

# METZ TOWN CENTRE STREET MAP

In the heart of Europe, at the confluence of the Moselle and the Seille rivers, Metz has always been an architectural laboratory. From the Gallo-Roman baths to the Cour d'Or Museum, from Place Saint-Louis to Sainte-Croix Hill, from the ensemble of 18th century French squares to the Imperial Quarter and the arrival of contemporary architecture with the Centre Pompidou-Metz and the Amphithéâtre district, Metz, capital of urban ecology, a UNESCO Creative City, can be explored easily on foot, by bike, on the little train or by boat...

## KEY

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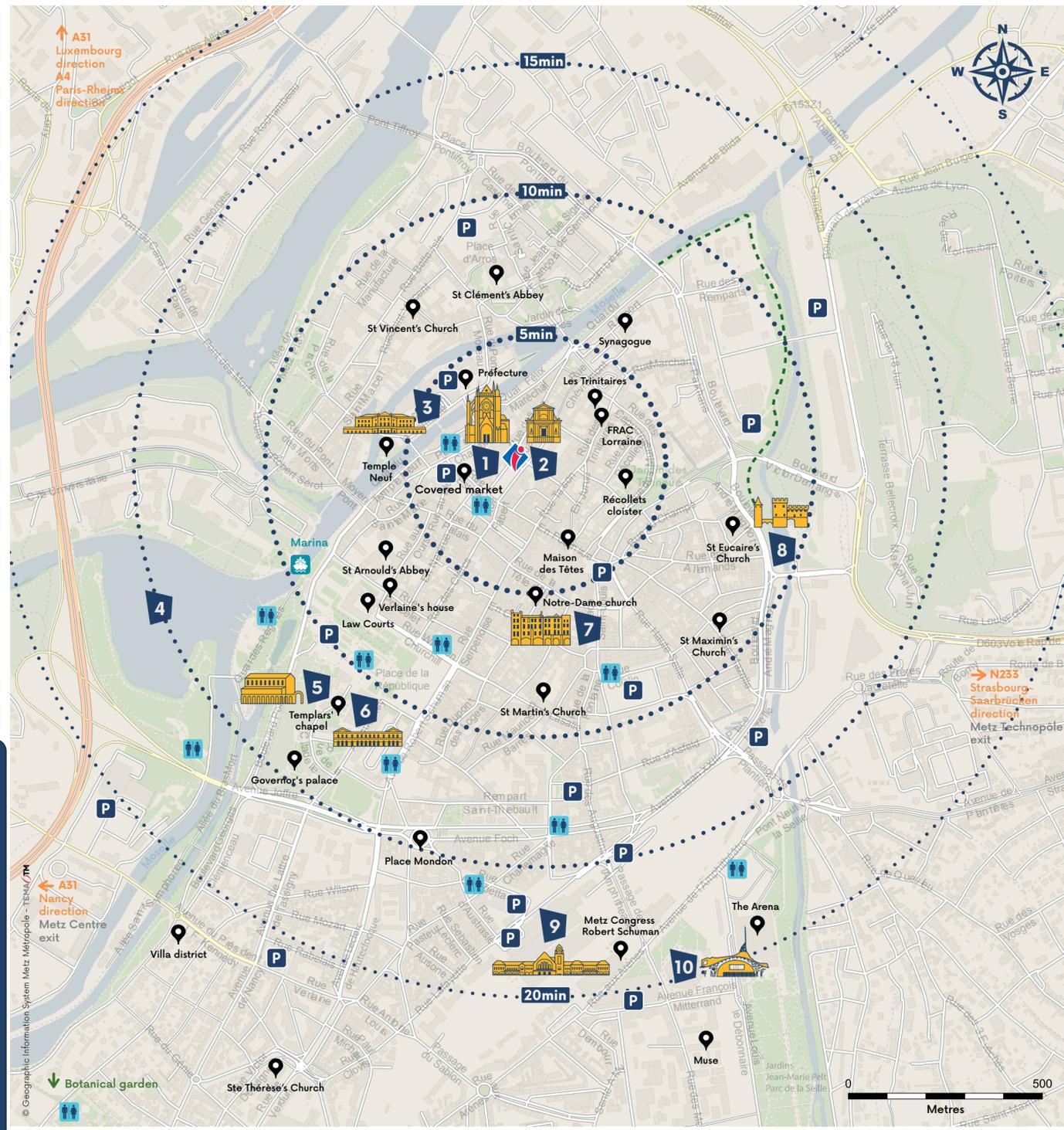
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# THE 10 ESSENTIALS



**1 METZ CATHEDRAL**  
(1220 - 1522) ♿

One of the tallest in France (42m-high vault). Its collection of stained-glass windows (13th - 21st century) is the largest in Europe (6,500 sq.m). These windows were created by artists like Valentin Bousch, Marc Chagall, Jacques Villon, Roger Bissière and, more recently, Kinsjoja.

*Saint-Etienne's Cathedral.*

**2 COUR D'OR MUSEUM** ♿

Situated on Sainte-Croix Hill, the birth-place of the city, the Museum is housed in an ensemble of buildings dating back to various periods: Roman baths, medieval mansion houses and a 17th-century abbey... The collections include Gallo-Roman archaeology, medieval art and fine art. Closed on Tuesdays.

[musee.metzmetropole.fr](http://musee.metzmetropole.fr)

*Cour d'Or Museum.*



**4 PLAN D'EAU LAKE**

With its 480ha of gardens, Metz is one of the greenest cities in France. Its lake, laid out in the 1970s, is one of the locals' most popular walks. They love to get together here with their family and friends for sport, picnics, to go boating or quite simply to relax...

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*The lake.*



**3 PLACE DE LA COMÉDIE**  
(18th century)

The Opéra-Théâtre (1738 - 1752), the oldest still in activity in France, and the Palais de l'Intendance (currently the Prefecture), were the only buildings located on this island in the 18th century. In 1904, the Temple Neuf was built in the Jardin d'Amour, on the western tip of the island.

*Summer garden on Place de la Comédie.*

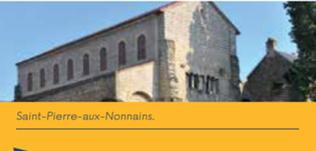
**5 SAINT-PIERRE-AUX-NONNAINS & TEMPLARS' CHAPEL** ♿

Saint-Pierre-aux-Nonnains' Church (4th century) is one of the oldest churches in France. Initially the palestra for Roman baths in the 4th century, it became a Benedictine abbey in the Middle Ages. Nearby is the Chapelle des Templiers which was built at the end of the 12th century.

Open afternoons from Tuesday to Sunday, June to September. Closed on Mondays.

[citemusicale-metz.fr](http://citemusicale-metz.fr)

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**6 ARSENAL**  
(19th century) ♿

Built in the 19th century as a munitions depot, the building was restored by the architect Ricardo Bofill in 1989. Today, it houses a 1,300-seat concert hall, described by Mstislav Rostropovich at the time of its inauguration as having the "best acoustics in France". Closed on Mondays.

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**8 PORTE DES ALLEMANDS & CHEMIN DES CORPORATIONS**  
(13th - 15th century)

A veritable fortress at the eastern entrance to Metz, the Porte des Allemands today houses exhibitions. A path laid out along the ramparts allows you to discover the banks of the Seille and Moselle rivers. This walk is the best way to discover the town's heritage while making the most of the surrounding nature. The Chemin des Corporations takes you back into the past with its rampart towers bearing the names of the trades of yesteryear.

Closed on Mondays and every morning until 1pm.

*Porte des Allemands.*

**9 RAILWAY STATION**  
(1905 - 1908) ♿

An imposing building in the neo-Romanesque style, Metz station was built during the German annexation. More than once elected the most beautiful station in France, it has waiting areas with some remarkably stylised friezes and bas-reliefs.

**Mettis lines A/B GARE bus stop**

*Metz train station.*



**10 CENTRE POMPIDOU-METZ (2010)** ♿

The Japanese architect Shigeru Ban (Pritzker 2014) and his French associate Jean de Gastines imagined it covered with a Chinese hat. The Centre Pompidou-Metz is a modern and contemporary art centre offering a series of exhibitions, performances, conferences and receptions. Closed on Tuesdays.

[centrepompidou-metz.fr](http://centrepompidou-metz.fr)

**Mettis lines A/B Centre Pompidou-Metz bus stop**



VISIT METZ

## TOURIST STREET MAP METZ MÉTROPOLE

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## SUGGESTIONS

**JEAN COCTEAU'S STAINED-GLASS WINDOWS IN ST MAXIMIN'S CHURCH (1962)** ♿

St Maximin's Church presents a strange mixture of styles: after you've gone through the doorway in its baroque facade you'll see a Gothic nave and a Romanesque choir. The stained-glass windows are modern: they were based on sketches drawn by Jean Cocteau.

**SAINT THÉRÈSE'S CHURCH (1954)** ♿

Built according to the plans of the architect Roger-Henri Expert, this church is gloriously enhanced by the stained-glass windows of the Modersse artist Nicolas Untersteller (Grand Prix de Rome 1928).

**FRAC LORRAINE** ♿

Housed in a mansion whose origins date back to the 12th century, this space is dedicated to exhibitions and experimentation by new, contemporary talents. Closed on Mondays.

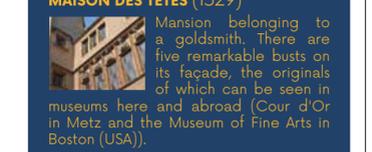
[fraclorraine.org](http://fraclorraine.org)

**MAISON DES TÊTES (1529)**

Mansion belonging to a goldsmith. There are five remarkable busts on its facade, the originals of which can be seen in museums here and abroad (Cour d'Or in Metz and the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston (USA)).

**VILLA DISTRICT** ♿

An opulent district dating back to the German annexation whose villas were owned by town worthies, entrepreneurs and merchants. A lovely walk along the banks of the Moselle Canal.



# METZ MÉTROPOLE

Set out to explore Metz, the Art & Tech City, to the tempo of its major cultural and sports events: Metz Mirabelle Marathon (which passes through the heart of the city!), Constellations de Metz, Mirabelle Plum Festival, Christmas and Saint Nicolas Markets, Saint Vincent de Metz Métropole,...

## Absolute musts in Metz Métropole:

- the Véloroute V50 bike trail, which takes you from the Luxembourg border to Lyons along the banks of the Moselle covering a distance of more than 700 kilometres;
- the 22-km long Roman aqueduct in Ars-sur-Moselle that supplied Metz with water;

- the 14th and 15th century fortified churches, a veritable defensive ring around Metz, that served as refuges from pillagers (Lessy, Scy-Chazelles, Vaux);

- the old winemakers' villages with their steeply sloping little streets: Sainte-Ruffine, Jussy, Rozérieulles, Lessy, Scy-Chazelles...;

- the many parks and gardens (Scy-Chazelles, the orchards of Laquenexy, Augny, Montigny-lès-Metz, Woippy, Vaux...) and the Mont St-Quentin.

Major events, theme-based tours and places to explore at [www.tourisme-metz.com](http://www.tourisme-metz.com)



## TRANSPORT

### BY CAR

2 major motorways:

- A31 (Luxembourg/Lyons)
- A4 (Paris/Strasbourg)

Brussels - Metz: 2hr45min  
Luxembourg - Metz: 50min  
Frankfurt - Metz: 2hr40min  
Strasbourg - Metz: 1hr50min

### BY PLANE

■ Lorraine Airport (25min journey): [lorraineairport.com](http://lorraineairport.com)

■ Luxembourg (45min journey): [lux-airport.lu](http://lux-airport.lu)

■ Saarbrücken (1hr journey): [flughafen-saarbruecken.de](http://flughafen-saarbruecken.de)

### BY TRAIN

■ Metz Railway Station, place du Général de Gaulle

Metz-Paris: 82min  
Metz-Strasbourg: 45min  
Metz-Luxembourg: 50min  
Metz-Saarbrücken: 50min

■ Lorraine High-Speed Train station (57420 Louvigny)

Trains to Nantes, Rennes, Rheims, Bordeaux, and Paris-Charles de Gaulle airport.

■ Airport / Lorraine High-Speed Train station / Metz station Shuttles [transdev-grandest.fr/contact/reservation/12](http://transdev-grandest.fr/contact/reservation/12)

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Bus lines serving the whole city, METTIS rapid bus service, bicycle hire, park&ride...

Find out more at [www.lemet.fr](http://www.lemet.fr)

### PARK&RIDE

Located in the immediate vicinity of a METTIS station, the Park&Ride car parks facilitate access to the town centre and all the other destinations in Metz Métropole. They allow you to park your vehicle free of charge and take LE MET' bus network to get around the city.

[lemet.fr/parcs-relais](http://lemet.fr/parcs-relais)

### BY BICYCLE

Metz Métropole has the "Territoire Vélo" tourist cycling label. Rent a bike and explore the town centre and the metropolitan area thanks to the nature cycle routes.

Find out more at [www.tourisme-metz.com](http://www.tourisme-metz.com), "Cyclotourisme" section.

### SHOPPING

Thanks to its 360,000 sq.m of retail spaces, Metz Métropole is the ideal destination for a

shopping expedition. With its large pedestrian area, the historical centre of Metz proposes major retail chains (French and international including two department stores) and independent shops (concept-store, vintage boutiques ...). The Muse shopping mall in Metz and the Waves mall in the ZAC d'Augny activity centre complete the city's commercial offering.

### MARKETS

Come and sample the produce of the Lorraine terroir at the many markets in the Metz Métropole area. Themed and seasonal local produce markets: dates available at [www.tourisme-metz.com](http://www.tourisme-metz.com).



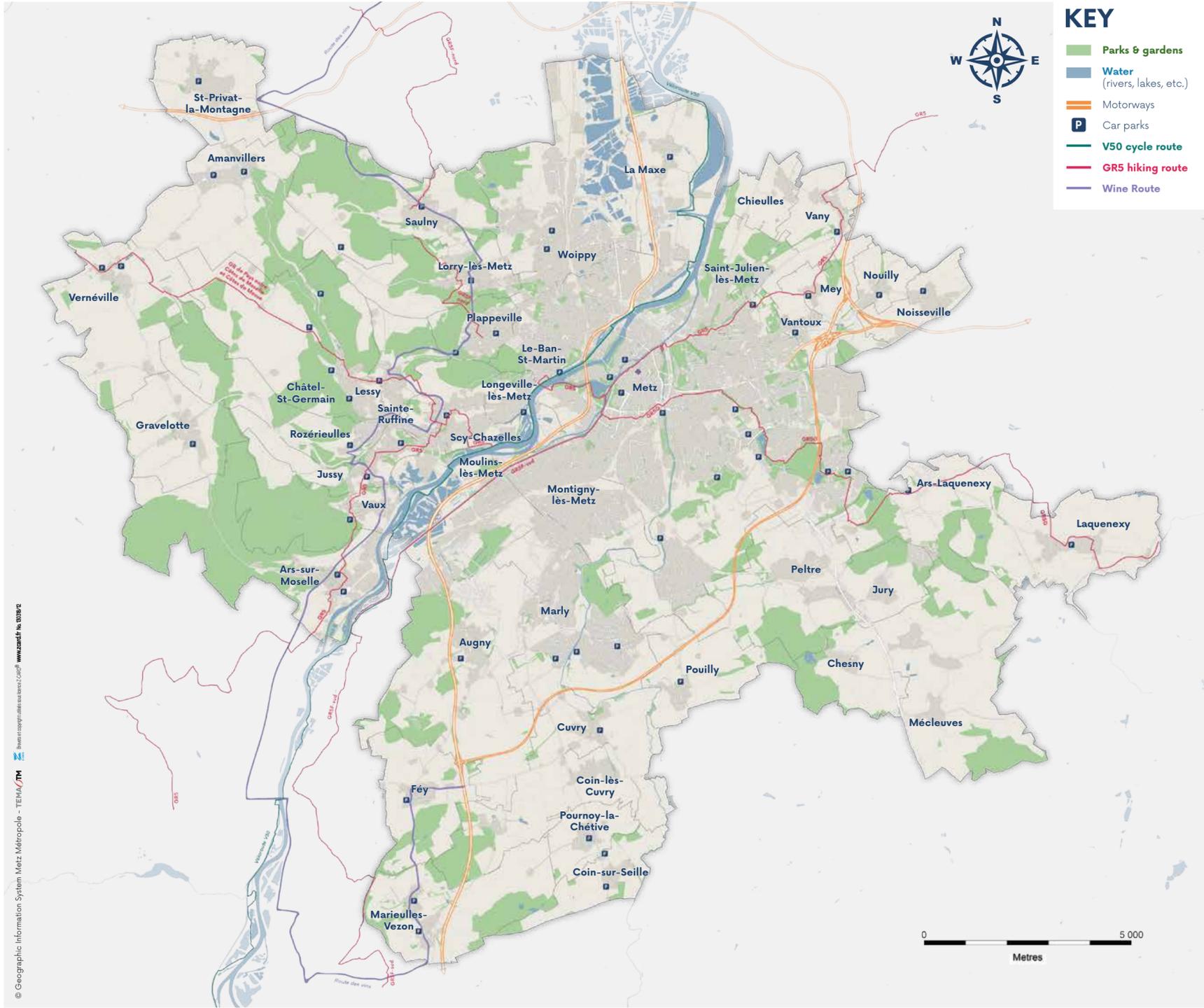
Metz covered market.



Roman aqueduct in Ars-sur-Moselle.



'Franco-Prussian War of 1870' departmental museum in Gravelotte.



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- GR5 hiking route
- Wine Route



## THE WINES OF MOSELLE AOC



### THE AUTHENTICITY OF THE TERROIR: THE GUARANTEE OF QUALITY

In the Metz Métropole area, 74 hectares of vineyards produce AOC wines, a prestige label obtained on 14 November 2011.

Nineteen winemakers are members of the Moselle Winegrowers Union, all co-players in the winning of this AOC status, acquired in an exceptionally short period of time. They are all proud of the work accomplished and are engaged today in an individual and collective approach to enhance their wines, their vines and cellars, their villages and landscapes.

They welcome the general public, visitors and wine-lovers with open arms on their estates for tasting sessions.

Alcohol abuse is bad for your health. Drink in moderation.

## LES TABLES DE RABELAIS



### A GASTRONOMIC SIGNATURE

Since 2006, the "Tables de Rabelais" - a brand of the agency Inspire Metz - Tourist Office - has been bringing together restaurant owners, producers and catering professionals who cultivate their flavours, and have set their hearts on sharing the generous values of a certain French way of life.



Paris-Metz Pâtisserie.

## GREAT IDEAS

### CITY PASS

Three-in-one basic offer:

- 1 admission to the Cour d'Or museum
- 1 admission to the Centre Pompidou-Metz
- 1 audioguided tour of Metz



+ reductions or additional commercial services (leisure, shows, tasting sessions and gastronomy).

### GUIDED TOURS

All year round, the agency Inspire Metz - Tourist Office proposes guided tours accompanied by a tourist guide to discover the unmissable sites and themed tours.

Consult the timetable at [www.tourisme-metz.com](http://www.tourisme-metz.com).

### STAYS

Stays for couples, with friends or your family, the agency Inspire Metz - Tourist Office proposes stays to discover Metz Métropole all year round. The essentials, themed, seasonal stays linked to major cultural, sports and cultural events... Go to [www.tourisme-metz.com](http://www.tourisme-metz.com).

### TOURS ON THE LITTLE TRAIN AND BY BOAT

- [bateaux-gd-vacances.com](http://bateaux-gd-vacances.com)
- [metz-bateau-solaire.com](http://metz-bateau-solaire.com)
- [lepetittraindemetz.com](http://lepetittraindemetz.com)



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### METZ TOUR APP



With the Metz Tour app discover the essentials in Metz Métropole and in nearby Nancy, Luxembourg, Trier, Saarbrücken, Amnéville (museums, heritage, accommodation, restaurants, shopping, leisure, events, etc.), geolocalised, accessible 24/7, and no need for an Internet connection.

Available from App Store and Google Play, in 7 languages.

### HISTORY OF METZ



The 'Histoires de Metz' app, developed by the City of Metz, proposes several tours and treasure hunts. It allows you to discover the town's emblematic sites, as well as its famous or not-so-well-known characters, through the centuries, arts and cultures.

Available from App Store and Google Play, in French.