during its Dutch period, its days as a military prison, and the tragic events of the fierce battles of 1914. Younger visitors can hunt for hidden objects in an interactive treasure quest, while adults dive deeper into the military, political and architectural stories of each era. And for a unique keepsake, you can even take a photo dressed in a period costume.

Included in the ticket price, this tool lets everyone explore at their own pace and according to their interests.

The experience is available in eight languages, including Japanese.



# Our packages to discover Dinant from a different perspective

**Try our popular 3-in-1 package**, combining three unique ways to experience the Citadel:

- Land: Visit the Citadel with the HistoPad and stroll through its gardens along scenic paths and trails.
- Air: Take in the views with a round-trip cable car ride between the center of Dinant and the Citadel.
- Water: Experience the Citadel and the Meuse Valley from a fresh perspective with a 45minute river cruise on the Meuse to Anseremme.

Price per person for groups : Adult : 22.00 €, Child (4 to 12 years old) : 16.00 €





## **Tour Packages in Dinant and the Surrounding Region (Price on request)**

To help you make the most of the beauty of Dinant and its surroundings, we offer a range of packages designed to be combined with a visit to the Citadel of Dinant. These packages are available for groups of 20 people or more.

Each package shares the same spirit: excellence, authenticity, and strong family roots. The sites you will visit are all privately owned, often by the same families for generations, ensuring a unique and heartfelt experience.

All packages include lunch at the Citadel's premises, which serves regional cuisine made with fresh, seasonal, and local ingredients.

# Our partners:

#### **Meuse River Cruises**

#### Les Croisières Mosanes

Departing from Dinant, set off on a peaceful river escape through the heart of the Meuse Valley. Let the current guide you as breathtaking natural scenery and remarkable man-made treasures unfold along the way. A must-try: the gourmet cruise — perfect for food lovers!



## **Local Flavours & Craft Discoveries**

# Domaine du Château de Leignon - The Artisan Chocolaterie

Tucked away within the beautiful estate, the artisan chocolatiers craft every praline, macaron, and sweet treat by hand, bringing back the delicious memories of childhood. Take a guided tour of the chocolaterie and enjoy tasting a selection of fine origin chocolates.





## Domaine du Château de Leignon - The Brewery

Brewed with passion in the heart of the Château de Leignon estate, each Leignon beer is a tribute to true Belgian craftsmanship. Discover the secrets of brewing these top-fermented beers as the brewer walks you through every step of the process right inside the brewery — ending, of course, with a tasting.

## Château de Bioul - Vineyard Estate

At the Bioul Vineyard Estate, follow the interactive 'Made in Bioul' museum trail to discover the château's history and the Vaxelaire family's story, while exploring how their wines are made inside a stunning cellar. Wander through the park dotted with centuries-old trees, then finish your visit with a tasting of their signature cuvées in the wine cellar.



#### **Castles and Gardens**

## **Annevoie Gardens**

Designed in the 18th century, the Annevoie Gardens are Belgium's only water gardens and rank among the most beautiful in Europe. Their streams and fountains flow naturally thanks to the gentle slopes of the landscape.

Spanning twelve hectares around a splendid château, the gardens are open for you to explore at your own pace.

At every turn, you will discover a new view: the symmetry of the French style, the playful freedom of the English style, and the intimate charm of the Italian style. Curves, contrasts, terraces, and unexpected perspectives — this blend of influences is what makes these gardens so enchanting.



#### Vêves Castle

Perched on a rocky outcrop and proudly overlooking a beautiful valley, the Château de Vêves, with its magnificent towers and elegant woodwork, looks as if it has stepped straight out of a fairy tale.

It is considered one of the most beautiful medieval castles in Belgium and is listed as an Exceptional Heritage of Wallonia.

Still inhabited by the same family and fully furnished, this "Sleeping Beauty's Castle" enchants visitors not only with its impressive exterior but also with the warmth and refinement of its interiors.

Staircases, galleries, terraces, grand halls, a chapel and intimate private salons all invite you to wander and explore. Take your time to stroll from floor to floor, letting yourself be carried away by the magic of the place and the beauty of this unique heritage.



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