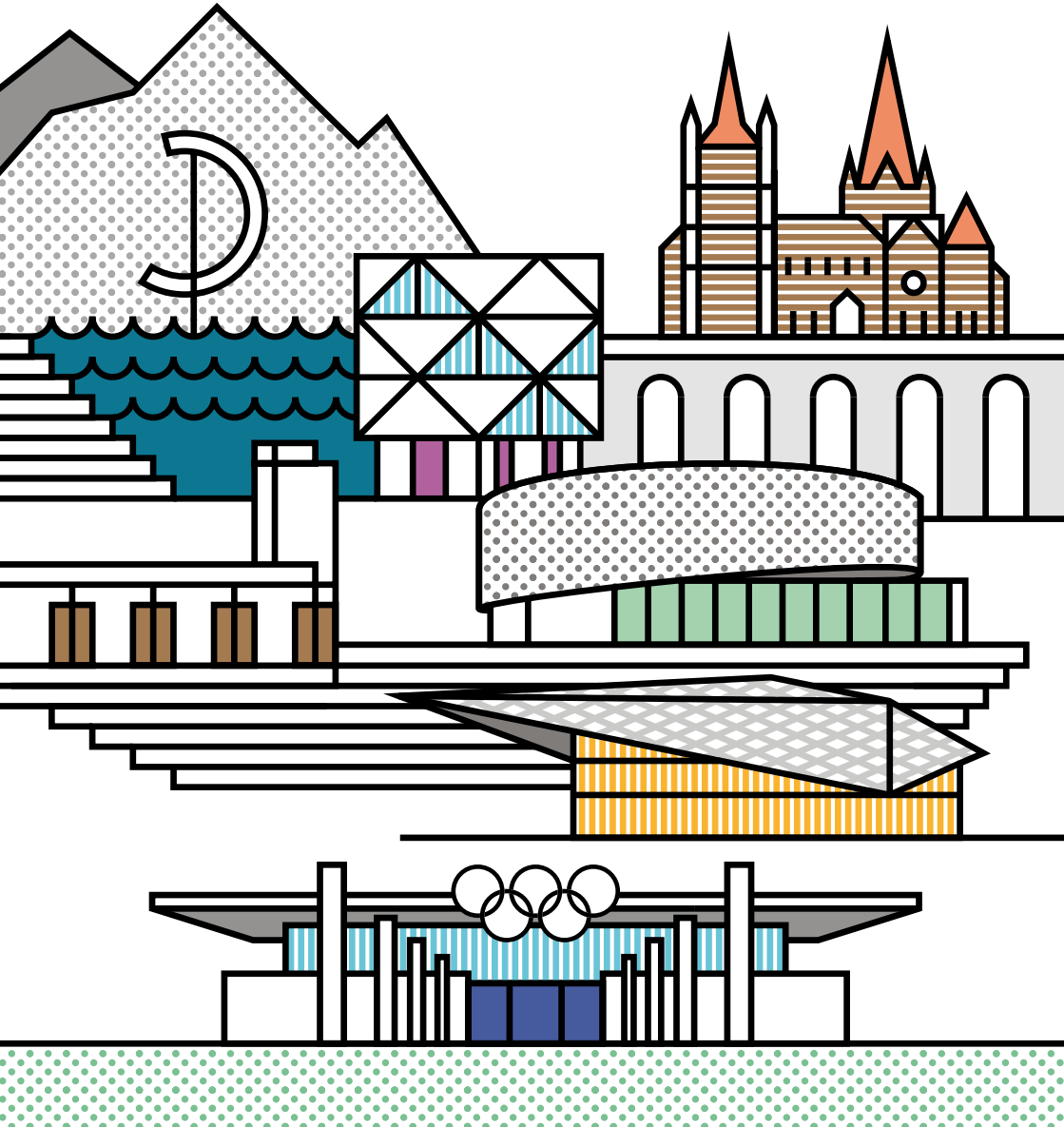




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## WELCOME TO **LAUSANNE,** OLYMPIC CAPITAL

Discover Lausanne's must-sees during a stay in that multifaceted town on a human scale. Located on the shores of Lake Geneva, it offers an exceptional panorama.

Lausanne sparkles with energy, an art de vivre, lightheartedness and modernity, and stands out by its vocation as Olympic town, sustainable and cultural city, and place of training.

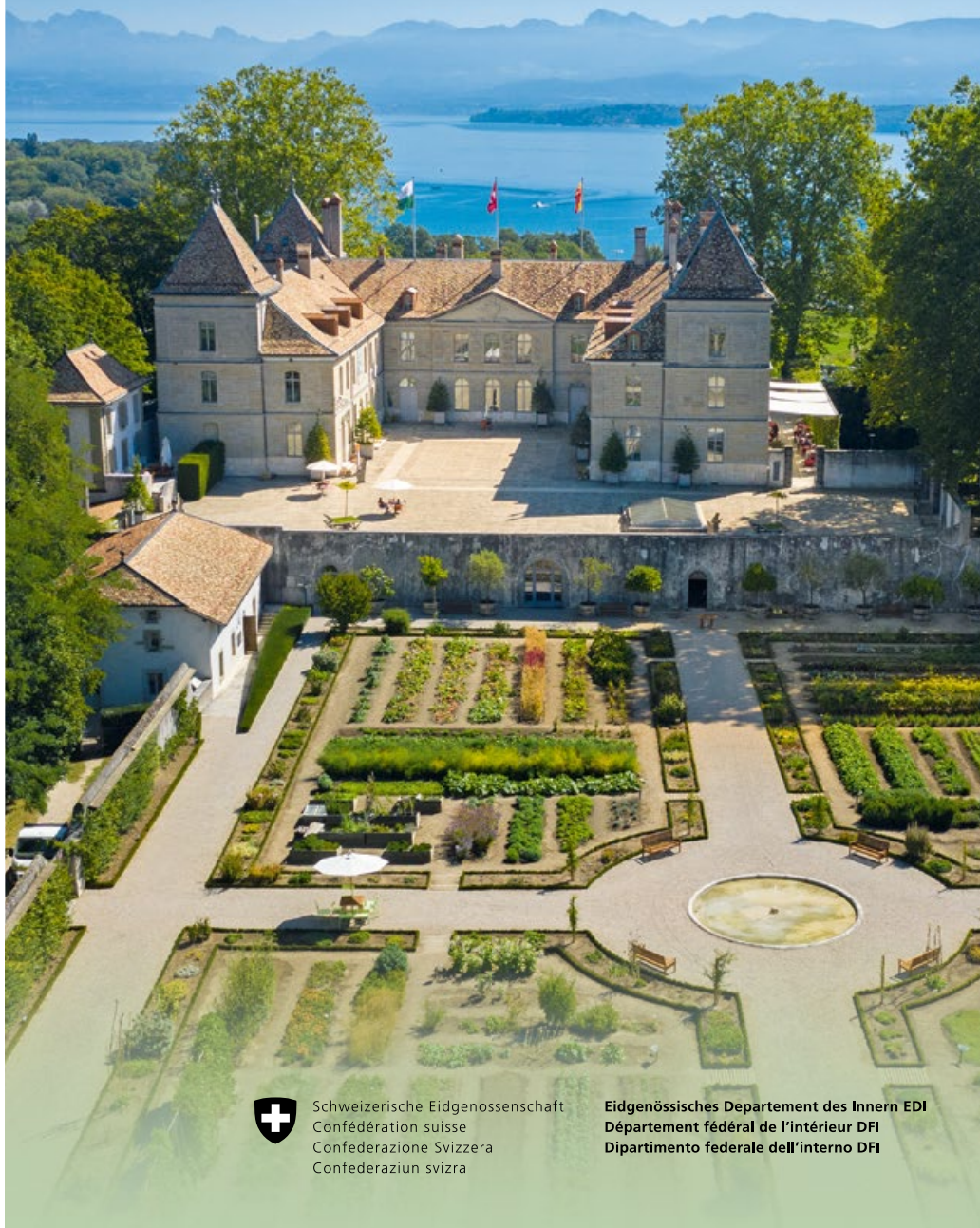
The Olympic Capital displays a ubiquitous passion for sport, housing not only the headquarters of the International Olympic Committee but also many international federations.

These many assets make it an ideal destination, whether you are on your own, with friends or family. And whether you're staying in Lausanne for two hours or two days, this guide introduces the town's nature and leisure offering, and suggests a myriad of ideas for places, walks, excursions and activities to be (re)discovered so that you can enjoy all the riches of the Olympic Capital and its surroundings.

Our **LAUSANNE MUST-SEES** brochure is designed to make your stay in Lausanne easier. As it isn't intended to be comprehensive, other publications such as THE LAUSANNER or the OFFICIAL STREET MAP complete its information.

Lausanne Tourisme wishes you a delightful stay!

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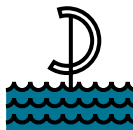


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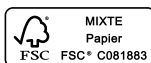
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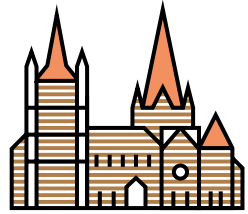
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## MUST-SEES

# DISTRICTS CITÉ/MON-REPOS

It is around the Cité hill, sculpted by the Flon and Louve rivers, that the medieval town grew.

Its cobble-stoned pedestrian streets as well as its monuments bear witness to this. Then, as soon as you cross the Bessières Bridge, the scenery changes completely. The Caroline district possesses a shopping mall, many bars, restaurants and boutiques. A bit further to the east, the Mon-Repos Park offers a green and tranquil haven, interrupted from time to time by the twittering of birds in its aviary.



### LAUSANNE CATHEDRAL

The Cathedral, considered one of the most beautiful Gothic buildings in Switzerland, was consecrated in 1275. Don't miss the rose window, the painted portal, the 13<sup>th</sup>-century choir stalls, the ancient and modern stained glass windows and the great organs. The bravest will admire the panoramic view from the belfry (entrance fee) after climbing the 224 stairs. Open tours of the Cathedral and free guided tours during the summer.



### MUSÉE HISTORIQUE LAUSANNE

Within the walls of the Old Bishop's Palace, this Lausanne historical museum speaks of the town's rich past and features a famous model that offers an exceptional view of the 17<sup>th</sup>-century Cité. Temporary exhibitions, inspired by the research conducted on its collections, explore the thousand years of this heritage. A novel approach to the town's history: smart multimedia!

## MUST-SEES

### ESCALIERS DU MARCHÉ

A direct but abrupt route between the Cathedral and the town centre, this wooden stairway first mentioned during the 13<sup>th</sup> century exists in its present form since the beginning of the 18<sup>th</sup> century: roofed and winding, with a very steep cobbled street running alongside. An integral part of Lausanne's popular iconography, it is lined on the west with a picturesque row of boutiques and cafés.



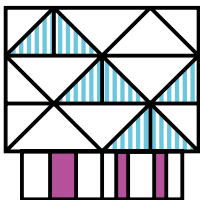
### MON-REPOS PARK

Open to the public, it's one of the most popular parks for Lausanne inhabitants of all ages, with its huge lawns, aviaries of exotic birds, playgrounds and ephemeral sculptures. Stroll down its various alleys to catch a glimpse of an orangery as well as a neo-Gothic tower overlooking a cave and a waterfall.

## DISTRICT TOWN CENTRE

**This is where the city's energy is most animated both by day and night.**

From ancient buildings to trendy new districts, tread the cobblestones and broad avenues to make the most of shopping amongst major brands and local designers. It's also the axis of nightlife with concert halls and an opera, plus bars and clubs that will keep you awake until the early hours of the morning.



### PLACE & CHURCH SAINT-FRANÇOIS

Lausanne's residents like to meet up on this central square dominated by a medieval church that has become a hub for music and dialogue with contemporary art in all its guises. Market stalls of the famous Lausanne market set up on the square every Wednesday and Saturday morning.





## MUST-SEES

### RÔTILLON NEIGHBOURHOOD

In the intertwining lanes of one of Lausanne's oldest neighbourhoods that was recently renovated, works of art, a Titeuf fresco, small, original shops and bohemian cafés now attract the trendy crowds. One of the in crowds new neighbourhoods in Lausanne, the Rôtillon feels like a corner of Italy in the heart of the town.



### PLACE DE LA PALUD

A polychrome statue, symbolising justice, stands imposingly on the Renaissance fountain in the centre of this pedestrian square, where the Town Hall is also located. Opposite, tourists and children wait, every hour on the hour from 9 am to 7 pm, for the ballet of animated figures to the sound of the carillon.



### PALAIS DE RUMINE

Erected at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century on the Place de la Riponne, this Italianate-style building houses a host of treasures. It fulfils many functions: cantonal museums, a library, a place of study, conferences and meetings, and a passageway, the Palais de Rumine is an essential part of the life of Lausanne citizens.



### FLON DISTRICT

It's the town's architectural success: this district of former warehouses that begins at the Place de l'Europe was rehabilitated as a living area with a wide array of restaurants, bars, clubs, boutiques, cinemas and exhibition spaces. A must is to enjoy a drink on one of the rooftop terraces.

### MONTBENON ESPLANADE

Making the most of one of the town's most beautiful openings on Lake Geneva and the Alps, you can lounge on the lawns in front of the District Court or enjoy a meal on a terrace. If it's raining, you might like to visit the Swiss Film Archive in the Casino de Montbenon.

### COLLECTION DE L'ART BRUT

The town created this museum, unique in the world, in 1976 in exchange for the legacy of 5,000 works of outsider art belonging to artist Jean Dubuffet. Located opposite the Beaulieu Palace, this institution today owns over 70,000 works, 700 of which are displayed permanently, and exports its exhibitions all over the world.

## MUST-SEES



# OLD TOWN WALK

## Delve into the historic centre

The Cité hill, crowned by the Cathedral at a height of 542 metres, gives Lausanne its unique character. From the Old Academy, first French-speaking faculty of Reformed theology, to the Château Saint-Maire, the town's open-air architecture bears witness to its medieval past. Go-to restaurants, small cafés, a scattering of boutiques and three antique bookshops enliven the neighbourhood. Step down the picturesque Escaliers du Marché to reach the Place de la Palud. In front of the Town Hall, you'll join the milling crowds on market days – a century-old tradition.




### ACCESS (PUBLIC TRANSPORT):

 Buses N° 7, 8, 16, 22, 60, "Tunnel" stop,  
 m2 metro, "Bessières" station

### STARTING POINT:

Place du Château Saint-Maire

### ARRIVAL POINT:

Tour de l'Ale, close to Place  
Chauderon;  Buses N° 3, 4, 6,  
9, 17, 19, 21 "Chauderon" stop

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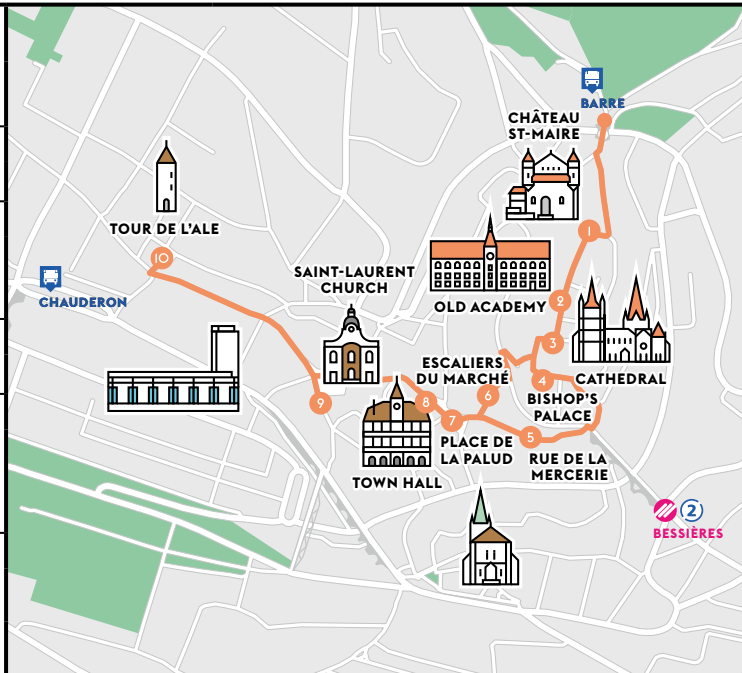
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### ON THE WAY:

Wednesdays and Saturdays,  
from 8 am to 2 pm, produce from  
the surrounding countryside is  
on sale at the street markets.

### OUR ADVICE:

Save your high heels for  
the evening. Meanwhile, wear  
comfortable shoes to wander  
the Cité's pedestrian streets.



# OLD TOWN WALK

## CHÂTEAU SAINT-MAIRE 1

Both a residence and a donjon, topped with Italian-style bricks, the Castle now houses the Cantonal authorities' headquarters. Its massive sandstone walls are soft to the touch. (Closed to the public)

## OLD ACADEMY 2

This former faculty of theology created by the Bernese as from 1537 became the first French-speaking Reformed academy in Europe. Today, it still serves as a place of learning for students aged 16 to 19.

## CATHEDRAL 3



A majestic edifice turned towards the lake and mountains. Constructed between 1170 and 1275, the Cathedral is considered the most beautiful Gothic building in Switzerland. As of old, a night watch calls out the hours between 10 pm and 2 am from the top of the belfry.

## BISHOP'S PALACE 4

The complex of buildings that make up the former Bishop's Palace was the seat of the bishops' power in the Middle Ages. This place charged with memory offers the Historical Museum – recently renovated and presenting a new permanent exhibition – a setting conducive to exploring the past.

## RUE DE LA MERCERIE 5



This steep, pedestrian street is packed with innovative boutiques and historical establishments. Each display is more original than the last and the products offered are ... local, urban, floral or gourmet.

## ESCALIERS DU MARCHÉ 6



This entirely wooden and covered stairway is a compulsory passage. A direct link between the upper and lower part of the Cité, its steepness will reward you by whetting your appetite or helping your digestion.

## PLACE DE LA PALUD 7

This is the age-old mercantile heart of Lausanne. Standing on the steps of the Fountain of Justice, in front of the famous clock that displays animated scenes every hour, take in the beautiful perspective on the adornments of the 18<sup>th</sup>-century residences' façades.

## TOWN HALL 8



Although imposing, this 18<sup>th</sup>-century building is welcoming. Its roof recalls the opulent homes of wealthy landowners from the Swiss countryside. Closed to the public; however, its ancient covered market is an exhibition space.

## SAINT-LAURENT CHURCH 9

This baroque church also serves as a seating place for passers-by enjoying a rest or picnicking on its steps. Its elegance gives character to the popular square that bears its name.

## TOUR DE L'ALE 10

About fifty towers and gates defended Lausanne. Only one still stands: the Tour de l'Ale, saved by a people's movement unconvinced that all should be sacrificed to car traffic.

## MUST-SEES


# FAMILY WALK

## In Lausanne, there's always something to do

For families, Lausanne offers a multitude of activities for all ages and the town is dotted with playgrounds and parks. The more athletic tackle the town's sloping topography: on foot, mountainbike, roller-skates or cross-country skis, Lausanne is a dream come true for active visitors. And when the rain comes – or just a longing for culture – museum doors are open. Nourishment for the mind and body.





### ACCESS (PUBLIC TRANSPORT):

 Bus N° 16, "Lac de Sauvabelin" stop

### STARTING POINT:

Auberge du lac de Sauvabelin

### ARRIVAL POINT:

Vallée de la Jeunesse,  
 buses N° 1, 2, 6, 25, "Maladière" stop;  
 1 m1 metro, "Malley" station

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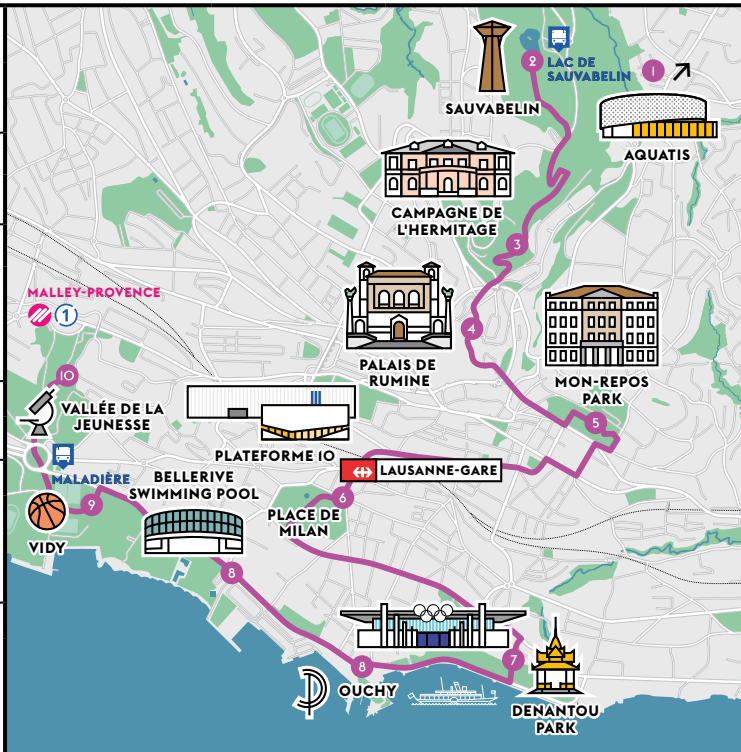
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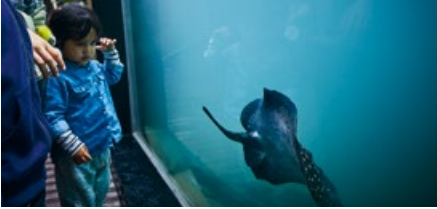
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# FAMILY WALK

## AQUATIS 1



Without leaving Lausanne, enjoy an odyssey across the five continents, a full immersion in freshwater with 46 aquariums/vivaria/terrariums, an oasis in the heart of the town. A new experience to be shared with your family!

**ACCESS:** 🚇 ② m2 metro, stop at "Vennes", and to reach the Family Walk: 🚇 ② m2 metro, stop at "Flon" and take 🚌 the bus N° 16 from Saint-François until "Lac de Sauvabelin"

## SAUVABELIN 2

Children and adults alike delight in this spot, with its lake, geese, restaurant and terrace. In the surrounding forest, the wooden Sauvabelin Tower offers a unique panorama over Lausanne from its 35-metre height – or 151 steps!

## CAMPAGNE DE L'HERMITAGE 3

Ten minutes on foot from the town, the leafy, romantic park contains many varied species of trees, the most famous of which is the weeping beech with its interwoven, sinuous branches that conjure up a fairytale house.

## PALAIS DE RUMINE 4



The museum is worth a visit in its own right. Located in the town centre, this Florentine Renaissance building houses the cantonal museums of archaeology, geology and zoology.

## MON-REPOS PARK 5

A green haven of tranquillity in the heart of the town, this park harbours a 19<sup>th</sup>-century landscaped garden and a popular aviary. The ideal place for a timeless moment while the children run around.

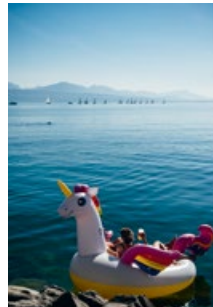
## PLACE DE MILAN 6

A patch of countryside in the midst of the town, the Place de Milan has something for everyone. A lawn for a lazy siesta, a playground, a huge sand pit and, nearby, the Botanical Garden.

## DENANTOU PARK 7

Extending the Olympic Museum's gardens, this magnificent park slopes down gently towards the Ouchy quays. In addition to featuring the Thai pavilion (a royal gift), it is a superb testimony to the Lausanne countryside of long ago.

## OUCHY-BELLERIVE 8



In Lausanne, all roads lead to Ouchy, its landing pier and terraces that call to mind the Riviera. A holiday atmosphere seems to pervade, both by the lakeside and in the playgrounds.

Since 1937, Lausanne citizens take refuge at the Bellerive-Plage

swimming pool on hot summer days. Diving, idling and swimming extend the summer against a backdrop of lake and mountains. A unique experience.

## VIDY 9

Sports reign in Vidy, with its two stadiums: Pierre-de-Coubertin and Juan-Antonio-Samaranch. You can play football, hockey, beach-volley, skate bowl and basketball, as well as enjoy street sports, a "Vita" fitness trail and the educational Sports Track.

## VALLÉE DE LA JEUNESSE 10

This is where children glide on roller-skates or skateboards on mogul waves, while parents roam in the fragrant rose-garden, home to some 8,000 species. All can meet up in the Espace des Inventions.

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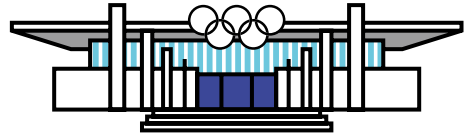
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## MUST-SEES

# DISTRICTS TRAIN STATION/OUCHY

The neighbourhoods located between the Ouchy quays, by the lakeside, and the Lausanne train station are perfect for a revitalising stroll.

They unveil several green oases, elegant Belle Époque dwellings bordering broad avenues and four internationally renowned museums. Since 2008, the rubber-tired m2 metro has replaced the “Ficelle” (the “String”), which was, in 1877, one of the first metropolitan railways in the world.



### CRÊT DE MONTRIOND & PLACE DE MILAN

Inaugurated at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, this square's vast lawns, football fields, playgrounds, fountain and shady alley draw in families in all seasons. Reach the Crêt de Montriond by a winding path to discover a 360° panorama of the Lavaux vineyards, Lake Geneva and Alps.



### MUSEUM AND BOTANICAL GARDENS

This magnificent place, overflowing with flowers and great trees, is located at the foot of the Montriond Hill, a stone's throw from Milan Park. You can admire close to 4,000 plant species from all over the world. Alpine, medicinal, carnivorous and tropical plants have been brought together in this haven of greenery in the heart of town. The botanical museum organises scientific and artistic exhibitions during the year.

## MUST-SEES



### OUCHY QUAYS

On foot, on a bike or on roller-skates, follow the shores of Lake Geneva from the Old Port to the Haldimand Tower. You'll discover no less than three major Lausanne parks along your way: the Elysée, the Olympic Park and Park Denantou, as well as the Place du Général Guisan's rose garden that contains more than 130 different varieties of roses.



### CRUISES ON A BELLE ÉPOQUE BOAT

For a romantic or gourmet cruise, or simply to cross Lake Geneva, the steamships of the Compagnie Générale de Navigation (CGN) are a must do during your holidays in western Switzerland. Step aboard in Lausanne-Ouchy and sail for instance to Chillon Castle or admire the terraced vineyards of Lavaux, always with the Alps as a backdrop.



### OLYMPIC MUSEUM & PARK

Unique in the world, the Olympic Museum forms Lausanne's main cultural attraction. Each of its three levels is dedicated to a particular aspect of modern Olympism, largely featuring new interactive communication media. You may need several visits to explore everything. In the park, admire the collection of sculptures and test your speed on a proper running track. Strolling through the landscaped terraces, you'll reach the monumental fountain on the shores of the lake.



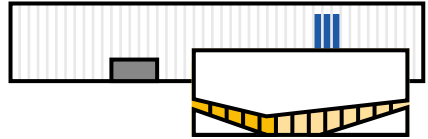
### DENANTOU PARK

Initially privately held until it was opened to the public in 1928, this park was laid out during the 19<sup>th</sup>-century in the English fashion by a banker. Allow your children to caper about in the wild meadows surrounded by copses, flowerbed displays and statues, or to play with the water from the pond. Since 2007, a Thai pavilion with a golden roof adorns this green area; it was given to the town by His Majesty the late King of Thailand in gratitude for the years he spent in Lausanne between 1933 and 1951.



# PLATEFORME 10

This new arts quarter, one of its kind in Switzerland, is located right next to the train station and is home to three internationally renowned museums: the MCBA, Photo Elysée and the mudac.



This new cultural platform brings together fine arts, photography and contemporary arts, complemented by the presence of the Toms Pauli and Félix Vallotton Foundations. A welcoming and relaxing venue with catering facilities, its architectural design and the quarter's atmosphere create a unique urban, modern and lively space.



## VAUD MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS – MCBA

Inaugurated in 1841, the MCBA is one of the oldest museums in Switzerland to be dedicated exclusively to art. Ducros, Gleiry, Steinlen, Vallotton and Soutter are all Vaud painters who have established the reputation of the Vaud Museum of Fine Arts, both nationally and internationally. Their works make up a large part of the museum's collection, that comprises close to 11,000 canvases. The brick building with its monolithic shape pays tribute to the history of the site, which housed the old locomotives' depot.



## VAUD MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHY – PHOTO ELYSÉE

Photo Elysée is one of the major museums in Switzerland and the world that is entirely dedicated to photographic culture. Every year, it presents several large-scale exhibitions. Internationally renowned, it is the custodian of a unique collection and several photographic archives, among which those of Charlie Chaplin, Sabine Weiss and Jan Groover. Its temporary exhibitions are presented in Lausanne as well as in galleries all over the world. *Inauguration in June 2022.*



## MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY DESIGN AND APPLIED ARTS – mudac

Resolutely contemporary, the mudac is interested in all forms of design and loves to build bridges between styles. Design, graphics, fashion: the museum challenges accepted notions and casts a fresh eye on art. In its permanent space, it presents the most important collection of contemporary glass art in Switzerland and Europe. As for the temporary exhibitions, they always go where we least expect them to, highlighting in turn ceramics, photography, as well as media and jewellery. *Inauguration in June 2022.*

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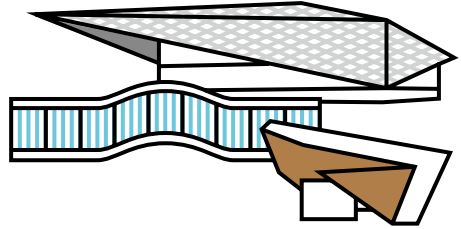
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## MUST-SEES

# DISTRICTS VIDY/UNIVERSITIES

The western part of Lausanne is dominated by the university campus that includes the University and the Federal Institute of Technology.

A location close to the lakeside loved by the 26,000 students who can take part in a broad array of nautical sports.



### **BELLERIVE SWIMMING POOL & CRAZY GOLF**

This outdoor swimming pool, open from May to September, is equipped with large pools, up to 10-metre diving boards and fun paddling pools for children. Would you rather chill out? Lounge on the large lawns or on the (supervised) beach with direct access to the lake. Restaurants and refreshment stalls on the spot. Next to the pool, the Bellerive crazy golf is an invitation to playful relaxation ideal for families or friends.



### **PARC LOUIS-BOURGET & PLAGE DE VIDY**

Between shoreline forest and meadows, the Louis-Bourget Park is a nature reserve that hosts a bird sanctuary, a pond bordered with fireflies, a fitness trail and a large playground. It's also an ideal destination for hot summer evenings: come and use the barbecues and grills set on the lawns before enjoying a game of football or relaxing on Vidy beach! You'll also meet many walkers strolling on the pleasant path that runs along the lakeside.

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## MUST-SEES



### OLYMPIC HOUSE

With its shape inspired by the movement of an athlete, Olympic House is one of the most sustainable buildings in the world. Designed to reflect the IOC's overarching mission to make the world a better place through sport, it brings together the entire staff of the IOC – that is 500 employees – under one roof. (Closed to the public)



### ROMAN MUSEUM & GALLO-ROMAN RUINS

The Roman Museum offers a presentation of the Gallo-Roman Lousonna (Lausanne), as well as various temporary exhibitions. In a bucolic setting that blends greenery, a body of water and ruins, don't miss the walk around the remains of the Lousonna vicus (village) dating from 15 BC, one of the largest in Switzerland. This archaeological park was redesigned in 2019.



### ESPACE DES INVENTIONS

Are your children budding scientists? The Invention Space is a place for them! Housed in a strange building with a concave roof dating from the National Exhibition, its vocation is to arouse young people's interest in science and technique thanks to interactive and entertaining exhibitions that are regularly renewed.



### UNIVERSITY CAMPUS & ROLEX LEARNING CENTER

The university campus includes the Lausanne Federal Institute of Technology and Lausanne University, the first buildings of which were erected in the 1970s. Since then, the site has rapidly expanded and integrated buildings, the architecture of which is admired beyond Swiss borders. It's the case of the Rolex Learning Center's gentle undulations, created by the Japanese architecture firm SANAA, that serves as a place of learning, meeting and exchanges, and houses a library containing more than 500,000 volumes.

## MUST-SEES


# LAKE GENEVA WATERSIDE WALK

## Wonderful relaxation on the shores of Lake Geneva

Two thousand years ago, Lausanne settled on the waterfront. Today, its well-preserved green shores are still delightfully attractive. Whether developed or wild, the lakeside puts on a show of the town's best offerings: sports, nature, history and leisure. From St-Sulpice to Lutry, a footpath hugs the coastline almost without interruption. On a small pebble beach or on the busy Ouchy quays, Lake Geneva makes Lausanne a home port.




### ACCESS (PUBLIC TRANSPORT):

 m1 metro, "UNIL-Sorge" station

### STARTING POINT:

Port des Pierrettes,  
 bus N° 701 from Bourdonnette, "Champagne" stop

### ARRIVAL POINT:

Lutry,  bus N° 9, "Voisinand" stop

### DISTANCE:

10 km

### DURATION:

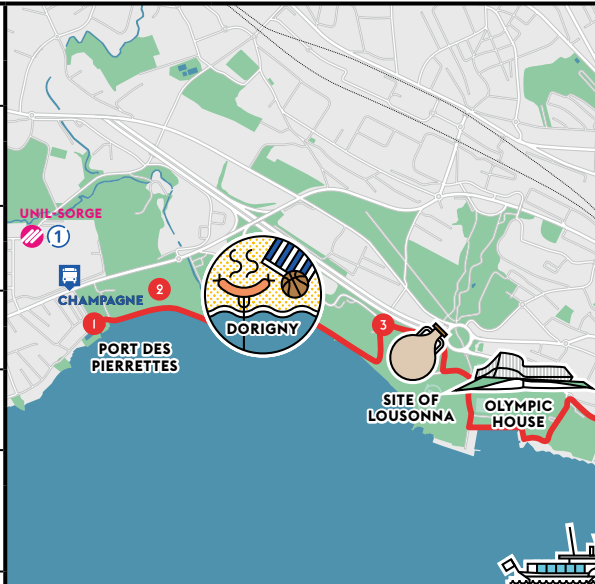
Approximately 2 hours and a half

### ON THE WAY:

Never losing sight of the lake, take the time to stroll whatever the season, in fair or stormy weather, in this magnificent landscape.

### OUR ADVICE:

This walk is a good opportunity to visit the Lausanne-Vidy Roman Museum and its newly redesigned archaeological park.



# LAKE GENEVA WATERSIDE WALK

## PORT DES PIERRETTES 1

With its fishermen's huts and small holiday cottages, this port invites you to escape. All the lake birds cohabit peacefully here.

## CAMPAGNE DE DORIGNY 2

At the far end of the magnificent alley of plane trees, students are hard at work. The University and EPFL campus stretches down to the sports area by the lakeside. In the summer, it's a popular spot for barbecues.

## SITE OF LOUSSONNA 3

Around 15 BC, Romans stopped in the area. Deciding it was a promising location, they settled here, creating the city of Lousonna. In the 4<sup>th</sup> century, the Teutons migrated to the Cité, moving the heart of the town away from the shores.

## OUCHY, MAINTENANCE & GRAVEL DOCK 4

Lausanne to port, the Alps to starboard. Yet some are hard at work here, with boats dredging the shallows and transporting building materials, perpetuating an ancient tradition.

## QUAIS D'OUCHY 5



Built in 1901, Ouchy quays have long been a beloved spot for Lausanne inhabitants. In summer as in winter, people come here for a family walk, a romantic stroll, to enjoy an ice cream or a typical cheese fondue.

## OLYMPIC FOUNTAIN 6



A striking monument facing Lake Geneva and the Alps, this fountain indicates the presence of the Olympic Museum, invisible from the lakeside. Tourists enjoy having their picture taken, eyes aglow with the beauty of the view.

## HALDIMAND TOWER 7

Previously, this romantic tower built in 1823 was located on an island. Today, this sentinel marks the end of the Ouchy quays. The walk continues on a footpath along the waterfront towards Pully.

## MOUTH OF THE VUACHÈRE RIVER 8

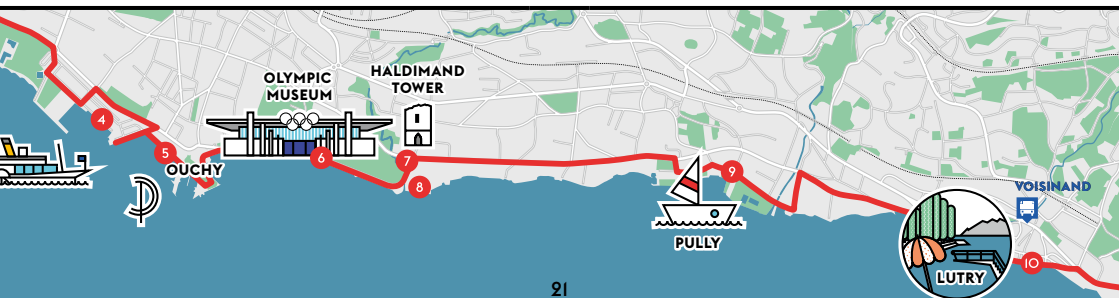
The only Lausanne river that remains close to its natural state, the Vuachère flows into Lake Geneva. A small wild paradise on the edge of the town.

## PULLY & ITS MARINA 9

Pully, all aboard! At the marina, old freshwater sailors rub shoulders with young racers and famous yachtsmen. If you'd rather stay on firm ground, you can enjoy a ride on the miniature train.

## LUTRY, THE VILLAGE AND BEACH 10

In Lutry, the medieval village was the first stage on the route to the Alps. Its old rooftops contemplate the lake serenely. From the beach – a hugely popular spot in the summer – you'll enjoy a beautiful view on the Alps.



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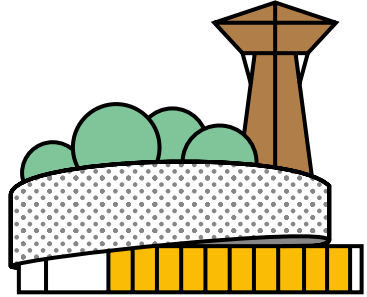
## MUST-SEES

# DISTRICTS

## SAUVABELIN/ CHALET-À-GOBET

North of the town, vast expanses of forest, representing 40% of the municipal surface area, offer many opportunities for walks and outdoor sports activities.

At an altitude of 873 m, Le Chalet-à-Gobet is the culminating point of the Lausanne urban area, 500 m above Lake Geneva. Sauvabelin's bucolic setting, with its lake, park and tower, will delight you.



### AQUATIS

This innovative architectural complex, easily reached by metro, integrates the largest freshwater aquarium in Europe and the Lausanne Vivarium. Follow the discovery trail that includes 50 tanks displaying about 20 aquatic ecosystems from across the five continents.



### CHALET-À-GOBET & MAUVERNAY SPORTS CENTRE

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## MUST-SEES



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### SAUVABELIN PARK & LAKE

Created in 1888 in the heart of an oak forest, the Sauvabelin lake rapidly became a sought-after strolling area for Lausanne people. The surrounding park is very popular with children, who discover unusual animals such as woolly pigs, grey cows, booted goats and mirror sheep.



### SAUVABELIN TOWER

This tower built of solid, local wood in a spirit of environmental respect is one of the many destinations for a hike above the town since 2003. Enjoy the 360° view from a height of 35 metres after climbing the 151 steps of its double spiral staircase. Free access.

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# MUST-DO ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA

### Discoveries for intense emotions

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For more convenience, we mention hereafter the destination and the approximate time it takes to drive there from Lausanne.



#### **ALIMENTARIUM** VEVEY 38 MIN

Located on the shores of Lake Geneva, the Alimentarium is the world's first museum devoted to food and nutrition. The immersive permanent exhibition makes visitors aware of the relationship between diet and our bodies, society and the environment.

[www.alimentarium.org/en](http://www.alimentarium.org/en)



#### **AQUAPARC** LE BOUVERET 50 MIN

Dive into the "Lake Geneva Caribbean" and discover a magical place for the whole family's enjoyment in Le Bouveret. Slides for thrills, games for the children, beach and spa for chilling out.

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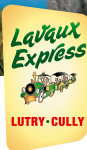


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### CHAPLIN'S WORLD

CORSIER-SUR-VEVEY 35 MIN

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[www.chaplinsworld.com/en](http://www.chaplinsworld.com/en)



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VEYTAUX 45 MIN

To visit Château de Chillon™ is like going back in time. Each room discloses part of its history – whether it is everyday life at the Savoy court or that of the Bernese bailiffs. The audiovisual terminals with eight mini-films will inform you even further on the site's thousand-year-old history.

[www.chillon.ch/en](http://www.chillon.ch/en)



### BLONAY-CHAMBY RAILWAY AND MUSEUM

BLONAY 30 MIN.

Enjoy a unique experience in magnificent trains from the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> century and share a privileged moment with passionate volunteers. At the museum, you can admire 80 vehicles, almost all in working order. Also make the most of the restaurant and its terrace with a panoramic view.

[www.blonay-chamby.ch](http://www.blonay-chamby.ch)



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[www.glacier3000.ch/en](http://www.glacier3000.ch/en)



### GROTTES DE VALLORBE

VALLORBE 45 MIN

The Caves at Vallorbe offer a spectacular display of mineral beauty. Inside these caves – amongst the most beautiful in Europe – there is an exhibition of more than 250 minerals from all over the world. They are located 45 minutes on foot from the train station (car recommended).

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## MUST-DO ACTIVITIES

### JURAPARC

VALLORBE 45 MIN

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EVIONNAZ 55 MIN

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BROC 1H

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[www.seldesalpes.ch/english](http://www.seldesalpes.ch/english)

### PARC AVENTURE

AIGLE 50 MIN

A leisure concept in the forest for both children and proven adventurers in Aigle, at the Signal de Bougy and in Sion. Choose the discovery trail that best matches your agility and your resistance to vertigo, and set off quite safely.

[www.parc-aventure.ch/en](http://www.parc-aventure.ch/en)

### ROCHERS-DE-NAYE

MONTREUX 1H

Towering at an altitude of 2,042 m, the Rochers-de-Naye are a favoured destination for nature lovers. To get to this unique place, take the charming cog railway that departs every hour from Montreux.

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## IN THE AREA



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SIGNAL DE BOUGY 35 MIN

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[www.signaldebougy.ch](http://www.signaldebougy.ch)

### **SWISS VAPEUR PARC**

LE BOUVERET 50 MIN

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[www.swissvapeur.ch/en](http://www.swissvapeur.ch/en)



### **TROPIQUARIUM DE SERVION**

SERVION 30 MIN

Observe the unknown species in the lush flora. The Tropiquarium transports you in an exotic atmosphere. Komodo dragons, siamense crocodiles, penguins, giant turtles and multicoloured birds will impress you. Free parking available, bus stop close to the entrance.

[www.tropiquarium.ch](http://www.tropiquarium.ch)

### **ZOO DE SERVION**

SERVION 30 MIN

The zoo fascinates both children and adults. Close to Lausanne, on the fringes of the Jorat forests, the Servion Zoo is home to big cats, primates and rich northern and local wildlife. A self-service restaurant and playground are open all year round.

[www.zoo-servion.ch](http://www.zoo-servion.ch)



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[www.leman-sans-frontiere.org](http://www.leman-sans-frontiere.org)

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## MUST-DO ACTIVITIES



# LAVAUX


## WALK

### FROM GRANDVAUX TO LUTRY

### Strolling through picturesque winegrowers' villages

From the village of Grandvaux to the village of Lutry through the vineyards, a spectacular landscape presents itself to the walker. Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site, the Lavaux vineyard is laden with history. Lovers of good wine will discover new designations and ancestral methods of planting vines. Along the way, in a medieval setting, comic-strip fans will understand why Corto Maltese, Hugo Pratt's hero, has his own statue in a winegrowers' village, gazing out on the lake and mountains.

#### ACCESS (PUBLIC TRANSPORT):

 Train from the Lausanne station to Grandvaux (free transport with the Lausanne Transport Card)

#### STARTING POINT:

Grandvaux village

#### ARRIVAL POINT:

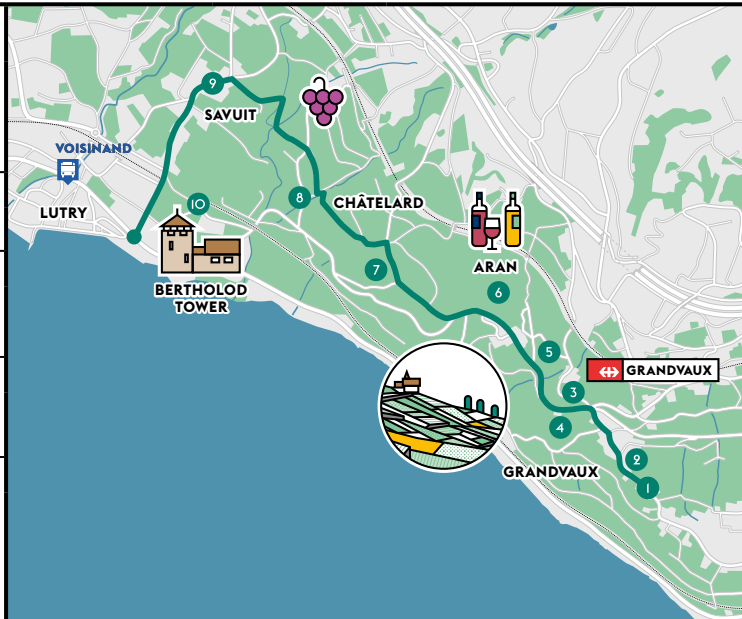
Lutry,  bus N° 9, "Voisinand" stop

#### DURATION:

A good two hours  
(with 1.5 hours walking)

#### ON THE WAY:

Various places to eat and taste wines are mentioned all along the way. More information on [www.lavaux-unesco.ch](http://www.lavaux-unesco.ch)



# LAVAUX WALK

## GRANDVAUX, PANORAMA ON THE VINEYARD 1



The village of Grandvaux is a proper balcony on Lavaux. The plunging point of view on the terraced vineyards against the backdrop of the lake and Alps has inspired painters and photographers.

## GRANDVAUX, CORTO WINE CELLAR & PRATT STATUE 2

Hugo Pratt, a giant of comic strips, fell under the spell of this winegrowers' village where he lived surrounded by books. Through his famous character Corto Maltese, a statue and wine cellar pay him a panoramic tribute.

## ANCESTRAL STONE WALLS AT THE CHEMIN DES MURS IN GRANDVAUX 3

The Lavaux vineyard was landscaped in terraces, with close to 450 kilometres of walls in total. The stones, coming from screes, give the region its unique character.

## CULTIVATION OF VINES AT THE CHEMIN DES VIGNES IN GRANDVAUX 4



There are several techniques to prune vines. In the past, each plant was secured to a wooden cane. Nowadays, the plants are trained along metal trellises that often run parallel to the hillside.

## LAVAUX GRAPE VARIETIES AT THE CHEMIN DU DALEY 5

Grandvaux is one of the main winegrowing areas. Along the way, you'll discover the Chasselas, the main Lavaux grape variety and the ambassador of its "terroir", that is the expression of the soil in the wine.



## THE "CAPITES", A BUILT HERITAGE IN ARAN 6

Spread out in the vineyards, "capites" are small huts in which the winegrowers used to store their tools. Today, they welcome passers-by, especially when it's aperitif time.

## CASTLE OF MONTAGNY-SUR-VILLETTE 7

The awarding of UNESCO World Heritage status to the vineyard is also due to the architectural quality of the fine winegrowers' houses. This castle is a good illustration of the harmony between the built environment and the landscape.

## THE WINEGROWERS' HAMLET OF THE CHÂTELARD 8

A few houses, gardens and vines. The path that leads there crosses a brook marking the border between the Lutry and Villette designations.

## SAUVIT'S MEDIEVAL ROOFS AND ROMAN SCALE 9



The village speaks of past times, with its old tile roofs. You'll even see a 17<sup>th</sup>-century scale that was used to weigh the grape harvest and hay. It is inspired by a Roman technique.

## BERTHOLOD TOWER 10

A medieval architectural heritage, this tower has belonged since the 16<sup>th</sup> century to the commune of Payerne, situated in the north of the canton of Vaud. Some towns or cantons located far from the vineyards own lands there.



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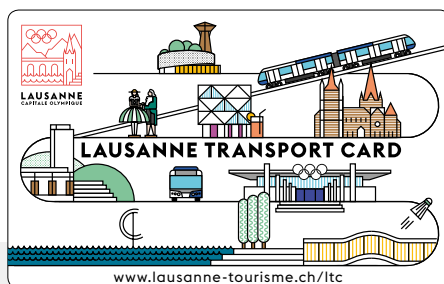


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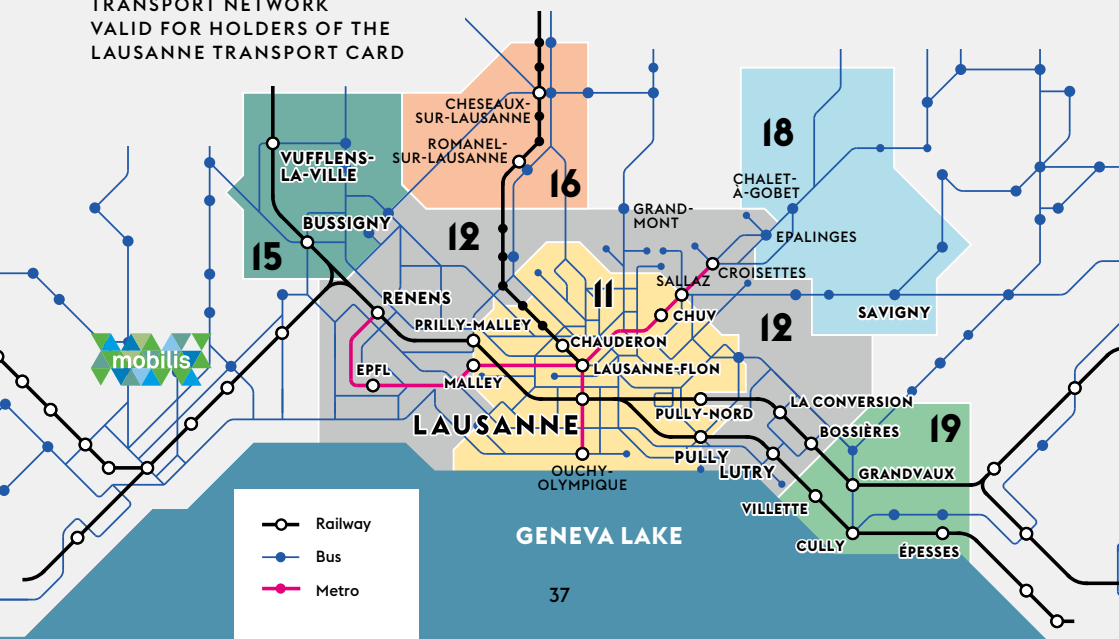
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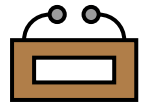
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## **TOWN OF LAUSANNE – INFO CITÉ**

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Ville de Lausanne



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[www.lausanne-tourisme.ch/mobile-apps](http://www.lausanne-tourisme.ch/mobile-apps)



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**+41 848 888 888**  
**Monday to Friday: 7.30 am→6.30 pm;**  
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### AT THE TRAIN STATION

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### LAUSANNE RIPONNE

4, place de la Riponne  
**+41 848 888 888**  
**Monday to Friday: 9 am→6 pm;**  
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[www.poste.ch/en](http://www.poste.ch/en)



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## MORE INFORMATION AT:

[www.lausanne-tourisme.ch/good-to-know](http://www.lausanne-tourisme.ch/good-to-know)





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