

  
Château  
St Mesmin

Knight  
in honour

2018



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The castle with a wealth of activities

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## DURING THE YEAR

The castle of Saint Mesmin, at Saint André sur Sèvre, is a XIVth century fortress to which was added, in the XVth century, an imposing 28m high keep.

The medieval festival in July and August gives visitor an unusual insight into the workings of the castle, entertainment for children and adults, and others activities.



### IN APRIL

14-15 of april :  
Ephemeral Escape Game  
*(on reservation)*

### IN JULY

1 july : ASYMPTOTE concert & Renaissance ball  
**8 july-26 august : Knight in honour**  
14, 15 july : Knight's portrait  
21, 22 july : For the love of a knight  
28, 29 july : Knight on the war footing

### IN SEPTEMBER

2 sept. : Medieval fencing  
15, 16 sept. : European Heritage Days  
29 et 30 sept. : Ephemeral Escape  
Game *(on reservation)*

### IN NOVEMBER

1-4 nov. : After the  
School of magic



### IN JUNE

1 june : Outdoor cinema  
10 june : Danced concert and Renaissance ball  
17 june : Knight well harnessed  
24 june : Knight's stories

### IN AUGUST

4, 5 august : Knighting ceremony  
11, 12 august : Budding knight  
18, 19 august : Jousting knights  
25, 26 august : Knight in training  
27 august-2 september : Chilvarous games

### IN OCTOBER

21-25 october : Waiting for the School of magic  
27-28 october : School of Magic







## DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS

EVERY DAY

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### 8 JULY - 26 AUGUST « KGNIGHT IN HONOUR »

With the Oriflamme Company, three dramatized events will be offered to visitors on the following themes:

#### MANAGE A DOMAIN with the intendant knight

When he is not at war, the knight administers his domain where he spends most clearly of his time. A thousand things to manage: finances, economic management of lands, men and women at the service of the castle. And to be admitted by all, his family, his staff and his men-at-arms, he must also be able to receive in his castle and look good in the eyes of all those around him.

#### GET AN EDUCATION AND SEDUCE with the courteous knight

The knight grows, learns and gets his education in the «court » of the castle. This «courteous » knight grants to a big place for « fine amor ». It is necessary to him to control its taste for feasts with songs, dances, musics and poems as well as beautiful dresses. A chivalrous way of life to win the heart of his lady and to ensure descendants by advocating obedience, devotion and fidelity.

#### TRAIN FOR BATTLE with the warlike knight

The knight was born in the comfort of the castle, but it is on the battlefield that he will surely die... To become a knight warrior, he is to make his classes, to train, to study treaties and strategy of battle, to equip itself while leading an army of men-at-arms to win the war or simply to defend his castle.



L'ORIFLAMME

Animation de Spectacles Historiques



## THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

- Unaccompanied tour with explanatory map in French, English, Spanish and German
- Unaccompanied tour with multimedia guide in English, French sign language, audiodescription
- Room fact sheets in French and English
- Birthdays at the castle for a Wednesday afternoon

## FAMILY GAMES



According to the season, wooden games, skill and strategy games and puzzle games are available (hoop throwing, Merelles, skittles, games of luck...). From room to room, a game circuit on the Middle Ages is offered to children.







# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

## OPENING OF THE CASTLE

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### SHOP



• **ON SITE** : The castle of Saint Mesmin gives you the opportunity to finish off your visit by buying a « souvenir » !

In the shop you will find items specifically for children, adults : games, CD's, costumes, stationery, hygiene products, postcards,

Fast-food menus are offered: sandwiches, salads, croque-monsieur (toasted sandwiches), cheeseburgers, fries, hot and cold drinks, ice-creams...



### • ONLINE SHOP

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### E-TICKETS



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MAY							JUNE							JULY						
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AUGUST							SEPTEMBER							OCTOBER / NOVEMBER						
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■ Dates with events

■ Dates without events

□ Dates closed

From May 1<sup>st</sup> till July 7  
From August 27 till November 4

From July 8<sup>th</sup> till August 26<sup>th</sup>\*

2:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M.

Adult : 6 €

Adult reduced rate : € 4,5

Children (6-14 years) : € 3

Pass family : € 16

(2 adults and 2 more than 6 year-old children)

10:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. & 2:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Adult : 8 €

Adult reduced rate : € 6,5

Children (6-14 years) : € 4

Pass family : € 22

(2 adults and 2 more than 6 year-old children)

Free for those possessing a PRIVILEGE or AMBASSADEUR cards.

Duration of visit 1hr 30 mins – 2hrs 30 mins depending on the season. \* From July 8th till August 26th the admission ticket is valid for day. So that the artists can strike their pose, the castle closes its doors between 1pm and 2pm. Nevertheless, spaces like welcome, shop, picnic and fast food remain open to all.

### TYPES OF PAYMENT ACCEPTED



Cheques



Cash



Bank card



Holiday vouchers



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