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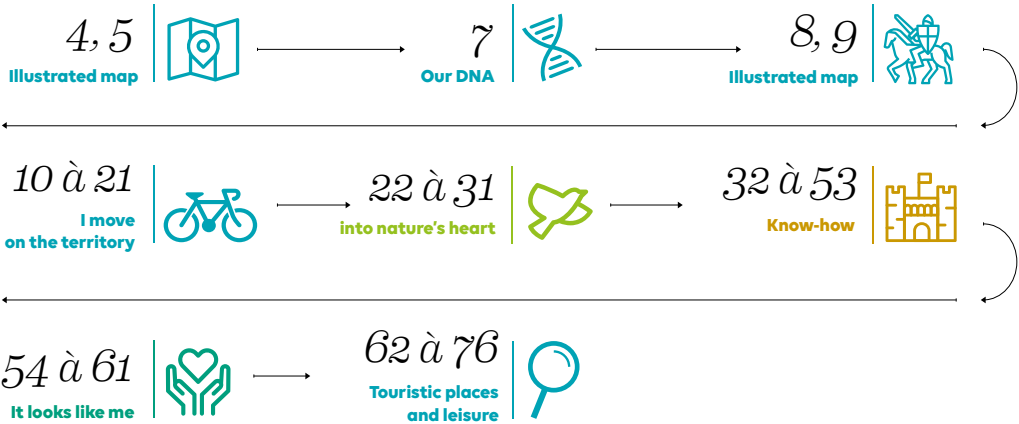
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WELCOME AND ENJOY YOUR VISIT



# Summary



## Contacts

### Before your stay

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### Facebook :

@DestinationNiortMaraisPoitevin

Instagram : niortmaraispoitevin

Twitter : @NiortMaraisPoit

### Come to visit us

**In Niort, 1 rue de la chamoiserie, 79000 Niort:**  
open all year

In our seasonal offices :

- **In Coulon, place de la Coutume :**  
from the end of march until november
- **In Arçais, place de l'Église :**  
from the end of march until september
- **In St-Hilaire-la-Palud, Bureau de la poste :**  
information point
- Our schedule changes with the seasons, check them on : [www.niortmaraispoitevin.com](http://www.niortmaraispoitevin.com)
- Did you do your selection ? Reserved on line on our website [www.niortmaraispoitevin.com](http://www.niortmaraispoitevin.com)
- During your stay, your free guide in your pocket with the app : **Niort Marais Poitevin Tour**

Share your experience and give us an advice.

### Emergency numbers

Niort Hospital Center  
40 avenue Charles de Gaulle  
+33 5 49 32 79 79  
Inkermann Polyclinic  
84 Route d'Aiffres à Niort  
+33 8 26 30 28 28 (during the day)  
Firefighters : 18  
Emergency medical service : 15  
Police and Gendarmerie : 17  
European emergency number : 112  
Doctor on duty : 15 (Emergency medical service)  
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# Our DNA

## Mobility, nature and know-how

**Every territory hold wonderful things, fulfillment sources.**

**It is still necessary to unearth them, to reveal them as a taste enhancer brings out discreet flavors.**

### **A breath of fresh air, water...**

Inhale, you just arrived on a « breathing » land, close to the ocean bank and the blast of air coming from the ancient Picton Golf. Water and earth mix and erect strange cathedrals that are being watch by a sentinel of rocks dressed on the side of the river; nature is beautiful, rich and our generations preserve it, draw their subsistence from it and "tame" it sometimes to help you discover it. Marshes, woods, gardens and open plains deeply embrace each other here.

### **Sweet touring...**

We've marked the territory for you to be able to engage in invigorating activities such as running, paddling, cycling,... Take advantage of this to discover our paths and canals. We can offer you a fully immersed nature station, new hiking offers, guided or not, geocaching parties,... to put your bodies in harmony with the scenery. We can also guide you to the discovery of artistic propositions, historical heritage, gustatory monuments.

### **2023, make sense !**

You want to find sense and authenticity, to be sensitive to the environment, ... Our territory will make sense for your holidays ! And even more now, following the path of the Climate Conference.



Port Boinot



## HISTORICAL LANDMARKS

# Green spaces marked by Humans

*To go deep in Niort-Marais poitevin's history is to first explain the edges of a geographic particularity.*

*Why is there a vast green and humid expanses, full of canals ?*

### From the ocean to Niort

8000 years ago, this landscape was covered by the sea with limestone islets. The golf des pictons was expending all the way to Niort.

### A Manmade territory

The amazing conquest of the marshland was initiated by 5 abbeys during the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> centuries. The first goal of this work was to be able to exploit the territory. The Marais Poitevin emerged as a huge work of canal digging, which created the first drainage and purging system for this 2nd largest humid zone of France.

### A Dutch specialist in canals

The king Henry IV offered himself the services of the dutch Humphrey Bradley to modernise and continue this artificial drying out. His work kept on going under the reign of Louis XIII and Louis XIV, before lapsed because of wars.

We had to wait until 1808, for Napoléon 1st to undertake to clean and widen the Sèvre Niortaise, the main road of the marshland.

The goal is to reduce inondations and improve the gabarres navigation between Niort and the ports of the atlantic ocean.

### Maintain and protect the landscape

Nowadays, the inheritors of this natural and cultural monument give themselves, as a goal, to protect those rare landscapes, made of channels, conches and canals with their « Frêne-têtard » the local trees.



*Paysage emblématique du marais mouillé*





**XII<sup>e</sup> et XIII<sup>e</sup>**  
First conquest  
of the Marais



**XVI<sup>e</sup>**  
Home of the  
protestant reformation



**XVII<sup>e</sup>**  
Modernization of the  
drying of the Marais



**XIX<sup>e</sup> et XX<sup>e</sup>**  
Economic revival with  
the wood and the car

**XII<sup>e</sup>**  
Construction of  
the Donjon of Niort



**1203**  
Niort becomes one  
of the firsts cities



**1608**  
Beginning of the skins  
trade with Canada



**1808**  
Napoléon 1<sup>er</sup> makes  
the river Sèvre widening



**Années 60**  
Birth of  
the insurances



### Medieval history of Niort

Some constructions testify of the opposition between both the kingdoms of France and England in the medieval times.

The Donjon of Niort is the last vestige of a last castle, from which the fortifications of 700m were built with towers. It was construct at the XIIe century, a decision made by the King of England, Henry II de Plantagenêt.

Later, during the Hundred Years War (XIV / XV<sup>e</sup> centuries), Niort and the Poitou were the subjects of desires.

### Coudray-Salbart castle

In Echiré, the fortified castle of Coudray-Salbart was built at the same time.

A decision that we owe to the lords of Parthenay, allies of the English.

### Calvinist center

As its neighbours, Poitiers and La Rochelle, Niort adhere to Jean Calvin's Protestantism.

The Reform is preach publicly for the first time in 1538. Mid XVIe century, the Poitou becomes the largest calvinist center of the West.

### Trading traditions

In 1203, Niort becomes one of the first municipality of France. It is like a small trading republic run by a mayor. Looked

as a « loft of merchandises », the city forms an economic arc with Saint-Jean-d'Angély and La Rochelle to export products further and safer (wheat, wine, wool,...).

### From Canada to the chamoiseries.

Starting from 1608, the Poitevins, established in the New-France (Canada), conserve few relationships with their native country.

Naturally, the large hides that they gathered or bought from the indians, made their way to the chamoiseries in Niort, by the Sèvre.

The leather industry, prosper at the beginning of the XVIIe century, and meets its peak at the XVIIIe century.

### From wood to insurance companies

From the XIX<sup>e</sup> to the XX<sup>e</sup> century, the territory knows an economic renewal thanks to the wood market. Moreover, the grain sorters Marot, Clert and Biscara are distributed all around the globe and Barré Automobiles, Brivin coaches and Baillon Transport criss-cross the roads. Since the Renaissance, we find a Protestant church in Niort. Which can explain the insurance company development in the city.

Since the 60', this mutalism is represented by Maif, Maaf, Macif, Smacl et Inter Mutelle Assistance. They employ more than 9 000 staff members and make Niort the 4<sup>e</sup> biggest financial place in France.

## DID YOU KNOW ?



More than 9800km of our paths are dedicated to soft mobility.

*The territory is ribbed of safe and marked courses. By foot, bike, horseback... Every practices are welcome.*



**80**  
Itinerary



**900 km**  
cycle paths



**790 km**  
pedestrian paths

# *Set yourself on the territory's rhythm*

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The Marais Poitevin, is a suitable environment for a walk and other activities, on everyone's pace. Confirmed sportman or not, the pathways are your playing field to

run and cycle, while the river welcome you to paddle. Inspire, exhale, you are in the heart of nature !



**More Information :** [www.niortmaraispoitevin.com](http://www.niortmaraispoitevin.com)  
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# Port Boinot

*A place between the city and the countryside, a big open door on the territory's treasures. It's an industrial wasteland brilliantly redeveloped.*

## A counter for your itineraries

A place between the city and the countryside, a big open door on the territory's treasures. It's an industrial wasteland brilliantly redeveloped.

## Playful and technological space

The counter, a bright and welcoming space, presents a multitude of spot to see, and things to learn about and make us want to discover the region.

## Focus on the Vélo Francette

The famous cycling route connects Ouistreham to La Rochelle, which is over 600km of paths and small roads. The southern section, between Niort and La Rochelle, allows you to pedal while visiting the essential heritage sites.

## III<sup>e</sup> Millennium pathways

The city of Niort is encircled by paths exclusively dedicated to walking and cycling. Nine independent routes that communicate with each other. They allow you to discover, the variety of the local landscapes.

## Spirit of Saint-Jacques de Compostelle

Pilgrims who follow the famous shell will be delighted to discover that two secondary routes to Compostela pass through here. One part is linked with the GR36 which, coming from Brittany, passes through the center of Niort. Another route crosses the ancient gulf of the Pictons.



### Plants everywhere

To wander through the 25,000 m2 of Port Boinot, you can follow the paths, walk on the fresh lawns of the gardens, and observe the botanical basins... The vegetation reigns supreme around the children's games and picnic tables

### Niort Plage is expanding

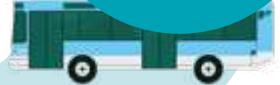
Every summer, about twenty associations take up residence in the Pré Leroy gardens to offer tonic activities to volunteers: gymnastics, volleyball, fitness... As for nautical entertainments such as stand up paddle, canoe or pedal boat, they are launched in Port Boinot.



Séance de stand-up paddle

### DID YOU KNOW ?

Free public transport allows you to crisscross the territory over 256km and to discover the 40 cities of the agglomeration.



### River cruises coming soon

Port Boinot brings us back to the good memories of river navigation, when the Sèvre was an essential artery for the economy. From 2023, it will be possible to rent a houseboat and embark on a gentle cruise to Marans. A trip of nearly 60km through three departments between Niort, the Green Venice and the Atlantic coast.

### Niort walking tour in 80 minutes

Ask the map at our reception desk and go for a 80 minutes walk around the city center. You can also use our app to be guided.

Starting from

9.50€

### Canoeing at night

In the company of a guide, a canoe-kayak instructor and in the magic light of the illuminated monuments, combine sport and historic heritage discovery of the city whose the river Sèvre Niortaise is the conductor wire.

Booking: [www.niortmaraispoitevin.com](http://www.niortmaraispoitevin.com)

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# On the roads... by bicycle

*The bicycle is, as the boat, an ideal vehicle to cross the natural landscapes of the Marais poitevin and the plains of Niort, as magnificent as soft, of which we want to preserve the quietude.*

## Niort at the crossroads of the Veloroutes

Coming down from Ouistreham (in Normandy), the famous Vélo Francette will lead us to La Rochelle on a gentle route of 87 km.

Fans will notice the new itineraries : The V93 takes the direction of Limousin, from the Millevaches plateau in the southeast (300 km to the Vassivière lake); the other one, V94, goes up to the Sèvre niortaise river in the direction of Poitiers and the Brenne (Indre et Loire) for 200 km.

## Our great spaces by pedal stroke

More than 300 km of clearly marked paths link the villages together. Stroll for a few hours with a picnic or take a few days to explore at your own pace and off the beaten track.



## BETWEEN PATHS AND CANALS : MARAICHINE CHRONIC

There are places that lend themselves to reverie and contemplation, places where nature is omnipresent. The Poitevin marsh is one of these magical places where getting lost becomes a blessing. The sound of the wind in the poplars, the sunsets on the Sèvre Niortaise, the discovery of an exceptional fauna and flora make this region a unique and popular destination for bicycle tourists. The cycling paths follow the canals, cross small pleasant villages and can lead you to the Atlantic coast. From the top of the metal footbridge you can admire the typical market garden houses and the willows planted in the banks leaning over the boats before continuing to ride on the Vélo Francette. La Bicyclette Verte celebrates this year its 31<sup>st</sup> anniversary as an organizer of bicycle trips in the Marais Poitevin and far beyond. All you have to do is to let yourself be guided on the paths...

**La Bicyclette Verte** - Arçais  
Tél : **05 49 35 42 56**  
[www.maraispoitevin-bicyclette.com](http://www.maraispoitevin-bicyclette.com)

 [To learn more  
flash to watch the video](#)



# I MOVE AROUND THE TERRITORY WITH OUR PARTNERS

## LA BICYCLETTE VERTE



Location de vélos traditionnels, vélos à assistance électrique, vélos et remorques enfants ainsi que des accessoires (sacoques, paniers, kits de réparation...). Située au départ de la piste cyclable dans une ancienne laiterie. Possibilité de livraison sur votre lieu de vacances : sur réservation.

36, route de St-Hilaire 79210 Arçais  
Tél : 05 49 35 42 56  
bicycletteverte@gmail.com  
www.maraispoitevin-bicyclette.com



Ouvert d'avril à octobre  
et 7j/7 en juillet et août

## CAMPING DES CONCHES



Location de vélo et Rosalie. Aire de service camping-car. À la découverte du Marais poitevin, le vélo est un moyen authentique pour sillonner les circuits balisés. Une balade en Rosalie s'impose avec un plan fourni de ½ heure ou 1h.

Route du Grand Port 85420 Damvix  
Tél : 02 51 87 17 06  
campingdesconches@orange.fr



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à octobre

### Balades accompagnées

## VENISE VERTE ÉVASION



Pour vos promenades en vélos, au cœur du Marais poitevin, La Garette est le point de départ idéal. De nombreux circuits balisés s'offrent à vous pour découvrir les différents villages tels que Le Vanneau, St-Georges-de-Rex, Coulon, Arçais...

43, rue des Gravées 79270 Sansais - La Garette  
Tél : 05 49 35 93 46  
venise.verte.evasion@gmail.com  
www.veniseverte.com



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## PROXI AVENTURES



Envie de prendre l'air en famille, entre amis ou collègues de manière originale et ludique ? La trottinette électrique tout terrain est la solution. Proxi aventure vous accompagnera sur différents parcours adaptés aux attentes de chacun sur plusieurs sites du département. Réservation indispensable.

132 rue des écoles 79360 Beauvoir-sur-Niort  
Tél : 07 61 27 43 33  
proxi.aventures@outlook.fr  
www.proxiaventures.com



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## LOCATION DE ROSALIE - PARC DU COQ À L'ÂNE



Location de Rosalie au Parc du Coq à l'Âne : Rosalie de 4 places (2 enfants en bas âge et 2 adultes) sinon 2 adultes, sinon 2 ados. Créneaux de location d'1h30.

12 Rue du Moulin 79210 St-Georges-de-Rex  
Tél : 05 49 35 06 28  
contact@ducoqalane.fr  
www.ducoqalane.fr



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au 24 octobre

## DID YOU KNOW ?

The "Accueil vélo" brand is present everywhere in the territory the territory. The national label is a guarantee of safety, comfort, and goodwill for bicycle enthusiasts. It's a real advantage!



## Rental, sales and repairs bicycle



Rental



Sales



repairs

### Culture vélo



Bessines - Tél : 05 49 79 22 40

### Le guidon niortais



Chauray - Tél : 05 49 34 68 49

### La bicyclette du marais



Coulon - Tél : 05 49 35 14 14

### Les vélos du Marais Poitevin



Magné - Tél : 05 49 35 90 47

### Cycles Guyonnet



Niort - Tél : 05 49 73 98 86

### Destination vélo



Niort - Tél : 05 49 35 27 15

### Le beau vélo de Robigo



Niort - Tél : 05 49 34 68 31

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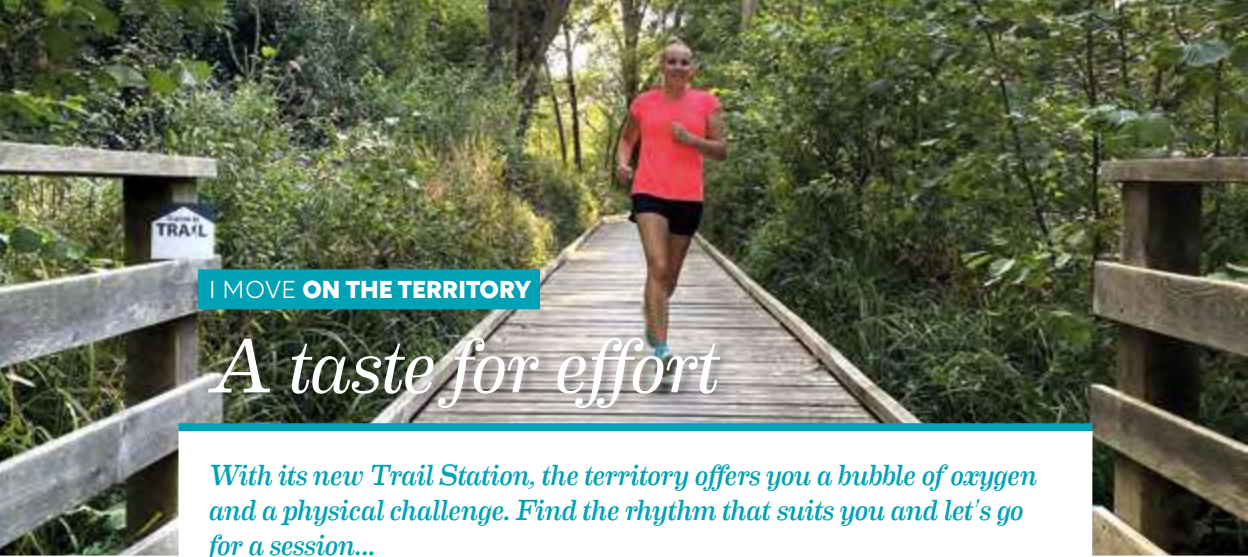


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### Embarcadère de Montfaucon



St-Hilaire-la-Palud - Tél : 05 49 35 34 97



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# A taste for effort

*With its new Trail Station, the territory offers you a bubble of oxygen and a physical challenge. Find the rhythm that suits you and let's go for a session...*

## Try the trail

Why don't you try the trail, which is the race beyond the paths and tracks? The discipline is booming. It allows you to immerse yourself in an environment, to appreciate it in its smallest details while practicing a natural sport... to keep you in shape.

## A variety of routes

Niort-Marais Poitevin is the only French territory that offers so many routes with almost no difference in altitude over more than 100km. Perfect for beginners or for families.

## For the record...

The idea of offering the visitors of Niort Marais-Poitevin the possibility of a touristic trail circuit took place in the Pyrenees, thanks to a tourist office member. There, the running is more demanding, reserved for champions of drops. Here it is more accessible, more family oriented but still fun!

## A Regional Natural Park

You have your habits in the ski resorts of the mountainous massifs. Take them from now on in our trail station to enjoy all year long our courses traced in the heart of the Regional Natural Park.

## Handicap friendly

The spirit of the trail is openness and sharing. The courses are designed to welcome people with disabilities. The reflection is an integral part of the project.

## DID YOU KNOW THAT?

According to a study lead by the Ministry of Sports, there are 1 million trail runners in France. And it's still rising...





# La Station de Trail®



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RECEPTION  
BASE

15

MARKED TRAILS

210

KILOMETERS OF  
TRAILS

2

TRAIL  
WORKSHOPS

1ST TRAIL STATION®  
WITH COURSES LABELLED  
FOR DIFFERENT HANDICAPS

The destination "Niort marais poitevin" has selected its 15 best trails (some of which are labeled for different disabilities) - for the most part with a low altitude difference - totaling 210 km and spread over 7 poles, 3 of which allow for 50 km and 100 km sequences.

A unique opportunity to discover the very special landscape of the Marais Poitevin, labelled Grand Site de France, shaped by Man since the Middle Ages, and the valley of the Sèvre niortaise, a coastal river joining the Atlantic ocean.

Niort and its Port Boinot site, dedicated to itineraries and hikes, are your starting point for a dynamic discovery of our Trail Station.

Enjoy great spaces, in the middle of nature or in the heart of the city!



Discover the application  
**On Piste**

## Selection of some courses:

### 4 The market gardening villages

The 13 km link two typical villages of the marsh : St-Georges-de-Rex and Le Vanneau

### 6 The alleys of Niort

This one starts from Port-Boinot and leads you through the small streets of the historical center 9km to enjoy the history.

### 10 The paths of the Egray

Welcome to Germond for more than 22km of challenging trails. Experienced trailers will find something to test their limits.

### 12 Small escape to the Lambon

Yes, the surroundings of the Mendes-France shopping area are suitable for running. We take the air on a little more than 10 km towards Vouillé, special after-work run.

### 13 La Quarantaine

A 12.5 km run in the countryside, towards Prin-Deyrançon. The name? The name of a variety of strawberries... informed sportsmen.



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## Guided walks

*To spice up your visits, you can be accompanied, during the summer season, by professionals who will share their passion for the area with you. Or rely on digital tools to create an augmented reality of the territory.*

### Follow the guides

They are nature or sports guides, always happy to share their knowledge. The professional guides are in the starting blocks to allow you to discover the territory and probably also a little bit about yourself.

Let yourself be led by a guide:

**Agnès Brillatz**  
Niort - Tél : 06 77 02 88 89

**Marie-Laure Viart**  
Bessines - Tél : 06 81 00 18 46

**Stéphanie Tézère**  
Niort - Tél : 06 12 76 14 85

### The geocaching of Terra Aventura

Do you know geocaching? Nothing is more effective than to make younger and older walk behind a common objective in the middle of nature. Like the 2 million players already registered on the application, you will soon find yourself walking one of the six circuits of the territory in search of the Poi'z.



To learn more

**Watch the video about the 10 years anniversary of Terra Aventura**

### Choose the alternative or the unusual

You will find material to trot and gallop in the Marais Poitevin, on horseback or in a carriage. Contact the Maison du Cheval in La Garette.

Amateur of aerial sensations? Take a trip in a hot-air balloon, silent, with the wind, to fly over the marsh and enjoy a panorama as far as the eye can see towards the Bay of Aiguillon. No need to run under the cold weather to be pulled by the sled dogs. It is also possible along the Sèvre river in Echiré. How about an all-terrain electric scooter?

### Virtual rides in a real environment

The digital walks of Baludik propose a treasure hunt on the territory. A way to learn while having fun thanks to an application to download. How about putting yourself in the shoes of Alfonse, the market gardener, and ride a bicycle for 11 km in the commune of Coulon? Follow the guide on your smartphone.

Nos 6 Poi'z



## Roman churches on your path

If you are considering a walk by associating culture and built heritage, here is the map of some roman churches that you could meet on one of the roads leading to Saint-Jacques de Compostelle.



Several secondary roads ensure an important network around these vast itineraries and Niort is thus crossed by the path from Brittany, going through Angers and then Parthenay. In the south it meets Aulnay de Saintonge. Nowadays, this itinerary is taken by the GR 36. Many roman churches and old houses present thus the Coquille Saint-Jacques, symbol of the Pilgrims' welcoming. The panorama offered on this itinerary, along rivers and across heavily forested plains is an invitation to reflection. The new pilgrims, looking for spirituality or more simply

for the pleasure of walking, appreciate to stop in the historic heart of Niort and to follow the traces of their illustrious predecessors. An alternative route, going from Nantes meets the neighboring abbeys of the Marais Poitevin and crosses the old golf of the Pictons in the surroundings of the village of Saint-Hilaire-la-Palud ; along the canal of the Mignon, it crosses Mauzé-sur-le-Mignon and then Surgères to eventually meet the Via Turonensis...

# JE BOUGE SUR LE TERRITOIRE AVEC NOS PARTENAIRES

## LA MAISON DU CHEVAL



Au cœur du site naturel classé du Marais poitevin, venez profiter d'une promenade en calèche commentée accompagnée de fiches pédagogiques sur la faune et la flore (accès PMR). Découvrez les promenades à cheval et poney, les stages d'équitation et les séjours en été de 5 jours.

La Garettte 79270 La Garettte  
Tél : 05 49 35 35 35  
contact@maisonducheval.com  
www.maisonducheval.com



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## RANDOÂNE - PARC DU COQ À LÂNE



Découvrez la Venise Verte, au pas de l'âne. Suivez les instructions de votre « Road-Book » et partez pour des circuits faits pour vous ! Pour les plus petits aventuriers, initiez-vous à dos d'âne sur les chemins du Parc animalier. Qualité Tourisme™ et Accueil Vélo®.

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www.ducoqalane.fr



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## RELAIS ÉQUESTRE ÉQUINOXE



Aux portes du Marais poitevin, venez retrouver les chevaux et poneys du Relais Equinoxe qui vous emmèneront à travers les circuits enchanteurs de la Venise Verte ou de la Vallée de la Sèvre. Pour 1h, 1 journée ou 1 semaine. Poney dès 3 ans. Accueil handicapés.

La Louvrie 79410 St-Rémy  
Tél : 06 82 21 21 67  
club@relais-equinoxe.fr  
www.relaisequinoxe.com



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## L'ASINERIE DU BAUDET DU POITOU



Au cœur de l'Asinerie, un site des échappées Nature du Département de la Charente-Maritime, les ânes, chevaux et mules vous accueillent et vous proposent de nombreuses activités pour les découvrir, de leurs premiers pas à leurs diverses utilisations.

La Tillauderie 17470 Dampierre sur Boutonne  
Tél : 05 46 24 68 94  
asinieriedubaudet@charente-maritime.fr  
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à octobre

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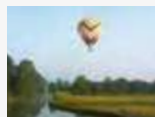


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Bessines - Tél : 05 49 05 17 67

#### Squash du Marais

Bessines - Tél : 05 49 05 40 18

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Chauray - Tél : 05 49 08 10 52

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Niort - Tél : 06 29 92 33 97

#### Family Fun Park

Niort - Tél : 05 49 24 09 35

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Au départ de l'aérodrome de Niort, venez découvrir le Marais poitevin avec sa Venise Verte puis le château de Coudray-Salbart et retour par Chauvay et la ville de Niort.

578 avenue de Limoges 79000 Niort  
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Ouvert en juillet et août

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Ouvert d'avril à septembre

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Ouvert de février à décembre

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Ouvert d'avril à octobre

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Ouvert du 3 avril à 24 octobre

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www.escapeyourselfniort.fr

Ouvert toute l'année

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Lieu-dit Pierre-Brune 85200 Mervent  
Tél : 02 51 00 20 18  
contact@pierre-brune.com  
www.pierre-brune.com

Ouvert du 9 avril au 25 septembre

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Chemin du Grand Ormeau 79000 Niort  
Tél : 05 49 04 64 48  
niort@bluegreen.fr  
www.bluegreen.fr



Ouvert toute l'année

## KAPALOUEST



Les maxi-catamarans à voile Kapalouest et le voilier Columbus vous embarquent au départ de La Rochelle : croisières vers Fort-Boyard, apéritifs ou dîners au coucher du soleil, croisières en famille et navigations exceptionnelles... ! Et pour vos croisières privées, réservez nos voiliers.

4 rue de la Désirée 17000 La Rochelle  
Tél : 05 46 44 97 67  
infos@kapalouest.com  
www.kapalouest.com



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## DID YOU KNOW?



Niort is the only city in France whose perimeter is among a territory which is certified regional natural Park

*Discover three distinct sceneries which are born from men fervent work: the maritime marsh, the dried marsh and the damp marsh.*



**8 200 km**  
of canals



**250**  
species of birds  
observed



**130**  
protected vertebrate  
species

# *Come and reconnect with yourself*

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Here, more than anywhere else, you will see nature all around you, with a quiet place which will allow you to reconnect with your environment, but more particularly with yourself. By entering into the Green Venice heart's and exploring the diversity of canals, nature will appear to you as an open book.

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**More Information :** [www.niortmaraispoitevin.com](http://www.niortmaraispoitevin.com)  
05 49 24 18 79



**DIVE IN NATURE'S HEART**

## Water and land

*You enter into a territory surrounded by water. A land which has been modeled by men's hand along the centuries. Discover this singular story and try out the typical life in the marshes.*

The Marais Poitevin is the second largest marshland in France after the Camargue marshes, it has been certified as Great site of France and regional natural Park. This area is a paradise which will leave you speechless.

### One marsh and three landscapes

Flowing through the Marais Poitevin, the Sèvre Niortaise joins the Atlantic ocean with the Bay of Aiguillon, in this way we find a mix between salty water and soft water.

The dried marshes, as for them, have been developing since the middle ages, especially with the mankind whom made them cultivable.

Remains the damp marshes, among the Green Venise.

### Discover the hydraulic system

The actual state of these sceneries is due to the fact men didn't have a choice but to evolve, indeed as the lands were surrounded by water, they had to create things which allowed them to protect the area. Thereby, we now have technologies to drain, to irrigate, to influence canals and guide the dance which takes place between tides.



### Marais Poitevin's House

Visit the House of the Marais Poitevin in Coulon, to learn all about the marshland with the Maraiscope (projection of an animation on a big-screen).

A one-hour visit, in order to deal with hydraulic in depth and in a dynamic way.

5 Place de la Coutume, 79510 COULON.  
Tél: 05 49 35 81 04  
[www.maison-marais-poitevin.fr](http://www.maison-marais-poitevin.fr)

### Slide along the Sèvre

All day long you can witness the beauty of the Sèvre which is traveling through Niort, and makes the identity of these landscapes.

Landscapes with multiples flows, which evade slowly in many different channels.

### DID YOU KNOW?



The lenticil rug is the Green Venise's totem.  
Get on board and go



**A bit of vocabulary**

A channel has a width of 4 to 8 meters and extends over a hundred kilometers, it is also link to marsh.

A furrow is a multi-kilometre long path which is rectilinear and allows to enhance water flows.

A canal is a waterway dug by man for navigation and irrigation.

A ditch defines the contours of a field and is narrow, 2 to 3 meters maximum and less than 10 meters long.

**A fishy river**

A wealthy biodiversity with many precautions taken on the water's quality. The eel like to hide among the channels, meeting other species as well as roach, zanders, crawfishes or else tench.

Plus, even though each one of them have their own preferences, when it comes to

their environment (for instance the zander likes to live underneath the sand), they all live among The Marais Poitevin.



To learn more  
**The fishing**





Pêche en Deux-Sèvres

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### Get on board!

Hop on a boat and let yourself wander along the waterway.

This traditional transportation is the best way to really get in the heart of the marshland.

It has become our tourism's strength today, the "flat" (small boat), as we like to call it, as been used as our mean of transport for Men and animals for centuries.



To learn more

### The heaven of boats the guide

### Visit the villages

The Marais Mouille has a charming collection of little towns, with their traditional architecture, you'll get lost in marshland's history.

You can distinguish the first villages that were built on the edge of the golf des Pictons, as it is the case for Saint-Georges-de-Rex, some typical villages built along the channel.



Balade en plate

### CUT OFF FROM THE WORLD IN TEN MINUTES

Nestled in the heart of the village of La Garette, Venise Verte Evasion has been welcoming visitors since 1927. "The actress Josephine Baker even came here," says Gaëtan Rogeon, an experienced boatman, who was nevertheless too young to have helped the American singer take her seat. The professional loves to tell this kind of story, while sailing quietly among the conches and channels. "After only a few minutes, we are cut off from a world and we discover places only accessible by water". Standing on his boat (which can hold up to 8 people), his pigouille well in hand, Gaëtan sinks with his passengers in this labyrinth of greenery. The fauna, the flora, the hydraulic system... he has a communicative passion but also knows how to keep quiet because "the biggest noise here is the silence". He advises: "the best time to come is at daybreak: birds, deer, kingfishers, everyone wakes up and we are here...". The reservation is possible from the early morning.



**Venise verte Evasion** - Sansais-La Garette  
Tél : 05 49 35 93 46  
[www.veniseverte.com](http://www.veniseverte.com)



To learn more  
flash to watch the video



# DISCOVER THE WET MARSH WITH OUR PARTNERS

## EMBARCADÈRE BARDET-HUTTIERS



Embarcadère familial créé en 1976, au cœur du Marais poitevin entre conches et canaux sur un site privé entièrement aménagé avec bar, boutique...

Route de Damvix 79210 Arçais  
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www.marais-arcais.com



Ouvert d'avril  
à octobre

## LE PARADIS



À Sainte Sabine, entre Le Vanneau et Arçais, loin du monde et de la ville, venez découvrir le Marais authentique à bord de nos barques pour 2 à 6 personnes ou en canoë. Découverte en paddle sur réservation. Détente et calme assurés dans le marais sauvage en suivant nos circuits balisés.

29 lieu-dit Sainte Sabine 79270 Le Vanneau-Irleau  
Tél : 05 49 35 33 95 / 06 52 79 25 52  
contact@leparadisumarais.fr  
www.leparadisumarais.fr



Ouvert du 1<sup>er</sup> avril  
au 30 octobre

## VENISE VERTE ÉVASION



Embarquez au cœur du village-rue de la Garette pour une promenade en barque traditionnelle avec ou sans guide. Parcourez ce dédale de chemins d'eau qui recèle une faune et une flore d'exception. Plongez dans cette ambiance unique pour un moment de détente inoubliable.

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Tél : 05 49 35 93 46  
venise.verte.evasion@gmail.com  
www.veniseverte.com



Ouvert du 1<sup>er</sup> avril  
au 31 octobre

## EMBARCADÈRE DU LIDON



Loin des canaux touristiques, venez découvrir un cadre de nature privilégié, avec ou sans guide au cœur du Marais Sauvage, dans la zone classée de La Venise Verte. Partez également à l'aventure, à votre rythme en barque ou canoë. Bar/restaurant (uniquement sur réservation)

Lieu-dit Le Lidon 79210 St-Hilaire La Palud  
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www.embarcadere-du-lidon.com



Ouvert du 1<sup>er</sup> mars au 7 novembre

## LES OISEAUX DU MARAIS



Nos promenades en barque se déroulent dans le marais sauvage. C'est ici que vous découvrirez le labyrinthe le plus secret de la cathédrale de verdure du Marais poitevin. Toutes nos promenades avec guides sont commentées. Restauration à base de produits locaux sur site.

Le petit Buisson 79210 St-Hilaire La Palud  
Tél : 05 49 26 04 09 / 05 46 01 04 27  
oiseauxmaraispoitevin@orange.fr  
www.oiseauxmaraispoitevin.com



Ouvert du 31 mars  
au 3 novembre

## LES CAPUCINES



Au cœur de Maillé, petit village pittoresque en bord d'eau. Promenade en bateaux électriques sur la Sèvre Niortaise. Bateaux de 9 personnes. Location de canoës. Possibilité de pique-nique à bord. Sur réservation, paniers gastronomiques avec produits locaux. Location de vélos sur place.

Le Port 85420 Maillé  
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Ouvert d'avril à septembre

## AUTIZE LOISIRS



Embarcadère avec terrain de loisirs de 6000 m<sup>2</sup> : table de pique-nique, location de barque traditionnelle, pédalo, canoë-kayak, paddle. Circuit fléché dans les conches pour des promenades insolites. Possibilité de se rendre en kayak à l'abbaye de Maillezaix.

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Tél : 06 95 57 64 55  
autizeloisirs@gmail.com



Ouvert de mai  
à septembre

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Au Martin Pêcheur  
Arçais - Tél : 05 49 35 62 34

La Pigouille  
Coulon - Tél : 05 49 35 80 99

Embarcadère Prada  
Coulon - Tél : 05 49 35 97 63

La Trigale  
Coulon - Tél : 05 49 35 14 14

Embarcadère Cardinaud  
Magné - Tél : 05 49 35 90 47

Port de Montfaucon  
St-Hilaire-la-Palud - Tél : 05 49 35 34 97

Loisirs du marais  
Sansais-La Garette - Tél : 05 49 40 73 90



No mosquitoes  
in the Marais  
during your boat trip.  
Come without fear!



DIVE IN **NATURE'S HEART**

# *They populate the marshland*

*In those preserved landscape, the nature reign and owns the place, the flora and fauna keep on growing in profusion.*

## **We have some emblematic species, some you can meet along your way...**

- The dragonfly, which you can see close to a sunny waterway.  
If you want to have a closer look, you can find her ready to fly away, just in front of Maison du Marais Poitevin, in Coulon.
- The kingfisher, wanting to keep an eye on the fishes, this little nests along the banks.  
You can recognize it as flash of blue lightning going at water level
- The maraîchine cow, take a walk along the Sentier de Maraîchine, in Bourdet, a 2km long balad where you can discover more about this iconic bovine species.

And some others, such as...

The copper-colored butterfly, Rosalia Alpina, the cricket ...

## **Protected species**

The European otter: hard to catch an eye on, we can spot the traces it's leaving on its way. It stays along the marshland hydraulic grid.

The bat, which nest in the building's attics and cellar.

## **The ash tree**

We call it the pollard ash Tree, because of its typical form and height. The branches are cut short to the trunk to use it as heating wood. The roots take advantage of this to flourish in the banks and provide a protective habitat for various species. Together with the Poitou white poplar and the willow, which thrive on flooded land, they form the foundations of the green cathedral of the Poitevin Marsh.

## **You'll also meet...**

The fritillary, in the wet meadows, the primrose which colonized the channels and ditches.



*Le Martin-Pêcheur*

### The Marshland Birds Park

This 8-hectare haven offers you the opportunity to discover more than 75 species of birds from the marsh and elsewhere, more than 300 individuals in a natural environment.

By walking in this shaded park, you leave the beaten tourist paths while following a circuit marked out with educational panels. Picnic possible, restaurant on the spot too (only reserved for the customers of the site), pier and boats at disposal.

Les oiseaux du Marais poitevin  
Saint-Hilaire-la-Palud  
05 49 26 04 09  
[www.oiseauxmaraispoitevin.com](http://www.oiseauxmaraispoitevin.com)

### Go to "Du Coq à l'âne" park

It is in a vast playful and eco-responsible park that you will meet the emblematic donkey of Poitou, but not only... A 2 hours tour, before learning how to make donkey milk soap. Catering and accommodation on site.

Du Coq à l'âne  
Saint-Georges-de-Rex  
05 49 35 06 28  
[www.ducoqalane.fr](http://www.ducoqalane.fr)



### FROM THE ROOSTER... TO THE SOUL OF AN ADVENTURER

You want to discover marshes, fauna, flora, traditional crafts and good products. By crossing the doors of the Parc du Coq à l'âne in Saint-Georges-de-Rex, you immerse yourself in a condensed nature. Children love to watch the feeding of local and foreign animals. Here the goats and geese live alongside llamas, alpacas, mangalitz woolly pigs, parrots... This is Noah's ark! Or rather the one of Christelle and Olivier Cornet who founded the site 20 years ago. Quentin, the son, welcomes us for a tour. A paradise for the family. You can play archery, go barefoot, take a Rosalie (a pedal car) for a four-wheeled ride or simply walk the "La Georgette" circuit to discover the heritage of stones and greenery. It is necessary to be back at 5pm for the harvest of the ass's milk and to understand why Cleopatra swore only by its unctuous soap: mythical! After an eel and French fries at the restaurant L'anarosé, you can even spend the night under the stars of the stary Dome "La Grande Ours".

**Parc Du Coq à l'Âne** - Saint-Georges-de-Rex  
Tél : **05 49 35 06 28**  
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To learn more





**DIVE IN NATURE'S HEART**

## Niort, naturally...

*The city is fully integrated into the Marais Poitevin. It cultivates this natural dimension. The parks, gardens, islands of freshness make it a unique reservoir of biodiversity in an urban environment.*

### Galuchet : a natural reserve

The Galuchet Marsh is an area of nearly 50 hectares located near the campus. A condensed wet marsh very preserved which shelters a fragile and rare fauna. Aulna-frênaies, osalie, reedbeds... are places where otters, herons, frogs, bats, osalie des Alpes, migratory fish... flourish. The city and its partners are committed to obtain its classification as a regional natural reserve, including the 70 hectares of the Chey and Roussille areas. The largest natural area in an urban setting in France is on its way!

### Niort seen from its canopy

Can you imagine what 60 000 trees represent? It is a real forest that Niort has started to plant with its Niort canopy vegetation program planned until 2030. All the districts are concerned and already more than 8000 plants have taken roots: local species such as holm oaks, maples or prunus. The objectives are multiple: to preserve biodiversity, to fight against climate change...

### Urban nature park

The Pré Leroy Park is an essential part of the Urban Nature Park. Municipal swimming pool, playground, skate park, walking path and grassy area make up this 2-hectare site.



### The otter as at home

The animal is shy and nocturnal. Few people have seen it with their own eyes. However, everything indicates that it has taken up residence in Niort... no doubt thanks to the havens of peace of the program "City refuge for the European otter".

### Botanic Garden

A historical site of the city. The botanic garden is a space built in terraces, with a difference in level of 25 meters. Located on the hillside, on the banks of the Sèvre River, it is part of the Urban Nature Park.

### The Brèche's garden

In the heart of the city, at few steps from the shopping streets, it is a green space of 4ha. A lawn, alleys lined with bushes and other hundred-year-old plane trees, playgrounds for children, an esplanade with bars and restaurants, all for your pleasure.



Along the Sèvre - Niort



Islands of freshness, Brèche's garden - Niort

### Islands of freshness

In the middle of summer, we appreciate these islands of coolness placed and mapped in the heart of the city. They can be air-conditioned places such as libraries, museums, the City Hall, green spaces, fountains and shaded banks of Sèvres, the water fountains of the Brèche. You can identify them on the city's mobile app.

### Niort-Plage in summer

During two months of summer, the city offers a multiple outdoor sports and leisure activities. The site of Pré Leroy is reserved for activities such as volleyball, climbing, baby-gym, yoga... and the site of Port Boinot is about itinerancy activities with the marked-out circuits on road (race and bicycle) and on river (canoe).

Starting from

26€

#### Going down the Sèvre in canoë

Far away from the touristic hustle, you will discover a preserved and calm area where the fauna and the flora are well installed. You must be discreet to safeguard it! The varied itinerary will allow to easily perform the activity. Your guide will ensure the exit and will make you discover the Sèvre Niortaise in another way!

Booking : [www.niortmaraispoitevin.com](http://www.niortmaraispoitevin.com) - Duration : 4 hours

## DID YOU KNOW THAT?



The twin Romanesque keep of Niort is the most important in France after the one in Vincennes its terraces offer a panoramic view of the city.

*Remarkably preserved and maintained, our territory offers formidable testimonies of history saluted by national labels. It is also a privileged place of cultural expression.*



**64**

listed & protected monuments



**2**

small towns of Character



**3**

National Cultural Centers



# *An exceptional heritage*

To visit our territory is also to take the paths that lead to knowledge. Architecture, history, arts, gastronomy... discoveries await you at every crossroads.

Here, you will have all the opportunities to feed yourself with an authentic cultural abundance, joyful reasons to enriching encounters.



**More Information :** [www.niortmaraispoitevin.com](http://www.niortmaraispoitevin.com)  
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# We met Madame de Maintenon

*François d'Aubigné, also known as Madame de Maintenon, born in Niort in 1635, became the secret wife of the Sun King. We dared to do a fanciful interview.*

## **What a destiny still incomparable more than three centuries later. And it all started in prison, didn't it?**

Yes, I was born in the conciergerie of the royal prison at 5 rue du pont in Niort. My mother stayed there because my father, Constant d'Aubigné, was serving a sentence.

## **What other places are emblematic of your life in the region surrounding Niort?**

The church of Notre Dame where I was baptized. I then lived with my two brothers and my mother in the unhealthy neighborhood of la Regratterie. I hope it has changed since then... and then of course there is the castle of Mursay.

## **How did you get from the street to this beautiful house of which only ruins remain?**

Ah I'm sorry to hear that, because I have good memories there. The manor was the property of my grandfather Agripa d'Aubigné, a fervent Protestant, poet and close to King Henry IV. My aunt, saddened by our living conditions, took me under her wing in Echiré.

## **You also lived in a convent in Niort...**

After a two-year break in the West Indies, a relative, Mme de Neuillant, who did not want to leave me in this Protestant family, entrusted me by authority to the Ursuline convent, rue Crémeau. I stayed there until I was 14 years old. Then we left for Paris.

## **And in the capital your life took another incredible turn.**

After two years in a convent, I went to the salons. Everything went very fast. I met the poet Scarron. We got married in 1651 when I was 16.

## **How did you establish yourself at the court of Versailles?**

Oh, it was a long story. I became friends with Mme de Montespan, favorite of Louis XIV. The couple entrusted me with their children, whom I raised. In 1674, I was able to buy a castle and become Marquise de Maintenon. The king became more than a confidant... We got married secretly in 1683. There is a statute of limitations I think...



Portrait of Madame de Maintenon

# To the assault of the castles

In the heart of an omnipresent nature, monumental buildings have survived the centuries. They echo the illustrious characters who have built our history.

## Coudray-Salbart and Mélusine

The legend attributes the construction of this castle, on the commune of Echiré to the fairy Melusine. The history grants the edification to the lords of Parthenay, partisans of the English during the hundred years war. The monument of the XIII century is remarkably preserved and possesses exceptional defensive arrangements like its sheaths of circulation in the heart of the ramparts.

Chemin de Salbart - Echiré  
05 49 25 71 07  
[www.coudraysalbart.fr](http://www.coudraysalbart.fr)



To learn more  
**Coudray-Salbart**

## Mursay, Agrippa d'Aubigné and Mme de Maintenon

It was a pretty castle of pleasure located in front of the village of Siecq, in edge of the Sèvre. The gentilhommière of Mursay was occupied by the poet soldier Agrippa d'Aubigné, squire of Henry IV and grandfather of the marquise of Maintenon. This last one, born in Niort, will become the morganatic wife of Louis XIV. As a child she stayed in this house belonging to her aunt. You can visit the garden ruins and enjoy the serenity of its bucolic environment.

465 rue de Mursay - Echiré  
05 49 25 24 49  
[www.niortagglo.fr](http://www.niortagglo.fr)

## The keep of Aliénor of Aquitaine

The roman "twin" keep of Niort is the last vestige of a vast castle built in the XII<sup>th</sup> century by Aliénor of Aquitaine and her English husband Henry II Plantagenet. The south tower dominates the Svre river with its 28 meters, and was ordered by Richard the Lionheart himself! the building itself is breathtaking until its summit which offers a 360 degrees view on the city. thematic exhibitions and a film immerse us in 1000 years of history.

Rue Duguesclin - Niort  
05 49 28 14 28  
[www.niortagglo.fr](http://www.niortagglo.fr)



To learn more  
**The Donjon**

## Terra aventura, launches its history themed tracks



Terra Aventura, the geocaching game has developed two new themes to discover the territory in its historical dimension. The whole family can follow the same quest! "Zéroik entre en lice" is a 2.5km long route with 9 nuggets to find on the medieval theme.

« La Cour de France à Vélo" offers a 10,5km tour on the route of the Vélo Francette, near the castle of Mursay.



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## Enter the History

*Museums, mediation sites or preserved open-air territories, the historical heritage generously offers itself to curious visitors. From ancestral treasures to surprises of all kinds, your journey takes on a new and sometimes unexpected depth.*

### Maison du marais poitevin, ethnography section

The site offers a wide range of knowledge about the Poitevin marshland, its history, its biodiversity, its inhabitants (the maraichins), its traditions, its logistic, in addition to the hydraulic and environmental aspects. Cultural immersion guaranteed!

Place de la coutume - Coulon  
05 49 35 81 04  
[www.maison-marais-poitevin.fr](http://www.maison-marais-poitevin.fr)



To learn more  
**House of the Marais  
Poitevin's agenda**



House of Marais poitevin - Coulon

### D'Agesci, the museum with three worlds

A ticket to the Agesci museum in Niort opens the door to three distinct domains. On 5000m<sup>2</sup>, you can access the treasures exposed in this beautiful space that welcomed generations of high school students until the mid-90s. The fine arts section exhibits collections of paintings, sculptures, decorative arts... The museum houses one of the few national workshops for the restoration of paintings. The natural history section is dedicated to the richness of the local fauna. Some species have disappeared. As for the Conservatory of Education, it shows objects and teaching methods through the ages. Memories of school benches are summoned.

Musée Bernard d'Agesci - Niort  
05 49 78 72 00  
[www.niortaggllo.fr](http://www.niortaggllo.fr)



To learn more  
**Musée d'Agesci's  
agenda**

### Boinot, from chamois factories to historical testimonies

the Boinot factories, located on the banks of the river Sèvre in the city centre, operated from 1881 to 2005. they are an illustration of a rich industrial past dedicated to chamois (leather processing) and glove making. The first signs of this activity, which has flourished in Niort, date back to the 12<sup>th</sup> century.

More than 1,000 employees worked in Theodore Boinot's factory in the 1930s. The site has been extensively renovated, taking care to respect this glorious past. The emblematic water tower stands in the centre of the square and you can find inside "the dryer" house the Epona area, on the first floor, which is dedicated to promoting the heritage of the 40 municipalities around Niort.

### The Epona area in Port Boinot

Why this name? The archaeological diagnosis carried out in 2018 revealed the presence of an ancient sanctuary. Three statuettes were unearthed, including one of the goddesses of travelers and horsemen: Epona. The layout of the vast space deals with a variety of subjects in a clear, immersive, modern and playful way. Videos, tablets, touch modules and games offer the opportunity to easily grasp numerous themes. We discover emblematic characters from all eras such as Edmond Proust, the great Resistance fighter and founder of the MAIF, Mme de Maintenon, Rabelais... The variety of landscapes in the area, the richness of the fauna and flora, water management, architecture, agricultural activities... A nice introduction before going to explore the land.



The Epona area in Port Boinot

### Our small towns of character

Nos Petites Cités de Caractères is a national concept, born from the idea of highlighting the efforts to preserve a remarkable heritage through the ages. Nearly 200 towns throughout France have been awarded the label, including Arçais and Coulon.



The small village of Arçais has kept the memory of its important fluvial activity of yesteryear, with its 19<sup>th</sup> century stone houses built on the hillside. Coulon, a larger village, is the "capital" of the Green Venice. Its wide canals bear witness to a rich trading past, as well as to the commercial transit routes between Niort and the ocean.

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## *the discreet charm of the vernacular heritage*

*The territory is dotted with small buildings, often discreet, sometimes anecdotal, but always charming. They bear witness to daily life in a sometimes-distant past.*

### **Raimbault's windmill, in Beauvoir-sur-Niort**

The last windmill of the south of the department stands on the heights of Beauvoir-sur-Niort, at the edge of the forest of Chizé. In activity until 1925, the roof and the wings were entirely restored. The mill shines in its green setting with trees.



### **The vineyard houses of La Foye-Monjault**

In the past, the maintenance of the vineyard required many days of work far from the houses. Some farmers built typical houses near the plantations, some of them have been restored.



### **Epannes : the wash house with mobile floor**

Unlike most of the wash houses built around a basin fed by a spring or a stream, here in Epannes, the laundry was washed in the river with sometimes a strong current that carried away the small pieces.

### **Drawbridge of Magné**

The commune, an island bordered by the Sèvre Niortaise and its tributary the Sevreau, has thrown over the waterways four structures, the most characteristic of which is the metal drawbridge, witness to the golden age of river trade in the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

### External signs of wealth

Some of the beautiful homes of the Lords show square holes at the top of the facades. The number of these holes we call "boulins" is in fact a sign of the size of the owner's holdings. You can see them mainly in Coulon.

### Clear fountains of Frontenay-Rohan-Rohan

The commune offers a circuit linking the Grande Fontaine, the Bief Chabot and the Fontaine d'Ayron. A race is even organized every year between these three emblematic points of Frontenay-Rohan-Rohan. On the day of their wedding, the lovers would drink from the "Fountain of the Bride" located in the dairy district to ensure a good run and milk for the ladies.

### The oven at Fors

There was a time when the inhabitants of the village baked their bread in the same communal oven. The one in Fors, located in the square of the Forge, has been restored by the Fors Passion association.



Homes with holes at the top in Coulon

### Separating the wheat from its husk

Threshing is an important step in the regions where cereals or mogettes are cultivated. It is the act of separating the grain from its husk, a tedious task. In Arçais, discover this roller formerly pulled by a horse, an ingenious invention before mechanical systems.



Roller to crush the grain - Arçais

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# Territory's patchwork

*If you think that a picture is worth 1000 words, enjoy this photographic kaleidoscope and let yourself be carried away by the desire to visit these places...*







**1**  
**Échiré**  
Founded in 1894, the cooperative milk factory of Échiré is today the leader in the butter field.



**2**  
**The great port of the Vanneau**  
It is here that the market on the water takes place on the last Saturday of July, in souvenir of the traditions of the inhabitants.



**3**  
**Marigny**  
The Saint Jean the evangelist church whose choir is listed Historical Monument.



**4**  
**The bogs of Prin-Deyrançon**  
The bogs meet themselves at the Wet Marais' frontier in the low parts where the almost permanent accumulation of pure water favors the apparition of a marshland vegetation.



**5**  
**The Venice Verte cinema in St-Hilaire-la-Palud**  
It was born in 1958 thanks to the earnings coming from the plantations and the sales of beans managed by the village's inhabitants.



**6**  
**Saint-Martin-de-Bernegoue**  
Saint-Martin church, original by its beautiful belfry at the top of the choir's entry, with three arcades for the bells.



**7**  
**Villiers-en-Plaine**  
The castle's vast park, where it is good to take a walk.



**8**  
**Vouillé**  
The littlest library of France.



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# Artistic strolls

*The territory shines by the quality of its cultural proposals. Photography, music, theater, dance... All the arts are promoted by teams and in places supported and recognized at the national level*

## At the Pilori, visual arts

This building, built nearly seven centuries ago, has had many functions before becoming a space dedicated to the visual arts. In turn prison, city hall, library... it occupies a place of choice in the cultural program of Niort. Photographers, visual artists, video artists... exhibit their work there, and a cultural mediator guides the visitors.

Le Pilori - Niort  
[www.vivre-a-niort.com](http://www.vivre-a-niort.com)



The Pilori - Niort



The new media library - Niort

## The Moulin du Roc, a cultural engine

The Moulin du Roc national stage is a must for many national shows in music, dance, theater, circus... The equipment, inaugurated in 1986, has a hall with nearly 900 seats in the heart of the city. The building also hosts an art cinema and the Pierre-Moinot media library, which has been completely renovated.

Moulin du Roc  
 9 Boulevard Main - Niort  
 05 49 77 32 32  
[www.lemoulinduroc.fr](http://www.lemoulinduroc.fr)



Le Temple - Chauray

### In Chauray, a Temple of Culture

Yesterday dedicated to the religious service, the Temple became a cultural space in 1990. The building itself is appreciated for its special architecture. It is also a place valued for its artistic program: exhibitions and concerts.

17 rue de l'église - Chauray  
ville-de-chauray.fr

### Villa Pérochon, photographic art center

The ancient Ernest Pérochon's family house became, in 2013, one of the photographic art center sustained by the ministry of Culture in region. Entirely dedicated to photography, it is composed of various places of hangings to value works: a garden, a gallery, the house itself.. The Villa is the vibrant heart of the annual festival of "Rencontres de la Jeune Photographie Internationale" (young international photography meetings)

Villa Perochon  
64 Rue Paul François Proust - Niort  
05 49 24 58 18  
www.cacp-villaperochon.com

### Four Pontet : the ex-pot oven now an exhibition place

The space of exhibition is located next to drawbridge in the municipality of Magné. The place itself is worth a detour as it is emblematic of the charm of the territory. The Four Pontet Association offers photographic painting and sculpture exhibition on both levels of this old potter's oven.

5 quai de la Sèvre - Magné  
www.magneculture.fr

### The Camji, increase the rise of the current music

In Niort, the current music has their own room in the heart of the city center. Since 2000, the Camji makes its overheated stage vibrate with rap, metal, reggae, or rock sounds... Its programming is as electric as avant-gardist. Behind the scene, the Camji's team work on the emergence and valorization of regional groups, provides advice and puts its rehearsal hall at their disposal.

Le Camji  
3 Rue de l'Ancien Musée - Niort  
05 49 17 50 45  
www.camji.com

Keep the party going in one of those few private venues that programs concert regularly



#### Non-exhaustive list:

**Le Nulle Part Ailleurs**  
Prahecq - Tél : 05 49 34 57 10

**L'Îlot Sauvage**  
Niort - Tél : 05 86 99 01 45

**Le Chantilly** (ouvert en saison)  
Sansais La Garettte - Tél : 05 49 35 81 31

**La Java**  
Niort - Tél : 05 49 78 07 61

**Le Hangar**  
Niort - Tél : 05 49 73 90 09

### DID YOU KNOW IT ?

Bronze dragons are located in Niort Ricard Street's since 1992. They represent an old legend





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# Culture in the streets

*All year, the city of Niort and its territory are spaces of expression for artists from every fields*

## The 4<sup>th</sup> Wall, mural paintings

If Niort became a strong place for the Regional Street Art, it is thanks to the 4<sup>th</sup> Wall. About thirty mural paintings disseminated in various places of the city center. Imagine yourself walking around, you look up and oh a monumental canvas! These works, committed by international artists recognized in the graffiti world, increase the pleasure of a stroll in Niort. A new fresco, the result of Franco-American collaboration, can be admired on the route de Fontenay.



Work Dave Van Patten - Niort



Niort / Work Dave Van Patten

## SUDDENLY AT THE CORNER OF THE STREET...

*"Why street art? Because it changes everyday life. It allows people to reclaim the streets. It's an accessible art that anyone can appreciate for themselves." Eric Surmont, organizer of the 4e Mur festival, is the perfect guide to take you on a graffiti tour of the city.*

*Immerse yourself in this art lover's experience simply by walking around the streets of Niort, which has become a stronghold of mural painting in France. At the corner of a house, suddenly you'll encounter a funny duck, the shoes of a giant, a group of fencers...*

*You'll enjoy wandering through this open-air gallery. Every year, scaffolding is set up and renowned artists from Brazil, Italy, the United States, and Montreuil bring forth three or four new artworks for everyone to see. Hurry, some are more ephemeral than others. Visitors can still admire 25 of these living and contextual paintings... never "hung" here by chance.*

**La carte des murs sur - Niort**  
[winterlong-gallerie.com](http://winterlong-gallerie.com)



La Roussille

### The beautiful Marsh's Dragonfly

The emblem of the territory well deserved a statue. The giant dragonfly of the plastic artist Brigitte Belaud and the skilled metalworker Alexandre Baillon is ready to take off towards the Sèvre, in front of the Maison du Marais Poitevin, on the Coutume place, in Coulon.

### The little green men and the water

The work of the plastic artist Fabrice Hybert, The Man of Bessines, is composed of six 86cm tall little men. They are installed next to various water points of the communal.



L'Homme de Bessines,  
Fabrice Hybert

### Pars-Cours to the sea

Since 2 years during summer, a festival called "Pars-Cours vers la mer" takes place with a common thread: biodiversity. Starting from Port Boinot, it will lead us to La Roussille in various proposals that will mix interventions of local personalities of the living art (theater, music, dance, circus, storytelling, ...) and visual installations of artists. Each Sunday, a realization will be particularly put forward. The Pars-Cours to the sea will be presented until the summer 2023.

### These ladies are ready...

Two monumental statues of the artist Franck Ayroles are waiting for the visitors for a souvenir photo at the top of the Brèche Place.



Les Dames de la brèche - Niort

### Stay connected

Don't miss out on the festive agenda, visit our website:

[www.niortmaraispoitevin.com](http://www.niortmaraispoitevin.com)

Or, you can download our free app Niort Marais Poitevin Tour, and look for the "Manifestations" section.



To learn more  
flash to see the calendar space





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## *From the seed to the plate*

*Specialized in the agricultural exploitation and production, the territory of rural tradition is the one of good products. From the markets to the tables, a complete visit is a matter of taste.*

### **Night market of Thorigny-sur-le-Mignon**

The former smallest commune of the agglomeration, now integrated to the Val-du-Mignon, offers a major summer event. Every Saturday evening in the summer, visitors have the opportunity to mix business with pleasure by shopping with local producers, eating on the spot and enjoying the festive musical atmosphere.

### **Covered Market**

In Niort, it is classified as an historical monument. In the shadow of the dungeon and overlooking the Sèvre, the building in the Baltard style is an emblem for the department. It is open every day (except Monday) including holidays. On Thursday and Saturday market stalls are also outside.

Les Halles  
13 Place des Halles - Niort  
05 49 24 29 66



To learn more  
**The markets  
list**

Starting from

**9€**

(adults)

### **From stall to stall, the big market of Niort**

Around a cup of welcoming coffee, come and meet your guide who will take you through the numerous stalls. You will discover the history of this market as well as that of its actors. Various tastings will delight your taste buds. Angélique de Niort, tourteau fromager, honey and cheeses.

**Booking :** [www.niortmaraispoitevin.com](http://www.niortmaraispoitevin.com) - **Duration :** Enjoy an hour and half of Niort culture and tastings.

## Local Products

You may be able to find them elsewhere because their reputation has spread beyond the borders of the agglomeration, but our local products are never as tasty as when eaten locally. Take this opportunity to write down some recipes...

**L'Angélique:** At first sight, you would think that you are dealing with a small plant like any others, at ease with its head in the sun and its feet in the water... But with the angelica, it is a whole gustatory universe which presents itself to you for sweet and savory preparations.



To learn more

**The Angel Sour Cocktail  
by Maxime, mixologist  
at La Belle Étoile**

**Les moquettes:** This is what we call the white beans, following the example of our neighbors in Vendée. They grow in the fertile lands of the wet marsh. This dish is the subject of many recipes: with cream, tomato, tuna, with Vendéen ham

**The Echiré butter:** It is one of the great culinary pride of the region. For more than a century, the particular taste and texture of Echiré butter has enchanted the young and old of this world. It is even served on the tables of the Elysée and Buckingham Palace!



**The Chabichou:** Our famous cheese takes its name from the milk with which it is made. From the Arabic "Chebli" or "Chabre", in old Poitevin, the goat is an emblem of the territory.

If you are curious about nature and your palate, don't forget to include in your shopping basket: farci Poitevin, eels, a few lumas, a tourteau fromager...



## ANGÉLIQUE : A TREASURE TO PRESERVE, A KNOWLEDGE TO PERPETUATE

Candied stick, liquor, herbal tea, flavored chocolate, dressing sauce, essential oils... Angelica lends itself to all sorts of creativity. Listening to the renowned chef Luc Maillard, you can glimpse the extent of culinary possibilities using this iconic plant." From appetizers to desserts, everything can be prepared with angelica," affirms the passionate advocate, fighting alongside the Association de promotion de l'angélique to save this treasure from oblivion. Soup, crumble, frozen soufflé, waffles, compote, cannelés niortais... Its creativity knows no bounds, and its generosity as well: "The idea is always to enhance the product." Besides its taste qualities, angelica is also a plant with multiple medicinal virtues: it acts as a stimulant and a calming agent, a disinfectant, antispasmodic, and antioxidant. You should listen to Luc Maillard speak about its historical use against the plague in the 12th century or preserving the vocal cords of South American singers. With angelica, you can embark on a remarkable journey.

**Association de promotion de l'Angélique - Niort Marais poitevin**  
[www.angelique-maraispoitevin.com](http://www.angelique-maraispoitevin.com)

Enjoy responsibly. Alcohol abuse is dangerous for your health. Consume with moderation.

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# The shortest way is often the best way

*Proud of the quality of its products and with the desire to make its visitors enjoy them in the best conditions, Niort Marais Poitevin is committed to its producer partners.*

### The shorter the better!

From the earth to the fork or from the seed to the plate, Niort Marais Poitevin is committed to limit the intermediaries between the producer and the consumer of foodstuffs. Local products from short circuits are an additional guarantee of quality, authenticity and preservation of the environment, by limiting transportation.

### A la carte

Meat, vegetables, fish, fruits, cheeses, drinks... Use the interactive map of Niort Agglo, to target the producers you want. Discover their manufacturing secrets and enjoy.



To learn more

**Interactive map  
of the points of sales**

### Ask for the Pass Gourmand !

With the Pass Gourmand, get a 10% discount on stamped products from around ten local producers. You're guaranteed to taste products from our local farms! Good deal: the Pass Gourmand is free with the purchase of a ticket product.

Valid

6 months

Price

2 €

### Enjoy on the spot

Discover authentic tastes by going directly to the source. Some farms open their doors to taste their products. Go to the tourist office to get the best tips.

### DID YOU KNOW ?

Niort Agglo has committed to a Territorial Alimentary Project, an initiative suggested by the Ministry of Agriculture and Food. The objective is to relocalize agriculture and promote short food supply chains. That's what we're all about!





### Straight to the point

These brands and labels will help you find your way around, guiding you towards the right choices of authenticity.

**Bienvenue à la ferme:** a network of farm producers and tourist reception.

**Accueil paysan:** rural actors welcome you and accommodate you in the best conditions.

**Maître restaurateur:** a label that promotes catering based on quality local products

**Fait maison:** label that certifies that the dishes have been made on the spot with local products.

**Valeurs Parc:** The Regional Natural Park of the Marais Poitevin officially awards the national mark since 2016 the national brand "Valeur Parc Naturel Régional" for all the products, savoir-faire and services of the territory's professionals who are committed to the protection of the environment, the well-being of the inhabitants and employees and the local economy.

To date, the Park has awarded the mark to more than 80 professionals offering food products, traditional and innovative savoir-faire and tourist services.



To learn more

**Find them here**

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### Farci poitevin recipée

Préparation time: 25min.

Cooking time : 35min.

**Equipment:** Blender, 6 individual gratin dishes, spatula.

**Ingredients:** (for 6 people)

50g sorrel

3000g of green cabbage

100g of chard

1 onion

1 bunch of chives

150g fresh goat cheese

60g sifted flour

10cl of heavy cream

2 large eggs

20g of butter from Charente

1 pinch of salt, ground pepper



#### Preparation:

- Wash the greens and remove the stems. Chop them roughly. Slice the onion. Wash and finely chop the chives. In a blender bowl, place the fresh goat cheese along with the flour, fresh cream, whole eggs, onions, and chives.

Season the mixture with salt and pepper. Give it a few spins until the texture is homogeneous. Gently mix in the greens using your fingertips.

- Preheat the oven to 200°C (392°F).
- Butter the 6 baking pans. Fill them with the herb and cheese stuffing. Using a spatula, smooth the top. Put the molds in the oven and let them cook for 25 minutes.
- Serve the farci poitevin with roasted meat or freshwater fish.

# LOCAL PRODUCE

## WITH OUR PARTNERS

### CHOCOLATERIE HUVELIN



Un maître chocolatier, artisan de l'angélique. Découvrez nos deux magasins : Forum de la Mude et centre-ville de Niort, rue piétonne Sainte-Marthe. Nous vous proposons nos spécialités maison. L'angélique, les liquicrocs, les grands crus et notre Nouveauté : cocktails cacao.

Zone de la Mude Avenue de La Rochelle 79000 Bessines  
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[michel.huvelin@outlook.fr](mailto:michel.huvelin@outlook.fr)

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1 rue Alfred Dreyfus 79000 Niort / 14 rue des charmes 79000 Bessines  
Tél : **05 16 81 63 14**  
[contact@feetevousplaisir.com](mailto:contact@feetevousplaisir.com)  
[www.feetevousplaisir.com](http://www.feetevousplaisir.com)

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### TÊTE DE MULE



Amateurs d'authenticité, visitez notre brasserie située au cœur du Marais Poitevin pour découvrir les étapes d'une fabrication traditionnelle, en approcher les secrets, et savourer le goût de nos bières de caractère...

2 rue du port de Brouillac 79510 Coulon  
Tél : **05 49 24 35 94**  
[sebastien@brasserieumaraais.fr](mailto:sebastien@brasserieumaraais.fr)  
[www.brasserieumaraais.fr](http://www.brasserieumaraais.fr)

*Ouvert d'avril à septembre  
Hors saison : nous contacter*

### FÉE TE VOUS PLAISIR COSMÉTIQUES



Unique à Niort, découvrez la boutique de Sophie & Tony, avec leurs fabrications de cosmétiques naturelles au beurre de cacao et huile essentielle d'angélique, ainsi que toute la gamme : Gommage aux sels de l'île de Ré, tablette de massage au beurre de cacao... Déménagement à Bessines à partir de cet été.

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[www.feetevousplaisir.com](http://www.feetevousplaisir.com)

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### ANGÉLIQUE DE NIORT - THONNARD



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Avenue de Sevreau 79000 Niort  
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### GAP CHOCOLATS



Georges André, maître chocolatier aux pieds des Halles de Niort, vous accueille dans son magasin plein de gourmandises pour petits et grands. Découvrez chocolats, macarons et pâtisseries de voyage pour ravir vos papilles.

19 rue Brisson 79000 Niort  
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[gapchocolats@gmail.com](mailto:gapchocolats@gmail.com)  
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### LES HALLES DE NIORT



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[niort.les.halles@wanadoo.fr](mailto:niort.les.halles@wanadoo.fr)  
[www.halles-de-niort.fr](http://www.halles-de-niort.fr)

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Joao Rodrigues apiculteur récoltant



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Pour plus d'info appelez nous au 06 15 77 88 13



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Ouvert du samedi 2 avril  
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Sous les halles de Niort, la boutique « 36 Quai des Arts » vous invite à découvrir une grande diversité créatrice de professionnels Métiers d'Art des Deux-Sèvres et de la Nouvelle-Aquitaine, une région riche en savoir-faire multiples, combinant créativité, singularité et restauration du patrimoine.

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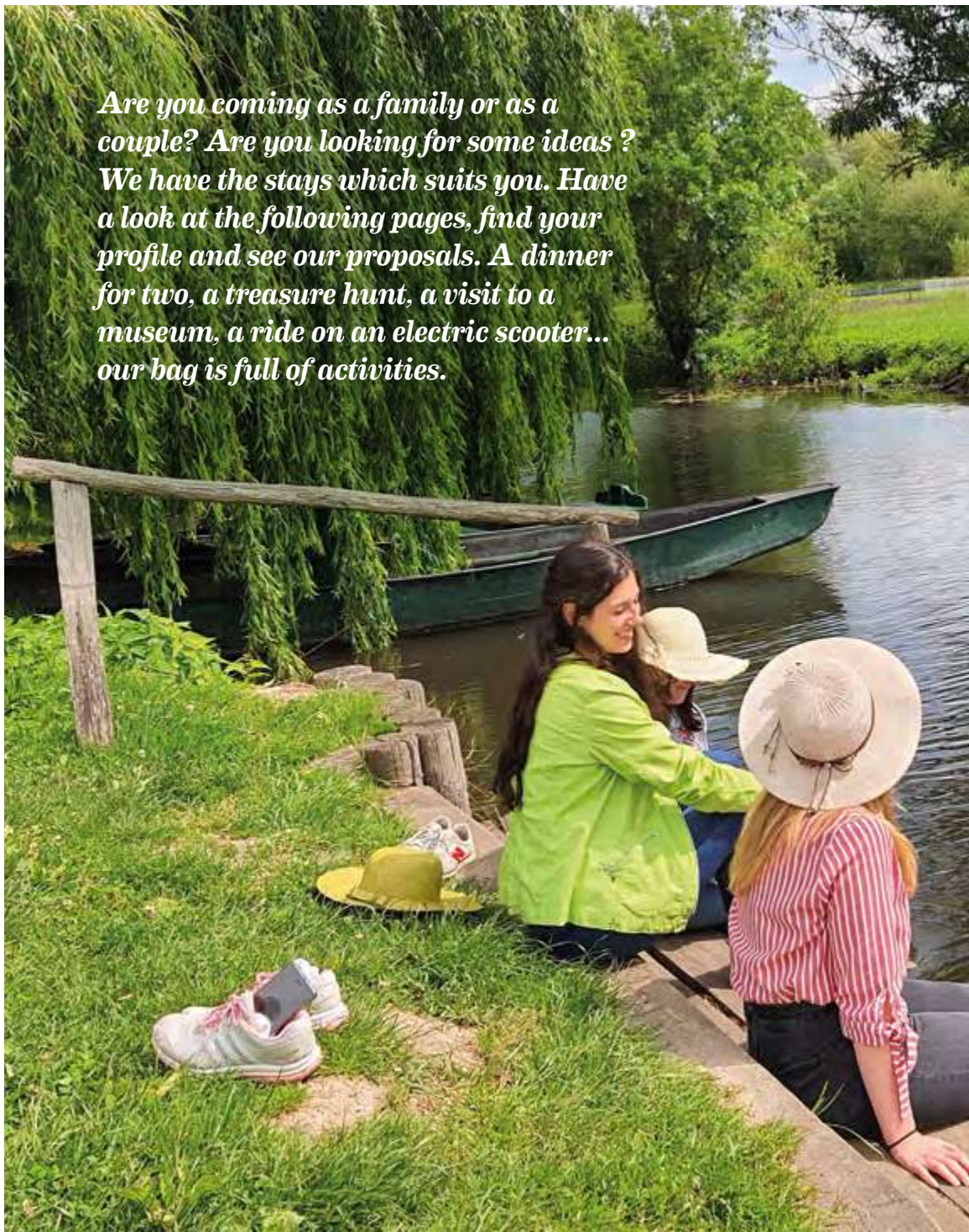
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# *You have the desire, we have the stay*

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Every year we welcome visitors of all ages, groups and solo travelers. Some are regulars, felt in love of the destination a long time ago, others have just heard about it. From our

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- Choose a comfortable place to sleep:  
Lounging around in an unusual accommodation, a cozy bed and breakfast with jacuzzi, along the conches.
- Offer yourself some peaceful time, getting an angelica based massage.
- Enjoy a private visit, by boat, bike, hot air balloon, follow your desires!
- Rent a bike and follow the cycling paths, rest, enjoy the peaceful landscape
- Have a look on our agenda, so you won't be missing any festivities going on during your stay
- Taste the finest local dishes by the fireplace
- Let yourself go to the sweet sound of the pigouille on a boat at sunset

Find all those activities and more, go see our web site [niortmaraispoitevin.com](http://niortmaraispoitevin.com)







## Come by camper van

**Focus on spring or fall to come visit us. You'll be able to visit the territory at your own pace, admire the amazing everchanging colors of the landscape. Rover with you will definitely enjoy it's escape in the marshes. All of those activities are dog friendly !**

- Settle down on a camper van area. You can choose between a range of different sites, from the heart of nature, under the shady pollard ash tree, to a city center, to fully enjoy the city atmosphere. You are welcome!
- Get yourself some local products on one of our numerous producer's market or Niort's covered market for your drinks between neighbours.
- Cycle or walk at your own pace, safely following the markings on our towpaths to be amazed by this preserved nature, or take part on one of our guided hikes.
- Let yourself be driven and opt for a horse-drawn carriage ride.
- Let yourself guided by your boatman, who will tell you the story of the marsh.
- Come tease the pike, zander or perch. Niort – Marais Poitevin is a good place to fish.

Extend your stay because there is so much to see. Find all those activities and more, go see our web site [niortmaraispoitevin.com](http://niortmaraispoitevin.com)

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- give your children a trapping experience for unforgettable memories
- Participate to our treasure hunts, geocaching courses to improve your observation senses.
- Throw yourself at the Donjon of Niort or the fortified castle of Coudray-Salbart and let your imagination go.
- Plan a snack break on one of our numerous picnic areas to reload the batteries
- Let yourself be told our tales and legends during our guided visits.
- Get some rest after all those activities in the comfortable accommodation of your choice.

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## *It's raining!*

**Don't panic, you won't get bored. You'll have many choices. Are you more playful, a food lover, curious or all of it?**

- Use this time to wander around our museum to feed your curiosity.
- Honour our local gastronomy, take time for the pleasures of your senses.
- Try our escape games and others interior games.
- Splash in our aquatic centers and chill in our well-being area.
- Push the door of our artists and producers. They'll tell you everything about their passion, their work.
- Go snails hunting!

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# For a good dose of adrenaline

**For those who want to spice up their holidays, we've also thought about you!**

- Change of rhythm: paddle in the hand, well balanced on paddle board. You are set to be fully immersed in the heart of the mind-blowing nature and to see the marsh differently, with the company of our nature guide.
- Try a tonic outing by FAT bike, in the center of the wild marsh.
- Speed-up with an electric scooter to visit the marshes or Niort. You'll be surprised.
- Have you ever tried a dog sledding ride? It's not just a winter sport activity, on our white pathway, along the castles... it's pretty good too !
- Build up your biceps without even noticing it. Well installed in your canoe or kayak let's go for the descent of the Sèvre river with our nature and adventure guide.
- Loving the speed? Go for a crazy karting race!

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# After a day of work

**Coming for Business does not mean you need to stay in your hotel room!**

- Put your sneakers on and go for a run with the "on piste" app. Mix pleasure of running and environment discovery.
- Hang out with your colleagues and throw some axes or just sharpen your dancing moves.
- Embark by yourself or with your colleagues, nothing better to create some bonding !
- Rent a bike or ride the free bus for an escape in the Marshes.
- Relax in the Botanical Garden and walk along the Sèvre Niortaise river to reach Port Boinot.
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### Passion de producteurs

- Visite d'une ferme maraîchine suivie d'un apéritif et dégustation de viande à Épannes
- D'étal en étal, le Grand marché de Niort ! Un rendez-vous dégustation des saveurs locales



### Changez de rythme !

- Sortie encadrées en trottinette électrique
- Randonnée vélo accompagnée à Niort et marais



### Visites insolites

- Visite guidée nocturne de Niort en canoë, voir le patrimoine depuis les rives de la Sèvre
- Balade en barque gourmande au coucher du soleil ou à l'aurore



### Activités pour les enfants

- Rencontres avec les animaux en compagnie des soigneurs
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## Et toujours la billetterie de nos sites de visites :

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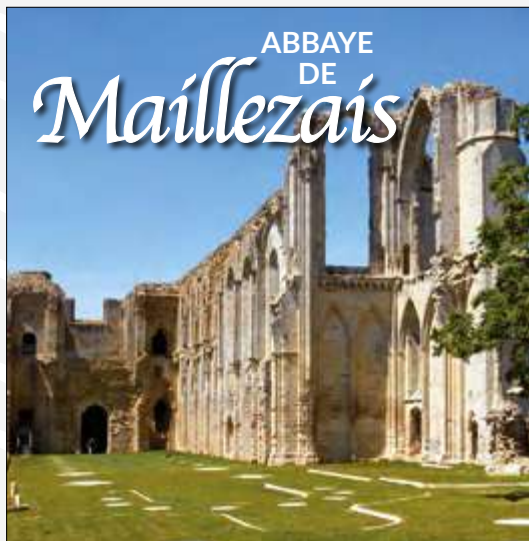
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