



Rouen / Connelles

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If you like food, art and architecture you will feel right at home in Rouen. You can find this historical capital right in the heart of Upper Normandy. Since being located on the banks of the beautiful Seine River, the French countryside and picturesque areas like Connelles and Val-de-Reuil can be found just around the corner. Walking through Rouen is like walking through history. This is truly a city with an abundance of lovely old buildings, markets and shops. Whether you are staying for long or just passing through, this town will certainly leave a lasting impression.

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THE CITY



With a history dating way back, "The city of a hundred spires" is an old city that had its most prosperous days during the Middle Ages. This is not only where the famous author Gustave Flaubert lived, but also the city where Joan of Arc was convicted and burnt at the stake in 1431.

Rich in art and history, Rouen today has approximately 500,000 Rouennais living in the city and urban area. Because of all the students living here, this is a lively city both day and night. Here people simply relax and enjoy the best in life. The countryside offers an even more relaxing atmosphere. Rouen and surroundings are full of history and places to discover. With Paris only a 90 minute drive away, the opportunities here are endless.

DO & SEE



The French food will definitely keep your stomach full and the beautiful scenery will without doubt satisfy your eyes, but when it comes to activities in and around Rouen you will also have your hands full. The area is not only full of historical sites, but also very popular for outdoor activities like hiking, bicycling and sports.

In Rouen the Notre Dame Cathedral is a must-see, not to be confused with the cathedral in Paris. This was the cathedral that inspired Monet to paint his cathedral series. Wandering the street in Rouen you will also come across The Gros Horloge, a beautiful clock right above a pedestrian street.

If you want to explore the surrounding areas there are many daily excursions to go on. You can visit Monet's home in Giverny, which is one example of a popular attraction outside the city. Another interesting site is Jumièges Abbey, the ruins of a Benedict monastery, that can be found in Jumièges.

Cathedrale Notre-Dame de Rouen

With its striking Gothic architecture and beautiful stain glass, this is one of the main attractions in Rouen. Inside the cathedral you can find the tomb of Richard the Lionheart.



Address: 3 rue Saint Romain, Rouen Phone: +33 235 71 85 65 Internet: www.cathedrale-rouen.net

Beaux-Arts Museum of Rouen

If you want to enjoy some fine art you can head to Beaux-Arts Museum of Rouen. In the extensive collections dating back to the 15th century you can find masterpieces from the impressionist painters and much more.

Address: Esplanade Marcel Duchamp, Rouen Phone: +33 235 712 840 Internet: www.rouen-musees.com Email: musees@rouen.fr

L'Armada de la Liberté

Every four to five years tall ships come down the banks of Seine to celebrate L'Armada de la Liberté in Rouen. The gathering of all these ships is a huge festival featuring numerous events and goes on for about ten days.

Address: Hangar 105, Quai Jean de Béthencourt, Rouen Phone: +33 235 892 003 Internet: www.armada.org More Info: Previous festivals: 1989, 1994, 1999, 2003, 2008 and 2013

Gros Horloge

When walking down the Rue du Gros Horloge you will come across the "Gros Horloge". This beautiful clock is one of the most famous places in Rouen. Here you can go up the belfry and afterwards enjoy a cup of coffee in the café below.

Address: Rue du Gros Horloge, Rouen

Courthouse of Rouen

With a mix of architectural styles, this beautiful building is a must-see when in Rouen. Palais de Justice was restored after World War II, but is today just as glorious as it was in the 16th century. Address: Palais de Justice, Rouen

Place du Vieux-Marche

One of the biggest squares in Rouen is called Place du Vieux-Marche. This is a great place to go for dinner since there are many restaurants and cafés located in the area. Here you can also find the modern Church of Saint Joan of Arc.

Address: Place du Vieux-Marche, Rouen

Aitre St-Maclou

The courtyard of Ecole of the Beaux-Arts is both fascinating and scary, yet a beautiful place. This ancient cemetery was a place used for plague victims and is surrounded by a 14th century building. A great starting point to your sightseeing tour.

Address: Aître Saint-Maclou, 186 Rue Martainville, Rouen

The Church of Saint Joan of Arc

With modern minimalist features, this dramatic church stands proudly on Place du Vieux-Marche in Rouen. This is the place where Saint Joan of Arc was burned at the stake, which the church's shape symbolizes.

Address: Place du Vieux-Marche, Rouen

Rue Saint-Romain

Rue Saint-Romain is a beautiful, picturesque street running past the Cathedrale Notre-Dame de Rouen. This street is located in the heart of Rouen and is lined with old buildings and teems with people. Take a stroll here on a lovely sunny day!

Address: Rue Saint-Romain, Rouen

Claude Monet's House and Gardens

The well-known Impressionist Claude Monet lived in Giverny his whole life. Today you can visit his house and the gardens that gave him



inspiration to paint some of his most famous pieces of work. Walk around the house and feel like you are living the history.

Address: 84 Rue Claude Monet, Giverny Phone: +33 232 512 821 Internet: www.fondation-monet.com

Château Gaillard

This fortress was built and designed by the legendary Richard Lionheart and has a spectacular view over the Seine River. This beautiful site will keep both adults and kids amused while exploring the area so go alone or bring your whole family with you for this trip.

Address: Château Gaillard, Les Andelys

Jumièges Abbey

The ruins of the Benedict monastery Jumièges Abbey are not only the most important ones in Normandy, but also the oldest. These ruins sit proudly with its white towers on the hillside, offering a picturesque view and a great feeling for all of those who visit.

Address: 24 Rue Guillaume le Conquérant, Jumièges Opening hours: Daily from 9.30am-6.30pm/5.30pm. Closed over lunch during summer. Opening hours may vary depending on season Phone: +33 235 372 402 Internet: www.abbayedejumieges.fr

Golf du Vaudreuil

If you feel like enjoying a good game of golf in the beautiful landscape of Normandy you can head to Golf du Vaudreuil right away. Play a game at this beautiful 18-hole course and indulge in a good meal afterwards at the golf restaurant.

Address: 26 Avenue Marc de la Haye, Le Vaudreuil Phone: +33 232 406 854 Internet: www.golfduvaudreuil.com Email: restau@golfduvaudreuil.com

Abbaye de Saint-Wandrille

Abbaye de Saint-Wandrille is a Benedict monastery located in a small and delightful little village close to Rouen. Onsite you can also find the ruins of the old abbey and church.

Address: 2 Rue Saint-Jacques, Saint-Wandrille-Rançon Opening hours: 5.15am-1pm and 2pm-9.15pm Phone: +33 235 962 311 Internet: www.st-wandrille.com More Info: Shop: www.boutique-saintwandrille.com

Biotropica

Just north of Val de Reuil you can find Biotropica, a park full of exciting animals and a tropical greenhouse. This is the perfect place to bring the children for a daily excursion and some great fun.

Address: Base de Loisirs, Butte de la Capoulade, Val de Reuil Opening hours: October-April 9.30am-6pm. May-September 9.30am-7pm Phone: +33 232 407 144 Internet: www.biotropica.fr

DINING



Like most cities in France, Rouen has a reputation for having good tables. Here you can find it all, gourmet restaurants, romantic escapes, pub grub and international cuisine. Most tourist restaurants are located near Church of St Joan of Arc. Going here is a safe bet if you are looking for someplace to eat.



Normandy, unlike the rest of France, does not make its own wine. Instead, the area is renowned worldwide for its apples, cider, pears and dairy products like cheese and milk. When in Normandy you must try the apple brandy Calvados, one of the local specialties. Also, some of the best lamb, duck and poultry in the whole world can be found here!

La Rose des Vents

At La Rose des Vents you can have a great meal in a relaxed atmosphere that will make you feel just like home. This place used to be a vintage store, but has now turned into a restaurant. Worth a visit!

Address: 37 Rue Saint-Nicolas, Rouen Phone: +33 235 702 978

Le Kaboul

If you want to try some genuine Afghan food you can visit Le Kaboul, a cozy restaurant located in the heart of Rouen. The friendly staff will invite you to join a culinary journey through Afghanistan and they will make sure you have a great experience at Le Kaboul.

Address: 65 Rue Amiens, Rouen Opening hours: Mon-Sat 12pm-2pm and 7pm-10.30pm Phone: +33 235 885 944

Brasserie Paul

As the oldest brasserie in Rouen, Brasserie Paul is still operating today in the historical part of Rouen. This cosy restaurant offers classical dishes from the French cuisine like snails and foie gras.

Address: 1 Place de la Cathédrale, Rouen Phone: +33 235 718 607 Internet: www.brasserie-paul.com Email: brasseriepaul@wanadoo.fr

Gill

Claimed to be one of Rouen's best kept gourmet secrets, Gill offers splendid food in a stylish décor. All food lovers and gourmets can sit back and enjoy different culinary delights right in this restaurant, near the cathedral.

Address: 9 Quai de la Bourse, Rouen Opening hours: 12pm-1.45pm and 7.30pm-9.45pm. Closed on Sundays and Mondays Phone: +33 235 711 614 Internet: www.gill.fr Email: gill@gill.fr

Le Cap'Tain

At the restaurant Le Cap'Tain you can enjoy what is claimed to be the best burgers ever. This is a great place to bring your family and friends and savour a great beer and burger together.

Address: 14 Rue de l'Ancienne Prison, Rouen Phone: +33 278 714 026 Internet: www.lecaptainrouen.com

Pascaline

This typical Parisian restaurant is filled with white table cloths and romantic dim lightening. Enjoy a typical French dinner alone or with your loved ones while listening to some lovely jazz music at the charming Pascaline.

Address: 5 Rue de la Poterne, Rouen Opening hours: Every day 12pm-2.30pm and 7pm-11pm Phone: +33 235 896 744 Internet: www.pascaline.fr Email: pascaline.rouen@numericable.fr

Restaurant Origine

Sophisticated and stylish are two perfect words to describe the modern Restaurant Origine. At this restaurant you can enjoy a great variety of top-quality dishes in a welcoming and friendly atmosphere.

Address: 26 Rampe Cauchoise, Rouen



Phone: +33 235 709 552 Internet: www.restaurant-origine.com

Les Nymphéas

At Les Nymphéas you can enjoy beautifully presented dishes served by attentive staff. The food here will not only satisfy your taste buds, but also your eyes with all the colourful elements found on the plates.

Address: 7-9 Rue de la Pie, Rouen Phone: +33 235 892 669 Internet: www.lesnympheas-rouen.com

La Petite Auberge

Snails in different types of sauces are the specialities of La Petite Auberge's. If you are interested in trying these French delights you can do so at this traditional and cosy restaurant.

Address: 164 Rue Martainville, Rouen Opening hours: Tue-Sun 12pm-2pm and 7pm-10pm. Closed on Mondays Phone: +33 235 708 018 Internet: www.restaurant-petite-auberge.fr

Ho Lamian

In the heart of Rouen you can find this little Chinese restaurant, called Ho Lamian. Here you can try various traditional Chinese dishes like soups, duck, dumplings and much more. Come along with you best friends and try out hese delights.

Address: 243 Rue Eau de Robec, Rouen Phone: +33 276 285 087 Internet: www.holamian.toile-libre.org Email: contact@holamian.fr

Les P'tits Radis

This charming little restaurant is located in the centre of Rouen. At Les P'tits Radis you can try various dishes with a modern twist accompanied by wine and tasty snacks. It already sounds wonderful so why not give it a try! Address: 32 Rue le Nostre, Rouen

Opening hours: Mon-Wed 11.45am-2.30pm. Thu-Fri 11.45am-2.30pm and 7.30pm-10.30pm. Sat 7.30pm-10.30pm Phone: +33 235 714 377

Le P'tit Bec

In the historical part of Rouen you can find this nice little restaurant right next to the small river. Here you can savour traditional food and enjoy the wonderful terrace during summer either alone or with your friends and family.

Address: 182 Rue Eau de Robec, Rouen Opening hours: Closed on Sundays Phone: +33 235 076 333 Internet: www.leptitbec.com

Le Moulin De Connelles

Le Moulin De Connelles is both a hotel and a restaurant located in beautiful Connelles. Here you will find yourself in elegant surroundings with the Seine River flowing right beneath the mill wheel.

Address: 40 Route d'Amfreville-Sous-les-Monts, Connelles Phone: +33 2 32 59 53 33 Internet: www.moulin-de-connelles.fr

La Cascade

In Vaudreuil, a town right between Connelles and Rouen, you can find the restaurant La Cascade. Here you can enjoy a fresh and traditional cuisine in a rustic, yet modern, setting.

Address: 19 Place du Général de Gaulle, Le Vaudreuil Phone: +33 232 612 121 Internet: www.restaurant-cascade-vaudreuil.fr

Balladins Hotel Restaurant

The Balladins Hotel Restaurant is located in Val-de-Reuil, a short drive from Rouen, and serves various dishes. This is a good place for a stopover if you are travelling through Normandy.



Address: Ruelle du Coin des Saules, Val-de-Reuil Phone: +33 232 591 819 Internet: www.balladinsvaldereuil.com

CAFES



Since Normandy is famous for its apples and cream, you can imagine what awaits you when going out for a coffee in Rouen. The Tarte Normande, an apple tart topped with cream, is only one of the scrumptious desserts found here. You should also try the creamy rice puddings, brioche and shortbreads. There are many patisseries and markets scattered throughout Rouen, so you should not have difficulties finding a place to rest your legs while having a good cup of coffee.

Maison Yvonne

If you want a great place to go for an afternoon tea or coffee you can go to Maison Yvonne. Here you will find yourself surrounded by beautiful and delicious pastries in a cosy setting.

Address: 119 Rue Jeanne d'Arc, Rouen Phone: +33 235 716 733 Internet: www.yvonne-patisserie.com

Little Resto

Little Resto is the perfect place to go for indulging in a delicious dessert or having something tasty to eat. Here you can choose between pastas, pies, sandwiches, salads and much more. Address: 7 Rue Beauvoisine, Rouen Opening hours: Mon 9am-5pm. Tue-Fri 9am-6pm. Sat 9am-5pm Phone: +33 235 152 178

Dame Cakes

The café Dame Cakes opened 2002 in a building dating back all the way to 1902. Here you can have a great afternoon tea with cakes and other small goodies in an elegant setting.

Address: 70 Rue Saint-Romain, Rouen Phone: +33 235 074 931 Internet: www.damecakes.fr

Thé Majuscule

In Thé Majuscule you cannot only find an exclusive tearoom, but also a secondhand bookshop. In the tearoom you can choose between more than 40 types of teas accompanied by homemade food and cakes.

Address: 8 Place de la Calende, Rouen Opening hours: 2pm-6.30pm. Closed on Mondays Phone: +33 235 711 566 Internet: www.themajuscule.over-blog.com

Citizen Coffee

Citizen Coffee is a cool, cosy café located right in the middle of Rouen. Here you can rest your legs after a day's touring while sipping on a good cup of coffee and something to eat.

Address: 4 Rue Ecureuil, Rouen Opening hours: 11am-7pm Phone: +33 235 714 942



BARS & NIGHTLIFE



Rouen is a lively young town full of students, so imagine the great nightlife it has to offer! Here you can find an abundance of pubs and bars if you fancy a glass of wine. As the night falls you can either hit one of the many clubs or relax at a low-key British pub.

Le Crooner

If you feel like partying all night you can go to Le Crooner after uploading in one of the many bars. This place especially popular among students and an ideal place for dancing in Rouen.

Address: 75 Avenue du Mont Riboudet, Rouen Phone: +33 232 103 434 Internet: www.le-crooner.com

La Vicomté

Spread over five different floors, this cool bar also offers dancing and dining. Here you can have a few drinks in a relaxed and sophisticated atmosphere while listening to some soft tunes.

Address: 70 Rue de la Vicomte, Rouen Opening hours: Mon-Sat 6pm-2am Phone: +33 235 712 411

La Boite a Biere

If you are a beer devote you will probably love La Boite a Biere. This bar has a wide range of imported beers, and whiskeys, to choose from. You can also grab a snack if you are hungry and join in on the quiz and karaoke nights. Address: 35 Rue Cauchoise, Rouen Opening hours: Tue-Sat 5pm-2am Phone: +33 235 077 647 Internet: www.laboiteabieres.fr

Highlands Café Pub

This British style pub will bring you everything to expect from such a pub; beer, a friendly atmosphere and great prices. You will find Highlands Café Pub near the cathedral in the historical part of Rouen.

Address: 2 Quai Pierre Corneille, Rouen Phone: +33 235 703 878 Internet: www.highlands-rouen.com

Jazz Club Le Chat Vert

Jazz Club Le Chat Vert is one of best jazz clubs in Rouen. Here you can enjoy some great drinks while listening to great music. From every Thursday evening, to the weekend, there are musicians playing live music.

Address: 20 Rue de l'Ancienne Prison, Rouen Opening hours: Wed-Sat 6pm-2am Phone: +33 981 951 158 Internet: www.lechatvert.net

SHOPPING



Shopping in Rouen is a dream for all art enthusiasts. The city offers numerous antiques shops, art galleries and markets. On and around Rue Saint-Romain, right in the centre of the city, you can find many shops and boutiques. You will definitely not be disappointed if you are going for



a shopping spree in Rouen.

Rouen is especially known for its markets. If you want to, there is at least one available each day. Two of the most famous ones are the markets at Place Saint Marc and Vieux Marche. Place Saint Marc is open every Saturday and Sunday and you can find everything from clothing to flowers here. At Vieux Marche you can buy great food like cheese, meat and vegetables.

Galeries Lafayette Rouen

Galeries Lafayette Rouen is the place to go shopping for warm, winter clothes or lovely summer ones. Step in and get lost in all the things this place has for you! Hats, bags, coats, watches - shop for yourself or for your loved ones.

Address: 25 Rue Grand Pont, Rouen Phone: +33 2 35 71 70 53 Internet: www.galerieslafayette.com

The Body Shop France

The worldwide known brand, The Boday Shop, has a shop in Rouen waiting for you! Drop by and get lost in the amazing smell of the different bath and body products. Purchase your favorite fragrance and some makeup for yourself or for your significant other.

Address: 48 Rue du Gros Horloge, Rouen Phone: +33 2 32 76 07 47 Internet: www.thebodyshop.fr

Printemps

When stepping inside of this beautiful shop, you'll see a lot of quality clothes and accessories everywhere. Do you have a party to attend? Stop by Printemps and pick out the perfect clothes and be fancy!

Address: 4 Rue du Gros Horloge, Rouen

Phone: +33 2 76 34 50 32 Internet: www.printemps.com/magasins/rouen/

Zadig & Voltaire

If you are in France and want to get an insight into the fashion of the locals, stop by this store and find yourself among some pretty clothes and accessories - for both men and women. Zadig & Voltaire is located in the middle of Rouen.

Address: 4 Rue du Gros Horloge, Rouen Phone: +33 2 35 15 83 82 Internet: www.zadig-et-voltaire.com/eu/fr/

Eurodif

Drop by Eurodif and find the perfect gift for your loved ones! Not only quality clothing but accessories, shoes and gift ideas are waiting for you at Eurodif, right in the heart of the city.

Address: 33 Rue la Champmesle, Rouen Phone: +33 2 35 88 06 01 Internet: www.eurodif.com

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



Airport

Aéroport Rouen Vallée de Seine is located 9 kilometres from Rouen and is one of the most important airports in Normandy.

Bus number 13 operates between the airport and Rouen. One ticket costs €1.40 and you can find



the bus stop about 500 meters from the airport. www.tcar.fr $% \left({{{\rm{T}}_{{\rm{T}}}}_{{\rm{T}}}} \right)$

You can also take a taxi. A selection of taxi companies follows:

Radio Taxi +33 235 88 50 50

Vit Taxi +33 235 61 20 50

At the airport you can also find several car rental companies. A selection of car rental companies follows:

Europcar +33 232 08 39 09 www.europcar.fr

Hertz +33 232 10 01 22 www.hertz.fr

Other airports near Rouen, with both International and domestic flights, are Beauvais-Tillé Airport and Deauville -Saint-Gatien Airport . Paris is located approximately 130 kilometres from Rouen. If you arrive at Charles De Gaulle Airport in Paris you can reach Rouen with the Intercity Train from Gare Saint Lazare Station.

Address: Aéroport Rouen Vallée de Seine, Rouen Phone: +33 235 79 41 00 Internet: www.rouen.aeroport.fr More Info: Prices updated September 2013

Public Transport

Rouen is relatively small, so if you enjoy riding a bike this is a great way to discover the town. The first half-hour is free, and the additional time will be charged from your account. The first additional half-hour costs €1 and the second €2. There are about 20 bicycle stations located around the city center. www.cyclic.rouen.fr

If you do not want to ride a bike you can use the bus or metro. A single ticket is valid for one hour and costs $\notin 1.50$, or $\notin 1.20$ when travelling only on the TAE or VTNI lines. A 24-hour tickets costs $\notin 4.40$. One way tickets can be bough from the busdriver. You can also buy your ticket from TIP agencies, at the stations and online. www.crea-astuce.fr

If you want to follow the traffic conditions in Rouen real-time you can visit www.trafic.rouen.fr.

Internet: www.reseau-astuce.fr/ More Info: Prices updated September 2013

Taxi

It is not difficult to find taxis around the city centre. There are about 11 stations throughout the city.

The White Taxis: +33 235 61 20 50 taxisblancs@laposte.net

Radio Taxi de Rouen:

Phone: +33 235 88 50 50 Internet: www.radiotaxi.fr

Post

There are several post offices around Rouen. Stamps are available from kiosks and newsagents.

Post Office:



Address: 45 B Rue Jeanne d'Arc, Rouen Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-6.30pm. Saturdays 9am-12.30pm Internet: www.laposte.fr

Pharmacy

You can find several pharmacies in Rouen.

La Grande Pharmacie:

Address: Place de la Verrerie Centre Commercial Saint Sever, Rouen Opening hours: 9am-9pm Phone: +33 235 63 58 20 Internet: www.magrandepharmacie.com

Telephone

Country code: +33

Area code: 2

Electricity 220/240 V, 50 Hz

Population Rouen: 111,000, urban area approximately 500,000

Connelles: Approximately 200

Currency Euro (EUR) €1 = 100 cents

Opening hours

Shops are generally open all day from Mondays to Saturdays between 8/9am-6.30/7.30pm. Smaller shops are open from Tuesdays to Saturdays and close for lunch between 12.30pm-2pm.

Newspapers

Paris Normandie L'Express Ouest France

Emergency numbers

Police: 17 Ambulance: 15/112 Fire Brigade: 18

Tourist information

Tourist Information 25 place de la Cathédrale, Rouen Open May-September: Mon-Sat 9am-7pm. Sundays and public holidays 9.30am-12.30pm and 2pm-6pm. October-April: Mon-Sat 9.30am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-6pm. Closed on Sundays and public holidays +33 232 08 32 40

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