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Haute-Marne:
Land of Nature and Adventure

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WELCOME IN HAUTE-MARNE

HOW COME :

By plane

Charles de Gaulle Airport in Paris

Vatry Airport near Châlons-en-Champagne

By train

Paris - Chaumont (Paris – Mulhouse line): 2h15

Paris - Langres (Paris – Mulhouse line): 2h45

Paris - Saint-Dizier (Paris – Bar-le-Duc line): 2h15

By car

Paris - Chaumont via A5 motorway: 2h45 / 270 km

Paris - Langres via A5 motorway: 3h / 300 km

Paris - Saint-Dizier via N4 road: 2h45 / 200 km

IDENTITY RECORD

SITUATION

Located in the heart of the Champagne-Ardenne region. Neighboring with Aube, Marne, Meuse, Vosges, Haute-Saône and Côte d'Or departments.

Total Area: 8 162 km²

WEATHER

Very altered oceanic climate, with significant continental influences, particularly in winter. This climate is characterized by long, cold winters and hot summers. Rainfall is fairly abundant and are distributed regularly throughout the year. However, they are more marked from November to March.

DEMOGRAPHY

Rural department with about 180,000 inhabitants

Population density: 30 people per km²

The most populated areas are medium sized cities: Saint-Dizier has about 31,000 inhabitants and Chaumont about 23,000. There are 8,000 inhabitants in Langres, and the cities of Joinville and Nogent have a little over 4 000 inhabitants. The rest of the living quarters is dispersed in villages with less than 3,500 inhabitants.

ECONOMY

Metallurgic fiel and Agriculture are both the most important sectors in Haute-Marne. With many foundries and forges, Haute-Marne has a traditional know-how and large expanses allow grain and animal culture of quality.

Forest Galore
A Preserved Area
The Land to Orchids
The Omnipresent Whitewater
Must See / Must Do

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An astonishing nature to explore through our forests.



A GENEROUS NATURE TO EXPLORE

With 245,000ha of gamey forests, its 1,700km of rivers and its 5 lakes, Haute-Marne promises quiet places, great spaces and pure air. The greenest department of France reaches out to lovers of nature and offers simple and authentic pleasures...

On foot, by car, bike, motorcycle or even horse, travel the roads to admire its landscapes promises beautiful discoveries...

FOREST GALORE

Haute-Marne is often considered one of the richest gamey sites in France. Welcome to the land of wild boar, roe deer and deer, for the pleasure of hunting and food lovers or just the pleasure of admiring wildlife. Arc-en-Barrois forest is the largest area of hunting big game in France.

Contact :

Fédération des Chasseurs de Haute-Marne

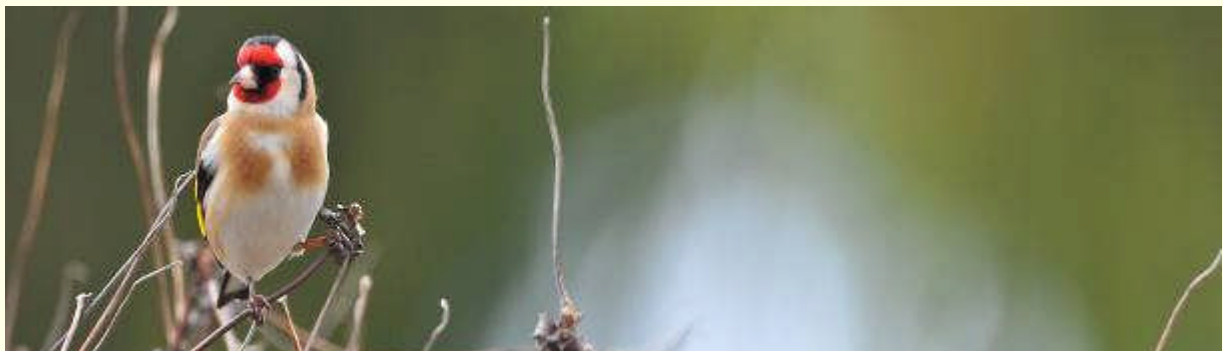
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www.chasse-haute-marne.org

A PRESERVED AREA

Many natural sites allow you to better understand the geology and nature of the department:

- **The Tufière Waterfall** of Rolampont - Monumental natural staircase built by runoff water, it is a classified site, alive and active biological environment for millennia. Natural laboratory, the Tufière Waterfall transforms foams "tuff".
- **The 'Cul du cerf'** of Orquevaux - Picturesque location, it is one of the most spectacular natural wonders of the department, a result of chemical and mechanical erosion of water in limestone areas. This ravine is 200meters wide and 65meters deep.
- **The Vingeanne Gorges** - Both intimate and big. The river flowing waterfall between two narrow limestone walls and thus form the unique canyon of Champagne-Ardenne.
- **The Black Coast** of Moëlain - These cliffs of tall green marl over 50meters dominate abruptly a loop of the Marne. They offer a view overlooking the river.
- **Wildlife Park** of Chalmessin - Here are found species from the south like thyme or plants accustomed to mountain conditions like Jupiter helmet aconite. In summer, the marsh is never dry, and it favors the presence of many dragonflies. An interpretation circuit was built to freely discover the wildlife park.



Haute-Marne has beautiful places to observe wildlife.

THE LAND TO ORCHIDS

More than 40 different species have been recorded in the department. The most legendary and most fragile is the "Lady's Slipper" with its yellow throat and crimson petals. The most original is perhaps the Goat Orchid, with its unpleasant foot smell while 'Ophrys' seems trickier since they disguise themselves to attract insects and thus ensure fertilization. These plants are fragile and demanding: they bear no harvest and no upheaval.

A NEW NATIONAL FOREST PARK

A part of the Arc-en-Barrois and Auberive forests have been selected to be a part of the new National Hardwood Forest Park. It also covers the department of Côte-d'Or to thereby form the future 11th National Forest Park - Champagne and Burgundy - on an area of 220,000ha.

Contact:

www.forets-champagne-bourgogne.fr

THE OMNIPRESENT WHITEWATER

Haute-Marne has five artificial lakes: the 'Lac du Der' - built in order to regulate the level of the Seine - and the four Langres' Country lakes - to feed the canal between Champagne and Burgundy. Adjustments were made on those waters to offer many water activities described later in the 'Must See / Must Do' part.

The 'Lac du Der' is the European largest artificial lake with a 4,800ha area. The other lakes are located further south of the department, around the fortified town of Langres: 'Vingeanne', 'Charmes', the 'Mouche' and the 'Liez' lakes.

- Fishing in the Haute-Marne Rivers

900km of rivers are classified into the first category, famous for salmon, trout and grayling. The remaining 905km, classified in 2nd category, allows fishing for perch, pike and whitefish. Fishermen stalk predators and carp in large lakes including night fishing.

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www.federationpeche52.fr

- Enjoying the thermal waters of Bourbonne-les-Bains

The thermal water of Bourbonne-les-Bains is known for its healing benefits, especially for treating different types of diseases such as osteoarthritis, rheumatism or respiratory problems. Today it is also used for fitness stays combining spa and beauty treatments to refuel energy and vitality. Many themed journeys are proposed wellness back, anti-stress, relaxing...

Contact :

Thermes de Bourbonne-les-Bains

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www.valvital.fr

MUST SEE / MUST DO

- Water Activities

Swimming, sailing, water skiing, catamaran sailing, windsurfing, jet ski, canoeing, pleasure boat...

For more thrills and fun, there is also wakeboarding, blob jump, standup paddle, banana boat...

And for sailing enthusiasts, the 'Lac du Der' has 3 built ports hosting pleasure craft.

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Office de Tourisme du Lac du Der

Tel. +33 (0)3 26 72 62 80

www.lacduder.com

Office de Tourisme du Pays de Langres

Tel. +33 (0)3 25 87 67 67

www.tourisme-langres.com

- Sailing through the 'Champagne and Burgundy' Waterway

Haute-Marne is crossed from North to South by the 'Champagne and Burgundy' waterway. Formerly used by the forges, this channel currently undergoing a conversion to river tourism. Possibility of renting pleasure boats to discover the department or organize one-day excursions.

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- Bird Watching

With its quality environment, the 'Lac du Der' has become a mecca of French ornithology and attracts specialists from all countries. Over 270 bird species have been recorded in the area wintering, migratory or breeding. Although artificial, the reservoir is classified bird sanctuary since 1978. Some are rare and endangered. It also has 40 species of mammals, 45 varieties of dragonflies, 20 kinds of amphibians and more than 200 different plants.



The flight of common cranes is always a spectacular moment.

THE MIGRATION OF COMMON CRANES, A REAL SHOW OF NATURE

In the autumn, tens of thousands of common cranes facing the 'Lac du Der'. They offer an unforgettable sight at sunrise when they leave the lake by thousands in an impressive outcry of "graow-graow". They join the fields to feed corn crop residues. In the afternoon, they gather again to return to the lake until nightfall.

- Participate in Organized Nature Tour

Several associations in Haute-Marne offer seasons outputs framed theme to raise awareness and explain the nature: discovering orchids and flora of our forests, listen to birds singing or frogs, watch animals by night, attend the rising of common cranes...

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- Hiking by foot, bike or horse
- 108 loops between 5 et 32km
 - 2 itinerant hiking tours of 3 to 4 days
 - 3 big hiking trails

These courses are presented as downloadable sheets on: www.tourisme-hautemarne.com

- Cycling in the Haute-Marne

Haute-Marne has a very dense network of small roads with little traffic that enable cycling enthusiasts to explore the richness of the department in total freedom. This network is accompanied by specially equipped lanes dedicated to soft traffic (bike, roller...). Here are the most important routes:

- Along the canal, waterside lane
- Green Lane of the four Country of Langres lakes
- Around the 'Lac du Der'

Cycling paths list is available on our website: www.tourisme-hautemarne.com

LABELS “CHAMPAGNE A VELO” AND “CHAMPAGNE A MOTO”

In order to better answer the tourists demand on a bike or motorcycle, homeowners engaged in these initiatives – “Champagne à vélo” ; “Champagne à moto” - promise a personalized reception, tourist information and useful services.

For more information about these labels: www.tourisme-champagne-ardenne.com



Haute-Marne counts various roads for the pleasure of cyclists.

Medieval
Renaissance
Classical
Contemporary
Ecological

A SHOWCASE FOR GARDENS

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Let's be enchanted by the charm of many gardens throughout the department.



A SHOWCASE FOR GARDENS

Haute-Marne is able to be surprising because it gathers within its walls many gardens offering a summary of the garden art history in France. Here they are some examples.

MEDIEVAL GARDEN

This garden combines without hierarchy edible and ornamental plants. This aspect is also reflected in gardens priest. Their low surface is explained by the need to save space inside the walls of a town or a castle.

The fence, which separates the garden from raw nature, also protects from invaders. It can be carried by walls or hedges and a presence of a fountain and its basin is necessary to plant life - but also valued for the pleasure of the sound of water.

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RENAISSANCE GARDEN



The 'Château de Joinville' gardens have been beautifully restored and now offer a nice ride. It has two very different areas: on the one hand the Renaissance garden with its geometric shapes, and on the other hand the romantic park also said 'English garden'.

Beyond the square, visitors discover several garden parts: flowerbed, medicinal, aromatic and fruit trees with rare ones. The garden is able to be seen in all seasons. It is the 3rd Renaissance historical garden after Villandry and Chamerolles gardens.

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www.haute-marne.fr/legrandjardin



The Renaissance Castle of Joinville.

CLASSICAL GARDEN



Classical garden is an extension of Renaissance style with longer square with rectangular shapes on each side of an axis of symmetry that unites the home and garden. The organization responds to a gradation mastered to the wild (parterre gardens, grass mats, groves, etc). Cohons – village with two labelled gardens – has a beautiful classical garden where we can admire an impressive work of perspective. It is the first garden of Champagne-Ardenne region which has received an American award – the *French Heritage Society* prize.

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Les jardins de Silière
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www.siliere.fr



A perfect example of Classical garden with the Silières' garden in Cohons.

CONTEMPORARY GARDEN

Unlike previous eras, flowers - perennials and shrubs - will play a large role in massive with soft contours. Works passionate amateurs or landscapers, gardens also host today often artistic work.

Contacts :



Les jardins de mon moulin
D60
52300 THONNANCE-LES-JOINVILLE
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www.lesjardinsdemonmoulin.fr

Un jardin pour tous les sens
46 Hameau – La Grève
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Le jardin d'Aline
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52110 CIREY-SUR-BLAISE
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www.aline-bienfait.com

ECOLOGICAL GARDEN

Not far from Bourbonne-les-Bains, 'Natur'ailes' Association has implemented an ecological garden. Genuine area of discovery and exchange, garden tour focuses on three themes: ecological garden, the world of bees, and edible plants. Themed workshops are proposed to garden green, learn about wild food, plant conservation, and even achieve its own natural cosmetics!

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PICTURESQUE

Picturesque originally means "worthy of being painted." The word refers to the parks designed as a series of paintings where nature embellishes factories, rocks, waterfalls and amazing species...

The 'Parc des Roches' of Bourmont (see photography below) – another labelled garden – is a great example of what you expect when you think of 'Picturesque'.

Contact:



Parc des Roches
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Nothing more peaceful than enjoying nature .

In the meandering of its paths, the Rock Park of Bourmont surprises by the wealth of its poetic and mysterious ambience.



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A nice walk around the fortified city of Langres.



A RICH HERITAGE TO DISCOVER

The Haute-Marne department keeps in its walls many witnesses remains and buildings of a rich past. Let the Haut-Marne unveil its History...

ROMAN RELICS

The department has ancient remains that focus on two distinguished places:

- The **Roman Villa of Andilly-en-Bassigny** - former residence of a wealthy landowner – was built during the first century next to the Roman routes. His plan was amended several times to arrive at the currently visible remains that present the final state of the fourth century.

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- The **Mausoleum of Faverolles** has remarkable elements of the Gallo-Roman era. A nature trail allows us to understand the remains of the tomb in their archaeological and geological environment.

Both sites have many activities for children (see part “A land to spend time with your family”)

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The Roman Villa of Andilly-en-Bassigny.

MIDDLE-AGES AND RENAISSANCE CASTLES



Lafauche Castle.

Lafauche Castle remains spread over an area of 5ha and reflect the strategic importance of the fortress in the Middle-Ages. Registered with the additional inventory of historic monuments, it remains 9 towers, one door and 3ha of ruins today. This place is now a place of passionate encounters and pageants, art, culture into multiple expressions. A large medieval festival is organized there every year.

Contact:

Association des amis du Château Lafauche
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www.chateau-lafauche.com



A detailed part of the front door of the Renaissance Castle of Joinville.

The **Renaissance Castle of Joinville** - called 'Château du Grand Jardin' – is a historical monument built between 1533 and 1546 by the First Duke of Guise: Claude de Lorraine. This castle is a jewel of Renaissance architecture with many carved decorations, typical characteristics of the 1st and 2nd period. It is a perfect synthesis of French tradition and Italian taste that is established throughout Europe. There is also a chapel dating from 1546 which is possible to admire with a remarkable coffered ceiling Italian. Became a cultural center in the early 21st century, concerts, exhibitions and so many other events are offered each year.

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Castle of Pailly.

The **Castle of Pailly** is an example of Renaissance architecture among the most remarkable. Located on the site of an old feudal fortress, which it probably kept the dungeon and three corner towers. However, exterior facades have kept appearance somewhat martial of a military building. The set is surrounded by moat and inside the castle we can find large halls and richly ornamented monumental fireplaces.

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HISTORICAL AND FORTIFIED CITIES

The **fortified city of Langres** is one of the most beautiful detours in France. Perched on a rocky outcrop, the city has a wonderful heritage ranging from Roman times until the nineteenth century. Military architecture predominates with its 3.5km of ramparts, gates and artillery towers. By adding the ramparts of the citadel, Langres can proudly display as the largest fortified city in Europe.

By walking in the fortified city, you can discover; Saint-Mammès cathedral and cloister, mansions, Renaissance houses and several halberdiers passages. From September to June, a fun and educational trail in the Tower of Navarre is spread over 3 floors of exhibits and an area of 900m². Visitors, fitted out with an audio guide, can experience this heritage through sights and sounds effects, videos...

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The fortified city of Langres.



The impressive Viaduct in Chaumont.

The **city of Chaumont** - with feudal origin and former residence of the Counts of Champagne that radiated throughout the region - early received a strategic position. The only remains of this period are the dungeon which served the Lord and housing for soldiers, and some of the walls. But the impressive viaduct remains the biggest heritage of the city and is still used today.

In the old city, we can see various turrets which distinguish themselves from global architecture. Today capital of the Haute-Marne department, Chaumont organizes an international event called 'Chaumont Graphic Design'.

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Office de Tourisme du Pays de Chaumont

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'Quai des Peceaux' in Joinville.

The **Renaissance city of Joinville** invites to walk through its tiny streets and discover its old houses nestled against the hill of the old castle that was once the cradle of the Lords of Joinville. The 'Quai des Peceaux' which borders the "Little Venice", the 'Quai des Mailles' or the 'Poncelot' bridge promise beautiful strolls. The old pharmacy is located and tells the story of Joinville Hospital.

It gathers over 230 potties and utensils used by apothecaries during the thirteenth till nineteenth centuries. Don't forget to visit the former courthouse 'L'Auditoire' – created in 1561 – which exposes more than 80 mannequins in period outfits.

Contact:

'PETITE CITE DE CARACTERE' LABEL

Vignory is often known for its Romanesque church of the eleventh century which has a collection of statues of the fifteenth. What also impresses, it is the remains of the medieval castle with ramparts, the trick to Pit and the recently restored dungeon. Many other architectural curiosities are to be discovered during a circuit connecting 22 heritage elements in its streets.

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Association Histoire et Patrimoine
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Bourmont is a small hilltop village, formerly fortified. Different roads allow to discover the heritage and lead to the "Renaissance" houses in the Walk of Cona (lime avenue planted around 1760), the Annunciation and the Trinitarians Convents and Notre-Dame church. Rock park finishes the visit with many stairs, hallways drystone with a poetic and mysterious landscape. This picturesque park was created in the first half of the nineteenth century between a cliff and a lookout on the Meuse valley.

Contact:

Société Historique et Archéologique de Bourmont
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Châteauvillain preserves a medieval heritage of great wealth with a fortified twelfth and fourteenth century. By taking the walkway and the small streets of this town, visitors discover towers, gates, battlements, gardens... A small museum located in the former courthouse tower allows discovering, among others, the model room of the city castles. Guided tours lead visitors in the footsteps of the lords of Châteauvillain. A final walk in the Deer park ends visit.

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ABBEYS



Old medieval part of the Abbey of auberive

In 2015, Bernard of Clairvaux, a leading promoter of the Cistercian order, celebrates its 900 years. Haute-Marne holds seven Cistercian abbeys in its territory. Among them, the **abbey of Morimond**, 4th daughter of Clairvaux (First Foundation), is located in Parnoy-en-Bassigny. Founded in 1117, it remains to this day the gatehouse, the Chapel and a section of wall of the abbey church.

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The **abbey of Crete** is located in Bourdons-sur-Rognona and was founded in 1121. Last vestiges testify to the horrors of revolution. There remains only the dovecote, the abbey house and the wall.

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The **abbey of Auberive** was founded in 1135 by 12 monks from the Abbey of Clairvaux. Rebuilt in the eighteenth century, it became a cotton mill and a resort place. In the mid-nineteenth century, the abbey was transformed into a prison for women and in agricultural colony for juvenile offenders. Today it is a Centre of Contemporary Art which presents a beautiful collection of Expressionist art. Paintings, sculptures, drawings, photographs, literature and poetry are presented. Many other events are organized throughout the year: concerts, regional market... The Abbey also hosts the apple conservatory, with an orchard of 6.5ha which is home to rare species of trees.

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General De Gaulle
Denis Diderot
Voltaire

A LAND OF GREAT MEN

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A LAND OF GREAT MEN

Haute-Marne keeps the memory of illustrious historical people. General de Gaulle, Diderot and Voltaire lived there, in places that have been marked by their presence. Many statues, monuments and buildings relate to their time and keep in them valuable historical, political or human secrets that give this very special character to places of Haute-Marne. Places which are timeless and solemnity, mystery, history and culture intermingle...

GENERAL DE GAULLE IN COLOMBEY-LES-DEUX-ÉGLISES

We all remember the man of 18th June, 1940. Charle De Gaulle came in Colombey-les-Deux-Eglises for peace, including in his family home "**La boiserie**" where history has been written. This house is open to the public for several years.

Contact:

La Boiserie

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www.charles-de-gaulle.org

On nearly 1600m² of exposure, the **Charles de Gaulle Memorial** traces the history of the twentieth century through the private and public life of Charles de Gaulle, all in a modern stage design, interactive and moving. Exhibitions are made with high quality and adapted to the family audience. Cultural events are regularly held at the Memorial that features a 200 seat amphitheater.

Contact:

Mémorial Charles de Gaulle

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www.memorial-charlesdegaulle.fr

DENIS DIDEROT IN LANGRES

The most famous Langres' inhabitant is certainly Denis Diderot, born in 1713 in the square that now bears his name.

Son of a well-known cutler master, he studied at the Jesuit School. At the age of 15, he rejects the estate of his father and canonical seat of his uncle and left the city to pursue his studies in Paris at Louis-le-Grand High School. In 1746, he was asked to translate an English encyclopedia published in 1728. Then, the idea came to him to recompose this document which makes him that famous. His statue, carried out by Bartholdi in 1884, presides over the main square of the city.



Overview of the Encyclopedia.

The '**Maison des Lumières Denis Diderot**' is the only museum in France dedicated to Diderot and the eighteenth century named 'Siècle des Lumières' in France. In a mansion of the sixteenth and eighteenth centuries fully restored, the museum tour is organized around over 250 original works that give to know the philosopher Diderot, his century and his major work, the Encyclopedia.

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Office de Tourisme du Pays de Langres
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Maison des Lumières Denis Diderot
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VOLTAIRE IN CIREY-SUR-BLAISE



The castle of Cirey-sur-Blaise where Voltaire lived from 1734 to 1749.

At the heart of the Blaise Valley, here still stands the **castle of Cirey-sur-Blaise** where Voltaire stayed along from 1734 to 1749 with the marquise Emilie du Châtelet. The famous philosopher found refuge there following the controversy publication of "English Philology".

Visitors are able to take a leap in the past discovering the main rooms of the house: Marquise's bedroom; dining room; scientist cabinet; living room; kitchen and the highlight of the visit the 'Small Theater'.

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AND SO MANY OTHERS...

Jeanne Mance, Louise Michel, Philippe Lebon, Flammarion brothers, Simone de Beauvoir or Bernard Dimey are also famous and historical figures who lived a time in Haute-Marne or even born there.

Cutlery of Nogent
Basketry of Fayl-Billot
Cast Iron Art in the Blaise valley
Mill floristry of Orges

A TRADITIONAL KNOW-HOW

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Basketry of Fayl-Billot
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The discovery of an authentic department.



A TRADITIONAL KNOW-HOW

Haute-Marne is full of passionate people who are willing to open their workshops to share their traditions and skills. The Cutlery of Nogent , the Basketry of Fayl-Billot, the Cast Iron Art in the Blaise valley, the Floristry in Orges... many villages where trade secrets are reproduced and perpetuated for generations.

THE CUTLERY OF NOGENT

Since the eighteenth century, the Nogent Basin has developed and expanded its cutlery activities to the achievement of many specialties: cutlery, 'cisellerie' , stamping , machining, hand tools, surgical instruments . The **Museum of cutlery** in Nogent allows discovering the history and evolution of the cutlery work. It is a part of the attractions of the "Road of Cutler Valleys" also including cutlery workshops.

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Office de tourisme du Nogentais

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www.nogent52-tourisme.com

Musée de la Coutellerie

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www.villedenogent52.fr/page/culture/musee/

THE BASKETRY OF FAYL-BILLOT

Present in Fayl-Billot and its surroundings since 1670, fifty weavers strive to maintain traditions while respecting the "business of art" . The **House of Basketry** in Fayl-Billot offers an exhibition of the evolution of basket over centuries. Basket makers craftsmen make their know-how through demonstrations and visits to their workshops. They also offer introductory courses.

Contact :

Office de Tourisme du Pays de la Vannerie

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www.tourisme-faylbillot.com



The basketry is an historical and typical know-how of the Haute-Marne..

THE CAST IRON ART IN THE BLAISE VALLEY

Thanks to its natural wealth, Haute-Marne has seen its territory hedge metallurgical establishments for nearly 25 centuries. Around 1830, the department engages in a real conversion: the art of melting (candelabras, benches, fountains...). Among the best-known achievements are the Wallace fountains that adorn the streets of Paris, the ironwork "Art Nouveau" Guimard... .

The **Guimard font tour** in Saint- Dizier has a hundred houses bearing elements or style Guimard 1900. Metallurgic Park, located in Dommartin-le-Franc, is a museum space in a former factory from the nineteenth century. An interactive and dynamic scenic route to discover the incredible diffusion of the Haute-Marne cast art in the world and excellent know-how and industrial trades practiced in the territory at the twenty-first century.

The **"Paradis de Sommevoire"** is a place where we can find together over 1000 plaster models of Antoine Durenne and completes the trail.

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Metallurgic Park

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Le Paradis à Sommevoire

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THE FLORISTRY MILL OF ORGES

Haute Couture is the core expertise of the Floristry Mill - last center in France - manufacturing pistils, stamens, stems and artificial fruit. Manufacturing methods remain unchanged from 1903. The mill water wheel drives an electric turbine 110 volts for lighting and operation of facilities.

The mill works for professionals of haute couture (Chanel), but also in the largest confectionery pastries (Lenôtre) and for individuals. During the visit, we discover a unique know-how, but also the world of the mills.

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Creating decorative flowers and leaves is the core expertise of the Floristry Mill.

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Profiteroles made with Langres cheese are simply a gourmet delight !'



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The Haute-Marne terroir to your table. Local products are generous and represent the image of its inhabitants. The meal opens with a glass of champagne or a local beer. The varied dishes are appreciated by gourmets: truffles, crayfish, 'foie gras', game, saffron, snails, Langres' cheese... all accompanied by local wines. To close this delicious moment, few brandies and liqueurs, Haute-Marne incomparable flavors.

WINES & OTHER DRINKS

- Champagne

Since 1973, the vineyard of Haute-Marne **Champagne** covers 80 hectares with a production of mostly Pinot Noir. A dozen winemakers are present in the towns of Colombey-les-Deux-Eglises, Argentolles and Rizaucourt. They readily open their farms for tours followed by a wine tasting. The pantry Saint Vincent in Argentolles is a reception point of the Champagne Route where visitors are invited to discover the vineyards of Haute- Marne and enjoy its treasures.

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The vineyard of Haute-Marne Champagne covers over 80 hectares in the North-West of the Department.

- Wines

The **Coiffy's Wine** is in the southern department about 7km from Bourbonne-les-Bains and spans three municipalities : Coiffy-le-Haut, Coiffy-le-Bas, Laneuville. Florence Pelletier and SCEA des Coteaux Coiffy propose to introduce their products in their own cellar. On another note, Florence Pelletier also offers wine made with flowers.

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Production of Muid Monsaugeonnais was relaunched in 1989 with the planting of 10 hectares of vines in Aubigny, Montsaugeon, Rivière-les-Fosses and Chatoillenot. The wines of the area of Muid Montsaugeonnais offer Pinot Noir, White Chardonnay, Auxerrois White, Rosé and Brut Muid. To taste the local wines Montsaugeon, visit the cellar located in Vaux-sous-Aubigny.

Contact :

Le Muid Montsaugeonnais
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- Other drinks

Red fruits are available in quiet wine in Bugnières. Raised in line like vines on the sunny hillsides, currant fruit and blackcurrant are harvested mid-July and then be squeezed like grapes to release a fruity juice that is fermented in vats and barrels. For instance, Jean-Michel Rousselle, producer of the **Ruby Currant Cassis** and explains all these manufacturing steps when visiting plantations is followed by a tasting.

Brandies and liqueurs of Mr. Decorse are all developed and distilled by himself in the purest respect for craft traditions in Millières. Its production is much diversified with sometimes unexpected flavors: pear, plum, raspberry, elderberry, quince, madeleine, apricot, blueberry, rosehip, tarragon, mullein flower,...

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- Local Beers

There are two craft beers manufactured in accordance with the traditions. These beers are all highly fermented and refermented in bottles. The 'Choue' in Giey-sur-Aujon and 'Dervoise' in Montier-en-Der are finely hopped ales and tasty.

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FESTIVE & LUXURY PRODUCTS

- **The Haute-Marne truffle** -or called *Tuber Uncinatum* - grows naturally in limestone terrain well exposed to the sun in the regions of Langres, Chaumont, Joinville ... The favorable period for the harvest lasts from mid- September to December. The method used is called "cavage". This is a delicate operation because the fungus is fragile and grows underground. It is conducted usually by a 'caveur' and truffle dog. Haute-Marne truffles has a remarkable fragrance that is comparable to this one of the Périgord. The "Truffières of Jad" in Rivières-les-Fosses and the Association for the Development of Production and Promotion of the Truffle in Haute-Marne (ADT52) are two organizations offering cavage demonstrations, tastings... The ADT52 association also organizes events around this flagship product.

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ADT52

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Gourmet Stay to discover the Truffe of Haute-Marne

Come in Haute-Marne and discover À Chaumont ou à Joinville, avec cavage en forêt, cours de cuisine ou démonstration culinaire et menu gastronomique autour de la truffe. + d'infos sur :

www.tourisme-hautemarne.com

... AND SO MUCH MORE !

Many other festive and luxury products are ready to be discovered in the department : 'foie gras' in Droyes ; Barrois Squab in Richebourg ; Snails breeding in Meures ; saffron in the Aujon Valley ; Red-legs clayfish in Thonnance-lès-Joinville ; ... If you want to learn more about these products, you can visit our website (www.tourisme-hautemarne.com) and download our specific press kit 'Saveurs et produits du terroir en Haute-Marne'

CHEESE PLATE

Strong odor and subtle taste, Langres' cheese is the essential product of Haute-Marne. Originally from the fortified city of the same name, this AOC cheese is made with whole cow's milk. Langres' cheese is easy to cook and make some sauces or hot toast. The cheese factories in Chalancey and Genevrières reveal to the public some of Langres' cheese trade secrets during a tour of the production site by a specific circuit and by the projection of a video. Many other cheeses are produced in our department like the Emmental and goat cheese for cheese lovers, the Chevillon and Saulxurois for cheese experts.

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Many varieties of cheese are produced in the Haute-Marne including the famous Langres' cheese. (the first one on the left-top corner on the picture).

TENDER SWEETNESS

Cécile and Philippe APERT produce with passion red fruits products in Isomes: currants , strawberries and raspberries. They transform these little berries in a wide variety of products for the delight of gourmets : the fruit nectar to jams , syrups with blackcurrant cream, fruit pastes to small gingerbread with jam and blackcurrant ... Tastings and purchasing available in the farm shop.

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