

The Ghent Light Plan

Ghent began developing a comprehensive light strategy for the entire city in 1998. The Light Plan of the city of Ghent was designed to emphasize prominent monuments, buildings, entrance gates, traffic axes, commercial streets, parks and squares. Not only does it make the city more agreeable, it also raises social safety.

Since 2010, the city of Ghent has an overall light plan: in addition to the city centre, Ghent starts to illuminate the peripheral border of the city too. The overall light plan has to reinforce the nightly landscape of Ghent, diminish the light pollution and at the same time decrease the energy use of public lighting (with at least 20% by 2020).



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Read the book about the Light Plan!

"Ghent Illuminated" tells the captivating story of the Ghent Light Plan, in an elegant layout and with splendid poetic and nocturnal pictures.

More info on the Light Plan?

Books, posters and postcards of "Ghent Illuminated" are for sale in the city of Ghent municipal shop (Administratief Centrum Zuid, Woodrow Wilsonplein 1), the Tourist Office information counter (Sint-Baafsplein).



Promenade through an enchanting city



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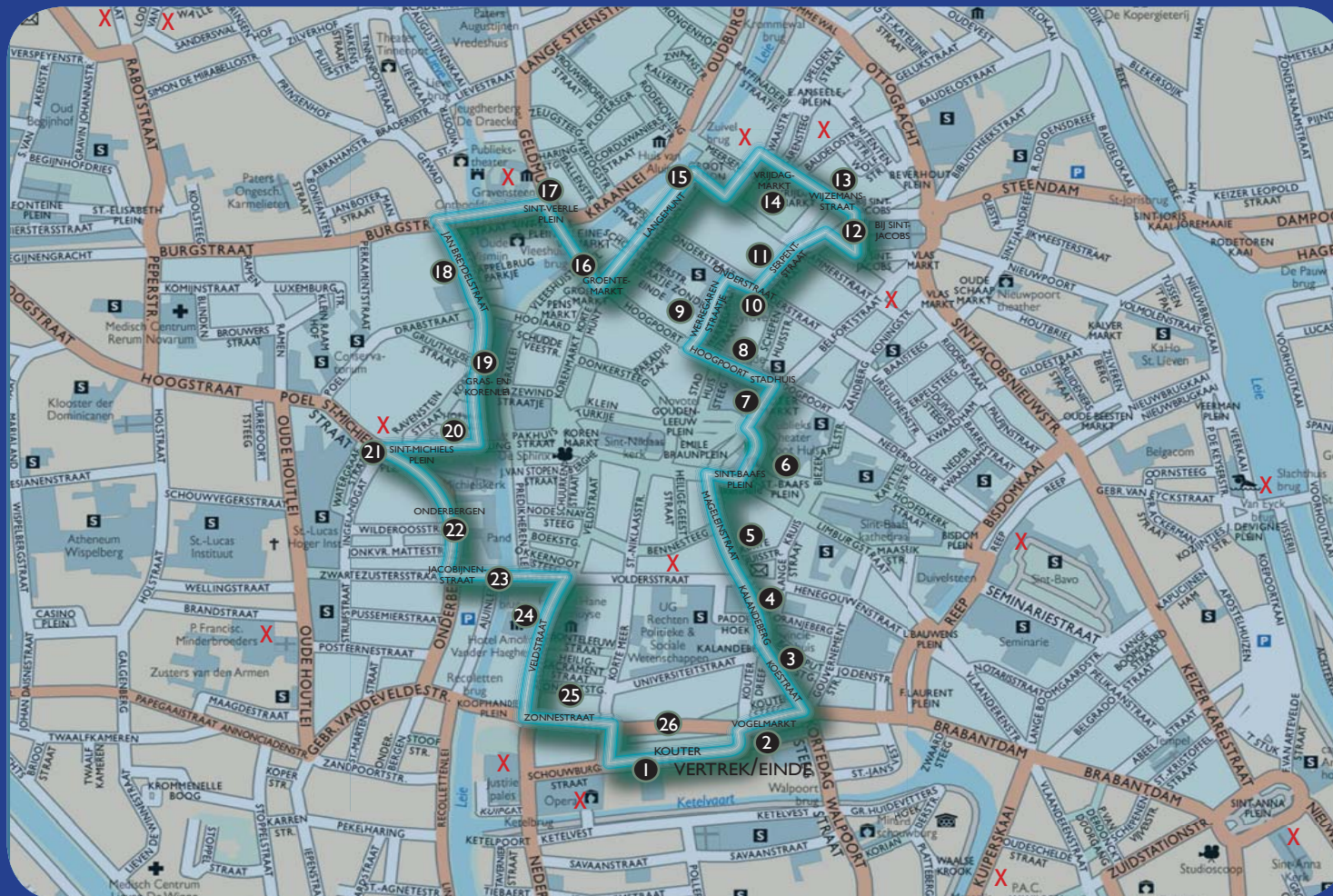
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Feel like discovering the Ghent Light Plan in its full splendour? Do not hesitate to go for a walk in the city centre after nightfall, but do it well before midnight, because then the functional lighting takes over from the atmospheric illumination. The small map on the back side will definitely be helpful during this two hour walk. For your interest, various other illuminated buildings and monuments are not included in this walk, but they are marked on the map with a cross.

International awards

Ghent, winner of the International City-People-Light Award. (Philips and Luci 2004)
"The lighting alone quite definitely makes Ghent worth visiting!" (2004, 3 stars in Michelin travel guide)
"Ghent, cosiest City of Flanders". (Flemish Government, 2005)
"Ghent, third most authentic destination in the world". (National Geographic Traveler magazine, 2008)





Promenade through an enchanting city

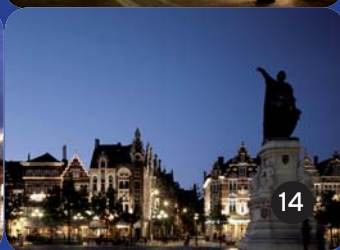
- 1 Kouter - START - Handelsbeurs
- 2 Vogelmarkt
- 3 Koestraat
- 4 Kalandeborg
- 5 Mageleinstraat
- 6 Sint-Baafsplein - Belfry
- 7 Botermarkt - City hall
- 8 Hoogpoort
- 9 Werregarenstraatje
- 10 Onderstraat
- 11 Serpentstraat
- 12 Bij Sint-Jacobs - Sint Jacob's Church
- 13 Wijzemanstraat
- 14 Vrijdagmarkt
- 15 Langemunt
- 16 Groentemarkt - Great Butcher's Hall
- 17 Sint-Veerleplein - Castle of the Counts
- 18 Jan Breydelstraat
- 19 Gras- en Korenlei
- 20 Sint-Michielsbrug
- 21 Sint-Michielsplein
- 22 Onderbergen - Pand
- 23 Jacobijnenstraat
- 24 Veldstraat
- 25 Zonnestraat
- 26 Kouter - END



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