

Lifestyle

Lovers fashion, design, shopping, architecture and trendy nightlife will be in their element in Brussels and Antwerp



Day 1: Brussels

Each year new talent graduates from The Brussels fashion institute “La Cambre”. A lot of famous fashion designers have a flagship- or conceptstore in Brussels. As the European capitol, this is the place where it all comes together.

An authority in fashion and lifestyle will guide you through the Brussels fashion scene, a microcosm bursting with creativity where musicians, fashion designers and visual artists meet. She can be your personal shopper.

The style of art now widely known as Art Nouveau emerged in Brussels around 1890. This total art form, which reigned supreme until 1914, is not only reflected in the field of architecture but also left its mark on the design of furniture, tapestry, decorative objects and jewellery. A specialised guide, will walk you along the most beautiful and impressive Art Nouveau projects by architects who mastered the art of combining iron, glass, wood and stone into an infinite variety of different forms and curves.



There's always a party going on – and you're invited! From 8pm until 8am – in that space of time between savoring a beautiful beer and a hot waffle – Belgium's exuberant nightlife will prove that sometimes it's worth it to skip a good night's sleep. Jazz clubs and festivals, rock concerts, exotic nightclubs, traditional brown pubs and casinos are all a part of daily life here in the heart of Europe



Day 2: Antwerp

While Brussels style is well known for its romantic and playful fashion, the Antwerp style is often described as avant-garde and dark.

During a fashion walk, you will discover the lively fashion Mecca of Antwerp. This walk takes you past modern design, architecture and celebrated style icons to Antwerp's early years as a world-class, trend-setting fashion centre. A hip city exploration.



In the heart of the famous diamond district, at a walking distance from the renowned Diamond Bourse, lies the largest diamond showroom, with more than a thousand square meters of space. Our expert guides will tell you about the rich history of Antwerp and the relationship it had with diamonds for more than 400 years. You will see our diamond polishers and goldsmiths at work before your eyes and see legendary diamonds and learn about diamond valuation, also known as the 4 C's. Once you have a good knowledge about diamonds you will see the world's most fascinating diamond rings, diamond necklaces, diamond bracelets, diamond pendants and a large collection of rough and polished unset diamonds in all shapes and sizes.



In terms of fashion, Antwerp has a unique story to tell. The city prides itself on workshops and stores of fashion talent from Antwerp and elsewhere. Add to this the trendy flagship stores and exclusive store concepts, and you pretty much get a complete picture of fashion in Antwerp. Thanks to all these different facets, Antwerp is considered an outstanding fashion and shopping city, with good reason.

Want to discover the fashion must-sees and hip lifestyle spots in the centre of Antwerp? Your guide will show you the coolest shopping addresses and the best-kept fashion secrets around the Grote Markt, the Quartier Latin and in the gilded Stadsfeestzaal shopping centre.

