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WHAT'S NEW IN NOUVELLE-AQUITAINE IN 2021?

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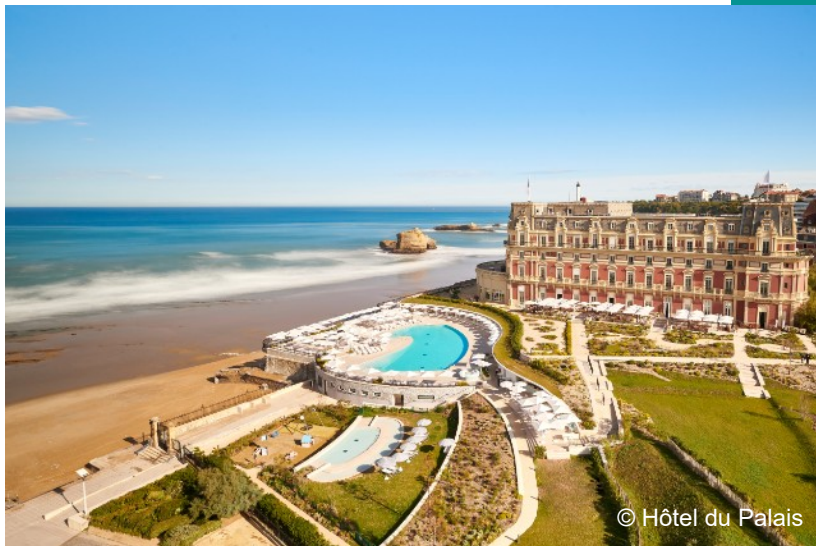
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The 14 destinations of Nouvelle-Aquitaine



HOTELS

The 7 most awaited openings in 2021



📍 Biarritz – Pays Basque

Hôtel du Palais in Biarritz, reopening of a legendary palace!

March 26th, 2021: a most awaited date for Hôtel du Palais that will be reopening in a younger, enhanced version. Its lobby and almost all of its suites and rooms have been refurbished, not to mention its new restaurants!

Registered as one of the most beautiful hotels in the world (it boasts a « Palace de France » label) the hotel closed for renovations after the G7 in 2019. Its reopening in the spring of 2021 is eagerly awaited.

www.hyatt.com



📍 Bordeaux

Two stylish new hotels are opening in Bordeaux

In 2021, Bordeaux will be celebrating the opening of a hotel that simply cannot go unnoticed: Hôtel La Zoologie, the ruins of an old zoology institute transformed into a luxurious 4-star hotel. Located just a few minutes from the railway station, this hotel just might become Bordeaux's new place to be!

In downtown Bordeaux, Hôtel les Villas Foch, nestled inside two private 17th and 18th century mansions is aiming for a 5-star classification.

www.hotelzoologie.com | www.villasfoch.fr





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Niort – Marais Poitevin

Creation of an « eco-responsible » park in the heart of the Marais poitevin

This 3-star residential leisure park offers guests a calm and peaceful haven, amidst the unspoilt Marais poitevin marsh, France's second largest wetland, often referred to as the « Green Venice ». The park offers seasonal accommodation for about one hundred guests including « eco-lodges », wooden or canvas chalets.

Available on the spot: a small aqua-recreational area, services for cyclists and hikers, direct access to the waterways and boat rental...

www.niortmaraispoitevin.com



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Royan – Atlantic Coast

Luxury and relaxation at Club Med de la Palmyre Atlantique

Located in a gigantic pine forest surrounded by dunes and lulled by the waves of the Atlantic Ocean, this Club Med recently underwent a vast refurbishment program. It is France's first 4-Trident beach resort.

The luxury part of the holiday camp offers 5 suites with an ocean view and 22 duplexes and high-end studio apartments.

Good to know: there is a « gourmet lodge » evoking the seaside villas of « Belle Epoque » Royan.

www.clubmed.fr



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Atlantic Coast

Two new hotels on the Landes coast


- **Hôtel du Parc by Azureva***** : on the Hossegor lakeside, this Basco-Landais style hotel boasts 84 contemporary design rooms and « la Rotonde », a gourmet restaurant with a terrace on a private beach, an Art-Deco style lounge bar, a well-being area and seminar rooms.
- **Hôtel du Golf****** in Seignosse: this hotel-restaurant, purchased by Les Domaines de Fontenille will be reopening in the spring of 2021. It will be the first « Relais & Châteaux de France » hotel on a golf course with 32 rooms and suites, a restaurant, lounge bar and seminar rooms.



EXHIBITIONS

4 exhibits not to be missed



 Aubusson

Works by Hayao Miyazaki in Aubusson tapestries in 2021 – 2023

After its successful Tolkien project, « La Cité internationale de la tapisserie d'Aubusson » is now diving into the dreamlike universe of Hayao Miyazaki, the famous master of Japanese animation. Five large-scale works, depicting several scenes from his flagship films such as Chihiro's Journey or « Howl's moving castle » will be woven in Aubusson, with several years of work on the horizon.

The tapestry venue highlights the past and present of the art of tapestry-making, which is now registered on UNESCO's intangible cultural heritage list.

www.cite-tapisserie.fr

+ Michelin Guide – 2021 winners

In Nouvelle-Aquitaine, four restaurants were awarded their first star. « Les Sources de Fontbelle » in Angoulême, « Les Foudres » in Cognac, « L'Observatoire du Gabriel » in Bordeaux and « ONA » in Arès, Gironde. The latter is France's first vegan restaurant to have been awarded a Michelin star.



 Bordeaux

« Les Bassins des lumières », in the colors of Impressionism

Until January 2nd, 2022

« Les Bassins de lumières », a unique exhibition venue and the world's largest digital art center, is located in Bordeaux's submarine base.

As of February, two new exhibitions will take place. The first: « Monet, Renoir... Chagall, voyage en Méditerranée » presents a journey from Impressionism to modernity with the works of about twenty artists. The second, « Yves Klein, l'infini bleu », immerses visitors into the plurality of the artist's works and of his famous IKB (International Klein Blues).

www.bassins-lumieres.com





« La Cité du vin »: a great mythology exhibition: from antiquity to street art!

From April 9th to August 29th, « La Cité du vin » will be hosting an exhibition dedicated to mythology and street art in its “Boire avec les dieux” (Drink with the gods) area: an unusual encounter between three contemporary urban artists and ancient works, including exceptional loans from the Louvre, the Archaeological Museum of Athens and the “Fondation Gandur pour l’Art”.

La Cité du Vin is a must-see in Bordeaux. It showcases vineyards from around the world via its permanent exhibition itinerary, temporary exhibitions, wine culture workshops and numerous events.

www.laciteduvin.com

Bordeaux

Rochefort, Atlantic Coast

Océana Lumina, a new enchanted nighttime experience at Rochefort's Arsenal Mers!

This multi-sensory show begins in the spring of 2021. It presents a poetic evocation of the conquest of the seas, combining lighting, soundscapes, music, videos and special effects... a wonderful walking tour for visitors of all ages, amidst the Arsenal des Mers, between the Corderie Royale and the Hermione.

On the spot, do not miss:

- **the Corderie Royale**, created by Louis XIV. This royal rope factory was established to make the ropes required for the Navy's sail boats.

- **the Hermione frigate**, famous for having enabled the young Marquis de La Fayette to join the American insurgents in their fight for independence.

www.arsenaldesmers.fr



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+ Did you know ?

Hennessy, the number 1 cognac house, has been considering shipping its eau-de-vie to the USA by sailboat, for a more eco-responsible approach.



Save the dates



The Pyrenees and Saint-Emilion

Tour de France 2021

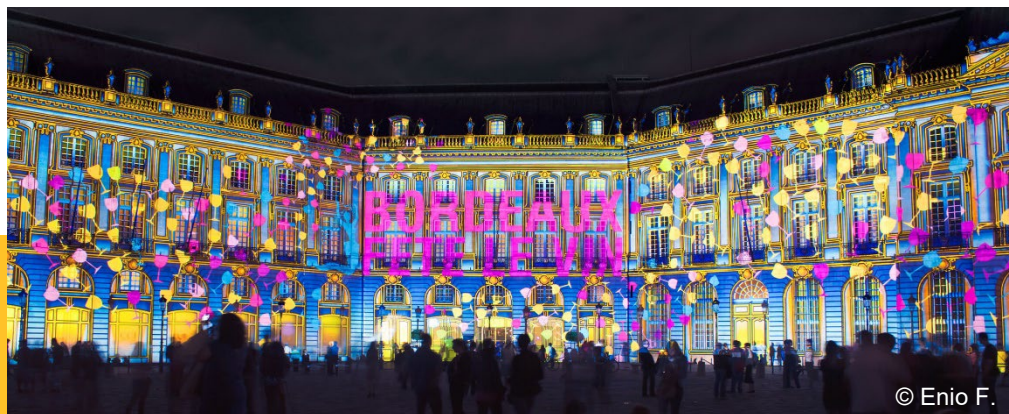
www.letour.fr

+ Did you know ?

The Cordouan lighthouse, a 70-metre (230 ft) high maritime gem, and a registered Historical Monument for over 150 years, has applied to become a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The verdict is expected for July of 2021.



Bordeaux



The « Bordeaux Fête le Vin » event

www.bordeaux-fete-le-vin.com



50th anniversary of the death of Coco Chanel



The port of Royan will be able to accommodate 110 metre-long (361 ft) ships from April to October. This 48hr stopover in the Belle Epoque seaside resort of Royan will be part of a cruise departing from Bordeaux. In Langon, a tourist river pontoon that can accommodate 60 metre-long (197 ft) boats will live up the quays as of 2021.

ON THE HORIZON...

COMING UP IN 2023



Coming soon, Imagiland, the future theme park dedicated to Franco-Belgian comics

The UNESCO Creative City of Angoulême, listed for its Comic Strip Literature, will host this new 12-hectare complex, scheduled to be opening in 2023 on the 50th anniversary of Angoulême's International Comic Strip Festival.

Its 14 attractions will immerse visitors of all ages into the universe of French and Belgian comics with characters such as Gaston Laforge, Blake and Mortimer, Boule et Bill...

www.nouvelle-aquitaine-tourisme.com



Angoulême



Bordeaux, land of rugby in 2023!

France is organizing the 10th World Cup in 2023.

The host town of Bordeaux will be greeting 4 pool games at its Matmut Atlantique stadium. The city also hopes to greet a quarter final game.

In the Nouvelle-Aquitaine region, 3 or 4 cities will offer base camps to enable teams to train in excellent conditions before and during the World Cup.

www.bordeaux-tourisme.com



Bordeaux



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« Les Ostensions Limousines 2023 » Millenia-old religious ceremonies, registered as Intangible World heritage by UNESCO

« Les Ostensions Limousines » have been taking place every 7 years since the 10th century! From April to late June, processions are organized to honor local saints around Limoges. The festivities attract many spectators who come to watch the reliquaries being paraded throughout the area's villages, with flags, banners, decorations and participants dressed as historical characters. The 71st edition takes place in 2023.

www.limoges-tourisme.com



Limoges



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