









BORDEAUX, AN EMBLEMATIC CITY OPEN TO THE WORLD



A world-famous destination, Bordeaux is a beautiful city in an outstanding region, with a habit of surprising its visitors ...

Beyond the architectural and cultural heritage, Bordeaux has become an influential and attractive metropolis.

- UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2007
- The world capital of wine
- 2nd French congress destination
- 300 professional meetings per year
- 3 million visitors per year

The wine-growing activities and the strong political and cultural links with the British Isles have given Bordeaux an international flavour since the Middle Age! Today, the city hosts 50 consulates and diplomatic offices. The harbour and airport connect Bordeaux to the outside world.



Place Gambetta



A CLASSICAL CITY, DATING TO THE ENLIGHTENMENT, FOUNDED 2,000 YEARS AGO











- 350 historic monuments
- widest urban area listed as a World Heritage Site
 by UNESCO (1 800 hectares)
- an 18th century architectural gem

A SAFE CITY WHERE IT FEELS GOOD TO LIVE AND STROLL



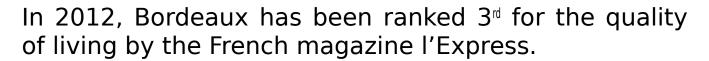














With modern urban transport



THE WORLD CAPITAL OF WINE

Bordeaux is world-renowned.

Chances to visit wineries, taste and discover the wines, and use the exceptional setting of the châteaux for events, are the major assets of our destination.



Blaye Blaye Côtes de Bordeaux · Bourg Côtes de Blaye Côtes de Boura Canon Fronsac Castillon Côtes de Bordeaux Francs Côtes de Bordeaux Lalande-de-Pomerol Lussac-Saint-Émilion NORD-OUEST Montagne-Saint-Émilion Pomerol Haut-Médoc Puisseguin-Saint-Émilion istrac-Médoc e Margaux • Saint-Émilion Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Médoc • Moulis • Saint-Georges Saint-Émilion Pauillac • Saint-Estéphe • Bordeaux Saint-Julion • Bordeaux Haut-Benauge Cadillac Cadillac Côtes de Bordeaux Côtes de Bordeaux Saint-Macaire

Entre-Deux-Mers

Graves-de-Vayres Loupiac

Entre-Deux-Mers Haut-Benauge

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Premières Côtes de Bordeaux

Sainte Croix-du-Mont

Sainte-Foy-Bordeaux

North-West (Médoc)

Margaux Pauillac Saint-Estèphe Saint-Julien

North-East

Côtes de Blaye Côtes de Bourg

East

Saint-Emilion **Pomerol** Fronsac

South-East

Entre-deux-mers Sainte-Foy-Bordeaux

South-West

Graves Pessac-Léognan Sauternes Cadillac



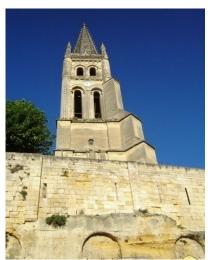
SAINT-ÉMILION



The village of Saint-Emilion is a true medieval jewel, inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage List since 1999. Romanesque and gothic churches, dungeons, catacombs and an underground church lie in the middle of the most famous vineyard in the world...









BEAUTIFUL SUROUNDINGS... ARCACHON BAY





A natural beauty of sand beaches planted with pinewoods awaits your arrival. Famous for the spectacular Dune of Pyla (117 meter high), it is the best place to discover oyster farming or to enjoy a boat trip.









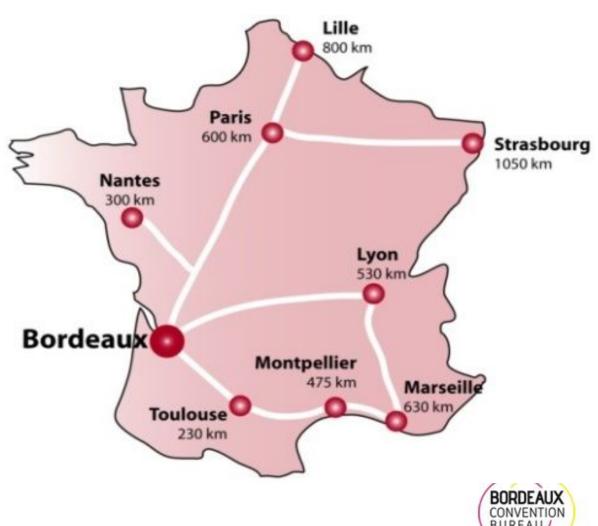




ACCESS

As the economic capital of South-Western France, Bordeaux can be easily reached by **air, train and road.**

- Bordeaux International Airport
- High speed trainParis Bordeaux
- Road: Highway network



BY AIR

With its **international airport**, Bordeaux is connected to the rest of the world through 5 of the biggest European hubs:

- **Paris** Charles de Gaulle, 6 flights per day, 820 connections
- Amsterdam, 3 flights per day, 350 connections
- London, 3 flights or more per day, 150 connections
- **Madrid** and **Lisbon** (2 flights per day each): connections towards South-America
- Rome Fiumicino : 1 flight or more per day, 250 connections

Bordeaux-Mérignac international airport is 12 km from the city centre and 15 km from the convention centre. There are regular transfers between the airport and the city:

Shuttle bus: 30 minutes City bus: 40 minutes Taxi: 20 minutes

55 scheduled routes, 23 airlines, European airports of which 9 low cost companies are served by regular flights.



BY TRAIN

Easy access by High Speed Train (TGV)

Today Bordeaux is connected to Paris by TGV in 3 hours (25 trains/day). In 2017, the time will be reduced to **2h Paris centre - Bordeaux center** and Roissy Charles de Gaulle airport within 3 hours. The city centre is linked to the train station by direct tramway.

From abroad

It is also possible to come to Bordeaux from abroad by train

Duration without the transfers:

Brussels	Direct	5h30
London	via Paris	4h15
Luxembourg	via Paris	5h20
Geneva	via Paris	6h25
Stuttgart	via Paris	6h30
Amsterdam	via Paris	7h
Frankfurt	via Paris	7h
Madrid	via Irun	7h40





SUPPORT







The French Society for Metallurgy and Materials Fatigue Group



Gruppo Italiano Frattura - IGF



Deutscher Verband für Materialforschung und –prüfung e.V. German Association for Materials Research and Testing e.V. Structural Durability Group

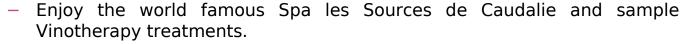




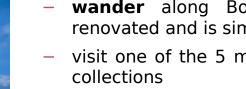


After the conference ... ONE DAY TO RELAX AND SO MUCH MORE





- Arcachon Bay: boat trip on the bay, tasting of oysters and local products in a fisherman cabin
- Teich bird reserve
- The highest sand dune in Europe, The Dune du Pyla
- Bordeaux is a wonderful golfing destination with 12 golfs, many of international reputation. It is an opportunity to discover the beautiful landscapes of the Gironde estuary between vines and river.



- wander along Bordeaux's streets, the city has been thoroughly renovated and is simply beautiful
- visit one of the 5 museums with complimentary access to permanent collections
- shop: Bordeaux offers a wide range of de luxe brands : fashion, jewels, delicatessen...
- Nightlife' activities: theatre, opera, pubs and cafés, restaurants, casinos. The city is friendly all around the clock.











