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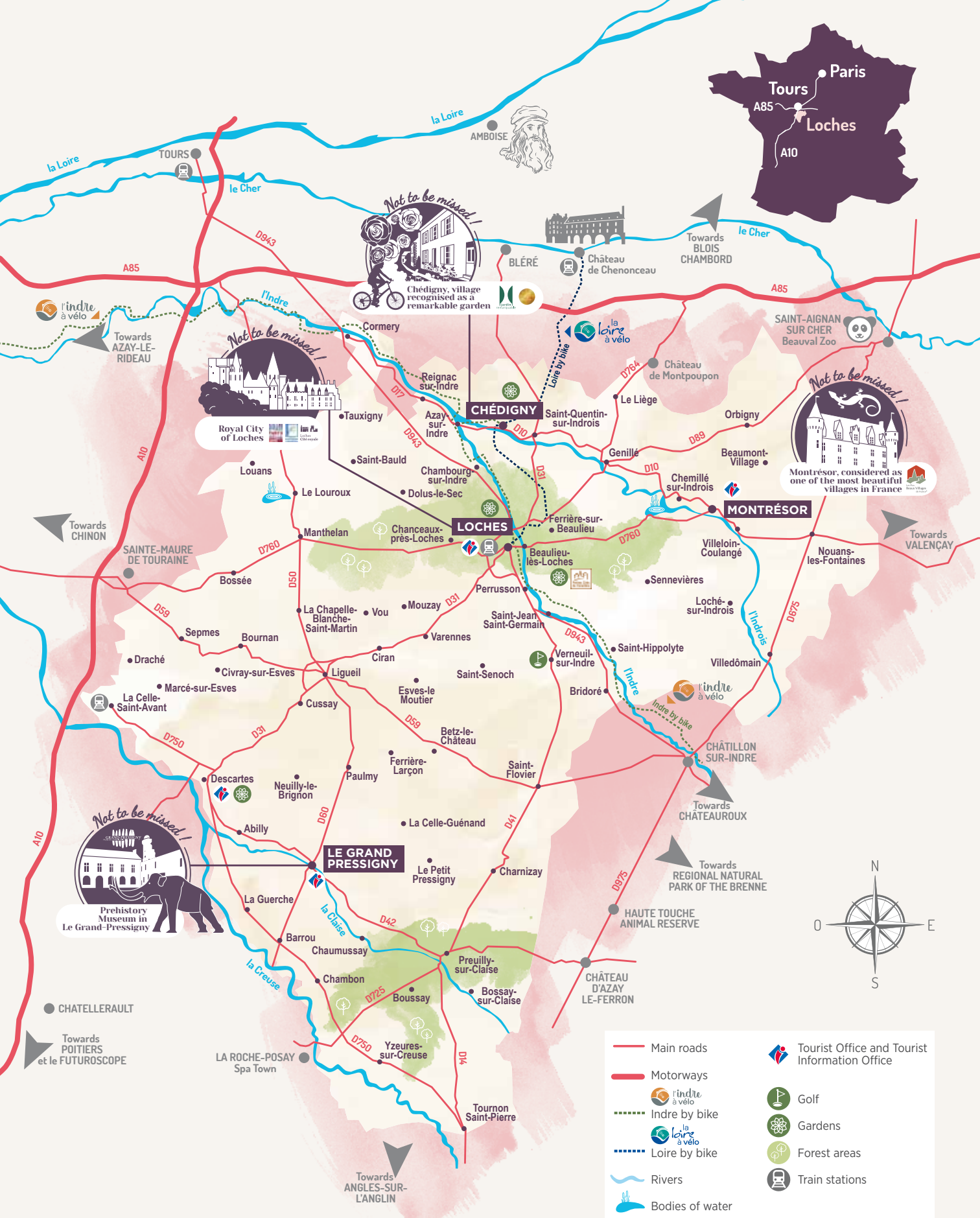
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For its craftspeople and their unique skills

Bring back a nice holiday souvenir in your luggage, nothing could be simpler! Step into the artisans' and creators' shops, and they will share their passion and expertise with you. Treat yourself and take a little part of South Touraine home with you.

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LOCHES

not to be missed





Step back into the past at Loches keep with the HistoPad

All aboard to go back in time at the Loches keep with the HistoPad. Equipped with a touchpad, you will experience a virtual family tour through augmented reality. The 'doors of time' will open before you, taking you behind the scenes of history! Jean-Marc, Clarisse and their children, Virgile and Fanette from Noisy-le-Grand tested it and tell us about their experience.

Jean-Marc ● The HistoPad enlivened the visit. Its playful approach encouraged the children's curiosity and motivated them until the end of the visit. It was user-friendly and suitable for young and old alike with easily accessible information. We spent more time in the rooms observing details that we would undoubtedly have otherwise missed. I particularly appreciated the immersive experiences using 3D reconstructions, it was such an innovative way to approach a visit! The underground area was one of the places that intrigued me most, seeing it as it was before and after felt like the walls were revealing their secrets...

Fanette ● The tablet was very easy to use, and it was amazing to discover what the site was like in the past with just one click. Today, the rooms are no longer furnished, but I enjoyed knowing what it may have looked like at the time, especially the dungeons. I felt like I was taking a trip through history thanks to the 3D reconstructions. The sounds, the voices of soldiers, crossbows, the former atmosphere of the site was perfectly portrayed. It made the adventure even more believable.

Go back in time with the HistoPad

The HistoPad will take you on a unique experience of the Loches keep - built between 1013 and 1035 by Foulques III Nerra, Count of Anjou - in only a few clicks. The keep, considered one of the best-preserved in Europe, offers a spectacular virtual visit and a journey through time thanks to augmented reality and 3D. Spaces that have been modified or lost are virtually reconstructed in their original state before your eyes thanks to the HistoPad.

Virgile ● I loved the treasure hunt! We had to find objects hidden in the virtual decor of each room. I lifted piles of laundry, dishes, opened the furniture, the safes and inspected every nook and cranny. When I found the treasure, it was placed in a trunk and at the end, there was a surprise, so I had to make sure I found them all! Even mum and dad found it fun... I was very impressed by the reconstruction of the battle of 1205 in the courtyard with the crackling fire and the size of the cannonballs. I felt like I was there, it was awesome! It was cool to visit with the tablet; using the cursor to go from one era to another to see the differences was brilliant. It was me that pointed it out to my parents!!

Clarisse ● We set out to explore the sites with the HistoPad which allowed us to take control of our visit. The reconstruction of the decor is stunning! I could zoom in to enlarge objects when I wanted to get further details, and by sliding your finger from top to bottom you can access additional historical information. Perfect for people like me who want to know more. The map was very useful for finding your way and for knowing where you are! This visit enriching device is appealing and suitable for the whole family.

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as seen by bloggers



Visit Loches in the autumn

BY ANAËLLE AND MAXIME, FROM THE BLOG 'LA ROUTE À DEUX'

Anaëlle and Maxime from the blog 'La Route à Deux' came for a stroll around Loches last autumn and tell us about their walk.

Let me tell you about our new stroll in Touraine, in the heart of the Royal City: Loches! It was undoubtedly one of our best surprises in the region. Even though we had had the opportunity to visit the Touraine many times, it was the first time that we visited the town of Loches, and we were won over!

The town is listed as a 'Ville d'Art et d'Histoire', 'Ville Fleurie' and as one of the 'Plus Beaux Détours de France', thanks to its large number of historic monuments, such as the medieval citadel and keep; the Saint-Ours church; the Logis Royale, its ramparts, and its doors; as well as its beautiful houses.

Loches town centre, at the foot of the citadel

After visiting the citadel, a stroll through the town centre is a must: the fortified gateways, Renaissance town hall, Saturday morning market, public garden, shopping streets, old houses, and the banks of the river Indre are all wonderful to explore.

Strolling through the market on Saturday morning *

When we arrived, we were pleased to discover that there was a market in the streets of Loches. There was a lot of activity in the town centre and a lot of people.

** There is also a market on Wednesday mornings*

« We didn't know anything about the Cité Royale de Loches, and I must admit that we even hesitated about making the detour... but what a lovely surprise!! We were not sure what to expect and were pleasantly surprised by the richness of this town which well deserves to be included in the 'plus beaux détours de France'. So, if you are passing through Touraine, don't hesitate to go there! »



www.larouteadeux.fr

«We particularly appreciated the view of the citadel and its reflection in the pools, surrounded by the autumn leaves.»

The Town Hall

The Town Hall is one of the most beautiful monuments in the town. The building houses the town hall. It is built on the inside face of the medieval rampart, just next to the Picois gateway. On its facade pilasters with vegetal chapiters, and mullioned openings can be admired. Looking up towards the upper dormer a salamander can be seen, the emblem of Francis I, which is also found at Chambord.

The Cordelier's gateway & Picois gateway

The Cordelier's gateway dates from the 15th century. It was equipped with two drawbridges that crossed the Indre. It allowed travellers coming via the Spanish road to enter. It gets its name from its proximity to the convent of Cordeliers. The Picois gateway is located on the right of the town hall.

The Chancellerie and the maison du Centaure

The Chancellerie is a Renaissance building that is open to the public. It houses an exhibition on the history of the town as well as temporary exhibitions. Next to it is the Maison du Centaure. Its facade is decorated with a relief representing Hercules and a centaur.

The public garden

We had a real soft spot for the public garden which is on the other side of the Indre. In autumn the park is very beautiful, and we photographed it from every conceivable angle. We particularly appreciated the view of the citadel and its reflection in the pools, surrounded by the autumn leaves. To get there we crossed two bridges which offered a nice view of the river.



10 MUST-DO EXPERIENCES

A wide variety of experiences to try out



Yum !
A visit that will allow you to bring back some delicious souvenirs

Uncover the secrets of making sweets at Confiserie Hallard

With berlingots, lollipops, marshmallows, and chocolates, Confiserie Hallard is the Ali Baba's cave of sweets! With fruity smells, varied shapes and tangy flavours, there is something for everyone here. The visit begins with an instructive film about sugar before a good-humoured demonstration carried out by Jean-Damien. The confectioner's performance guarantees an amazing experience as his skilful fingers transform the sugar as if by magic. Each child is then invited to make a lollipop and taste lots of sweets... How could you resist!!

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A perfect
way to discover this town's rich heritage!

Discover Loches by mini-train: a great way to see the sites

Board the mini train at Place de la Marne near the tourist office for a 40-minute visit. Fun for families and practical for older people, it is the ideal way to comfortably roam the town's streets. In order not to miss any of the emblematic sites, the mini train weaves through the town's picturesque alleys and the Cité Royale de Loches. Explanations add to the tour and provide essential information that is tailored to the route.

Office de Tourisme
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A fun activity
that will be a highlight of your visit to South Touraine!

Cross over the Chemillé lake by giant zip-line

Take to the air on this adventure course with two giant zip lines allowing you to fly over the lake at the Chemillé-sur-Indrois leisure park. The first flight of approximately 300 meters in length and the second that takes you back safely will allow you to see the landscape whizz by whilst experiencing the thrilling feeling of gliding. An intense experience that mixes adrenaline with the excitement of flying like a bird!

Clic'Lac Parc Aventure • Lieu-dit Pièce de Chemillé
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Activity accessible from 9 years of age up.



A leisurely
and exotic stroll is guaranteed

Dare to fly in a glider and discover South Touraine like never before

The 'Touraine Planeur' flying club in Le Louroux offers both young and old alike the possibility of flying onboard a glider for an adrenaline-filled ride!! Cradled only by the wind, you will feel the amazing sensation of gliding and a sense of freedom. Supervised by an experienced pilot, the initiation flight will take place without a hitch, leaving you to experience a moment of pure joy with the landscape of South Touraine revealing its sheer size and mosaic of colours.

Association Touraine-Planeur
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Yummy !
Best as part of a cheese platter

Canoe on the Indre

Set off on a canoe adventure and explore the Indre. Slip into a canoe for an hour, or a day, for an idyllic voyage along the river. An outdoor sports activity that allows you to relax with the rhythm of the paddle. Open to all, with various options to suit your needs. Drift along in peace whilst enjoying the landscape. Birdsong, peaceful silence, and various shades of green will accompany you on your way, allowing you to truly take it easy!

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A special moment
to share with the family in a protected natural environment

Take a walk in the Jardin René Boylesve in Descartes

Let's go on a journey in a garden with colours from all over the world! This medieval-inspired landscaped garden is located on the banks of the Creuse in the old grounds of a fortified castle. The garden fuses creativity and originality and is home to an astonishing and varied palette of plants. Rare or exotic centenary trees, a rose garden, and flower beds with harmonious colours flourish in this oasis of greenery. The mini animal park located right next door will delight the kids and round off your visit.

Jardin René Boylesve
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37160 Descartes • Tel. :+33 (0)2 47 91 42 00



An unforgettable and breath-taking experience

Taste goat's cheese

An unmissable local speciality; goat's cheese is the gourmet treat in any meal. Easily recognisable by its ash crust and elongated shape, into which an engraved rye straw is embedded. You can choose from fresh and aged goat's cheeses whilst strolling amongst the stalls at Loches market where many local producers gather. Spread on a slice of crisp, golden country bread, this cheese with a great local taste will delight you and your guests' palates. To be enjoyed without moderation



Original
An original and practical way to get off the beaten track

Try a trip on an electric scooter

For a fun time with the family, nothing beats a scooter ride! The whole family will have a blast on these all-terrain electric two-wheelers. After some initial instructions and a warm-up lap to get used to the device, it's time for a ride on the country lanes at a pace that suits you and with little physical effort. A guide leads you along the route, immersing you in the wildlife in the heart of the forest; this green cocoon is perfect for getting back to basics.

Trott'ecow
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Music
Classical, gospel, opera... let yourself become enchanted by the musical program.

Tee off at the Loches-Verneuil golf course

The green awaits you in an idyllic environment just 5 minutes from Loches. Take a moment to unwind on a perfectly maintained 9-hole course with a spectacular view of the Château de Verneuil. Whether you are a beginner or an experienced player, come and try out this outdoor sport alone or with family and discover how to improve your swing and get the ball in the air!

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Les Bodin's : Strong Ambassadors from South Touraine

An authoritarian farmer with a hint of rock'n roll about her alongside her simpleton son, this is the unmistakable duo that is les Bodin's, aka Vincent Dubois and Jean-Christian Fraiscinet. Their success has gone far beyond the borders of Touraine and Berry where they originated. They sell out Zenith arenas and every summer in July, they set up at the Ferme des Souchons in Descartes to perform their 'Grandeur Nature' show.

A profile of 2 truly 'local' personalities !

How would you define the duo you have created?

A rustic and endearing Mother/Son duo. People with common sense who prefer to roll up their sleeves than to drop their pants!!!

Does the tourangelle countryside inspire you for your shows?

Yes of course, and it will always inspire us... it is in our blood... Jean-Christian and I had a strong rapport in our writing straight away, even though we had very different approaches and theatrical backgrounds (JC was a product of the 'Conservatoire de Tours' and I had entered the scene through music). The reason for our mutual understanding is that we both came from the countryside and that we had very similar childhoods. Childhoods that included family, brothers, drinks after the match, outdoor life, mushroom picking, hunting, harvests, grape harvests, and of course, all the characters that are typical of rural life that we have known and loved, and who are now the heroes of our shows!!!

You still live in South Touraine and Berry, what appeals to you about living here?

It's a blessing to still live in the countryside. This is where I can recharge my batteries, surrounded by nature and those I love (my family and my school friends). Here I am still known and recognised simply for being "the postman Robert's son" and for me, that is priceless.

Vincent, you grew up in Abilly, what are your memories of it?

I wish all the children in the world could have the childhood that I had. We are a large family. I have 5 brothers and sisters. We

owe a lot to our parents who raised us with so much love, so much encouragement, and so much freedom. They also taught us, with great humility, that life is better when we turn to others and help them in return. We never grow weary of the joy that we give. All my life, I saw my parents helping others and I saw that it made them happy!!! My childhood was fraternal and fun... we spent a lot of time outside, having fun with simple things. It's not easy to be a child or a teenager now. They're so exploited by the media and especially by social media which is a disaster for young people...

What local specialties do you look forward to finding on your table after returning from touring?

Good terrines, vegetables from the garden, good bread, cheese, and Chinon wine... and friends! ... It's not what you eat that counts the most, it's with whom!!!

Any gourmet addresses to share?

The Loiseau family's cheeses in Abilly, l'Amore Mio, a very good Italian restaurant next to Loches cinema. La ferme Saint-Jacques in Châtellerault. My mate Phil's pâtés and rillettes.

Anywhere that deserves a detour in South Touraine and why?

The small campsite on the island of Abilly. It's calm, green, and the water of the river Claise flows gently there. You can picnic, fish, play boules, or take a nap in the grass while listening to the sound of the water in the mill's spillway. A lot of memories from my adolescence come from here... unforgettable parties around the fire with a guitar!!!

When you press pause, where do you like to recharge your batteries in South Touraine?

I like to cycle in the woods around Abilly and along the small country roads of the surrounding area and to fish in the Claise. I like to play pétanque with my friends whilst enjoying a little glass of Chinon. I am also fortunate to be able to fly a plane and enjoy flying over the Cher, the Loire, and its chateaux.

Despite your success, you keep returning to perform at the 'Ferme des Souchons' in Descartes, do you need this return to your roots?

It's the most physically tiring show by far, and yet this show on the farm has served as our summer break every July for the last 15 years... It has a magical, unique atmosphere. And people come from everywhere to see this show, they ask for it time after time... We, 'les Bodin's', are here to make people happy... We are not stars, we are caregivers...

Any news about you or your projects for 2020?

The tour of the Zénith arenas is extended until April 2021... More than a million spectators over 5 seasons will have seen the Zénith version of 'Bodin's Grandeur Nature'. For the time being, we are writing a third full-length film for the cinema which will be released in theatres in October 2020. Then we will start writing a new show and perhaps TV shows... Right now a lot of channels are asking for us!!!



South Touraine Craftsmanship



Bernadette Poterie She's kiln it!

At 6 years old, **Bernadette Joubert** already knew that she would be a potter! Having lived in South Touraine for 30 years, Bernadette set up her workshop in a hamlet near the picturesque village of Ferrière-Larçon. She draws the serenity and inspiration that she needs for her creations from this place, far from the world's turmoil. *"The tranquillity of this place is comforting, I need this isolation, the fields around me, and the beautiful South Touraine light."*

« the tranquillity
of this place
is comforting »

Walks help feed her art. She takes the time to truly observe nature and enjoys the sunflowers that sprinkle her horizon with gold in the summer. Her hobby? Watching sunsets close to home! A sight that she never tires of. *"I love living here, heading off the beaten path to discover hidden places, such as a landscape, or a pretty farmhouse..."* In her workshop, time seems to have stood still. Through her nimble fingers, clay takes shape and becomes a pitcher, vase, bowl or plate: *"The pleasure I get from pottery throwing increases over time"*. Her essentially utilitarian pottery and her enamels - various shades of blue interspersed with patterns - are all fired in a "home-made" wood oven. Perfect for bringing back as wonderful holiday souvenirs!

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La G'Art, Ethical and chic artists

Monsieur Machin and Madame Truk, otherwise known as **Benjamin Federowski** and **Mylène Vangilwen**, recover odds and ends to transform them into beautiful objects and designer furniture. Originally from the North, they chose Touraine after coming here on vacation: *"The South Touraine is hilly and green with varied landscapes, you don't need to go far to get away from it all"*. Mylène is passionate about objects from the 30s to the 60s and about buildings that have a history, but recycling has been in both of their DNA since childhood: *"it is our identity, a way of campaigning for anti-consumerism"*. Located in the old Grand-Pressigny station, they have transformed it into a cosy and unconventional setting that perfectly showcases their creations. These specialists in resourcefulness have acquired their skills over time: *"technical competence is learned bit by bit, we start with the object itself and use it to inspire us. Our goal is to give new life to objects or furniture that have survived through the ages: We don't fit into a certain style; recycling gives us great freedom in this regard. We like the combination of wood and metal, the timeless style, and the industrial and vintage look, but we see ourselves more as trendsetters!"*

« You don't
have to go far
to get away
from it all! »

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JR déco : A haven of design

After a hectic and intense life in Paris, **Joachim Ribeiro** left everything to find a better quality of life: *"Loches made its mark immediately! I'm in love with this town, it's beautiful, peaceful, and just the right size. I love living here and I consider myself lucky because life is so good."* Passionate and creative, Joachim opened a boutique in the heart of town where he exhibits and renovates furniture, lights, and decorative objects. Self-taught and multi-talented, he likes to play with materials, combining materials such as wood, metal, and glass to create unique pieces. *"I love this job. I'm fascinated by objects because they have a soul; each tells a story and restoring them gives them a second life. I can spend hours cleaning or polishing them. The spirit of my shop also fits perfectly into the atmosphere of this town where there are still old-fashioned shops and craftsmen."*

« Here, I feel like
I'm on holiday
all year round »

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Galerie Le Terrier A haven for artists

The driving force that led the two brothers, **Jérôme and Laurent Garreau**, to open the Galerie le Terrier was the desire to bring a space for cultural expression to life. Long-time inhabitants of Loches, they chose to establish their ironwork workshop here in 2015 having followed different pathways: *"We fell in love with this location; a blend of intimate tuffeau stone rooms and troglodyte spaces with a patio courtyard in the centre. It is a truly original and strategic location with a constant flow of traffic nearby; ideal for our sculptures which are displayed outside to catch the eye."* Through their work as metal sculptors and ironwork craftsmen, Jérôme and Laurent produce unique pieces mainly inspired by the animal world. Horses, turtles, flamingos, birds... they are full of ideas and projects but also want to share their hideaway and make it a place to meet others *"we aren't only working for ourselves, there is a good energy in the Loches region, a rich tapestry of dynamic artists and craftspeople that we want to promote."*

« There's good
energy in the
Loches region »

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Below, the old buildings of the village nestled together seem to be grafted onto the ramparts.

Montrésor, picture-postcard village

Bridging Loches and the ZooParc de Beauval, Montrésor, with its famous title as one of 'Les Plus Beaux Villages de France' is one of the jewels of Sud Touraine. The elegant silhouette of the Renaissance chateau and the ruins of an 11th century fortress stand atop a rocky outcrop gazing down at their reflection in the calm waters of the Indrois.

The chateau bought by the Polish count Xavier Branicki in 1849 is still owned by the same family. Completely restored and furnished in the 19th century, it still retains its special and enchanting atmosphere. Inside, time seems to have stopped. With an impressive collection of works of art, antique books, and pieces of jewellery from the kings of Poland, the chateau can take you on a journey into the world of the Second French Empire. The surrounding park invites you to take a romantic stroll with stunning views of the valley. Along the picturesque lanes, the village unveils its riches, its tiled roofs weathered by time, its gardens, and 'the legend of the lizard'. The view along the poplar lined, landscaped Balcons de l'Indrois route reveals the unique charm of this small characterful village. Montrésor is a village that deserves its name, literally meaning 'my treasure', and lives up to the hype!



Light effects at the Nuits Solaires

As night falls, Montrésor is lit up and magic winds its way along the Balcons de l'Indrois route. Lighting effects, solar lamps, atmospheric music, and projections onto the castle paint the village in enchanting, expressive colours allowing you to experience a moment of pure wonder. This original, rural stroll in a relaxing atmosphere is a must. Based on an original idea from the Montrésor se Raconte association, free entertainment on Wednesdays from 14/07 to 15/08.



Artistic stroll at the fête des peintres et des sculpteurs

Painters and sculptors meet in the fresh air of the pré du Belier on the banks of the Indrois during the weekend of the 15th of August to exhibit their work in a rural setting with a unique view of the village.



Poland in Montrésor

Having become the stronghold of the descendants of Xavier Branicki, a small Polish community has settled in Montrésor. Countess Marie Rey has lived there for more than 50 years and Andrzej's family spends their holidays there.

Marie Rey, The chateau's memory bank

Countess Marie Rey, born Potocka, is the memory bank of the chateau and is a key figure in Montrésor. She settled there in 1950 with her husband and experienced the boom in tourism: "The chateau was already open to visitors in Xavier Branicki's time, but this concerned very few people back then. I became heavily involved in developing tourism in the region as of 1975 when the first stirrings of the tourism boom were felt.

I stepped down from my role a long time ago, but I still have a lot of fun talking with our visitors"

« We must come back to Montrésor »

Andrzej, Maria, and their children Franek, Anna, Olga, and Roza regularly come to Montrésor to breathe the air of the most Polish of French villages. They live near Warsaw and regularly stay in Montrésor during the summer. "Montrésor is dear to our hearts because it's linked to our country. The whole family feels a genuine attachment to this village where

there's a special atmosphere. We appreciate the village's beauty which we find picturesque because it's very different from Polish villages. The chateau has remained in its original condition keeping it lively and authentic. You feel as though you are entering into the private domain of the master of the house as if the chateau was still inhabited. It's rare to feel that way during a visit and not like you're in a museum. For us, it is a jewel of French culture with a link with Poland and home to some precious memorabilia!"



OFF THE BEATEN TRACK

Le Liget: An impressive monastic complex

Nestled at the edge of the national forest, between Loches and Montrésor, the Chartreuse and Corroirie du Liget once formed the elements of an impressive monastic site.

Founded at the end of the 12th century by Henry II Plantagenet, King of England and count of Anjou, the monastery belonged to the ordre des Chartreux (Carthusian order). The buildings and remnants of this vast estate testify to both its richness and its influence. Sold as national property during the Revolution, the Liget complex, where the spirit of the Carthusian monks lives on, has had successive owners and since the 19th century has belonged to the same family.

A place where
the spirit of the
Carthusian monks
lives on



3 A soothing atmosphere reigns around the Saint-Jean-du-Liget chapel located in the heart of the forest of Loches.

The Chartreuse du Liget 1

Surrounded by vast walls that protected it from looting, the Chartreuse was once a place of prayer and contemplation and remains as out of this world as ever. Once you have crossed through the impressive 18th century gateway, the site's tranquillity will quickly win you over. Many of the buildings and outbuild-

ings date from reconstruction carried out in 1787, but there are still the ruins of a large cloister and Romanesque church.

Good to know:

Visit of the exterior (ruins of the Romanesque church and west wing of the cloister).



The Château-Monastère de la Corroirie 2

A fortified building located 800 metres from the Chartreuse, the Corroirie ensured the physical livelihoods of the monks and served as a refuge for the religious in the event of unrest. Located in a characterful, natural setting, this feudal stronghold's 13th century church, cellar, barns, two mills, hemp-drying oven, and press have all been preserved. This well-preserved architectural complex certainly deserves a closer look!

Good to know: self-guided visits from Easter to All Saints' Day from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The Saint-Jean-du-Liget Chapel 3

The first Carthusian monks may have settled in this isolated clearing in which this small round chapel from the 12th century is located. In the Plantagenet style, it is decorated with frescoes dating from the early 13th century illustrating the great mysteries of the Christian faith.

Good to know:

To visit the chapel, get the key from the Loches tourist office.



Excursions on foot in South Touraine



SPOTLIGHT ON 3 LOOPS TESTED OUT BY 4 HIKERS

The South Touraine is an ideal destination for hiking with nearly 80 circuits covering the entire region. "18 sentiers découverte en Touraine" leaflets with step by step directions guide you along marked trails in the area surrounding Loches. Put your hiking boots on and set off on a jaunt at your own pace, surrounded by rejuvenating and abundant nature.



TAUXIGNY-SAINT-BAULD *Echandon Valley*

LEVEL : EASY

⌚ 4h30

📏 17 km (10 ½ miles)

(alternative loop 1h30 – 6 km)

The most natural but also one of the longest loops with an alternative route for those wishing to conserve their energy. This circuit allows you to explore the green valley of Echandon, to roam along its pathways flanked by the river and rural scenery, and of course to stroll in Tauxigny for its charming old-fashioned atmosphere!

Fanny and Delphine's opinion :

"We took the day to hike along the big loop with a picnic break by the water to relax. This allowed us to take the time to observe the plant life and to get away from it all. "



Chantal's opinion :

"A countryside walk best enjoyed by taking your time so as not to miss any of the heritage of the villages of Azay and Reignac which are perfect places for a stroll. "



REIGNAC-SUR-INDRE
AZAY-SUR-INDRE

La Fayette in the river Indre valley

LEVEL : EASY

⌚ 3h35 📏 14,2 km (8,7 miles)

All the charm of the Indre valley is concentrated in this hike allowing you to discover a more intimate and multi-faceted Touraine. This jaunt through an exceptional environment dotted with green clearings is punctuated by private chateaux, mills, a river, a manor house, and an oak tree that is said to be a thousand years old.

NEW!

The "voie verte" opens in summer 2020

Built on the old railway line, the "voie verte" takes you from Descartes to Preuilly-sur-Claise. It is a 26 km secure, signposted route that links up with the country roads between La Celle-Saint-Avant station and Descartes. Reserved for hikers and cyclists, the route is interspersed with villages making it possible to stop and grab a bite to eat or discover the local heritage.



Antoine's opinion :

"A loop that has some nice surprises in store for you as well as some magnificent views. "



BEAULIEU-LÈS-LOCHES

A spiritual path

LEVEL : EASY

⌚ 2h50

📏 11,2 km (6,8 miles)

For those who enjoy both nature and heritage, this is the loop for you! It starts strongly with a panorama of the Royal City of Loches and the former Beaulieu Abbey. This hike will delight lovers of history and old stone buildings and includes sections on country trails that pass-through fields and forests.

More than 80 hiking circuits in South Touraine. From Loches to Le Grand-Pressigny, from Le Louroux to Montrésor; find flyers and practical information at the tourist office, in tourist information offices, and on the website www.loches-loirevalley.co.uk



Green getaways: from the Indre to the Loire by bike

Brand new! The Loire à vélo route deviates from the banks of the river and invites you to criss-cross the countryside's rural roads. A perfect route for getting out into the countryside, punctuated by stops in towns and villages in South Touraine that are well worth a visit.

From Chenonceaux, turn off towards Chédigny, the garden-village of 1000 roses. Lay your bike down, stroll through the alleyways and become intoxicated by the subtle fragrances of the roses and perennials that adorn the walkways and facades. Just a few miles further on, head for Loches; a town in which the Royal City stretches out majestically at its centre and where many heritage monuments were constructed during the Renaissance. With its cobblestones steeped in history, tile and slate roofs, and tuffeau stone, the town of Loches is as picturesque as it is charming.

L'Indre à vélo: get your calves ready!

Do you like quiet, winding roads? Then choose the Indre à vélo route. This signposted trail is more than 200 km long and goes from Bréhémont to Jeu-les-Bois passing through South Touraine. It allows you to head away from the main roads into the varied landscape of a region with a strong historical imprint. What excellent reasons to get on your bike for a few hours or a few days and enjoy a well-deserved break.

Circuits available at www.loches-loirevalley.co.uk and in Tourist Information Offices.

Get off the beaten track and pedal along routes that are rich in natural and cultural treasures!

Tours



A natural and historical break in Le Louroux

Let yourself be amazed by the charm of this characterful village by following the interpretive, signposted trail which leads you to the lake.

Unspoilt historical heritage

A perfect setting for a swashbuckling film, the imposing 12th-century priory offers visitors one of the most beautiful medieval complexes in Touraine. You will be in awe of this site with its stones steeped in history and surrounded by fortified walls and moats. Its buildings - priory, tithe barn, dovecote - fan out in front of a vast meadow, through which a clear stream meanders. What a serene view!

Le Louroux lake: a reservoir for flora and fauna

A popular place for lovers of nature walks and birdwatching, the lake at Le Louroux covers an area of 52 hectares and is classified as an 'Espace Naturel Sensible' (E.N.S) meaning that it is a protected natural area. Bring your binoculars to observe greylag geese, northern pintails, black terns, and many other species whilst camouflaged in the observatory. Regular outings organised by the L.P.O (Bird Protection League) allow you to get to know the lake's emblematic species and flora. To round off your visit, take a trip around the lake whilst browsing the information signs. In the evening, after a busy family day of bird watching, fishing, children's games, and picnic breaks take the time to admire the sunset!





« Our focus is both on colour combinations and drought-resistant perennial varieties to ensure a longer flowering period »

The rose reigns in Chédigny

A paradise for rose lovers and providing a breather between chateaux visits, the garden-village of Chédigny, where hundreds of roses and perennials transform alleys and facades, has everything to please fans of country walks. Projects continue to take shape here with the arrival of head gardener Clément Barret who lets us know what his favourite roses are.

It was a long-term process that was started in 1998. The appearance of the village has changed over time and it now invites you to take a sense-awakening stroll through its fragrant and colourful alleys. To renew the plant palette, new projects are continually being put in place: *“Our focus is both on colour combinations and drought-resistant perennial varieties to ensure a longer flowering period whilst also considering the aesthetic aspect. It’s exciting but it requires thinking about the space before planting,”* explains Clément.

In the presbytery garden which brings together many varieties of vegetables and ornamental plants, the idea is to create scenes to highlight the plants and to mix low-growing plants with taller plants. *“We are gradually introducing rare, ancient, original, or exotic plants to break the mould of conventional planting schemes. We have selected nourishing plants that are adapted to our terrain and climate, such as quinoa. Designing a vegetable garden that is out of the ordinary requires creativity; the objective is to bring the garden to life and to further mark the seasons.”*



"Jardin Remarquable"
status from the Ministry of Culture and Communication



"Fleur d'or", the highest award of the 'Villes et Villages Fleuris'



"4 fleurs" in the national 'Villes et Villages Fleuris' competition

In Chédigny, the garden is cultivated according to either old or innovative methods whilst respecting the environment. Mulching is used to save water, and chemical products are not used at all. The garden is designed to self-regulate by creating an ecosystem, the advantage of which is a reduced need for care. The unusual plants, vegetables with atypical shapes, and colours do not fail to surprise. If you meet him, Clément can even tell you about their history as well as his cultivating secrets.



Chédigny's head gardener's 5 favourite roses

The charm of the old roses: Louise Odier 1
Very popular with gardeners, this repeat flowering rose with its old pink tones and intense fragrance blooms abundantly in regular waves, if spent flowers are deadheaded. It is a climber that rarely exceeds 1.60 metres, but it can also be kept as a shrub. It is one of the best old Bourbon roses.
Where is it found?
At n° 27 Rue du Lavoir

Jeanne de Chédigny landscape rose: a must 2
It resembles a wild rose with its bouquets of small, pretty, pale pink flowers. The fact that it is continually flowering, easy to prune, and highly resistant to diseases makes this a rose to plant in any garden. To grow as a bush, shrub, or as a climber.
Where is it found?
At the corner of the street that leads to the presbytery and around the stream on Rue Chante-l'Indrois

Mme. Isaac Péreire, a renowned climber 3
This repeat-flowering variety of rose flowers prolifically if you water it from time to time because it likes deep, fertile soil. Whether grown as a bush or as a climber, it will remain modest in size. Its double, deep pink flowers emit a powerful fragrance. A safe bet!
Where is it found?
At the corner of Rue du Lavoir opposite the restaurant "Le Clos aux Roses"

The Rush rose, an easy-to-care-for shrub 4
Very floriferous and vigorous, this landscape rose forms a pretty bush which blossoms from May until frost arrives. Being resistant to diseases, this plant's maintenance is easy, and it requires almost no pruning. Its large, white-centred flowers with a strong pink edge tend to turn pale in summer. Ideal in a border or a bed.
Where is it found?
In front of the salle d'exposition du Pressoir, Rue du Lavoir

Toby Tristam, a rambling rose perfect for covering a facade 5
Creamy white with yellow stamens, it forms a multitude of bouquets which tend to turn pink as they fade. Its generous flowering is particularly impressive, and its foliage is abundant. This easy to care for rose is covered with very decorative red fruits in winter. At its most beautiful on a facade!
Where is it found?
At n° 25 Rue du Lavoir

Titillate your taste buds; grab a table in restaurants whose chefs have received an award for an unforgettable gastronomic experience.



Time for dinner with the chefs



**L'Assiette Creuse
at Descartes,**
from the vegetable garden
onto the plate

Calling all lovers of good food: at **Jérémie François** and Aurélie Bordier's restaurant, everything is homemade! Jérémie was recently awarded the title of 'master restaurateur' and favours the use of local seasonal products and vegetables from the family garden. Based in Descartes, the young couple offer cuisine that is inspired by the harvests from their vegetable garden served in a blue-grey coloured dining room. Aurélie welcomes and charms customers while Jérémie plays his part in the kitchen. After learning the ropes at starred establishments, this young chef is following in the footsteps of his mentors and is now aiming for other distinctions! On the plate, he revamps recipes with creativity and is passionate about using ingredients his way. There are no sophisticated dishes on their deliberately reduced menu, but the original combinations of this well-mastered cuisine will take you on a gastronomical journey.

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...cuisine that
is inspired by
the harvests
from their
vegetable
garden
...



La Promenade Restaurant, a cooking legacy

Cooking has been a family tradition for the Dallais family since the restaurant opened in 1960. It is now **Fabrice**, the 3rd generation of the family, who treats his guests with passion and sophistication in this memory-filled restaurant: a safe bet in the South of Touraine. Having been trained in prestigious starred restaurants - Charles Barrier, Guy Savoy and Pierre Gagnaire - he will awaken your taste buds with his revisited classic cuisine, a marriage of modernity and tradition, with reverence to the seasons. He serves skillfully worked dishes in which the flavours dazzle. You will revel in every single bite thanks to the quality of the products carefully selected from the best producers in the area. His favourite dish - le lièvre à la royale du sénateur Couteaux - is a legendary and emblematic recipe of French gastronomy. A Michelin starred journey in which the ingredients marry together to delight and allow the great flavours of the cuisine of yesteryear to be rediscovered!



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Le Clos Aux Roses Restaurant, a haven for gourmets

Behind the painted shutters of an unassuming facade hides a restaurant that has been awarded an auspicious Bib gourmand. **Armelle Krause** treats the taste buds with her elegant cuisine offering classic dishes with a light and modern twist. Her restaurant comes to life according to the season with local products and traditional, sometimes local recipes such as the renowned 'beuchelle Tourangelle' or 'nougat de Tours'. Her well-executed dishes are full of finesse and reflect the sensitivity of the Chef in their meticulous presentation. Well-mastered cooking with playful textures and gourmet sauces can be tasted in the cosy atmosphere of the sleekly decorated dining room or under the wisteria-covered gazebo in the summer. For a complete taste sensation, Julien, her husband, will be able to advise you on some lovely food and wine pairings. A refined restaurant in an oasis of roses that will make your mouth water!

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From Béarn to South Touraine

THROUGH THE EYES OF A TOURIST ADVISOR

Château de Boussay

Her melodious accent makes us feel like we have been transported to Béarn, her place of origin. Having arrived in Touraine in 2011, Virginie Martinez-Rondolotto settled in Loches in 2016. Being a tourist advisor at the Loches tourist office and a tour guide, she is passionate about heritage and gastronomy and shares her favourite things about South Touraine with us.

You are well and truly rooted in tourism, tell us about it!

I have two truly complementary roles. As a tourist advisor, I welcome and advise visitors by taking as much time as needed to offer them the very best recommendations. In my role as a tour guide, I am more concerned with the transfer of information by trying to make history and heritage accessible to all. I see it a bit like taking my audience on a journey through time and try to make the sites 'come to life'.

Can you give us 3 reasons to stay in South Touraine?

Every morning when I open my shutters, I revel in the architectural setting in which I live. With a heritage like that of the Cité Royale and the nearby Loches public forest, which is an important natural feature, how could anyone be unhappy? Here you can alternate between spectacular heritage and unspoilt nature. This is ideal for me, especially since South Touraine is a little hillier than the rest of the department. When I get the blues because I miss the mountains, this puts a smile back on my face!

Where would you take us for a countryside walk ideal for recharging your batteries?

On the historic Liget trail for a walk in the forest from the Pas Aux Ânes to the Chartreuse du Liget. This 2.5 km circuit, complete with information signs, passes alongside the curious 12th century circular chapel of Saint-Jean du Liget. The chapel houses some astonishing Romanesque frescoes and to access it, you must ask for the keys at the Loches tourist office. When I have a little less time, I go to the Saint-Louis garden which adjoins the Saint-Ours collegiate church. It's a charming green space, from which you can see the chevet of the church and a wide panorama of the countryside with the bell tower of Beaulieu-Lès-Loches sitting in the distance.

Which season do you prefer here?

Autumn, because the light is softer and bathes the tuffeau stone facades in an orange-yellow colour. It gives the impression that the stone is on fire! The light here is very beautiful and envelopes everything.

« In Loches, one lives 1000 years in one day »

Onésime Reclus

What are your favourite specialties?

The mushrooms! Especially oyster mushrooms and shiitake. While living here I have discovered that there used to be many mushroom cultivation sites. This activity was well suited to the region due to its troglodyte caves which give the ideal conditions for the cultivation of mushrooms. Whether cooked or uncooked they can be eaten with no fuss. You can slice fresh champignons de Paris, add a drizzle of walnut oil, 'fleur de sel' salt and you're done! It's not complicated and it's truly delicious. I'm also passionate about wine and am delighted to once again see grapevines in South Touraine, for example at the Domaine de la Grenadière in Montrésor.

As a tourist advisor, you know the area well, what places do you like and recommend?

Montrésor, for the chateau, which is home to exceptional works of art, and for the Halle des Cardeux, where a permanent exhibition of Gemmail is located. The wooden interior of this 18th-century hall is the perfect setting to showcase these coloured glass panel works of art in an intimate atmosphere. Further south, I am enchanted by the hilly countryside near Boussay and its tuffeau houses. In Loches, the building that houses the Lansyer Museum with its cosy Jules Verne-esque atmosphere takes us back in time to the 19th century. I appreciate how the painter Emmanuel Lansyer used light and depicted nature in his paintings. It's very calming!

A must-see monument in South Touraine

Loches keep because it is part of the history of medieval Europe. It was constructed by Foulques Nerra (Fulk III), who was very powerful during this period and left his mark on many places in Touraine. At the foot of the keep, I imagine I am stepping back in time and feel lots of emotions in front of this impressive monument.

A key event that you never miss

The Festival des Sonates d'automne which takes place in October in Loches and Beaulieu-Lès-Loches. It is a classical music festival with a quality line-up that takes place in magnificent locations such as the Saint-Laurent church in Beaulieu-Lès-Loches.

An anecdote from a guided tour?

One day an 8-year-old boy asked me if I was as old as the keep!



Rendez-vous with prehistory in Le Grand-Pressigny

Located between Loches and Futuroscope, the prehistory museum at Le Grand-Pressigny is a unique resource centre for flint where the whole family can find out about the customs and practices of the Palaeolithic era up to the Bronze Age. Eduardo and Ninan went to explore the brand-new laboratory and to experience prehistory in a fun way through experiments. What an original way to become immersed in the world of archaeological analysis!



*Why take your
children there?*

- To discover how flint was shaped
- To watch fire lighting demonstrations
- To participate in activities and workshops to 'experience prehistory' (making and decorating pottery, creating jewellery, testing long lost musical instruments)

From excavation to analysis

The visit started upstairs in the 'Approaches to archaeology' room, equipped with a laboratory to help raise the awareness of young and old alike about the archaeologist's approach and the methods used for their research. The first, and most essential step, is the excavation. A large glass box containing earth, bones, and the tools which are used to find marks on them, lay on the ground. Eduardo and Ninan were curious about how scientists manage to analyse the bones.

Experimenting like an archaeologist

The guide then invited them to put on white coats to play the role of budding archaeologists. The real work was about to begin! Next, it was on to the laboratory to carry out various experiments and to better understand the approach and methods employed by archaeologists. Eduardo and Ninan were delighted to use the objects put at their disposal and rushed over to observe artefacts with a binocular magnifier. The 'touch boxes' fascinated Ninan who enjoyed putting his hands into them, and by using touch alone, identifying the materials used by prehistoric men. Meanwhile, Eduardo was doing a puzzle made of reindeer antlers and was searching for tools that could be made with this material. The children were then put to the task of excavation and tried to interpret the marks found on the bones just like in a real lab!

A reconstructed camp

A reconstruction of a nomadic hunters' camp from 20,000 years ago is located opposite the laboratory. Eduardo and Ninan carefully observed an incredibly realistic mother and child settled close to a fire. The children were intrigued by their home, a tent covered with reindeer skins, and learned about the way of life in that era.

More informations : www.prehistoiregrandpressigny.fr

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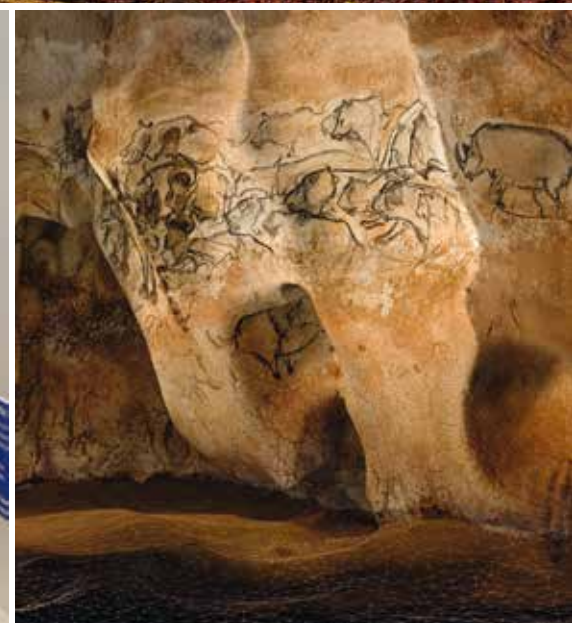
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"Time a slice of Prehistory"



2020 EXHIBITION

« Behind the wall, the Chauvet-Pont d'Arc cave revealed in 3D ». From April 11th to November 28th, 2020.

Discovered in 1994 and classified on the UNESCO world heritage list, the Chauvet-Pont d'Arc cave, in Ardèche, contains the oldest drawings currently known: nearly 500 representations of animals and thousands of figures dating from 36,000 years ago. A multimedia and interactive exhibition that reveals all the beauty of this Palaeolithic sanctuary, and highlights humanity's oldest drawings thanks to 3D technology.

Eduardo's opinion:

« The lab was cool, and the activities proposed really resembled the profession of a real archaeologist! I got to use a next-generation microscope and could touch the objects. I liked this museum and especially the cellars, and it was interesting to have a guided tour and participate in the workshops. »

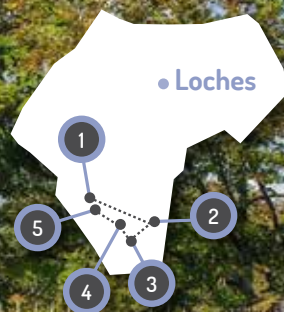
Sophie, their mother's opinion:

« A fun and lively visit during which children will be delighted to experiment for themselves and use the objects. »



TRÉSORS CACHÉS

Motorcycle road trip in South Touraine



Château de Boussay

Once the sunny days have returned, why not take your motorbike out for a spin with friends. We have put together a circuit for you, away from the major roads, at the southern tip of the Touraine. You will criss-cross country roads whilst riding along the beautiful, peaceful departmental roads, on which some wonderful gems are hidden away. This circuit includes the discovery of historical sites in unspoilt, rolling countryside and a few turns in the road to add a sporty note. A perfect ride to clear your head!

Distance : 32,9 km - 20,5 miles

Difficulty : easy

Department : Indre-et-Loire

Scenery: ★★★★★

Places of interest for tourists: ★★★★★

Quality of the route: ★★★★★

Waypoints along the ride

Le Grand-Pressigny
Preuilley-sur-Claise
Boussay
Chaumussay
Etableau
Le Grand-Pressigny

Road book

Departure from Place Savoie-Villars in Le Grand-Pressigny

1 Le Grand-Pressigny - 37350

- At Place des Halles head east D13 towards Rue du Donjon
- Continue to follow the D13 220 yards
- Turn right onto Rue de la Butte / D60 160 yards
- Turn left onto Rue du Dr Léveillé / D42 (signs to Le Petit-Pressigny / Preuilley s/ C.) 120 yards
- Turn right onto Rue Saint-Martin / D42
- Turn right onto Rue de la République 30 yards
- = **12 min (13.1 km / 8,1 miles)**



Prehistory Museum in Le Grand-Pressigny for its remarkable collections of flint. The alleys leading towards the chateau and the four banal - a communal bread oven.

2 Preuilley-sur-Claise - 37290

- Head north on Rue de la République towards Rue des Halles / D42 30 yards
- Turn right onto Grande Rue / D725
- Continue to follow the D725 0,5 miles
- Follow the road around to the right onto Route de La Roche-Posay D725 (signs to Châtellerault / La Roche-Posay)
- Continue to follow the D725 2,1 miles
- Turn right at La Verrerie 85 yards
- Continue along Rue du Général de Menou 900 yards
- = **6 min (5.3 km / 3,3 miles)**



The Romano-Byzantine-style Saint-Pierre Abbey, unlike any other in Touraine, which is topped with a bell tower with colourful, glazed tiles from Burgundy. The alleys of the village lined with old houses.

3 Boussay - 37290

- Head northwest on Rue du Général de Menou toward La Chambonnerie / D365 50 yards
- Turn right onto Rue du Château / D365
- Continue to follow the D365 0,6 miles
- Turn left 0,6 miles
- Continue along Humeau 500 yards
- Turn left at Près de Chanvre 1,6 yards
- Continue along Le Bout du Pont 440 yards
- Continue along the D366 200 yards
- = **9 min (5.8 km / 3,6 miles)**



The Château de Boussay, nestled in amongst the greenery in the hollow of a valley. Surrounded by a moat, the château is composed of a square tower from the 15th century, a central part from the 17th century, and an eastern wing from the 17th and 18th centuries (self-guided, free visit of the outer park). The village which is also nestled in the greenery in the hollow of the valley.

4 Chaumussay - 37350

- Head northeast on Rue Principale D366 towards Rue de la Mairie 16 yards
- Turn left onto Avenue de la Gare 3,3 miles
- Continue along Varennes du Moulin d'Étableau 800 yards
- Turn right 400 yards
- Turn right onto Étableau / D42 280 yards
- = **8 min (6.7 km / 4,1 miles)**



Chaumussay village, which is in the Claise valley and is typical of Sud Touraine, the tithe barn next to the church, and the Saint-Marc fountain.

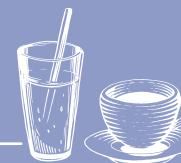
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- Head west on Etableau D42 towards Les Plantes
- Continue along the D42 1,1 miles
- Turn right on towards Place des Halles / D13 25 yards
- Turn right to stay in Place des Halles / D13 6 yards
- = **3 min (1.9 km / 1,1 miles)**



The ruins of the Château d'Étableau looking out over the valley. From the bridge in the village below, you can see the maison du passeur with its 15th century quadrangular turret.

Back to Le Grand-Pressigny



Places to drink

In Le Grand-Pressigny

- Le Prêhisto-Bar, 6 Place Savoie-Villars

In Preuilley-sur-Claise

- Bar L'espérance, 11 Place de l'Abbaye



Places to eat

In Le Grand-Pressigny

- Chez Grand-Ma, 10 Grande Rue
- Le Savoie-Villars, 10 Place Savoie-Villars

In Preuilley-Sur-Claise

- L'espérance, 11 Place de l'Abbaye
- La Claise, 4 Avenue Léon Berthier



Places to have a picnic

In Chaumussay

- A picnic area has been built by the river.

In Preuilley-sur-Claise

- At the lake: 3 tables with covered area and games for children located near to the swimming pool

In Boussay

- Picnic area in the centre of the village (on Impasse de l'Ancienne Mairie)

Le Grand-Pressigny

- Grand Moulin picnic area (on Avenue André Theuriot)
- Pré du Petit Moulin picnic area (on Rue des Tanneries)

Markets

On market days, the town's streets come alive and delicious smells fill the air. Everything looks so tasty!

Goat's cheese, rillons, rillettes, vegetables... Your basket will quickly become filled with locally produced seasonal fruits and vegetables and regional specialities. All you need to make some truly delicious meals! When you have finished strolling around the market, you can head to the café to enjoy a drink and nibble on some rillons. The more the merrier!!

Monday
Ligueil

Wednesday
Loches

Thursday
Cormery
Previlly-sur-Claise
le Grand-Pressigny

Saturday
Loches
Montrésor
Previlly-sur-Claise

Sunday
Beaulieu-lès-Loches
Descartes

5 good reasons to go to the market:

To fill your basket with high-quality fresh products

To buy from local producers

To eat according to the seasons whilst finding new inspirations for cooking

To have a good time

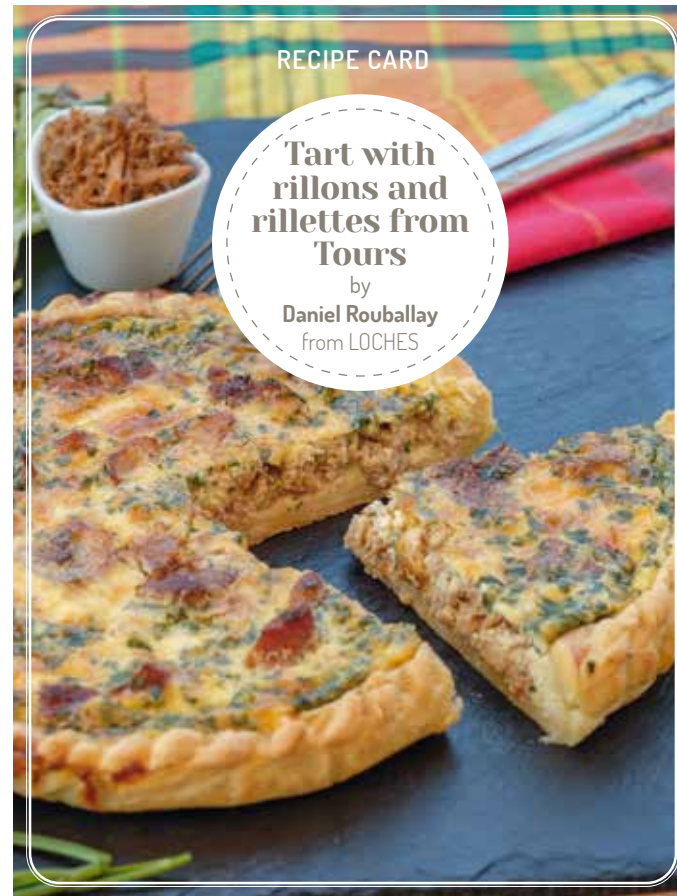
To favour short supply circuits whilst boosting the local economy



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Tart with rillons and rillettes from Tours

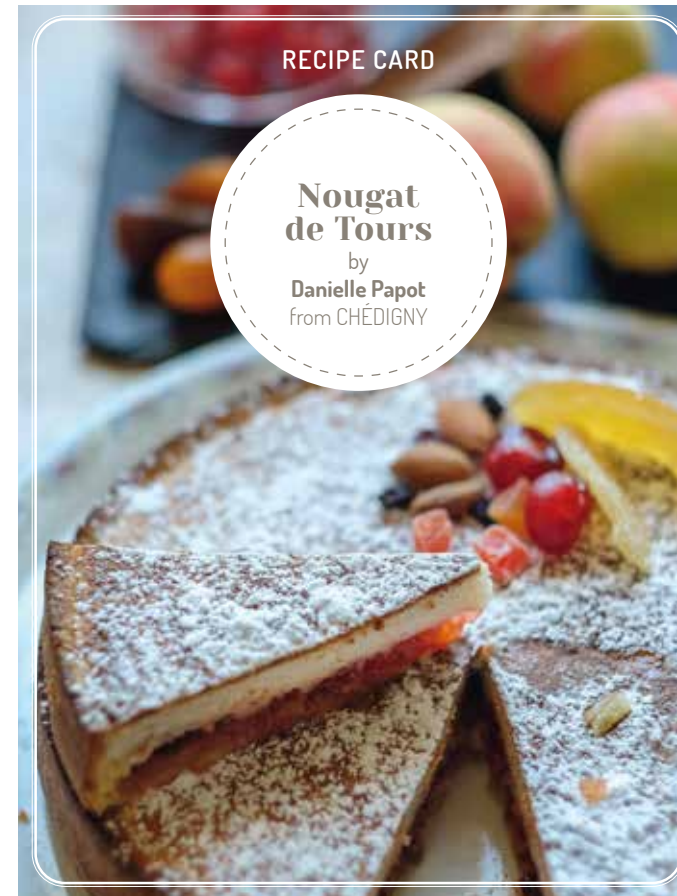
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Nougat de Tours

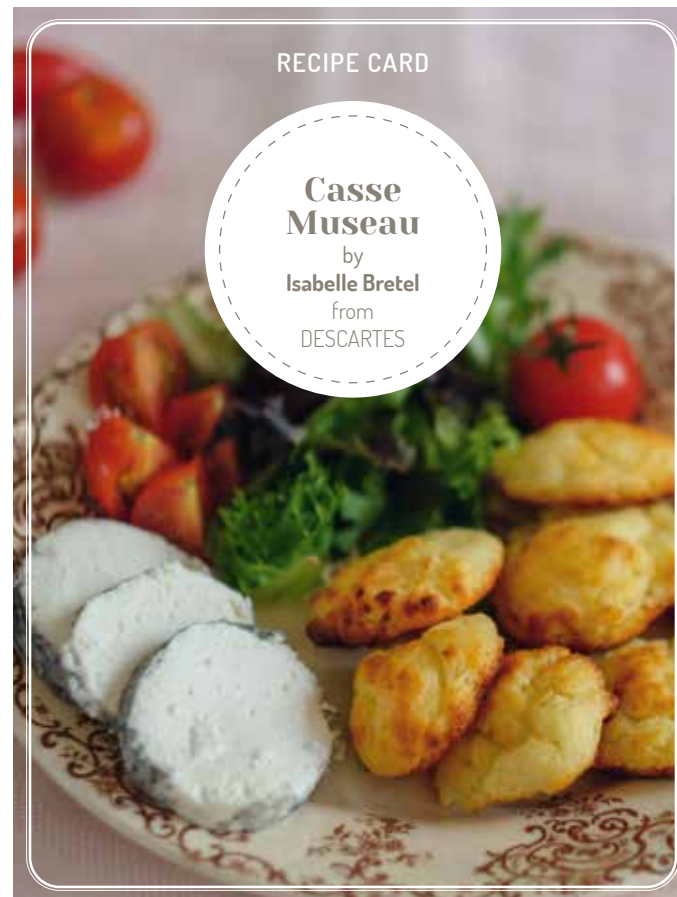
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RECIPE CARD

Goat's cheese and fig puff pastry

by
Martine Robert
from PREVILLY-SUR-CLAISE



Nougat de Tours



by Danielle Papot • CHÉDIGNY

Serves 6 people

Sweet shortcrust pastry: 250 g (9 oz) of plain flour
1 pinch of salt
125 g (4½ oz) of butter
1 small egg
75 g (3 oz) of caster sugar (a little water if necessary)

Fruit
150 g (5 oz)

of candied fruit
4 tablespoons of rum
2 tablespoons of apricot or vineyard peach jam
Macaroon
100 g (3½ oz) ground almonds
50 g (2 oz) of caster sugar
60 g (2½ oz) of icing sugar + 10 g (½ oz) for dusting
4 egg whites

Preparation

Soak the finely cut candied fruit in the rum for 2 hours.

Sweet shortcrust pastry : Pour the flour and salt into a bowl, cut the butter into strips then add it and mix until it reaches a sandy consistency. Add the sugar and then the egg. Mix quickly, make a ball, flatten it and let it cool for 2 hours. Then roll out the dough and line a previously buttered and floured mould.

Macaronade : Mix the ground almonds with the caster sugar and half the icing sugar. Beat the egg whites, adding the rest of the icing sugar when they have almost formed peaks. Beat to stiff peaks and incorporate the almond and sugar mixture. Store in the refrigerator.

Nougat : Garnish the bottom of the tart with the vineyard peach or apricot jam, spread the candied fruit, cover with the macaronade (this last part must be carried out very quickly so that the macaronade remains firm and light). Put in the oven and bake for 30 to 35 mins between 170°C and 180°C. Leave to cool and sprinkle with the remaining icing sugar using a chinois. This nougat, which was originally made for travelling, keeps perfectly for several days.

Tart with rillons and rillettes from Tours



by Daniel Rouballay • LOCHES

Serves 6 people

250 g (9 oz) of shortcrust pastry
200 g (7oz) of rillons
150 g (5oz) of rillettes de Tours
500 g (16fl oz) of single cream
3 eggs
Parsley, salt, pepper

Preparation

Roll out the shortcrust pastry until it is 2.5 mm thick and line a 20 cm diameter greased tart tin with it.

Arrange the diced rillons and the rillettes de Tours.

Mix eggs, cream, salt, pepper together, and pour into the tin.

Sprinkle with parsley.

Bake in the oven for 30 minutes at 200°C.

Serve warm with a salad.



Goat's cheese and fig puff pastry



by Martine Robert • PREUILLY-SUR-CLUSE

For 4 puff pastries:

1 packet of puff pastry (or 4 squares of puff pastry)

1 creamy goat's cheese

Fig jam

Fresh figs

Preparation

Cut 4 squares of pastry,

Place a slice of goat cheese in the centre,

Add a spoonful of jam to the cheese and close the pastry.

Stick the edges together with water and brush the pastry with beaten egg yolk.

Bake for 15 minutes at 190°C

Serve with a salad and fresh figs



Casse-Museau



by Isabelle Bretel • DESCARTES

Serves 4 people

1 young Sainte-Maure cheese
4 level tablespoons of flour
1 egg
65 g (2½ oz) softened butter
Salt, pepper

Preparation

Crumble the cheese with a fork and mix it with 4 tablespoons of flour.

Add the whole egg, softened butter, salt, and pepper. (You can also use a food processor)

Make small balls with the dough.

Spread them out on a buttered baking sheet.

Cooking time: 20 mins at 190°C

Serve with a green salad or a tomato salad.



Leonardo da Vinci at the Château du Clos Lucé, his house in Amboise



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Minerve Museum in Yzeures-sur-Creuse



TOP Museums to see

Museums that tell the story of South Touraine's history and are full of anecdotes and rare, unique artefacts.

Mado Robin Museum in Yzeures-sur-Creuse:

This Museum celebrates the singer considered to have the highest singing voice in the world in the 1950s and traces her life through numerous objects and memorabilia.

Minerve Museum in Yzeures-sur-Creuse:

It houses imposing blocks of carved stone, Gallo-Roman artefacts from the beginning of the 3rd century.

Musée de la Poterne in Preuilley-sur-Claise :

Located in the old fortified gate of the chateau, this museum exhibits various collections, from Prehistory to local folk arts and traditions.

René Descartes Museum in Descartes:

The house in which René Descartes was born has been transformed into a museum that is dedicated to the philosopher, evoking his life and work in a rich scenography.

The House-Museum of landscape painter

Emmanuel Lansyer in Loches:

You can admire the artist's works and collections in the relaxing atmosphere of this family home in the heart of the 'Cité Royale de Loches'.



TOP places to picnic

Nice spots to put down your blanket and treat yourself

Along Les Balcons de l'Indrois:

In the shade of the weeping willows, with a panoramic view of the chateau and village of Montrésor, classed as one of 'Les Plus Beaux Villages de France'!

In the "petits jardins" de Beaulieu-Lès-Loches:

A large wooden table awaits you in these communal gardens which were once the vegetable gardens of the Viantaises convent. Perfect for a moment of Zen.

At Le Louroux lake:

A stone's throw from the village and its fortified priory, the Le Louroux lake offers a welcome break at a dedicated picnic site. Ideal for bird watching.

In Loches forest:

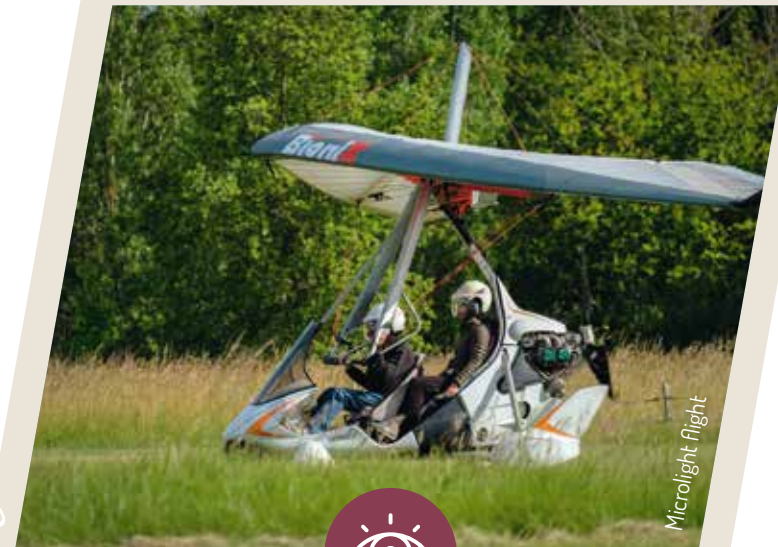
Get out into the countryside and enjoy a moment of peace in a unique green oasis whilst accompanied by birdsong. A real breath of fresh air...

In Chaumussay :

The covered picnic area can accommodate family and friends around a barbecue! Perfect for a refreshing break on the banks of the La Claise river.



Picnic at Le Louroux lake



Microlight flight



TOP extraordinary activities :

Think outside the box and enjoy some great experiences with your family

Go on a 'Troglo-balade' cave tour with Marie-Claire:

In Beaulieu-Lès-Loches, follow tour guide Marie-Claire Bouin for a walk between hillsides and troglodyte sites and discover subterranean heritage that was carved out by man.

Hike with donkeys - Les Ânes des Sables:

Break the daily routine and please the whole family. Take a walk alongside this long-eared animal which is much more docile than you might think!

Take to the air in a microlight:

From up high in the sky, admire the landscape and fly over the surrounding area of the Cité Royale de Loches. An unforgettable flight with guaranteed thrills.

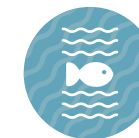
Voyage into space at the Planétarium de Tauxigny:

Set off on a journey through the solar system to explore the planets.

Participate in a treasure hunt in the Tours-Preuilley forest labyrinth:

Go into the forest in search of clues to help answer questions and identify the mystery word that will lead you straight to the treasure.

Organized by the tourist information office in Le Grand-Pressigny, most Tuesdays during July & August.



TOP places to fish

Take a moment to unwind and experience the joy of fishing!

The Creuse :

A magnificent river with wilder sections between Tournon-Saint-Pierre and Yzeures-sur-Creuse ('Station de Pêche' accredited) and downstream from Descartes with a good mix of deep zones, flats and rapids.

Longueville lake at La Celle-Saint-Avant:

This 6-hectare lake allows shore fishing and offers a parking and service area for camper vans for true fishing fanatics.

Villedômain's communal lakes:

Come and unwind for the day in a relaxing setting where you can catch some carp and fill your fishing net.

Le Louroux lake:

The vast 52 hectare lake of this protected natural area allows you to fish for carp, roach, tench, perch, and pike in the fishing zone that is marked out on-site by signs.

The Indrois:

The Indrois is a somewhat winding river with notable depths. It is a '2^{ème} catégorie' river, meaning that it is dominated by cyprinid fish. The Chemillé-sur-Indrois lake is located on this river.

**Fishing license required (on sale at the tourist offices)*



Fishing at Le Louroux lake



The Saint-Ours collegiate church drawn during the holiday

The great view when you are at the top of the keep

Holiday story
Margot's holiday

9-year-old Margot from Normandy came to spend a few days holiday in South Touraine with her grandparents and 5 brothers and sisters. She tells us about her adventures.

« We slept at the Loches campsite and it was really fun because I could ride a scooter in the main alleys. I went swimming lots in the swimming pool and I made friends while playing on the inflatables. From our mobile home, we could see the castle, it was so cool!

We spent 2 days at Beauval Zoo which is a huge park where you can see lots of animals. I was very happy to see the pandas but what I liked most was the meerkats, cute little animals that live together in a big family and sunbathe!!!

We went to Loches chateau which is called the Logis Royal. It's a very beautiful building where Joan of Arc came to see the king. He had a girlfriend called Agnès Sorel. She was very beautiful!

In the keep, there were lots of steps, but it's great when you get to the top because you have a view of the whole town. I asked my grandmother if we could go to the market on the Wednesday because I love apples. There were lots of people, and they were happy. We bought goat's cheese, rillons and rillettes to taste because I had never eaten them before. The picnic we had with this food was so yummy!! This holiday was awesome, we did lots of walks. I really loved it and the weather was very good. »



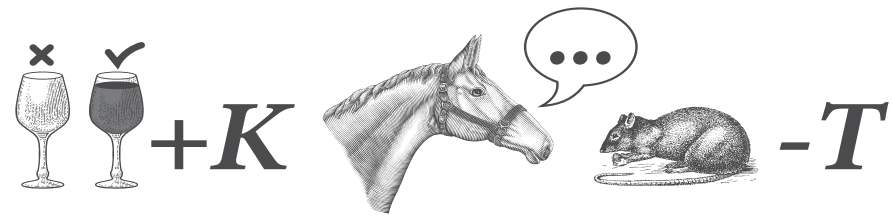
Agnès Sorel, the king's girlfriend



A meerkat like the ones Margot saw at the zoo


Time to play!

Rebus



Mysterious Silhouettes

What are these mysterious animals, life size models of which can be discovered at the Grand-Pressigny prehistory museum?



Word Search

Find and circle the words that are hidden in the grid:

**CHEDIGNY - LOCHES - CHATEAU
RILLETES - MONTRESOR - ROSE**

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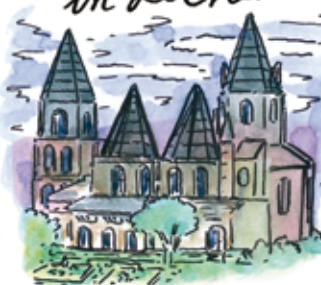
Riddle

My first is French for a female cat
My second is French for water
My third is French for 2
My fourth is French for my
My fifth is French for 13
My sixth is French for gold

And all together, I am a monument that is located about 15 kilometres east of Loches in a village that is classed as one of the 'Most Beautiful Villages in France'.



The tomb of Agnès Sorel is located in the Saint-Ours Collegiate church in Loches.



A very famous painting portrays her with an uncovered breast.



It is said that Agnès Sorel was very beautiful.



She invented the low-cut neckline...



...and was the favourite of Charles VII who was King of France at the time.



In 1442, France was still embroiled in the 100 years' war.



There was also plague and famine.

Charles VII was surrounded by his father's old advisers...



...and married to Marie d'Anjou who was so ugly that the English supposedly said:



She is a lady-in-waiting at the Court of Charles's sister-in-law.

He places her in his wife's court and declares her "official favourite", which has never been done before!

And then... Charles becomes love struck!



Agnès knows how to read*. She surrounds herself with young and "innovative" individuals, coming from the people rather than from noble families.



She's aware of the Kingdom's affairs. The Pope protests.



At Court, opinions are divided.



As for Charles VII, he's transformed!



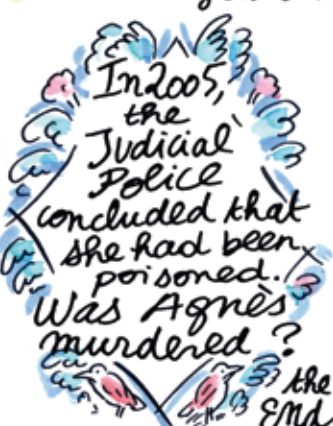
This King, who was all dull and sad, now dances!



At the time, kings were so afraid of being poisoned that they would sometimes starve to death!



And this is more or less when France leaves the Middle ages and enters into the Renaissance...



*At the time, only 10% of people could read.



*Visitors tell
us about their
evening:*



...AT THE FESTIVAL LOCHES EN VOIX
Justine from Namur (Belgium)

*"A family festival with an eclectic line-up"
The public garden is a really nice place to
listen to concerts with a view of the Collegiate
Church and the chateau. There is something
for everyone because the styles of music are
very varied.*



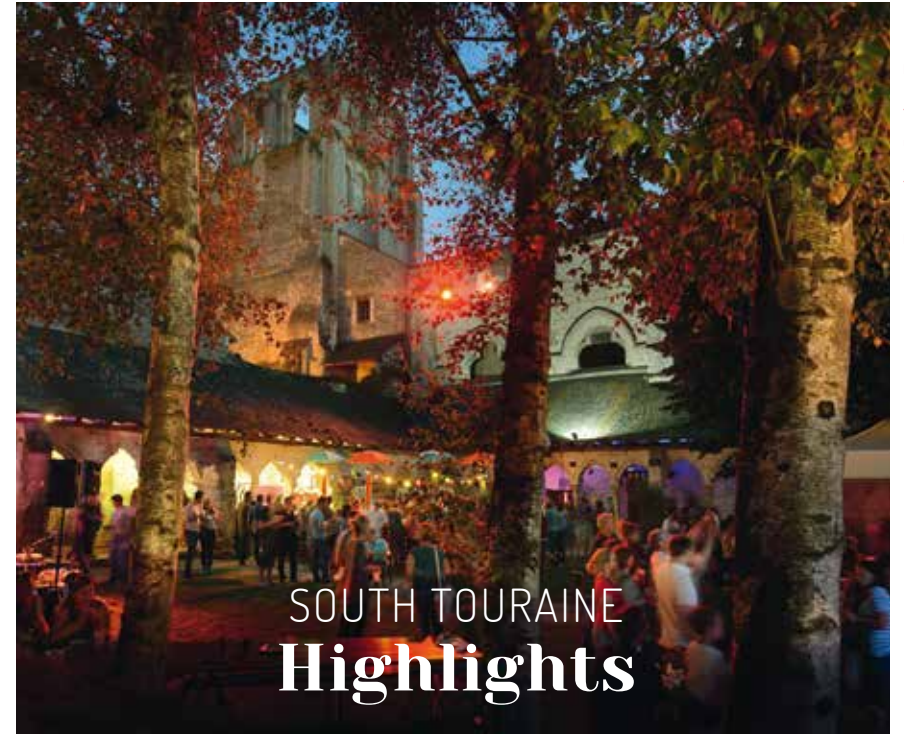
...AT THE FESTIVAL YZEURES'N'ROCK
Anna-Lisa from Pleumartin,
Thomas from Charleville-Mézières
and Valentin from Chauvigny

*Great atmosphere, the line-up's just fantastic
and the site on the edge of the Creuse is great
for camping. The various styles of the groups
will suit everyone's tastes and they certainly
know how to set the stage on fire.
We meet up with our friends and spend
3 evenings with some amazing music.
It's everything that we love!!!*



...AT THE NUITS SOLAIRES
Victor and Miriam from Madrid

*Having been enchanted by the 'Balcons de
l'Indrois' pathway during the daytime, we
wanted to see it at night. It's magical
at night with the projection on the chateau
and the reflections in the water giving it
a unique atmosphere. It's perfect for a
moment of relaxation during
the summer evenings and it's free!*



SOUTH TOURAINE Highlights

March

Carnaval
Manthelan

April

Loches en fête
*Fair-exhibition of local craftsmen
& tradesmen - Free*

May

Festival Caravajazz
Loches
*Jazz concerts at Le Caravage
lounge-bar*

**Festival La Poule
à Facettes**
Cormery
Contemporary music festival

June

Festival des Roses
Chédigny
*Rose festival, activities,
and exhibition of artists
and craftsmen*

Festival Le Solstice
Beaulieu-lès-Loches
*Contemporary music
festival - Free*

July

Loches en Voix
*Contemporary music
festival - Free*

Les Nuits Médiévales
Loches
*Medieval market and
entertainment - Free*

**Festival Chartreuse
du Liget en musiques**
Chemillé-sur-Indrois
Classical music

July and August

Les Nuits solaires
Montrésor
*Pathway with lighting and sound
effects along the Balcons de
l'Indrois. Free*

**Les soirées au Château du
Chatelier** Paulmy
Concerts

August

Les Nuits Médiévales
Loches
*Medieval market and
entertainment - Free*

**Fête des peintres et des
sculpteurs**
Montrésor
*Exhibition of painters and
sculptors - Free*

Festival Yzeures'N'Rock
Yzeures-sur-Creuse
Contemporary music festival

**Festival Arts Scéniques
et Vieilles dentelles**
Le Grand-Pressigny
*Dramatised police investigation in
the style of a 'murder party'*

**Les écrivains chez
Gonzague**
Chanceaux-près-Loches
Literary gathering - Free

**Musique au jardin
au Presbytère**
Chédigny

Week-end du vin
Chartreuse du Liget
Chemillé-sur-Indrois
Wine growers and producers - Free

September

Les Percufolies
Ligueil
Percussion festival - Free

October

Les Sonates d'automne
Loches et Beaulieu-lès-
Loches
*Classical music and chamber
music festival*

December

Destination Noël
Loches
*Christmas market and
entertainment*

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Musée de l'outil et des vieux métiers
Ancienne école
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+33(0)6 11 95 19 19
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www.museedeloutil.free.fr

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www.prehistoiregrandpressigny.fr

Galerie Saint Antoine
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Maison-Musée Lansyer Musée de France
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+33(0)2 47 59 48 21
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+33(0)2 47 92 62 09
Open from 01/01 to 31/12/2020
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Musée de la Poterne
Carroir des prisons
37290 PREUILLY-SUR-CLAISE
+33(0)2 47 94 50 04
Open from 16/07 to 16/08/2020
Adult full fare: € 2,00
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www.preuillysurclaise.fr

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Les Bournais
37600 SENNEVIERES
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+33(0)2 47 94 55 01
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Les Érables
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+33(0)2 47 91 82 82

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+33(0)2 47 59 74 38

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+33(0)2 47 59 62 45

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+33(0)2 47 27 81 03

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37240 LE LOUROUX
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Forêt Tours-Preuilly
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Interpretive trails

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+33(0)2 47 59 65 06
www.mairiedebetzlechateau.fr

Sentier de bourg
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Village de Chédigny
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Sentier de bourg
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37320 CORMERY
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Sentier de bourg La Cartésienne
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Sentier de bourg
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Circuit découverte de Genillé
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Sentier de bourg
Place de la Mairie
37350 LA GUERCHE
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Sentier de bourg
Place Savoie Villars
37350 LE GRAND-PRESSIGNY
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+33(0)2 47 94 96 82
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Sentier RandoCroquis du Pas aux Ânes
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www.randoentouraine.com

Promenades florales
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www.chedigny.fr

Visite accompagnée du village
By appointment on Thursdays during July & August
Bureau d'information touristique
Place Savoie Villars
37350 LE GRAND-PRESSIGNY
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Visite guidée du village du Louroux
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Mairie du Louroux
37240 LE LOUROUX
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www.lelouroux.com

Visite en calèche Loches et Beaulieu-Lès-Loches
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Place de la Marne
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Chasse au trésor dans Loches
During school holidays from April to October
Place de la Marne
37600 LOCHES
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Petit train touristique
By appointment for groups and individuals: long weekends in May and from 6 July to 30 August
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37600 LOCHES
+33(0)2 47 91 82 82
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July - August
Place de la Marne
37600 LOCHES
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Visite guidée de Loches
By appointment for groups
Place de la Marne
37600 LOCHES
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Visite guidée costumée
By appointment
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+33(0)6 08 05 39 64
www.montresorseraconte.com

Visite du village de Montrésor
Sur rendez-vous pour les groupes
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By appointment during July & August
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Chasse au trésor
By appointment on Tuesdays during July & August
Etang de la Ribaloche
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Jardin public et jardin Saint-Louis
37600 LOCHES
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Jardin d’inspiration médiévale de la Cité Royale de Loches
5, place Charles VII
37600 LOCHES
+33(0)2 47 19 18 08
www.citeroyaleloches.fr

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Les Vélos des Sables Bike Rental
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Location de vélos
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Location de vélos électriques
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37350 LE GRAND-PRESSIGNY
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Place du Port aux Sables
Base de canoés
37600 LOCHES
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www.culturaidconcept.fr

Détours de Loire
Rue de l'Indrois
37600 Loches
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Location de vélos
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37460 NOUANS-LES-FONTAINES
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Riding

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Les p’tits sabots de Virfollet
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37310 CHAMBOURG-SUR-INDRE
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www.lesanesdessables.sitew.fr

Les écuries de Montifray
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+33(0)7 86 29 97 36
www.ecuries-de-montifray.fr

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www.equipoitevin.com

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+33(0)6 58 31 30 85
www.ecurieaudefavreau.fr

Les Chevaux de La Lande
La Giraudière
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+33(0)6 62 64 74 80
www.leschevaux-delalande.com

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La Bergauderie
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Écuries de la Paulnière
La Paulnière
37600 LOCHES
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www.ecuriesdelapaulniere.com

Les Ecuries des Grands Robineaux
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+33(0)6 87 00 41 64
www.lesgrandsrobineaux.com

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Poney club Annabelle
Les Poitevins
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+33(0)6 31 35 09 12

Haras de Kéos
Le Parc des Lisardières
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+33(0)7 72 32 47 31
www.harasdekeos.sportsregions.fr

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Le Buisson
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+33(0)6 64 48 81 08
www.poney-club-gite-tauxigny.fr

Les Allées d’Harambure
Petit Grange
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Adventure park

Clic’Lac parc aventure
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www.cliclacaventure.fr

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+33(0)2 47 92 77 83
www.lescoteauxdulac.com

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37460 NOUANS-LES-FONTAINES
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+33(0)2 47 94 55 01

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Art Montgolfières
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www.natur-ailes.fr

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Mini golf
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+33(0)6 04 45 21 83

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Balades en trottinettes électriques
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37310 SAINT-QUENTIN-SUR-INDROIS
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