## The ultimate cultural experience: Welcome to Belgium with your European Youth Card!

Amazing museums and sights, not to mention the best chocolate and beer in the world - Belgium is the perfect destination for any traveller, especially when you bring your European Youth Card along. Here are some tips and great discounts!



### **Brussels**

A true cosmopolitan metropolis, Brussels is definitely worth your time. Start by walking around the Grand Place and try a hot Belgian waffle with chocolate. Stop by the <u>Museum of the City of Brussels</u> and get your ticket for only 3€ with your European Youth Card. You also shouldn't miss the <u>Rene Magritte Museum</u>. Show your European Youth Card and you have 1€ off your entrance ticket and a free guided tour of the work of this great surrealist master. Just across the street there's another museum - <u>Belvue</u> - and another discount - for one ticket bought, you have one for free. You should also make some time for the <u>Royal Museum for Central Africa</u> and the <u>Royal Museum of the Armed Forces and Military History</u> - you have great discounts there as well.

If you have a taste for contemporary art, check out <u>Vanhaerents Art Collection</u> (you get 50% off your ticket) and the <u>WIELS Contemporary Art Centre</u> ( $2 \in$  off for you).

### Antwerp

The port city of Antwerp is perfect for a stroll and for some cultural sightseeing. Catch an opera or ballet performance at the <u>Vlaamse Opera</u> and show your card to get 50% off your ticket. Head to <u>DeSignle</u> for even more art. Check their programme and you're bound to find something that piques your interest. Choose your favourite performance and you have  $4 \in$  off your ticket. The <u>Royal Flemish Philharmonic</u> is also a must, especially when you have a discounted rate of only  $7 \in$ .

#### **Bruges**

Dubbed the Venice of the North, Bruges is an absolute must-see when in Belgium. We've got you covered with discounts on the main attractions:

- <u>Belfort</u> the city's most important tower that you can visit for only 6€. Climb the 366 steps to the top for a breath-taking view of the city.
- <u>Bruges City Hall</u> visit it for only 3€!
- You've got a special price of 5€ at the <u>Church of our Lady</u>, famous for its 122-meter tall tower and for displaying Michelangelo's Madonna and Child.
- Make some time for the <u>Archaeological Museum</u> and for the <u>GentPoort</u> one of the city's remaining medieval gates. You will pay only 3€ in each location.

### Eupen

The culture tour continues in Eupen, east Belgium, at the <u>IKOB Museum of</u> <u>Contemporary Art</u> where you have free entry to all exhibitions! You also have <u>50%</u> <u>off theatre and concerts</u> and special prices to try out the <u>longest indoor karting track</u> <u>in Europe</u>! East Belgium is also a great place for hiking and biking, so why not rent an <u>e-Bike</u> with 10% off and try one of the "RAVeL" Cycling Routes. 20 minutes from Eupen, across the Belgian-German border, you will find Aachen - the place of coronation of German kings. One of the best ways to visit this imperial city is an <u>Aixdrive Segway-Tour</u>, especially when you have 20% off!

# Ghent

Just one hour away from Brussels, Ghent is one of those cities you just don't want to leave. After taking in the sights, take in the city's culture with 50% off your ticket at the <u>Vlaamse Opera of Gent</u>, up to 7€ off your theatre ticket at the <u>Campo Arts</u> <u>Centre</u> and a special discounted price of 12.5€ at the <u>NTGent</u>, the city's civic theatre. You should also check who's playing at the <u>Handelsbeurs Concert Hall</u> - you pay 5€ instead of 22 for any concert!

# Namur

Welcome to the capital of Wallonia! Take your card along and you have 50% off your ticket to the <u>Felicien Rops Museum</u> in the city centre, a special price of  $1.5 \in$  for the permanent collections of the <u>Museum of Ancient Namur Arts</u> and you can see any performance at the <u>Namur Theatre</u> for only 7 $\in$ .

### Mons

Mons is the European Capital of Culture in 2015 so there are hundreds of events going on in the city. Check them all out <u>here</u>. While in town, use your card to get 50% off at the <u>Van Gogh House</u>, another 50% at the <u>Museum of Jazz</u> and 50% off at the <u>Museum of Fine Arts</u>.

There are over 600 discounts waiting for you in Belgium. Check them out <u>here</u> and go for it!

European Youth Card Tip: Get more information about what you can see and do in each region of Belgium from the links below: Flanders: <u>www.visitflanders.com</u> Wallonia: <u>www.opt.be</u> East Belgium: www.eastbelgium.com