



family city guide

Nantes

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A trip to Nantes made easy

Adagio and Auzou Éditions are pleased to offer every budding globetrotter their very own Family City Guide dedicated to Nantes! Follow Wolf as he explores the city and check out his suggestions for the best things to do with your family!

From sports and sightseeing to hands-on activities and restaurants, the team at your Adagio aparthotel have thought of everything to make sure your city break is a breeze. All that's left is to make the most of your trip!

Ready to go?

It's time to have fun!

Let's go!

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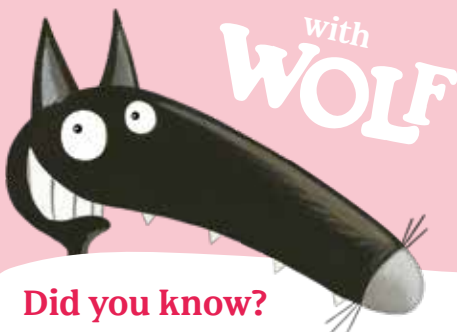
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Did you know?

The novelist Jules Verne was born in Nantes on 8 February 1828. His most famous works include *Around the World in Eighty Days* and *Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea*.

True or false?

The Véritable Petit Beurre biscuit comes from Nantes?

Answer: TRUE. Nantes has a long history of biscuit-making, with traditional – and later industrial – factories making biscuits for sailors. In 1846, Jean-Romain Lefèvre came to Nantes to take over a cake shop. The luxury biscuit makers made a name for themselves and the LU biscuit company was born.



Château des ducs de Bretagne

Set in the historic heart of Nantes, the Château des Ducs de Bretagne is the city's most important historical monument, along with Nantes Cathedral. Seen from the city, it is a fortress with 500 metres of curtain walls punctuated by seven towers, all linked by a sentry walkway. The inner courtyard houses an elegant 15th century ducal residence as well as other buildings dating back to the 16th and 18th centuries. For children, there are a number of trails to explore: a ghost hunt, a hunt for Monsieur Hector, and a castle treasure trail.



Château des ducs de Bretagne

4 place Marc Elder, 44000 Nantes

tel. (+33)811 464 644

www.chateaunantes.fr/en



10-15 mins' walk from your aparthotel



Typical opening hours:

Castle interiors, museum and exhibitions:

Tuesday to Sunday, 10am - 6pm

(July and August: daily, 10am - 7pm)

Free access to courtyard and ramparts

Every day, 8.30am - 7pm

(July and August: closes at 8pm)

Open access to the moat garden

Every day, 8am - 7pm

(July and August: closes at 8pm)

Site closed on 1 January, 1 May,

1 November and 25 December



Typical prices:

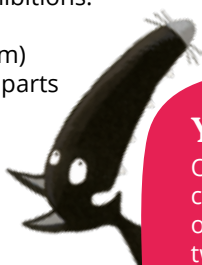
Adults: €9, young visitors (aged 18-25): €5

Free for children under 18



Available languages:

French, English, Spanish, Italian and Breton



Yum!

On the shaded courtyard terrace or in one of the two rooms of the old keep, enjoy the refined and seasonal cuisine of the "La Fraiseriaie" crêperie. Admire stunning views of the castle and its ramparts!



Muséum d'histoire naturelle de Nantes

Inaugurated in 1875, the Nantes Natural History Museum houses a number of zoological, mineralogical and paleontological collections as well as a vivarium. The museum is one of the largest in France in terms of numbers of specimens and has four permanent exhibition areas: the zoology gallery, the earth sciences gallery, the vivarium and the wood collection. Various activities related to the collections and exhibitions are organised for children aged 4 to 14.



Muséum d'histoire naturelle de Nantes

Square Louis-Bureau
Place de la Monnaie, 44000 Nantes
tel. (+33)2 40 41 55 00
museum.nantesmetropole.fr



Buses: Copernic (lines 23, C1, C3)
Tram: Médiathèque (line 1)



Typical opening hours:

Every day except Tuesday, 10am - 6pm
(closes at 4pm on 24 and 31 Dec)
Closed on 1 January, 1 May, 1 November
and 25 December



Typical prices:

Adults: €5
Young visitors (aged 18-25): €2
Free for children under 18 and for
all on the 1st Sunday of each month
(from Sept to June)



Available languages:
French, English



Hurray!

There's a varied
programme for
children from 18
months to 18 years





Les Machines de l'île

Discover a magical world on the Ile de Nantes – the site of the shipyards where the great ships of the past were built. Les Machines de l'Île brings together Jules Verne's invented worlds, Leonardo da Vinci's mechanical universe and Nantes' own industrial past in the form of monumental urban structures that are open to the public. Take the family to visit the Machine Gallery, fly on a heron's back, climb up onto the back of the Great Elephant or ride the beasts in the Marine Worlds Carousel.



Les Machines de l'île

Parc des Chantiers

Bd Léon Bureau, 44200 Nantes

tel. (+33)8 10 12 12 25

www.lesmachines-nantes.fr/en



Tram: Chantiers Navals (line 1)

Chronobus: Prairie au duc (line 5)

Bike: Bicloo station 43

(Machines de l'île)



Typical opening hours:

Opening hours vary, check online



Typical prices:

Galerie visit or ride on the Grand Éléphant:

Adults: €9.50

Young visitors (aged 4-17): €7.50

Free for children under 4



Available languages:

French, English



Wow!

With your ticket, access the Atelier terraces and watch the manufacturers at work in a world of wood and steel. A true laboratory of experimentation, this is where the fantastic creatures are born in the hands of the La Machine teams.



Le Jardin des Plantes

These glorious botanical gardens have benefited from three centuries of botanical adventures, enjoyed both by seafarers and by knowledgeable and green-fingered gardeners. Spread over 7 hectares, the Jardin des Plantes boasts a collection of rare plants, beds of medicinal plants, numerous varieties of camellias, greenhouse displays of cacti, and much more. There are also fantastic talks for the entire family and outdoor games, including the Cap'vert adventure treasure trail.



Le Jardin des Plantes

Rue Stanislas Baudry, 44000 Nantes

tel. (+33)2 40 41 90 00

[www.metropole.nantes.fr/](http://www.metropole.nantes.fr/infonantes/equipement/E1016)

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5-20 mins' walk from your aparthotel



Typical opening hours:

Every day from 8.30am

Closing times: summer: 8pm

spring and autumn: 6.30pm

winter: 5.30pm



Typical prices:

Free

Ask at reception for guided tours
and the greenhouses access code



Available languages:

French, English



Cool :)

Discover the essentials of the Jardin des Plantes with Cap'vert, the little green man. Go to reception at the top end of the garden to pick up the explorer's kit (every day, 12.30pm - 6pm (9.30am - 6pm on weekends, last start at 4.30pm).



Natural'Parc

Natural'Parc is an animal and leisure park within easy reach of Nantes. Discover more than 500 animals, solve the puzzles in the maze, step back in time in the 3,000 m2 of museums, or track down the mystery animal in a detective challenge. And there are games for all the family too, including a bouncy castle, giant slides and pedal go-karts!



Natural'Parc

Route de Saint-Sauveur de Landemont
49270 Orée d'Anjou
tel. (+33)2 40 83 78 25
www.naturalparc.com



45 mins - 1 hour by car from your aparthotel



Typical opening hours:

March to November
Check the calendar on the website
(last entry 2 hrs before closing)
The plant maze is only open
in July and August

Visit duration: from 3 hours to the whole day



Typical prices:

Adults: €17 / €15.50 (low season)
Young visitors (aged 3-12):
€12 / €10.50 (low season)



Available languages:

French, English

Yum!

Treat yourself to one of the park's two restaurants. And don't forget the animals: plain popcorn is on sale at the park reception to feed certain species!



Legendia Parc

Situated in the heart of the Pays de Retz region, this park dedicated to fairy tales and legends is unique in France. Set in 33 hectares of greenery, the park presents shows, events and animals from around the world. Fun and educational themed trails are presented as 'journeys'. Children can follow in the footsteps of Gaby, a young shepherd who, in 1917, discovered a magic doorway leading to fantastic lands full of legends. His adventures are presented as separate episodes in various tableaux, inviting visitors to explore this botanical park and zoo in a fun and interactive way.



Legendia Parc

4 La Poitevineière, 44320 Frossay

tel. (+33)2 40 39 75 06

<https://legendiaparc.com/en/>



45-50 mins by car from your aparthotel



Typical opening hours:

Every day, from February to mid-November

Check the calendar on the website

(last entry 2 hrs before closing)

Visit duration: allow

5 hours minimum



Typical prices:

Adults: €21

Young visitors (aged 3-12): €15

Free for children under 3



Available languages:

French, English

Yes!

Le Lutin Gourmand,
La Taverne and
L'Ogre Bleu: whether
you're a bit peckish
or could eat a horse,
the three restaurants
of Legendia Parc will
satisfy all foodies!



Le P'tit qu'a fait

Le PTit Qu'a Fait offers delicious home-made lunches prepared using organic, local produce. With its children's area, games, workshops and children's entertainment, it's also the perfect place to stop for a welcome coffee!



Le P'tit qu'a fait

11 rue des Olivettes, 44000 Nantes

tel. (+33)9 52 67 31 26

www.leptitquafait.wordpress.com



10-20 mins' walk from your aparthotel



Typical opening hours:

Tuesday to Saturday, 11am - 5.30pm



Typical prices:

Tuesday to Friday:

starter + main or main + dessert:

€15.50 (children: €10.90)

starter + main + dessert:

€18.90 (children: €13.50)

baby menu (main + dessert): €8.90

Wow!

Workshops focused on introducing music, dance, reading, weaning, language development and babywearing, and even short architecture workshops: discover the whole programme on the website.



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