



GHENT

Ghent is a compact, authentic city where the past and present co-exist in perfect balance. Walking through the city is like travelling through time: you turn the corner and just like that, you go from the fourteenth century to the twenty-first. In Ghent pounds the young heart of a cultural city filled with music, theatre, film and visual arts. Because of its central location in Flanders, Ghent is an ideal operating base to visit the Flemish Art Cities. A wide range of overnight facilities including one to four star full service hotels and B&B's, makes sure there is a choice for every budget. Ghent is ready to welcome you with open arms.



BARS & NIGHTLIFE



HASTA MAÑANA

Pub with Art Deco interior & Latin vibes.

19 Lammerstraat
www.polepole.be

WHITE CAT

Funk and jazz in a medieval cellar.

40 Drongenhof
 +32 496 18 91 89
www.whitecat.be

DE ONVRIJE SCHIPPER

This is a cosy and southern looking bar in the cellars of a historical building.

7A Korenlei
 +32 9 233 60 45

POLÉ POLÉ

In this Polé Polé bar you will find a mixture of tropical music and an authentic African decoration.

8 Lammerstraat
 +32 9 356 67 00
www.polepole.be

LOUNGE BAR CAFÉ THEATRE

Elegant brasserie in a metropolitan style.

5-7 Schouwburgstraat
 +32 9 265 05 50
www.cafetheatre.be

CHARLATAN

Popular nightlife and music café, the epicentre of the Ghent nightlife scene; the place to dance the night away during the weekend; free performances; open till the wee hours; large indoor and smokers' terrace (weather permitting) and so much more...

* Also known as the "House of Perdition".

Vlasmarkt 6, 9000 Gent

BAR DES AMIS

Another Polé Polé bar, situated in the heart of Ghent. Here you will find an exotic and warm atmosphere.

5 Vlasmarkt
<https://www.facebook.com/bardesamisgent/?fref=ts>

LIMONADA

A cocktail bar with a seventies interior, comfortable sofas and sitting bags.

7 Heilige Geeststraat
 +32 9 233 78 85

DECADANCE

Popular dance and after-party club with three rooms, each with a different DJ and style of music. This is a legendary club on the city's nightlife scene.

Overpoortstraat 76, 9000 Gent

JIGGER'S

Reminiscent of the speakeasies from the Prohibition Era in the United States. In order to enter, you have to ring the bell. The menu includes original cocktails from the 1930s and new twists on old favourites: Manhattans, Dry Martinis, Cosmopolitans, Gentsche Moale...

A typical cocktail bar, inspired by the thirties. Just ring the doorbell and enter this brand new hidden bar.

16 Oudburg
 +32 9 335 70 25

CHAMPAGNE BAR CHEZ DE BEIR

Bubbly Ghent, to start your evening in style.

33 Onderbergen
+32 475 59 04 87
www.champagnebar.biz

CLUB 69

Trendy dance club for sexy people with great DJs and cool beats.

Oude Beestenmarkt 5-6
www.club-69.be

CULTURE CLUB

If you are in for a great party, Culture Club is the place to be. No wonder Face Magazine declared this nightclub to be the best club in Europe.

174 Afrikalaan
+32 9 233 09 46
www.cultureclub.be

HOT CLUB DE GAND

Café - jazz club - bar that offers live performances

15 Groentenmarkt
+32 486 74 07 99
<https://www.facebook.com/hotclubgent/?fref=ts>

CAFES



JIGGER'S

Exclusive cocktail bar with the atmosphere of the speakeasies from the 20s in the US, when alcohol was illegal. You need to ring the bell to enter and reservations are recommended at +32 (0) 9 335 70 25

* The menu is limited and is changed on a regular basis. Classic cocktails that are not on the menu can be made upon request.

* One of the owners, Olivier Jacobs, has won the award for "Best Cocktail Maker of the Benelux" for the second year in a row.

Oudburg 16, 9000 Gent
+32 9 335 70 25

www.jiggers.be

MARIMAIN

Café next to the Minard theatre frequented by regulars and youngsters, with the most popular terrace in Ghent, from where you can admire and rate passers-by, both male and female.

* The name is inspired by the previous owner, Mary Brouillard, and Ghent-born comedian Romain Deconinck.

Walpoortstraat 17, 9000 Gent

DE GEUS VAN GENT

Beautiful café at the "Geuzenhuis" with a lounge area and a peculiar rounded ceiling where you can enjoy a chat; meeting place for liberal people (whether they share the same views or not) with a waterside terrace.

Kantienberg 9, 9000 Gent

+32 9 220 78 25

<http://www.geuzenhuis.be/cafe>

EL NEGOCITO

Chilean music pub with a southern and rough atmosphere serving delicious and cheap food, from 'tapitas' to a main course. It is located near the 'Zuid'.

Brabantdam 121, 9000 Gent

+32 495 27 44 94

www.mi-negocio.net

POLÉ POLÉ

African cocktail bar for youngsters and students, also known because of the eponymous festival during the Ghent Festivities.

#Afro – latin – southern.

Lammerstraat 8, 9000 Gent

+32 9 356 67 00

TROLLEKELDER

Brown beer pub with a 15th-century basement where you can enjoy a quiet, intimate chat.

*Here you can't order a normal pint, only top-quality Belgian specialty beers!

Bij Sint-Jacobs 17, 9000 Gent

+32 9 223 76 96

www.trollekelder.be

MOSQUITO COAST

Travel cafe/eatery near the Town Hall that makes you dream of distant, adventurous and exotic destinations. Colourful cocktails as well as local beers, finger food and world cuisine, a nice mixture from far and near. Weather permitting, you can also sit in the backyard or the terrace.

Hoogpoort 28, 9000 Gent

+32 9 224 37 20

www.mosquitocoast.be

DE ROERKUIP

Eclectic music and dance café with an elevated dance hall, where you can enjoy a quiet chat or a great party.

* DJs every Friday and Saturday.

Oude Beestenmarkt 8, 9000 Gent
+32 488 48 16 00

WASBAR

Impressive launderette with adjoining bar. Young tourists, Erasmus students and young inhabitants of Ghent come here to do their laundry while sipping a cool beer or a coffee at the bar.

* Brunch on Saturdays and Sundays.

Nederkouter 109, 9000 Gent
+32 9 335 48 25
www.wasbar.com/gent/

DE ONVRIJE SCHIPPER

Café with a southern feel where you can enjoy a bite and/or a cocktail in the vaulted basement of the former “Guild House of the Unfree Boatmen”, with a beautiful terrace along the Korenlei. The smallest and most popular toilet on the Graslei and Korenlei.

Korenlei 7a, 9000 Gent
+32 9 233 60 45
www.deonvrijeschipper.be/

MISTERIOSO

Alternative café where you can enjoy a chat and a spot of jazz. It features one of the few remaining bumper pool tables in Ghent. It has a very long bar and a popular terrace on the streetside.

Krommewal 96, 9000 Gent

AFSNIS

Brown café where you can enjoy a chat. The place to be for beer lovers and a legendary spot in Ghent. Open from 8 a.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday for stall holders and customers of the flea market.

Bij Sint-Jacobs 10, 9000 Gent

PAARD VAN TROJE

Bookshop slash coffeehouse with big summerterrace on Kouter square.
Santé ! - Cheers !

Kouter 113- 114, 9000 Gent

JAN VAN GENT

Cosy “brown café” with a pool table renowned for its bizarre events. The ideal place for a chat or a fun night out.

* Garden terrace which seats 50-60 people.

Annonciadenstraat 1, 9000 Gent

MINOR SWING

Small, but cosy brown jazz bar serving good wines and whiskies with a small but very popular terrace. *Features a piano. Regular jazz performances.

Ottogracht 56, 9000 Gent

DAMBERD

Legendary intercultural jazz café in Ghent, which has been an established value in the city for over 30 years and claims to have been a pub since the 18th century.

* Regular performances.

* Jazz, world music, funk and soul.

Korenmarkt 19, 9000 Gent

HET ONVERWACHT GELUK

Stylish brown jazz pub where you can enjoy a chat in a swinging retro interior with matching atmosphere. There is also a room where you can take on the dance floor.

*Regular performances.

*Swing, bebop and cool jazz from the 40s and 50s.

Burgstraat 59, 9000 Gent

'T CAFEETSE VAN 'T MUSEETSE

Small popular pub in Ghent, part of the former folk museum, which is now called House of Alijn (only open during the day and in the evening on the last Thursday of the month), very large and quiet garden terrace in the internal courtyard.

*Cheese and cured sausages with Tierenteyn mustard.

Kraanlei 65, 9000 Gent

GLORIA

Popular night-time café located in a basement run by two fun owners, the chubby buddies Igor and Bert.

* Every month the window is decorated with controversial, satirical quotes by Igor, one of the owners.

Vlasmarkt 17, 9000 Gent
+32 9 224 24 57

DEN DRUMMER

The only remaining hard-rock and metal café in Ghent. Nico, a rocker in heart and soul, welcomes you from behind the bar. "Den Drummer" only opened its doors a few years ago, but it is already a legendary place on the scene.

* Monthly concerts, arm wrestling and table football tournaments.

* Hard rock, metal, punk, hard core, stoner rock, hair metal, doom metal, grunge,

Stalhof 39, 9000 Gent

SPHINX CAFÉ

Stylish café facing cinema Sphinx where you can enjoy a chat. The café has a terrace for those who like to watch beautiful people walk by.

Sint-Michiëlshelling 3, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 60 86

www.sphinx-cinema.be

STUDIO SKOOP CAFÉ

Brown pub, the place to be to have a chat, part of alternative cinema Studio Skoop.

* Decorated with nostalgic film photos and posters.

* The cinema opened its doors 40 years ago.

Sint-Annaplein 63, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 08 45

www.studioskoop.be/café

LIMONADA

Cocktail bar with futuristic 'Clockwork Orange' lounge interior.

* Electro, lounge

Heilige Geeststraat 7, 9000 Gent
+32 498 45 94 72

<https://www.facebook.com/limonada.Gent/?rf=137603296308029>

DE BROUWZAELE

Beer café and eatery where you can have a pint after watching a film. Impressive interior and beer tap

with a large round bar under an old brewing kettle.

* Extensive beer menu which includes over 100 beers.

* Traditionally there is still some white sand on the floor to keep the parquet nice and clean, hence the expression "Moet er nog zand zijn?" (literally "More sand?", which means "Got that?").

Ter Platen 17, 9000 Gent
+32 9 224 33 92

DE PLANCK

Barge turned eatery and beer pub facing Kinopolis cinema with a large summer terrace on deck. Great place to have a chat.

* Extensive beer menu with 140 beers.

Ter Platen, 9000 Gent
+32 478 76 94 16

CAFÉ DE ZOO

Cocktail bar – lounge café linked to restaurant "De Acht Zaligheden".

Oudburg 2, 9000 Gent
+32 9 224 31 97

<http://www.deachtzaligheden.be/dezoo/#cafedezo>

LABATH

Coffee bar Labath is located near the Sint-Lucas art college and a few steps from Saint Michael's Bridge. This corner bar with gigantic windows has a big-city feel. Head over there to read the paper, work on your laptop, have a chat on the terrace and of course a cup of coffee. Both Thomas and Valentine are true coffee connoisseurs, so they'll only serve you topquality brews, whether you prefer a regular or a "slow coffee".

Oude Houtlei 1, 9000 Gent
+32 476 99 42 81
www.cafelabath.be

HUIZE COLETTE

Chocolate and literature, a delicious combo which contributes to the inimitable atmosphere at Huize Colette. Don't forget to taste the home-made lemonades and brownies, scones and cake! Every morning you can have a simple or an elaborate breakfast here.

Belfortstraat 6, 9000 Gent
+32 478 90 64 73

GALGENHUISJE

The smallest pub in Ghent.

5 Groentenmarkt
+32 474 93 00 34

SIMON SAYS

Trendy coffee bar in a beautiful building dating from 1904. The eye catchers are Panamarenko's golden murals while the coffee is roasted by the eccentric artist's wife.

Sluizeken 8, 9000 Gent
+32 9 233 03 43
www.simon-says.be

STAMCAFÉ

The STAMcafé by Pain Perdu offers a wonderful view of the architecture and green spaces of the Bijloke site and the café's wonderful sun terrace.

You can visit the café for breakfast, brunch, lunch, coffee, tea and cake.

Godshuizenlaan 2, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 89 93
<http://www.stamgent.be/en/visit/cafe>

'T KANON

Authentic popular Ghent café owned by Nadia and Gerard, where you'll find an older nightlife crowd. Café owner Nadia gives you a crash course in Ghent dialect.

Meersenijsstraat 17, 9000 Gent

FOLKLORE

One of the last real brown cafés in the heart of Ghent where owner Jacky has been doing whatever he pleases for the past three decades. Your drinks are served with cooked eggs on the side, following an old tradition. Building dating back to 1667 that has known quite a few historical owners, filled with stories and decorated with chamber pots on the ceiling.

Lange Steenstraat 69, 9000 Gent

HET TRAPPISTENHUIS

Brown beer pub where you can enjoy a chat; owned by a beer expert.

More than 170 Belgian specialty beers, according to someone who's tasted them all.

Brabantdam 164, 9000 Gent

HOTSY TOTSY

Chat-music-play café for students in a roaring twenties style complete with billiard table.

1 Hoogstraat
+32 9 224 20 12

ROCOCO

Hostess Betty pours you a glass of her home-made Elixir d'Amour by candlelight.

57 Corduwaniersstraat
+32 9 224 30 35
www.patershol.be

CAFÉ DEN TURK

This is a jazz and blues pub, still in its original setting. You can also grab a bite to eat in this oldest pub in Ghent.

3 Botermarkt
+32 9 233 01 97
www.cafedenturk.be

KINKY STAR

Alternative music and nightlife café known for its Irish coffees.

*Home base of Ghent's Kinky Star record label.

*Weekly performances; usually there are also DJs.

#Alternative swing music

Vlasmarkt 9, 9000 Gent

'T DREUPELKOT

In this little pub you can choose from more than 200 kinds of Belgian jenevers, more known in Ghent as 'dreupels'.

12 Groentenmarkt

+32 9 224 21 20

www.dreupelkot.be

TREFPUNT

Small music and theatre café run by the non-profit organisation Trefpunt, which launched the renewed Ghent Festivities in 1970. The meeting place for old hippies, do-gooders, curly heads and music lovers.

* Free performance on Mondays.

* Blues, chansons, jazz, folk music.

Bij Sint-Jacobs 18, 9000 Gent

DULLE GRIET

Here you have to trade your shoe for a typical 'Kwak' beer. But don't worry, you will get it back afterwards.

50 Vrijdagmarkt

+32 9 224 24 55

www.dullegriet.be

WATERHUIS AAN DE BIERKANT

In this pub, you can really get to know all the great Belgian Beers. No wonder the sodas are being referred to as 'weak stuff'.

9 Groentenmarkt

+32 9 225 06 80

www.waterhuisaandebierkant.be

THE GLENGARRY

Medieval basement café owned by whisky connoisseur Bob Minnekeer. Menu with some 1,350 whiskies in all, including a large selection of single-malt whiskies.

* Up to four tastings a week.

* The café owner is internationally renowned for his knowledge of whiskies and bagpipe music.

* Europe's largest whisky club with more than 1,400 members.

Sint-Baafsplein 32, 9000 Gent

+32 9 233 58 98

<http://www.glengarry.be/>

PINK FLAMINGO'S

Overwhelmingly kitsch interior.

55 Onderstraat

+32 9 233 47 18

www.pinkflamingos.be

CAFÉ THÉÂTRE

Metropolitan brasserie with a sparkling and elegant interior located in Ghent's Opera House. Not only refined world cuisine and traditional dishes, but also first class cocktails in the bar next-door.

Schouwburgstraat 5, 9000 Gent

+32 9 265 05 50

www.cafetheatre.be

HET SPIJKER

Brown café frequented by youngsters.

*Has a very popular joint summer terrace with the café next door, "t Gouden Mandeké".

Pensmarkt 3, 9000 Gent

MANTECA

Jazz café in the heart of the historical city centre, ideal for a chat accompanied by a caipirinha and some music played on an untuned piano.

Jazz only.

Cataloniëstraat 2, 9000 Gent

VOORUIT CAFÉ

Large cultural chit-chat café and eatery with an Art Deco interior; originally the heart of Ghent's socialist movement. Cultural temple for theatre, concerts, dance and parties. Many organic and/or fair-trade products and a veggie daily special.

To celebrate its 100th anniversary, Vooruit is bringing Triomf, one of its old beers, back to life. You can taste this 100% organic, highly fermented 6% vol. beer at Vooruit Café or the Vooruit shop. Cheers!

Sint-Pietersnieuwstraat 23, 9000 Gent
+32 9 267 28 20
www.vooruit.be

GRUUT

The Gruut Brewery is one of the rare breweries to use a mix of spices, known as gruit, instead of the traditional hops. Although this brewery uses modern technology it brews its beers in keeping with the ancient traditions.

Currently Gruut produces five beers: a white beer, a blonde, an amber beer, a brown beer and a beer called Inferno.

Rekelingestraat 5, 9000 Gent
+32-92690269
www.gruut.be

PATRICK FOLEY'S

Large Irish pub - restaurant reminiscent of the establishments you find in every major European city.

* Large screens showing football, tennis, rugby and hurling.

* Authentic Irish cuisine with vegetarian options.

Recollettenlei 10, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 08 85
www.foleys.be

EVENTS



GHENT FESTIVAL OF FLANDERS

In September, Ghent becomes a music-lover's Mecca for three whole weeks. Hundreds of performers provide a varied mixture of classical, jazz and world music. It opens with the festive OdeGand. The streets alongside Ghent's waterways overflow with music, animation, art and spectacle. And to top it off: a sparkling firework display. The perfect start!

<http://www.gentfestival.be/>

THE SIX-DAYS BICYCLE RACE

Every year in November, the very best track racing cyclists compete for the victory in the legendary 'Kuipke' cycling stadium. Every day you can watch the race for points, the team race, the elimination race, the time trial, the super sprint and the derny. Don't miss this spectacle!

www.z6sdaagse.be

Every year in November

THE GHENT FLORALIES

A flowery language can not suffice to describe this five-yearly exhibition. The Belgian Royal Family and more than 300.000 visitors will certainly not want to miss this.

www.floraliën.be

THE LIGHT FESTIVAL

Every three years the Light Festival lights up the city with works by international light artists. The city's nights will become the backdrop for a surprising spectacle, ingenious installations, spectacular performances and beautiful events, all based on light. Get ready to discover Ghent's historic sites and monuments from a different angle.

<https://lichtfestival.stad.gent/nl/>

FILM FEST GENT

The Film Fest Gent takes place every year in October and has developed into one of the most important festivals of Europe and the world. At least 200 films from every corner of the world struggle for your attention. It is here too that the prestigious World Soundtrack Awards are handed over every year.

<http://www.filmfestival.be/nl>

GENT JAZZ FESTIVAL

Every year in July jazz enthusiasts can have a great time during the Gent Jazz Festival. Renowned artists from Belgium and abroad make up the programme.

<http://www.gentjazz.com/news>

THE GHENT FESTIVITIES

A sparkling cultural popular festival with numerous performances of various national and international artists: a unique event in Europe, thanks to the varied and free offer of (music) performances, (street)theatre, exhibitions, animation for children, fairs, parades and so much more!

<https://gentsefeesten.stad.gent/>

5 HOT TIPS



FOODIE CITY

On a culinary note: Ghent revealed itself as THE veggie capital of Europe and every Thursday is Veggie Day. Quite recently three creative junior top chefs, who call themselves the Flemish Foodies, consciously chose for Ghent. All three of them opened their own restaurant here. Don't forget to try the mustard, Gentse Waterzooi, stoverij, Roomer and sweets from Temmerman.

LIGHT

The beautifully lit buildings and monuments in the city centre create a magical atmosphere. Ghent received three Michelin stars for its lighting plan. So you really need to stay at least one night to explore Ghent to the full. The city is spectacular during the day, but at night it comes to life once again.

BRIDGE

Photos taken on St Michael's Bridge may not be the most original, but definitely the most beautiful photos of your stay! From here you can admire the breathtaking mediaeval skyline, the old harbour at Gras- and Korenlei, the famous three-tower row, consisting of St Nicholas' Church, the Belfry and St Bavo's Cathedral and the Castle of the Counts.

LAMB

According to historian Noah Charney 'The Adoration of the Mystic Lamb' is without a doubt the world's most besieged and coveted artwork. This majestic altarpiece by the Van Eyck brothers, is the main – but not the only – masterpiece to be admired in the impressive St Bavo's Cathedral. See if you can find out where the stolen panel is hidden...

The Van Eyck brothers painted this unique altarpiece in 1432. It is the highlight of the Flemish Primitives and a milestone in art history. The Polyptych survived the Protestant Iconoclasm, fell into French hands under Napoleon and was requisitioned by Nazi Germany during the Second World War. But it has now been hanging peacefully for more than 50 years in the place where it belongs: St. Bavo's Cathedral. Though admittedly, the 'Just Judges' panel, which was stolen in 1934, is still replaced by a reproduction.

The restoration of "The Adoration of the Mystic Lamb", started in September 2012. You can see the restoration team at work.

Sint-Baafsplein, 9000 Gent
+32-92692045

<http://www.visitgent.be/en/adoration-mystic-lamb?context=tourist#sthash.hBdyofMV.dpuf>

<http://www.visitgent.be/en/adoration-mystic-lamb?context=tourist>

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UNESCO

The fourteenth-century Belfry, the fifteenth-century Cloth Hall and the two walled beguinages are all on the prestigious UNESCO World Heritage list. Moreover, this organisation has crowned Ghent 'Creative City of Music' in honour of its many famous festivals and music schools, and its more than 600 pop and rock bands.

DINING



CASA DE LAS TAPAS

Spanish restaurant in the centre of the Patershol, where you can discover the Spanish cuisine in a relaxed atmosphere. The menu offers typical as well as less obvious dishes, from tapas to generous main dishes and desserts.

Corduwaniersstraat 41, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 18 89

<http://www.casadelastapas.be/>

OUDE VISMIJN

Brasserie located in the renovated Old Fish Market. The interior is just as impressive as the outside and the view of the water and the Great Butcher's hall is magnificent. On the menu mainly classic dishes or an interpretation of a classic.

Sint-Veerleplein 5, 9000 Gent
+32 9 223 20 00

www.oudevismijn.be

APERTO CHIUSO

Even though it is surrounded by countless Turkish restaurants, this intimate rustic restaurant serves Italian food. There is a large choice of homed-made pasta, escalope milanese and many other Italian specialties, all prepared in the open kitchen. Do not forget to drink a limoncello or grappa on the terrace to conclude your visit

Sleepstraat 82, 9000 Gent
+32 9 233 72 64

<https://www.facebook.com/Aperto-Chiuso-124637173839/>

REVUE

Revue breathes new life into Nederkouter. This sleek and cosy gastropub/tapas bar with lots of wood touches serves small bites and classics.

Nederkouter 1, 9000 Gent
+32 9 391 49 79

www.revue-gent.be

MUB'ART

Brasserie serving mainly French-Belgian cuisine, in the basement of the Museum of Fine Arts. Minimalist interior and terrace. Not only lunch, but also open on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Fernand Scribbedreef 1, 9000 Gent
+32 9 221 44 89

www.mubart.be

FAIM FATALE

The variable menu is a fine blend of classic cuisine and contemporary touches. Enjoy the sputtering fireplace in winter and the charming patio in summer.

Zuidstationstraat 14, 9000 Gent
+32 9 269 04 48

www.faimfatale.be

DE BIJLOKE BISTRO

Brasserie linked to the 'Muziekcentrum De Bijloke', located on the Bijloke area with a view of the medieval concert hall. Solid food, great prices. The grand piano incites to play a tune.

Bijlokekaai 7, 9000 Gent
+32 9 395 07 77

www.debijlokebistro.be/bistro

ALLEGRO MODERATO

Traditional French restaurant in an 18th century listed building filled with splendour of days gone by: impressive chandeliers, baroque fireplaces and decorative frescos, and still it will feel like home. It has a lovely terrace with a view of historical Ghent.

Korenlei 7, 9000 Gent
+32 9 233 23 32

www.restoallegro.com

A FOOD AFFAIR

It is all about wok in this world cuisine restaurant and healthy light dishes with refreshing taste combinations.

Hoogstraat 58, 9000 Gent
+32 9 280 01 00
www.afoodaffair.be

BELFORT RESTAURANT

Ambitious city brasserie located underneath the very impressive City pavilion, and right in between three historical monuments: the Belfry, St Nicholas' Church and the Town Hall.

Emile Braunplein 40, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 60 05
<http://www.belfort-stadscafe.be/>

AMATSU

In this Japanese restaurant 'fresh' is the keyword and the food refined according to the rules. There is a garden terrace where you can relax peacefully.

Hoogpoort 29, 9000 Gent
+32 484 56 76 77
www.amatsu.be

'T VOSKEN

Typical Ghent brasserie serving Belgian cuisine and Ghent specialties in a striking black-and-white interior and on the big summer terrace.

Sint-Baafsplein 19, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 73 61
<http://www.tvosken.be/>

RESTOBAR CHARLIE

This tapas bar with a rock-'n'-roll feel at Oudburg serves delicious bar food made with Ghent specialties.

It is mainly a bar, but the restaurant section is also worth a visit!

Oudburg 15, 9000 Gent
+32 486 06 23 63
www.restobarcharlie.be

DE LIEVE

Lovely eatery serving good old Flemish food. The place breathes straightforward authentic Ghent charm.

Daily two basic veggie dishes.

Sint-Margrietstraat 1, 9000 Gent
+32 9 223 29 47
www.eetkaffee-delieve.be

PASSION

Brasserie in the middle of the historical centre of Ghent, with a terrace and view of the City pavilion. Emphasis on classic dishes from Flanders and Ghent, but people from the south will also come into their own. Good and affordable cuisine.

Emile Braunplein 1, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 68 86
www.resto-passion.be

MAX

Restaurant- tea room- waffle house, serving Belgian cuisine, famous for inventing the Brussels waffles. At noon classic dishes such as steak with French fries or stewed eels in chervil sauce are served.

Goudenleeuwplein 3, 9000 Gent
+32 9 223 97 31
www.etablissementmax.be

MARTINO

Famous Ghent restaurant for counterculturists, partygoers and curly heads serving hearty meals until 1 a.m. This restaurant has been owned by the same family for two generations and is one of the classic restaurants of Ghent.

Vlaanderenstraat 125, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 01 04
<https://www.facebook.com/Martino-50363948391/?fref=ts>

KEIZERSHOF

Large brasserie, situated in an old mansion with inner and outdoor terrace, serving mainly Belgian specialities such as shrimp croquettes and steak with French fries.

Vrijdagsmarkt 47, 9000 Gent
+32 9 223 44 46
www.keizershof.net

MOSQUITO COAST

Travel cafe/eatery next to the Connections travel agency that makes you dream of distant, adventurous and exotic destinations. Colourful cocktails as well as local beers, finger food and world cuisine, a nice mixture from far and near. When the weather permits, you can also sit in the backyard or the terrace.

28 Hoogpoort
+32 9 224 37 20
www.mosquitocoast.be

DU PROGRÈS

One of Ghent's oldest brasseries which has been run by the same family for generations. People come for the honest and substantial brasserie cuisine without all the frills. An established value in Ghent.

10 Korenmarkt
+32 9 225 17 16
www.duproges.be

DE 3 BIGGETJES

Cosy and homelike restaurant located in a mansion in the 'Patershol' with a terrace. Traditional cuisine prepared with seasonal products.

7 Zeugsteeg
+32 9 224 46 48
www.de3biggetjes.com

HET GOUDEN HOOFD

Cosy café serving veggie snacks, spaghetti, toast and tofu curry.

Slachthuisstraat 96, 9000 Gent
+32 487 20 65 01
www.hetgoudenhoofd.be

HET RESTAURANT

Community restaurant with vegetarian daily special.

Kempstraat 150, 9000 Gent
www.het-restaurant.be

GODOT

Lounge restaurant at 10 meters from the Graslei with a big summer terrace. Serving both classics and world cuisine.

Hooiaard 8, 9000 Gent
+32 9 329 82 08
www.godotgent.be

JACKIE'S BAGELBAR

A coffee shop, cupcake shop and bagel bar in one: Jackie's Bagelbar serves bagels of all shapes and sizes, with sweet and savoury fillings and a doughnut or cupcake for desert. Yummy!

Vlaanderenstraat 84, 9000 Gent
+32 9 336 79 14
<http://jackies.be/>

IL CORTILE

Typically Italian menu with several vegetarian pastas and pizzas.

Kraanlei 53, 9000 Gent
+32 9 234 27 41
<http://il-cortile-nl.restofactory.com/>

KETCHUP

Small fast food bar serving grilled burgers on an open fire and fresh sandwiches. Limited seating inside, heated outdoor terrace. Also take away.

Hoornstraat 1, 9000 Gent

HOF VAN HERZELE

In the 13th century, this restaurant was an inn for the knights of Herzele. Only the cellar remains from that century, the rest of the interior is contemporary. Remarkable and modern inside terrace. French and Belgian cuisine.

Sint-Baafsplein 34, 9000 Gent
+32 9 233 01 33
www.hofvanherzele.be

SOEPPLUS

All soups are made with vegetablestock; tomato soup is available with or without meatballs.

Lammerstraat 33, 9000 Gent
+32 9 223 16 88
www.soepplus.be

IL MEZZOGIORNO

Home-made Sicilian dishes.

Baudelokaai 17, 9000 Gent
+32 9 224 33 29
www.ilmezzogiorno.be

PINOCCHIO

Budget-friendly pizzeria.

Vlaanderenstraat 9, 9000 Gent
+32 9 233 31 00
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Ristorante-Pizzeria-Pinocchio/228574733825194?fref=ts>

RAMEN

Tom Vandenberghe has been putting the spotlight on Asian cuisine for a few years now with cookery workshops, cookbooks and the Street Food Market culinary festival. He has recently also acquired an Asian restaurant: Ramen.

The restaurant takes its name from the Japanese ramen noodles. Every day, the menu features about four set noodle dishes and a number of suggestions.

The restaurant seats twelve. So, if you want to slurp noodles, the message is to be quick and to be patient because booking is not an option.

Oudburg 51, 9000 Gent
+32 472 33 72 36
www.eetramen.be

LA MALCONTENTA

Tapas bar with tapitas and tapas

Haringsteeg 7-9, 9000 Gent
+32 9 224 18 01
www.lamalcontenta.be

LE PAIN TOTAL

Snack and sandwich bar serving veggie burgers, pasta and smoothies.

Sint-Pietersnieuwstraat 218, 9000 Gent
+32 473 80 37 72
<https://www.facebook.com/lepaintotal/>

PANE & VINO

A much frequented restaurant with typical Italian cuisine and vichy table-cloths. This Italian family has owned restaurants in Ghent for more than 35 years.

Nederkouter 9, 9000 Gent
+32 9 224 35 54
www.pane-vino.eu

TASTY WALPOORTSTRAAT

Smoothie, juice, shake and veggieburgerbar.

Walpoortstraat 38, 9000 Gent
+32 9 330 75 27
www.tastyworld.be

TASTY

Smoothie, juice, shake and veggieburgerbar.

Hoogpoort 1, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 74 07
www.tastyworld.be

TOI ET MOI

Traditional cuisine with varying suggestions.

Sint-Michielsstraat 31, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 86 33
www.restotoietmoi.be

J.E.F.

In j.e.f., Jason Blanckaert conjures up culinary masterpieces prepared from simple products. He also serves the pils '13' which 'goes against the grain and is therefore a typical Ghent product'.

10 Lange Steenstraat
+32 9 336 80 58
www.j-e-f.be

GROOT VLEESHUIS

Centre for the promotion of local East Flemish products in the impressive medieval and covered Great Butchers' hall. The ideal base to discover the East Flanders' cuisine, from appetizer to dessert. The 'Ganda' hams that hang from the ceiling are a remarkable sight. Also arrangements for groups.

7 Groentenmarkt
+32 9 223 23 24
www.grootvleeshuis.be

LEPELBLAD

Eatery in an artistic and homely setting with an open kitchen and small cosy outdoor terrace. Emphasis on seasonal products supplemented with world cuisine

Onderbergen 40, 9000 Gent
+32 9 324 02 44
www.lepelblad.be

KORENLEI TWEE

Gastronomic restaurant located in the middle of the historical centre of Ghent. The terrace at the front offers a view of the Graslei and the Korenlei. Terrace at the back (closed and heated in winter) with a magnificent view of the Old Fish Market and the Great Butchers' Hall. There is also a heated lounge zone in winter.

2 Korenlei
+32 9 224 00 73
www.korenleitwee.be

TUIN VAN ETEN

Organic/vegetarian child-friendly restaurant with covered and heated terrace, also serving gluten-free dishes.

Kortrijksesteenweg 573, 9000 Gent
+32 9 245 54 66
www.restauranttuinvaneten.be

PUNJAB TANDOORI

Traditional Indian/Pakistani restaurant serving veggie and vegan dishes.

Sleepstraat 67, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 30 25

DE WAREMPEL

Small and cosy vegetarian restaurant serving daily specials, soups and desserts.

Zandberg 8, 9000 Gent
+32 9 224 30 62
<http://www.warempel.be/>

PURE DAPHNE

In the restaurant area which seats around 35, you can combine the large or mini croquettes with a salad. You can also relax in the lounge area where you can enjoy a nice glass of wine with a selection of tapas croquettes.

Anyone who prefers to eat the croquettes at home can order them as a takeaway meal. The menu features seven different flavours, including prawn, cheese, lobster, goat's cheese and an appetizer mix.

This basic range is supplemented with a selection of products which change on a weekly basis.

Gebroeders Vandeveldestraat 3, 9000 Gent
+32 9 278 22 80
www.dekrokettenbar.be

JAN BORLUUT

Restaurant at Korenmarkt in the heart of Ghent, housed in a 12th-century town house. The building is only a few years older than the Castle of the Counts.

Korenmarkt 7-8, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 45 51
<http://www.restaurantborluut.be/>

LOF

Gastronomic restaurant going with the luxury hotel Grand Hotel Reylof. Suprising, contemporary cuisine, but also afternoon tea as well as a champagne and cocktail bar.

36 Hoogstraat
+32 9 235 40 71
www.lof-restaurant.com

A CAPELLA

Café where you can enjoy a meal and a chat right across the entrance to the Ghent City Museum (STAM).

Godshuizenlaan 33, 9000 Gent
+32 9 233 77 76
www.acapella-gent.be

PAKHUIS

This former warehouse was transformed into a stylish restaurant. The warm interior contrasts sharply with the basic industrial elements of the building. The chef prepares dishes with fresh and fair products. The menu is both contemporary and classic. Lunch at reasonable prices.

4 Schuurkenstraat
+32 9 223 55 55
www.pakhuis.be

TRAFIEK

Coffee and tea house serving vegetarian pasta or fresh soup. Almost everything is organic.

Haspelstraat 37, 9000 Gent
+32 488 26 18 88
www.trafiek.blogspot.be

NZET

Gastronomic cuisine served in a cosy interior. Classy ingredients and dishes.

Oudburg 58, 9000 Gent
+32 497 92 67 97
www.nzet.be

WERELDRESTAURANT DE CENTRALE

World cuisine in a multicultural centre serving delicious dishes from the four corners of the globe

Kraankindersstraat 2, 9000 Gent
+32 9 266 13 21
<https://www.facebook.com/Wereldrestaurant-De-Centrale-60301901832/?fref=ts>

GILLIS

Gillis is the very first butcher restaurant in Ghent, specialising in pure entrecote and offering a selection of different breeds, each with a distinctive flavour.

The specials menu also includes several fish, vegetarian and children's dishes, as well as desserts.

Hoogstraat 23, 9000 Gent
+32 9 391 66 11
www.gillisgent.be

SPINNEKOP

Cosy traditional pub and pick-up point for vegetable packages. Vegetarian alternatives of all snacks are also available.

Einde Werre 44, 9000 Gent
+32 9 223 00 88
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Spinnekop/358192520903506?fref=ts>

DOMESTICA

Restaurant serving gastronomic French cuisine in an old mansion with an impressive counter where people can also eat. Attractive patio.

Onderbergen 27, 9000 Gent
+32 9 223 53 00
www.domestica.be

RIZ D'OR

Vietnamese cuisine.

Sint-Michielsstraat 10, 9000 Gent
+32 9 233 26 43

EAT LOVE

“Eat Love”, run by lifestyle journalist Valentina Gatti, is an organic pizzeria with an interior made from recycled materials. People who can't decide what they want can order half and half pizza: 2 different pizzas in 1.

Right next door, you will find “Chix Rôtisserie” where you can enjoy spit-roasted free-range chicken served with local organic vegetables and French fries!

The two businesses even share the same toilets.

Ajuinlei 10 A, 9000 Gent
+32 479 87 93 87
eatlove.be

BRAZZA CAFÉ

This café at the Gent-Sint-Pieters railway station square serves breakfast, toast, pasta and so much more, both to take away and to enjoy indoors or outdoors, on the terrace.

Koningin Maria Hendrikaplein 66, 9000 Gent
+32 9 388 82 29

DE PANDA

Fully vegetarian restaurant on weekdays.

Oudburg 38, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 07 86

BRASSERIE 'HA

Brasserie in the renovated building of the Handelsbeurs concert hall serving French and Belgian cuisine. The interior is impressive, especially the giant eye-catching chandelier. The food makes for decent and fine dining. Lunch as well as dinner.

Kouter 29, 9000 Gent
+32 9 265 91 81
www.brasserieha.be

DE ACHT ZALIGHEDEN

Restaurant located in ‘Oudburg’ with a warm interior and a view of the ‘Lys’ river at the back, serving a refreshing French cuisine. ‘Café Zoo’, next to the restaurant, is run by the same people and an ideal place for a nightcap afterwards

Oudburg 4, 9000 Gent
+32 9 224 31 97
www.deachtzaligheden.be

CHEZ LEONTINE

‘Chez Léontine’ is located between the famous bar the ‘Waterhuis aan de bierkant’ and the gin-house ‘Dreupelkot’. It is the right place for good Flemish classics as well as for a lighter dish. Busy terrace at the waterside.

Groentemarkt 10-11, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 06 80
www.chezleontine.be

ABA-JOUR

Art deco brasserie with a view of the Lys river.

Oudburg 20, 9000 Gent
+32 9 234 07 29
www.abajour-gent.com

AMADEUS

Restaurant serving a liberal supply of spareribs. The Vichy-style table-cloths and nostalgic knick-knacks are reminiscent of the twenties and thirties. Be careful not to overdo, because it is ‘all you can eat’!

Plotersgracht 8-10, 9000 Gent
www.amadeus-resto.be

HOTSPOT

Sandwich bar also serving salads

Koophandelsplein 32, 9000 Gent
+32 9 223 46 10

QUICHERIE PATIRON

Traditional quiche restaurant with varying menu. Pasta, salads and soups are also available.

Sluizeken 30, 9000 Gent
+32 9 233 45 87
www.patiron.be

PUUR

Eatery serving home-made, fresh products and delicious vegetarian snacks.

Hoogpoort 35, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 26 00

MULTATULI

Pleasant restaurant located in a corner of the centre in a former director's home. The interior is rustic and cosy and the large patio is very lovely. The meals are substantial, the portions ample and the cook flirts with the classic recipes. Extra cosy rooms for groups.

Vast selection of veggie dishes

Huidevetterskaai 40, 9000 Gent
+32 9 223 07 11

www.eetkaffee-multatuli.be

DE FOYER

Restaurant on the second floor of the impressive municipal theatre NTGent serving Belgian-French cuisine. Balcony terrace with a lovely view of St Bavo's Cathedral and the Belfry. Abundant brunch on Sunday.

Sint-Baafsplein 17, 9000 Gent
+32 9 234 13 54

www.foyerntgent.be

PACHA MAMA

Delicious veggie daily special. Small or large portions, with cutlery or chopsticks.

Jan-Baptist Guinardstraat 9, 9000 Gent
+32 9 330 33 35

FITHAP

This small lunch bar near Zuid serves home-made wraps, salads and juices for anyone who loves a healthy and active lifestyle – all in no time at all.

You can order small (400 kcal), medium (600 kcal) or large (800 kcal) portions.

Vlaanderenstraat 113, 9000 Gent
+32 479 32 21 99

www.fithap.be

LEKKER GEC

Extensive vegetarian menu with adaily special, sandwiches and even a veggie burger with chips.

Koningin Maria Hendrikaplein 6, 9000 Gent
+32 9 242 87 50

www.lekkergec.be

CAFÉ RÉNÉ

From breakfast till dinner, this eatery offers something for every moment of the day. Substantial meals with a little twist. A small terrace to read the paper or have a drink.

Gebroeders Vandeveldestraat 2-4, 9000 Gent
+32 9 223 27 00

<https://www.facebook.com/CafeRene/?fref=ts>

MARCO POLO TRATTORIA

Extensive vegetarian menu with adaily special, sandwiches and even a veggie burger with chips.

Serpenstraat 11, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 04 20

DE FOBIE

Delicious pasta and healthy salads, vegetarian lasagne.

Brusselsepoortstraat 61, 9000 Gent
+32 9 234 17 67

www.eethuisdefobie.be

LE GRAND BLEU

Here you can enjoy refined dishes at affordable prices. The specialities are fish, crustaceans and shell fish. The restaurant is even mentioned in the Gault Millau Restaurant Guide as a place to have an excellent lunch.

Snepkaai 15, 9000 Gent
+32 9 220 50 25

www.legrandbleu.be

JAN VAN DEN BON

Gastronomic Michelin star restaurant and one of Ghent's finest for years. The restaurant has always been well ahead of its time, using seasonal products, often from its own back garden. The kitchen features French-Belgian cuisine and aims to stimulate all the senses. The mansion is impressive and inviting, as is the garden, which only adds to the whole culinary experience.

Koning Leopold II-laan 43, 9000 Gent
+32 9 221 90 85
www.janvandenbon.be

JOUR DE FÊTE

The restaurant offers a limited and frequently changing menu, including two veggie options

Gustaaf Callierlaan 233, 9000 Gent
+32 9 233 66 45
www.restaurantjourdefete.be

LA PROVENCE

Family business on Sint-Annaplein in a majestic building with antique fireplaces, big chandeliers and shiny parquet floor, serving a refined French-Belgian cuisine. You can enjoy the sun on the big inner terrace.

Nieuwebosstraat 1, 9000 Gent
+32 9 223 37 74
www.restaurantlaprovence.eu

LE BAAN THAI

Thai restaurant located in the Patershol, serving typical Thai cuisine in a stylish interior

Corduwaniersstraat 57, 9000 Gent
+32 9 233 21 41
www.lebaanthai.be

PATYNTJE

French brasserie with a garden and a nice terrace

Gordunakaai 91, 9000 Gent
+32 9 222 32 73
www.patyntje.be

PER BACCO

Restaurant serving decent Italian food. Only quality ingredients, prepared according to the Italian rules. You can have dinner in a southern, warm interior or on the small inner terrace. The restaurant also has a little shop where you can buy Italian products or taste wine. Il Mezzogiorno at Baudelokaai and the new wine bar Le Baccanti at Waaistraat are also run by this Italian family.

Sint-Jacobsnieuwstraat 56, 9000 Gent
+32 9 324 83 32
www.perbacco.be

VALENTIJN

Restaurant in a seventeenth century building in the Patershol. Refined French cuisine at reasonable prices in a very intimate and romantic atmosphere.

Rodekoningstraat 1, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 04 29
www.restaurantvalentijn.be

VILLA BARDON

Casual restaurant, run by Anna Vella Bardon (origin of the restaurant's name) from Malta and her Belgian husband. Known for its simple but decent Mediterranean cuisine in a southern atmosphere. During the summer a small terrace is available.

Sluizeken 10, 9000 Gent
+32 9 336 17 13
www.villabardon.be

ANKARA

Typical Turkish restaurant with Turkish specialities (think Turkish pizza, stews and mezze) at reasonable prices. The interior is basic, with a noisy cosiness and there is quite a terrace.

Oudburg 44, 9000 Gent
+32-92257818

BALLS & GLORY

Wim Ballieu's meatball concept is a big success: meatballs with fillings served with mash or a salad.

Try them at the lunch restaurant in Sint-Jacobsnieuwstraat. The open-plan kitchen allows you to see how these delicious meatballs are made. You can eat in or choose the takeaway option

Jakobijnenstraat 6, 9000 Gent
+32-486678776

BELGA QUEEN

This gastronomic restaurant on the Graslei has one of the oldest façades of Ghent. It is all in a name: Belga Queen serves Belgian dishes with only first-rate Belgian ingredients. The interior combines old elements from the 13th century grain storehouse with modern architecture.

10 Graslei
+32 9 280 01 00
www.belgaqueen.be

GRADE

Modern gastronomic restaurant serving French-Belgian cuisine. A simple and stylish bright interior, a large lounge bar for appetizers and snacks and a green outside terrace.

Charles De Kerchovelaan 81, 9000 Gent
+32 9 224 43 85
www.grade.be

CAFÉ THÉÂTRE

Metropolitan brasserie with a sparkling and elegant interior located in Ghent's Opera House. Not only refined world cuisine and traditional dishes, but also first class cocktails in the bar next-door.

Schouwburgstraat 5, 9000 Gent
+32 9 265 05 50
www.cafetheatre.be

NATURELL

Naturell, chef Lieven Lootens' second restaurant, is located in two former restaurants in Jan Breydelstraat on the corner with Appelburgparkje. It's the place to be for foodies, where you can enjoy a "seasonal sensations menu", an all-compassing sensory experience.

Lootens, who is known for his restaurant 't Aards Paradijs in Merendree, likes to prepare dishes that are close to nature, which earned him the title of "Best Veggie Chef" in 2011.

Jan Breydelstraat 10, 9000 Gent
+32 9 279 07 08
www.naturell-gent.be

CARTE BLANCHE

Gastronomic restaurant, also serving vegetarian dishes.

Martelaarslaan 321, 9000 Gent
+32 9 233 28 08
www.cartelblanchepw.be

PUBLIEK

Ceulenaere has installed a beer tap at his restaurant. The beers served from the tap match the dishes. The front of the restaurant can also be completely opened up during the summer.

Ham 39, 9000 Gent
+32 9 330 04 86
www.publiekgent.be

VOLTA

This restaurant became famous under the culinary direction of Olly Ceulenaere, but now has its own course. It is located in the former transformer station of Electrabel at Groene Vallei. Top-class gastronomic cuisine in a relaxed atmosphere and at reasonable prices. The bar on the top floor opens at 10.30 a.m.

Nieuwe wandeling 2b, 9000 Gent
+32 9 324 05 00
www.voltagent.be

COEUR D'ARTICHAUT

Restaurant linked to the Marriott hotel, situated in a classic mansion in the middle of the city center and with a view of the Graslei.

Refined kitchen serving classic dishes as well as contemporary delicacies, with a special focus on local products.

Open every day for breakfast, lunch and dinner. On Sunday only breakfast and brunch.

Korenlei 10, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 33 18
<http://www.artichaut.be/en/>

VRIJMOED

The decor is neither opulent nor minimalist, yet comfortable and in keeping with the Art-Deco character of the building.

Vrijmoed serves French-Belgian cuisine with a strong focus on vegetables, local produce, seasonality and sustainable fishing. Vegetarian options are available and the wine list also includes a selection of organic wines.

You can order from set menus or dine à la carte.

Vlaanderenstraat 22, 9000 Gent
www.vrijmoed.be

DE SUPERETTE

Head to this traditional bakery and brasserie with a wood-burning oven for breakfast, a sandwich and a drink. The woman behind the oven is the American bread expert Sarah Lemke

Guldensporenstraat 29, 9000 Gent
 +32 9 278 08 08
www.indewulf.be/desuperette

AVALON

Varied vegetarian daily specials and delicious desserts.

Geldmunt 32, 9000 Gent
 +32 9 224 37 24
www.restaurantavalon.be

DE APPELIER

Fully vegetarian restaurant and a pioneer of veggie food in Ghent.

Citadellaan 47, 9000 Gent
 +32 9 221 67 33
www.deappelier.be

DE GROENE WAAIER

Delicious and colourful daily special based on original recipes. Special Friday night menu.

Schoonmeersstraat 25, 9000 Gent
www.degroenewaaier.be

THAWAN THAI

Thai eatery serving several vegetarian options; take away available.

Eggermontstraat 72, 9000 Gent
www.thawanthai.be

TASHUN

Chinese cuisine using Eastern spices, noodles, tofu etc. Vegan options also available.

Sint-Pietersnieuwstraat 120, 9000 Gent
 +32 9 233 15 79

CHESS CAFÉ

Trendy and exotic wok restaurant

Ottergemsesteenweg Zuid 802, 9000 Gent
 +32 9 338 89 99
www.chesscafe.be

EETCAFÉ TOREKE

Community restaurant and training spot for locals, the new meeting spot in this district

Vlotstraat 22, 9000 Gent
 +32 9 223 87 83
www.eetcafetoreke.be

BLUESETTE

Student-like (cheap and plentiful) snack and chat café

Sint-Kwintensberg 85, 9000 Gent
 +32-92337174

FABULA RASA

A popular pub at the borders of the centre serving world cuisine. This has remained an authentic neighbourhood bar with a colourful mix of habitués and birds of different feathers.

Ferdinand Lousbergkaai 134, 9000 Gent
 +32 9 225 63 30
www.fabula-rasa.be

EL NEGOCITO

Chilean music pub with a southern and rough atmosphere serving delicious and cheap food, from 'tapitas' to a main course. It is located near the 'Zuid'.

Brabantdam 121, 9000 Gent

+32 495 27 44 94

www.mi-negocio.net

ETTE-IBIBIO

Fun African snack café, which donates its proceeds to projects in Nigeria.

Zwijnaardsesteenweg 104, 9000 Gent

+32 9 221 87 32

www.etteibibio.com

GWENOLA 2

Famous place for pancakes prepared the Breton way, serving savoury as well as sweet delicacies.

Volderstraat 66, 9000 Gent

+32 9 233 17 39

www.gwenola.be

GÜLHAN

Turkish pizzas, veggie oven dishes and pizzas.

Sleepstraat 70, 9000 Gent

+32 9 233 51 24

GWENOLA 1

Famous place for pancakes prepared the Breton way, serving savoury as well as sweet delicacies.

Donkersteeg 12-14-16, 9000 Gent

+32 9 224 33 41

www.gwenola.be

TWILIGHT EETCAFÉ

Tasty snacks in a nice setting

Korenmarkt 36, 9000 Gent

+32 9 224 09 95

www.eetcafe-twilight.be

THE LOUNGE

Snack and sandwich bar serving pasta and more.

Ijzerlaan 25, 9000 Gent

+32 9 225 34 09

www.thelounge-gent.be

HORSEELE

Restaurant 'Horseele' on the fourth floor of Ghelamco Arena has a Michelin star as well as 16 points from the Gault&Millau restaurant guide.

Horseele serves dishes made with fair-trade products in a large open space with wide windows and a partial view of the pitch. The restaurant, with its traditional take on a modern interior, seats 150 people, and an additional 100 people at the bar.

Suitable for groups, business lunches or romantic dinners

Ottergemsesteenweg Zuid 808 4de verdiep, 9000

+32 9 330 23 20

www.restauranthorseele.be

KOMKOMMERTIJD

Vegetarian buffet restaurant with cold and warm dishes, all you can eat, for a reasonable price. On sunny days you can sit on the terrace.

14 Reep

+32 485 73 16 17

www.komkommertijd.be

DE VITRINE

Located in a former butcher's shop within a stone's throw of Ghent's red light district (hence its name!). Kobe Desramault aims at a classy, informal bistro cuisine at reasonable prices. His chefs Matthias Speybrouck and Niels Desnoux feel strongly about the 'product'. Both lunch and two dinner shifts.

Brabantdam 134, 9000 Gent

+32 9 336 28 08

www.indewulf.be/devitrine

GREENWAY

Vegetarian eatery serving world cuisine and healthy fast-food in a green and trendy interior. Take away possible.

52 Nederkouter

+32 9 269 07 69

www.greenway.be

GUST

Gust is a cosy breakfast, lunch and take-away restaurant decorated with soft pastel shades and light wood. Everything on the menu is home-made and the lunch menu changes on a weekly basis.

Annonciadenstraat 4, 9000 Gent

+32 474 41 65 95

www.gustgent.be

DO & SEE



EXPLORE THE CITY

The 'front' of the city is best explored on foot, while the 'back' is best discovered by boat. So join one of the guided walking tours starting from the Tourist Information Centre or discover the city from the water. The guides and captain will give you a taste of history laced with juicy little anecdotes, in a language of your choice. Of course you can treat yourself to a carriage ride fit for a prince and princess.

ST PETER'S ABBEY

You can visit the abbey with a unique movie guide. In seventeen episodes, the digital monk Alison will take you on an exciting journey through the centuries-old passages of the abbey and, with your help, will try to unravel the mystery. The refectory wing of St Peter's Abbey is authentically medieval. The splendid garden with its vineyard and ruins is a green oasis in the city. St Peter's Abbey hosts prestigious internationally-oriented cultural exhibitions every year.

9 Sint-Pietersplein
+32 9 266 85 00

www.sintpietersabdij.stad.gent

OLD FISH MARKET

Opposite the Castle of the Counts on Sint-Veerleplein lies the monumental gateway (1689) to the Old Fish Market. Neptune keeps watch over the Scheldt (male) and the Lys (female). This fully refurbished complex is home to, among other things, the Ghent Tourist Office: the showpiece of the office is the centrally located multimedia data table. Through innovative touch technology information can be obtained about Ghent, East Flanders and other art cities.

5 Sint-Veerleplein
+32 9 266 56 60
www.visitgent.be

CITADELPARK

This national park is named after the large-scale Citadel built on this site following the fall of Napoleon. However, this had to be moved when the park was laid as part of the World Exhibition in 1913. Hidden away amidst the greenery are two leading museums: the Museum of Fine Arts houses classic art and the S.M.A.K. shows what the contemporary artist has to offer.

www.visitgent.be

CASTLE OF THE COUNTS

A medieval fortress in the heart of the city. Cold halls and even colder dungeons. Endless staircases leading up the towers. Wells of oblivion and a torture museum. You can't really call the Castle of the Counts a cosy retreat. But it is impressive... Overlooking the city from high up on the keep, you feel like the Counts of Flanders, with Ghent lying at your feet. An experience not to be missed!

11 Sint-Veerleplein
+32 9 266 85 00

www.gravensteen.stad.gent

GREAT BUTCHERS' HALL

This is where meat was sold during the Middle Ages. For fish, you had to go to the Groentenmarkt and later to the nearby fish market. Today the trusses of the Great Butchers' Hall are used to hang Gandaham, a Ghent speciality – simply delicious, just like the other East Flemish delicacies you can buy here.

7 Groentenmarkt
+32 9 223 23 24
www.grootvleeshuis.be

GRASLEI-KORENLEI

Today, this medieval port with its unique row of historical buildings is the place to be if you want to feel the Ghent vibe. It's the beating heart of the city centre. The Cooremetershuys (guild house of the grain weighers), The Guild house of the Free Sailors, Het Spijker (a granary)... are all impressive reminders of the city's economic growth.

Graslei and Korenlei
www.visitgent.be

THE ADORATION OF THE MYSTIC LAMB

If there's one masterpiece you should not miss, it's this majestic altarpiece by the Van Eyck brothers. It's considered the absolute masterpiece of medieval painting, featuring some jaw-dropping details. It survived the Protestant iconoclasm, fell into French hands under Napoleon and was requisitioned by Nazi Germany during WWII. 'The Just Judges' panel, stolen in 1934, is still missing.

Sint-Baafsplein
+32 9 269 20 45
www.sintbaafskathedraal.be

PATERSHOL

Thirty years ago, you could buy a little house here for next to nothing. Today, the Patershol is one of the city's most desirable neighbourhoods. For good dining, you can choose from one of the many restaurants which have sprung up in the medieval alleys. From Japanese to Thai, to delicious traditional Flemish cooking, you'll find everything here.

www.visitgent.be

STAM

The City Museum, or STAM is your gateway to the city. The fourteenth-century abbey, the seventeenth-century monastery and adjoining infirmary, the twentieth-century gatehouse and the new twenty-first-century development introduce you to the history of Ghent.

2 Godshuizenlaan
+32 9 267 14 00
www.stamgent.be

BELFRY

A proud symbol of Ghent's independence. On top of the 95-metre tower the dragon has been watching over the city since 1380. The city's (many) festivities are still announced by extraordinary carillon concerts. The adjoining Cloth Hall is a reminder of the industry which once made the city rich and prosperous. The strenuous walk up the stairs is rewarded with a splendid view of the city.

Sint-Baafsplein
+32 9 233 39 54
www.belfortgent.be

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



AIRPORT

Brussels Airport:

Web: www.brusselsairport.be

Distance to Ghent: approximately 65 kilometres

Ways of getting to and from Brussels Airport:

By train:

Web: <http://www.belgianrail.be/en/Default.aspx>

Brussels Airport – Station Gent Sint-Pieters: approximately 1 hour

Price: a single standard ticket from the airport to the station Gent Sint-Pieters costs around 15,40 euros. + 5,14 euro diablo fee

Frequency: approximately every 30 minutes – first train around 5:30, last train around 23:50

By taxi: www.visitgent.be

Brussels Airport – Ghent: approximately 1 hour

Price: approximately 105 euros (this is an average price range that Ghent taxis ask)

Frequency: taxis can be found continuously just outside the airport, for Ghent taxis it is best to make reservations in advance.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Most common ways of getting about in the town:

On foot: most sights are within walking distance.

Public transport: bus and tram.

Taxi: taxis can be found continuously in Ghent.

Alternative means of travel:

Canal boat: the boats will sail you along Ghent's best kept secrets.

Rental Vespa: for those who would like to explore the city in a different way.

Rental bicycle: biking is an excellent way to get around in the city if you don't feel like walking.

Prices for the various modes of transport:

Canal boat:

Approximately 8 euros for 1 hour.

Public transport:

A day ticket costs approximately 5 euros.

Rental bicycle:

Approximately 10 euros/bike for 1 day.

Rental Vespa:

40 to 50 euros for 3 hours and 70 to 80 euros for 7 hours.

Taxi:

Approximately 8 euros/3 kilometres, after 3 kilometres there is an additional fee of 2 euros/kilometre. From 22:00 to 06:00 there is another additional fee of 2,50 euros.

How long do the various modes of transport take to cross the city:

From the station Gent Sint-Pieters to the Korenmarkt:

Approximately 20 minutes by tram, approximately 30 minutes by bus, approximately 10 minutes by taxi and approximately 30 minutes on foot.

From the Korenmarkt to the Woodrow Wilsonplein:

Approximately 8 minutes by bus or tram, approximately 6 minutes by taxi and approximately 15 minutes on foot.

How often do the various modes of transport run:

Taxi: taxis can be found continuously at Woodrow Wilsonplein, Korenmarkt, the Gent Sint-Pieters Station, Gent Dampoort Station and Flanders Expo.

Public transport: you will be able to take a bus or tram approximately every 10 minutes, depending on where in Ghent you need to be.

What time do the various modes of transport

start/stop operating:

Canal boats: no canal boats can be rented during the winter months.

Public transport: the first means of public transport start at approximately 05:40 and end at approximately 23:55. These times may vary depending on the line you will have to take.

Taxi: taxis can be found 24/7.

TAXI

On the following link you will find a wide range of taxi companies including their websites and telephone numbers: www.visitgent.be

Taxis can be found continuously at Woodrow Wilsonplein, Korenmarkt, the Gent Sint-Pieters Station, Gent Dampoort Station and Flanders Expo.

Nevertheless, it is still best you make reservations in advance.

Prices depend on the distance and if you travel during the day or at night. It is approximately 8 euros/3 kilometres, after 3 kilometres there is an additional fee of 2 euros/kilometre. From 22:00 to 06:00 there is another additional fee of 2,50 euros.

PHARMACY

0903 99 000: Chemists on call

100: Ambulance and Fire Department

112: European emergency number

TELEPHONE

Country Code: 32

Area Code: 9

ELECTRICITY

220 V

SHOPPING



LOUISE & MADELEINE

Hand-made gifts (jewels, linen, ceramics etc.) by Belgian and foreign designers. New, fresh ideas with a touch of nostalgia of times gone by.

61 Kraanlei
+32 489 83 13 03
www.louise-madeleine.be

THE FALLEN ANGELS GALLERY

A paradise for anyone who loves trinkets: old, original ads and film posters from the early 1900s through to the 1970s, antique enamelled plates, tin boxes, old toys and bears, kitschy postcards... From collectors' items to fun retro gifts. The shop also sells its own collection of postcards, posters and notepads.

29-31 Jan Breydelstraat
+32 9 223 94 15
www.thefallenangels.be

ZSA-ZSA ROUGE

A gift and accessories shop selling colourful, original bags, gadgets and clothing. Pure kitsch.

22 Serpentstraat
+32 9 225 93 63
www.zsazarouge.be

LA FILLE D'O

This Belgian lingerie brand founded by Murielle Scherre is all about beautiful, comfortable, innovative lingerie and swimwear.

21 Burgstraat
+32 9 334 80 10
www.lafilledo.com

HOME LINEN KLOSKANTHUIS

Specialised in bedding, bath and table linen since 1880. All the products sold are created in the in-house workshop. But there's also a beautiful collection of Victorian jewels and countless original gifts!

3 Korenlei
+32 9 223 60 93

ELISA LEE SHOP AND GALLERY

Unique Belgian jewellery company founded by designer Elisabeth Leenknecht, a glass artist in heart and soul. Her hand-crafted contemporary jewels with mouth-blown glass are characterised by colour and playful designs. Each design is an artisan masterpiece.

33 Hoogpoort
+32 9 329 08 78
www.glasjuweel.be

BIJHUIS

From tiny gifts and knick-knacks to more prestigious gifts and a wide range of design classics: Alessi, Iittala, Rosenthal, Tivoli and KitchenAid.

66 Sint-Baafsplein
+32 9 223 70 84
www.bijhuis.be

YUZU BY NICOLAS VANAISE & C.

Minimalist design, surprising flavour, original and authentic ingredients such as the combination of chocolate and mustard or chocolate and Ganda ham and Roomer pralines.

11a Walpoortstraat
+32 473 96 57 33

HUISZWALUW

This is the place to be for original gifts and interior design finds. Ghent-based design, as well as many Scandinavian brands.

3b Hoogpoort
+32 9 233 27 37
www.huiszwaluw.com

23 Baudelostraat
+32 9 330 65 10
www.mieke.tv

TIERENTEYN VERLENT

This artisan company produces and sells mustard, pickles and other related products. The interior dates back to 1860 and was classified as heritage. This is the perfect setting for anyone who's keen on a vast assortment of spices and herbs.

3 Groentenmarkt
+32 9 225 83 36
www.tierenteyn-verlent.be

CONFISERIE TEMMERMAN

This 19th-century confectionery is an establishment in Ghent. With its delicious old-school sweets and traditional treats from Ghent, such as mokken, knopkes, tsjoepkes, meulentrekkers and cuberdons, it's the place to be if you have a sweet tooth.

79 Kraanlei
+32 9 224 00 41

CHOCOLATERIE VAN HOOREBEKE - LUC EN CEDRIC VAN HOOREBEKE

In their shop in the historical heart of Ghent, two generations of artisan chocolatiers offer you the best of traditional Belgian chocolate.

+32 9 221 03 81 / +32 9 224 25 10
www.chocolatesvanhoorebeke.be

HET COOREMETERSHUYS

Head to this 13th-century building for original jewels, scarves, handbags, hats and ceramics created mainly by Belgian designers.

12 Graslei
+32 9 225 09 65
www.cooremetershuys.be

MIEKE

Ghent made goodies and other fun stuff.

COFFEE BARS



EXKI

A good-quality, well-respected fast food restaurant, with the emphasis on fresh and healthy food.

Sint-Michiëlshelling 2, 9000 Gent
+32-9 269 05 00
www.exki.be

CHOCOLATO

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Head to this bar if you're looking for an unforgettable chocolate and coffee experience. You can also participate in workshops. More information can be found on the website.

Sint-Michiëlshelling 7, 9000 Gent
+32-483 66 49 23
www.chocolato.be

LABATH

Coffee bar Labath is located near the Sint-Lucas art college and a few steps from Saint Michael's Bridge. This corner bar with gigantic windows has a big-city feel. Head over there to read the paper, work on your laptop, have a chat on the terrace and of course a cup of coffee. Both Thomas and Valentine are true coffee connoisseurs, so they'll only serve you topquality brews, whether you prefer a regular or a "slow coffee".

Oude Houtlei 1, 9000 Gent
+32 476 99 42 81
www.cafelabath.be

KOFFIES DE DRAAK

Traditional roasted coffee specialities, a wide range of teas, and exclusive sweets and gifts.

Goudenleeuwplein 1, 9000 Gent
+32-9 233 02 05
www.dedraak.be

MOKABON

Nowadays coffee bars are everywhere, but this is Ghent's first coffee bar, with an old, worn Art Deco interior dating back to 1937. It is right in the city centre and has been serving excellent coffee since the very beginning, which can also be purchased and is always topped with a dollop of fresh whipped cream. Sometimes it's difficult to find a table in this small bar, but it has become custom to join other coffee lovers at their tables. Cosiness at its best!

Donkersteeg 35, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 71 95
www.mokabon.be

BARISTA

The name "Barista" or coffee sommelier says it all. This is the place to be if you want to enjoy a good coffee. At Barista coffee is the main attraction, but the pastries and bread are also delicious, and they're all carefully baked at the in-house organic bakery. Take a seat at the long tables along the enormous windows and admire the hustle and bustle of Ghent's Zuid neighbourhood. A few years ago "Barista 2" opened its doors, right in the city centre, near the bridge between Langemunt and Oudburg.

Hippoliet Lippensplein 25, 9000 Gent
+32 488 46 98 30
www.mybarista.be

LE PETIT CIRQUE

A combination of a shop selling second-hand furniture, flowers and home decoration, and a homely café.

Feel free to have a seat anywhere you like in this entirely decorated house and enjoy a delicious cup of coffee with cake.

Burgstraat 147, 9000 Gent
+32-486 69 33 39
www.petitcirque.be

BAR JAN CREMER

This coffee bar and hotspot with a wood interior and a sunny terrace – just a stone's throw from Overpoort – serves bagels and gestreken mastellen ('ironed buns') with coffee or a cool pint. A go-to spot for students.

Kramersplein 5, 9000 Gent
+32-474 24 85 93
www.barjancremer.be

BELLE HISTOIRE

Belle Histoire, in the heart of Ghent, is more than just a coffee shop. You can have breakfast there in the morning, and for lunch you can choose from salads, rolls, toasted sandwiches, soup and quiches. In the afternoon, Belle Histoire offers a wide range of homemade pancakes, fresh cakes and pastries, waffles, ice cream and milkshakes.

Korte Meer 4, 9000 Gent
+32-9 336 35 33

PAARD VAN TROJE

Bookshop slash coffeeshop with big summer terrace on Kouter square.
Santé! - Cheers!

Kouter 113, 9000 Gent
+32 9 330 08 83
www.paardvantroje.be

SIMON SAYS

Trendy coffee bar in a beautiful building dating from 1904. The eye catchers are Panamarenko's golden murals while the coffee is roasted by the eccentric artist's wife.

Sluizeken 8, 9000 Gent
+32-92330343
www.simon-says.be

MRS. BEANZZ

This coffee bar serves delicious veggie quiches, sandwiches, toasts, tapas and sweet treats.

The barista is a pro at brewing coffee.

Hoefslagstraat 6, 9000 Gent

OR ESPRESSO BAR

Right across the street from the Minard Theatre you will find OR Espresso Bar. The owners of this coffee bar also have their artisan coffee brewery. Don't just head there for the coffee, but also for the cosy, busy atmosphere, to read the paper or to people-watch undisturbed at the long bar along the window.

Walpoortstraat 26, 9000 Gent
+32 9 223 65 00

LE JARDIN BOHÉMIEN

This artistically decorated coffee bar, which also serves breakfast, is the perfect place to sit back and relax with a good book.

Burgstraat 19, 9000 Gent
+32-9 328 39 48

TRAFIEK

Coffee and tea house serving vegetarian pasta or fresh soup. Almost everything is organic.

Haspelstraat 37, 9000 Gent
+32-488261888

TRUE BEANS

In this trendy, light-filled breakfast salon with its hints of wood, gold and pastel blue, you can enjoy delicious coffees, cakes and pastries.

A large and inviting display window is opened completely on sunny days, allowing you to enjoy the surroundings even more.

Jan Breydelstraat 18, 9000 Gent

+32 9 278 51 84

www.truebeans.be

BREAKFAST AND BRUNCH



EXKI

A good-quality, well-respected fast food restaurant, with the emphasis on fresh and healthy food.

Sint-Michiëlshelling 2, 9000 Gent
+32-9 269 05 00
www.exki.be

CAFÉ PARTI

Slow food restaurant serving healthy international fusion cuisine. One of the prettiest and largest garden terraces in Ghent, near Sint-Pieters Station. On Sundays they also serve a nice brunch from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Koningin Maria Hendrikaplein 65a
+32-9 242 32 91
www.cafeparti.be

DE SUPERETTE

Kobe Desramaults is everywhere in Ghent: first he opened his bistro De Vitrine and now De Superette at Hofstraat.

Head to this traditional bakery and brasserie with a wood-burning oven for breakfast, a sandwich and a drink. The woman behind the oven is the American bread expert Sarah Lemke.

Guldensporenstraat 29, 9000 Gent
+32 9 278 08 08
<http://www.indewulf.be/desuperette/>

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Sint-Michiëlshelling 7, 9000 Gent
+32-483 66 49 23
www.chocolato.be

GUST

Gust is a cosy breakfast, lunch and take-away restaurant decorated with soft pastel shades and light wood. Everything on the menu is home-made and the lunch menu changes on a weekly basis.

Annonciadenstraat 4, 9000 Gent
+32-474 41 65 95
www.gustgent.be

MYPLACE

Heading to one of the museums in the Arts Quarter or to the Gent-Sint-Pieters railway station? Then don't forget to stop at MYplace for a coffee, freshly made soup and home-made quiche.

All made with lots of love and passion.

WiFi is free and when the sun comes out, you can sit back and relax in the garden

Kortrijksesteenweg 27, 9000 Gent
+32 9 245 54 00

LE JARDIN BOHÉMIEN

This artistically decorated coffee bar, which also serves breakfast, is the perfect place to sit back and relax with a good book.

The designer furniture is for sale.

Burgstraat 19, 9000 Gent
+32-9 328 39 48

BROODERIE JAFFA

A large variety of freshly-baked bread, a vegetarian daily special on weekdays and home-made cakes with coffee or tea. Mainly organic products which guarantee a delicious, high-quality breakfast or lunch.

Jan Breydelstraat 8, 9000 Gent
+32-9 225 06 23

TANTE PAULA

A unique combination: a café serving breakfast and lunch-cum-coffee bar in a photo shop. "Tante Paula" does it all with flair, paying lots of attention to her customers. The menu includes fresh, generously filled sandwiches, pastries and soups.

Vlasmarkt 2, 9000 Gent
+32-486 51 99 54

BROODHUYS

This is the place to be for a hearty breakfast, lunch or brunch on Saturdays and Sundays. The ciabattas, focaccias, quiches and salads are legendary. In the afternoon you can sip a cup of coffee with cake.

Jacobijnenstraat 12, 9000 Gent
+32 9 225 77 65

HUIZE COLETTE

Chocolate and literature, a delicious combo which contributes to the inimitable atmosphere at Huize Colette. Don't forget to taste the home-made lemonades and brownies, scones and cake! Every morning you can have a simple or an elaborate breakfast here.

Belfortstraat 6, 9000 Gent
+32 478 90 64 73

STAMCAFÉ

The STAMcafé offers a wonderful view of the architecture and green spaces of the Bijloke site and the café's wonderful sun terrace.

You can visit the café for breakfast, brunch, lunch, coffee, tea and cake.

Godhuizenlaan 2, 9000 Gent
+32-9 225 89 93

JULIE'S HOUSE

Luscious ladies who serve delicious breakfast, traditional cakes and colourful cupcakes with a dash of old-fashioned conviviality.

Kraanlei 13, 9000 Gent
+32-9 233 33 90

www.julieshouse.be

BISTRO J'AI TROUVE

On Sunday mornings you can enjoy breakfast in Ajuinlei with a book that you just purchased from a stall in the book market. But on other days you can also come here for the comprehensive healthy breakfast, the tasty lunch with a freshly-made soup of the day, or some delicious pastry or cakes for tea.

Ajuinlei 16, 9000 Gent
+32-496 80 04 27

LE PAIN PERDU

Fancy a drink, a tasty breakfast or a hearty lunch? Then Pain Perdu, with its great atmosphere, is an absolute must! It's the place to be for the best and biggest sandwiches. The large, covered garden behind the shop provides a nice extra touch.

Walpoortstraat 9, 9000 Gent
+32-9 224 18 25

BELLE HISTOIRE 1

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Korte Meer 4, 9000 Gent
+32 9 336 35 33

www.bellehistoire.be/

LE PAIN QUOTIDIEN

Organic bakery serving large breakfasts, fun brunches or a quick business meet & eat. Its speciality is the 'tartine bœuf basilic', an open sandwich with raw beef and basil served on a porcelain slate plate.

Kalandeberg 10, 9000 Gent
+32-9 224 18 79
www.lepainquotidien.be

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