



The Madeleine folkloric march in Jumet

Event planned for the month of July 2021



Jumet - 6040

Phone number (main contact): +32 71
34 24 17

Telephone de reservation: +32 71 86 14
14

<http://www.madeleine.be/>

The Tour de la Madeleine de Jumet is a religious procession, declared intangible cultural heritage by UNESCO. The march takes place every year on the Sunday the closest to July 22nd (the day on which Saint Marie-Madeleine is celebrated).

The march

2,000 hikers and pilgrims as well as 150 riders, 50 bands and drum players leave the Heigne chapel in Jumet for a 22-km walk through the local communes. The most important moment of the procession is the **tère al Danse**.

The story of Saint Marie Madeleine

The legend says that plague devastated the region back in 1380, touching even the lady of the Heigne castle. The hamlet organised a procession, praying God to heal her. As they were walking through a field in Thimeon, a rider arrived, announcing her disease had suddenly vanished. The pilgrims danced in joy, in a meadow now called Tère al Danse.

Origins of the marches

Religious in the start, then influenced by the Napoleonic era, the processions evolved through the 20th century to the actual format.

More information about the many marches taking place in the Entre-Sambre-et-Meuse region can be found here.

The information contained herein is provided as a guide only.

We recommend that you check with the local supplier before you leave.

Website editor

Michel VANKEERBERGHEN, Wallonia Belgium Tourism Chief Executive Officer (WBT asbl).

© Wallonia Belgium Tourism (WBT asbl). Avenue Comte de Smet de Nayer 14 . 5000 Namur. Belgium + 32 (0)81 84 41 00 walloniabelgiumtourism.co.uk
info@wbtourisme.be

The information contained in this document is provided and has been compiled very carefully by Wallonia Belgium Tourism (WBT NPO). The editor cannot be held responsible for possible changes that could have occurred between the collection of data and their presence in this document.

Unless otherwise specified, the information you find in this document belongs to Wallonia Belgium Tourism (WBT NPO).

Any use or reproduction of the information require a prior written permission

Wallonia Belgium Tourism (WBT NPO) reserves all intellectual property rights in this document