



Belgium in Brief

The kingdom of Belgium, which borders on the North Sea coast, is divided into two main regions: Flanders in the North and Wallonia in the South. Belgium is well-known as a gourmet's paradise, especially for its praline chocolates and its beer. As the headquarters of over 1,200 international organizations such as the EU and NATO, the country has developed an outstanding infrastructure. As a well-known "Top Destination" for trade fairs, Belgium has a lot to offer: world-class congress and conference centres, top-class hotels and a wealth of incentive ideas.

Brussels is not only Belgium's capital, it is also referred to as "Europe's Capital" and the "World Capital of Art Nouveau".

The country offers other attractive meeting destinations such as Bruges, (the "Venice of the North") or the Flemish coast with its white, sandy beaches and tempting fish restaurants. The sparkling city of Antwerp provides an insight into diamond processing and the Ardennes region in the south is a popular destination for thrilling outdoor incentives.

Incentive ideas in the Ardennes range from the "death ride", river sports and mine explorations through to experiencing for yourself the life of a lumberjack. Elsewhere in Belgium try quad-biking or discover the secrets behind the manufacture of the famous Belgian chocolates or even how snails are prepared for consumption!

Fact File

Government: constitutional monarchy
Capital: Brussels
Population: approx. 10.4 million
Area: 30,528km²
Official languages: Dutch, French, German
Time zone: Central European Time
Telephone: Dial the int. code plus 32 for Belgium.
Electricity: 230 V (A/C), 50 Hz
Currency: 1 euro = 100 cents
Entry requirements: EU citizens need only a valid passport or identity card. Other nationalities please check latest regulations.

Travel Information

Brussels International Airport/Zaventem: 14km away from the town. A train runs from the North, South or Central Stations every 20 minutes. Journey time approx. 30 minutes. Airports also in Charleroi, Brussels, Liège, Antwerp and Ostend.

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