

how to get to...

LEUVEN



drungli.com momondo.com skyscanner.net jetcost.com liligo.com rome2rio.com
=> good sites to search cheap flights all over Europe (also to and from Belgium)

BRUSSELS NATIONAL AIRPORT (brusselsairport.be/en)

Railway station is located under the airport

- 2 connections per hour / about 15 minutes / € 9,30
- First train at 05:21, last train at 00:47 (on Sat and Sun at 05:01 and 00:47)

BRUSSELS SOUTH CHARLEROI AIRPORT (charleroi-airport.com)

Small lowcost airport 50 km outside of Brussels, in Charleroi. No direct connections to Leuven. You have to take the shuttle bus to Brussels first (takes about 1 hour). If you have a delay and have no more connection to Brussels, a taxi to Leuven will cost you ±€100.

Shuttle bus to Brussels: Brussels city shuttle

- two per hour; drives ±1 hour to Brussels (to 'Zuid/Midi' train station)
- First one at 04:30, then 07:50, 08:30, 09:00,... Last one at midnight.
- one-way for € 17 (online € 5 - 14,20) / you can only pay by (credit) card!
- buy a ticket outside of the airport (follow the blue line) or online (brussels-city-shuttle.com)

From Brussels 'Zuid / Midi' to Leuven:

- 5 trains per hour / about 30 minutes / € 5,50
- First train at 05:12, last train at 00:21 (on Sat and Sun at 05:56 and 00:21)



www.eurolines.com www.flixbus.com www.ouibus.be
=> international buses don't stop in Leuven, all connections go via Brussels.

Eurolines stops at Brussels 'Noord / Nord' station, Flixbus stops near Brussels 'Noord / Nord' & 'Zuid / Midi' station, Ouibus stops at Brussels 'Zuid / Midi' station. It will be no problem to catch a train from Brussels to Leuven, but watch out: buses often have a delay, so you might have to spend the night in Brussels if you're late.



eurostar.com thalys.com www.izy.com

=> international trains to and from Belgium. International trains don't stop in Mechelen, only in Brussels 'Zuid / Midi' and Antwerp central station. If you come from Paris or Cologne: get out in Brussels, If you come from Amsterdam: get out in Antwerp and transfer to Leuven

Eurostar = international high-speed train between the UK, France and Belgium.

Thalys = international high-speed train between France, Belgium and the Netherlands.

Izy = lowcost Thalys trains between Paris and Brussels.

TRAINS IN BELGIUM (belgianrail.be)

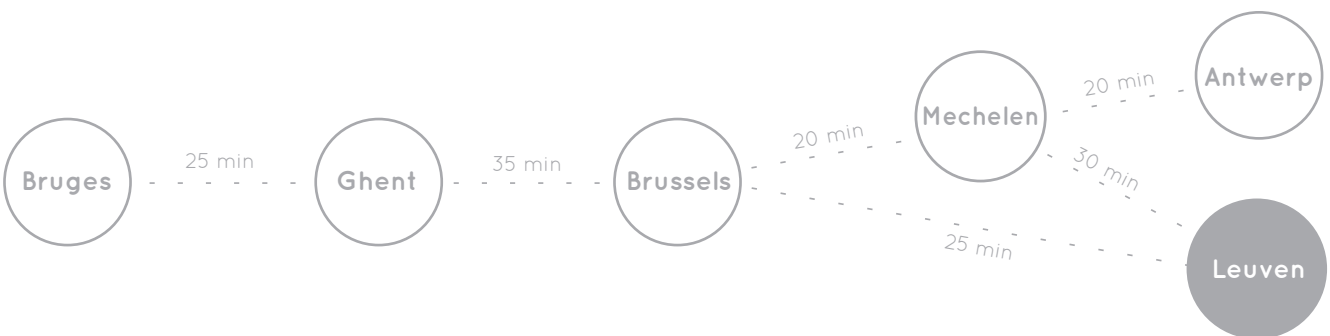
TIP: Travelling with friends

- 25 or younger Go-Pass 10 (10 rides for €52)
- older than 25 Rail Pass (10 rides for €77)

Both passes can be used between all Belgian stations with more than 1 person at the same time.

Tip: Travelling alone

- one-way trips Go-Pass One (one-way ticket to anywhere in Belgium for €6.40)
* only -26 years old. Buy from ticketing machines in stations
or print at home
* always check if a 'standard ticket' isn't cheaper
- return trips Weekend ticket (usually almost half the price of regular ones)
* only during weekends, from Friday night (19:00) onwards



Leuven lies very close to Brussels, with many direct connections. Train from Brussels to Leuven = €5,50. There are 3 stations in Brussels: 'Zuid/ Midi', 'Central' and 'Noord / Nord'.

All Belgian trains stop in these three stations, so you can choose. Brussels 'Noord / Nord' is closest to Leuven.

IC-trains (InterCity) go faster than IR-trains (Inter-Regional). Don't take slow L-trains (local).