A local’s guide to Marolles and the surrounding blocks

Where to drink: Café Bebo

Café Bebo is a laid-back bar for a casual after work drink. The bar is decorated in a typical café style and has a simple feel to it. Drinks are ordered from the bar. Go for a classic regular beer like Jupiler from the tap or a bottle of Kriek. The bar is a 15-minute walk away from the center, but still in an extremely reachable location.

Av. de Stalingrad 2, 1000 Bruxelles
Opening hours: Monday to Friday 8.00-23.00, Saturday and Sunday 10.00-1.00

Where to eat: Vertigo

Vertigo is a trendy restaurant situated in a lively street near Grand Sablon. In this restaurant you can enjoy a wide variety of tapas and other small meals. The restaurant focuses on presentation, so the meals are very pleasing to the eye. The interior is also visually enjoyable, and the atmosphere is relaxed but special. It is the perfect place for an evening with friends while sharing small plates of delicious food. I especially recommend the courtyard with beautiful lights creating an ambiance.

Rue de Rollebeek 7, 1000 Bruxelles
Opening hours: Wednesday to Friday 17.00-1.00, Saturday and Sunday 12.00-1.00

What to do: People watch at Skatepark Place de la Chapelle

Spend a relaxed Saturday evening people watching by the Église Notre-Dame de la Chapelle. A skatepark is situated next to the Chapelle station. It is filled with young adults skateboarding on the weekends. Get some fries from the Friture de la Chapelle and go sit at the square while enjoying the evening sun setting behind the skatepark.

Rue des Ursulines 27, 1000 Bruxelles

Where to unwind: The Fuse

The Fuse is the longest running techno club in Belgium. It is the place to dance your night away. The space holds a raw and authentic feel to it. The club will provide a unique experience. I would even recommend it to people who don’t usually listen to electronic music.

Rue Blaes 208, 1000 Bruxelles
Opening hours: Friday and Saturday 23.00-8.00 (Check the website for accurate information on opening hours)

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