



Hi Véronique, it's Nicole

*Nicole's inspired breaks...*

Nord & Pas de Calais tourist boards have teamed up to produce a joint brochure in which the journalist Gillian Thornton describes her Nord Pas de Calais, from the Opal Coast to the Avesnois. This brochure packed with photos takes you into a veritable whirlpool of personal stories and experiences and to help you put some flesh on your plans there are even suggestions for all-in weekend breaks. Order your brochure at [contact@cdt-nord.fr](mailto:contact@cdt-nord.fr)

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## Nicole's special selection

### British Week Le Touquet



8th -16th October

A celebration of Anglo-French relations in Le Touquet The Centennial Anniversary of the creation of LeTouquet-Paris-Plage in 2012 is drawing near. All along the century, the resort managed to maintain its 'so British' charm that contributed so much to its reputation of elegance. [Find out more](#)

### The Maison Forestière dedicated to the British poet Wilfred Owen



Official opening: October 1<sup>st</sup> 2011

The farming village of Ors has honoured Wilfred Owen with a project based on the house where he wrote his last letter home. Intrigued by the numerous British visitors to the modest forest home, the local community, led by the mayor Jacky Duminy, commissioned Turner Prize nominee Simon Patterson to create a white sculptured memorial to Owen's universal message on the horrors of war. [Find out more](#)

### Dickens the Inimitable

## Our top choice\*

### Herring King Festival

12th – 13th November

The people of Etaples invite you to a high-spirited event where the tasting of herring will rival the wealth of the programme of activities. [More](#)



### New fitness weekends



Ask your Val Joly autumn-winter catalogue. [More](#)

### Biggest Gallo Roman Forum in Europe

## Until 23rd October

In the lead up to the 200<sup>th</sup> birthday of Charles Dickens, the Entente Cordiale Cultural Centre based at Hardelot Castle has set two exhibitions to honour the greatest British writer of the Victorian period. [Find out more](#)

## Second night half price



In Flanders, the Gallodrome in Drincham is offering 50 % off a second night's stay during October, November and December 2011. And you get a free house aperitif with dinner if you eat in. What more could you want? [Find out more](#)

## Donkey treks included



It'll soon be the school holidays and with them a break from uniforms and homework. Give the kids a breath of fresh air in the Avesnois Nature Park on a family break at the Gîte de la Cordonnerie in the artists' village of Féron. Until 22<sup>nd</sup> October, they're offering a free donkey trek with every booking. [Find out more](#)

## Collector exhibition

05 oct. 2011 - 01 JAN. 2012

Tripostal, Lille.

This striking presentation of artistic creation from over the past 40 years will bring together a broad selection of works by artists of the French and international scene. COLLECTOR is conceived as a voyage through the history of modern and contemporary art while covering a whole range of themes, from the place of the artist to the status of the object and images in society. For the occasion, the works will be displayed in an open and de categorised reading of the CNAP collections, combining art, photography and design. [More](#)



## Join in wishing La Piscine a Happy Birthday!

Bavay museum and archaeological site has been given a new look! [More](#)



## Boulogne Herring festival

Boulogne Herring festival  
19th – 20th November

If ever you have missed the herring festival in Etaples, you can not miss that one! [More](#)

## Dates for your Diary

### Gandspette boot fair in Eperlecques

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23rd October

This "brocante" is one of the largest in the area, and one of the last ones of the year in open air. [More](#)

### Montreuil Soup and Bread festival

Montreuil Soup and Bread festival  
Sunday 30th October



From 10.00am to 6.00pm, a host of stands set up inside the citadel and offer a wide variety of soups, breads and broths to taste as well as a rich programme of animations: archers from Agincourt, theatre, a carnival for children. [More](#)

### Fête des Louches, Comines - 8th, 9th and 10th October 2011

Mind your head ! Hundreds of wooden ladles or spoons are hurled down from the top of the town hall. [More](#)



On the 21st of October 2011, the La Piscine museum is 10 years old! Post your birthday greetings on Roubaix Tourisme's Facebook page and you could win a night's accommodation for two in the Cottages du Parc! [More](#)

**Roubaix Accordion Festival, 14th to 23rd October 2011**

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