





It is a privilege for me to welcome you to Basel, as it plays host to the 2016 UEFA Europa League final. This city has experienced some fantastic nights of continental football down the years as well as some thrilling matches at UEFA EURO 2008 and we hope for another historic chapter to be written here in this showpiece fixture.

The competition has been given added spice by the awarding of a place in the UEFA Champions League to the winners with Sevilla FC being the first to claim that prize in Warsaw 12 months ago. We hope that, whoever wins here, you all enjoy a night of great football that is played in a spirit of fair play

Thank you to all of the Swiss FA, the city of Basel, all of the volunteers and, last but not least, you – the fans – for making this final a memorable event.

Theodore Theodoridis, UEFA General Secretary ad interim



It is with great pleasure and pride that I welcome you to Basel, Switzerland, for this year's UEFA Europa League final. Enjoy this picturesque and football-loving city, our multicultural country and, of course, a great football match!

Peter Gilliéron, Swiss Football Association president



Canton of Basel-Stadt

I am very pleased to welcome you to Basel. I wish all the fans a fantastic day with their team here in our city and an entertaining game at our beloved stadium. May the best team win.

Dr. Christoph Eymann, Basel state councillor

## **WELCOME TO BASEL**

Basel is considered to be the cultural capital of Switzerland: it has a beautiful historical city centre and nearly 40 museums. The city is on the river Rhine in the German-speaking part of Switzerland, bordering France and Germany. This unique location is one of the reasons why the citizens of Basel are known to be open-minded and cosmopolitan. At the same time, traditions and the history of the city are of high importance to them. This shows, for example, through their strong support of the local football club, FC Basel. Whether at domestic matches or at international level, the team can count on their big fan base, which has helped Basel to gain a reputation as Switzerland's football stronghold. However, the enthusiasm for sport goes further than that: the city is also very proud of tennis star Roger Federer, who was born and grew up in the Basel region.

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## **HOW TO GET TO BASEL**

The city can be reached by plane via EuroAirport, which is only 15 minutes away from the city centre, or via Zurich airport. However, travelling to Basel is also convenient by train, as there are two train stations in Basel, or by car, as Switzerland's main motorway axis runs through Basel. Once you arrive in the city, getting around is no problem thanks to the city's excellent public transport network.

## WHERE TO STAY

Basel offers accommodation for every need: from the traditional luxury hotel or the modern designer hotel to youth hostels and family bed and breakfasts, you are guaranteed to find something suitable for you. Book your accommodation at the best prices online (at www.basel.com) or by phone (on +41 61 268 68 68).

## **INFORMATION ABOUT THE STADIUM**

- The only authorised way to purchase tickets is through UEFA.com. Tickets are not available for sale at the stadium and there is no way to access the stadium without a ticket. If you do not have a ticket in your possession, do not come to the stadium!
- Supporters are advised to keep their tickets in a secure place where they cannot be stolen. In the event of a ticket being lost, no replacement will be issued.
- · Please note that spectators will only be allowed to enter the stadium upon presentation of a valid ticket for each person, regardless of age. Parents take full responsibility for children attending the match.
- · All instructions from stewards and police must be followed.
- · There are no parking spaces available around the stadium. We recommend that you use the park-and-ride.
- It is important that all spectators follow the signage directing them to the gate and entrance printed on their
- · Spectators and their belongings will be screened by stewards at the stadium's security perimeters. A list of prohibited items and the stadium rules will be posted outside the stadium.
- · Carrying fireworks, drinks, weapons, laser pointers, sound-emitting devices such as megaphones, klaxons or vuvuzelas, suitcases, sporting bags, large backpacks and bags (maximum bag size permitted is 25x25x25cm) or any other items that are on the prohibited items list or could disrupt public order is forbidden.
- The complete ground regulations and ticketing terms and conditions are available:
  - · in German at http://www.fcb.ch/getmedia/29a4ce9b-5eaf-41e1-8bb9-2a79e136bac9/Stadionordnung-Version-O.pdf
  - in English at http://www.fcb.ch/getmedia/c7317479d239-4ad5-a17a-6a8e8bd6d526/Stadiumrules-St-Jakob-Park.pdf

• All spectators should arrive at the stadium as early as possible. The stadium will open at 17:45 and kick-off will be at 20:45 (local time).

## Disabled facilities and access

 Access for disabled people is through gates C1 and C6, via lifts from street level to the stadium entrances – any entrance can be used (open stadium policy). The lifts are stewarded and are for the use of disabled fans only.

















## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The city of Basel is pleased to assist you and offer you our services during your stay in Basel. At our tourist information centres you will find a wide variety of brochures and local souvenirs. On 17 and 18 May we will also provide services at the information desk at EuroAirport (at the Switzerland exit) and at the information tent outside the main train station (see map).

- · www.basel.ch (Canton of Basel-City)
- www.basel.com (tourist information)
- www.bvb.ch (public transport)
- www.euroairport.com (EuroAirport) · www.polizei.bs.ch (Basel police)
- www.sbb.ch/uefa (Swiss trains)
- Emergency services: 112



## **HOW TO GET TO THE STADIUM**

(Liverpool FC fan meeting point)
Walking from the fan meeting point at Barfüsserplatz to St. Jakob-Park takes approximately 40 minutes. Alternatively, you can take tram 14 to M-Parc (the last stop), from where you can follow signs to the stadium, which is only a short walk down the road.

It takes about 50 minutes to walk from the fan meeting point at Claraplatz to St. Jakob-Park. From 18:00 to 19:30 there will be extra trams to take you to Schulstrasse, from where you can follow signs along the river Birs to the stadium.

There will be no signposts, but if there are fan walks from the meeting points the police will provide escorts.

From the city centre spectators in sectors A, B, C1–C3 and G1-G5 can take either tram 11 or tram 14 (both going to M-Parc), and spectators in sectors D, C4-C6 and G6-G10 can take tram 3 to Schulstrasse.

There are several car parks. Follow the signs on the motorway to the relevant car park. From there you can use public transport. Information will be provided at each car park.

From the main train station (Basel SBB/SNCF) you can either walk to the stadium, which takes about 20 minutes or take the S3 train to Dreispitz, from which it is only a short walk to the stadium. The S3 is the best way to get back to the train station after the match. From there trains go to Zurich and Bern

## MATCHDAY FAN MEETING POINTS

On the day of the UEFA Europa League final there will be two separate fan meeting points – one for each team in the final. Both will be in the city centre, close to numerous bars, restaurants and shops.

- Barfüsserplatz has been allocated to Liverpool FC fans
- · Claraplatz has been allocated to Sevilla FC fans

# HOW TO GET FROM SUPPORTER BUS PARKING AREAS TO FAN MEETING POINTS

- Ten minutes' walk to tram stop Grosspeterstrasse
- Tram 14 from Grosspeterstrasse to Barfüsserplatz

## From CT Areal (Sevilla FC fan bus parking) to Cla • Twenty minutes' walk to bus stop Redingstrasse

- Bus 36 from Redingstrasse to Badischer Bahnhof
- Five minutes' walk or trams 2 or 6 from Badischer Bahnhof to Claraplatz

## **POST-MATCH RETURN TO SUPPORTER**

Post-match, fans will be requested to walk back to their respective bus parking areas where food and drink stands and portable toilets have been organised. Buses will be released from the parking area according to flight schedules.

### **NEUTRAL FAN ZONE**

The fan zone will be in Münsterplatz – one of Basel's most famous squares, in the heart of the old town – and all fans are invited to come and enjoy the festive atmosphere. Fans will be able to have their picture taken with the trophy, practise their skills with professional freestylers and challenge their friends in the 1 v 1 battle arena, and the UEFA Europa League partners will provide further entertainment. The fan zone will be open on 17 May from 12:00 to 22:00 and on 18 May from 11:00 to 19:00.

If you have a match ticket for the UEFA Europa League final in Basel, you can use Basel public transport free of charge in zones 10 and 13. You can use buses and trams for free all day on 18 May. The zone 10 ticket covers both fan meeting points, the neutral fan zone and the stadium, as well as all connections between car parks.





