



## Luxembourg in Brief

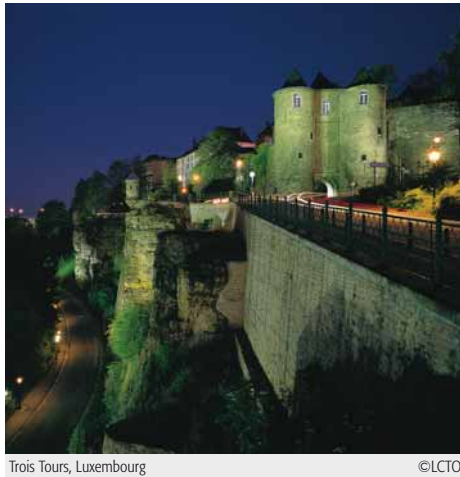
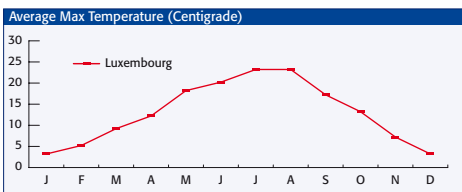
The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg is a green jewel at the heart of Europe. Surrounded by the rolling hills of the Ardennes and the vineyards of the Moselle, it is easily accessible via the European motorway network or its international airport and represents a unique meeting place for conferences, congresses and incentives. Its capital city is the home of several European institutions and boasts the remains of a rich cultural history. The walls of the fortress built by the French engineer, Vauban, in the 17th century, earned Luxembourg the title “Gibraltar of the North” for its powerful defences. The UNESCO World Heritage List now includes the city of Luxembourg’s old quarters and fortifications, the “casemates du Bock”, consisting of 23km of underground chambers and connecting tunnels under the fortress, so impenetrable, they were used as bomb shelters during the World Wars. Walking along picturesque passageways from the fortress with splendid views of the valley, you arrive at the Grand Ducal Palace with its Renaissance façade.

The Kirchberg Plateau, is home to Luxembourg’s conference centre which is currently undergoing extensive renovation. Final completion is planned for 2008 when high-tech conference and event rooms, restaurants and spacious halls with a capacity of over 1,000 will be available. The adjoining assembly room “Hemicycle” (capacity 800) is open for events during the renovation period.

Luxembourg offers a wide range of incentives from Moselle boat trips to castle visits in the Ardennes, from hot air ballooning to kayaking. However, its fine cuisine is particularly worth mentioning: Ardennes smoked ham, pork in aspic and Riesling pâtés, fish from the Moselle, chocolate pralines and excellent Moselle wines are proof of Luxembourg’s penchant for culinary delicacies.



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## Fact File

**Government:** ..... constitutional monarchy  
**Capital:** ..... Luxembourg City  
**Population:** ..... 480,222  
**Area:** ..... 2,586km<sup>2</sup>  
**Official languages:** Luxembourgish, French, German  
**Time zone:** ..... Central European Time  
**Telephone:** ..... Dial the int. code plus 352 for Luxembourg.  
**Electricity:** ..... 220 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

International Airport Luxembourg-Findel located 6km from city centre. Regular bus connection and shuttle service available. National carrier connecting most of European cities, see [www.luxair.lu](http://www.luxair.lu).

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