



Castle of If

The famous fort immortalised
by the Count of Monte Cristo.

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GOOD REASONS TO VISIT

- Since If is an island, it can only be reached by boat, but that only adds to the fun!
- The Château d'If is home to some 400 years of graffiti carved by prisoners, guards and soldiers.
- As part of the Calanques National Park, If is also home to many protected species.

Built in 1529 as a fortress on the island of If, it became a prison in 1541 and has confined some of the most famous prisoners in French history, including the Count of Mirabeau and the legendary Count of Monte Cristo.

At the heart of the Calanques National Park, the Château d'If is an extraordinary location for your clients to appreciate unique views across the harbour of Marseille!

DID YOU KNOW...?

The first time Francis I set foot on If was to marvel at an Indian rhinoceros that had not been seen in Europe since the 3rd century AD.



2025 ADMISSION PRICES

CATEGORY 5

• FOR 20 ADULTS + /
RESELLER PRICE €5.5

• INDIVIDUALS €7

• FREE for under-26s*



VISITS

SELF-GUIDED TOUR



With guide booklet.

Reservation required for groups: 1 week.

Duration: 45 min (1hr30 with visit of the island).

PERMANENT EXHIBITION

- The Count of Monte Cristo by Alexandre Dumas.
- Castle graffiti.

FILM ON THE HISTORY OF THE CASTLE OF IF



FREE VISIT APP ON GOOGLE PLAY AND APPLE STORE



GUIDED TOUR



Groups reservations must be made 1 week in advance.

Duration: 35 to 45 mins.

For a tour in a foreign language, please contact the Marseille Convention and Visitors Bureau:

groupes@marseille-tourisme.com

PRIVATE TOUR

Available outside of opening hours

With breakfast or aperitif. Contact barcache@yahoo.fr

Reservations must be made 1 month in advance April to September.

FACILITIES



800 m



April to

october



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

The boat crossing is not included in the ticket price.

The terrain is fairly uneven and there are lots of steps. Wear suitable footwear.

The site is not accessible to visitors with reduced mobility. Visitor support tools and specially adapted tours available for those with disabilities.

Contact the monument for more information

* FREE admission: minors under 18 and 18-25 years old (EU nationals and regularised EU residents) excluding school groups, extra-curricular groups or groups of visitors under the age of 26.

GETTING HERE



• Marseille Saint-Charles (2 km).



• Marseille Provence (26 km).



• If island - 13007 Marseille.

Crossing from the Old Port (Vieux Port).



OPENING TIMES

Subject to modification

• 1st April to 30th September: from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

• 1st October to 31st March: from 10 a.m. to 5.15 p.m.

• Closed Mondays from October to March.

The last visit depends on the boat timetable, information on our website www.chateau-if.fr

Shuttle schedules: ask the shipping companies for information.

• Closed 1st January, 1st May and 25th December and subject to bad weather.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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