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## Château des Princes de Ligne | Antoing



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Near Tournai, the Château des Princes de Ligne can be visited through guided tours, rich in historical details and anecdotes A real neo-Gothic gem to discover in Hainaut.

## **History**

The Château des Princes de Ligne was the bastion of the powerful family Melun before being passed to the Princes de Ligne, the current owners.

### The castle

In the 19th century, a disciple of famous architect Viollet-le-Duc, Clément Parent, turned the castle into a magnificent neo-Gothic residence. It is now accessible to the public through guided tours.

### **Guided tours**

#### These will reveal:

- the 12th century surrounding walls and the bolewerk (fortified bastion) built in the 15th century
- the lapidary museum, where visitors can see the remarkable recumbent and praying figures of Antoing, Melun and Ligne
- the dungeon, the knights' room and the lord's bedroom.
- The history the castle lived through: the Hundred Years War, the Burgundian period, the troubles of the Inquisition...

The site hosted historical personalities over the centuries, including Charles de Gaulle, a student during the 1907-1908 school year.

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