



Hi Véronique, it's Nicole

The sun is shining here ! It's time to hop a across the Channel and meet me in the numerous summer festivals !

Nicole*

Nicole's inspired breaks...



Nicole's special selection

The Mid Summer Festival, English and French music, creation, theatre

The Festival 11 to 27 June 2010

The solstice, Shakespeare, a festival



At the start of summer, the shortest night invites dreams and pleasure. It is the summer solstice, a unique time when the dividing line between day and night, the real and the imaginary, tend to blur. Shakespeare wrote a play about it: *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Over three weekends in June, at the foot of the ramparts of Château d'Hardelot, an ephemeral Elizabethan theatre made from canvas and wood will be erected. It is this date and this place, and thanks to Shakespeare, that the idea of the Midsummer festival came into being. [Find out more](#)

The Great War, 1914 - 1918 in Pas-de-Calais

Following the success of the euro-regional map 14-18 (that you can still order at Nicole@pas-de-calais.com), I've decided to present some articles about the nations which fought on our territory during WWI as well as unknown and famous heroes. I hope you will enjoy reading these testimonies from the past. This month, Vera Brittain... [Find out more](#)

Fantastic offer at the Coq Hotel*** in Montreuil-sur-Mer

Our top choice*

■ Cassel bagpipes festival



The tenth Cassel Cornemuses on the 12th, 13th and 14th of June will be a [great event as usual](#)

■ Clef de sol Festival - Lille

. Every Thursday at 6.30 pm, a concert of classical music performed by internationally renowned artists is held in one of the city's historic places. [More](#)

■ Family days out : fun maze at the ecomuseum

From 01/07/2010 to 31/08/2010 in SAINS-DU-NORD

Come and join the bees foraging for nectar in our new maze and enjoy a whole succession of surprises and discoveries! "

Situated in the Avesnois Regional Nature Park and by France's largest lake north of Paris, take a break at Valjoly tourist resort. [Find out more](#)

The Coq Hotel*** is located in the centre of the medieval town of Montreuil-sur-mer. Recently and comprehensively renovated it is modern and comfortable but has all the charm of a typical nineteenth century bourgeois townhouse.

The hotel is reached from the restaurant Le Cocquempot through a courtyard garden.



The owners Mr & Mrs Pousset propose incredible discounts all year round. [Find out more](#)

Spa and sauna weekend in a bed and breakfast



Catherine Rombeaut, who speaks perfect English, welcomes you once again to her bed and breakfast accommodation in the Avesnois. she invites you to her newly opened relaxation centre.

For 90 € you can have a weekend for two including a night's accommodation, breakfast and a one hour session in her spa and sauna.. On top of all that, you are sure of a warm and friendly welcome . [Find out more](#)

Flaneries at Vaucelles and the 18th annual antiques fair

From 04/06/2010 to 06/06/2010 at LES RUES-DES-VIGNES



In a setting of lush greenery the Friends of Vaucelles Abbey invite you to a relaxing day out in the country with friends or family at the XVIIIth Antiques Fair and the VIth Flâneries Jardinières du Haut Escaut, a celebration of gardens in the grounds of the abbey as part of the nationwide "Rendez-vous aux Jardins" event. A range of different activities and events will be taking place, including the antiques fair and, outside, a flower market and home décor market. Catering facilities will be available in a marquee in the grounds on the Saturday and Sunday. Admission: adults 6 €, children free. Groups: adults 5 €/ children free on the Friday afternoon.

The Friends of Vaucelles Abbey

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* Dates for your Diary

■ Music Festivals in June in Pas-de-Calais
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■ TRANSHUMANCE - Desvres
June 27, Desvres
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■ World ocean day -Boulogne sur Mer
June 8, 2010
A real festival of the sea, World Ocean Day aims to raise public awareness of the marine environment. [Find out more](#)

■ Chronicles of a port at war- Dunkerque 1939-1945
From 27/05/2010 to 16/01/2011 in DUNKERQUE
The port of Dunkerque was the North Sea's strategic focus during the 1939-1945 World War and the scene of massive military operations [more](#)

■ Water festival - St Amand les Eaux
WATER FESTIVAL
From 10/06/2010 to 13/06/2010 in SAINT-AMAND-LES-EAUX

Ten years ago the Water Festival saw the [appearance of gondalas ...](#)

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