

Mooring and nautical stops

Because of the reduced water depth near some anchoring places (sloping quay wall, cut-off wall, ...), the users have to come alongside with the required carefullness.



Blaton - Ath canal

Cumulative distances	Place	Location	Nearby tourist sights
0.800	Blaton	Bridge called « Pont de la Passerelle »	Roman church of Blaton
2.200	Blaton	Reach 4 – 5	--
3.500	Stambruges	Reach 8 - 9, quay called « Quai de la Sucrierie »	-
4.841	Stambruges	Above lock nr 10	Stambruges Forest
10.700	Beloeil	Bridge called « Pont de Grosage »	Beloeil Castle
12.450	Ladeuze	Upstream from lock nr 14	Museum of Rural Life
13.500	Ladeuze	Marina of Chièvres	--
15.275	Tongre-Notre-Dame	Stamane bridge	--
19.900	Maffle	Public quay	Basilica of Tongre-Notre-Dame
21.600	Aat	Quay called « Quai de l'Entrepôt »	Museum of the Stone
22.300	Aat	Quay called « Quai des Usines »	Town of Ath and public transport towards other sights

For safety reasons, it is forbidden to lie in the road in the reaches 2 - 3, 3 - 4, 5 - 6, 6 - 7, 7 - 8, 9 - 10 and 18 - 19.

- Dendre river



Cumulative distances	Place	Location	Nearby tourist sights
1.300	Bilhée	Upstream from the lock	--
2.711	Rebaix	Tenre bridge	--
3.300	Rebaix	Upstream from the lock	--
11.800	Lessines	Upstream from the lock	Notre-Dame à la Rose hospital



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**NOTICE TO THE USERS
 OF THE BLATON - ATH CANAL AND THE DENDRE RIVER**

The personnel of the Walloon Ministry of Equipment and Transport on duty on the Blaton - Ath canal and on the Dendre river welcomes you and hereby gives you some practical information



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Hours of operation of the engineering structures

On workdays

- from 8 a.m. to 17.30 p.m.



Yet on 2 January, 2 November and 26 December, operation starts at 9 a.m.

On sundays and public holidays

- from 1 April to 31 October for yachting, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

On the Blaton-Ath Canal, we stop for lunch during half an hour

Navigation

The operation of the engineering structures is carried out by mobile teams responsible for several locks and draw bridges so that a waiting time might occur. You can get in touch with the mobile teams via their GSMs.

Blaton-Ath canal

- from Blaton (lock nr 1) to Stambruges (lock nr 10) : ☎ : 0475/81.22.20

- from Beloeil (lock nr 11) to Ladeuze (lock nr 15) : ☎ : 0474/65.58.93

- from Maffle (lock nr 16) to Ath (lock nr 21) : ☎ : 0475/81.22.19

Dendre river

- from Ath (lock nr 21) to Deux-Acres (lock of Deux-Acres) : ☎ : 0475/67.91.24

In case of problem and only during office hours:

- District office: ☎ 068/26 48 60

Besides, ships coming from the Nimy-Blaton-Péronnes canal are announced by the locks of:

- Obourg (VHF channel 20)

- Péronnes (VHF channel 22)

Ships coming from the Flemish section of the Dendre river are announced by the lock of Geraardsbergen.

Dimensions of the engineering structures

- Draught : 1,90 m save limitation announced through notice to the navigation

- Locks

- Blaton-Ath canal : 41.08 m x 5.08 m

- Dendre river : 41.85m x 5.20 m

- Bridges

The headroom at normal canal water level is higher than 4 m for all bridges, except the following ones:

- Blaton - Ath canal:

Cumulative distances	Bridge	Headroom
2.099	Bridge at lock nr 4	3.90
22.112	Railway bridge	3.92
22.162	Bridge called "Pont d'Or"	3.92
22.262	Railway bridge	3.74

- Dendre river :

Cumulative distances	Bridge	Headroom
1.132	Footbridge of Bilhée	3.95

Services offered to inland navigation

Domestic wastes produced by inland ships

At locks nr 4 and nr 15 on the Blaton - Ath canal

At the lock of Rebaix on the Dendre river

Free collection

Perception of human navigation

Navigation rights have been removed

