**By train**



Ghent is easy **to reach by train from all Belgian and European cities** and is only half an hour from Brussels South Station (by 'IC' Inter City or 'IR' InterRegio train). Ghent has two stations: Gent-Sint-Pieters and Gent-Dampoort. [At the main station, Gent-Sint-Pieters](https://visit.gent.be/en/see-do/gent-sint-pieters-hub-ghent), you will find railway links to all the cities in Belgium.
**Eurostar:** London in 1,5 hours
**Thalys:** Paris or Amsterdam or Cologne in 2,5 hours

For more **information on the train timetables:**
f[or trains within Belgium](https://www.belgiantrain.be/en/3rd-party-services/3rd-party-sales/wagon-maintenance-services) or [www.b-europe.com](http://www.b-europe.com) for [international connections.](https://www.b-europe.com/EN)

## How do you get to the historic center from the station?

[The city has a well-organised public transport system with an extensive tram and bus network](https://visit.gent.be/en/good-know/practical-information/getting-around/public-transport-ghent). You can get anywhere in and around Ghent by tram or bus from early in the morning to late at night.

Tram 1 travels from the main railway station, Gent-Sint-Pieters, to the city centre every ten minutes. The following buses travel frequently to the centre: 3, 17, 18, 38, 39 (leave the bus at the **Korenmarkt** stop).

**By car**



**Ghent** is located on the intersection of **two major European motorways**:
1. the E17 connects Northern Europe to the South
2. the E40 runs from the North Sea right across to Eastern Europe.

**From the E17** you take the 'Gent Centrum' exit.
**On the E40**, from the motorway intersection in Zwijnaarde, you first follow 'Antwerpen' (E17) and then take the 'Gent Centrum' exit.

**Parking:** closest public parking to 'Het Pand' is parking St-Michiels (P7), you can follow the P-route when entering the city.

**By plane**



Ghent is only 45 minutes from the **international airport of Zaventem** "Brussels Airport", where flights arrive from and depart to more than 70 destinations.
Brussels airport is a major European airport and has plenty of connections. It has direct highway and railway access to Ghent.

The **airport** is **connected** to the **3 railway stations in Brussels** (South or Midi, Central and North stations) by **3 direct trains per hour.**
Train tickets can be purchased at the airport (level -2).
There are several connections to Ghent.
So, if there are no direct trains from the airport to Ghent: first take a train to Brussels South, Central or North, and change for a train to Ghent.

For **further details and timetables**, visit [Belgian Railways](https://www.belgiantrain.be/en/3rd-party-services/3rd-party-sales/wagon-maintenance-services) and [Brussels Airport](https://www.brusselsairport.be/en/passengers).

Brussels South / **Charleroi airport** is located in the south of Belgium and is 75 minutes drive from Ghent.
→ more than 20 bus connections from the airport to the capital every day
→ from there frequent train connections to Ghent
→ also bus connections from the airport to Charleroi-Sud railway station.
→ trains for Ghent can also be boarded there.
→ a ticket that combines the bus and train services can be purchased at the Airport Ticket Desk