

# Trips for individuals in Bruges and the ‘Ommeland’ of Bruges

## 1 Visit Bruges

### - By mini-coach

Visit Brugge on board one of the comfortable mini-coaches run by Sightseeing Line, with comments provided in the language of your choice (individual headphones). Departures from Markt square (see schedule hereunder).



<b>1st bus</b>	<b>last bus</b>
<b>10.00 h.</b>	<b>18.00 h.</b>
<b>The tour lasts 50 minutes</b>	

Adults : 11,50 EUR  
Children (6-12 years) : 6,25 EUR  
Families (2 adults and 2 children) : 30,00 EUR

**Info and reservation:** Sightseeing Line, Kannunik Decoeneplein 6, B-8310 St.-Kruis, Tel. 050 35 50 24 (10-12 u.), Fax 050 35 80 24, e-mail : [info@citytour.be](mailto:info@citytour.be). Website : [www.citytour.be](http://www.citytour.be)

### - Walking tours

Walking is one of the best ways to discover Bruges. The city is rather small. You can easily walk across it in half an hour. We present four walking tours of an hour and a half each. The other tours involve an indepth exploration of other interesting city quarters.

#### Walking Tour A: Bruges, City of Monuments (5 KM)

If this is your first visit to Bruges we advise you to pick this tour, leading as it does along the most spectacular sights.

#### Walking Tour B: Sleeping Bruges (3,7 KM)

This walking tour will guide you through a very quiet neighbourhood, where you will discover beautiful churches, almshouses, the windmills and many other picturesque places.

#### Walking Tour C: Bruges and Europe (4,2 KM)

This walking tour leads through the former Hanseatic Bruges, i.e. the city quarter where most foreign merchant houses and consulates were established in the 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> centuries.

#### Walking Tour D: Surprising Bruges (4 KM)

The city quarter you are about to visit is dominated by the new Concert Hall.

Participants will receive a visitor's guide when registering for the congress. This guide contains a detailed description of each walking tour and the places to discover. A map of the city is available in this booklet.

- **By boat**

During a roundtrip on the picturesque city canals, you will discover Bruges from quite a different and surprising point of view! Tours last half an hour. There are different starting points operated by different companies. Starting points are indicated in the brochure 'Visitor's guide' that will be included in your delegate materials.

Tours run every day, from 10 AM through 6 PM.

Tickets:

Adult: 5,70 € - Children (4-11 year): accompanied by an adult: 2,80 € - Children (-4 year): FREE

- **By horse-drawn cab**

Horse drawn-cabs leave from Markt square. Tours last half an hour, including a short stop at the beguinage.

Tickets: per cab : 30,00 €

- **By bike**

Cyclists enjoy a privileged position in Bruges. In more than 50 one-way streets, they can cycle in both directions. Bikes can be hired in a number of places (indicated in the visitor's guide brochure).

Rental prices vary between 6 and 7 € for a half day and 5 to 10 € for a full day. Some bike rentals places include a free bike map.

- **Museums & places of interest**

The city of Bruges offers a great number of museums and other places of interest, worthwhile visiting during your stay. Note that Monday is the closing day for the municipal museums.

This is a selection of museums and monuments that can be visited in Bruges:

- 1 Groeninge Museum (houses a comprehensive and fascinating survey of six centuries of Flemish, Dutch and Belgian painting, including the world famous 'Flemish Primitive' artists such as Jan Van Eyck)
- 2 Church of Our Lady (houses a marble Madonna and Child by Michelangelo)
- 3 Historical Museum Belfry (climb the 366 steps up the belltower)
- 4 Gruuthuse Museum
- 5 City Hall (Gothic Hall on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor is open to the public)
- 6 Memling Museum (located in the Saint John's Hospital where the NOLTA2005 meeting takes place)
- 7 Basilica of the Holy Blood
- 8 Beguinage
- 9 Lace Centre

More places of interest and all details are described in the visitor's guide.

Tickets: rates per museum / monument available in the visitor's guide. You can also buy a combined ticket for 5 museums or 3 museums + bicycle + drink at € 15,00.

## 2 Discovering the 'Ommeland' of Bruges

If you would like to discover the greater surroundings of Bruges (Province of west Flanders), a number of day tours for independent travellers and small groups (max. 7 pers.) by minibus can be booked on an individual basis. These day trips are offered by the commercial companies 'Quasimodo's Fun Tours' and 'Daytours'. Minibus with air conditioned comfort, no smoking permitted aboard. Contact and booking addresses are provided below.

### A. Quasimodo's Fun Tours



Very personal and laidback minibus-tours along the delightful Flemish countryside. Comments in English. Prices include packed picnic lunch, entrance fees and insurance.

**Language:** English

- **TRIP 1: Flanders Fields, WW I Battlefield Tor**  
The infamous battlefields of the Great War 14-18 (Passendale, Hill 60, underground dugouts, abandoned trenches, bunkers and craters, Menin Gate at Ypres).  
**Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays: 9 a.m. - 4.30 p.m.**
- **TRIP 2: Triple Treat – Chocolates, Waffles & beer**  
Discover the 'Belgian delights' with a very personal and laidback mini-bus tour along the delightful Flemish countryside: two grand castles, harbour of Zeebrugge, sampling a delicious waffle, visit to a chocolate factory, guided tour of brewery "De Gouden Boom" and beer tasting).  
**Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 9 a.m. - 4.30 p.m.**

#### **Prices:**

Adults : 48,00 EUR. Children & <26years: 38,00 EUR. (both entry fees and lunch packet are included). Payment during lunch: preferably cash. Payment possible with VISA or Mastercard.

**Pick-up:** At 9.15 a.m. at Parkhotel ('t Zand). On request pick-up can be arranged at your hotel.

**Info/bookings :** Quasimodo, Leenhofweg 7, B-8310 BRUGGE, tel. 0800/97.525, Tel. 0032 50 370 470, Fax 0032 50 374 960, [www.quasimodo.be](http://www.quasimodo.be), [info@quasimodo.be](mailto:info@quasimodo.be)

### B. Daytours

- **TOUR 1: "Flanders & Flanders Fields"**  
A day tour to Flanders Fields including "in Flanders Fields Museum" at Ypres and a taste of Flanders.  
German cemetery Langemark(student cemetery) - Tyne Cot cemetery Passchendale – Menin Gate and in Flanders Fields Museum at Ypres – Lunch at Mount Kemmel(real lunch, not a packed lunch) – Talbot House at Poperinge – Trench of Death in Diksmuide .  
**Every day from February until December, except Monday & Tuesday .**

**Prices:** All-inclusive rate: adults: 59 €, under 26 years: 50 €. All admissions, insurance and drinks, as well as lunch are included.

**Pick-up:** Free pick-up and drop-off at your hotel. Pick-up at 8.45 AM and return at 5.15 PM

- **TOUR 2: "Last Post"**

Transport from Bruges to Ypres, Last Post – ceremony at the Menin Gate and transport back to Bruges.

**Prices:** 40 €/ person

**Pick-up:** Free pick-up and drop-off at your hotel. Every day, on request. Pick-up at 6.30 PM and return at 9.00 PM

**Info/booking:** Daytours, Helmstraat 8, B-8000 Brugge, Freephone (Belgium) : 0800 99 133, Tel.+32 50 34 60 60, e-mail: [info@visitbruges.com](mailto:info@visitbruges.com), Internet: [www.visitbruges.com](http://www.visitbruges.com)