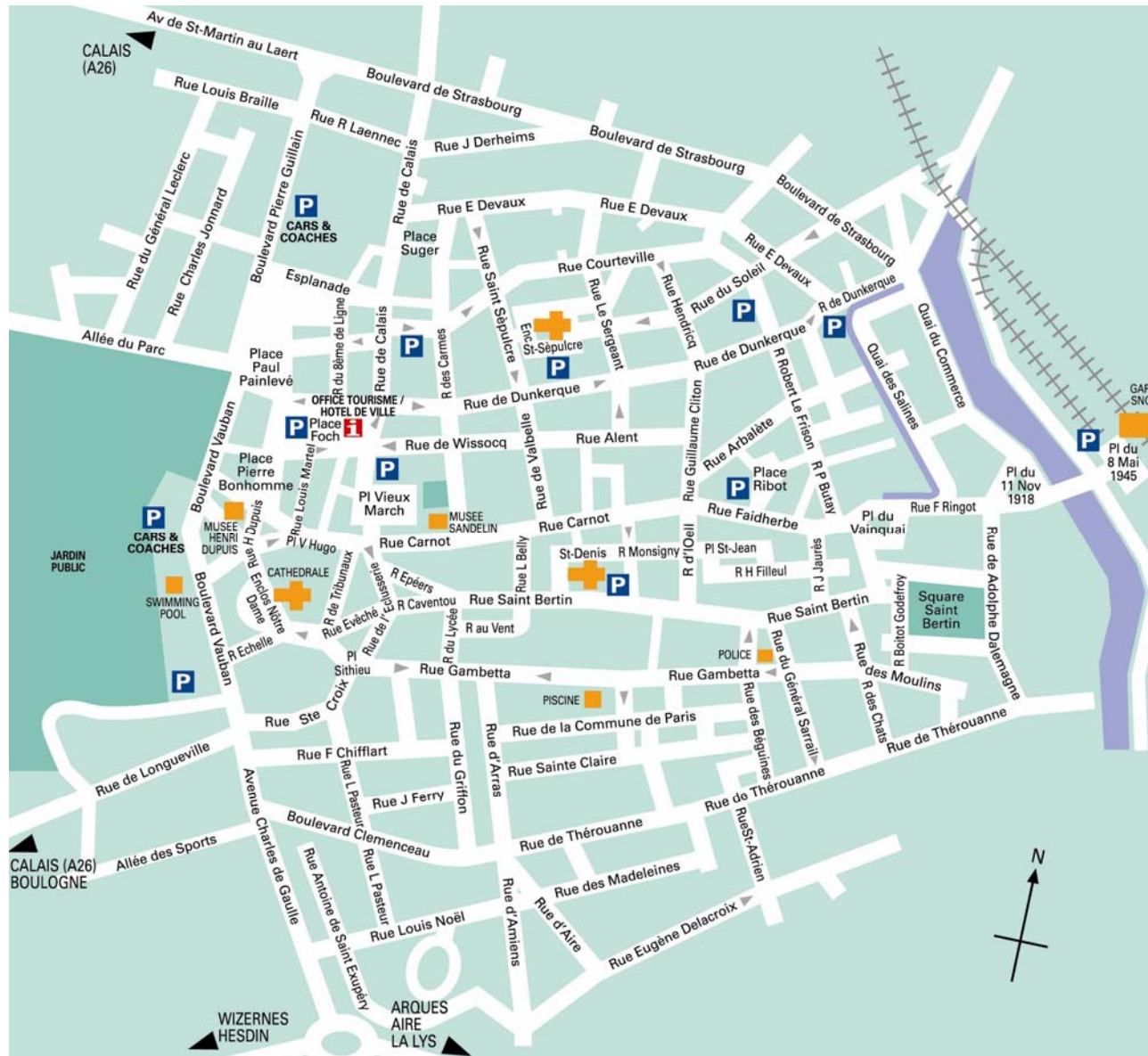


* Map of Saint Omer :



Saint Omer Tourist Office

4 rue du Lion d'Or - 62500 Saint Omer
 E: contact@tourisme-saintomer.com
www.tourisme-saintomer.com

Pas de Calais Tourist Board :

La Trésorerie Wimille - BP 79 - 62930 Wimereux
 Phone : (0)3.21.10.34.60. - Fax : (0)3.21.30.04.81.
 E : cdt.doc@pas-de-calais.com - www.pas-de-calais.com



IN AND AROUND SAINT-OMER

* Saint-Omer in a few words :

"Ville d'art et d'Histoire", Saint-Omer is a delightful market town situated on the edge of Flanders and surrounded on three sides by a vast area of farmed marshland. The history of St-Omer began 637AD when the monk Omer was sent to evangelise the pagan tribe who lived in the area. By the 13th century St-Omer had become one of the most prosperous medieval towns of the region. The town is surrounded by marshlands which are criss-crossed with a network of intricate waterways. Many areas are only accessible by boat. During the Second World War, the Nazis built gigantic bunkers here, designed to launch the terrible V2 rockets on London.

* What to do ?

Places interest and attractions

Notre Dame Cathedral

Over 800 years old, this magnificent cathedral was built between the 13th and the 15th centuries and is recognised as the most beautiful intact Gothic monument North of Paris . Do not miss the magnificent Rubens and astrological clock. Audioguided tour in English.

Musée de l'Hôtel Sandelin :

It is about archeology, fine art and the decorative arts. It is situated in an elegant town house, with a courtyard and a garden built at the end of the 18th century which was a winter residence to the Countess of Fruges.

Rue Carnot 62500 Saint-Omer. E: musee.sandelin@wanadoo.fr
<http://m3.dnsalias.com/sandelin/>

Arc International in Arques :

The Arques Crystal Factory was founded in 1825. The world leader in moulded glassware, which is the region's largest employer and one of France's most popular

exports world wide, manufactures nearly 6 million items a day and offers 6,500 different products. *Accueil Visites, Zone Industrielle, RN 43, 62510 Arques*
E: visite-usine@arc-intl.com - www.arc-international.com

Ascenseur à Bateaux des Fontinettes

In 1887, this hydraulic boatlift took just 20 minutes to lift a loaded barge 13 metres high! Association des Fontinettes. *21 rue Denis Papin, 62510 Arques*
E: fontinettes@free.fr - www.ville-arques.com

The Belfry of Aire-sur-la-Lys

This belfry, classified in the World Heritage by Unesco, was built with the Town Hall in the 18th century. It is 45 metres high, and is situated on the main square "Grand'Place" where there also are a bailiwick and elegant 18th century houses with their classic style columns. *Tourist Office - Le Baillage - BP43 - Grand'Place - 62921 Aire-sur-la-Lys.* E: Tourisme.airelys@wanadoo.fr - www.ville-airesurlalys.fr

Blockaus of Eperlecques :

This gigantic bunker was built by the Germans in 1943 to launch V2 rockets, the retaliation weapon designed to destroy London. The site has remained in its authentic condition and may be entered by a path through the woods where recorded explanations compare V1 and V2 rockets. *Rue des Sarts 62910 Eperlecques*
E: leblockhaus@leblockhaus.com - www.leblockhaus.com

La Coupole in Helfaut :

5 kms from St Omer, La Coupole is a former V2 rocket base built by the Nazis in 1943, it is now a museum. The Centre develops three themes : German Secret Weapons (V1+V2), The Conquest of Space from 1945 to 1969 and the Occupation of Northern France from 1940 to 1944. *BP 284, 62504 Saint Omer Cedex.*
E: reservation@lacoupole.com - www.lacoupole.com

* Where to Shop ?

The markets :

On Saturday mornings on the Square : Place Foch, and on Wednesday mornings on Place Perpignan. There is also a Flower market in May and a flea market in May and September.

Shopping :

Shops are mainly concentrated around the main square Place Foch, Rue de Dunkerque, Rue des Clouteries and Place Victor Hugo

Favorite Spécialist shops in Saint-Omer include :

Le Terroir in rue des Clouteries for regional produce.

Cave Saint Arnould in Rue de Calais for the famous Saint-Omer beer.

Cave du Chai for wines in Longuenesse.

Naninck and Leagaigne, antiques shop in Rue François Ringot.

* Where to eat ?

La Brasserie Audomaroise

Brasserie Restaurant and micro brewery.

Menus from : €8,40 - €24

6-8 rue Louis Martel, 62500 Saint-Omer

Phone : (0)3 21 88 08 80. www.brasserie-audomaroise.fr

E: brasserie-audomaroise@wanadoo.fr

Le Cygne

Gastronomic cooking. Menus from : €13 - €45

8 rue Caventou, 62500 Saint-Omer

Phone : (0)3 21 98 20 52. www.restaurantlecygne.fr

La Belle Epoque

Gastronomic cooking - fish and regional cooking.

Menus from : €12.50 - €26

6 Place Paul Painlevé, 62500 Saint-Omer.

Phone: (0)3 21 38 22 93

Auberge de l'Etang Poupart

Gastronomic and regional cooking using local produces, with a rustic style. Menus from : €20 - €30

12 impasse des Etangs, 62910 Houille. Phone : (0)3 21 93 05 26

E: etangpoupart@loisirs-gourmets.com

www.etangpoupart.com

La Crinoline

Gastronomic and regional cooking with a rustic room. Regular cookery lessons on Thursday.

Menus from : €25.50 - €42

44 route Nationale 43, 62500 Tilques. Phone : (0)3 21 93 86 62

E: aubergecrinoline@nordnet.fr - www.lacrinoline.com

Le Ristandel

Traditional and regional cuisine. Menus from : €12 - €30

Chemin des Bois, Acquin-Westbecourt - 62380 Lumbres

Phone : (0)3 21 38 59 90. www.aa-st-omer-golfclub.com

* Activities

Aa Saint Omer Golf Club

La Haute Drève: 9-hole, 2015m - Par 31

Le Val : 18-hole, 6400m - Par 72

Chemin des Bois, Acquin Westbécourt - 62380 Lumbres

Phone : (0)3 21 38 59 90

E: aa-st-omer.golf@najeti.com - www.aa-st-omer-golfclub.com

Cap Vitalité

Situated in the heart of the marshlands, this Spa center will give you a feeling of serenity and relaxation. From the massages to the hammam, everything is designed to take away the stress.

11 rue Gonfroi 62500 Clairmarais

Phone : (0)3 21 88 19 74. E: capvitalite@wanadoo.fr

Dennlys Parc :

A great attraction parc, for families with small children

11 r Moulin 62560 Dennebroeucq. Phone : (0)3 21 95 11 39

www.dennlys-parc.com

Karting Indoor : Planet Karting

An exciting course...full of surprises !

61, le Loquin - 62520 Thiembronne. Phone : (0)3 21 39 83 81

www.au2pro.com/nedoncelle

Aéroclub of Saint-Omer

Choose an original way to discover the region of Saint-Omer and take your first flight over this region. Or come directly from England and land with your plane in Saint-Omer Aeroclub.

Plateau des Bruyères - 62219 Longuenesse.

Phone : 03 21 38 25 42 . E: acsto@free.fr -

<http://acsto.free.fr>

The Marshlands by boat and canoe:

Hiring of boat and guided tours.

Isnor Location - 62500 Clairmarais. Phone : (0)3 21 39 15 15

E: fluvial@isnor.fr - www.isnor.fr

Le Bon accueil 29 rue du Rivage 62500 Salperwick

Phone : (0)3 21 38 35 14 www.bonaccueil.info

Rando-Rail au Pays de Lumbres

A Rando-rail can transport 4 persons. Two people sit on a saddle and pedal, the two others relax comfortably installed in the central armchair.

Rue de la Gare - 62380 Nielles-les-Bléquins.

E: rando-rail@rando-rail.com - www.rando-rail.com