

BELGIUM 2019



Tuesday 11th June 20:45 King Baudouin Stadium, Brussels #BELSCO

Steve Clarke begins his tenure as Scotland manager with two fixtures in June. Scotland only picked up 3 points from their first 2 games in Group I and the defeat in Kazakhstan means they cannot afford any more mistakes. It also means they will need to pick up some unexpected points to qualify directly for Euro 2020. The most unlikely venue for points is the next away match against the FIFA ranked world number 1 team, Belgium.

The Royal Belgian Football Association (KBVB) was a founder member of FIFA in 1904 (Scotland affiliated in 1910). 20 days before the inaugural meeting of FIFA Belgium drew 3-3 with France in their first official international fixture. They won the gold medal when they hosted the 1920 Olympics in Antwerp after their opponents Czechoslovakia walked off in protest of the officials in the final.



Belgium were one of the invited teams to the first World Cup in 1930 losing both matches against USA and Paraguay. They have competed in 13 World Cup finals including last year in Russia where they knocked out Brazil on the way to the semi-final. They lost the semi to eventual winners France but then beat England in the 3rd/4th place play off to finish 3rd, their best performance in a World Cup. They were also founder members of UEFA and have qualified for 5 European Championships reaching the final in 1980 losing 2-1 to West Germany in Rome. In the Nations League they finished 2nd in Group A2 to be ranked 5th in UEFA. Only needing a draw in the final game to win the group they lost 5-2 to Switzerland after being 2 goals ahead.

They top Group I after winning 3-1 at home against Russia and 2-0 in Cyprus in March. Scotland play Cyprus 3 days before at Hampden in a must win game while Belgium host Kazakhstan.

Scotland first played in Brussels in May 1947 losing 2-1 and have only avoided defeat once in Belgium, a fantastic 5-0 win in 1951. Our last trip to the Belgian capital was a 2-0 defeat in the qualifiers for the 2014 World Cup, goals from Benteke and Kompany. Belgium won the section and went on to reach the quarter finals, Scotland finished 4th. Belgium won 4-0 at Hampden in a friendly last year so any points in Brussels will be an extremely welcome bonus but with the new manager at the helm Scotland will go into the fixture with some renewed optimism.



Scotland record against Belgium

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Best	Worst	Last
Home	8	3	2	3	9	12	2-0	0-4	0-4
Away	9	1	0	8	10	20	5-0	1-4	0-2
Total	17	4	2	11	19	32			

KING BAUDOUIN STADIUM



Stadium

The King Baudouin Stadium (Stade Roi Baudouin or Koning Boudewijnstadion) is a 50,093 all seater stadium in north west Brussels. Built in 1930 and previously named the Stude du Centenaire or Jubelstadion and the Heysel Stadium. It was the home of the Belgian National team until the Heysel disaster in 1985 where 39 people died before the European Cup Final between Juventus and Liverpool. Rebuilt and renamed to its current name in 1995 it became the home of the Red Devils again although there are plans to rebuild after a proposal to build a brand new stadium was defeated.



Tickets

SFA ticket pickup is from 6.30pm on match day until kick off. A portocabin just outside the ground, across the road from the Planetarium behind Tribune 2, see map below. Pick up your tickets as early as possible to avoid queues. Take your SSC card and/or a valid form of photo ID in order to ensure pick up of your ticket.

Scotland fans will be in Tribune 2 in Sections A, B, I, J, K, L and M. Cat 1 in Tribune 1 section L

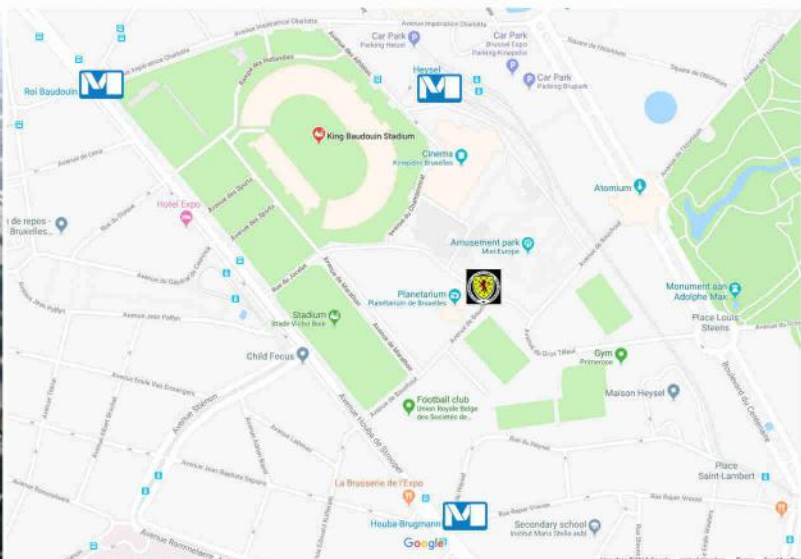
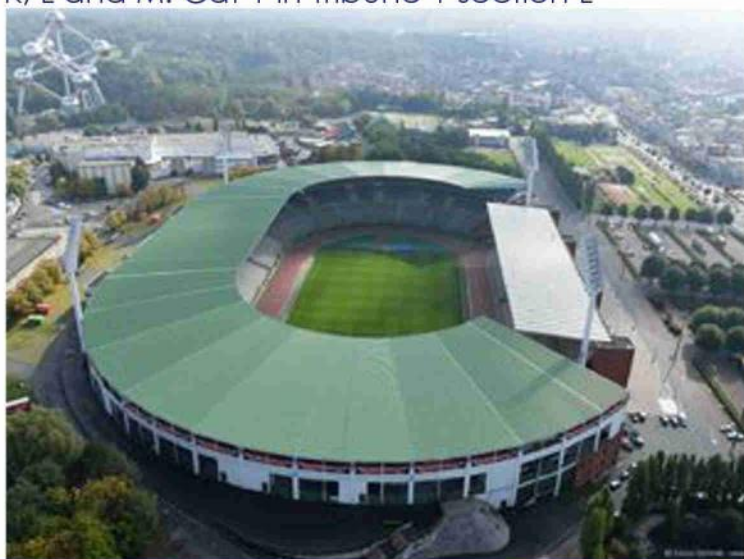


Getting To the Ground

The stadium is located about 6km north of the city centre. Three metro stations lie within walking distance of the stadium: Heysel, Roi Baudouin, and Houba-Brugmann, of which the first two are the closest. They can be reached with lines 2 and 6 from the centre of Brussels and also passes railway station Gare du Midi.

Away fans are advised to get off at Houba-Brugmann Station as it is closest to Tribune 2.

Previous experience has shown that access to the stadium is very slow so allow plenty of time for the queues and security checks.



BRUSSELS

The capital of Belgium and the European Union Brussels is in the heart of Europe and known for being a major centre of international politics as well as its historical and architectural landmarks including the Grand Place, Manekin Pis, Jeanneke Pis and the Atomium (pictured) out near the King Baoudoin Stadium.

Two majestic buildings that stand opposite each other on Brussels' Grand Place have a long-standing rivalry: on one side you have Brussels' City Hall, and on the other the Broodhuis (Bread House), a UNESCO World Heritage Site which houses the Brussels City Museum.

The area around the Grand Place can be the most expensive but there are cheap options for both drinking and eating. These feature a dining option most Scot are familiar with, the kebab. Many of the restaurant offering such dishes offer cheaper booze than you might get in the bars on the Grand Place.

One area that is recommended for a wider variety of traditional eating and dining place is the St Catherine area. There three bars within 100 yards of each other that offer a good range of Belgian beers and a lively bar. These are the Monk and Bar Des Amis on Rue St Catherine and a but further down there is Roskam on Rue de Flandre.

Just up from the Monk is a ribs place called Amadeus where you can get unlimited ribs for 18 euros. A 1.5 litre of red wine is 32 euros. The place s eclectically decorated to put it mildly and reservations are advised.

Another area off the beaten track is the Schumann area. The home to the European parliament this are also has several more orthodox pubs/bars as we would recognise them. These include Kitty O'Sheas, the Wild Geese, Funky Monkey and The Old Hack.

Slightly further away in the Chatelain area you will find some cheaper more local alternatives.

Bars

O'Reillys, 1 Place de la bourse, 1000 Bruxelles

A La Mort Subite, Rue Montagne aux Herbes Potagères 7, 1000 Bruxelles

Delirium Tremens (2500 beer list), Impasse de la Fidelite 4A, Brussels 1000

Moeder Lambic, Place Fontainas 8, 1000 Bruxelles

Supra Bailly (Chatelain), Rue du Bailli 77, 1050 Ixelles

Restaurants

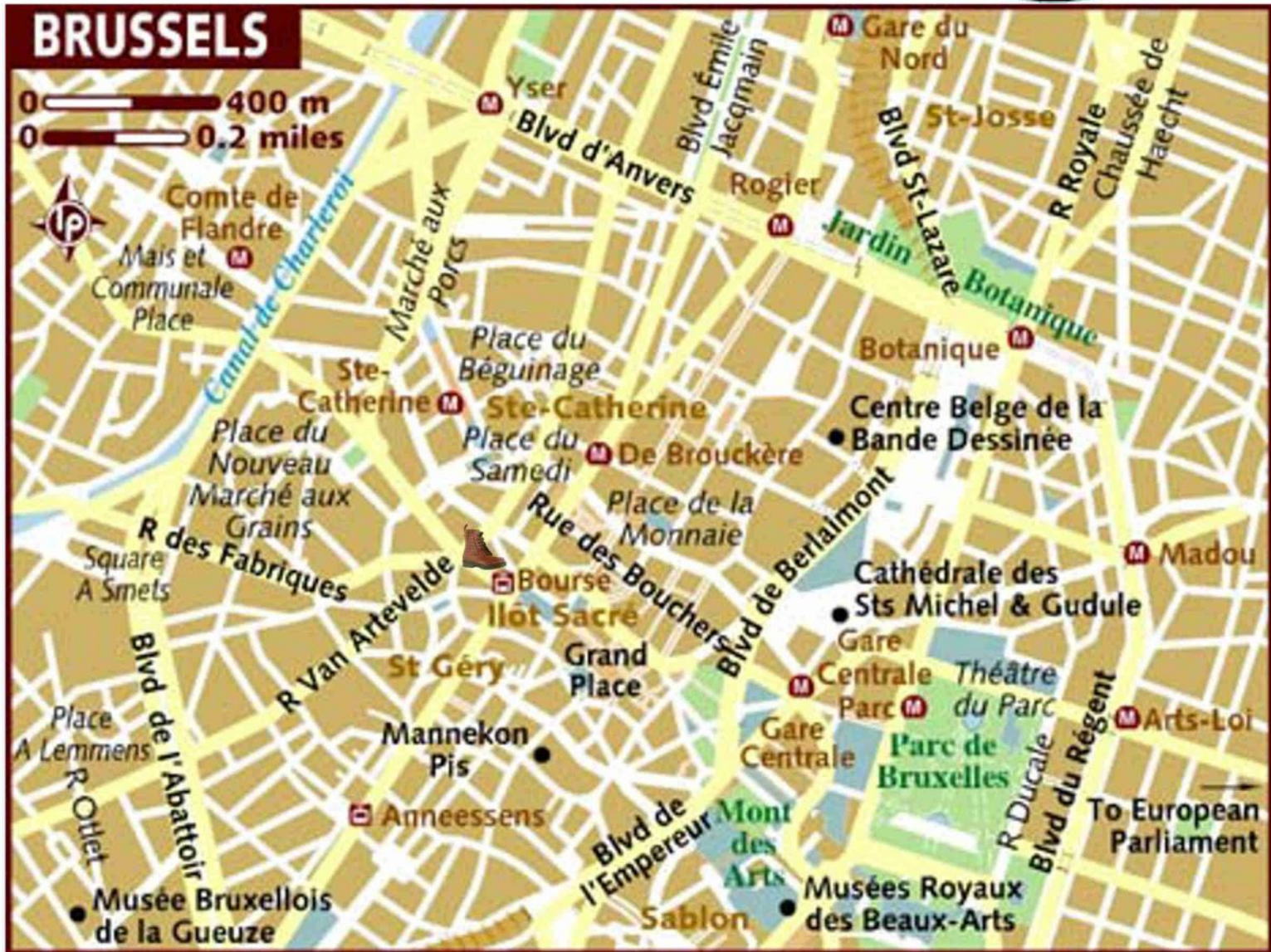
Pistolet Original - sablon, Rue Joseph Stevens 24, 1000 Bruxelles

Tonton Garby (Baggetes / Sandwiches) Rue Duquesnoy 6, Brussels 1000, Belgium

Le Pre Sale, Rue de Flandre 20, 1000 Bruxelles



TA IN BRUSSELS



Tartan Army Childrens Charity

TACC are donating £5000 to Kids Care Charity for their HUDREF sensory garden in Brussels, there is limited space at the presentation. For more info www.tartanarmychildrenscharity.org.uk

Nicht Afore Party

Ted Christopher and Tam Coyle will be playing in O'Reillys, 1 Place de la bourse, 1000 Bruxelles the night before the game (Monday 11th June) from 8pm and Ted will be there again on matchday from 2.30-6.30



Belgium Fans vs TA Select FC

Tuesday 11th June 2019
1PM kick off
Ritterklub VSV Jette, Brussels



Tartan Army Sunshine Appeal

The 73rd consecutive donation, will be to The Apple Garden which is part of the UZ Hospital in Brussels, where they donated (but to a different ward) in 2012.



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WINNING WORDS

Hello
Hello (informal)
How are you?

Fine, thank you
What is your name?

My name is _____
Nice to meet you
Please
Thank you
You're welcome
Yes
No

Excuse me. (getting attention)
Excuse me. (begging pardon)
(I am) sorry
Goodbye
I can't speak French well
Do you speak English?
Help!
Look out!
Good day/morning
Good evening
Good night
I don't understand
Where is the toilet?
I'm lost
Where is the train station?
Where is the British Embassy?

Bonjour. (bohn-ZHOOR)
Salut. (sah-LUU)
Comment allez-vous ? (kaw-mahng t-AH-lay VOO)

Bien, merci. (byang, mair-SEE)
Comment vous appelez vous ? (kaw-mahng vooz AP-lay VOO?)

Je m'appelle _____. (zhuh mah-PELL ____)
Enchanté(e). (ahn-shahn-TAY)
S'il vous plaît. (seel voo PLEH)
Merci. (merr-SEE)
De rien. (duh RYANG)
Oui. (WEE)
Non. (NOHN)

Pardon. (pahr-DOHN)
Excusez-moi. (ehk-SKEW-zay MWAH)
(Je suis) Désolé(e). (zhuh swee DAY-zoh-LAY)
Au revoir. (oh ruh-VWAHR)

Je ne parle pas [bien] français. (zhuh nuh PAHRL pah [byang] frahn-SEH)
Parlez-vous anglais ? (par-lay VOO sahng-LEH?)

Au secours! (oh suh-KOOR)
Attention ! (ah-tahn-see-OHN)

Bonjour (bong-zhoo(r))
Bonsoir. (bong-SWAHR)
Bonne nuit. (bawn-NWEE)

Je ne comprends pas. (zhuh nuh KOHM-prahn pah)
Où sont les toilettes ? (OOH sohn lay twah-LET?)

Je suis perdu. (ZHUH swee pehr-DUU')

Où se trouve la gare? (oo suh tr-OO-v lah gahr?)

Où se trouve l'ambassade Britannique? (oo suh tr-OO-v Britanique?)

Belgium has three official languages French, Dutch (Flemish) and German. Brussels operates as a bilingual city where both French (85%) and Dutch (Flemish) (15%) are official languages. Thus all the streets have two names, which can sound totally different. Winning words is in French as it is the most spoken in Brussels.



VS



Police!
I lost my bag

I lost my wallet

I'm sick
I need a doctor

I need your help.

Scotland
Belgium

Common signs

OPEN	Ouvert
CLOSED	Fermé (shop), Barrée (road)
ENTRANCE	Entrée
EXIT	Sortie
PUSH	Poussez
PULL	Tirez
TOILET	Toilette
MEN	Hommes
WOMEN	Femmes

Police! (poh-LEES)
J'ai perdu mon sac. (zhay pehr-DUU mohn SAK)
J'ai perdu mon portefeuille. (zhay pehr-DUU mohn POHR-tuh-fuhy)
Je suis malade. (zhuh swee mah-LAD)
J'ai besoin d'un médecin. (zhay buh-ZWAHN dun may-TSAN)
Aidez-moi, s'il vous plaît! (aih-day MWAH, SEEL voo PLEH!)

Écosse
Belgique



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Average Temperature in Brussels in June is 16°C

Currency Euro (EUR)

Time zone (CEST) BST +1

Associated plug types is C and E

Brexit will not happen before our trip to Belgium so normal EU rules will apply and you will not need a Visa.

Whit Sunday (9 and 10 June)

Whit Sunday and Whit Monday are national holidays in Belgium with schools and many businesses closed.

Health

The European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) is valid in Belgium but you should still take out travel and medical insurance before you travel.

The emergency services numbers in Belgium is 112

British Embassy Brussels

If you're in Belgium and you need urgent help (for example, you've been attacked, arrested or someone has died), call +32 2 287 62 11. If you're in the UK and worried about a British national in Belgium, call 020 7008 1500.

Avenue d'Auderghem 10 Email public.brussels@fco.gov.uk
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Embassy opening hours:

Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm

THIS EMBASSY WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY 10TH JUNE FOR WHITSUN BANK HOLIDAY

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info@associationoftartanarmyclubs.com

Getting There

There are many ways to head to Brussels and the Tartan Army will arrive by Plane, Trains and Automobiles. Maybe not so many of the latter.

Belgium is a small country (300km is the longest distance between any point) meaning that all airports are accessible to the capital including
Brussels Airport: 6 trains an hour to central Brussels
Brussels South Charleroi: 45 minute bus shuttle and bus to Charleroi Sud Train station
Antwerp: Shuttle bus to Antwerp-Berchem train station

As well as the airport connections above there is a direct train to Paris-CDG. An excellent rail network also includes direct links to Luxembourg, Rotterdam, Paris, Cologne, Amsterdam, Aachen and Frankfurt. That is not forgetting the Eurostar straight from London to Brussels Midi/Zuid.

There is an overnight ferry from Hull to Zeebrugge as well as close links to other Ferries in Calais, Dunkirk, Rotterdam and Ijmuiden (Amsterdam).

By Car/bus as well as the ferries there is also the Eurotunnel at Calais about 200km from Brussels.



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GROUP I



Pos	Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts
1	Belgium	2	2	0	0	5	1	4	6
2	Russia	2	1	0	1	5	3	2	3
3	Kazakhstan	2	1	0	1	3	4	-1	3
4	Cyprus	2	1	0	1	5	2	3	3
5	Scotland	2	1	0	1	2	3	-1	3
6	San Marino	2	0	0	2	0	7	-7	0

—	3-1	08-Jun	19-Nov	11-Jun	10-Oct
16-Nov	—	09-Sep	11-Jun	10-Oct	08-Jun
13-Oct	0-4	—	10-Oct	3-0	11-Jun
0-2	13-Oct	06-Sep	—	16-Nov	5-0
09-Sep	06-Sep	19-Nov	08-Jun	—	13-Oct
06-Sep	19-Nov	16-Nov	09-Sep	0-2	—



8th June (BST)

17:00	Russia	v	San Marino	Saransk
19:45	Belgium	v	Kazakhstan	Brussels
19:45	Scotland	v	Cyprus	Glasgow

11th June (CEST)

16:00	Kazakhstan	v	San Marino	Nur-Sultan
20:45	Belgium	v	Scotland	Brussels
20:45	Russia	v	Cyprus	Nizhny Novgorod



Nations League Finals

The first ever Nations League champions will be crowned in Portugal on Sunday 9th June. The four group winners from League A compete in semi-finals and final. Portugal beat Switzerland in the first semi and they will play Netherlands who beat England after extra time. Times in BST



5th June	19:45	Portugal	3-1	Switzerland	Porto
6th June	19:45	Netherlands	3-1(aet)	England	Guimarães

Third Place Play Off

9th June	14:00	Switzerland	v	England	Guimarães
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2019 Nations League Final

9th June	19:45	Portugal	v	Netherlands	Porto
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WOMEN'S WORLD CUP
FRANCE 2019

Women's World Cup 2019

(see World Cup Sporran Guide)
The 2019 Women's World Cup kicks off on Friday 7th June in France. Scotland have qualified and are looking forward to our first World Cup. Scotland are drawn in Group D against England, Japan and Argentina. First fixture is against the auld enemy in Nice two days before the Belgium match. All the TA will be behind the team. Fixtures details for Group D are below, Times are in CEST.

9th June	18:00	England	v	Scotland	Nice
10th June	18:00	Argentina	v	Japan	Paris
14th June	15:00	Japan	v	Scotland	Rennes
14th June	21:00	England	v	Argentina	Le Havre
19th June	21:00	Japan	v	England	Nice
19th June	21:00	Scotland	v	Argentina	Paris

Rank	Team	Group	Pos	Pld	Pts
25	Scotland	I	5th	2	3
26	Norway	F	5th	2	1
27	Serbia	B	4th	1	1
28	Finland	J	4th	2	3
29	Bulgaria	A	2nd	2	2
30	Israel	G	2nd	2	4
31	Hungary	E	3rd	2	3
32	Romania	F	3rd	2	3
33	Greece	J	2nd	2	4
34	Albania	H	3rd	2	3
35	Montenegro	A	4th	2	1
36	Cyprus	I	4th	2	3
37	Estonia	C	4th	1	0
38	Slovenia	G	4th	2	2
39	Lithuania	B	5th	1	0

League C Play Offs

The play offs in Nations League C will be the top ranked teams from 25 and under that fail to qualify from their qualification group. Not one of Scotland, Norway, Serbia or Finland are currently in a qualifying positions in their group so As it stands the League C play-offs would be

Scotland	v	Finland
Norway	v	Serbia

Scotland and Norway would be home for the semi final.

