

Jardin Massey

This wonderful garden, classified «jardin remarquable», was created by Tarbes-born Placide Massey, horticulturalist for Queen Hortense under the Empire and Director of Versailles' kitchen garden. The whole family will be enchanted by the variety of tree species, the cloister with roman arcades, the majestic paths, the water that runs throughout the entire park and the fragrance of thousands of flowers. The garden is home to the Musée Massey, distinguished by its 40-metre high Moorish tower, as well as various animals. Weather permitting, enjoy a horse-drawn carriage ride and discover the garden at a relaxing pace. Jardin Massey is beautiful all year round - the ideal place to take a break or enjoy the activities on offer!

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- The glasshouse or orangery is classified as a historical monument.
- The mini-train for children.

Free admission

Rue Massey

Open every day, all year round



Notre-Dame-de-la-Sède Cathedral

Erected in the 12th century with bricks and pebbles from the river Adour, it is the oldest monument in Tarbes and is located in the historic center, characterised by its cobbled streets. The cathedral has largely remained Romanesque in style with its lantern tower reminiscent of the churches of the Lavedan in the heart of the Pyrenees. The 18th century western façade constructed in the classical style is more surprising. Inside, the remarkable high altar and its baroque canopy are the main decorative elements and testify to the richness of Pyrenees marble.

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- The cathedral has kept its Latin name "de la sède" meaning "seat of the bishop".
- Keep an eye out for the testament of Louis XVI engraved on a black marble wall!

Place Charles de Gaulle



Marshal Foch's Birthplace

Marshal Foch was born in this 18th century house and lived here for the first twelve years of his life. This beautiful example of Bigorre architecture, showcasing stone frames and an outdoor gallery with traditional balusters, is a must see. This intimate museum, awarded the "Maison des Illustres" (Houses of the Famous) label, shares the story of the famous First World War victor through numerous testimonials of recognition.

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- In the historic center of Tarbes, keep an eye out for the trompe l'oeil mural of Foch.

Prices

€ 2 or free with the Musée Massey pass to € 5

2 rue de la Victoire

+33 5 62 93 19 02 / publics.musees@mairie-tarbes.fr

Open Everyday except tuesday : 9-30am to 12-15am and 2pm to 5pm

Memorial Museum of Deportation and Resistance

What better place than a former school to learn about the fascinating history of local Deportation and Resistance. This moving museum, whose collection consists of archives of former deportees, also bears witness to local history: Tarbes, a Mecca of Resistance, was awarded the Croix de Guerre.

Free admission

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Open Monday to Friday, 10am to 12am and 2pm to 5pm

Tarbes Stud Farm

A guided tour that the whole family will love in a timeless place... Meet the horses and the passionate people who care for them. Your guides, will unveil the history of this listed monument, steeped in history, which was established by Napoleon in 1806. Discover the secrets of the Empire-style stables, the collection of horse-drawn carriages, the saddlery. Tarbes has a long equestrian tradition: this is a garrison town which, for its hussars (cavalry regiment), experimented and created its own breed through expert breeding: the Anglo-Arabian.

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- July 19 to 24 : Festival Equestria
- More information at www.festivalequestria.com

Prices

- Adult: € 7
- Child aged 3 - 12: € 2
- Student, rider (FFE-licensed), group (15 people or over): € 5

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Musée Massey

International Museum of Hussars

The only one of its kind in the world, this museum traces the mythical epic of the Hussars, still one of the most unusual and fascinating military "phenomena". Discover over 400 years of history with 15,000 objects on display.

A spectacular set of 150 mannequins is presented, showing a rich and diverse selection of complete uniforms, busts and pieces of clothing or equipment reflecting the fashions of bygone eras.

Hussar-style jackets and frog fasteners have stood the test of time and are still fashionable!



The Fine Art Collection

The collection brings together major works from the schools of Italian and Dutch paintings.

Keep up to date with current exhibitions.

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- Pick up an activity booklet for guaranteed family fun!
- The museum's mascot, Placide the squirrel, makes the visit even more fun for children.

Prices

- Full price: € 5
- Concession: € 2.50 per person for groups of 10 people or over
- Free (under 18, job seekers, students) / the first Sunday of the month / Wednesday for an adult accompanying at least one child.
- Museum pass: Free admission to Marshal Foch's Birthplace.

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Open every day except monday.
Closed 1 January, 1 May and 25 December.

Le Carmel

Le Carmel is now a space dedicated to contemporary art. This unusual place, including the chapel of the Carmelite nuns built in 1870, offers visitors prestigious exhibitions and a central cultural place in Tarbes. Works by Joan Miro, Pierre Soulages and Francis Bacon have been exhibited here, along with those of photographers Sarah Moon and Marc Riboud, not to mention reputed regional artists.

Free admission

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Open Tuesday to Saturday: 10am to 12pm and 2pm to 6pm.



Themed tours

Guided tours (in french only):

- «Foch and the mystery of petrification»: for children aged 9 - 12: August 3 at 10am
 - Discover our history and the secret of Tarbes and ensure that you get all important detail. A guide tour with Brigitte, guide. July and August every Tuesday at 10am.
- Booking required: Tourist Office: +33 5 62 51 30 31 / tarbes-tourisme.fr

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- Locate markers on the ground to follow the heritage trail: discover 10 major Tarbes sites narrated by historians.



Our festive events!

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- Polyphonies Tarba en Canta International Festival: June 7 to 12
- Festival Equestria: July 19 to 24
- Festival Tarbes en Tango: August 13 to 21
- Terro Art: September 24 and 25

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- See the events schedule at tarbes-tourisme.fr

Horse-drawn carriage rides

- One-hour city-center tour (from the Jean Jaurès square / 1st departure from 2pm at the Massey garden) July and August:
 - Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday: 2pm to 5pm
 - Thursday: 10am and 11am and 2pm to 5pm
- Prices: Adult: € 5 / Child (aged 12 or under): € 3

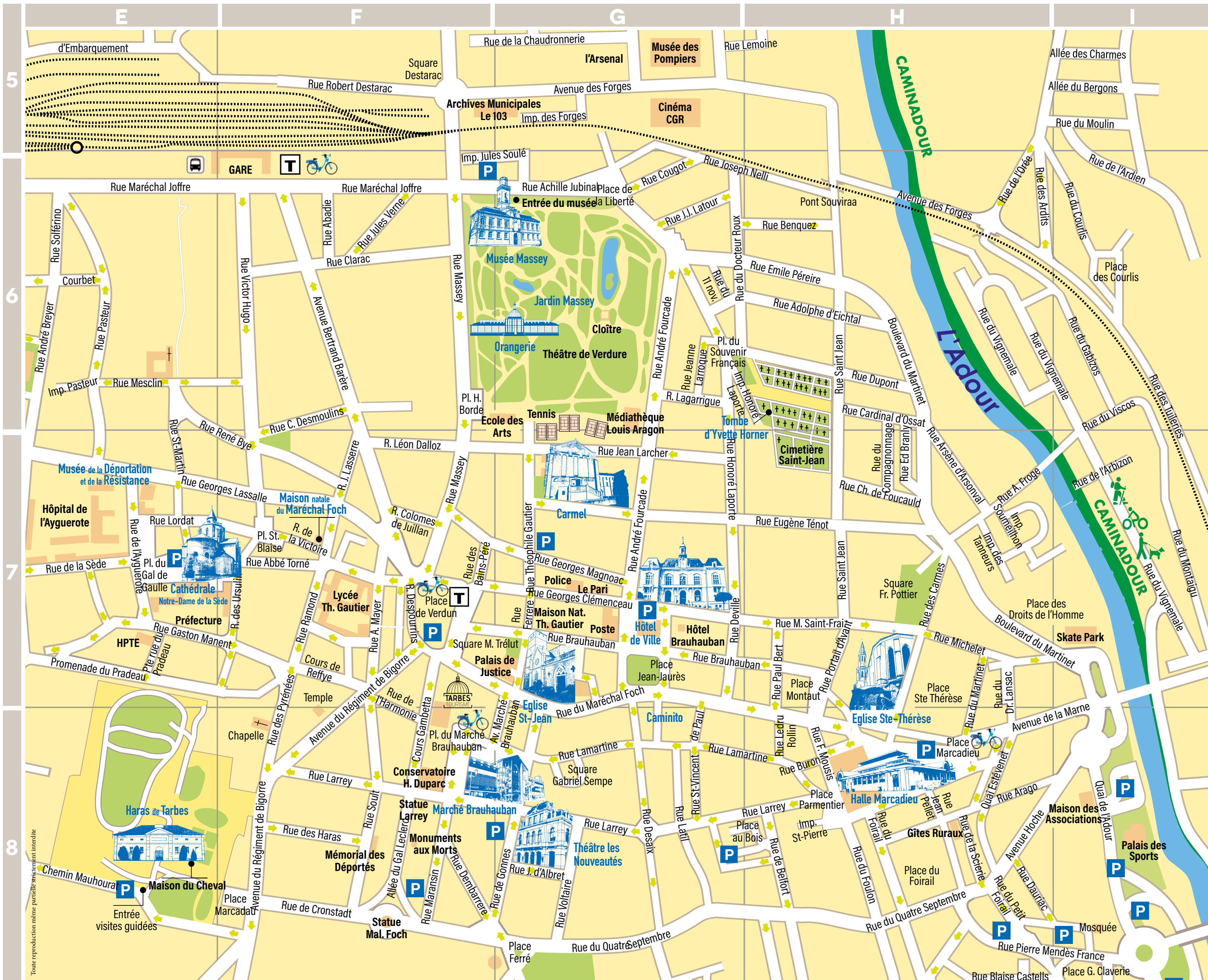
Jardin Massey tour

- (departure from the Jardin Massey refreshment bar)
 - July and August: Sunday afternoons and from 6pm to 8pm every other day of the week
 - April to October: Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons + every day during school holidays
- Prices: from € 2.50 to € 5 per person for a tour from 7 to 30 minutes

Picnic in a horse-drawn carriage

- July and August: 1h30 between 12h30 and 14h in the city with meals in partnership with restaurants.

Price: € 30 per person / for booking call + 33 6 83 09 11 03



Markets

Tarbes is home to the biggest South-West market!

At a crossroads in the Pyrenean valleys, Tarbes is a traditional market town and meeting place for producers.

- **Thursday morning:** Soak up the special atmosphere of the **Marcadieu market** (the largest farmers' market in the) South-West. Here, everyone wears a beret and a smile on their face! Discover a sumptuous selection of products under this Baltard market hall built in 1883. Flower market and flea market, **Place du Foirail** (a stone's throw from Marcadieu)
- **The first Saturday of every month:** Flea market in the **Marcadieu market hall**
- **Everyday:** Quality products and a friendly atmosphere in the **Brauhauban market hall**. One of the most popular spots in Tarbes, very lively on weekends!

Good to know: Enjoy the many surrounding terraces

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- Take a little bit of this place home with you! Noir de Bigorre pork, gâteau à la broche (cake cooked on a spit), pies, Tarbais beans and more!
- Ask at the Tourist Office for all the good spots and pick up a "Tarbes is my cup of tea!" mug

