ART AND HISTORY



Rouen enjoys an exceptional heritage. Above all, it has that "little something" extra that only those who have visited it can understand... Obviously, there's the stone... The fresh butter-coloured, milky stones of the cathedral, of its Gothic and Renaissance architectural masterpieces, and the town houses of the classical period. There are also the picturesque facades of the half-timbered houses which have triumphed over time... However, Rouen is not simply a mirror of past centuries. Even though the image ontinues to be as real and relevant today - its label "city of art and history" is proof enough - the capital of Normandy is home to over fifty major historic mouments, its museum collections are among the richest in France or, indeed, the world. Not to mention the Joan of

Arcs, Corneilles, Hugos, Flauberts,

Rouen Seine valley CAPITAL OF LIGHT

Normandy in the second half of the 19th century. Claude Monet. Pierre-Auguste Renoir, Alfred Sisley discovered the light along the banks of the Seine in Rouen. This encounter came at the same time as the first railways between Paris and Normandy... Very quickly, Rouen was to become a luminous source of inspiration for the masters of this new form of expression.. Wishing to "get out of the studio" and work in the open air, a handful of painters cast off the academic straitiacket in the years 1870-1880. But to do so, they had to escape from the capital and its artificial light. In Normandy, Rouen to be exact, on the banks of the Seine, they found this fragile fleeting mobility, which they transposed onto their canvases... Impressionism was first of all this encounter between artists in love with freedom and the enigma tic, constantly changing light, that of the Seine Valley in Normandy However their painting may not have enjoyed the same

Rouen Seine valley Rouen Seine valley HOME OF IMPRESSIONISM A FRESH AND SALT WATER PORT OF CALL



The city of Rouen has definitely got its sea legs. Rouen may well be situated 126 kilometres from the sea along the meanders of the Seine (64 km by road), but the Norman capital nonetheless conti nues to be working and important sea port. Freighters as long as 286 metres make their peaceful way up the river to moor only a stone's throw away from the cathedral. Rouen is a point of global reference for the seagoing world. Indeed, since 1989, the city has been host to one of the largest concentrations of sailing ships in the world which takes place very five years; the Rouen Armada.

The next edition of the Armada will take place from 6th to 16th June, 2019. to which the people of Rouen are jealously attached. A place to unwind, it

provides a floral and wooded setting for walkers and joggers, a playground for children and the heart's topography for lovers. However, it has not relinquished its scientific purpose and it contains living collections (the garden houses the largest collection of fuchsias in France) and seed banks. Several aviaries rose gardens and pools for sailing scale model boats complete an ideal setting for the family. 31/10: from 8.30am to 7.45pm and from

The lung of the south bank, this 8.5-hec-

tare botanic garden is a "green" treasure

The botanic gardens

Rouen Seine valley

NATURAL HERITAGE

Grammont Park

01/11 to 28/02 from 8.30am to 5.15pm

Cy'clic stop.

Rouen's second great green lung, this 2.9-hectare park has been designed o encourage the coming together of different generations. Designed by a landscaper with a solid reputation in France, Jacqueline Osty, it alternates rereational spaces for young and old and reading areas, fish ponds, connected by

Bus F3, Metro and Cy'clic stop: Honoré de Balzac Open all year from 8.00 am to nightfall

Verdrel Square and the gardens of the City Hall In the centre of Rouen, these two gardens are places which are highly valued for their lawns and their play

a network of walks.

Saint Catherine's Hill These hillsides were covered with vi

neyards in the Middle Ages. Today, they offer one of the most popular panorama of the Seine Valley in the Rouen area Access to them, via Saint Catherine's Hill, is listed as a Historic Monument and Site of Natural Beauty. Indeed, the hill is a treasure trove of biodiversity. The very rare and delicate Rouen violet can be found here, along with some 190 other plant species found on its slopes... Not to mention the 123 species of butterfly, Ita lian crickets and the 120 Sologne shee that one comes across during the fine days of summer... For here, everything is ecological, including the lawnmower Access on foot or bus No 13 (see route on map)

The monumental cemetery The "Père-Lachaise" of Rouen, perched

> high above the city, the "monumental (as the people of Rouen call it) is also a picturesque and exciting way to read about the history of Rouen. The tombs and monuments here evoke the various periods and glories of the city. Celebrities rest in peace here who receive tributes from visitors from all around the world: Gustave Flaubert, Boieldieu Louis Ricard, Raymond Duchamp-Villon and his brother, Marcel Duchamp... whose tomb is doubtless the most celebrated of all, with its famous epitaph "But it's usually other people who die". Access on foot or bus No 5 - Metro:

From 1st March to 1st November: 8.15am to 12.00 and 2.00 to 6.00pm (5.45pm days and public holidays) From 2nd November to 28/29th Februa ry: 8.15am to 12.00 and 2.00 to 5.15pm (4.45pm Sundays and public holidays)

Rouen Seine valley ARTS AND CRAFTS CAPITAL OF NORMANDY



Rouen, the capital of bargain hunting! Indeed, the city is number two in France "Flea Market" sets up shop in the City for its large "village" of antique dealers. of Rouen's Exhibition Centre for those who love "bric-à-brac"! Rouen is also tuated in the historic heart of the city, his constellation of professionals in the one of the major centres in Europe fo restoration of art works and merchants ceramics. It has been able to maintain is a really pleasant and elegant way to this tradition thanks to the very much go travelling in time... and through the alive presence of craftsmen and masobbled streets of the Damiette-Saintter ceramicists who perpetuate the art Maclou district. In this mediaeval labyof ceramics and delicate painting. Bu that's not all... We should also mention rinth, where the city's most beautiful half-timbered houses huddle together. the stringed instrument makers, bookbargain hunters and art lovers will find binders and art gallery owners who, in their workshops open to a curious putheir heart's desire, no doubt about it. From the priceless 18th century mirror blic, continue to remind us that Roue and its conurbation is above all a capital to the miniature car, from the precious binding of a 17th century text to the of art literature and music violin with the longingly sonorous soul, all tastes (and all budgets) are catered for in this exceptional Rouen "village".

symbolises this tasty alliance of farawa exotic lands and the fields of Normand To make this dish, prepared exclusively b a member of the Ordre des Canardiers you must have a duck raised in the regio of Rouen... But not just any old duck. The Rouen duck will have been "made i love" by a wild duck, an "horsain"**. The fruit of their lovemaking will therefore be a little "wild"... and from its carcass the master duck specialist will extract the juice in an elaborate silver press. The tradition of hospitality in the city of Rouer also dates back into the mists of time This city, open to the seas, has always known how to offer its visitors the mos comforting of welcomes. Rouen and its surrounding area offer among the largest number of hotels rooms in Normandy Five, four, three or two star hotels, guesthouses, rooms in chateaux, gîtes, holiday rentals, campsites, every kind of accommodation is available to suit the kind

of holiday you want.

ooking with butter.

Rouen Seine valley GOURMET ESCAPADE

Products of surf and turf, cider and spices from over the seas, cheese from Neufchâtel and scallops, jams from Jumièges and apple sugar... the list is mind-bog gling. The cuisine of Rouen is a whirlwind of flavours, just like the city's geographi cal situation: between distant seas and local produce, between sky and meadow. A cuisine that combines and assembles tastes garnered over centuries, far remo ved from the somewhat tired image o The chefs of Rouen continue the tradition of a city which has always been in touch with elsewhere... but which has never turned its back on the meadows and or chards of the surrounding countryside. Isn't the "speciality" of Rouen pressed duck? Or, in French, "caneton à la rouennaise" to be more accurate. A duckling that



*The Ordre des Canardier This order was founded in 1986 by people sensitive to keeping the rich culinary traditions of Rouen alive. Its aim is to protect one of the showcases of this gastronomic heritage: the "caneton à la

**"Horsain" means "foreigner" in the Norman dialect.

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one of the first to see in this emerging mo-

vement the beginnings of modern art. Ir

1909, François Depeaux bequeathed sixt

major Impressionist works to the Rouer

Fine Arts Museum. A donation which was

to make the city one of the great world re-

The birthplace of Impressionism, ever

three years Normandy hosts the "Impres

sionist Normandy" Festival, Exhibitions

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2015 DIARY

(16 to 18/01)

Winter flea market of Rouer

World Cinema Perspectives (15/01 to 23/01) February

 French Synchronised Skatin Championship (31/01 and 01/02 Independent Norman artists exhibition (14/02 to 1/03)

· National Event: 17th Spring of the Poets (7 to 22/03) "Trésors de Sienne" ("Treasures of Siena") exhibition - Musée des Beaux-Arts, Rouen (from 21 March – 17 August) · Rouen International Fair (27/03 to 06/04)

 Trésors de Sienne exhibition – Rouen Fine Arts Museum (21/03 to 17/08)

· "Trésors de Sienne" ("Treasures of Siena") exhibition - Musée des Beaux-Arts, Rouen (from 21 March – 17 August) · 24 Hour motorboat race - Rouen (01 and 02/05) · Curious Spring (08 to 31/05) National Event: The night of the Museums (16/05) Garden Seeds Festival (23 and 24/05) Official Rouen Joan of Arc Festival

· Saint-Romain Fair - Quais Bas, South Bank (October/November · Feast of the Stomach and Norman Gastronomy (17 and 18/10)

· Record Show - Halle aux Toiles · Rouen in the Frost: Rouen Christmas market and festivities

"Trésors de Sienne" ("Treasures of Sie

na") exhibition - Musée des Beaux-Arts,

Rouen (from 21 March – 17 August)

Gardens (05 to 07/06)

· Viva Cité. 26th year of the

international streets arts festival

(Sotteville-lès-Rouen, 26 to 28/06)

· Cathedral of Light, Joan(s) (12/06 to

· Rouen on Sea - beach on the docks

events, attractions ... (11/07 to 2/08)

National fireworks festival (13 and

14/07 depending on district)

from July to August)

(Sundays in September

(11 to 13/09)

(19 and 20/09)

Thursday Terraces (09-16-23-30/07)

· "Les Musicales de Normandie": festival

of classical music in religious buildings

· Cathedral by Night (every Wednesda

Cathedral of Light, Joan(s) (12/06 to

Rouen International Organ Festival

Books at the Docks - Rouen (20/09

· Darnétal Cartoon Festival (26 and

Autumn flea market of Rouen

· National Event: Rendez-vous in the

Cathedral of Light, Joan(s) (12/06 to

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the Seine for the passage of seagoing

ce was designed by Aymeric Zublena,

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the designer of the Pont de Normandie

and the Millau Viaduct. This sublime

gateway to the open seas offers an ex-

traordinary view of both banks of the

vessels. This technological masterpie

(28/11 to 03/01) EXHIBITIONS 2015

October

Fine arts museum, Rouen · From 21 March - 17 August, the exhibition "Trésors de Sienne" ("Treasures of Siena") presents the masterpieces hat laid the foundations for the Italian Renaissance, some on show in France for the first time.

" Flaubert in the city" Seven contemporary artists install their work on emblematic places of Gustave August 2015. Flaubert's life and texts from 17 April to 31 August 2015

1980s-1990s and the 2000s, with reconstructions of a 1960s living roon or a teenager's bedroom from the 1990s. Interactive devices and game

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MUSEUM The Rouen Museum, a 19th Century

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temple, has been attempting, since its reopening in 2007, to become a 21st century venue. The wealth and diversity of its collections, with 800,000 items. make it the leading establishment of its Founded in 1828, its exhibits reflect the evolution of scientific museology. As a 'Museum of museums", today the Rouen

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THE DEPARTMENTAL MUSEUM OF ANTIOUITIES

of Antiquities is located in the former Visioused in a Gothic church, the Musée e Secq des Tournelles has amassed the tation Sainte-Marie Monastery. Designed to exhibit the archaeological remains of the department, it rapidly served to house Greek, Roman and Egyptian Antiquity collections, as well as objects dating from the Middle Ages and the Renaissance period. Entrance Cloître Sainte-Marie 198, rue voisine Tel. +33 (0)2 35 98 55 10. Open: from Tuesday to Saturday from 1.30 to 5.30pm and from 10.00am to 12.00 during the school holidays in the Rouen education authority area and during temporary exhibitions. Sundays from 2.00 to 6.00pm. Closed Mondays and on 01/01, 01/05, 01/11, 11/11, 25/12, NATIONAL EDUCATION

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The dungeon is the only remaining visible structure belonging to the castle built as of 1204 under the reign of Philippe Auguste. Joan of Arc was imprisoned on the ground floor, where she was subject to torture Posters and scale models explain the his tory of the time. A room is dedicated to representations of Joan of Arc over the centuries.

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The Maritime River and Port Museum o

Rouen tells the story of the nort of Rouer

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huge, dramatic and resolutely realistic, re-

construct missing or inaccessible places.

His technique brings together painting,

drawing and the use of digital images, and every year seduces hundreds of thousands of visitors. The opening exhibition will be "Rome 312", a panorama of ancient Rome, followed in the autumn of 2015 by a panorama of the Amazon, before revealing the world premiere in spring 2016 of 'Gothic Rouen", a view of Rouen in the time of Joan of Arc

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JOAN OF ARC

HISTORY MUSEUM NEW!

The Joan of Arc history museum will be the foremost site in France dedicated to the memory of this international-renowned historical figure. Rouen is marked by the memory of Joan of Arc. from the Old Market Square where her ordeal took place, to the Archbishop's Place, where a posthumous trial restored her innocence. This medieval site will now host the His torial museum; the Joan of Arc story is recounted over 1,000 sq.m of state-of the-art design including numerous mul timedia devices. Immersed in the 15th century, you will bear witness to a thrilling judicial inquest. Then, you will reach the Mythology library, which offers the keys to the different stories surrounding Joan of Arc.

Opening on March 21. 2015

Opening hours: open everyday except Mondays: 09.45-19.45 (1st tour at 10.00) last tour starts 18.00) From 1 June to 30 September: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Sunday: 09.45-19.45 (1st tour at 10.00; last tour starts 18.00) Friday. Saturday: museum closes hour later, at 20.45, last tour starts 19.00, Richard the Lionheart, King of England and Duke of Normandy.

Monuments

A HOUSE OF THE EXCHEQUER Opposite the cathedral, this monument, currently houses the Rouen Normandy of the characteristics of the civil monuon the first floor of this edifice that the Impressionist painter, Claude Monet, created

> B NOTRE-DAME CATHEDRAL In the heart of the historic city, the cathedral has been the epitome of the de velopment of Gothic art, since the start of its construction in the 12th century on

the foundations of a 4th century basilica

and an 11th century Romanesque edifice. Destroyed during the Viking invasions in 841 and, partially in 1944 by allied bombardments, the cathedral is a living structure, perpetually evolving. Its 19th century cast iron spire rises to a height of 151 metres (the highest in France). The cathedral is also the only one in France to possess an adjoining archiepiscopal palace still occupied by an archbishop today. The choir of the cathedral houses the tombs of the dukes of Normandy, including Rollo, who founded the duchy in 911, as well as the recumbent statue of

Open from 01/04 to 31/10: Sundays and public holidays from 8.00am to 6.00pm, tours from 2.00pm (religious services in the morning), during the week from 9.00am to 7.00pm, except Mondays, from 2.00 to 7.00pm. From 01/11 to 31/03: Sundays and public holidays from 8.00am to 6.00pm (religious services in the morning), during the week from 9.00am to 12.00 and from 2.00 to 6.00pm excep Mondays, only from 2.00 to 6.00pm; the

built at the beginning of the 16th century, Tourist Information Office and displays all ment from the early Renaissance. It was part of the "Cathedral" series in the 1890s.

> Closed on 01/1, 01/5, 11/11. Free admission C SAINT-MACLOU CHURCH One of the most beautiful testimonies

of the "flamboyant" Gothic style, the late

flowering of this art before the advent of

Renaissance architecture. Its doorway

with its five porches is adorned with

magnificent sculpted doors from the

deambulatory (access to the Virgin's Cha-

Renaissance period. ning hours: Saturday, Sunday and Monday from 10.00-12.00 and 14.00-18.00 from 1 April to 31 October (closes at 17.30 from 1 November to 31 March). Free

From the Latin "atrium", or central cour-

metery in the Middle Ages, this exceptional ensemble is one of the last medieva necropolises in Europe to be found in a city centre. Its origins date back to the Great Plague of 1348 which killed three guarters of the neighborhood's inhabitants; the buildings, constructed in the main at the beginning of the 16th century, are decoall year round except 25 December and 1

This maiestic edifice (137 metres long and 33 metres up to the vaulted ceiling) was the church of Saint-Ouen Abbey, one of the most powerful Benedictine monaste ries in Normandy between the 14th and 16th centuries. The present day city hall, which it abuts, was constructed in the for- Jews in 1306. Construction of the oldest mer monks' dormitory of this abbey. In addition to the very beautiful light that filters through its eighty stained glass windows, the abbey church is known for its great organ (the last one built by Cavaillé-Coll), which is one of the most recorded instru-

uesdays, Wednesdays, Thursday Saturdays and Sundays, 10.00am to 12.00 and 2.00 to 6.00pm, 01/04 to 31/10 and 10.00am to 12.00 and 2.00 to 5.00pm, 1/11 to 31/03. Closed Mondays and Fridays, 25/12 and 01/01. Free admiss by the Marmousets doorway (Town Hall Garden, on the Rue des Faulx side).

tyard of a house, which designated a ce-

D AÎTRE SAINT-MACLOU

rated with motifs that evoke death. Inner courtyard open from 9.00-18.00

SAINT-OUEN ABBEY CHURCH

This, the largest civil Gothic edifice in France, was constructed towards the end of the Middle Ages on the remains of the former Jewish quarter of the city, which house the Exchequer of Normandy (high iudicial and financial court). The Exche ments in the world.

> houses the court house (the assize court in particular). Jewish monument, "the Sublime House" A "Jewish monument" was discovered in the courtyard of the Parliament, under the eastern stairway, in 1976, which could be a Jewish university from the Romanesque period. This discovery is proof that, at the time of William the Conqueror, Rouen was one of the most important centres of lear-

> > ning in Europe. lake your reservation at the Tourist Office r online at www.rouentourisme.com

was destroyed after the expulsion of the part (the west wing) began in 1499 to

quer was converted into the Parliament o ment, it now houses a luxury hotel. Normandy in 1515. The building situated to the north, at the back of the courtyard. III OLD MARKET PLACE was added in the 16th century; it is sump-Joan of Arc was burned at the stake tuously decorated and the immense roo here on 30th May 1431 at the point maris adorned with large attic windows and ked today by a large cross. Nearby are a balustrade bristling with spires, interthe remains of Saint Saviour's Church connected by open buttresses. The easwhere Corneille was christened and tern part of the building (to the right of the a stone throw away where he lived in courtvard) dates from the 19th century. rue de la Pie. The contemporary church The visible shell holes in the building's was built according to the plans of the stone walls testify to the violent allied architect, Louis Arretche, in 1979. The bombing that the city underwent when stained-glass windows saved from the it was liberated in 1944. The edifice now former Church of Saint-Vincent and are the work of the great master glaziers of the beginning of the 16th century.

SAINT-JOAN OF ARC CHURCH Built on the very location of the mar-

purposes: it is both a church to honour Saint Joan of Arc and a civil memorial to commemorate the heroine celebrated by France in May. The shape of the roof of the church and the small hallways evoke the flames of the stake. Inside, you can admire the remarkable stained glass from the former Church of Saint-Vincent dating from the Renaissance. Opening times: Daily from 10.00am to 12.00 and from 2.00 to 6pm all year round. Closed Friday and Sunday mor nings and on 25/12, 01/01. Free admissior



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> 12.00) and 2.00 to 7.00pm (last entry at 6.00pm) and from 01/11 to 31/03 from 2.00 to 6.00pm (last admission 5.00pm) Closed Mondays, 25/12 and 01/01.



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numents in Normandy. The city's former Exchequer, also called the "Hôtel des Généraux des Finances

was constructed between 1509 and 1540 by Roulland le Roux, the architect of the great doorway in the

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fountain. The belfry houses the city bells and one of the oldest clock mechanisms in Europe, which was in operation from th 14th century to... 1928, i.e. more than five million hours without stopping once! Inside the contemporary set up of the new visit enables you to discover the hidden part of this sumptuous monument dedicated to the time. In the pavilion, you can access the dials room and the old apartment of the 'clock governor'. Finally discover the 14th century mechanism, the first bells of the city and an amazing panorama across

Tuesday to Sunday from 01/04 to 31/10 from 10.00am to 1.00pm (last entry at

The famous Great Clock was fully restored in 2006. This architectural ensemble comprises a Gothic belfry, a Renaissance archway and clock face, and a 18th century























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