

WHAT'S NEW 2022-2023

In Strasbourg, there's always something going on. With its hotels, restaurants and unusual places, Strasbourg will surprise you!

Overview of what's new

2023: Reach for the stars!

In the Neustadt, the district that was inscribed in 2017 on the World Heritage List, at the heart of the historical campus, the Jardin des Sciences at the University of Strasbourg is a true cultural district featuring a Planetarium, museums and gardens. Starting this spring, come discover an **all new, futuristic Planetarium**, the only university planetarium in France, directly involved in scientific research.

Visitors will explore planets, nebulae and galaxies, thanks to a dome display measuring 15 metres in diameter, 360° projection and an astronomic simulator. Set off on a space adventure in an all-new, cone-shaped building, adjacent to the reception area of the Jardin des Sciences, forming a spectacular architectural ensemble.

Take a safe and affordable trip through the universe that's guaranteed to delight!

https://jardin-sciences.unistra.fr/

New Exhibition Centre: a one-of-a-kind events complex in France

Very close to the European institutions and the city centre, Strasbourg's new Exhibition Centre, with an overall exhibition surface area, was inaugurated in September 2022. Internationally renowned **Japanese architect Kengo Kuma**, known for his interest in nature and use of beautiful materials, was selected for this project. The building has a wood frame and features a natural ventilation system using geothermal cooling technology connected to the groundwater. It also has 5,000 sq. metres of photovoltaic panels. One of the many remarkable features of this light-filled building is its eco-friendly design.

Connected to the Palais de la Musique et des Congrès, with which it forms a one-of-a-kind events complex in France of 75,000 sq. metres, it will provide the possibility of holding several events at a time, contributing to Strasbourg's event programming and making Strasbourg a key destination on the business tourism market.

www.strasbourg-events.com/fr/le-parc-des-expositions

New businesses

A complex of two new hotels at the heart of the European business district

AC Hotel by Marriott and **Residence Inn** (4-star rating pending) boast a modern, elegant and refined design, in the immediate vicinity of Parliament, in the new Archipel-Wacken business district. With respectively 175 spacious, modern rooms and 80 comfortable studios and apartments offering high-end amenities, as well as two guest lounge open all day, where you can get a guick lunch.

- www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/sxbar-ac-hotel-strasbourg/
- www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/sxbri-residence-inn-strasbourg/

A new hotel and restaurant in the district of the central station

ClapClap Hotel is a versatile, lively and festive living space.

It has 88 rooms, a restaurant, a bar and a café/tearoom. It impresses with its layout on two floors and its very high bar in the Belle Époque style. The restaurant offers creative international cuisine in the form of small hot and cold dishes to share. Events will be planned regularly.

www.clapclap-strasbourg.com/

A panoramic restaurant/bar: a first in Strasbourg

Located on the top level of AC Hotel by Marriott, the new restaurant and bar L'Archipel is the first panoramic restaurant/bar in Strasbourg, near the European Parliament. In an ambiance somewhere between lounge and cabinet of curiosities, the bar offers a huge range of cocktails. A beautiful staircase winds around a wine cellar and leads up to the restaurant, where updated French cuisine is served. A rooftop terrace offers a spectacular view of the city.

https://ac-strasbourg.naoshotel.com/restaurant-larchipel/

A new brasserie in a historic building

In April 2023, one wing of the old Post Office will become home to a new brasserie "Ma chère amie" with a modern and elegant vibe. The menu will showcase French brasserie fare, with a special focus on seafood. A central bar, a very large open kitchen and a pastry counter are planned as well. There will be seating for up to 210 diners under the five-metrehigh ceiling of this Gothic Revival style building, constructed between 1896 and 1899 in the heart of the Neustadt district. It's a truly exceptional setting and a new purpose for this former

postal sorting facility, following a huge renovation project.

An unusual floating experience

Open since late June 2022, Les Bulles à Flotter wellbeing centre offers a truly extraordinary experience: three sensory deprivation pods in which you float in a way that's similar to bathing in the Dead Sea. It gives you a sense of deep relaxation, free of all distractions: both rejuvenating and soothing at the same time. A moment of weightlessness, outside of time and space, right in the centre of Strasbourg.

www.lesbullesaflotter.fr

Event - Europe's top chefs come to Strasbourg

Alsace, an iconic region of gastronomy, is one of the areas with the highest density of stars in the Michelin Guide, with 33 starred restaurants in 2022; 7 of which are in Strasbourg and the Eurometropolis.

And Alsace, including Strasbourg, has been selected by the Michelin Guide to host **the Michelin 2023 France star announcement ceremony**, an event that is highly publicised in France and beyond. The international aspect will be all the greater since this is the first time that all of Europe's starred chefs will be invited to participate in the ceremony.

• www.quide.michelin.com/fr/fr/articles/michelin-star-revelation

Coming soon UNESCO: a new recognition for Strasbourg

In July 2022, UNESCO commended Strasbourg once again by naming the city World Book Capital 2024. It's the first French city to achieve this status, and a fitting nod for Strasbourg, the true birthplace of printing, where Gutenberg lived. From November 2022 to 2025, a whole host of events will be organised.

As part of this momentum, starting in 2023, the Tourist Office will organise special guided tours that will explore-from multiple perspectives—Strasbourg's links with writers, literature and printing.