

CULTURE AND HERITAGE, AVENCHES

MUSÉE ROMAIN D'AVENCHES

The Roman Museum is dedicated entirely to Aventicum, the capital of Roman Helvetia. Surrounded by a 5.5 km wall with 4 gates and 73 towers leading up to the ramparts, Aventicum had a population of 20,000, a number that has never again been reached in the history of Avenches.

Opened in 1838, this museum is located in the 12th century fortified tower built on the Roman amphitheatre. It includes a display of mosaics and friezes and explores the history and romanisation of Aventicum and the private life of the Helvetii. The key piece of the collection is a gold bust of the Emperor Marc-Aurèle, found in 1939 in a pipe of the Cigognier sanctuary.

The remains of the theatre and amphitheatre, a temple, a sanctuary, the thermal baths of the forum or the east gate of Aventicum are permanently visible and accessible.

OPENING HOURS

From 1 Apr 2026 to 31 May 2026

Tuesday - Sunday 10:00 - 17:00

From 1 Jun 2026 to 30 Jun 2026

Monday - Sunday 10:00 - 17:00

From 1 Jul 2026 to 30 Sep 2026

Tuesday - Sunday 10:00 - 17:00

From 1 Oct 2026 to 31 Oct 2026

Tuesday - Sunday 14:00 - 17:00

From 1 Nov 2026 to 31 Jan 2027

Wednesday - Sunday 14:00 - 17:00

From 1 Feb 2027 to 31 Mar 2027

Tuesday - Sunday 14:00 - 17:00

PRICES

Price

Entrance Free

GOOD TO KNOW

- Guided tours on request to Avenches Tourism
- Open on Easter Monday and Pentecost
- Closed on December 25, 26 and 31 and January 1st and 2nd
- The museum remains open during the renovation of the amphitheatre.



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