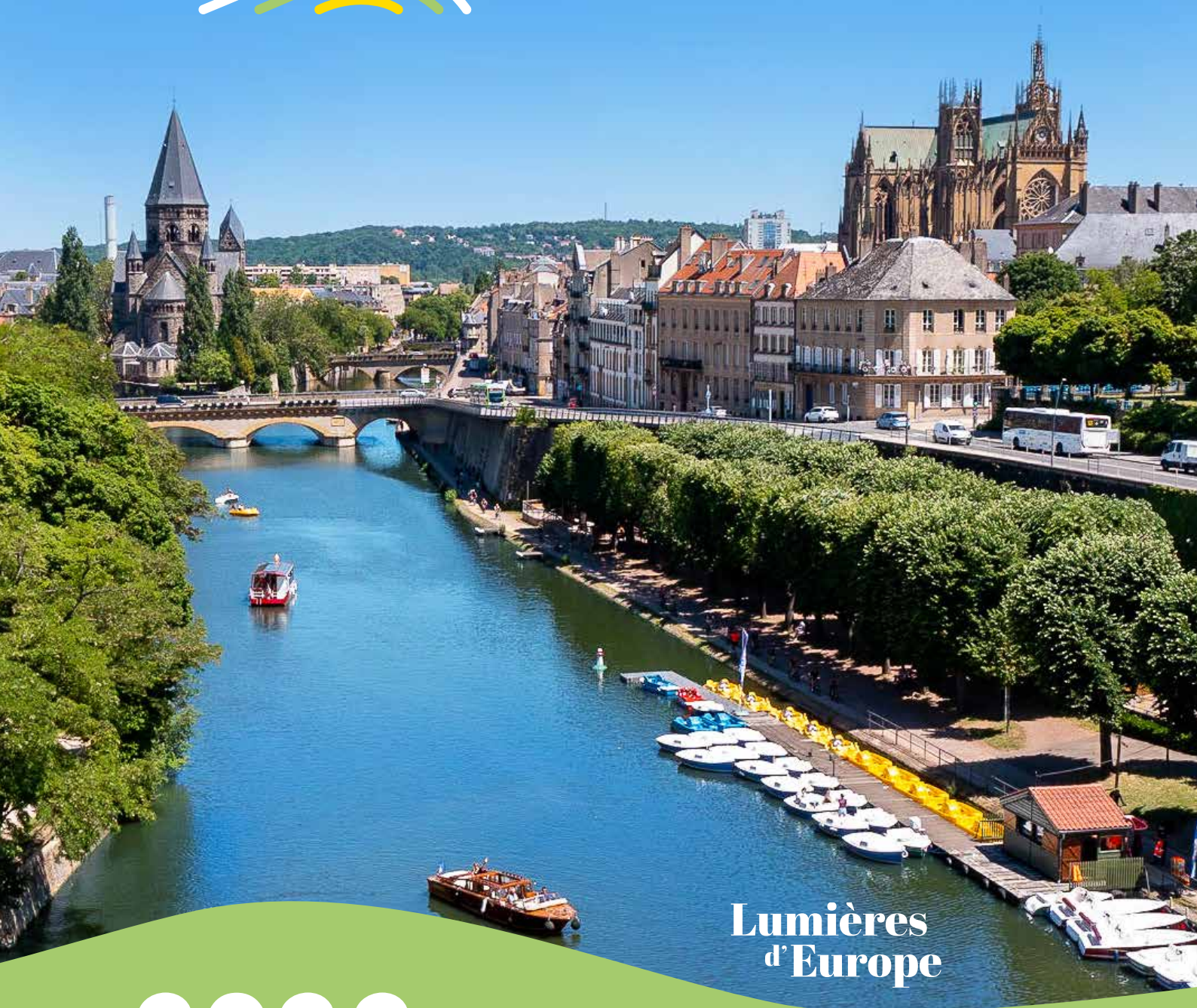


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A EUROPEAN ECOTOURISM DESTINATION

THE 10 MUST-SEE ATTRACTIONS



SAINT-ETIENNE CATHEDRAL



MUSÉE DE LA COUR D'OR
– METZ EUROMETROPOLE



LAKE



PLACE DE LA COMÉDIE



THE ARSENAL



THE PORTE DES ALLEMANDS



THE STATION



VIGNES AND MIRABELLES – METZ EUROMETROPOLE



PLACE SAINT-LOUIS



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ACCESS & USEFUL INFORMATION

METZ EUROMETROPOLE, A EUROPEAN HUB

Metz is the meeting point of 2 major axes crossing Europe

- North-South: North Sea/Mediterranean - Amsterdam to Marseille.
- East-West: Atlantic Ocean/Eastern Europe - through Paris, Munich, Vienna and Prague.

En voiture :

Road travel centers around 2 major structural axes, some of the busiest in Europe:

- The A31 motorway (Luxembourg/Lyon)
- The A4 motorway (Paris/Strasbourg)

By Car:

- Brussels - Metz : 2hr45
- Luxembourg - Metz : 50 min
- Frankfurt - Metz : 2hr40
- Strasbourg - Metz : 1hr50

By air:

Air travel centers around 3 airports, gateways into the 'QuattroPole' region:

- Lorraine Airport (25 min drive) : lorraineairport.com
- Luxembourg (45 min drive) : lux-airport.lu
- Saarbrücken (1hr drive) : flughafen-saarbruecken.de

By boat:

Travel via the waterways is along 2 major axes:

- The Moselle and Saar Rivers, connected to the North Sea.
- South towards the Mediterranean via the Eastern Canal.

- Metz Marina, which holds Pavillon Bleu accreditation

Marina office : Régates Messines
3 quai des Régates – 57000 Metz
Tel : +33 (0)7 83 48 32 76

- The Marina

60 rue de l'Etang – 57160 Scy-Chazelles
Tel : +33 (0)9 64 40 10 52

By train:

- Gare de Metz, place du Général de Gaulle

Metz-Paris : 82 min

Metz-Strasbourg : 45 min

Metz-Luxembourg : 50 min

Metz-Saarbrücken : 50 min

- Lorraine TGV station (57420 Louvigny)

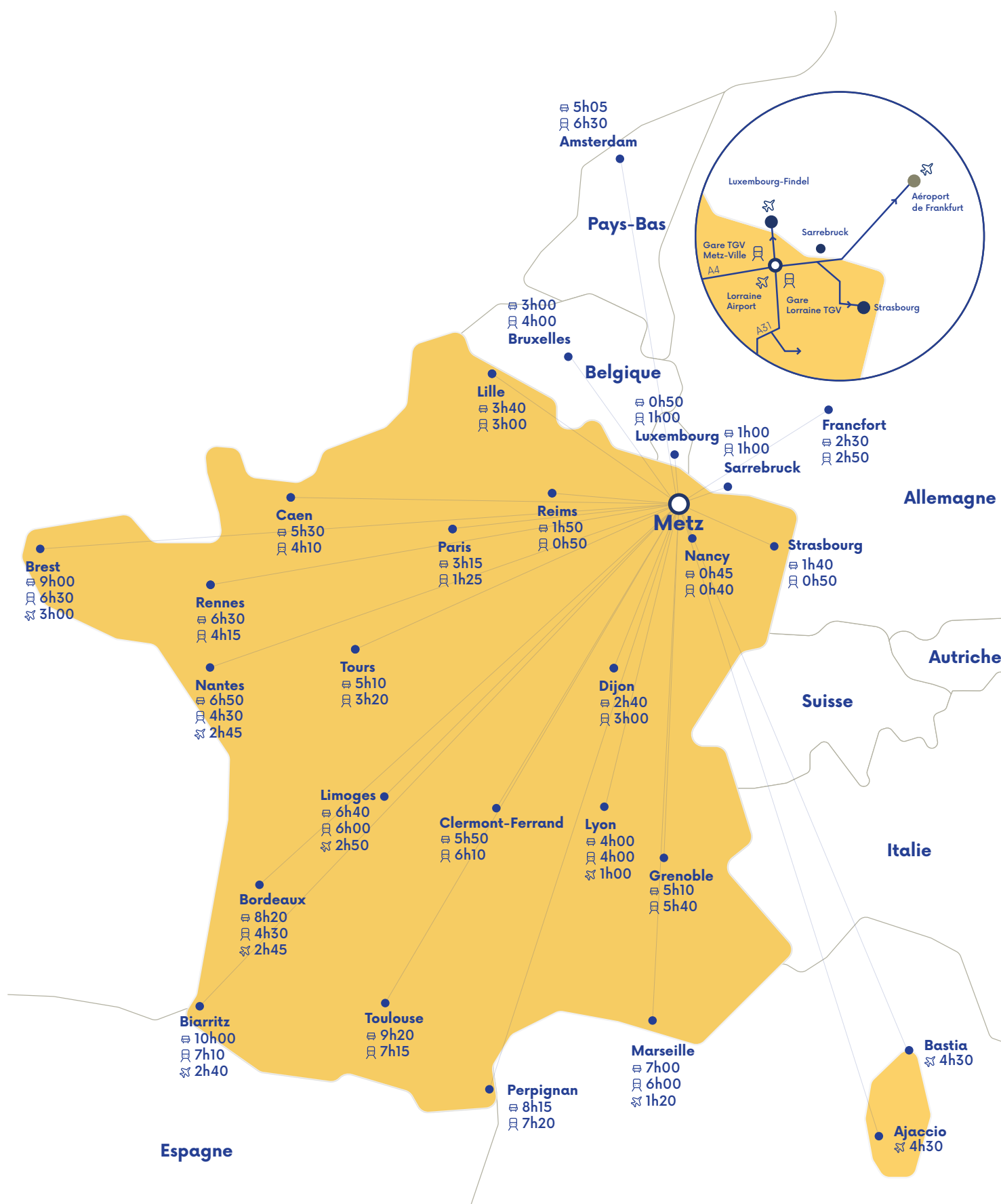
Connections to Nantes, Rennes, Reims, Bordeaux, and Paris Charles de Gaulle airport.
www.sncf-connect.com

- Shuttle bus Airport/Lorraine TGV station/Metz Railway Station

lorraineairport.com/passangers/acces-parking/#shuttles



Mettis (local public transport network) in front of Metz Railway Station



NEWS

The marina



EUROMETROPOLE, THE CREATIVE AND SUSTAINABLE DESTINATION



Lake

The Lake and its Marina, which have since 2007 proudly carried "Pavillon Bleu d'Europe" accreditation, offer a play area and relaxation space with the River Moselle and Cathedral providing the perfect backdrop. For a longer walk, head for the **île du Saulcy and the nearby towpaths of the Canal de Jouy**.

A perfect environment for joggers, aquatic pastimes, strolling with friends or family, or for a gentle ride in a boat or pedalo.

Watch the Kayak club in action on the training pool near the Digue de la Pucelle, a weir named after an old monastery, once located nearby. This is part of the locations accredited as "Moselle Terre de Jeux 2024", as part of the Paris 2024 Olympics.

Every summer, the Marina welcomes large numbers of boaters who come from all over Europe. Boat trips and lunch or cocktail cruises offer the perfect opportunity to appreciate the natural heritage and see the city from a new perspective, as you're carried along on the water.

Cycling territory

Territoire vélo accreditation promotes the development of cycling across France's regions. The *Territoire vélo* accreditation has a dual purpose, both rewarding local communities' efforts to promote cycling and supporting the development of the services offered to encourage bicycle use.

It's also a commitment to sustainable tourism as part of the *Qualité Tourisme* (Quality Tourism) and *Tourisme et Handicap* brands.

More information : www.eurometropolemetz.eu, section "Habiter / Move".

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

Maison de l'éclusier

This 19th-century half-timbered house, tucked away in the trees below the ramparts, which was previously owned by the VNF (Voies navigables de France), is the old Lockmaster's house.

New accreditation

Destination Innovante et Durable (Innovative & sustainable destination)

Along with 8 other pilot destinations, Metz Eurometropole region has since 2019 been working to obtain accreditation as **Destination Innovante Durable**. The Inspire Metz Agency has been designated **project lead**, in partnership with the Eurométropole services and all of the local players involved.

This new accreditation was launched by the G7 Secretariat following the two G7 summits hosted in France in 2019. It relates to welcoming transitory visitors for the leisure and business tourism sectors. The accreditation will provide a **major boost** to the region's attractiveness, bringing it recognition as a region that is committed to sustainable development and tourism, and is a logical follow-on from what has already been achieved since the birth of **Urban Ecology**. This approach also subscribes to the UN's 17 sustainable development goals.

The Inspire Metz Agency has obtained **ISO 20121 certification**, which links events to sustainable development, for its Convention Bureau and Tourism Office centres, and is being audited in May 2022 for DID accreditation.

(*) Biarritz, Bordeaux, Cannes, Deauville, Nancy, Marseille, Nantes and Rennes.

2022 HIGHLIGHTS

METZ EUROMETROPOLE

Events in Metz Eurometropole
Metz events

8 - 10 April

LIVRE À METZ LITERATURE AND JOURNALISM FESTIVAL

5 - 15 May

PASSAGES TRANSFESTIVAL

11 June 2022 - 06 February 2023

MIMÈSIS. UN DESIGN VIVANT (A LIVING DESIGN)

Exhibition at the Centre Pompidou-Metz



8 - 17 July

HOP HOP HOP FESTIVAL

August

BIG STREET FAIR

End of August - Start of September

MONTGOLFIADES (HOT AIR BALLOON FESTIVAL)

30 September - 10 October

METZ INTERNATIONAL FAIR

5 November 2022 - 17 April 2023

LES PORTES DU POSSIBLE. ART ET SCIENCE FICTION (A WINDOW OF POSSIBILITY)
EXHIBITION AT THE CENTRE POMPIDOU-METZ

3 & 4 December

THE SAINT NICHOLAS FESTIVAL

And in Metz Eurometropole, don't miss: the Strawberry Festival in Woippy, the Apple Festival in Ban-Saint-Martin, Montigny Gardens in Montigny-lès-Metz, the Moselle Wine Festival* in Scy-Chazelles... tourisme-metz.com

*Drinking too much alcohol damages your health. Please drink responsibly.

5 February - 29 August

ART OF LEARNING. A SCHOOL OF CREATORS

Exhibition at the Centre Pompidou-Metz

7 & 8 May

20 DANCERS FOR THE 20TH CENTURY AND MORE

Show at the Centre Pompidou-Metz

7 mai - 14 novembre

LE MUSÉE SENTIMENTAL D'EVA AEPPLI (THE SENTIMENTAL MUSEUM OF EVA AEPPLI)

Exhibition at the Centre Pompidou-Metz

23 June - 3 September

METZ CONSTELLATIONS FESTIVAL

15 juillet - 15 août

METZ PLAGE



20 - 28 August

FÊTES DE LA MIRABELLE (THE MIRABELLE PLUM FESTIVAL)

18 - 25 September

MOSELLE OPEN

9 October

MARATHON METZ EUROMETROPOLE

End of November to end of December

CHRISTMAS MARKETS AND ADVENT FESTIVITIES

IN METZ AND THE EUROMETROPOLE



December

FESTIVE LANTERN WALK

+ the many events in the Eurometropole Exhibition Park: metz-expo.com

+ the flea markets: some fifteen events take place each year, in the great tradition of the jumble sale



METZ RAILWAY STATION

Elected "Most beautiful train station in France"
for the third consecutive year in 2021!



METZ EUROMETROPOLE FESTIVITIES IN 2022

The Fêtes de la Mirabelle (the Mirabelle Plum Festival)

72nd edition

From 20 to 28 August 2022

The mirabelle has for centuries been a product of the Metz region with the tree becoming the main fruit tree in the area, benefiting from advantageously-located slopes and clay soils.

In 1996, the Lorraine mirabelles were the first to have obtained European accreditation guaranteed by an IGP, Geographical Indication of Provenance; the eau de vie obtained from this fruit has been granted AOC, Appellation d'Origine Contrôlée.

Since 1947, the Fêtes de la Mirabelle have every year attracted **thousands of visitors to the capital of Lorraine**, and are the culmination of the summer programme's events. These festivities take the form of **street events, concerts, dances, regional and artisanal markets, firework displays, flower parades, and the election of the Mirabelle Queen.**



The Montgolfiades

End of August - start of September 2022

The Fêtes de la Mirabelle are brought to a close with the Montgolfiades de Metz (at the end of August, start of September), one of the most popular lighter-than-air events.

This **mass gathering of aerostats**, an unmissable event held at the end of summer, each year brings together more than 10,000 enthusiasts.



Les Montgolfiades de Metz



Saint-Etienne Cathedral and the Ferris wheel

CHRISTMAS & SAINT NICHOLAS MARKETS

Christmas & Saint Nicholas Markets

Christmas Markets: from the end of November to the end of December
Saint Nicholas: 3 & 4 December 2022

As the end-of-year festivities approach and the Christmas Markets enliven the different locations and districts of the city, the tradition is that the good Saint Nicholas comes at the start of December to reward well-behaved children with sweets and treats, while Père Fouettard (French Krampus) busies himself with the naughtier ones.

Shops and businesses are generally open the 4 Sundays preceding Christmas, so you can enjoy Christmas scented city breaks right up to the last few days.

Ferris Wheel, skating and other winter activities offer a feast of amusements for both children and adults.

BEST CHRISTMAS MARKETS

Metz achieved 3rd place in the "Best Christmas Markets" competition organised by European Best Destinations.



It's the fifth-time Metz has excelled in this competition as it achieved 3rd place on the podium after having successively achieved 13th place in 2016, 9th place in 2017, 12th place in 2018 and finally 7th place in 2019 (Metz didn't take part in 2020 due to the health crisis and cancellation of the Christmas Markets).

The winners in order are: Budapest, Basel and then Metz.

Metz is top of the French leader board!

SPORTS EVENTS

Open International de la Mirabelle d'Or The 19th edition

From 9 to 12 June 2022 - at Golf de la Grange-aux-Ormes club



Open International de la Mirabelle d'Or

The Open International de la Mirabelle d'Or, founded in 2004, is a stage in the ALPS TOUR circuit. Over **100 professional players come from right across Europe** and beyond, providing a superb show for spectators from all over the Grand Est region.

Metz Eurometropole Marathon 12th Edition

9 October 2022



Passing through the heart of Lorraine's heritage, Metz Eurometropole marathon is one of the most beautiful races in France. It's well worth a look - even if you're not competing.

<https://www.tourisme-metz.com/en/planning-your-trip/individual-stays>



South stand of Stade Saint-Symphorien

METZ HANDBALL CLUB

A historic regional club, "the Dragons" have dominated French women's handball since the 1990's.

Track record: 23 French Championships, 9 French National Cups, 8 League Cups

metz-handball.com

FC METZ

With renovation of the South stand and updating of the whole structure, the Stade Saint-Symphorien will be a must-see in 2022!

Track record: 3 times French champions (League 2).

fcmetz.com

CENTRE POMPIDOU-METZ

2022 HIGHLIGHTS

CURRENT EXHIBITIONS

L'Art d'apprendre (The art of learning). Une école des créateurs (A school of creators).

From 5 February 2022 to
29 August 2022

The exhibition *The art of learning. A school of creators* tackles the question of learning at the School of Art, to be then tumbled into the vast pool of learnings that every one of us experience throughout our lives.



Le Musée sentimental d'Eva Aeppli (The sentimental museum of Eva Aeppli)

7 May 2022 - 14 November 2022

This first retrospective in France dedicated to Eva Aeppli invites us to discover the development of her sewn work, in which is expressed the very pinnacle of her art.

In her "sentimental museum", like that created by Daniel Spoerri at the Centre Pompidou in 1977, her works converse with those of her close circle, her fantasy influences but also of her successors.

Thomas Houseago - Sculptures pour amoureux (Sculptures for lovers)

From 7 May 2022 - 10 October 2022

A leading figure on the international artistic scene, Thomas Houseago (born 1972) created for the Centre Pompidou-Metz three enormous, raw, unstretched canvases, which hang from the roof in a dialogue with the architecture. Produced in his Malibu studio in California, in the open air and fully exposed to the forces of nature, these paintings represent a new departure for the artist. Nature here is considered as a separate and primary subject, the source of a cosmic energy which the artist strives to capture.

Slavs and Tatars - The contest of the fruits

From 11 June 2022 to 29 August 2022

The first animated film produced by the Berlin collective Slavs and Tatars, *The Contest of the Fruits* takes as its starting point a 19th century satirical Uyghur poem from which it plunges visitors into a study of our contemporary world's language, politics, religion, humour, resilience and resistance. The allegorical text presents thirteen fruits - from the mulberry to the pomegranate, quince, and jujube - who engage in an ironic flying contest.

RefikAnadol - Machine Hallucinations. Rêves de nature (Nature Dreams)

From 11 June 2022 to 29 August 2022

This summer, Refik Anadol presents the immersive installation *Machine Hallucinations - Nature Dreams* at the Centre Pompidou-Metz. For the first time since the Centre's opening, the main hall is given over to a single artist who invests it with a digital spectacular of sculpture and painting at a scale fitting the space.

Mimèsis. Un design vivant (A living design)

From 11 June 2022 to 6 February 2023

This exhibition retraces the evolution of the concept of nature in design, from modern biomorphism (the influence of nature on the representation of artistic form) to biomimicry, from biofabrication to the recreation of living things through digital design.

COMING EXHIBITIONS

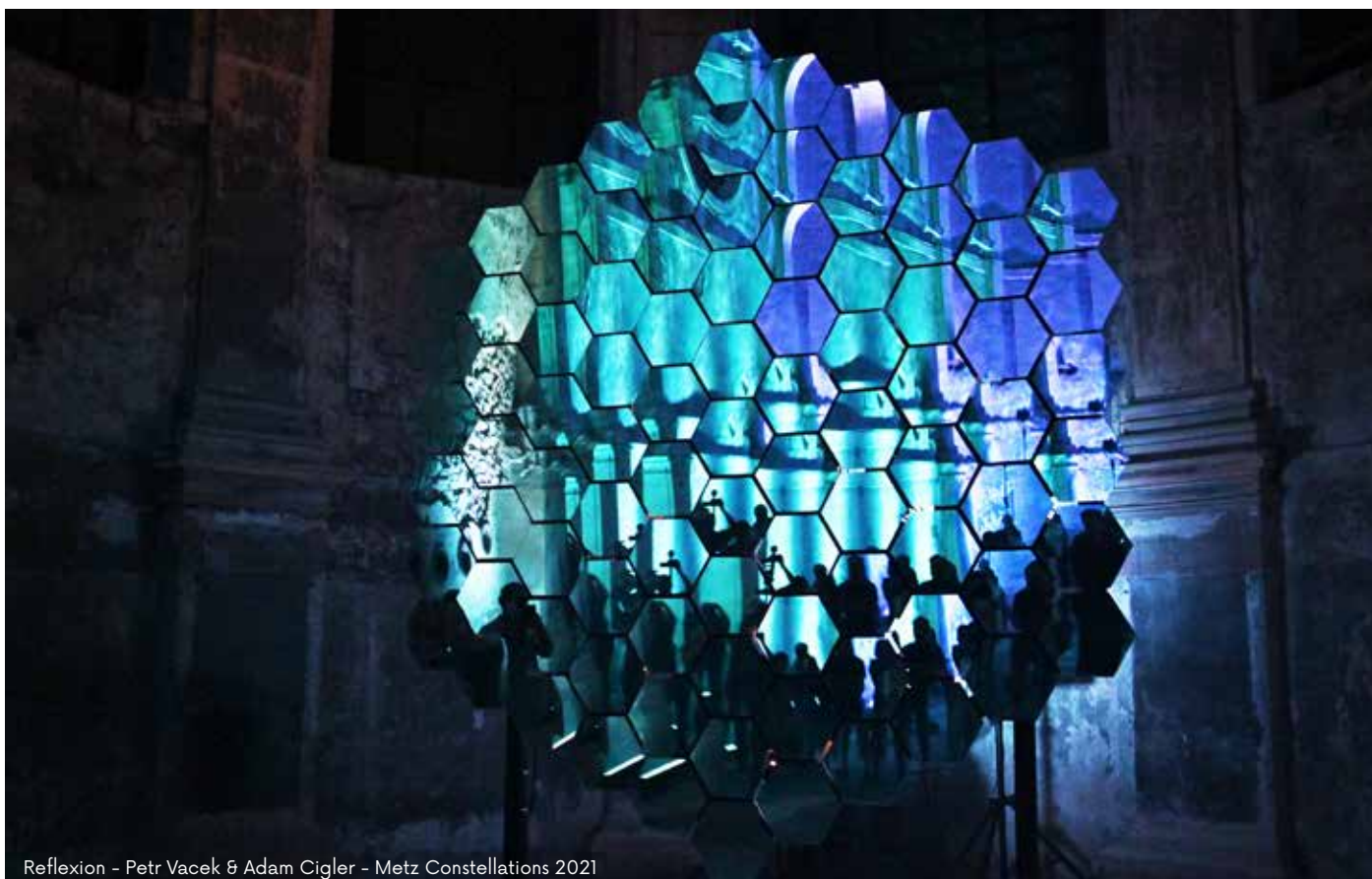
Les Portes du possible (A window to possibility) Art & science-fiction

From 5 November 2022 to 17 April 2023

This exhibition belongs to a critical and socially-engaged science fiction that emerged in the margins of the hippies' protest movements, and explores the weaknesses in our immediate future by drawing on philosophical, psychological, political, societal and ecological themes.



METZ CONSTELLATIONS FESTIVAL #6



Reflexion - Petr Vacek & Adam Cigler - Metz Constellations 2021

From 23 June to 3 September 2022

The Metz Constellations festival follows the city's wish to make the most of its architectural, urban and natural heritage, by launching the 6th edition around the theme of New Utopias.

The Digital Stones trail, a unique sensory experience

The essence of the festival, the night-time "Digital Stones" trail offers a new perspective on digital creation and its wealth of forms: video mapping, immersive audiovisual installations, laser shows, interactive digital installations and more.

It covers the city's districts (or quartiers), from the town's historic heart, from the church of the Trinitaires on the Sainte Croix hill, to Îles, with some dozen works to explore.

CONSTELLATIONS

FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL
D'ARTS NUMÉRIQUES

DE METZ

A contemporary creation festival

From 23 June to 3 September 2022, a free original and unmissable cultural event sets the pace for Metz's cultural and tourism life right through the summer. Reaching to the very edges of the city, the festival is established as an original and unmissable cultural event in the national and cross-border landscape.

For this edition, the festival continues to explore and invest in the city's heritage which serves to provide support, inspiration or means of expression to contemporary creation, so offering a new envisioning of Messin heritage. The trails (night and day) are formed by the sequence of creations, initiating dialogue and weaving links between the visitors and the heritage that shelters them.

constellations-metz.fr

23 JUIN
03 SEPT
2022 ✨

Festival international des arts numériques

CONSTELLATIONS

DE METZ



Lumières d'Europe

3,000 YEARS OF HISTORY



Aerial view - Lake

METZ, CITY OF ART AND HISTORY

Metz is a **mosaic of influential European styles**, which makes its architectural heritage unique: medieval in the Outre-Seille district or the Sainte Croix hill, majesty in the Imperial Quarter, contemporary and unusual architecture in the Amphitheatre district, classical in the Royal city, and more. Each district has its own character and tells the story of this innovative city and its multiple identities.

3,000 years ago, a Celtic tribe settled at the confluence of the Moselle and the Seille. The start of a great adventure!

Merovingian capital, cradle of the Carolingians, Metz became a European capital of art and culture, particularly known for its Gregorian chant.

The outstanding reputation of its schools and trade organisations, and its innumerable medieval buildings both religious and civic - among them the Saint Étienne Cathedral (undoubtedly the most remarkable) - bear witness to the **artistic and religious reach of the city in Europe**.

Metz became part of the Holy Roman German Empire in the 10th century. Becoming a Republic, the city saw its period of greatest wealth last up to the 15th century. Henri II, King of France, was welcomed by the city in 1552. Emperor Charles V tried in vain to take back the city at the cost of a long and hard siege. It became the capital of the *Province des Trois Évêchés*. The city was definitively attached to the Kingdom of France in 1648.

In the 18th century the Duke of Belle-Isle, in love with the city, had a number of magnificent classical monument collections created.

Annexed by Germany in 1871, Metz reverted to France at the end of the First World War, it switched back to German hands from 1940 to 1944. The impressive Imperial district thus came into being at the start of the 20th century.

Perfectly situated, Metz Eurometropole today is ever more enchanting thanks to its environment and lifestyle, cultural energy and ability to surprise.



DID YOU KNOW THAT...

The Porte des Allemands

A true miniature castle, spanning the Seille, this is one of the jewels among the remaining medieval defences. Today, it's a venue for artistic performances.

NATURE IS KEY

URBAN ESCAPISM

Directly linked to the pedestrian streets of the hyper centre, the **French-style Esplanade gardens** with their many floral beds open up onto a promontory looking over the vast landscape of the Moselle's banks and Mont Saint-Quentin.

In contrast, the romantic **jardins des Régates and Lake aux Cygnes**, embellished by dancing fountains, are the ideal theatre for the firework displays that take place every summer weekend night.

The **Botanical Gardens** cover 4.4 hectares and are laid out in a rural style, or "à l'anglaise", showcasing remarkable trees. Collection greenhouses, a rose garden, water features. The scented gardens will please everyone, from the expert botanist to the casual stroller.

A 20-hectare ecological park, the **jardins Jean-Marie Pelt - Parc de la Seille** comprise an arrangement of basins and a reed bed for managing the district's rainfall. Vines, hop fields and mirabelle trees recall the local cultures. Beyond providing pleasure and walks, the park has been developed to support a wide range of activities with a games area, ping-pong, football and basketball grounds, roller and cycling tracks, and more. A stunning footbridge, the **Passerelle du Graouilly**, connects to the Queuleu district.

Close by, the **Jardin des Tanneurs** on the hillside is planted with a wide variety of Mediterranean species.

Natural sciences enthusiasts or ornithologists can birdwatch in the **Parc du Pas du Loup**, a natural space symbolizing the progress toward zero pesticides, and has been managed by the city since 2007.



Lake



The Botanical Gardens



The Jardins Jean-Marie Pelt - Parc de la Seille



The Monastery of the Recollets - a hot spot for Urban Ecology

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

The Monastery of the Recollets - a hot spot for Urban Ecology

Two Roman columns, probably recovered from the site of the Amphitheatre, frame the entrance to the Monastery of the Recollets, home to the European Institute of Ecology.

New: come into the Garden and discover its medicinal plants.

metz.fr/lieux/lieu-143.php

Metz, garden city

Metz has 1000 hectares of agricultural and forestry natural spaces making up one-quarter of the city's total area. With **52 m² of public green spaces per inhabitant**, 36 kilometres of waterside walks, unparalleled relaxation areas, and green havens dotted throughout the urban fabric, Metz offers an **outstanding environmental setting** for both locals and visitors. **Metz is the cradle of Urban Ecology**, instigated by Jean Marie Pelt. It has held **"4 Flowers"** accreditation since 1992.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

The remarkable trees of the Metz Eurométropole

Did you know that the oldest trees in Metz were planted at the beginning of the 1800s? They can be found in the Jardin Boufflers, and are accredited "ensemble arboré remarquable", a remarkable wooded area.

Quai des régates - Pavillon bleu



The Marina

The Jardin éphémère (Pop-up garden) - Place de la comédie



GARDENS OF METZ EUROMETROPOLE AND PAYS MESSIN

Jardin des Plantes de Chez Nous in the house of Robert Schuman,

The fruit gardens of Laquenexy,

The garden at Château de Pange,

Walks along the Jouy canal, and the banks of the Moselle and Seille,

The park at Château de Courcelles,

Parc Simon at Augny...



The harmony between nature and greenery found everywhere, the water of its rivers and canals, and the golden stone that clads the city of sun and light confers an indescribable charm felt by every visitor.

Because Metz is beautiful, gentle, calming, with an urbanism that is handled sensitively and on a human scale that is universally recognised.

Jean-Marie PELT

The Jouy canal, particularly loved by joggers and walkers, reaches its end at the lake in front of Mont Saint-Quentin. **A true green lung that dominates the conurbation**, classified as a nature reserve since 1994, it's from here that St. Clément, first Bishop of Metz, contemplated the city. However, it is also a hot spot of military history. It is surely destined to become a vast area for walking, offering interested visitors exceptional viewpoints over the capital of Lorraine and beyond across the whole Moselle valley.

Metz, 3rd greenest city in France!

The City of Metz holds third place in the 2020 awards for the greenest cities in France, published by the *Observatoire des villes vertes*, the green cities monitor.

Metz topped the list of most pleasant cities to walk around in 2021!

The *Fédération Française de Randonnée* (the French Hiking Federation) has published the first "barometer" of the most walkable cities in France. Cataloguing 200 towns and communities, this classification has been achieved in partnership with two walking associations and the Ministry for Sports. **Metz leads in its category** (cities/towns between 100,000 and 199,999 inhabitants), followed by Annecy and Dijon.

Further information:

Mont Saint-Quentin: www.eurometropolemetz.eu

Metz Plage: metz.fr

La Voie Bleue (V50): lavoiebleue.com

Bike Metz: metz.fr

Bicycle hire: lemet.fr

Good to know: the Inspire Metz Agency - Tourism Office organises bicycle trips April to October. Schedule available at: tourisme-metz.com

ARCHITECTURAL LANDMARKS



Military Governor's Palace, 1902-1905, created by the entrepreneur Mungenast

Metz has always been a "laboratory" for architecture. Yesterday, with Kröger and Wahn in the Nouvelle Ville (New City), and today with renowned international architects and designers in the Amphitheatre district.

THE ROBERT SCHUMAN CONFERENCE CENTRE IN METZ

Abutting the TGV rail station and facing the Centre Pompidou-Metz, the Robert Schuman Conference Centre - designed by architect Jean-Michel Wilmotte - has an auditorium seating 1,200.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

Hôtel Maison Heler by Starck

The Villa Salomé, on the Avenue Foch, inspired Philippe Starck in the creation of his prestige hotel, Maison Heler.



The Robert Schuman Conference Centre in Metz



Hôtel Maison Heler, designed by Starck

Hôtel Maison Heler by Starck

Philippe Starck

The Maison Heler hotel, the first hotel conceived by renowned designer Philippe Starck (who designed both exterior and interiors) opened its doors in the heart of the Amphitheatre District in the first half of 2023. With 104 rooms and suites, a concept store, restaurant and terrace bar, the Maison Heler is part of the Curio Collection by Hilton, a global benchmark in the hotel industry and a measure of the international visibility of the Metz Eurométropole as a destination.

THE AVANT GARDE ARCHITECTS, ARCHITECTURAL LANDMARKS IN METZ EUROMETROPOLE

YESTERDAY...

———— Pierre Perrat ————

Among the architects of Metz Cathedral, only Pierre Perrat is known to us through legend. It was he who completed construction of the 42 m high vaulted ceiling, hence his fame. He passed away on 25 July 1400, and is laid to rest in the Cathedral's nave.

———— Paul Tornow ————

Paul Tornow (1848-1921) was as from 1874 entrusted with **the restoration of Metz Cathedral**, to which **he dedicated 30 years of his life**.

He strengthened the vaulted ceiling, restored the piers and flying buttresses and constructed the new neo-Gothic doorway in the eastern facade between 1898 and 1902.

———— Conrad Wahn ————

Architect of the city of Metz as from 1877, and strongly influenced by the urbanism theories of the time, Conrad Wahn (1851-1920) worked on many of the city's buildings. He also **drew-up the plans for the New City**.

———— Jacques-François Blondel ————

Professor and theorist of Architecture in the 18th century, Jacques-François Blondel (1705-1774) is behind the **development plan for the Place d'Armes** and its adjacent buildings that was undertaken between 1761 and 1771.

———— Louis de Cormontaigne ————

In the 17th century Louis XIV recognised the military significance of the City of Metz and despatched Vauban there to study its fortifications. His pupil, Louis de Cormontaigne, **built there the southern fortifications of Metz, Bellecroix fort and the place Saint Thiébault..**



Hôtel des Postes

TODAY...

———— Jean-Paul Viguier et Associés ————

The design of the Muse block, which opened in November 2017, was entrusted to Jean-Paul Viguier, the designer behind many projects both in France and abroad (the France Télévisions headquarters in Paris, the Sofitel Water Tower in Chicago, the McNay Art Museum in San Antonio in Texas, and more). Muse transcends the idea of a place for business and a place for leisure, its architecture elegantly bringing together commercial space with accommodation and offices, and contributing to the urban buzz.

———— Rudy Riccioti ————



The BAM

Also the architect behind the MuCem in Marseille, Rudy Riccioti created in Metz **the BAM (Boîte à Musiques, or Music Box)**, a major installation in **the reconstruction of the Metz-Borny district**. Bright and original in design, the geometry of the apertures on the building's 5 facades pays homage to Jean Cocteau, whose glazings ornament the church of St-Maximin in Metz.

———— Shigeru Ban et Jean de Gastines ————

Designed by Shigeru Ban (winner of the Pritzker Prize) and Jean de Gastines, with Philip Gumuchdjian for the design of the winning project, **the Centre Pompidou-Metz is a regional icon**.

———— Jean-Michel Wilmotte ————

Architect, urbanist and designer, Jean-Michel Wilmotte is renowned for his eclectic approach to architecture and his capacity for reinvention. **The Robert Schuman Conference Centre**, developed by the Wilmotte & Associates agency, is based on four pillars: material, verticality, light and space.

———— Christian de Portzamparc ————

Christian de Portzamparc (winner of the Pritzker prize) and his wife Elizabeth designed **the "Bridge of Light" programme in the Amphitheatre district**. In so doing they brought to Metz the concept of mutual habitat and French art de vivre, and the light that gives them character.

INSPIRATIONS

Writers, musicians and painters: native or resident, the Metz Eurométropole provides the inspiration to forge a productive and always-original relationship.

TO SEE

The Metz School and Laurent Charles Maréchal

From 1840 to 1870 Metz was **home to a flourishing artistic community** of a large number of architects, designers, engravers, painters, and sculptors, the leader of which was **the painter and glassmaker Laurent Charles Maréchal** (1801 – 1887).

With a career spanning over 60 years, he worked on many of France's great buildings (57,000 m² of glazings for over 1,600 buildings). Examples found in Metz include SÉtienne Cathedral, the Salon de Guise in the Town Hall, the churches of Notre-Dame and St-Martin. He left Metz following the Annexation in 1871.

Other illustrious members of this artistic movement include:

Christophe Fratin (1801-1864), animal sculptor and student of Géricault (creator of the Cheval Arabe on the Esplanade), **Charles Pêtre** (1808-1907) sculptor (creator of the Source on the Esplanade, and of the statue of Marshal Ney in the Place d'Armes), **Charles-Auguste Migette** (1802-1884), painter-decorator of the Théâtre de Metz from 1832 to 1875, and more.

Behind the "Palais de Justice", in the Jardin Boufflers we find the equine statue "Homage to Lafayette" by the sculptor Claude Goutin, Rome Grand Prix winner, inaugurated in November 2004.

The FRAC and numerous art galleries



The *Fonds Régional d'Art Contemporain* - Regional Contemporary Arts Fund - presents **pieces from its permanent collection, temporary exhibitions, artists in residence, and artistic performances**. It is based in the oldest civic building in Metz, the Hôtel St Livier (dating from the 17th century). The Arsenal and the Lorraine Higher School of Arts are among the many other locations that are happy to complete this artistic approach..

Other Messine cultural sites, in addition to the Centre Pompidou-Metz, include **the Musée de la Cour d'Or - Metz Eurométropole, the Trinitaires, Saint-Pierre-aux-Nonnains, and the many art galleries or the Fonds Régional d'Art Contemporain (FRAC)**, which offer their authentic settings to a wide range of artistic services.

Further information:

FRAC: fraclorraine.org

Complete list of art galleries: tourisme-metz.com/fr

Musée de la Cour d'Or - Metz Eurométropole: musee.eurometropolemetz.eu

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LISTEN...

Metz, Unesco Creative City from a musical perspective

Arsenal - National Orchestra of Metz



DID YOU KNOW THAT...

Gregorian chant, recognised worldwide, was born in Metz. It was in the 9th century that Bishop Chrodegang introduced to Metz the Roman liturgical chant, the origin of what we now know as Gregorian Chant.

Metz, musical city

Home to all forms of music and dance, the musical city of Metz - a real shop window for artistic creation - is blessed with the **three Metz concert halls (Arsenal, Bam and Trinitaires) and the National Orchestra of Metz**. In these three halls - exceptional as much for their acoustics as for their history - we can welcome and discover the great performers, composers and authors of our time to nurture the curiosity and enthusiasm of the public, and **extend the reach of musical projects** to local, national and international levels.

TODAY'S MUSIC SCENE

Chapelier Fou

born in Metz in 1984

Since 2009 the Metz-born multi-instrumentalist has been unveiling a powerful and captivating world, with gentle compositions where instruments blend with electronic programmes.

Grand Blanc

An electro-rock and electro-punk group, Grand Blanc is made up of Benoît David or Ben (singer and guitarist), Camille Delvecchio (singer and keyboards), Vincent Corbel, a.k.a. Korben (bass guitar) and Luc Wagner (drums), all three natives of Metz.

Cascadeur

Cascadeur - real name Alexandre Longo - is a Messin singer and author, composer, and performer, who made his name as winner of the 2008 CQFD organised by the magazine Les Inrockuptibles. He won the album "Victoire de la Musique" for electronic/dance music on 13 February 2015.

THE GREAT CLASSICS

Ambroise Charles Louis Thomas

born in Metz, 1811 - 1896

Winner of the 1st Prix de Rome, he composed operas, masses, cantatas, piano pieces and more. His bust can be found in the foyer of the Opéra-Théâtre.

Gabriel Pierné

born in Metz, 1863 - 1937

Grand Prix de Rome in 1882, the pupil of César Franck and Massenet, he composed songs, ballets, chamber music, melodies and more.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

Musical arts

Did you know that the Netflix hit «Lupin» features a song by Metz artist "Cascadeur"? His piece "Meaning" is the main title of Episode 4 of Season 1 of the series.

GET READING

Maurice Barrès

1862-1923

A Lorraine writer who amongst other pieces wrote the novel "Colette Baudouche - The Story of a Young Girl of Metz" in 1909.

François Rabelais

Around 1490 - 1553

Writer, doctor, Renaissance humanist, François Rabelais was forced to flee very fast in 1545 following publication of "Tiers Livre", the third book of his "Gargantua and Pantagruel". He sought refuge in Metz. **He remained in the city from 1545 to 1547, where he wrote the the Quart Livre** in which are found traces of his stay (the Graoully procession and expressions borrowed from the local dialect). **The remains of Rabelais' house** are located at the corner of Rue d'Enfer and En Jurue (the chapel of Saint Genest).

Steve Rosa

Originally from Burgundy and **an adopted Metz citizen**, Steve Rosa is Associate Professor of English and Doctor of Anglophone Studies. Receiving several awards for his police novels, he is pursuing a series dedicated to the culinary thriller - a genre very much in vogue across the Atlantic. The butcher of Metz (Paraiges, 2017) is a historical culinary thriller which **plunges the reader into the daily life of 18th century Metz, between affairs of the heart and authentic recipe**.

Bernard Marie Koltès

born in Metz, 1948 - 1989

He was born and grew-up in Metz, studying at the Saint Clement college. Writer and playwright (one of the most translated in the world), **he implicitly evokes in Return to the Desert his home town of Metz.**

Adrienne Thomas

1897 - 1980

Born of Jewish parents from Berlin, she followed her family to Metz. During the First World War Adrienne - aged just sixteen - volunteered for the Red Cross in August 1914. She then lived in Metz station where the trains would bring dead or wounded German soldiers, and French prisoners of war. In "Katrin becomes a soldier" (1930), translated into 15 languages under the title of "Catherine, soldat" she recounts her terrible experiences in Metz.

Drawing immediate accolades, the work earned her a place on the "black list" of authors prohibited by

DON'T FORGET TO TRY

Quiche Lorraine, pâtés Lorrains, the Paris-Metz, Macarons de Boulay, mirabelles, Woippy strawberries and more...



The Paris-Metz



Paul Verlaine

1844 - 1996

Born in Metz 30 March 1844, Paul Verlaine left Metz in 1851 never to return, but **remembered all the time he spent in his birthplace, his childhood sweethearts, walking the Esplanade, the Cathedral...** He wrote an "Ode to Metz": "O Metz, my fateful cradle". He declared: "I lived but a few years there, it's true, yet it is there, undoubtedly, that I was open to myself in both spirit and senses" He never lost this emotional attachment, later publishing "Memories of a Messin".



Statue of Paul Verlaine

the Nazis and whose books were burned during the autodafé.

Her work made her a leading figure in humanism and pacifism in Europe.

In 2012 she was accorded the honour of having one of the two subterranean passages that cross Metz railway station named after her: "Passage Adrienne Thomas".

SHOP

In the Inspire Metz Agency shop you'll find recordings of the Metz National Orchestra as well as a selection of books.

LET'S SHOP!

Metz has long been **an affluent commercial city** characterised by a certain art de vivre. Art galleries, concept stores, independent bookshops, designer boutiques, street fairs, flea markets, local shops and large national retailers together make up a highly cosmopolitan and eclectic retail scene.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

Sales always start a few days earlier in Metz than in the rest of France...

The bustling pedestrianised area right in the heart of Metz (**rue Serpenoise, rue des Clercs, rue Marguerite Puhl-Demange, rue Tête d'Or, en Chaplerue**) brings together most French and international brands, with a huge variety of goods on offer from a vast range of shops and of course the **Saint-Jacques shopping centre**.

It's clear that locals and visitors alike must be gourmets and connoisseurs, if one is to judge by the number of patisseries, tea rooms, restaurants and local product specialists found in Metz. And let's not overlook **the Covered Market, home to countless foodie delights** which overflows into the surrounding streets on Saturday mornings.

On the side of the hill, **the banks of the Moselle near the place d'Armes stretch along rue des Jardins**, where textile merchants once traded. Here can be found every sort of outlet: restaurants, bookshops, designers, costume jewellery, bookbinders... As we head up **the Sainte-Croix hill, rue Taison** - a most unusual pedestrianised street with a **village feel** - is home to a real Metz icon; the Graouilly, the dragon of Metz folklore, suspended in mid-air. Small restaurants, bookshops, engraving workshops, independent and original boutiques regularly organise events.

Place Saint-Louis, with its medieval Italian-style architecture, **is one of the oldest market squares in Metz**.

Today beneath its arches, the sixty-odd money changers that worked here in the years of the Republic of Metz have been replaced by lovely cafés and shops. This fully-pedestrianised area regularly provides a theatre for various events.



Traders on rue Gambetta in Metz

In the **Amphitheatre quarter of Metz** is the "Muse" shopping centre, which opened in November 2017 and is home to 110 shops.

Some 5km out of Metz city centre, the **Waves Actisud retail centre** in Moulins-lès-Metz offers a diverse commercial selection, hosting over 150 national brands.

Finally, discover the Eurométropole's towns where you can combine shopping and tourism with French art de vivre, while enjoying the many sunny terraces and wide range of local shops.

INSPIRE METZ AGENCY - METZ TOURISM OFFICE

Our new shop welcomes you 7 days a week with a selection of regional products, a book store and all the expertise of our local artisans.



Metz Emplettes

Metz Emplettes is an online sales platform that every artisan, shopkeeper and local producer in the region is able to use at no cost.

Website: [metzemplettes.eu](https://www.metzemplettes.eu)

GOING OUT IN METZ



Place de la Comédie

METZ BY NIGHT

Pop out for drinks and nibbles, enjoy a long evening over a glass, or dance the night away!

Metz Opera House's 100 performances a year, concerts at Cité musicale or outdoors in summer, "third place" community venues for amazing artistic performances, cultural shows and digital arts at the Constellations de Metz Performing Arts theatre, a range of clubs, designer cafés or cosy bistros, cocktail and retro bars, terraces, charming restaurants or dinner on the go, **Metz Eurometropole has it all**. The Inspire Metz Agency offers a wealth of ideas for a wonderful evening.

THE CITY OF LIGHT

Radiant by day under the golden glow of Jaumont stone, at night Metz **shines in the beams of 13,000 spotlights**. From the banks of the River Moselle where the Temple Neuf reflects in the water, to Sainte-Croix hill where the spires of Saint Ségolène church pierce the sky, from Saint-Etienne Cathedral's transcendence into the "Good Lord's Lantern", to the splendid arcades of place Saint Louis, from the Opera House to the Imperial Railway Station, Metz invites you to take a stroll and discover its magical night-time ambience.

For further information:

tourisme-metz.com

Cité Musicale : citemusicale-metz.fr

BLIIIDA : bliida.fr

Opéra-Théâtre Eurométropole de Metz : opera.eurometropolemetz.eu

Cinéma Klub : klubcinema.fr

THRIVING CULTURE

Metz plays in every range and every register, in particular with the **Cité musicale-Metz**.

The Arsenal Concert Hall, renovated by Ricardo Bofill, is home to one of the most beautiful concert halls in Europe with amazing acoustics and dazzling decor of beech and sycamore marquetry. It hosts the Metz National Orchestra and stages prestigious shows.

Formerly a Carmelite convent, the **Trinitaires** has since the 1970's hosted concerts in a unique atmosphere.

The BAM, an architectural project designed by Rudy Ricciotti, is a venue dedicated to Music. Today, it includes a totally flexible concert hall seating up to 1,200 spectators.



GOURMET ADVENTURES

THE WINES OF MOSELLE AOC REGIONAL AUTHENTICITY IS THE GUARANTEE OF QUALITY

The vineyards are coming back: standing at 6,256 hectares in 1878, that area had fallen by 1984 to no more than 5 hectares. Today, 73 hectares of vines are operated under the AOC, the prestigious accreditation obtained in November 2011.

Did you know that... Today, more than half of Moselle vines are cultivated organically.

15 winemakers are members of the Union of Winegrowers in Moselle, all of them involved with one of the AOC accreditations and committed today to improving both their production and the terroir.

They are delighted to welcome the public, visitors and enthusiasts into their vineyards to enjoy tastings.

The grapes: the fine wines and clarets obtained from the Pinot and Auxerrois have been succeeded by a rich and varied palette: Pinot noir, Pinot gris, Auxerrois, Müller-Thurgau, Pinot blanc, Riesling, Gewurztraminer and Gamay. These wines are the perfect accompaniment to quiche, pies, stews and more.



Moselle wines

The Pays Messin wine route: 46 km in length, the Moselle Wine route in the Pays Messin covers the winegrowing area around Metz. Far from limiting itself to domains, the route connects 20 villages and lifts the lid on smaller rural heritage, running alongside orchards and vineyards and offering elevated views of the Lorraine plateau's hillsides and the Moselle valley.



Vaux wines

Lunch cruises offer tastings of Moselle wine and regional products on the water, learn more at www.la-compagnie-des-bateaux-de-metz.com and www.metz-bateau-solaire.com

FOCUS ON THE MIRABELLE



Lorraine mirabelle trees

When we think of Lorraine specialities, we think of the mirabelle. In fact this is one of the icons of our region, which provides 70 - 80% of global production.

Small, round, golden in colour, perfumed and sweet, the name comes from the Latin and means "beautiful to look at". Believed to have been introduced by René d'Anjou, Duke of Lorraine in the 15th century, it appears in Metz as from the 16th century. **The mirabelle of Metz is smaller, more coloured, with a very thin skin,** and produces excellent jams and eaux de vie. Many producers are to be found in the villages along the banks of the Moselle, because this is its birthplace.

The climate, environment, and soils make it a unique fruit which is a delight to eat in all of its forms. 60 - 70% of production finds its way into jams, compotes, and fruit syrups, with 20 - 25% going to make eau de vie, and 10% being eaten fresh during **the harvest in mid-August, which runs for 5 - 6 weeks.**

Since 1947 the City of Metz has organised every year, at the end of August to the start of September, the Fêtes de la Mirabelle (see sheet "Metz Eurométropole Festivities 2022" on p.10).

RECIPE FOR MIRABELLE TART

Ingredients: Flaky pastry, 150 g sugar, 2 eggs, 1 /10 l milk, 100 g ground almonds, 400 g mirabelles, 30 g icing sugar. Roll out the pastry and line a tart tin.

Arrange the mirabelles in the bottom. Mix together the sugar, almonds, milk and eggs. Pour the mixture over the fruit. Cook in a medium oven. Before serving, sprinkle with icing sugar.



THE "TABLES DE RABELAIS" A GASTRONOMIC SIGNATURE



Since 2006 the Inspire Metz Agency Tourism Office has, through the "Tables de Rabelais", united **restaurateurs, producers and caterers who cultivate flavours and are eager to share the generous values of a certain French "art de vivre".**

The "Tables de Rabelais" brings together very diverse establishments that range from rustic family dining to high gastronomy, by

way of bistro and brasserie.

The "Tables de Rabelais" are signatories to a Quality Charter by which they undertake to serve products and specialities with a regional accent, locally sourced and respecting the consumer.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

The "Tables De Rabelais"

Did you know that the great Rabelais was employed as a doctor by the city of Metz in 1545, and that his short two-year stay so impressed him that he made the story of the Graouilly, an inescapable legend of Metz folklore, part of the story of the Quart Livre? Conceived in Metz, his book was first published in Lyon in 1548.

Metz cooking classes, visits to brasseries or wine cellars, contact us to enjoy gourmet experiences in the Metz Eurométropole.

WALKS IN THE METZ EUROMÉTROPOLE & THE PAYS MESSIN

The Pays Messin corresponds to the former territory 25 km in circumference of the Republic of Metz in the Middle Ages. It tells the story of this land of change, we talk of its battles, its nobility, its peasantry...

The verdant **Mont Saint-Quentin (358 m high)** takes its name from St Quentin, a 4th century Roman martyr whose relics were obtained by Drogon, Bishop of Metz. **A tourist trail** offers a magnificent view over the métropole.

That's complemented by the Metz valley landscape seen from the Croix St Clément. The legend also tells that when St. Clément, the first bishop of Metz, discovered the city to be made Christian, he fell to his knees in prayer and the imprints still mark the stone. Today, they can be seen in front of the 19th century cross.

At Jouy-aux-Arches and at Ars-sur-Moselle, we can find the vestiges of a 22 km long aqueduct constructed in the 2nd century, intended to carry water to Metz from its source in Gorze. **At Gorze**, the abbot's residence (dating from the end of the 17th century) recalls the abbey founded in 749 that gave birth to the Roman Messin chant, later to be called Gregorian chant.

In the picturesque villages can be found some 15 fortified churches constructed in the 14th and 15th centuries which served in turn to either protect Metz or to attack it. These include **the churches of Lessy, Scy-Chazelles, Vaux, Arry, Lorry-Mardigny, and Sillégny**, particularly remarkable for its 16th century frescoes.

The winemakers' villages, with their winding sloping streets, also await you: **Sainte-Ruffine, Jussy, Rozérieulles, Lessy, Scy-Chazelles, Vaux**. It must be said that it was during Roman times that **the Moselle region turned to winegrowing**.

The whole Metz region draws its prosperity from the wines of Moselle, sung of as early as the 4th century by the poet Ausone. That prosperity continued until the 19th century, when it declined. Today, it is experiencing a revival. **Gaining AOC accreditation bears witness to the hard work of some twenty winegrowers.**

Finally, the Pays Messin is home to the **Jaumont stone quarries**, the beautiful golden stone from which the majority of Messin monuments are made.

Take a walk to Woippy: a delightful rural stroll on which you can admire the 13th century church and castle, and pass market gardens famous for their strawberries.

In La Maxe you can stroll along the banks of the Moselle, where you'll find the vast greenhouses of this major fruit & vegetable production area, which is rendered exceptionally fertile by alluvial deposits. Or why not cycle along the river on the **V50 – l'Echappée Bleue Moselle-Saône?**



Roman aqueduct – Ars-sur-Moselle



Fortified church at Jussy



Winemaker's house at Lessy



The Church of Saint-Martin in Sillégny

Robert Schuman (1886 - 1963) one of Europe's founding fathers

Député representing the Moselle from 1919 to 1940, Lawyer at the Metz Bar from 1912, he was a proponent of the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC) and **was dubbed "father of Europe"**. He holds an exceptional place in the city's history. His home in Scy-Chazelles (5km from Metz), together with the 13th century fortified church that houses his tomb, may be visited.

Gardens, castles & châteaux

The Château de Courcelles: constructed at the beginning of the 18th century, and sympathetically restored in keeping with its 18th century character, today the château hosts a **wide range of quality exhibitions and events**.

The fruit gardens of Laquenexy

A sensory garden, gardens of a million and one colours
jardinsfruitiersdelaquenexy.com

Museum

Museum of the 1870 War and Annexation: opened in 2014 on the same locations as the fighting in August 1870, the innovative museum route presents rare French and German collections.



The house of Robert Schuman in Scy-Chazelles



The Château de Courcelles in Montigny-lès-Metz



The fruit gardens of Laquenexy

YOUR STAY IN METZ

EUROMETROPOLE

FROM CITY STROLL, TO CITY BREAK

Visit Metz in 2 hours

- Walk around the cathedral of Saint-Etienne
- Walk around the Citadelle quarter and Metz Lake
- Walk around the station



Map of Metz Lake

The City Pass 2022 includes

- 1 entry to the Centre Pompidou-Metz
 - 1 Metz visit audio guide (available in FR, DE, GB, IT, NL, ESP)
 - 1 Visi Pass ticket for unlimited travel on the LE MET network for 1 day
 - + Discounts so you can enjoy Metz at special prices: Leisure, shopping, events, tastings and cuisine... (validity period depends on location)
- www.tourisme-metz.com/fr/preparer-son-sejour/metz-citypass

Stays for couples, friends, and families

The Inspire Metz Agency's Reception Service can offer you themed stays around major events, culture, sport or festivals and more. Visit www.inspire-metz.com

Guided tours and tourist rallies

Metz offers 1 or 2 hour guided tours all year round, accompanied by a tour guide who'll help you discover the essentials, as well as themed visits depending on the time of year. And for a different, fun-filled visit, how about one of the rallies?

Visit Metz in half-a-day

- Walk around the cathedral of Saint-Etienne
- Take part in a guided visit to Metz Eurometropole

Visit Metz in a day

- Take part in a guided visit to Metz Eurometropole, visit a museum and relax on the Little Train or a solar-powered boat
- Discover the essentials
- Shopping in the Metz Eurométropole

Visit Metz in 2 days

- The house of Verlaine in Metz
- The house of Robert Schuman in Scy-Chazelles
- The Museum of the 1870 War and Annexation at Gravelotte
- The aqueduct at Ars-sur-Moselle and Jouy-aux-Arches
- The Vins de Moselle route
- A garden or nature site
- A bicycle excursion
- Enjoy a meal full of regional colour in a "Tables de Rabelais" restaurant



Gallo-Roman aqueduct

Applications

METZ TOUR

Available on the App store and Google Play, in 7 languages FR-DE-GB-NL-ES-IT-PT.

HISTOIRES DE METZ (Stories of Metz)

Available on the App store and Google Play.

GEOVELO

Available on the App store and Google Play.

Press room

Articles and press releases, tourism news, key numbers are available on tourisme-metz.com. You'll also find access to the picture library.

Get all the latest destination news on our social media:





Map of nature walks in Metz Eurometropole

A "nature walks" map is available in the Inspire Metz Agency. Routes are also offered on several other apps.



Alltrails



E-Walk



iPhiGéNie



Visorando



Mhikes



Viewranger



TwoNav



Ubitrek

2021 KEY FIGURES

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The Centre Pompidou-Metz has welcomed more than 4 million visitors since it opened in 2010.

137,789

Tourists and locals visited the Lantern Trail in 2021



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Centre Pompidou-Metz

METZ EUROMETROPOLE

45	MUNICIPALITIES
230 000	INHABITANTS
23 000	STUDENTS

Accommodation available - Metz and the Metz Eurométropole

• **Hotels in Metz Eurometropole:** 34 establishments, 2,111 rooms (5x4* - 408 rooms, 14x3* - 772 rooms, 9x2* - 562 rooms, 1x1* - 55 rooms - 1 in the process of classification, 4 unclassified - 253 rooms) of which 25 establishments are in Metz - 1,582 rooms (4x4* - 398 rooms, 11x3* - 611 rooms, 4x2* - 204 rooms, 1x1* - 55 rooms, 1 in the process of classification, 4 unclassified - 253 rooms).

• **Open air accommodation:** 1 municipal camping site in Metz, 3*

• **Car camping:** 1 car camping area at Scy-Chazelles.

• **Group accommodation:** 3 facilities, comprising 2 youth hostels and 1 Centre International de séjour.(international visits centre)

• **Aparthotels:** 5 establishments.

• **Bed & breakfast:** 27 facilities, 12 accredited (11 in Metz 3 of which are accredited). Note: 4 B&B are unusual (barges in Metz).

• **Metz marina,** Pavillon Bleu: 55 berths.

• **Port Robert Schuman** in Scy-Chazelles: 180 berths.

Eating out - Metz and around

• **Eating out** 277 restaurants.

• **Tables de Rabelais partners**

Restaurants, winegrowers, mirabelle distilleries, catering professions (Sitlor data - March 2022).



Vineyards in the Metz Eurométropole

Visitor numbers 2021

INSPIRE METZ AGENCY - TOURISM OFFICE

- 73 499** visitors helped
- 49 052** website visitors
- +16 %** total number of guided visits
- 271** City Pass sales
- 643 915** overnight stays in Metz Eurometropole
- 166 822** pages viewed on the website in 10 languages

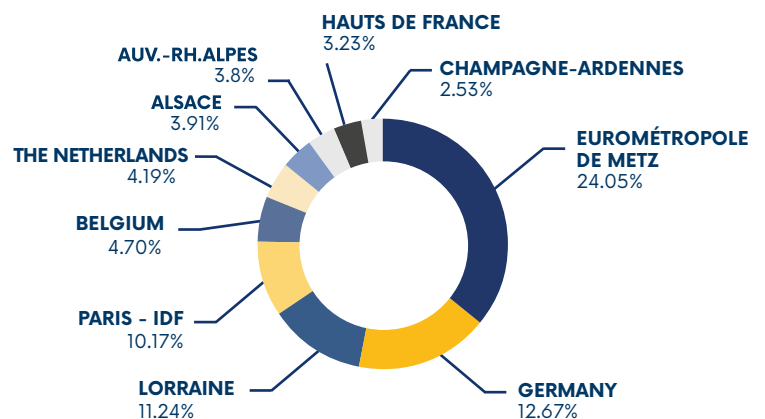
TOURIST VENUES

- 165,041** visitors to the Centre Pompidou-Metz over its 7 open months (press release January 2022)
- 28,731** visitors to the Cour d'Or Museum (excluding entries with the Constellations festival)
- 26,000** visitors to the Porte des Allemands (reopened 19 May 2021)
- 20,000** visitors to the church des Trinitaires (19 May 2021 - 17 October 2021)
- 12,000** visitors to the Saint-Vincent Basilica (1st juillet 2021 - 19 septembre 2021)



Inspire Metz Agency - Tourism Office

Breakdown of 10 main clients of the Inspire Metz Agency - Tourism Office



Classifications and accreditations obtained by the city of Metz



Metz was accredited a Unesco Creative City in the Music category in October 2019.

Metz has been accredited French Tech and Capitale French Tech East since April 2019.

Metz has 3 stars in the Michelin Green Guide.



Certifications and accreditations obtained by the Inspire Metz Agency - Tourism Office



Accueil Vélo is a national brand that guarantees a welcome and quality services for cyclists all along cycle routes.

More information: www.francevelotourisme.com

Metz Eurométropole accreditations and networks

Eurometropole is accredited



The city of Metz is twinned with Luxembourg, Trèves, Gloucester, Hradec Králové, Djambala, Nankin, Karmiel, Tchernivtsi.



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