

Social Activities for participants and accompanying persons

Friday 24/05/2019 13h00 – ...

Guided walking tour in Bruges

offered by our local sponsors Intersentia and Deloitte Belgium

Bruges is often referred to as “The Venice of the North”. When you stroll along the many canals of the medieval city, it will be easy to see why. The city centre was declared world heritage by Unesco in 2000. Bruges oozes history, charm and romanticism. You may well think yourself a wool merchant from the heyday of the city when the ships brought goods from all over Europe to the port of Bruges that was a European commercial hub. It was in Bruges that one of the first exchanges in western Europe arose, with a trade in bills of exchange from the mostly Italian merchants in town.

Enjoy the tales of the Visit guide while admiring the Belfry tower, the city hall, the Burg, the beguinage and the Church of Our Lady.

We advise a comfortable pair of walking shoes (cobblestones).



Principle: We will guide you to the train station of Gent Sint-Pieters and travel together to Bruges by train. In Bruges you can go for shopping, visiting, ... But for the real tourists, we arranged a guide in English and you can join him/her for free. However, the tram and train ticket to Bruges are at your own expenses.

Schedule:

~~Tram to Ghent Sint-Pieters station, from Korenmarkt, Platform 1:~~

~~12h55 or 13h07 — Tram line 1 to Flanders Expo.~~

~~13h10 or 13h22 — 7th stop (Gent Sint-Pieters)~~

~~Train from Ghent Sint-Pieters to Bruges:~~

~~13h40 Ghent Sint-Pieters: train to Ostend from platform 12 (long walk in train station!)~~

~~14h02 Brugge, first stop~~

~~In Bruges:~~

~~14h05 — 14h20 Walk to the meeting point, Zand. Ghent University will guide you.~~

~~14h30 — Start walking tour, by an official Bruges guide~~

~~16h00 — End of the tour in the city centre~~

~~... — Delegates can further enjoy the city (shops and museums are open till 18h00) and return to Ghent by train at own rhythm.~~

Price for public transportation to Bruges:

Price for the **tram** ticket: 3 Euro, at the ticket machine on the platform (1.80 Euro if you download the 'De Lijn' app, and pay with your smartphone).

Price for the **train** ticket, round trip Gent-Brugge: 13.20 Euro.

New information (date: 19 May 2019):

Transportation by bus to Bruges:

- 13.30: Meeting point, entrance Het Pand
- 13.35: Meeting point, corner Poel & Hoogstraat
- 13.40-14.40: Bus strip to Bruges
- 14.40-15.00: Walk to city center
- 15.00- 16.30: guided walking tour in Bruges
- 16.30- ...: in Bruges
- Return by train, when you want

We strongly advise to buy the train ticket online (only for the return from Bruges to Ghent) Tickets for the train can be bought at: <https://www.belgiantrain.be/en/search>.

Note that in Belgium a train ticket is valid for the date selected. You don't have to indicate a train on a specific time! Hence, you can depart or return when it suits you.

More on visiting Bruges: <https://www.visitbruges.be/en>

Enjoy your stay!

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