



SAINT ANDRÉ SUR SÈVRE • DEUX-SÈVRES • 79

The castle with a wealth of activities

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# DURING THE YEAR

The castle of Saint Mesmin, at Saint André sur Sèvre, is a XIVth century fortress to which was added, in the XVth century, an imposing 28m high keep.

The medieval festival in July and August gives visitor an unusual insight into the workings of the castle, entertainment for children and adults, and others activities.

## IN APRIL

9 april-1st may : Fantastic Playmobil®



## IN MAY

8 may : Fantastic Illuminations  
15 may : Fantastic world of bees  
22 may : Fantastic medieval bestiary  
26, 29 may : Fantastic jousts

## IN JUNE

5 june : Fantastic domestic birds  
12 june : Fantastic recipes for cooking  
19 june : Fantastic birds of prey  
26 june : Fantastic renaissance music



## IN JULY

3 july : Fantastic animal curiosities  
9 JULY - 28 AUGUST : Fantastic animals  
16, 17 july : Fantastic animal tales  
23, 24 july : Fantastic animal product  
30, 31 july : Fantastic animal in music

## IN AUGUST

6, 7 august : Fantastic illuminated pages  
13,14 august : Fantastic cooked animal  
20, 21 august : Fantastic ornamental animal



## IN SEPTEMBER

4 sept. : Fantastic animal healer  
11 sept. : Fantastic animal stories  
17, 18 sept. : Fantastic Lego® - European Heritage Days

## IN OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

23 october -6 nov. :  
Fantastic animal hunt





# DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS



EVERYDAY

## 9 JULY - 28 AUGUST 2022 « FANTASTIC ANIMALS »

Daily activities offered to visitors, in addition to a guided tour

### IN THE BARNYARD, THE ANIMAL IS ALIVE



Here, it's time to discover **the animal in the flesh!** Our farmer will approach in the middle of the barnyard in full effervescence «the living animal», that it is domesticated or wild or that it is a tool, through breeding, hunting and fishing.

### IN THE STATELY HOME, THE ANIMAL IS PRODUCED



Here, it's time to discover **the transformed animal!** Our craftsman will present various goods made from «the animal» which by its transformation will provide a multitude of objects used in everyday life: food, wool, hair, bones, feathers, scales, horn, leather, nothing is lost!

### IN THE CHAPEL, THE ANIMAL IS IMAGINARY



Here, it's time to discover **the animals of pleasure and fantasy!** Our artist will tell you beautiful stories about these funny creatures well present in medieval art: illumination, painting, sculpture, stained glass, etc. ...

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## THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

- Unaccompanied tour with explanatory map in French, English, Spanish and German
- Unaccompanied tour with multimedia guide in English, French sign language, audiodescription
- Room fact sheets in French and English
- Birthdays at the castle for a Wednesday afternoon.



## FAMILY GAMES

According to the season, provision :

- Wooden, skill, brainstorming and strategy games
- Course games of «club des intrepides» in Vendée Vallée.





# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

## OPENING OF THE CASTLE

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### SHOP

• **ON SITE** : The castle of Saint Mesmin gives you the opportunity to finish off your visit by buying a « souvenir » !

In the shop you will find items specifically for children, adults : games, CD's, costumes, stationery, hygiene products, postcards,

Fast-food menus are offered: sandwiches, salads, croque-monsieur (toasted sandwiches), cheeseburgers, fries, hot and cold drinks, ice-creams...



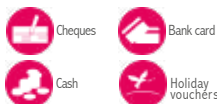
### • ONLINE SHOP

[www.chateau-saintmesmin.com/eboutique](http://www.chateau-saintmesmin.com/eboutique)

### E-TICKETS

[www.chateau-saintmesmin.com/ebilletterie](http://www.chateau-saintmesmin.com/ebilletterie)

### TYPES OF PAYMENT ACCEPTED



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- Dates closed (except groups)
- From 2:30pm till 6:30pm with events
- From 10:30am till 7:00pm with events\*

\*So that the artists can strike their pose, the castle closes its doors between 1pm and 2pm. Nevertheless, spaces like welcome, shop, picnic and fast food remain open to all. The admission ticket is valid for day.

From 9 april to 3 july  
From 4 september to 6 november

- Duration of visit 1 hr 30 mins -

From 9 july to 28 august

- Duration of visit 2 hrs 30 mins -

Adult : €6  
Adult reduced rate : €4,5  
Children (5-14 years old) : €3  
Tarif Family Pass : €16

Adult : €8  
Adult reduced rate : €6,5  
Children (5-14 years old) : €4  
Tarif Family Pass : €22

Free for those possessing a loyalty or ambassador cards.



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