



Belgium for Beer Lovers

Days 1-3 Brussels: Beers and Beauty

- Grab a table at one of the many cafés on the Grand Place, Europe's most ornate and theatrical town square
- Visit the Brewers House and learn about the beer-making process; the entrance fee includes a glass of beer
- Take a peek at the Museum van de Gueuze, the only Lambic brewery left in Brussels

Day 4 – Leuven: Learning and Scholarship

- Visit the mammoth Stella Artois Brewery, the premier institution of Belgian brewing
- Pop into the much smaller Domas brewery, famous for its honey beer
- Stand back and enjoy the ornate medieval Stadhuis in the town center

Day 5 – Antwerp: Fashion Port

- Visit De Koninck, the city's last remaining brewery
- Taste a few of the 550 kinds of beer poured Bierhuis Kulminator.
- At the 'T Waagstuk, beer devotees can enjoy a specialty brew and attend one of the café's many seminars

Day 6 – Ghent: Breweries Just Outside of Town

- Just 20 minutes outside of Ghent, Liefmans brewery is known for its soft, dark Oud Bruin
- A family brewery since 1545, Roman makes wheat and brown beers as well as a tasty pils
- Back in Ghent, you can ponder the mysteries of van Eyck's *Adoration of the Mystic Lamb* in St. Bavo's Cathedral

Day 7 – Brugge: A Medieval Gem

- Take a trip to St. Sixtus Abbey, where a small group of monks produces three kinds of Trappist beer
- The Groeningemuseum has work by many of the Flemish Primitives, from Bosch to Brueghel
- Explore the Markt, one of the liveliest places in Brugge, as it fills with people and horse-drawn carriages

Day 8 – 9 Amsterdam: City of Marvels

- Wander around the Jordaan, a classic neighborhood filled with canals and side streets
- The Rijksmuseum holds works by Rembrandt, Vermeer, and others; van Gogh has his own museum
- Explore the tiny Anne Frank House for a taste of Dutch history in the World War II era

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