



## Tournai Military History Museum



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**Tournai Military History Museum is nestled in an 18th century town mansion, near the Grand Place. Its galleries present the town's troops, their equipment and weapons between 1100 and 1945.**

## Tournai, its citadel and protective walls

A room, on the ground floor, explains:

- how fortifications have changed since Philippe-Auguste
- How they improved following the many attacks on the town (Edward III in 1340, Henry VIII in 1513, Charles V in 1521, Louis XIV in 1667, Marlborough in 1709, Louis XV in 1745 and the battle of Fontenoy in 1745)

Remarkable collections revisit these eras. with a focus on the regiments in garrison in Tournai until 1914

## Tournai and the two world conflicts

On the first floor, visitor will learn on how the town was impacted by the two world wars:

- Battle of August 24th, 1914 (French troops defended the town)
- Battle of Escaut in October–November 1918 (led by British troops)
- Bombings by the Luftwaffe and Battle of Escaut in May 1940
- Bombings by the Allies
- Freedom, finally, in September 1944

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