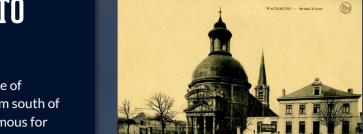
WELCOME TO **WATERLOO**

Situated in the province of Walloon Brabant, 16 km south of Brussels, Waterloo, famous for its battle of 18 June 1815, boasts a rich historical and cultural heritage, of which some points of interest are proposed to you in this walk.

This map allows you to discover 18 places that mark the history of Waterloo and are still very much alive today...

Waterloo's hotels are indicated on the map and look forward to welcoming you for an unforgettable cultural and relaxing stay!



PRESBYTÈRE / CURE

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PRESBYTERY / PRIEST'S HOUSE

residence, with its double entrance staircase was built in 1826 to bring the presbytery closer to the "Chapelle Royale", which later became a church. CHAPELLE ROYALE

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Place Albert Ier

ROYAL CHAPEL / SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

The "Chapelle Royale" was erected in 1690 according to the wishes of the Marquis of Gastañaga, the Governor of Belgium (South Spanish Netherlands). As the Latin inscription on the triangular pediment states, the Chapel was built in the unfulfilled hope of seeing a new prince born as a successor to Charles II of Spain. This impressive Baroque style dome is the last monument to the Spanish era on Belgian soil. The nave which constitutes the main building of the church was added during the 19th century. The spire of the bell tower was added later,



Monument au Civisme / Épi

CIVIC MEMORIAL / WHEATSHEAF

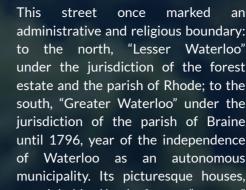
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May 7, 1976.

"The sheaf rises from a sown grain..." This sculpture was created by the Waterloo artist Philippe Denis. It symbolises a wheatsheaf being reborn from the soils of Yser and Lys, the sand of the Sallenelles (Normandy) and the ashes of Dachau. all contained in different urns buried

beneath it. It was inaugurated on

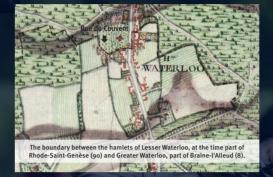
N5 - Chée de Bruxelles →





Rue du Couvent **CONVENT STREET**

administrative and religious boundary: to the north, "Lesser Waterloo" under the jurisdiction of the forest estate and the parish of Rhode; to the south, "Greater Waterloo" under the jurisdiction of the parish of Braine until 1796, year of the independence of Waterloo as an autonomous municipality. Its picturesque houses, once inhabited by the famous "paveurs" (road pavers), recall the authenticity of the old Waterloo of bygone days.



Ferme de la Cense



One of the Chapelle Mouchet

Rue François Libert

MOUCHET CHAPEL

The "Chapelle Mouchet" named after the mayor from 1818 until 1833 was erected in 1832 by the Mouchet family The Chapel, located on the edge of the former Damiens Park, now the municipal park, houses a statue of Virgin Mary holding Jesus in her arms.



FERME DE LA CRAVACHE

Parking arrière de l'Académie de Musique Chaussée de Bruxelles 267

THE WHIP FARM

You will see farms and inns on both sides of the "Chemin des Wallons" (now the N5/"Chaussée de Bruxelles"). The "Ferme de la Cravache", formerly located behind the current Academy of Music (the former town hall), is mentioned as early as 1412.

A drawing from 1733 shows a group of buildings forming a quadrilateral. The first unnamed inn is mentioned in 15/0. The number of buildings grew after the road was paved in 1665.

musicians (including singers, pianists, violinists, cellists, chamber music) accompanied by masters in residence.

The building also houses the twelve finalists of the Queen Elisabeth International Music Contest of Belgium during their preparation week. 75 years after its opening, a new wing was proudly inaugurated in January 2015. The 'de Launoit Wing' offers an incredible residence complex as well as a magnificent concert hall which has hosted the "MuCH" public concert seasons every year since 2015.



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PARC DESCAMPE

PUBLIC PARK

Laurent" in 2003.

Parc communal

Chaussée de Bruxelles 308

This park was named after the former

mayor of Waterloo from 1953 to

1964. The municipality converted it

into a public park after the demolition

of "Château Damiens" in 1984 and

added the park of the former "Maison

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This vast, square neo-classical style



CHÂTEAU JACO/DAMIENS

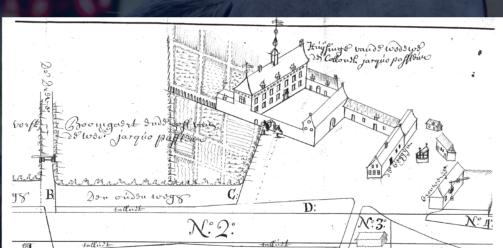
Les Écuries

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THE STABLES

Location of 'Château Jaco'. Jacques Pastur, also known as "Jaco" was a colourful local citizen. He served as a cavalry brigadier under Charles II of Spain and then became a field marshal for King Louis XIV of France. He had this Castle built in 1699. It was destroyed in 1845 and replaced by

another building which was known in the 20th century as "Château Damiens" until its destruction in 1984. Only the "Ecuries" remain and regularly welcome temporary exhibitions organised by the municipality. Note that on August 7, 1705, Jaco became famous by winning an earlier "Battle of Waterloo", a French victory against the English led by the Duke of Marlborough.



LA SUCRERIE

Ochemin de la Cense

PATH OF THE FARM

Since the Middle Ages, this path used to lead from the Farm (or "Cense") of the old Forest Abbey, mentioned as early as 1145, to the "Chaussée de Bruxelles"

This farm, destroyed in 1818, was located near the present-day "Avenue Fructidor" and "Avenue de la Closiere" streets. Looking from the "Chaussée de



Bruxelles", you can see a stretch of path

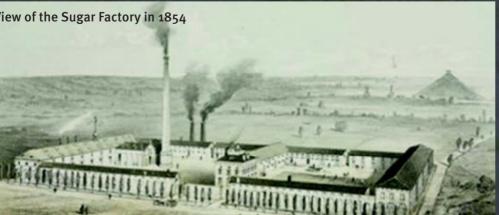
Moulin along by the municipal park.

ved with large red stones from Sart-

Soignes" were cleared to make way for

studio and a cultural centre.

sugar beet cultivation. This site is part of our heritage of industrial archaeology: after the sugar factory it became a condensed milk factory, then a breeding ground for karakul lambs (for their astrakhan fur), a cinema



Chaussée de Tervuren 445

Chapelle Musicale

Reine Elisabeth

QUEEN ELISABETH MUSIC CHAPEL Of a transatlantic style, somewhere between Art Deco and 1930's modernism, this building was commissioned by the Launoit family from the architect Yvan Renchon. It was inaugurated on July 11, 1939 in response to Queen Elisabeth's wish to help and support young talented musicians. The Music Chapel welcomes, in a spirit of companionship, high level

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Chapelle Saint Antoine

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SAINT ANTHONY CHAPEL

This Chapel is located on what was once called the "Route d'èl Banque" (meaning the bank road), because it was built in 1830 by the "Société Générale" bank of Belgium for its Governor. This perfectly straight, wide road stretched many kilometres across the "Forêt de Soignes".

The small neo-gothic style Chapel with its three-lobed rosette shape was built in 1900 and dedicated to St-

As the patron saint of sailors and prisoners, he is often invoked to find lost objects, or to recover from sickness or grant a wish.

View of the Sugar Factory in 1854

This former sugar factory (from

1837 until 1840, then from 1851

until 1871) of neo-classical style has

housed the Martin's Grand Hotel since

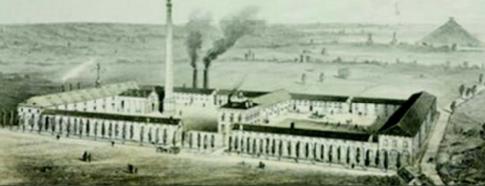
2002. 29 hectares of the "Forêt de

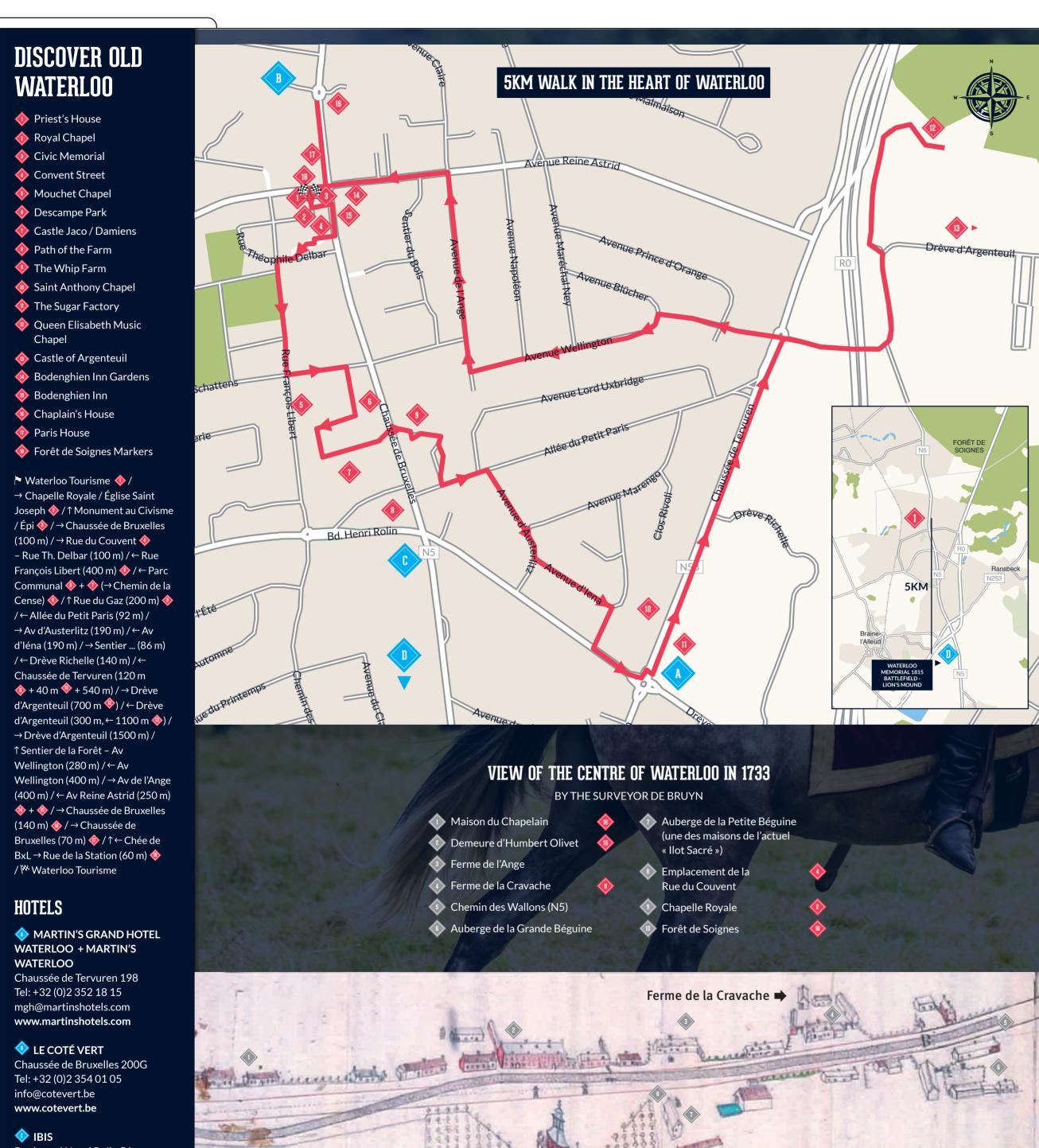
Martin's Grand Hotel

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CHÂTEAU D'ARGENTEUIL

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Square d'Argenteuil 5

CASTLE OF ARGENTEUIL

1.5km east of the Music Chapel lies the castle of Ferdinand de Meeûs, Governor of the "Société Générale" bank. In 1831 Ferdinand de Meeûs acquired the immense Argenteuil domain on which he had a princely residence built. Devastated by a fire in 1847, the current castle, flanked by four square towers, owes its existence to the famous architect Jean-Pierre Cluysenaar. The castle and its 14-ha park have housed the Scandinavian School from 1993 until 2020.



AUBERGE BODENGHIEN

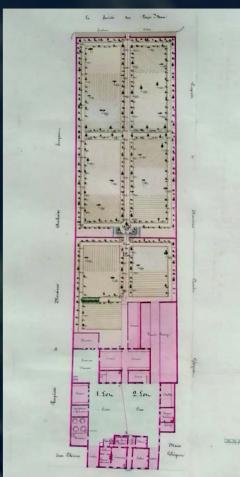
Musée Wellington

Chaussée de Bruxelles 147

BODENGHIEN INN Located in the very centre of the old village of the road pavers who made it famous, this Rococo style house was built in 1705 by Humber Olivet, who was in charge of the maintenance of the "Chemin des Wallons" road (now the N5). The house later became the property of the Bodenghiens who ran

a coaching inn for travellers crossing the dangerous "Forêt de Soignes". It was then used as his headquarters by the Duke of Wellington, commander in chief of the allied armies in the battle against Napoleon, on the eve and the evening after the battle. Converted into a museum, it now houses the very campaign table on which the Duke wrote his victory note and which, since it was located in Waterloo, gave its name to the famous battle of June 18, 1815.

Place de Waterlos



JARDINS DE L'AUBERGE BODENGHIEN

Entrée nord des Galeries Wellington

Avenue Reine Astrid

BODENGHIEN INN GARDENS

The gardens of "l'Auberge de la Veuve Bodenghien" (Widow Bodenghien's Inn), which the Duke of Wellington used as his headquarters in 1815, once extended as far as the presentday car park of the "Galeries Wellington" shopping centre. The level of the gardens was raised to cover over where the stables had once stood.



MAISON DU CHAPELAIN



Chaussée de Bruxelles 121

CHAPLAIN'S HOUSE Up until the beginning of the 19th century, the "Maison du Chapelain" was the first house at the entrance of Waterloo, at the edge of the "Forêt de Soignes". Under the old rule of "l'Ancien Régime", the "Chapelle Royale" was served by a rector whose pastoral house was situated 800 ft away from the sanctuary. This small rural house (1719) is now occupied by restaurant "L'Amusoir".



Bornes domaniales Forêt de Soignes

Rue de la Station 2

FORÊT DE SOIGNES MARKERS

The estate marker stones: the Sonian Forest, which used to belong to the Duke of Brabant, covered an area of 120 km². Current Waterloo area is 21.03 km². The estate was delineated by a ditch and by marker stones. These date from the 13th and 15th centuries.



MAISON PARIS

Château Tremblant

Chaussée de Bruxelles 214

TREMBLING CASTLE

Built in 1750 and restored in the same style, this is where Lord Uxbridge, commander of the allies' cavalry, had his leg amputated on the night of the battle of June 18, 1815. During World War I, the building housed the

committee which helped distribute food to the people of Waterloo. Because of the poor state of its old stairs, it was renamed "Château Tremblant", meaning trembling castle.



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