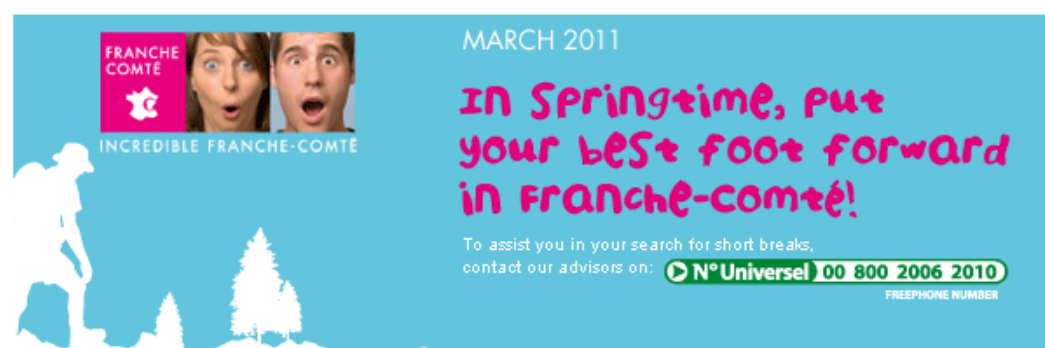


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IN Springtime, put your best foot forward in Franche-Comté!
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Spring is here! You can see it, hear it and smell it everywhere. Get out your walking shoes and backpack and enjoy a breath of fresh air out in the countryside. Franche-Comté is a paradise for hikers and ramblers. With 7000 km of marked-out trails, whether you're an experienced walker or a Sunday stroller, out alone or with your family, there's a trail for you!



JURASSIC PARK

Created in 1986, the Haut-Jura regional nature park today stretches from Pontarlier (25) to Bellegarde-sur-Valserine (01) and covers 185,000 hectares between Franche-Comté and the Rhône-Alps. A living, vibrant activity area, it has more than 120,000 permanent residents.

Benefiting from its extraordinary diversity, great care is taken to preserve the overall coherence of the park. Here, environmental protection is part of day-to-day life. The Maison du Parc (Park Centre) in Lajoux is the ideal starting point for your discovery of the park and its environment.

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DISCOVER THE SECRETS OF THE HAUT-JURA



4 days / 3 nights

FROM
€ 210
/PERSON

With its valleys, forests, peaks, meadows, woods and mountain lakes, a lungful of fresh air and a bracing adventure in a leafy setting await you in the Haut-Jura regional nature park.

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TICK-TOCK COUNTRY

With the Swiss border nearby, this high plateau running from Maiche to Morteau made a name for itself very early on in the timepiece subcontracting industry.

Here, the winters have always been tough and very long. In times gone by, entire families tucked away in their farms would polish and assemble the precious parts of watches and clocks designed on the other side of the border. Requiring a keen eye for detail, even today this ancestral know-how continues to perpetuate Franche-Comté's proud reputation in the high-quality timepiece market. A museum in Morteau recounts this "timeless" adventure.

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HIKING IN WATCHMAKING COUNTRY



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Maiche, Charquemont and Saint-Hyppolite... from the Haut-Doubs plateau to the picturesque Dessoubre Valley, enjoy an unguided hike, travelling from hotel to hotel (Logis de France™).

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The delights contained in this e-letter were chosen for you by Anne Chauveau, a journalist in Franche-Comté. She recommends them to you as heartily as she would to her friends.

DELIGHTS

TREAT YOUR TASTE BUDS AT THE SWISS BORDER AT THE ARBEZ IN LA CURE

This legendary establishment is situated right on the border, in a free zone, popular in times gone by with resistance fighters and smugglers, cunningly named Arbézie (after former owner Max Arbez). The kitchens are in Switzerland, while part of the dining room is in France. Enjoy a unique taste of Franche-Comté and life in the Jura mountain chain.



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NATURE AND HERITAGE: THE CIRQUE DE CONSOLATION



Just a 15-minute drive from your departure and arrival point, the Cirque de Consolation is a spectacular blind valley over which the Roche du Prêtre towers at an altitude of 360 m. Nestled beneath is a 17th-century monastery. The site includes a wealth of outstanding heritage features and natural attractions. Time to limber up for a hike you won't forget.

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