Bordeaux is the ultimate city for those who enjoy the good life. Celebrating wine, gastronomy, arts and culture, the city represents the very essence of the French spirit in all its freedom, grandeur and sensuality.

With its large pedestrian streets and gorgeous squares, modern buildings and historical architecture, Bordeaux is a bright city on the Garonne river, casting its charms around the region.

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THE CITY

Associated to wine and the pleasures of life like no other city, Bordeaux is the kingdom of the grape. Wine bars, wine merchants and over a hundred winery castles throng all around Bordeaux. Wine is drank and tasted but is also used for health purposes through wine therapy—a spa treatment using grape extract, said to be beneficial for the body.

The beautiful Baroque buildings which were once erected in the city centre to conceal the slums have made Bordeaux famous for its architecture. On top of its historic charm and presence, the city has built a modern character with brand new futuristic buildings, modern transports and a town life becoming trendier everyday. With its well organized river banks, structured squared and pedestrian streets, this city on the Garonne is a pleasure to walk through, whether it is to visit, shop or taste the French gastronomy. In Bordeaux there is always plenty to do and too much to see.

DO & SEE

History, sights, landmarks, architecture, arts and tons of activities have turned Bordeaux in a beautiful and exciting city. Consistently renewing itself, for example with the recent construction of the Cité du Vin, Bordeaux is typical and modern at the same time, with sights and entertainments for everyone. One thing is for sure: hold on to your camera, because everything here is highly photogenic!

Port of the Moon

Bordeaux stands majestically on the Garonne river. The harbour, because of its curved shaped has inherited the poetic name of ‘Port of the Moon’. It figures among the UNESCO world heritage list for its outstanding architecture and its long lasting role in human and commercial exchanges.

Photo: saranya33/Shutterstock.com
Address: Garonne River, Bordeaux
Bassin d'Arcachon

Just an hour drive away from Bordeaux, the Arcachon Bay offers deep blue waters, shiny white sand, a "birds island" and stunning views in a pleasant micro-climate. It has inspired poets, writers, singers, but also movies and is ideal for a day at the beach or a long bicycle ride. Shaped by the Oyster culture, it is also a great dining spot.

Photo: Delpixel/Shutterstock.com
Address: Bassin d'Arcachon, France

Bordeaux Jet

If you are looking for some serious sensations, go rent a jet ski on the other side of the Garonne. Ideal for a super fun afternoon or a bachelor/bachelorette party, Bordeaux Jet will make your stay in the city unforgettable. You can also go on a jet ski tour in the area.

Photo: thieury/Shutterstock.com
Address: Place Aristide Briand, Lormont
Opening hours: 9AM–8PM Everyday
Phone: +33 6 38 44 86 74
Internet: www.bordeauxjet.fr

AviaSim Bordeaux

If you are among those who are always tempted to press the big red button, this is your chance. Jump aboard the cockpit of an Airbus A320, fasten your seatbelt, fly and attempt the hardest landings of the world in this flight simulator. A dream come true for many, an incredible adventure for everyone.

Photo: Matus Duda/Shutterstock.com
Address: 3 Cours du Château-Rouge, Bordeaux
Opening hours: 10AM–7PM Mon-Sat
Phone: +33 5 56 23 17 05
Internet: www.aviasim.fr

National Opera

The Grand Théâtre hosts l’Opéra National - the National Opera house. The magnificent building was built on the site of a Roman temple. Operas, ballets and classical music are performed here. Prices vary in four different categories depending on the position of the seat.

Photo: Rostislav Ageev / Shutterstock.com
Address: Place de la Comédie, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 5 56 008 595
Internet: www.opera-bordeaux.com

La Cité du Vin

This gigantic cultural centre devoted to wine was opened in June 2016 and offers an experience close to the one of an amusement park. The very post-modern building itself is worth the detour, but the visits are almost impossible to exhaust with 19 thematic modules, tours given in 8 languages and over 120 audiovisual productions. The Cité is also to be experienced through performances, concerts, tastings, a multi-sensory space, a panoramic restaurant and more.

Photo: patrick janicek (image cropped)
Address: 134 Quai de Bacalan, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop La Cité du Vin (tram line B) or buses stop La Cité du Vin
**Wine School**

Bordeaux’s wine school, L’Ecole du Vin, offers courses on wine and the Bordeaux vineyards. Of various duration and existing both in English and French, these short training classes will allow you to act like a true connoisseur. To perfect the practice, each course also features several wine tastings.

*Photo: Carlos andre Santos / Shutterstock.com*

*Address: 3 Cours du 30 Juillet, Bordeaux*

*Phone: +33 5 56 00 22 85*

*Internet: www.bordeaux.com/wschool/us/wineschool*

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**Grosse Cloche de Bordeaux**

The Grosse Cloche de Bordeaux, literally the Big Bell of Bordeaux, is a belfry on the old Medieval Town Hall. You can see two 40 meters tall towers standing to the sides of a central building. The bell has an impressive weight of 7800 kilograms.

*Photo: Anibal Trejo / Shutterstock.com*

*Address: 1 rue Saint-James, Cours Victor Hugo, Bordeaux*

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**Place de la Bourse and the Water Mirror**

Extremely scenic, the Place de la Bourse is a good spot to get a first impression of Bordeaux and find yourself in complete awe. It is also a very photogenic square, especially thanks to the Water Mirror which creates a perfect reflection of the buildings. The emblematic site is on the UNESCO World Heritage list for its incredible architecture and its history.

*Photo: Markus Mainka / Shutterstock.com*

*Address: 17 Place de la Bourse, Bordeaux*

*Public Transport: Tram stop Place de la Bourse*

*Internet: www.bordeaux-tourism.co.uk/offre/fiche/place-de-la-bourse/PCUAQU033FS00043*

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**Pont de Pierre**

Le Pont de Pierre, Stone Bridge, connects the two banks of the Garonne River. It is beautiful both day and night with its street lamps and panoramic view of the waterfront.

*Photo: Martin M303 / Shutterstock.com*

*Address: Pont de Pierre, Bordeaux*

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**Utopia**

Utopia is a cinema, cafe, lunch place and cultural meeting point all in one. The cinema shows mainly alternative movies in the original version, with French subtitles. If you don’t feel like hitting the screen, the building itself is worth a look, and the Utopia cinema are an important French cultural landmark.

*Photo: Nejron Photo/Shutterstock.com*

*Address: 5 Place Camille Jullian, Bordeaux*

*Internet: www.cinemas-utopia.org*
Eglise Notre Dame la Grande

This Church is a beautiful 11th century building and a major monument in Bordeaux. The atmosphere is majestic, the architecture is amazing and it is worth coming here both day and night time as the sight changes radically depending on the light.

Photo: Nadiia Gerbish / Shutterstock.com
Address: 1 Rue Mably, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Grand Théâtre
Phone: +33 556 102 183

St. Andre Cathedral

Yet another astonishing religious building in Bordeaux. Outside the cathedral you will find a square with many cafes, perfect for a short coffee break. You can also see the St. Andre Cathedral from a different perspective by climbing the Tower of Pey-Berland.

Photo: Rostislav Ageev / Shutterstock.com
Address: Place Pey Berland, Bordeaux
Internet: www.cathedrale-bordeaux.fr

Tower of Pey-Berland

The Tower of Pey-Berland is St. Andre Cathedral bell tower. The amazing panorama view from the top is the main reason to why this is such an attractive sight.

Photo: marcocianiarel / Shutterstock.com
Address: Place Pey-Berland, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 556 812 625

Musee d’Aquitaine

The museum has a collection of regional and non european archaeological and ethnological pieces, along with a large base of temporary exhibitions. The Museum of Aquitaine gives you a good understanding of the development of Bordeaux.

Photo: KPG_Payless/Shutterstock.com
Address: 20 cours Pasteur, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Musée d’Aquitaine
Opening hours: 11AM-6PM Tue-Sun
Phone: +33 556 015 100
Internet: www.musee-aquitaine-bordeaux.fr

Saint-emilion

35 kilometres northeast of Bordeaux, you will find the world’s first UNESCO designated wine region, still in activity and producing. The medieval city is simply breathtaking and is covered in monuments and museum, some of which are even underground!

Photo: FreeProd33 / Shutterstock.com
Address: Saint-Emilion

Bordeaux By Bike

The beautiful historic center of Bordeaux, is perfect to travel through on the bike. In this bike tour, an experienced local guide will take you on an adventure and tell you everything you need to know about this fantastic city. You’ll find there is
a lot to discover!
This excursion is entertaining, sporty and safe. At a slow pace you can explore Bordeaux in 2.5 to 3 hours, with regular stops throughout the tour.

Petit Train Touristique
A classic of tourism in France, le Petit Train might be a bit kitsch but it is a good way to see the old town and learn all its stories, especially if you have children or simply do not wish to walk. Each seat has headphones where you have multiple language options for the ride.

DINING
Bordeaux's cuisine offers as many flavours as its wines, and they are a perfect match for each other. Marry your favorite red or white with one of the city's culinary specialty: lobster, oysters, Pauilla clam, Aquitaine beef, Entrecôte "à la Bordelaise" and the list goes on.
If your mouth is not watering yet, step into one of the following restaurants and we guarantee it will.

L'Absinthe de Gilles
Simple and authentic, L'Absinthe de Gilles is ideal for an aperitif at the bar or a dinner. The dishes are original and offer variety, simple or more sophisticated, sea-food or meat. The restaurant also has a very nice outdoor area open in the summer months. The chef is very involved and the service nice.
La Tupina

La Turpina is perhaps Bordeaux’s most famous restaurant. Opened in 1968 by Jean-Pierre Xiradakis, whom still runs the place, it has not stopped receiving praises for the quality and finesse of its food, its desserts and its wines and the perfection of its service. The decor is what a textbook French restaurant should look like, with its open fire and farmhouse feel. The owner has opened five more restaurants in the same street.

Photo: Connor Dunn (image cropped)
Address: 6 Rue Porte de la Monnaie, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Sainte Croix or Saint Michel
Opening hours: 12-2PM, 7-11PM Tue-Sun
Phone: +33 5 56 91 56 37
Internet: www.latupina.com

Le Bar du Boucher

Paradise for meat eaters, Le Bar du Boucher - literally the butcher’s bar - offers a wide range of meat you can choose directly and see cut at the butcher’s stand inside the restaurant. The dining room with its communal tables and its arcs are beautiful, the service and the atmosphere warm.

Photo: Pexels (image cropped)
Address: 5 Rue Parlement Sainte-Catherine, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Place de la Bourse
Opening hours: 12PM-12AM
Phone: +33 5 56 81 37 37
Internet: www.barduboucher.com

La Cagette

Slightly cheaper than most restaurants in Bordeaux, La Cagette delivers way beyond expectations. A short menu and wine card but the dishes are original, simple and excellent. The brunch is of the same quality and we can only advise you to try this restaurant for all it offers! Think about making a reservation.

Photo: picjumbo.com (image cropped)
Address: 8 Place du Palais, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Place de Palais
Opening hours: 12-2:30PM and 7:30-11PM Tue-Sat, 11:30AM-4PM Sunday
Phone: +33 9 80 53 84 35
Internet: www.lacagette.com

L’Autre Petit Bois

L’Autre Petit Bois guaranties a pleasant meal at a low price in a surprising decor. With its walls covered in plates, its mismatched furniture and the big trees decorating the dining rooms, it is a truly atypical restaurant. Food-wise, choose from a selection of European and French inspired plates and follow up with delicious deserts.

Photo: Unsplash (image cropped)
Address: 12 Place du Parlement, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Place de la Bourse
Opening hours: 6PM-1AM Tue-Sat
Phone: +33 5 56 48 02 93
Internet: www.facebook.com/lautrepetitbois
**Rest’O**

This excellent Vegetarian/Vegan restaurant offers big portions, beautiful plates, fresh and organic products, all of this sublimed by the adorable couple who owns the restaurant and clearly wants to make it an exceptional place.

Photo: Kaboompics/Karolina (image cropped)
Address: 16 Quai de Bacalan, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Les Hangars
Opening hours: 12:15–2PM Wed-Thur, 12:15–2PM, 8:15–10PM Friday and 8:15–10PM Saturday
Phone: +33 5 56 790 577
Internet: www.lerest-o.fr

**La Robe**

Fresh and honest food in a modern restaurant, La Robe changed owner in 2013 but has lost nothing in quality. Good value for money.

Photo: Andrey_Popov / Shutterstock.com
Address: 3, Quai Louis XVIII, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Quinconces Fleuve
Opening hours: 12–2:30PM, 7–10:30PM Tue-Sat and 12-2PM Sundays
Phone: +33 556 690 480
Internet: www.la-robe.com
Email: contact@la-robe.com

**Baud et Millet**

Baud et Millet is both a cheese and wine cellar. Products are authentic, rare and high-quality, the cheese can be chosen from a buffet of 100 different kinds and the wine wall will never leave you option-less.

This family restaurant is the place to be if you want the full wine&cheese experience, and you can count on the owners knowledge on the subjects.

Photo: colormvsbw / Shutterstock.com
Address: 19 Rue Huguerie, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Quinconces
Opening hours: 11AM-11PM Mon-Sat
Phone: +33 556 790 577
Internet: www.baudetmillet.fr

**Le Bouchon Bordelais**

Le Bouchon Bordelais is a cosy restaurant with one small dining room and outdoor seating. The menu is short but varies regularly, and the dishes are always of quality. The service is efficient and friendly.

Photo: David P. Smith / Shutterstock.com
Address: 2 Rue Courbin, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Grand Théâtre
Opening hours: 12-2PM, 8-9:45PM Tue-Fri and 8–9:45PM Saturdays
Phone: +33 556 443 300
Internet: www.bouchon-bordelais.com
Email: contact@bouchon-bordelais.com

**Le Clos D'augusta**

Le Clos D'augusta is located slightly outside the city centre but with gastronomical food and a sober but pleasant environment, it might just be the right opportunity to get away from the crowd.

Photo: Jack Frog / Shutterstock.com
Address: 339 Rue Georges Bonnac, Bordeaux
**Solena**

Although it is farm-inspired, the cooking at Solena is refined and testifies of a true search in the flavours. With only fresh and seasonal products, the restaurant respects nature as much as it respects its customers. The value for money is excellent.

Photo: cornfield / Shutterstock.com
Address: 5 Rue Chauvour, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Saint-Bruno-Hôtel de Region
Opening hours: 12–1:45PM, 7:45–9:45PM Wed-Sun
Phone: +33 557 532 806
Internet: www.solena-restaurant.com
Email: contact@solena-restaurant.com

**La Boite a Huitres**

Fresh seafood, French wine and a maritime themed diner room, La Boite à Huitre has a simple but efficient formula. In the summer, take advantage of the restaurant's terrace.

Photo: NaturalBox / Shutterstock.com
Address: 36, cours du chapeau rouge, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Grand Théâtre
Phone: +33 556 816 497

**C'Yusha**

The Chef at C'Yusha is truly passionate about food and keeps a high standard for his guests. The food combines lovely textures and tastes with influences from around the world.

Photo: Kzenon / Shutterstock.com
Address: Rue Ausone, 12, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Place du Palais
Opening hours: 12–1:15PM, 7:30–9:30PM Tue-Thu-Sat and 7:30–12PM Sun-Mon
Phone: +33 556 698 970
Internet: www.cyusha.com

**Le Wine Bar**

This is a small and cozy Italian wine bar located in the Old Town of Bordeaux. The food is great and they offer 260 different wines from all over the world, truly the perfect place if you love wine. If you think that 12 o'clock is wine o'clock, know that Le Wine Bar is also open for lunch three days a week.

Photo: Kichigin / Shutterstock.com
Address: 19 Rue des Bahutiers, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Place du Palais
Opening hours: 7PM–12AM Tue-Wed-Sun-Mon and 12–2PM, 7PM–12AM Thu-Sat
Phone: +33 676 005 054
Internet: www.lewinebar-bordeaux.com
Email: lewinebar@yahoo.fr

**Wok Way**

A cheap option for very satisfying Asian food, cooked right in front of your eyes and with homemade noodles. If you are feeling like a cosy night in, Wok Way also delivers.
CAFES

Whether you want to take a break in-between visits or you feel you might have indulged too much in French wine the night before, there is no bad excuse for a coffee break in Bordeaux. Treat yourself with freshly baked goods and a good old cup of coffee or tea in one of these selected few.

L’Autre Salon de Thé

Try one of the sixty-something different teas and the homemade pastries in this stylish and fashionable setting. L’Autre Salon de Thé has an amazing brunch on Sundays.

Le Grand Café

Le Grand Café is a chic and very pleasant café located in the elegant Cours de l’Intendance. It is a great place to enjoy a cup of coffee after a day of non stop walking and sight-seeing around the town.

Plume Bakery & Coffee

Plume is located next to the City Hall and the Cathedral making it a great lunch spot. It is a cool place with good music and fresh, innovative food, not like any other French cafe.

The Breakfast Club

Delicious English pastries and breakfast - who would say no to delicious fried eggs or warm scones? - good prices for big portions, all of which in a trendy little cafe placed in a calm street of Bordeaux: a great place to spend a couple of hours and start off your day with energy.
Arty Café

Vegetarian friendly and with a perfectly executed simplicity, the Arty Café is great for a sweet pause or a lunch. Snacks, desserts and breakfasts are all equally acclaimed by the customers. The formulas offered are also really great deal and you will probably want to come back to try everything.

Photo: Magdus (image cropped)
Address: 61 Rue Saint-Rémi, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Grand Théâtre
Opening hours: 8AM–6PM Mon-Sat
Phone: +33 5 56 81 60 24
Internet: www.artycafe.fr

Black List Café

With its simple look and its homely cuisine and ambiance, the black list café may not be what you would have pictured from its name, but it is a truly cosy place. It is also ideally located, with good prices for honest and generous products of high quality.

Photo: Riyoko Wibowo (image cropped)
Address: 27 Place Pey Berland, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Hotel de Ville
Opening hours: 8AM–6PM
Phone: +33 6 89 91 82 65

Books & Coffee

As its name shows, at Books & Coffee you can sip on your coffee among bookshelves and library couches. An amazing semi-shop semi-coffee shot concept made just for the book worms and those who like a calm break from the city’s effervescence. Also a great place to study!

Photo: pixamaus2015 (image cropped)
Address: 26 Rue Saint-James, Bordeaux
Opening hours: 9AM–7PM
Phone: +33 5 56 81 47 41

Bread Storming

Bread Storming is just the right spot for a small lunch or a snack. The staff is really welcoming and always with a smile on. You can choose between the recipes of few chosen fresh ingredients and have them composed as a sandwich or a salad. They also serve homemade cakes.

Photo: freestocks.org (image cropped)
Address: 27 Rue Notre Dame, Bordeaux
Opening hours: 11:30AM–3PM Mon-Fri
Phone: +33 5 33 05 57 06

PALO ALTO Café-téria

An amazingly calm little place, very close to the Garonne banks. The food is fresh and good and the coffees nice, but the real added value at Palo Alto Café-téria is the indoor terrace. Club sandwiches and salads are the menus main items, and are great for a quick but pleasant lunch.

Photo: Anton Porsche (image cropped)
Address: 5 Quai de la Monnaie, Bordeaux
Opening hours: 10AM-6PM Mon-Sat
Phone: +33 9 82 37 15 50
**Pâtisserie MI CIELO**

Located outside of Bordeaux’s city center, this Pastry shop is way worth the trip. With delicate and almost couture looking pastries, you will not believe your eyes nor your palate. Lightness, tastefulness and finesse are only a few adjectives to describe these true pieces of art.

**SIP Coffee Bar**

Good place, good coffee, good food, good environment and good price/quality ratio. The SIP Coffee Bar is one of these new generation coffee shop that recruits only passionate and talented baristas, and the result is obvious. The SIP also practices different brewing techniques.

**BARS & NIGHTLIFE**

Bordeaux offers many more options than just the wine, and you can find great places for an aperitif, a few tapas of a good cold beer. To continue the night, the city also offers a few options when it comes to cocktail bars and concert halls. Finally for the true night owls, Bordeaux also has two boats hosting bars and clubs!

**Torito**

Torito is a bar and tapas restaurant with a perfectly arranged design: modern, sober and refined. Once your stomach has been filled and your drinks emptied, head for the dance floor!

**KURO espresso bar**

This cafe is a bit hidden, but is a great find: coffees full of flavours, organic teas and great pastries (special mention for the muffins) are served there by the friendly owner.
**La Dame**

Situated on a barge, La Dame is one of the most original discos in Bordeaux. La Dame, meaning "The Lady", is a restaurant, bar and club, all of which in the same space for a unique ambiance. Enjoy the club evening every Friday and Saturday from midnight to 5 am.

Photo: sad444 / Shutterstock.com
Address: 1 Quai Armand Lalande, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 557 102 050
Email: contact@ladamebordeaux.com

**Aux Quatre Coins du Vin**

Aux Quatre Coins du Vin is the perfect introduction to wine in Bordeaux. You can choose different ways of how you would like your wine served, ask the staff who is very helpful and well-organised. It is also possible to purchase wine here from their wine cellar.

Photo: Anna Jurkovska / Shutterstock.com
Address: Rue de la Devise, 8, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 557 343 729
Internet: www.aux4coinsduvin.com
Email: closben@aux4coinsduvin.com

**Le Bar a Vin**

Classic Wine bar, Le Bar a Vin is a great place to visit for some wine and food platters -you can't leave France without having had the wine and cheese experience. Here you can enjoy a nice ambiance, and the service is great with a really friendly and knowledgeable staff.

Photo: GANNA MARTYSHEVA / Shutterstock.com
Address: 3 Cours du 30 Juillet, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 556 00 43 47

**Calle Ocho**

Everyone will tell you Calle Ocho is a great find, and you should listen to them! This is a great Latin bar where you can dance salsa, drink mojitos and listen to sun-filled music. If you are not keen on dancing, you will have to try hard to restrain yourself!

Photo: Oxana Denezhkina / Shutterstock.com
Address: 24 rue des Piliers de Tutelle, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 5 56 48 08 68
Internet: www.calle-ocho.eu

**The Connemara Irish Pub**

The Connemara is exactly what you would expect of an Irish pub. If pub grub, a relaxed atmosphere and friendly staff is your cup of tea, this might be a keeper.

Photo: Monkey Business Images / Shutterstock.com
Address: 18 Cours D’Albret, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 5 56 52 82 57
Internet: www.connemara-pub.com

**Chai Nous**

The cosy Chai Nous is a nice and friendly place to have a glass of wine and eat tapas. They also have live music quite often.

Photo: Africa Studio / Shutterstock.com
Address: 94 avenue Pasteur, Le Haillan
The Sherlock Holmes Pub is the perfect blend of an overly typical English pub with its dark and muffled atmosphere and an atypical place. This specificity and the beers will have you come back.

Photo: Marko Grothe (image cropped)
Address: 16 Rue Judaïque, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 5 56 48 51 22
Internet: www.sherlockholmespub.fr

Le Cambridge is a Pub, and a really good one. Come in to find THE Irish ambiance and enjoy the company of other beer drinkers in this very social place.

Photo: Unsplash (image cropped)
Address: 8 Rue des Augustins, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 5 56 91 78 20

Le Mushroom is the ultimate place for high quality Belgian beers! Le Mushroom offers happy hours that tend to attract a really big crowd for such a small place, but the staff and music are nice.

Photo: Maciej Korsan (image cropped)
Address: 5 Rue Georges Bonnac, Bordeaux
Opening hours: 3PM–2AM
Phone: +33 5 56 51 38 78

In the Lucifer, you won’t need to sell your soul to the devil to enjoy a long menu of beers - some of which you might not have heard of but should really try - and a beautiful basement.

Photo: Republica (image cropped)
Address: 35 Rue de Pessac, Bordeaux
Opening hours: 6PM–2AM
Phone: +33 5 56 99 09 02

This Club honours its name with a beach inspired decor and a summery feel. It has two main rooms, one of which is open so you can dance under the stars! The first room has palm trees and boat-bars. The music is for every taste and guest star DJs are invited once a month.

Photo: ponce_photography (image cropped)
Address: 40 Quai de Paludate, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 5 56 84 89 23
Internet: www.laplage-leclub.fr

This 687 square meters boat is home to a restaurant, cocktail bar, heated terrace, club and concert hall. The IBoat is a scene for quality and independent productions, one of the cultural landmarks of Bordeaux, but also a great place to just have fun and dance all night.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com
Address: Bassin à Flot n°1, Quai Armand Lalande, Bordeaux
**Levrette Café**

In its underground bar with a big dance floor and even a separate space dedicated to smokers, the Levrette Café hosts theme parties, sports events, live music, DJs, pole dance shows, and many more. This bar is also a tapas bar and has happy hours from 5pm to 9pm.

Photo: Uber Images/Shutterstock.com
Address: 6-, 8 Rue de Mérignac, Bordeaux
Opening hours: 5PM-2AM
Phone: +33 5 56 52 04 23

**Seeko'o Bar**

The Seeko'o Hotel**** Design Bordeaux has opened the Seeko'o Bar. Following the same vibe as the hotel, the bar was carefully designed for a modern and elegant ambiance. The bar is refined and so are the drinks, the cocktails are exclusive and executed by a talented Chef Barman.

Photo: SARYMSAKOV ANDREY/Shutterstock.com
Address: 54 Quai de Bacalan, Bordeaux
Opening hours: 6PM-12AM Tue-Sat
Phone: +33 5 56 39 07 07
Email: contact@seekoo-hotel.com

**SHOPPING**

Wineries, food stores, markets of all kinds, large brands and designer objects can be found when walking in the streets of Bordeaux. The variety is huge and every shopper can find what they are looking for. Markets are also a great place to have a bite and a walk, and second-hand in big in Bordeaux. Here is a non exhaustive list of the shops you could visit in the city.

**Baillardran**

Baillardran is famous for being the expert in "canelés" - a French small cake with vanilla filling and caramelized crust.

Photo: lkanar/Shutterstock.com
Address: 263, rue Judaïque, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 556 99 1375
Internet: www.baillardran.com

**L’Intendant**

Discover the Bordeaux wines in an exceptional setting with a beautiful circular staircase.
L’Artisan Parfumeur

L’Artisan Parfumeur is a shop where you can buy your own tailor-made perfume. Find your fragrances, let the experts mix them and obtain your own personal perfume to leave a lasting impression on people.

Pétrusse

Pétrusse is a great shop to buy beautiful cashmere or luxurious silk pashminas. You will also find superb, hand-woven scarves in here.

Antique Shops

There are antique shops and art studios all around the main streets. There are also nice little shops in rue du Pas-Saint-Georges and rue des Remparts.

Badie

If you want to buy wine but do not feel like venturing outside the city all the way to the wineries and castles, Bordeaux’s streets and squares are full of wine merchants. One of the oldest and more popular wine of them is Badie.

Sunday Flea Market (St-Michel)

Sunday is the day to visit the flea market on Quai de Salinières. Here you can find everything from a cheerful mess of furniture to nick-knacks, clothes and books - all of which is second-hand. These types of markets are the classic family or friends outing in France, and a great Sunday activity.

Food Shopping

Locally-made goose liver and goat cheese are sold at the Capucins Market on Saturdays. At the Centre Commercial Saint Christoly and the Galerie des Grand s Hommes department stores there are innumerable shops, cafés and fast food outlets. If you like sweets things, Baillardran on
Grands Hommes is the must for cakes, pastries and sweets.

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Address: Marché Capucins, Bordeaux

Bordeaux Shopping Areas
Bordeaux’s luxury shops are situated in a district called “the golden triangle,” between Cours de l’intendance, Cours Georges Clemenceau and Allées de Tourny. Here you will find Cartier, Louis Vuitton, Longchamps, Kenzo, Hermes and Dior. Look for bargains in the young and trendy shops on rue St. Catherine and rue Porte-Dijeaux: Galeries Lafayette, Levi’s, Disney Store, Foot Locker, Lacoste, Zara, H&M.

Photo: Olesia Bilkei/Shutterstock.com
Address: Cours de l’intendance, Bordeaux

Saint Christoly Shopping Centre
The well-known Saint Christoly Shopping Centre offers a wide variety of shops. You can find it ideally located in the city centre.

Photo: Kokulina / Shutterstock.com
Address: 17 Rue du Père Louis Jabrun, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 5 56 52 98 67
Internet: www.saint-christoly.com

Galeries Lafayette
Visit the Galeries Lafayette department store which is a chain store found all over France. Here you will find just about anything related to clothes or decoration.

Photo: Syda Productions / Shutterstock.com
Address: 11-19 rue Sainte Catherine, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 5 56 90 92 71
Internet: www.galerieslafayette.com

Centre Commercial Bordeaux Lac
Strong economic pole for the city, Bordeaux le Lac is one of the major department stores and mall in the city. You’ll find it North of the centre.

Photo: Rawpixel.com / Shutterstock.com
Address: Avenue des 40 Journaux, Bordeaux
Phone: +33 5 56 43 44 00
Internet: www.aushopping.com

Marché des Quais
A great market specialized in local and general gastronomy where you can shop but also stop for a glass of wine and some fresh oysters while enjoying a superb view on the Garonne river. Be aware though that parking is very difficult so you might want to avoid coming here by car.

Photo: margouillat photo/Shutterstock.com
Address: Quai des Chartrons, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Tram stop Chartrons
Opening hours: Sundays
Le Chemin des Créateurs

For a shopping adventure that is a bit more artistic, try to follow Le Chemin des Créateurs - French for "the creators road". You can go from shop to shop, all of them managed directly by the creators and designers. You can find everything from jewelry to decoration and clothing.

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Address: 15, Rue Huguerie, Bordeaux

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

Bordeaux-Merignac Airport

The airport is located in Merignac, just outside of Bordeaux. A shuttle links directly the central train station and the airport between 6am and 11pm 7/7, in approximatively 30 minutes with one departure every hour.

Another bus line, the Liane 1+ serves the same purpose but leaves more regularly and with more stops, for a trip of around 50 minutes. It works between 5am and 12:30/1:30am from Monday to Sunday.

Photo: Juan Garces
Address: Bordeaux-Merignac Airport, Bordeaux
Phone: +335 56 34 50 73
Internet: www.bordeaux.aeroport.fr

Public Transport

A 1,50 single ticket for bus and tram is valid for 1 hour. You can find all necessary information on the TBM website for public transports or even download the app.

A good tip is to invest in a Bordeaux City-Pass card that you can buy in the tourist office. It includes free entry to several museums as well as free travel on municipal buses and trams.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair
Address: 10/12 boulevard antoine gautier, Bordeaux
Public Transport: Trams, buses, bus-boats
Phone: 05.57.57.88.88
Internet: www.infothbm.com

Taxi

There are many taxis and taxi stations available all around Bordeaux. Bicycle-Taxis are also available.

Internet: www.bordeaux.fr/p1247/taxi-

Post

Bordeaux has many post offices, but you can also buy stamps in "Bureaux de tabac" and post your letters or postcards in post boxes (yellow and blue).
Pharmacy
Pharmacies are all around in Bordeaux, but there are only a few open at night. Call the number given to make sure the pharmacy is open and has the necessary products. After 10pm, call the Police station.

Telephone & WiFi
Country code + 33
Bordeaux Council offer free WiFi hotspots around the city, in libraries and main attractions. On the website below you'll find a map of the hotspots in the centre.

Electricity
230 volts French plug normally have two round pins in line. Sometimes in the wall outlet you will find a third round pin.

Population
Over 240,000 inhabitants

Currency
1 Euro = 100 cents

Opening hours
Most stores are open from 10am to 7.30pm, malls up to 9pm and supermarkets until 8pm to 10pm.

Newspapers
Courrier Français
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Emergency numbers
Police: 17
Fire Brigade: 18
Ambulance: 15
If you are calling from a mobile telephone dial: 112

Tourist information
Bordeaux Tourist Office
12, Cours du XXX Juillet, Bordeaux
+33 5 56 00 66 00
Open everyday.
| Allées de Munich | B1 | R. C. Bonnier | A2 | Rue de Grassi | A1 A2 B2 |
| Allées d’Orléans | B1 | R. C. Sauvageau | C3 | Rue de la Devis | B2 |
| Av. Thiers | D1 | R. Charles Domercq | D4 | Rue de Pessac | A4 |
| Avenue Abadie | D1 | R. de Cursol | A3 B3 | Rue de Saget | D4 |
| C de l’Intendance | A1 B1 | R. de la Benaude | D2 | Rue de St-Genis | A4 |
| C. A. Briant | A3 B3 | R. de la Porte Dijon | A2 B1 | Rue de Strasbourg | A4 |
| C. Barbe | C4 | R. de Lamourous | A4 | Rue des Ayres | B2 |
| C. de l’Argonne | B4 | R. de Tauzia | D4 | Rue des Menuts | C3 |
| C. de la Libération | A3 | R. des Faures | C3 | Rue des Vignes | C3 |
| C. de la Somme | B4 | R. des Remparts | A2 | Rue du Cancera | B2 |
| C. d’Alsace et Lorraine | B2 | R. du Hamel | C3 | Rue du Chateau d’Eau | A1 A2 |
| C. Pasteur | B3 | R. du Pas St. Georges | B2 | Rue du Margaux | A2 B2 |
| C. Victor Hugo | B3 C3 | R. Eug. le Roy | D4 | Rue du Temple | A1 A2 |
| Cours de la Marne | B4 C4 D4 | R. G. Carde | C1 D1 | Rue du Tondu | A3 A4 |
| Cours d’Albret | A2 A3 | R. Huguerie | A1 | Rue Esprit des Lois | B1 |
| Pl. Canteloup | C3 | R. J. Burguet | A3 | Rue Ferbos | C4 |
| Pl. de la Bourse | B1 C1 | R. J. Steeg | C4 | Rue Jardel | D1 |
| Pl. de la Victoire | B4 | R. Leberthon | B4 | Rue Jean Descas | D4 |
| Pl. de Palais | B2 C2 | R. M. Joffre | A2 A3 | Rue Jean Fleuriet | A2 |
| Pl. de Pressense | B3 | R. Neuve | B2 | Rue Judaïque | A1 |
| Pl. de Tourny | A1 | R. P. Camelle | D1 | Rue Jules Guesde | C4 |
| Pl. des Capucins | C4 | R. P. Duben | A4 | Rue Kleber | B4 |
| Pl. du Chapelet | B1 | R. P. L. Lande | B3 | Rue Lafontaine | B4 C4 |
| Pl. Duburg | C3 | R. Peyronnet | D4 | Rue Lecoq | A3 |
| Pl. Gambetta | A1 | R. Serr | D1 | Rue Leyteyre | B3 |
| Pl. J. Jaures | B1 | R. St-François | B3 C3 | Rue Magendie | B3 |
| Pl. Lafargue | B2 | R. St-James | B2 B3 | Rue Malbec | C4 D4 |
| Pl. Leon Duguit | C3 | R. St-Nicolas | B4 | Rue Mazarin | A4 |
| Pont de Pierre | C2 | R. Thiac | A1 | Rue Milliere | B4 |
| Pont St-Jean | D3 D4 | R. V. Carles | A2 | Rue Monadey | B4 |
| Q. de la Grave | C3 | R. Villedieu | A4 B4 | Rue Monbazou | A2 |
| Q. de la Monnaie | C3 | Rue Beaufour | B4 | Rue Montmestrel- La Bastide | D1 D2 |
| Q. de Paludate | D4 | Rue Belleville | A3 | Rue Nuyens | C1 |
| Q. Louis XVIII | B1 | Rue Bigot | B3 C3 | Rue Rolland | A1 |
| Q. Richelieu | C2 | Rue Carpentier | C3 | Rue Saint-Fort | A1 |
| Q. Ste-Croix | D3 | Rue Casteja | A1 | Rue Sainte-Catherine | B1 B2 B3 |
| Quai des Queyras | C1 | Rue Condillac | A1 | Rue Servandoni | A3 |
| Quai des Salinieres | C2 C3 | Rue de Begles | C4 | Rue St-Remi | B1 |
| Quai Deschamps | D2 | Rue de Belfort | A3 | Rue Walter Poupot | A4 |