

# Welcome to BEAUVAIS !

Country : FRANCE  
Region : Hauts-de-France  
Department : Oise  
Area : 33km<sup>2</sup>  
Population : 56 000 inhabitants



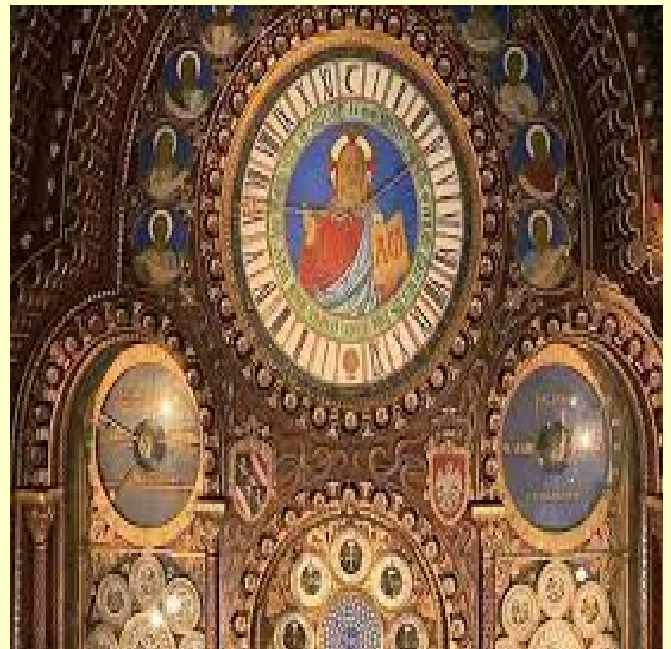
Beauvais is located approximately 70 km North of Paris.  
The town is the administrative center of the Oise department and it is the most populated municipality of the department.

**How to come to Beauvais:** Beauvais is served by stations, highways and an airport.



## Landmarks :

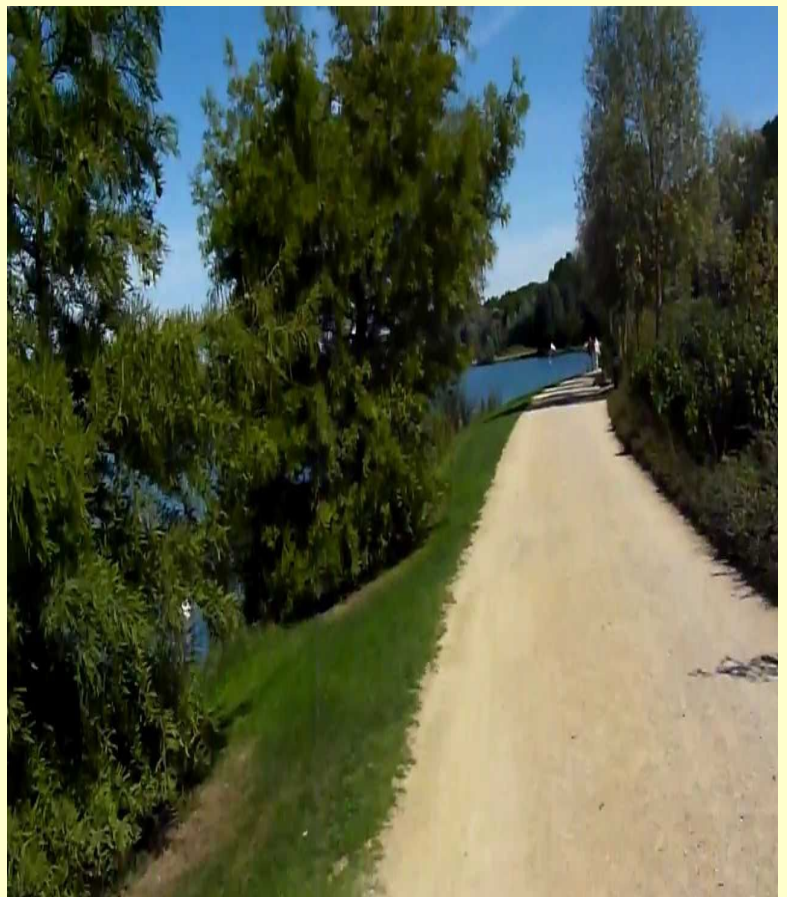
Beauvais is famous for its *St Pierre Cathedral*, one of the most valuable monuments of the Gothic style, founded at the 17<sup>th</sup> Century. It is renowned for its nave which is the highest in France and for its astronomical clock.



The *St Lazare Maladrerie* is the best preserved medieval hospital complex of Northern Europe, with its 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Century buildings, its gardens and its chapel :



Beauvais is surrounded by the *Plan d'eau du Canada*. This is a 45 hectare park equipped with two artificial lakes, a leisure area, a beach and sporting trails.



## Assets :

Beauvais is a pleasant city, with its squares, its fountains and its pedestrian streets, which mix retro style and modern style.



A lot of people come to Beauvais to see its half-timbered house, built in the 13<sup>th</sup> century





## What to do :

The MUDO is the departmental museum (*Musée de l'Oise*). This is an old episcopal palace built in the 13<sup>th</sup> century, on Gallo-Roman fortifications.

The city offers a broad range of cultural and leisure activities : A movie theatre complex and a large swimming pool complex, a theatre, a multi-media library and a bowling alley...



The Swimming-pool complex



The multi-media library



Tree trekking

## Weather :



In Beauvais, the average temperatures are between 7°C in winter and 25°C in summer, with frequent rain and fog. The snowfall isn't necessarily heavy but it's common in winter.

**Where to stay :** There are hotels, guest houses and flat rentals for all budgets and it's up to each person's preference.

**Gastronomy :** Don't miss the local gastronomy, called the "ficelle picarde" (a type of crêpe) the onion chutney, the "maroille" (a cheese) and the macarons.

