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# Local Area Attractions & Places of Interest



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## MOVIE THEATERS

- Below are listed on base and off base local movie theaters that show movies in English

### Theaters on Base

#### Alliance Theater

JFC Brunssum (31)-455-26-2110  
Movies are Friday and Saturday at 7:00 pm

### Theaters Off Base

#### Cinema 5

Centrum, Heerlen NL (31)-455-713030

#### Eurocoop

Route 78, Lanaken, BE (32)-89-731088

[www.cinebel.com/nl/movies/html](http://www.cinebel.com/nl/movies/html)

#### Eurocoop

Zetellaan 74, 3630 Maasmechelen, BE (32)-89 77 85 90

<http://www.eurocoop.be/nl/maasmechelen/home/>

#### Royal Theater Echt

Peyerstraat 47, 6101 GA Echt (31)-475-481369

[http://www.biosagenda.nl/films-bioscoop\\_royal-theater-microblue\\_98.html](http://www.biosagenda.nl/films-bioscoop_royal-theater-microblue_98.html)

#### Foroxity

Rijksweg-Noord 330, Geleen-Sittard (31)-88-7444411

<http://www.foroxity.nl>

#### Maastricht

Maastricht, NL

[www.maastrichtnet.nl/week/mdel.html](http://www.maastrichtnet.nl/week/mdel.html)

(On the main street across from the foot bridge)

#### Maxim Royal Rivoly

Centrum, Heerlen NL

<http://www.royaltheatres.nl/>

#### JT Movie Theaters with D-Box Motion Seats

<http://www.jt.nl/bioscopen/parkstad>

#### JT Parkstad

Roda JC-Ring 2C

6466 NH Kerkrade—Netherlands

045 - 2119990



## PLACES OF INTEREST IN GERMANY

hall or sports hall

- Some flea markets request a small admission fee
- Ongoing flea markets include:

### Spa, Belgium

Every Sunday from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm

- On the Promenade behind the tourist information "I" in the center of town

### Tongeren, Belgium

Every Sunday from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm

- In the Center of town along the old wall fortifications

### Maastricht Exhibition and Congress Centre (MECC)

Quarterly Saturday and Sunday all day

- Easy parking and entrance fee

### Train Station, Maastricht NL

Every Saturday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

### Cuijk NL

Every Saturday

- Totally enclosed market including snack and food booths, antiques, and "junk"
- Entrance fee and okay for strollers and wheelchairs

### Special Markets

- There are numerous markets to celebrate seasons and holidays
- Some of these include Christmas Markets, year markets, and The Netherlands' Queen's Birthday
- These markets almost always include food booths and sometimes music
- Watch the [Skywatch](#) for local signs for dates.

### Video Rental

#### NATEX Video Rental

Building 72 (49)-2451-62073  
All Days Mon-Fri 1000 - 1900  
Sat-Sun 1100-1800

#### AAFES Shoppette

Schinnen (31)-46-443-1902

### GEILENKIRCHEN LOCAL AREA

#### Geilenkirchen

- Classical style St. Marien Church
- 17th - 18th centuries Patrician houses
- 17th century Leerodt Castle
- Historical and cultural county museum
- Walking routes on the Wurm River
- Moorlands, marshes and woods of Teverner Heide

#### Trips Castle

**Address:** off Martin-Heyden Str. Geilenkirchen, GE

**Hours of operation:** all day

- 15th - 17th centuries castle with moat
- Excellent location for discovering Geilenkirchen's past. No entrance fee. Wildlife in moat, foot paths, benches and biking trails connect to other villages. Great place for children, relaxation, and exploration.

#### Gangelt

- 12th - 15th centuries church
- The Castle tower is from the 14th century and well preserved town gates
- Working windmill near Breberen
- The [narrow-gauge steam train](#) from Schierwaldenrath to Gillrath runs on weekends and operates from Easter to the end of September
- [Gangelt Wildlife](#) park offers strolling through the km's of groomed paths, looking at the animals, playing at the playground, and watching the falconry show.

#### Hochwild-Freigehege Park

(49)-2454-2459-5027

**Address:** Heinsberger Str. 15 southeast side of Gangelt, Germany

- A widespread open-air park with a variety of wildlife from Europe and elsewhere, over 1000 animals on display, birds of prey demonstrations, playground for kids of all ages, and shaded picnic tables.

#### Niederbusch City Park

**Address:** Am Krummelbach Niederbusch, Germany

- A neighborhood park with large climbing apparatuses, large slides, separate toddler playground, sand and grass areas.

### Heinsberg

- 14th -16th centuries castle ruins
- 15th-16th centuries remains of the early township
- County museum of local history in the "Arch House"
- 18th century Randerath Castle
- Nature park at Mass-Schwalm-Nette-Tal with surrounding wooded areas.
- Walking and bike riding along the Rur and Wurm Rivers

### Huckelhoven

- 18th century Manor house "hall"
- 18th century Ruich Castle
- Woods and moorlands along the Ruhr River

### Aachen (Aix-la-Chapelle)

- Heart of the 8th and 9th century Frankish Empire and known as the city of Charlemagne
- Octagonal central structure of the Cathedral (Dom) built around 800 AD and burial place of Charlemagne
  - Charlemagne's marble throne in the gallery
  - One of Germany's richest Church treasures– The Domschatzkammer
- Hot spring of Bad Aachen
- The Eisenbrunnen, an emblem of Aachen's role as a spa with drinking well

### Moenchengladbach

- Town of busy shops and many fine parks and gardens
- 18th century baroque town hall

### Monschau

- Many half-timbered houses, quaint shops and restaurants
- 18th century Troisdorf House and Rotes Haus (Red House)
- [glass factory](#) with showroom is on the edge of town

### Ubach-Palenberg

- 11th century St. Peter's chapel
- Rimburg and Zweibruggen Castle

Monday

- Valenkenburg, NL 0900 - 1300

Tuesday

- Geilenkirchen 0700 - 1200
- Heerlen, NL 0900 - 1500
- Heinsberg 0800 - 1200

Wednesday

- Brunssum, NL 0900 - 1200
- Maastricht, NL 0900 - 1400

Thursday

- Geleen, NL 1400 - 1800
- Heerlen, NL 0900 - 1300
- Schinveld, NL 1300 - 1700
- Sittard, NL 0900 - 1300
- Ubach-Palenburg 1300 - 1800

Friday

- Geilenkirchen 0700 - 1200
- Heinsberg 0800 - 1200
- Hoensbroek, NL 0900 - 1200
- Ubach ober Worms, NL 1400 - 1800

Saturday

- Brunssum, NL 0900-1200
- Geleen, NL 1400 - 1700
- Heerlen, NL 0900 - 1300
- Maastricht, NL 0800 - 1800

Sunday

- Leige, Belgium Sunrise - 1300
- Tongeren, Belgium 0800 - 1200

### **FLEA MARKETS**

<http://www.antiek.com/fleamarkets.cfm> antiques in Belgium & Holland

[http://goeurope.about.com/od/markets/Open\\_Air\\_Markets\\_Street\\_Markets.htm](http://goeurope.about.com/od/markets/Open_Air_Markets_Street_Markets.htm)

- Locals flock to flea markets which are often listed as Floh Antik or Trodel markets, with a date and place, on signs posted around towns
- They are frequently held on Sundays in large parking lots or at the city

Brunssumerheide Manege  
Ouverbergstraat 2, Brunssum NL (31)-455-27-3714  
- Adult and children's lessons

Ruitercentrum Daalderhof

Doubenderweg 27, Oirsbeek NL (31)-46-442-4679  
- Adult and children's lessons

Reitschule A. Breuer (49)-241-81872  
Gemmenicherweg 109, Aachen, Germany

Tchuster (49)-241-9129312  
Puetzgasse 58, Aachen, Germany

Gestuet Birkenhof (49)-2434-993571  
Warmesweg 27, Wegberg, Germany

## **RAILWAYS**

### **European Tourist Railways and Museums**

#### **Steam Railways and Trains in Germany**

#### **Steam Railways and Trains in The Netherlands**

#### **Steam Railways in Belgium**

## **ICE SKATING**

### **Sports Complex Glanerbrook**

Sittard NL (31)-464-746988  
- Rental skates available at Rob Sport

## **LOCAL MARKETS**

- Local markets are usually at the Centrum or Markt Platz in most towns
- Weekly markets focus on fresh fruit, vegetables, flowers, cheese, meat, and baked goods with the larger markets offering more variety

- Wurmatal and Tevereener Heide Nature reserve

### **Waldfeucht**

- Town of working windmills and the last mill grinding corn in the Rhine area

### **Wassenberg**

- 1420 Castle
- Walled town with fortified towers
- walking and biking trails in the densely wooded surroundings
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### **Wegberg**

- Wegberg Castle and thatched half-timbered houses
- "[Haus Wildenrath](#)" nature trail

## **WITHIN ONE AND A HALF HOURS OF GEILENKIRCHEN**

### **Bonn**

- Former capital of Germany, on the banks of the Rhine River
- Earliest Roman forts on the Rhine
- Old town Marktplatz from 1737-1738
- Birthplace of the composer, Beethoven
- Guided tours of The Bundeshaus, home of the Parliament and the Federal Council (passports are required)
- Nearby Bruhl Schloss Augustusburg built in 17th century Rococo architecture

### **KoIn (Cologne)**

- Capital of the Rhineland and one of largest cities in Germany
- Founded by Romans in 38 BC and located on the left bank of Rhine River
- Many of the Roman ruins still stand
- The Dom (Cathedral) full Gothic style cathedral
- The Roman-Germanic Museum houses many invaluable archaeological treasures from the Roman period
- Zoo and Botanical Garden
- Departure point for many Rhine River cruises
- Great shopping and pedestrian area

### **Dusseldorf**

- Capital of North Rhineland-Westphalia
- Home of university, fashion center, trade fairs

- The Koenigsallee hosts elegant shopping street and promenade lined with shops, restaurants, and cafes
- Jagerhof Castle, former hunting lodge of the Electors
- The Hetjens Museum (Deutsches Keramikmuseum) houses a collection of 10,000 ceramic objects from all over the world

## **OTHER AREAS OF GERMANY**

### **Alpine Road**

- Beautiful road runs from Lindau to Berchtesgaden through the German Alps

### **Berchtesgaden**

- Old Alpine village with ancient winding streets
- Location of Hitler's Eagle's Nest is nearby at Obersaltzberg
- The Koenigsee, the clearest and deepest lake in Germany
- Salt mines

### **Berlin**

- ICapital of Germany
- Historic, formerly divided city is known for its lively cosmopolitan atmosphere and cultural life
- Great place to shop

### **Black Forest (Triberg, Germany)**

- Beautiful little villages throughout the area rich in cultural traditions
- Good place for cross country skiing and hiking
- Place to buy German clocks

### **Burg Satzvey**

- Location of a medieval festival held in spring with medieval vendors and jousting matches.

### **Fairy-Tale Road**

- Route from Hanau to Bremen, birthplace of the Brothers Grimm
- Hameln the town of the Pied Piper
- Sababurg castle famous "Sleeping Beauty's" castle

### **Frankfurt**

- Largest airport in Europe
- Modern, sophisticated city on the Main river
- The Freegasse (Food Street) has a vast selection of cafes, restaurants,

- Most also have their own tennis pro available for instruction for young people and adults

Tenniscentrum Ten Eeshen  
Esschenderweg 100, Heerlen (31)-455-753192

Tenniscentrum Kaldebron  
Stadionbaan 50, Heerlen (31)-455-421325  
Tenniscentrum Hoensbroek  
Heerlenweg 145, Hoensbroek-Heerlen

### **Geilenkirchen**

Max Planck Strasse 14 (49)-2451-8228

## **GOLF COURSES**

- There is a golf club on base however no course on base
- Contact Morale Welfare Activities (MWA) for current information  
Building 80 (49)-2451-63-4940

For these golf courses, please call for fees, details, and course information

### **Openbare Golf Brunssumerheide**

Rimburgerweg 50, Brunssum NL (31)-455-27-0968

- 27 holes

### **RAF Bruggen**

Elmpt-Bruggen, Germany (49)-2163-97-4463

- 18 holes

### **Spangdahlem Golf Course**

Spangdahlem AB, Germany (49)-6565-61-6821

- 9 holes

### **Ramstein Golf Course**

Ramstein AB, Germany (49)-6371-47-7856

- 18 holes

### **AFRC Garmisch**

(49)-8821-2473

- 9 holes

## **HORSEBACK RIDING**

## HOBBIES AND OTHER INTERESTS

### SWIMMING POOLS

#### On Base

Outdoor Swimming Pool  
Building 101 (49)-2451-63-4948

Indoor Swimming Pool  
[JFC Brunssum](#) (31)-455-26-3187

#### Off Base

- Village and town swimming pools called Hallenbad or Schwimmbads have printed schedules that can be pick up at the cashier window upon entering
- Some Hallenbads have definite times established for open swim, adult swim, etc.
- The costs to swim are nominal, in the area of 1 euro
- Swim caps are required at all pools and may be rented
- Changing and shower rooms are available with lockers and a key
- Life guards are always on duty
- Most all Hallenbads and Schwimmbads have a cafeteria for drinks and small snacks
- The following towns in the Heinsberg County have Hallenbads (H) or Schwimmbads (S):

[Heinsberg](#) (H) (S)

[Geilenkirchen](#) (H)

[Gangelt](#) (S)

[Ubach-Palenberg](#) (H) (S)

[Waldfeucht-Haaren](#) (H)

[Hückelhoven](#) (H) (S)

### TENNIS CLUBS

- Contact Morale Welfare Activities (MWA) for current information for on-base tennis courts Building 80 02451-63-4940
- Tennishallen in Germany and The Netherlands may require club membership
- Courts must be reserved in advance
- Open times and costs vary
- Many tennis halls offer special priced cards for a certain amount of court time to young people under 18 to encourage the sport

and food shops

#### Garmisch-Partenkirchen

- Top Alpine resort town near the Austrian border
- Linderhof and Neuschwanstein castles nearby
- Location of an Armed Forces Recreation Center ([AFRC](#))
- The Zugspitz, the highest mountain in Germany, accessible by cable-car

#### Harz Mountains

- Popular winter resort area is in northern Germany known for cross country skiing

#### Heidelberg

- Ancient university town
- 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> century old castle ruins with a graceful courtyard

#### Munchen (Munich)

- Heart of Bavaria
- Famous for [Octoberfest](#) and the BMW museum

#### Nurnberg/(Nuremberg)

- Famous Christmas market
- Site of grand Nazi rallies and Allied war trials

#### Oberammergau

- Home of the Passion Play
- Quaint painted houses and wood carving shops

#### Romantic Road

- Scenic 180 mile stretch of road between Weinzberg and Fussen in the foothills of the Alps

#### Rothenberg ob de Tauber

- Best-preserved medieval city in Germany
- Shops, restaurants and year-round stores
- Holy Blood alterpiece of St Jakob's Church includes a rock crystal reliquary cross (ca. 1270).

#### Trier

- Germany's oldest city and located on the Mosel River
- Famous for its Roman ruins

### Xanten

- Archaeological park located about 70 km north-northeast of Geilenkirchen
- Only large Roman town north of the Alps not to have been later built upon
- Original walls and carved blocks on display

## PLACES OF INTEREST IN THE NETHERLANDS

### JFC BRUNSSUM LOCAL AREA

#### Brunssum

- Location of JFC Brunssum
- Home of the Schutterspark

#### Heerlen

- City with rich Roman past and close to Geilenkirchen
- Thermae Museum of Roman ruins and a public bath house

#### Hoensbroek

- Near Heerlen and Brunssum and has many good restaurants

#### Hoensbroek Castle

(31)-45-522-7272

**Address:** Klinkerstraat 118 Hoensbroek, NL

- 14<sup>th</sup> century castle with a rich history of family ownership, secret rooms, privys (unique toilets), a real dungeon, and furnished rooms.
- Middle Ages festival with a knight's tournament and market square on Easter Sunday and Monday.

#### Maastricht

- Capital of the province of Limburg and oldest fortified city in Holland
- Many gates and ramparts still stand and many streets have changed little since the 16th and 17th centuries
- [Bonnefanten Museum](#) with exhibits in archeology, sculptures, paintings, silver and glass, and the history of Maastricht
- Great shopping in the pedestrian area, including many bistros, snack bars, restaurants, cozy cafes, and pubs.

- Family amusement park with rides, slides, swings, and shows

#### Bokrijk

(32)-11-26-5300

**Address:** Het Domein, 3600 Genk (Bokrijk), Belgium

<http://www.limburg.be/bokrijk>

- Open air museum, including a nature reserve, playground with pony rides, and restored farm houses with traditional crafts and furniture
- Historic buildings with demonstrations of the way of life in the 1850's.
- Walking paths, gardens, a huge playground, separate toddler playground, children's animal park including miniature pigs, mini golf and sports fields, pony rides, mini-cars, a greenhouse, and a shuttle service.

#### Mini-Europe

(32)-2-474-1313

**Address:** Avenue du Football 1, B-1020, Brussels, Belgium

**Hours of operation:** Depends on time of year

<http://www.minieurope.com/>

- Scale models of 300 famous European buildings, along with high-tech achievements

#### Walibi

(32) 1042-1500

**Address:** Rue J Deschamps 9, 1300 Wavre, Belgium

Spijkweg 30, 8256 RJ, Biddinghuizen, Netherlands

<http://www.starparks.com/>

Attractions include 40 rides and shows, and a covered aquatic park

## FRANCE

#### Disneyland Paris

(33)-6030-6053

**Address:** Marne la Vallee Chessy, France

**Hours of operation:** Depends on time of year

<http://www.disneylandparis.com>

- Disneyland with Mainstreet USA, Frontierland, Adventureland, Fantasyland, and Discoveryland
- Numerous shops and restaurants and 7 Disneyland hotels



[www.pretpark-de-valkenier.nl](http://www.pretpark-de-valkenier.nl)

- Small entrance fee includes numerous rides
- Attractions include ferris wheel, pedal boats, 3 sandpit playgrounds, ball tent, bumper cars, video game hall, roller coaster, haunted house, and pony rides.
- Appropriate for children age 3-10

## **BELGIUM**

### **Alles Kids Indoor Playground**

(32)-89-57-2280

**Address:** Venlosesteenweg 330, Kessenich, Belgium

- 3-4 story climbing apparatus enclosed in sturdy netting including a multitude of activities.
- 3 slides, a large ball pit, and a separate little-tikes play zone.

### **Aqua Mundo Water Park**

(32)-221-9730-3030

**Address:** Erperheide, Belgium

**Hours of operation:** Open year-round from 1030 - 1800

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

- Indoor water park with wildcatters, Jacuzzis, slides, and a wave pool

### **Aquarium-University Zoology Museum**

(32)-04-366-5021

**Address:** Quai Van Beneden 22 Liege, BE

<http://www.ulg.ac.be/aquarium>

- Aquarium with 42 tanks displaying 250 varieties of salt and fresh water fish.

- The zoology museum houses 18,000 specimens of animals.
- Science museum in the same building for an additional fee of about 100 BF per person.

### **Bobbejaanland**

(32)-14-557811

**Address:** Olensteeweg 45, 2460 Kasterlee (Lichtaart), Belgium

<http://www.bobbejaanland.be>

- Mt. St. Peter houses great blocks of stone carved out creating vast caves and 200 miles of tunnels. During World War II, used as a refuge and art treasures
- Guided tours available

### **Landgraaf**

Home to The Netherlands' most famous open-air festival, [PINKPOP](#).

### **Margraten**

- Small town is in a nice countryside setting
- Home to an [American War Cemetery](#) and site of annual Memorial Day services

### **Sittard**

- Close to the German border still has an old city wall
- The center of town contains a number of half-timbered houses
- Thursday morning market on the square known for fresh fish and cloth vendors

### **Thorn**

- Called "[White Village](#)" due to its picturesque all-white homes
- Many streets paved with boulders from the Maas River
- Town reflects the Middle Ages

### **Valkenburg**

- Popular holiday resort area in an area of gently rolling hillsides
- Home to many parks, cafes, and fine restaurants
- Grotto chapels, lakes, Roman galleries and murals
- [Valkenburg Coal Mine](#) and National Mine Museum with English-speaking guides

## **OTHER AREAS IN THE NETHERLANDS**

### **Amsterdam**

- Cosmopolitan, offbeat, fun city in Holland famous for its canals
- Canal rides, biking and crepes
- The Anne Frank House one of the most visited places in the world
- The Van Gogh Museum and Rembrandt's House

### **Delft**

- Famous blue and white porcelain
- Many small canals

## Keukenhof

- Large flower park open in April and May

## Leiden

- Home to the Mayflower Pilgrims before sailing to Plymouth
- A Dutch Renaissance city and birth place of Rembrandt
- The National Museum of Antiquities “Rijksmuseum van Oudheden” with Egyptian, Greek, Roman, and Dutch displays

## Scheveningen

- Beach resort area with a beach promenade and wave pool
- Casino, restaurants, and Sunday shopping

# PLACES OF INTEREST IN BELGIUM

## Antwerp

- World famous port and industrial city and the center of the diamond cutting industry
- The Cathedral of Our Lady a Gothic masterpiece begun in 1352 and recently restored
- Diamondland demonstrates diamond cutters at their trade
- Provincial Diamond Museum houses many jewelry displays
- Antwerp Zoo the residence for animals roaming free in their natural habitat

## Bastogne

- Location of Battle of the Bulge fought Christmas of 1944
- Coline du Mardasson a memorial to American soldiers who died in the battle

## Bruges

- This is one of Europe's loveliest cities, often called the lace capital of the world. Take a canal boat trip.
- See Michaelangelo's marble statue, "Virgin and Child", at the Church of Our Lady or the "Blood of Christ" at the Basilica of the Holy Blood.

## Brussels

- The largest city in Belgium
- Grand Place, Europe's most ornate market square
- The Grand Sablon an elegant square surrounded by restaurants, cafes and antique shops

- Large garden with botanical displays from around the world.
- Other attractions include an amusement park, a zoo, and a dinosaur land.

## Ouwehands Dierenpark

31)-4648-51950

**Address:** Grebbeweg 111, 3911 AV Rhenen (Born), Netherlands

<http://www.ouwehand.nl>

- Animal park and shows

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## Schutters Kinderboerderij Park

(31)-45-527-4665

**Address:** Heidestraat 2 Brunssum, NL

- An outdoor park and petting zoo, pony rides, and friendly staff.

## Schutters Speeltuyn Park

(31)-455-295-902

**Address:** Heidestraat 10, Brunssum, NL

- Open April until the end of September
- Large outdoor playground for toddlers and younger children.
- Separate toddler playground
- Slides, swings, and many climbing apparatuses available.

## SnowWorld Landgraaf

(31)-45-54-70700

**Address:** Witte Wereld 1, 6372 VG Landgraaf, Netherlands

[www.snowworld.nl](http://www.snowworld.nl)

- Large indoor ski and snowboard park open 365 days a year

## Steinboros Park

(31)-46-426-8000

**Address:** Dieterenstraat Stein, NL

- This extensive outdoor park includes playground, outdoor pool with slide and kiddy pool, boating, mini-golf, petting zoo, pony rides, restaurant, big playground, kid castle, and go-carts. Indoor pool is included in entrance fee on Saturdays and Sundays. Very easy to get to and variety of activities available.

## Valkenier Park

(31)-43-6012289

**Address:** Koningswinkelstraat 53, Valkenburg, NL

### Grotten Aquarium

(31)-43-601-2336 or (31)-43-604-2929

**Address:** off Cauberg Str., Valkenburg, NL

- The illuminated tunnels of the cave show aquariums with many varieties of water life - Piranhas, crocodiles, and reptiles

### Kasteel Park

(31)-46-4851950

**Address:** Kasteelpark 38 Born, NL

- Animals both domestic or wild.
- Groomed walking paths and castle ruins.
- Petting zoo has goats, cows, pigs, llamas, and chickens to name a few. Small playground near cafe.

### Kinderstaad

(31)-45-571-7252

**Address:** Parallelweg R 4, 6411 ND Heerlen

[www.kinderstad.nl](http://www.kinderstad.nl)

- Largest indoor attraction park in the area. A diversity of attractions including a wild water rapids, bumper boats, trampolines, merry-go-rounds, slides, adventure maze, bouncy cushions, and mini bumper cars.
- Cafeteria, where birthday parties and other parties can be held

### Labyrinth Maze(31)-43-306-5200

**Address:** Viergrenzenweg 97, Vaals, NL

[www.drielandenpunt.nl](http://www.drielandenpunt.nl)

- Large labyrinth maze of bushes and electronic waterways located near the Three-land Point (German, Holland, and Belgium) in Vaals.
- Two playgrounds, restaurants, picnic areas and groomed paths for hiking.

### Mondo Verde

(32) 045-5350161

**Address:** Groene Wereld 10, 6372 PW Landgraaf

- The Grand Sablon an elegant square surrounded by restaurants, cafes and antique shops

### Ghent

- One of Belgium's "art cities";
- Home to six castles and three abbeys

### Liege

- Site of the largest market of its kind in Europe where just about anything can be bought – including animals
- St Paul's Cathedral and its Treasury

### Tongeren

- Ancient town founded in 1 AD with many preserved relics from its Roman past
- The Basilica of Our Lady, the Roman Towers, and the large antique market on Sunday mornings

### Willebroek

- Breendonk Concentration Camp, one of the most well-preserved concentration camps in Europe

## AMUSEMENT PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

The following are a few suggestions of fun places to visit with children. Although there are many more places to seek out on your own. Good resources include guide books, local newsletters, and word-of-mouth recommendations. It is best to call for the latest information on hours, admission prices and directions.

### GERMANY

#### Aqua Land wurselen

(49)-0221-70280

**Address:** Merianstraße 1, 50765 Köln

<http://www.aqualand.de/>

Large indoor water park great for children of all ages as well as teenagers. Families can relax in the excellent spa facilities.

#### Aqua Zoo

(49)-211-899-6150

**Address:** Kaiserswerther Str. 380, Dusseldorf, Germany

[www.duesseldorf.de/aquazoo](http://www.duesseldorf.de/aquazoo)

Large aquarium with viewing tanks for penguins, seals, sharks, stingrays, alligators, and other large reptiles. The multi-level floor plan separates the different interests. A good rainy day activity for the whole family.

### **Koeln Zoo**

(49)-1805. 28 01 01

**Address:** Riehler Straße 173, 50735 Köln

[www.koelnerzoo.de/](http://www.koelnerzoo.de/)

-Largest zoo in the area

### **Michael Schumacher Kart and Event Center**

(49)2273-6019-0

**Address:** Michael-Schumacher-Str. 5, 50170 Kerpen - Sindorf

The kart center has both indoor and outdoor go-carting with carts that can reach up to 50km/h.

### **Phantasialand**

(49)-2232-36206

**Address:** Berggeistrasse 31, 50321 Bruhl, Germany

<http://www.phantasialand.de>

- Biggest "Wonderland in Germany", 20 rides, shows, and restaurants

### **Tier Park**

**Address:** Obere Drimbornstrasse 44, 52066, Aachen Germany

<http://www.euregiozoo.de>

- Wildlife park and zoo with more than 1700 animals with special events and projects for children such as a children's zoo. Guided tours and educational courses are also available.

### **Warner Brothers Movie World**

(49)-2045-899899

**Address:** Warner Allee 1, Bottrop-Kirchhellen, Germany

<http://www.moviepark.de>

- The main attractions are water rafting, a roller coaster, film shootings, stunt shows, Warner Brothers characters, and restaurants

## **NETHERLANDS**

### **Brunssumer Heide Nature Park/Observatory**

(31)-45-5225543

**Address:** Schaapskooiweg Brunssum, NL

-Large ecology-focused park with two playgrounds, groomed walking,, biking, and horse paths. Site observatory with a small fee.

### **Burger's Safari Park and Zoo**

(31)-26-442-4534

**Address:** Antoon van Hooffplein 1, 6816 SH Arnhem, Netherlands

<http://burgerszoo.nl>

- 400 free running animals and a tropical rain forest

### **Daalhof Petteing Zoo**(31)-43-3474786

**Address:** Romeinsebaan 200 Maastricht, NL

- Petting zoo with baby animals, pigs, chickens, a cows, rabbits, and sheep.

### **De Efteling**

(32)-416-288-111

**Address:** Europalaan 1, 5171 KW, Kaatsheuvel, Netherlands

<http://www.efteling.com>

- Enchanted forest, haunted house, and puppet show.

### **Evoluon**

(31)-40-2773612

**Address:** Eindhoven, Netherlands

- It is open all year except Christmas and New Years  
- Futuristic exhibits, a "hands on" museum, and a journey through the world of science and technology

### **Fairy Tale Park**

(31)-6012985

**Address:** Sibbergrubbe 2a, Valkenburg an de Geul, NL

- Outdoor recreational area with various activities including a water slide, Western Saloon, water organ, walking path with folk story theme houses, a variety of rides and slides.

- Small toddler area with free mini roller coaster ride.