GHENT BY COACH

The pedestrianised city centre, just a stone's throw away

Visitors can easily and quickly reach the pedestrianised city centre on foot from the car parks listed below.

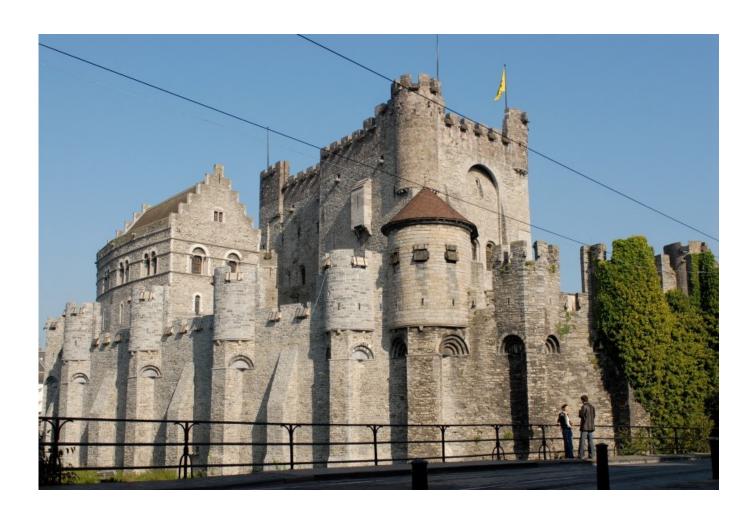
We you can park at the Gent Dampoort car park, the Bijlokekaai Kiss & Ride or the Yachtdreef car park.

Overnight visitors can be driven to and from their hotel 24 hours a day. Coach drivers who wish to drop their passengers at the hotels within the car-free zone can request a permit from the hotels. In order to do so, they will need to contact the hotel stating the time of arrival and the registration number of the coach.

During the Ghent Festivities your guests can alight along the park at Frankrijkplein. Important remark: boarding and alighting only – parking is not allowed! Route: At the beginning of Vlaanderenstraat immediately turn left onto Oude Scheldestraat. Then turn left onto Kuiperskaai. Follow the road at the lights in the direction of Franklin Rooseveltlaan (which runs along the park) but in the bend park your coach on the right of the road, where the parking spaces for coaches in Frankrijkplein are located.

Ghent has a low emission zone

The Ghent city centre (the area enclosed by the ring road) has been designated as a low emission zone (LEZ) with the purpose of improving the quality of the air. Buses and coaches are to meet the applicable requirements as well. Only buses for transporting people with disabilities are exempt from the entry requirements, provided that they are registered in advance via www.lez.gent.



DAMPOORT B1 CAR PARK

Paid parking // 24/24 // You can park your car here between 9 am and 7 pm for up to 5 hours, which will cost you 9 euro. Otherwise, you pay 1.80 euro per hour. From 7 pm until 11 pm, you pay 1.50 euro per hour. Between 11 pm and 9 am, and on Sundays and public holidays, you can park your car free of charge. If you are staying longer than 5 hours, make sure you have a parking ticket for the time exceeding those 5 hours.

This car park is located next to the Dampoort railway station and near the historical St Bavo's Abbey, where Ghent was founded in the 7th century. Visitors can walk along the Portus Ganda yacht marina – on the confluence of the rivers Lys and Scheldt – to reach the historical city centre in less than fifteen minutes. People with reduced mobility can take bus no. 3, 17, 18, 38 or 39 to get to the city centre from the Gent Dampoort railway station.

Coming from the direction of France/Courtrai (E17): take exit no. 8 (De Pinte) towards the N60, direction Oudenaarde/Eke/De Pinte. Once you are on the N60 turn right to Ghent and follow the N60 to the De Sterre interchange. Once there turn onto Krijgslaan (blue line). Follow this road and drive under the railway bridge. Continue on Emile Clauslaan and Hofbouwlaan towards Citadellaan.

You are now on the **R40** ring road. Follow this road till you arrive at the crossroads of **Kasteellaan** and **Heernislaan**. Here the access for coaches to the car park at Gent-Dampoort station is situated. (red line)

Coming from the direction of The Netherlands/Antwerp (E17): follow the directions to the R4 towards Brussels/ Eeklo/N9/E40. Then take exit no. 7 (Merelbeke) towards Eeklo and take the N444 exit (Hundelgemsesteenweg) towards Flora/Ledeberg. Follow this road until you find yourself under the interchange/viaduct. (purple line) First keep left and then go right towards Alle richtingen (all directions). Keep right on the ground level and turn right at the traffic lights towards Station Gent-Dampoort and N70 Lochristi. You are now on the R40 ring road. Follow this road till you arrive at the crossroads of Kasteellaan and Heernislaan. Here the access for coaches to the car park at Gent-Dampoort station is situated. (red line)

Coming from the direction of Ostend (E40): take exit no. 14 (Sint-Denijs-Westrem) towards Ghent. Drive onto Kortrijksesteenweg (N43) (blue line), follow this street to the De Sterre interchange. Once there turn onto Krijgslaan (blue line). Follow this road and drive under the railway bridge. Continue on Emile Clauslaan and Hofbouwlaan towards Citadellaan.

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K&R GODSHUIZENLAAN / K&R BIJLOKEKAAI / YACHTDREEF B2 CAR PARK

Kiss & Ride: maximum 30 minutes // Free parking

Visitors alight at the Bijloke Abbey. This medieval complex, with its unique 13th-century infirmary, now hosts the Ghent City Museum (STAM). There they can follow the picturesque banks of the Lys river to one of Ghent's must-see gems: Graslei. From St Michael's Bridge they can enjoy a breath-taking view of the three towers and the medieval Castle of the Counts.

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Go straight until you reach Godshuizenlaan. Follow "description B". (red line)

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Park your coach at the free Yachtdreef B2 car park. From K&R at Godshuizenlaan keep left past the third traffic lights and then drive onto Charles Andrieslaan all the way to the roundabout, where you turn left onto Verenigde Natieslaan. The Yachtdreef car park is located at the end of this street, past the bend, on the right-hand side. Pick up your passengers at K&R at Bijlokekaai.

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