

Offer/Program

IYF 2011 in Luxembourg from August 25th to August 28th 2011

Accommodation at the Luxembourg Youth Hostel
2, rue Fort Olisy
L-2261 Luxembourg
www.youthhostels.lu

Rooms of 2 to 6 persons at a price of 200 € / per person

Price includes:

- Full accommodation with meals
- Transfer from the airport/train station to the youth hostel
- all excursions
- a set of towels (bath towels, hand towel, washcloth)

Possibility to extend the stay at a price of:

- 20€/per night/per person, breakfast and bed-linen included, in a room for 3 to 6 persons
- 25€/per night/per person, breakfast and bed-linen included, in a room for 2 persons (transfer possible)

Thursday August 25th, 2011

09:00 - 16:00h: Transfer of all participants from the Luxembourg airport "Findel" and train station
15:00h: Departure of shuttle bus from Francfort/Main/Germany and Luxembourg (Arrival +- 17:30h)
16:00h: Departure of shuttle bus from Francfort/Hahn/Germany and Luxembourg (Arrival +- 17:30h)
Dinner: Buffet with gastronomic specialties from Luxembourg

Friday August 26th, 2011

Afternoon: Guided tour of the castle and town of Vianden (6 hrs)

The Castle of Vianden:



www.castle-vianden.lu

Vianden Castle was constructed between the 11th and 14th centuries on the foundations of a Roman 'castellum' and a Carolingian refuge. It is one of the largest and most beautiful feudal residences of the romanesque and gothic periods in Europe. In 1820, under the reign of King William I of Holland, the castle was sold piece by piece, and as a result, it fell into a state of ruin. It was a pile of rubble until the family of the Grand Duke of Luxembourg transferred it to State ownership in 1977. Since restored to its former glory, the castle now ranks as a monument of not only regional, but European importance.

The Town of Vianden:

The town of Vianden lies on the Our river, near the border between Luxembourg and Germany and is one of the most beautiful sites in Luxembourg and at the same time a well-known touristic destination. At the foot of the castle, the town, dating back to the XIth century, was home to the powerful counts of Vianden and now embraces narrow medieval streets descending towards the Our river. It also features numerous historical buildings such as the Church of the Trinitarians (1248) built in the gothic style, the Church of St. Nicholas (13th century), the city town hall (1679) as well as the home of Victor Hugo, famous french poet, that lived here in 1871.



Traditionnal Dinner at the Fair of Luxembourg City (Schueberfouer)

As every year, the end of the summer holidays also announces the traditional Schueberfouer, taking place from end of August until the beginning of September and transforming the huge Glacis-field in the city of Luxembourg into a wonderful leisure world with merry-go-rounds, restaurants, market, sweets, etc. for the whole family. With 2 million annual visitors, the funfair of the city of Luxembourg is one of the major events in Europe. The 2011 edition - vintage 670 - starts on Friday 19th august (before Saint Bartholomew) and ends on Wednesday 8th September. Over the week, the Schueberfouer opens every day from 11 a.m. till 1 a.m., on Fridays and Saturdays till 2 a.m.. At the Glacis field are present 180 showmen and 90 retailers for small wares (Allée Scheffer).

www.schueberfouer.lu

Saturday August 27th, 2011

Afternoon: Guided Tour of the old town of Luxembourg City (+- 2 1/2 hrs)

Metre-thick bastions and bulwarks, battlement gates, parapets on steep sandstone rocks, fearsome embrasures – the mighty structures of the former Luxembourg fortress, once praised and feared as the “Gibraltar of the North”, were so impressive that Goethe, while on a short visit to the city in 1792, was inspired to write the following words: “He who has not seen Luxembourg simply cannot picture these war structures, juxtaposed and superimposed as they are (...).” The famous writer expressed his greatest awe of the city of Luxembourg, however, in the following comment: “There is so much greatness and grace here, so much gravity combined with gentleness, that one wishes Poussin had employed his wonderful talent in such an environment.” In 1994, the powerful bulwarks and the old town, equally steeped in history, were listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site.



Gala-Dinner with Music.

Sunday August 28th, 2011

09:00 - 16:00h: Transfer of all participants to the Luxembourg airport “Findel” and train station

10:00h: Departure of shuttle bus to from Francfort/Hahn/Germany (Arrival +- 11:30h),
to Francfort/Main/Germany (Arrival +- 12:30h)