

LA BUTTE AUX BOIS
BEYOND BUSINESS

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One hundred years ago, a Belgian noble stumbled upon a curious little hill in the middle of the Lanaken woods. Being a huntsman, he was so taken by the remote, quiet location that he purchased the land to build a beautiful house on it. In the 1980s, this country estate became 'La Butte aux Bois'.

Nowadays, you will find the five-star superior hotel La Butte aux Bois right on the edge of National Park Hoge Kempen. Located in the middle of nature, the lush and leafy estate covers 12 hectares and offers a special habitat to wild boars and deer. The neighbouring park is home to robins, wild ducks, geese and various birds of prey.

Guests will find tranquility in romantically styled rooms or can take in the atmosphere of sustainable eco-design during an overnight stay.

There is an additional opportunity for relaxation in the Shiseido Institute, which offers a wide selection of massages as well as various body treatments, a wellness area with sun terrace, sauna, hammam and an indoor pool. Guests have access to our state-of-the-art gym for a daily work-out, can take yoga classes or test their fitness at a bootcamp.

The entrance to National Park Hoge Kempen is situated less than 100 metres from the hotel lobby and offers numerous hiking opportunities that are among the best in Europe. Regular bicycles, e-bikes, and mountain bikes are available for those who want to explore the beautiful countryside.

However, it's not only the surroundings that create a sense of calm. Boosting a contemporary design that subtly stimulates all the senses and the mind, La Butte aux Bois provides an altogether unique experience.

Exclusive natural objects, testimonies of our prehistoric past, create a palpable sense of timelessness. Works by contemporary artists join Granada Gallery's collection of minerals, fossils, and jewellery in creating a subtle patina of artistic and creative craftsmanship.

Last but not least, La Butte aux Bois evolved into a gastronomic destination. There is the internationally recognized, two-star Michelin restaurant Ralf Berendsen as well as the cosy bistrôt Le Ciel and bar Papillon.

MEETINGS

SEMINARS
TRAINING SESSIONS
MANAGEMENT MEETINGS
TEAMBUILDINGS
CONFERENCES
PRODUCT PRESENTATIONS



**UNIQUE.
SURPRISING.
LUXURIOUS.**

- Variety of event spaces for up to 450 guests
- Rooms with natural lighting and airconditioning
- Latest multimedia technology
- 60 rooms across three buildings
- Various culinary options: bistrôt Le Ciel and restaurant Ralf Berendsen**
- Tailormade private dining
- Stunning natural surroundings
- Free Wi-Fi
- GDS access
- Superb spa facilities
- Get fit to work! Teambuilding, gym, fitness options and personal coaching
- Flexible and attentive service
- Excellent price to quality ratio
- Easy, low-traffic access
- Complimentary parking with e-mobile charging stations





EVENTS

CELEBRATIONS
RECEPTIONS
SEASONAL EVENTS
JUBILEES
WEDDINGS
BAPTISM & COMMUNION

TAILORMADE FOR YOUR EVENT

Our professional events team offers a highly personalized service to ensure that everything is organised down to the last detail. Take a look at our huge range of incentive options and activities to tailor-make your event into a completely bespoke experience.

ACTIVITIES THAT CAN BE HELD:

sheep herding, ice carving, shooting, music video making, Tai Chi, falconry, perfume making, smoothie/cocktail workshop, graffiti workshop, etiquette workshop, laughter yoga, wine or spirits tastings, marlstone carving, salsa clinic, painting workshop, etc.

ACTIVITIES IN THE IMMEDIATE REGION:

antique car rallying, inflatable boat experience, helicopter flights, kick-scooter touring, segway touring, hybrid bicycle touring, horse-drawn carriage rides, American school bus or covered wagon excursions, kayaking, golf clinic, etc.

ACTIVITIES FURTHER AFIELD:

marksmanship, wilderness navigation, gps game, highland games, company olympics, police role play, cycling 'tour de grotte', treasure hunt, restaurant crawl, tart-baking workshop, beer tasting, pub treasure hunt, casemates tour.

IDEAS TO END THE NIGHT IN STYLE:

murder mystery dinner, quirky entertainment, Las Vegas style casino, mafia party, disco party, black and white party, medieval party, music quiz, local culture quiz, firework show, masked ball, dance art, dinner show, dinner & dance, awards night, etc.



PRIVATE DINING

ELEGANT SALONS & COURTYARD
DINING SPACES 10 TO 450 GUESTS
BESPOKE PLANNING SERVICE
TAILORMADE CULINARY OPTIONS
PRIVATE DINING



“WUNDERKAMMER” PRIVATE DINING

Our resort offers a world-class experience. The private dining area acts as the connector between our fine dining restaurant Ralf Berendsen and our bistrôt Le Ciel.

The heart of the hotel has been converted into a ‘Wunderkammer’, which can also be used as a private dining venue. Sitting around the handmade ‘vortex’ table, you will be taken on a mysterious journey of discovery through the renovated wine cellar.

During dinner, you will be served by experts on minerals, gemstones, fossils and meteorites. A hidden door that connects directly to the kitchen, offering a sneak peek of the chef’s finest culinary creations. This wonderful mini museum takes you to another dimension.





RALF BERENDSEN
LA BUTTE AUX BOIS



LES
GRANDES
TABLES
DU
MONDE

Gault
& Millau



A QUEST FOR PERFECTION THAT NEVER STOPS

Two star Michelin restaurant Ralf Berendsen offers a renovated and inviting lighting design as well as an alluring vista of the wine cellar.

Objects from the Earth, Moon and Mars join the ensemble, providing a unique, meditative visual.

Chef Ralf Berendsen creates new dishes with his reserves of creative talent. Now more than ever, he is committed to honouring the individuality of classic products such as scallops, langoustines, pigeon, Bresse duck or wagyu beef.

Famous for his unique sense of perfect cooking times, he achieves an absolute harmony in taste and juiciness. He also works as a qualified baker-pâtissier on an equally tempting repertoire of nostalgic desserts based on traditional French techniques. This all supported by a young team whose dedication to cooking transcends taste and embraces the emotional side of food.

le ciel

“Franco-Belgian cuisine with global influences translated into dishes that are accessible and surprising.” That’s how Chef Pieter Beurskens describes Le Ciel’s cuisine.

The transparent interior features a subtropical tree that highlights the wealth of decorative objects in the space: ammolites, gogottes, crystals, minerals, petrified wood and gemstones made into jewellery by Jochen Leën. They are all natural and sophisticated references to our earth, whose distinctive presence permeates deep within La Butte aux Bois.

Of course, during good weather, you can also enjoy our open-air set-up with the new outdoor bar. The terrace, surrounded by greenery, is the ultimate spot for enjoying a cocktail or classic gin and tonic.





Our transformed cocktail bar is an oasis of inspiration and calm, the perfect place to feel, live, and dream in the moment. From the characteristic bar Papillon, you also have a view of bistrôt Le Ciel – the cozy heart of the hotel.

The gourmet bar menu features different champagnes served by the glass as well as a wide selection of cocktails. The bar also offers an exceptional whisky menu, including the entire repertoire of The Macallan, of which you can enjoy several exclusive references in a tasting flight.



ACCOMMODATION

The domaine's 60 stylish rooms are located in three buildings - the Manoir, the Villa and La Forêt. The rooms are luxuriously decorated, offer a welcoming atmosphere and provide absolute tranquility in natural surroundings. Accommodation sizes range from 20,5 sqm to 70 sqm depending on the category. All rooms are equipped with airconditioning, minibar, flatscreen TV and Nespresso coffee machine. Guests also benefit from complimentary wifi, car parking and daily access to facilities at Shiseido Ginza Tokyo Institute and Gym between 7am and 10pm.

THE VILLA

Contemporary-style accommodation in a quiet location with lake and forest views.

The Villa offers 16 rooms and is located in the hotel's grounds within 100m of the Manoir, accessed via a covered pergola.



LA FORÊT

Where design merges into surrounding forest. 20 loft-feel rooms are accessed via a panoramic entrance and located just past Shiseido Institute and the Gym. La Forêt Ambiance are naturally-styled rooms on the ground floor with a luxury bath and shower. La Forêt Experience rooms on the first floor, offer an open-plan bedroom with stunning views and a bathroom with double shower.



THE MANOIR

The grand main building also houses restaurant Ralf Berendsen**, bistrôt Le Ciel, bar Papillon, seven salons and 24 flamant-style rooms. In ambience and layout, the Manoir exudes classic elegance.





SPA

The hotel houses the state-of-the-art 1350sqm Shiseido Ginza Tokyo Institute. Eco-chic esthetics and holistic wellbeing merge for a sublimely relaxing and indulgent lifestyle experience. A highly-trained spa team provide premium wellness and beauty treatments and offer exclusive high-performance products for skin regeneration, innovative anti-ageing and renewal.

Facilities:

indoor pool, relaxation area, panoramic sauna, hammam, infrared duo seats, iced water area, La Forêt garden with covered terrace, outdoor jacuzzi, meditation and yoga spaces, outdoor relaxation areas, spa lounge for skin-supporting light meals and fresh-pressed juices.

GYM

Take time for a workout or group training session at our private fitness Le Gym. Extensive grounds around the hotel and the nearby National Park Hoge Kempen increase the variety of indoor and outdoor fitness options for an exceptional quality of life.

- Personal training
- Group training
- Teambuilding
- TechnoGym Artis Line equipment
- Virtual personal coaching
- Indoor: yoga, pilates, boxing, bbb, abs, insanity, Tai Chi, bootcamp
- Outdoor: nordic walking, mountainbiking, cycling and hiking

SURROUNDINGS

The nearby National Park Hoge Kempen forest is ideal for hiking, biking and horse-riding. For golf enthusiasts, the excellent Spiegelven 18-hole course is located in Genk, just a 20-minute drive from the hotel.

The Limburg region's canals are an ideal opportunity for canoeing, kayaking or sailing, with over 2000km of car-free, signposted paths alongside the waterways for cyclists, joggers, Nordic walkers and hikers.

For easy and interesting day trips, the hotel is surrounded by attractive towns and cities in three countries, including Düsseldorf, Cologne, Brussels, Bruges, Antwerp, Liège and Aachen. Just 5km separates Lanaken from Maastricht. This border city is one of Holland's oldest and offers excellent shopping, arts and culture, as well as being host to the annual TEFAF antiques fair.





**MODERN ART.
NATURAL HISTORY.
SPARKED BY CURIOSITY.**

JOCHEN LEËN.

As a first generation jewellery designer and rare gem collector, Jochen Leën has forged a remarkably colourful and multi-faceted career revolving around exceptional stones.

The Jochen Leën brand has gained international acclaim and is now instantly associated with precious gems, jewellery and objets d'art, such as paintings and even dinosaurs. The Antwerp-based atelier also serves as a gallery for collectors, as well as a meeting point for creatives to collaborate on mutual projects.

Jochen Leën is a top-grade jewellery brand that combines outstanding quality with modern craftsmanship to create truly unique and wearable contemporary artworks.

www.jochenleen.net

GRANADA GALLERY.

Granada Gallery is definitely not your ordinary "Art" gallery.

A passion for science and the drive to promote research has always been the foundation of Granada Gallery. Over many years this lead to a comprehensive fossil, mineral and gemstone collection, together with the acquisition of numerous fossil and mineral excavation sites all over the world. Merging these fields with art & design, showcasing nature as the ultimate creator, allows us to promote higher knowledge and education, sparked by curiosity and wonder.

Granada Gallery moves with ease between the worlds of science, art and design. Over the last several years they have been a fixed feature in shows and pop-ups surrounding Art Basel Miami, TEFAF Maastricht, or at events such as Summit LA and Bombay Beach Biennale.

Working with artists from all over the world, the concept is to blend geological relevance with contemporary design objects and modern art with the breathtaking memory of evolution.

This is where the link between Granada Gallery and Jochen Leën connects - the world of precious stones. Jochen Leën uses only the rarest and most desirable gemstones known to the human eye, many of which can be found in the portfolio of Granada Gallery.

Visiting by appointment only.

www.granadagallery.com