



## Marche-en-Famenne Grosse Biesse carnival and folkloric traditions

Event planned for the month of February 2025



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**This carnival finds its origin in a picturesque, heart-warming character called Gugusse. Get to know him better in Marche-en-Famenne this season: the carnival guarantees 5 full days of festivities.**

Taking a stroll through the capital of the Famenne region, you will discover the surprising story of the **Grosse Biesse** (or large beast, similar to a dragon), who gave its name to the carnival. Many more picturesque creatures join the festivities: **Grand Georges** (the last bell ringer of the city), **Grand Mautchî** (who used to be called, until 1995, the Carnival Prince)

## Program

**Saturday**

- Show for the whole family
- Procession of the local guilds
- Concert in the evening

## Sunday

- Entertainment by the Gilles
- Carnival procession
- Evening party under the marquee

## Tuesday

- Burning of Gugusse's bag
- Burning of Gille's hunchback

**The local guilds and associations also take part in the event, and this since 1960. Folklore is very much alive in Marche-en-Famenne.**

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