



The Boulogne-sur-Mer region, your **GOLDEN** destination 2024

OUR **GAMES** PREPARATION CENTERS





Capital of the Opal Coast, Boulogne-sur-Mer enjoys an exceptional geographical location in Hauts-de-France on the road to Paris.

And in the run-up to the Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games, the Boulogne-sur-Mer region offers the best conditions for you to prepare.

A land of sport, our conurbation has five Preparation Centres for the Paris 2024 Games for basketball, football, wrestling, canoeing-kayaking, boxing and horse riding.

You will also have other quality sports facilities with swimming pools, golf courses and the option to indulge in water sports.

A land of tourism, the Boulogne-sur-Mer region invites you to fill your lungs with fresh air and enjoy its unspoiled nature with twenty-four kilometres of beach and wonderful forests.

To strengthen group cohesion, there's nothing like a trip through the oceans at the largest aquarium in Europe.

The tradition of hospitality is no mere empty phrase in the port city of Boulogne, and you'll be borne along by the warmth of a population that lives to the thrilling pace of its sporting events.

The ability to concentrate on your preparation is the promise you get right across the region, which will do its utmost to offer you the best environment and the best services.

Your Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games begin in France in the Boulogne-sur-Mer region! The winning choice for your preparation.



Frédéric CUVILLIER
*Former Minister
President of the Boulogne-sur-Mer Urban Community
Mayor of Boulogne-sur-Mer*



Maxime BEAUMONT

"For almost 30 years now, I've been training in the Boulogne region and particularly at the Stade Nautique de la Liane. I've been able to perfect my preparation there and develop as a high-level athlete. I achieved the Olympic dream and even became Olympic silver medallist in 2016.

The Stade Nautique de la Liane hosts national and international regattas every year, including the European Championships in 2000. In 2012, a high-level centre was built by the Boulogne-sur-Mer urban community for sports professionals and athletes preparing for the Olympic and Paralympic Games, of which I'm part.

I'm lucky and grateful to be able to enjoy such training conditions and count on the support of an entire region."



Pauline LECARPENTIER

"I started wrestling at the age of 12 at the Entente Lutte Côte d'Opale club, and won my first title as champion of France at the end of my first year.

Since 2009, I've won 8 French championship titles, 2 bronze medals at the European championships, a third place at the La Francophonie Games and emerged victorious at the Mediterranean championship.

After two years spent at the Centre, I made the choice to continue my career as a high-level sportswoman in the Boulogne region because of its facilities and special environment: all this means I can train in ideal conditions to achieve the high level of performance that every athlete seeks.

After my attempts to qualify for Tokyo 2021, the Olympic adventure will continue, and always in the Boulogne area. **#Boulonnaispower!"**



Jimmy GRESSIER

"As a native of Boulogne-sur-Mer, I grew up in the Chemin-vert district.

I played football from a young age and started athletics by chance, winning a cross-country race in 2015.

The same year, I took part in the French Cross-Country Championship, where I finished 4th and qualified for the world championships in China.

I decided to devote myself just to athletics, and then followed a series of performances, records and titles.

I'd like to thank the Boulogne urban community for being one of the first to believe in and support me.

I hope to qualify for the Tokyo 2021 Games and am actively preparing for the Paris 2024 Olympics, always enjoying the optimal conditions the region offers me.

My favourite training place is the banks of the Liane, where facilities have been made to improve sports use."

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Medical centre
Preparation
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The Boulogne-sur-Mer region, *a land of tourism*

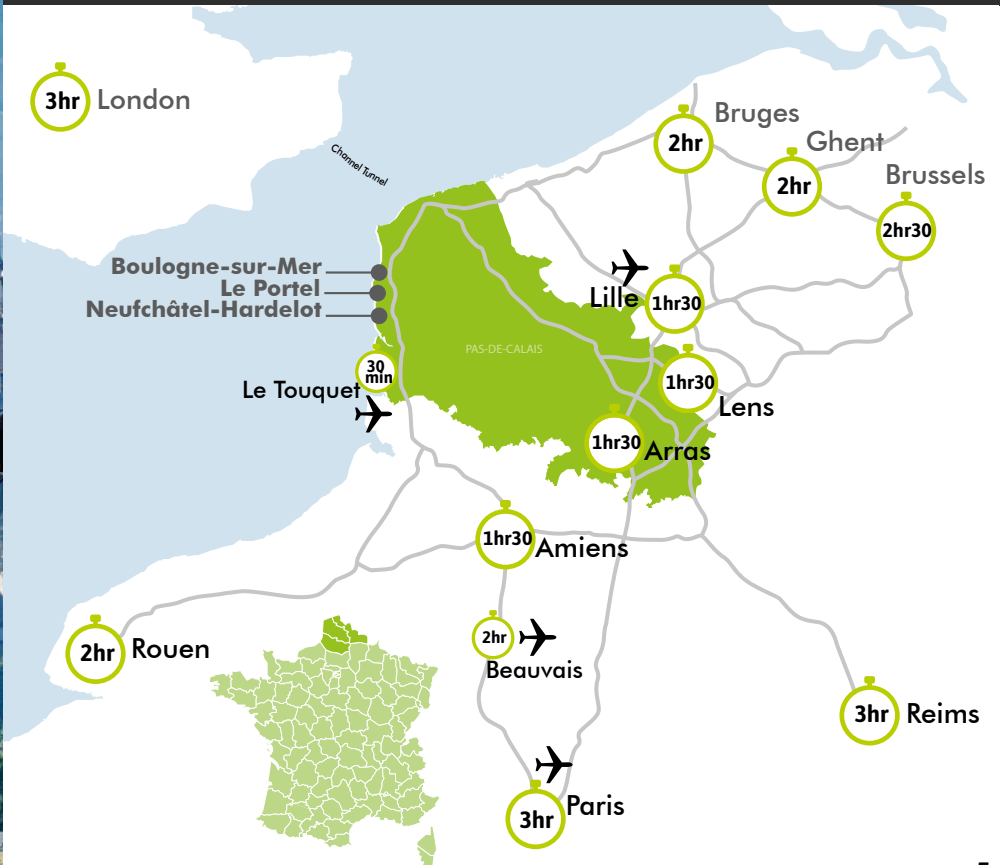
Boulogne, a city of art and history



The Boulogne-sur-Mer region enjoys an ideal geographical position, close to major European cities by car: 1hr30 from Lille, 2hr30 from Brussels, 3hr from London and Paris.

Numerous airports in northern France are easily accessible via the 320 km A16 motorway.

In addition, the city is served by high-speed trains.





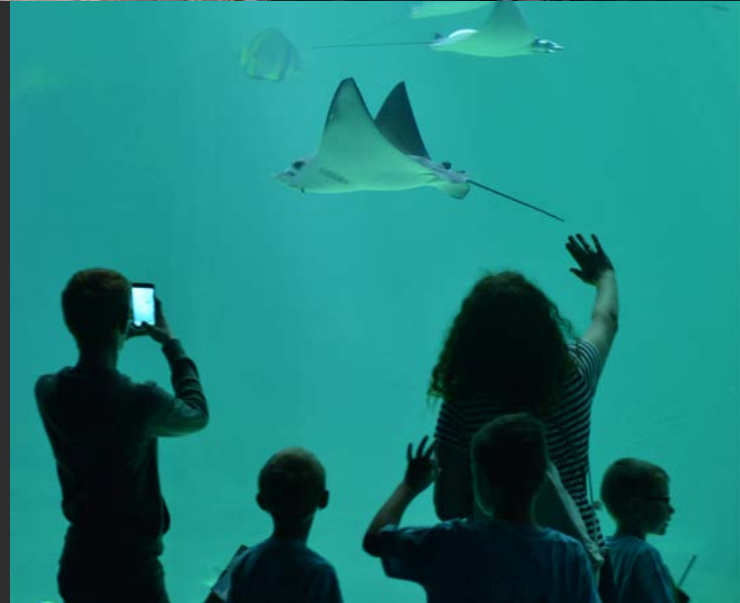
Boulogne, capital of the Opal Coast, with Nausicaa in the foreground, the largest aquarium in Europe

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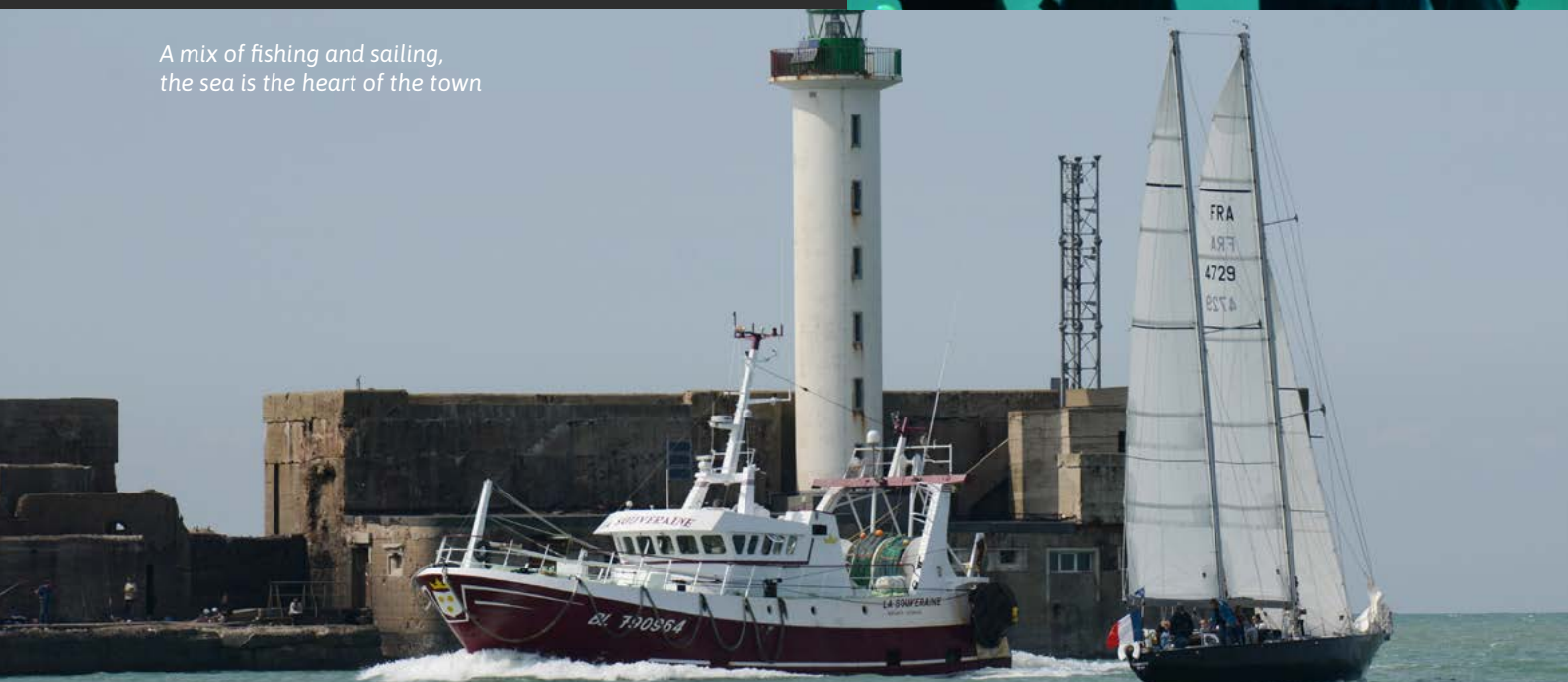
Boulogne-sur-Mer, capital of the Opal Coast

The first French fishing port as well as a city of Art and History and cradle of the Grand Nausicaa aquarium, Boulogne-sur-Mer offers visitors numerous points of interest.

The fortified town is a formidable witness to 2000 years of history with its exceptional heritage: the 13th-century ramparts, the belfry classified as UNESCO World Heritage, the Notre Dame Basilica with its crypt, the largest in France, the Château Comtal which houses Boulogne Museum. It's also a tangle of cobbled streets where you can enjoy a stroll, sit on one of the many terraces or listen to a concert in a bar after dark.



A mix of fishing and sailing, the sea is the heart of the town





Make the most of the vast expanses of sand between Equihen-Plage and Hardelot

Hardelot

Ten kilometres long, Hardelot Beach is worth a visit in itself. All generations can be found enjoying themselves there. Some stroll along the seawall, others enjoy the sand with their families while sportsmen and women take on the wind in their sand yachts... Typical of the large northern beaches, Hardelot offers space and tranquillity. It's also the most British of the Opal Coast's seaside resorts. Its pine forest is home to magnificent villas, as well as two wonderful golf courses.

Equihen-Plage

Authentic and picturesque, Equihen-Plage charms with its simplicity and easy-going lifestyle. Perched on a clay cliff, the old fishing village overlooks a huge beach made up of small coves which are very popular with families. On the cliff, the houses facing the sea enjoy one of the most beautiful views on the Opal Coast.

Château d'Hardelot, a Mecca for culture and walks





Sea wading opposite Fort de l'Heurt at Le Portel

Le Portel, a friendly resort

Characterised by its 1.5 km-long fine sandy beach, it's THE town where it's good to live, stroll, play sports, as well as go shopping, thanks to the many shops and local services. Also called the town of 3 forts (*Heurt, Coupes and Alprech*), the history of Le Portel is particularly marked by the Napoleonic era. The resort of Le Portel is also renowned for its dynamism on the Opal Coast in terms of sailing or sporting events and activities throughout the year.

Wimereux, the elegant one

A fashionable seaside resort, Wimereux was an extremely popular holiday resort in the Belle Epoque, when trains arrived from Lille and Paris. Today, there are still nearly 300 seaside villas. Wimereux is also the gateway to the Deux-Caps site, which in 2017 had its Grand Site de France label renewed.



Wimereux - the sporty seaside resort with a rich architectural heritage



Nausicaá, the largest aquarium in Europe

Located on the Opal Coast in the heart of Boulogne-sur-Mer, Nausicaá takes you for a dive into the heart of the Ocean! Recognised by UNESCO, Nausicaá is one of the largest European sites dedicated to discovery and awareness raising for the protection of the marine world.

Discover all its secrets, its treasures but also its fragility through 3 fun, immersive tours: "In the Eye of the Climate" and its immersive 430 m2 room, "Voyage on the High Seas" and "Coasts and People". All the spaces have been designed to feel as close as possible to the animals and enjoy a unique sensory experience!





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Grand Site de France Les Deux-Caps

Iconic site of the Hauts-de-France region, the Department of Pas-de-Calais obtained the Grand Site de France label for the first time in 2011 for this jewel of the Opal Coast: the Deux-Caps Gris-Nez and Blanc-Nez.

From Sangatte to Wimereux, you'll be charmed by the diversity of its landscapes, its exceptional natural heritage, the variety of environments and coastal villages with their nuanced architecture. Its location at the gateway to the Strait of Pas-de-Calais offers an exceptional view of England, just 32 km from Cap Gris-Nez!



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Wimereux golf course enjoys an exceptional view of England



The region has lots of state forests



A wind of freedom blows across the beaches of Boulogne-sur-Mer





A blurred background of a basketball game with a crowd of spectators. In the foreground, a basketball is visible on the left, and a player's hands are shown in the lower right, reaching up. The text "Basketball Handibasket" is overlaid in the center.

Basketball Handibasket



Le Chaudron - Le Portel





Région
Hauts-de-France

The Le Chaudron hall is located in Le Portel, a coastal town on the Opal Coast bordering Boulogne-sur-Mer in the Hauts-de-France region. A facility dedicated to playing basketball, Le Chaudron is home to ESSM Le Portel, which plays in Jeep Elite. The site enjoys a setting that's great for outdoor training : a 1.5 km fine sandy beach and the Falaise Park located 2 minutes' walk from the venue.

- **1 wooden-floored playing area**
- **Grandstands that can accommodate up to 3500 people**
- **1 car park with 350 spaces**
- **1 cold bath and 1 sauna**
- **1 physiotherapy area and 1 weights room**
- **2 VIP rooms, including a catering room (150 covers)**
- **1 press room**
- **Access to WIFI throughout the site**





The centre's **plus** points

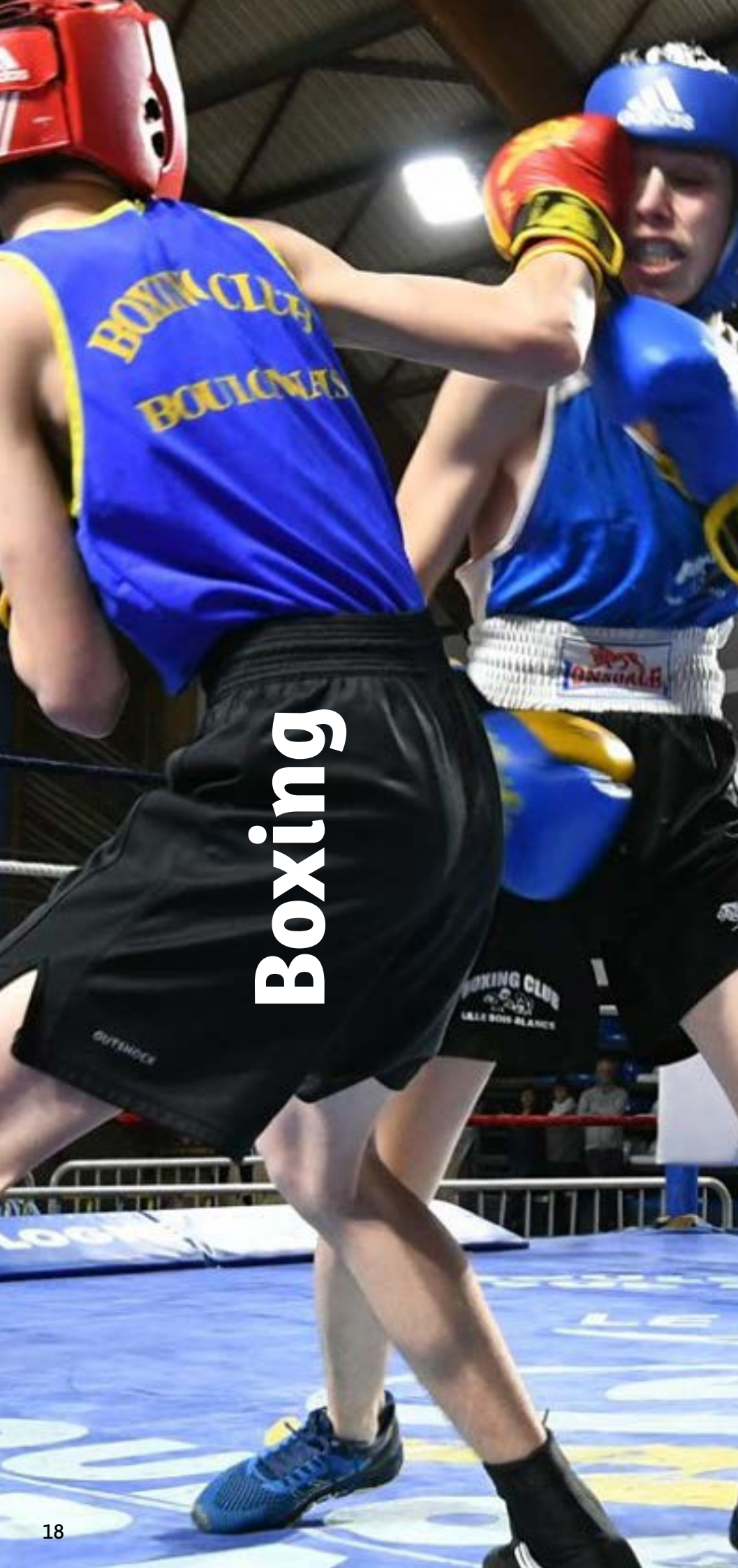
- Presence of a medical centre and physiotherapy area on site
- Near (4.5 km) the Boulogne-sur-Mer Hospital Centre
- Additional sports facilities: 1 cold bath, 1 sauna and 1 weights room
- A wide range of hotels within a 10 km perimeter
- A site that enjoys a setting that's ideal for outdoor training
- Close (5 km) to the largest aquarium in Europe: Nausicaá, National Sealife Centre, located in Boulogne-sur-Mer



It happened here:

- Matches in Pro A then Jeep-Elite since 2016
- quarter-final playoffs (2017)
- FIBA Europe Cup quarter-final (2018)
- Nando De Colo, French International, Ambassador of the resident club





Boxing



Basketball



Wrestling



Palais des Sports Damrémont

Boulogne-sur-Mer





The Palais des Sports Damrémont is a very versatile facility renovated in 2018. It consists of more than 2000m² of sports spaces which will be set aside for foreign delegations coming to train here. Its modularity means we can consider hosting athletes in wrestling, boxing and basketball, whether for training sessions or friendly competition. National coaches will find everything they need here in terms of infrastructure for a successful training camp. The extreme proximity to the city centre and its accommodation facilities is an additional asset.





The centre's **plus** points

- *Comfortable changing rooms*
- *A high-quality weight training and cardio room*
- *A cold bath for recovery*
- *2 saunas*
- *Meeting and relaxation rooms*
- *Medical facility*



It happened here:

- PRO A basketball game in 2014/2015
- more than 40 sports events per year
- hosting of foreign delegations in boxing and wrestling as part of the London 2012 Olympics support base



The centre's **plus** points for hosting wrestling

- Option to set up 3 wrestling mats in a dedicated 800 m2 space.
- Small, specific items of equipment available in the facility



The centre's **plus** points for hosting basketball

- 2 wooden-floored courts with the same characteristics (type of flooring, type of basket, display panels)
- 2000 seats for friendly matches
- Small, specific items of equipment available in the facility



The centre's **plus** points for hosting boxing

- 2 modular spaces from 150m² to 800m²
- Dedicated area with 8 punch bags
- Small, specific items of equipment available in the facility





Canoe-Kayak





The Stade Nautique de la Liane *Boulogne-sur-Mer*





The Stade Nautique de la Liane is a facility within the Boulogne-sur-Mer urban community located in Boulogne-sur-Mer, near the A16 motorway and SNCF train station. Five buildings are spread out along a one-kilometre route. The most recent is the High-Level Sports Centre, referenced as a centre of excellence by the French Canoe-Kayak Federation.

It hosts national and international competitions thanks to its basin marked out over 1000m, its 8 race lanes and its automatic starting system. It offers the possibility of sailing for more than 7 kilometres round trip.

The Stade Nautique de la Liane has already been the support base for athletes at the London 2012 Olympic Games and hosts several local athletes in preparation for the Olympics.



The centre's **plus** points

- Brand new pontoons
- A High-Level Sports Centre comprising:
 - a heavy weights room with machines,
 - a gentle weights room (warm-up, core work, stretching),
 - a medical room,
 - two saunas,
 - a relaxation room,
 - a meeting room,
 - men's/women's locker rooms with secure access during training,
 - sufficient showers and toilets,
 - PRM access (lift, boat launching jib...),
 - two boathouses.
- Provision of bicycles for coaches

It happened here:

Boulogne Canoë Kayak is the region's club, **Maxime Beaumont**, Boulogne Canoë Kayak member and silver medallist at the Olympic Games 2016, will take part in the 2021 Games.

The Stade Nautique de la Liane has also been the preparation centre for medal-winning canoeists or those who qualified for the Olympic Games. : **Didier Hoyer** (1984 and 1992 bronze medallist), **José Lenoir** and **Mathieu Goubel**. Not forgetting two rowing athletes, **Daniel Fauché** (silver medallist in 1996) and **Dominique Lecointe**.

The High-Level Sports Centre hosts other local athletes in their preparations: **Jimmy Gressier** (Athletics) and **Pauline Lecarpentier** (Wrestling).

It has already hosted foreign delegations as a training camp (Turkey, Tunisia...).

The 1st International Women's Canoe Competition took place there in 2012.

As did the French Canoe-Kayak Sprint Championships and European Junior Championship.





Horseriding

Show jumping
Dressage
Paralympic dressage





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The Hardelot Equestrian Stadium

Neufchâtel-Hardelot





Harelod combines sports, nature and sea-air pleasures. Located at the crossroads of bridle paths leading to the forest, a nature reserve or the beach, the Harelod Equestrian Stadium offers complete facilities with three riding halls, three arenas and a showjumping competition field hosting competitions***.

- ① Showjumping course measuring 60 x 110 m with river secured to standards*
- ② Two meeting rooms: one of 100 m², panoramic with a view of the main arena, the other of 200 m² with access to the arena*
- ③ Competition arena 60 x 50 m in sand - Jumps or dressage - Toubin Clément* sand
- ④ Main hall 64 x 28 m in Toubin Clément** sand
- ⑤ Small hall 40 x 20 m in Toubin Clément** sand
- ⑥ 65 x 30 m training arena**
- ⑦ Wooded arena in varied terrain with cross-country obstacles 70 x 50 m**
- ⑧ The centre offers fifteen 9 m² boxes and the possibility of installing up to fifty or so removable boxes
- ⑨ Space for veterinary examinations on site (travel time to the horse clinic 40 min), space for farrier - Showers for horses

* exclusively

** in private time slots



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The centre's **plus** points

The big bonus you get with this centre is access to the beach, which stretches for 25 km, via secure tracks (30 min on foot). The advantage of sand is that extra ground, with no resonance. The terrain is much smoother for horses' legs, and there's the option of cooling and relaxing them by going for a walk in the water. The beach is less monotonous than the track. Horses can head off at a trot or at a gallop, ending with a swim, the ideal way to recover. Natural, rejuvenating balneotherapy! An exceptional, natural, fun way to tone muscles and tendons.

On-site accommodation for grooms opposite the boxes

Possibility of accommodation for riders in the three three-star hotels - 14 restaurants on site

Free Wifi - Secure lorry parking

It happened here:

Since 2001, the international Show Jumping Competitions***, organised in Spring, have allowed riders to prepare for their competitive season.

The French team has often sent its best riders to the event, such as **Pénélope Leprévost**, **Roger-Yves Bost**, **Simon Delestre**, **Kévin Staut** and **Nicolas Demotte** to prepare for major events. In 2010, the year of **Philippe Lejeune's** victory, the Belgian rider came to prepare **Vigo d'Arsoilles** on the Hadelot course by coming 2nd in the Grand Prix. The Belgian and Dutch teams have always been present at the Hadelot Internationals.

The International Equestrian Federation greatly appreciated the quality of the organisation of these show jumping competitions***.

Facility 1: Show Jumping Competition Ground***

The 60 x 110m ground, made of sandy Toubin Clément grass, has natural obstacles, an FEI-compliant river, a water jump and an FEI obstacle course. This facility is fully available for private use by the Olympic and Paralympic delegations. Provision of a private debriefing room of approximately 200 m2, adjoining the facility. PRM changing rooms.

Facility 2: Olympic and Paralympic dressage arenas

Two dressage and paradressage arenas are fully available for private use:

- *the arena measures 50x60 m in Toubin Clément sand which can accommodate two 20 x 60 m dressage rectangles with a heated judging stand.*
- *a 60 x 20 m indoor arena in Toubin Clément sand*
- *PRM changing rooms*





Football





Stade de la Libération

Boulogne-sur-Mer





Municipal stadium located in the heart of the old town, 5 minutes from the town centre and central station. This stadium is classified as level 2 by the French Football Federation, which certifies that it has all the facilities (hosting players, officials, media, etc.) which allow it to host high-level matches. The all-new hybrid pitch and its capacity of over 6000 seats make this stadium suitable for training sessions and games alike.





The centre's **plus** points

- a grassmaster hybrid lawn installed in 2020
- secure access for players
- comfortable changing rooms
- a cold bath for recovering
- 2000m² of VIP space
- a 20-seat press room

It happened here:

- league 1 matches in 2009/2010
- France - Northern Ireland in women's football in 2010
- quarter-final of the Coupe de France: Boulogne - Saint Etienne in 2015.
- regular friendly matches between national teams, in particular Côte d'Ivoire - Comoros in 2019





The Boulogne-sur-

**a land with a warm welcome
and a whole region at your service**

An underwater photograph showing a vast school of small, silvery fish swimming in the upper half of the frame. In the lower half, several larger, more distinct fish species are visible, including a striped butterflyfish on the left and a dark, flat fish on the right. The background is a deep, clear blue-green water.

-Mer region,



Reception capacities 3 stars

Several 3-star accommodation options in the immediate vicinity of your Games Preparation Centre that meet your needs:

- integrated bathroom and toilet, - TV and WIFI,
- on-site catering with flexible hours and special diets,
- physiotherapy room, - meeting room...

Price per person per day full board, from:

€100 in joint accommodation

Regional support possible

€115 for 3-star hotel accommodation

Regional support possible

€120 for 3-star apartment accommodation

Regional support possible

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for any stay of one week or more, these prices include:

- transfer from the airport to the training site
- shuttles on site
- activity-specific room (basketball, boxing, wrestling, equestrian centre)
- weights room, cardio-fitness





Extra support *For the medical centre*

- A cryotherapy centre less than 10 min away
- A balneotherapy centre less than 10 min away
- A hospital and private clinic within 10 min
- Medical examinations (MRI, scanner...) during the day

A unique number is provided for all your medical care
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Increased support *For your preparation*

- **Beaches and forests**
- **46 hiking routes up to 3hr45**
- **Banks of the Liane**
- **Free access to the Héricéa swimming pool with a 650 m² sports pool and balneotherapy area.**





Increased support available

For group cohesion

- **Free guided tour of Nausicaá, national sealife centre with the largest aquarium in Europe.**
- **Discover activities on the water** (canoeing/kayaking, sea kayaking, sand yachting, sea wading, sea trips etc) **supervised by professionals.**
- **Try out 3 of the most beautiful French golfing sites** (free access).
- **Free access to the elevated acrobatic trail.**



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