





An unique path of Peace in Europe







Landscape art floodlights the memory of the First World War



# The Gardens of Peace Hauts-de-France - Grand Est - Belgium

## A landscaped tour of the memorial sites of the Great War

A unique landscape project on the emblematic sites of remembrance of the First World War, the Art & Jardins association I Hauts-de-France, the Mission of the Centenary of the First World War and the Ministry of the Armed Forces have developed a creative and innovative journey in the colours of the nations that were at war and who now embrace the cause of peace in the contemporary world. It is an invitation to landscape architects and architects from the warring countries, to trace avenues of reflection on a world that is marked by economic, political and ecological upheavals.

Since 2018, the centenary year marking the end of the First World War, 20 Gardens of Peace have been created in Hauts-de-France, Belgium and now in the Grand Est. They offer a different, sensitive and complementary approach to places of memory: from the moat of the Château in Péronne to those of the Vauban fortifications in Le Quesnoy, from the Glade of the armistice in the forest of Compiègne to the village of Vieux-Craonne on the Chemin des Dames, via the Targette in Neuville-Saint-Vaast, Arras, Thiepval, Vimy, Notre-Dame-de-Lorette, Richebourg, Noyelles-sur-Mer, Braine, Vouziers and also to Passchendaele in Belgium. Created with the support of local authorities, these Gardens of Peace create spaces for rest and reflection, offering an alternative perspective on our future and on peace which is always in question.

Art & Jardins I Hauts-de-France sought to extend its Gardens of Peace project beyond the Hauts-de-France region. A three-year agreement was signed with the Ministry of the Armed Forces at the end of 2020 to extend its deployment to the region of the Grand Est; initial contacts have been made with various agencies and the different communities. In 2022-2023, 13 Gardens of Peace will be created near or within national necropolises, on sites identified in consultation with the Department of Heritage, Memory and the Ministerial archives.

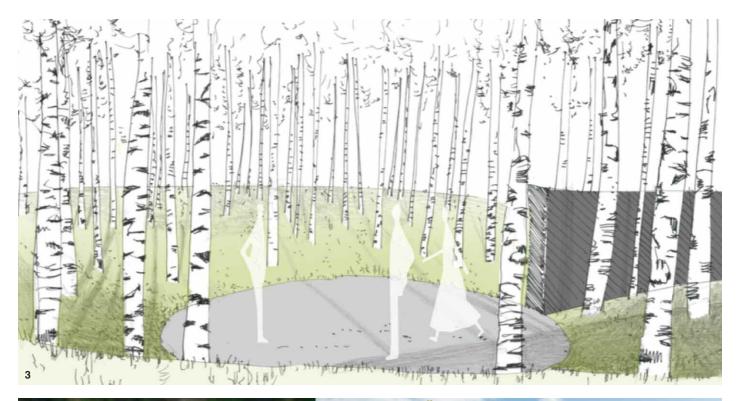
By 2024, a Path of Peace - made up of nearly 40 gardens dedicated to the First World War and situated along the front line - will emerge from the borders of Belgium to Alsace via the departments of the Nord, Pas-de -Calais, Somme, Aisne, Oise, Ardennes, Marne, Meuse, Moselle, Meurthe- et-Moselle, Vosges, Bas-Rhin and Haut-Rhin. In 2022, 10 new Gardens of Peace will be launched in the Grand Est and the Hauts-de-France regions.

This Path of Peace, which is unprecedented in France and in Europe, will form a complementary itinerary to the traditional circuit of Memory. It will be enhanced in 2024 by the publication of a new book presenting all the landscape works of the two regions which will retrace this formidable human adventure.

#### **Process of creating a Garden of Peace**

Having chosen the sites with the institutional partners, the association launches an international call for projects for each garden, which is open to landscapers and architects from the nations concerned by the places of memory. Then a jury of international landscape and architectural experts, institutional partners, sponsors and members of the association - select the winners. The association then consults with the landscapers who are paid fees for the design and construction. It also mobilises local service providers for the realisation of the garden and supervises the conception of the project with the landscapers. Finally, for the association, the question of maintenance is an essential condition for the sustainability of the gardens. Once the work has been completed, the Garden of Peace is inaugurated in the presence of the sponsors and the partners.











## The 14 Gardens of Peace built between 2018 and 2020



Scottish Garden of Peace Arras (Pas-de-Calais) The pipers of peace by Anna Rhodes and Melissa Orr



Canadian Garden of Peace Vimy (Pas-de-Calais) Flag by the ESCARGO collective Julie Parenteau, Karyna Saint-Pierre and Pierre-Yves Diehl



French Garden of Peace Notre-Dame-De-Lorette (Pas-de-Calais) A walk in the undergrowth by Élise and Martin Hennebicque



Czech and Slovak Garden of Peace Neuville-Saint-Vaast (Pas-de-Calais) The walk of peace by the NAZDAR collective Lenka Dřevjaná, Zuzana Němečková and Miroslava Staneková



Belgian Garden of Peace Le Quesnoy (Nord) The assault of the ramparts by the Plan B collective Thomas Van Eeckhout and Mathieu Allain



New Zealand Garden of Peace Le Quesnoy (Nord) Rangimarie by Xanthe White and her team, Zoë Carafice and Charmaine Bailie

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Irish and Northern Irish Garden of Peace Péronne (Somme) *The garden of Eutychia* by Peter Donegan and Ian Price



English Garden of Peace Thiepval (Somme) Pax Dryades by Helen and James Basson

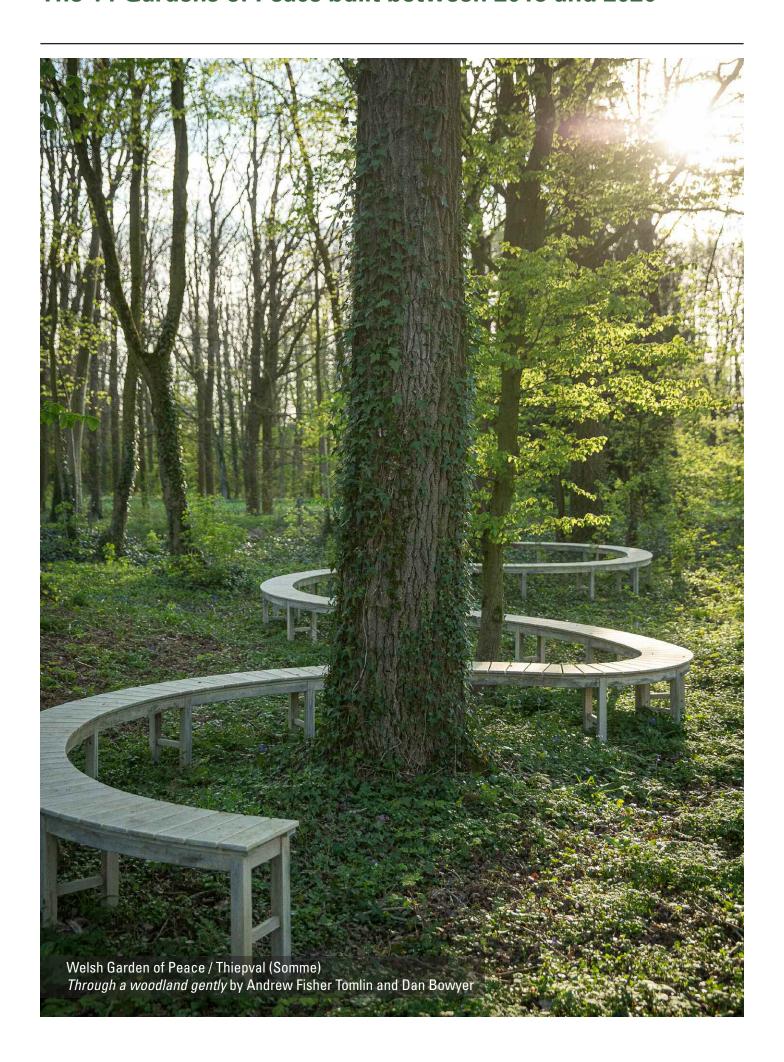


French Garden of Peace Passchendaele (Belgium) The 100-year garden by Wagon Landscaping Mathieu Gontier, Pierre David and Gilles Garreau



Moroccan Garden of Peace Craonne (Aisne) The garden of Hesperides by Karim El Achak and Bernard Depoorter

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German Garden of Peace Craonne (Aisne) Cultivate the memory by Thilo Folkerts



Italian Garden of Peace Craonne (Aisne) 592 by Lorenza Bartolazzi, Luca Catalano and Claudia Clementini



Franco-German Garden of Peace Compiègne (Oise) The garden of the third train by Marc Blume, Gilles Brusset and Francesca Liggieri

# A Path of Peace to visit in the Hauts-de-France and Grand Est regions and as far as Belgium

#### 20 Gardens of Peace completed between 2018 and 2021

AISNE

Braine

Danish Garden of Peace / 2021

Located on Chemin des Dames, next to the only Danish necropolis built in France

Craonne

German Garden of Peace / 2018 Italian Garden of Peace / 2018

**Moroccan Garden of Peace / 2018** 

Located in Vieux-Craonne, on the Chemin des Dames

NORD

Flesquières

Franco-British Garden of Peace / 2020-2021

Located next to the Cambrai Tank 1917 Interpretation Center

Le Quesnoy

Belgian Garden of Peace / 2018
New Zealand Garden of Peace / 2018

Located in the moats of the Vauban fortifications

OISE

Compiègne

Franco-German Garden of Peace / 2018

Located near the Clairière de l'Armistice

SOMME

Noyelles-sur-Mer

Chinese Garden of Peace / 2021

Located next to the Chinese cemetery of Nolette

Péronne

Irish and Northern Irish Garden of Peace / 2018

Located in the moat of the castle - Historial de la Grande Guerre

Thiepval

English Garden of Peace / 2018

Welsh Garden of Peace / 2018

Located near the Visitor Centre - Site Museum, in the undergrowth leading to the Memorial

**PAS-DE-CALAIS** 

Arras

Scottish Garden of Peace / 2018

Located near the Faubourg d'Amiens Military Cemetery

Neuville-Saint-Vaast

Czech and Slovak Garden of Peace / 2019

Located next to the National Necropolis and the

Monument to the Fraternisations

Polish Garden of Peace / 2020-2021

Located behind the Monument to Polish Volunteers

Notre-Dame-de-Lorette

French Garden of Peace / 2018-2020

Located near the Circle of Memory

Richebourg

Portuguese Garden of Peace / 2021

Located near the Indian Garden of Peace

Vimy

Canadian Garden of Peace / 2018

Located near the Vimy Memorial Visitor and Education Centre

**BELGIUM** 

Passchendaele

French Garden of Peace / 2019

Located in a poppy at the Memorial Museum Passchendaele 1917

**ARDENNES** 

Vouziers

Czech & Slovak Garden of Peace / 2021

Located in the National Necropolis of Chestres

#### 14 new Gardens of Peace to be built in 2022 and 2023

**PAS-DE-CALAIS** 

Arras

**New Zealand Garden of Peace** 

Located near the Memorial wall

Richebourg

**Indian Garden of Peace** 

Located near the Portuguese Garden of Peace

SOMME

**Amiens** 

**Australian Garden of Peace** 

Located at the entrance to the Citadel

Doullens

**African Garden of Peace** 

Located in the Citadel

MARNE

Souain-Perthes-lès-Hurlus

**American Garden of Peace** 

Located at the Monument aux Morts des Armées de Champagne and the Navarino ossuary

MEUSE

Douaumont

French Garden of Peace Algerian Garden of Peace

Vietnamese Garden of Peace

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**African Garden of Peace** 

Located in the National Necropolis of Fleury-devant-Douaumont

MOSELLE

Metz

**Russian Garden of Peace** 

Located in the National Necropolis of Chambière

MEURTHE-ET-MOSELLE

Montauville

**Garden of Peace** 

Le Pétant national necropolis

**VOSGES** 

Ban-de-Sapt

**French Garden of Peace** 

National necropolis in La Fontenelle

**HAUT-RHIN** 

Wattwiller

Franco-German Garden of Peace

Hartmannswillerkopf National Monument

**BAS-RHIN** 

Schirmeck

**Garden of Peace** 

Located in the Alsace Moselle Memorial of WWII

Other sites are being studied to extend the landscaped route of the Gardens of Peace. Site visits will still be carried out in 2021-2022, which will facilitate the development of new public and private partnerships to ensure the financing of the projects. Nationalities under consideration for these new Gardens of Peace, include Germany, Austria, Sweden, Romania, Armenia, Madagascar...

# The Art & Jardins association | Hauts-de-France





Since 2017 on the initiative of the Hauts-de-France Region, Art & Jardins | Hauts-de-France a unique project has been deployed around the theme of the garden. After taking over the organisation of the *International Garden Festival / Hortillonnages Amiens*, a project was initiated by creating *Gardens of Peace* on the whole of the Hauts-de-France territory with the support of the Mission of the Centenary of the First World War.

A true catalyst of emotions and developer of talents, the association Art & Jardins I Hauts-de-France has several objectives:

- To assert itself as a production structure and to support landscape, architectural and plastic creation, with a particular focus on young designers
- To question natural and heritage sites to enhance and preserve the patrimonial and cultural heritage while developing the attractiveness of the territory, and stimulating economic development
- To encourage reflections about Peace, its memory, its preservation at a time when Europe is looking inwardly and when it is essential to remember that European construction was built on peace and that peace is the future of our planet
- To encourage professional integration with an insertion workshop and an accreditation for volunteering in civic service as well as a partnership with the prison administration
- To re-examine the nutritional capabilities of certain sites, and more broadly to integrate
  the societal and environmental issues particularly those of water, food and climate
  change
- To participate in the social and solidarity economy by distributing the food that is produced.
- To encounter new audiences, especially the younger generations with little or no access to culture, to raise their awareness of creation, landscape, food production, short supply chains, eating well, the issues of climate change, and to be involved in group and civic actions
- To build international partnerships around our artistic, ecological, social and societal approach and preoccupations.

#### A label of artistic & landscaped creation in the service of a territory

#### In order to meet these objectives Art & Jardins I Hauts-de-France is deploying several structuring projects:

- The creation of *Gardens of Peace* in the Hauts-de-France, the Grand Est and in Belgium.
- The establishment of strong local partnerships with the Mining Basin: five participatory citizen's gardens were created in 2019-2020 in Lens, Calonne-Ricouart and Grenay by mobilising our teams.
- The production and organisation of the International Garden Festival | Hortillonnages Amiens (created in 2010 by the Maison de la Culture d'Amiens) which celebrated its 12th edition in 2021. True artistic originality, this event has welcomed 450,000 visitors to date and enabled the creation of 170 works by 245 visual artists, landscapers and architects.
   Pierre de Coubertin high school in Calais, high school in Amiens, Cassini high schools.
   Clermont de l'Oise, Chauny high schools.
   The exchange of expertise and experience internationally with Franco-Belgian and Francross-border projects, but also with Moroco.
- The enhancement of the Somme Valley with the design of landscaped gardens from Saint-Quentin to the Bay of the Somme, thus participating in departmental itineraries along the river and becoming part of a major regional project. This project will be extended and developed within the framework of a partnership with the Departmental Council of the Somme.
- The development of cultural and artistic partnerships with *lille 3000* (participation in *Eldorado* in 2019 and *Utopia* in 2022).

- In partnership with the Rectorates of the Academies in Lille and Amiens, and in conjunction with the services of the Hauts-de-France Region, the association is also working on the creation of vegetable and educational gardens in high schools to raise awareness among young people of nourishment and healthy eating, short circuits and the societal challenges of tomorrow linked to climate change: Pasteur high school in Lille, Pierre de Coubertin high school in Calais, Delambre high school in Amiens, Cassini high school in Clermont de l'Oise, Chauny high schools.
- The exchange of expertise and experience internationally with Franco-Belgian and Franco-English cross-border projects, but also with Morocco. Cooperation agreements have in particular been concluded with the School of Architecture of Marrakech in Morocco and with the Memorial Museum Passchendaele 1917 for the creation of a Belgian Garden of Peace in France at Le Quesnoy and a French Garden of Peace in Passchendaele in Belgium (European project PLATO). From June to November 2021, an exhibition of photos of our achievements was displayed at the Schloss Dyck Foundation in the Rhineland.

#### The association in numbers (2021)

- More than 40 artists and landscapers under contract
- 50 regional service providers under contract
- More than 45 employees including an integration project of 17 agents
- 10 volunteers in civic service
- A regional collection of 86 contemporary landscape and plastic works
- A target of 110 contemporary, landscaped and architectural permanent exhibits by 2023 /
   An attendance of 1 million visitors and tourists per year to the sites

To carry out these missions, Art & Jardins I Hauts-de-France is supported by the Hauts-de-France Region, Europe, the French State (Ministry of the Armed Forces, DREETS), Amiens Métropole, the Departmental Council of Pas-de-Calais, the Departmental Council of Somme, the Community of Agglomeration of Lens-Liévin, the Community of Agglomeration of Cambrai, the Community of Agglomeration of Béthune-Bruay Artois Lys Romane, as well as many sponsors, the French Institute and foreign embassies.









#### **Art & Jardins Achievements**

1 International Garden Festival |
Hortillonnages Amiens: Memory of a tree
by Yuhsin U Chang, 2020
2 International Garden Festival |
Hortillonnages Amiens: maintenance work carried
out by agents of the integration work site, 2021
3 Citizen gardens of the Mining Basin:
Winding head by Green Resistance, CalonneRicouart, former Cité Quenehem, 2020
4 International Garden Festival |
Hortillonnages Amiens: Hortillophones
by Raphaëlle Duquesnoy, 2019
5 Gardens of the Somme Valley:
A look between two waters by l'Atelier
Les Jardiniers Nomades, Abbeville, 2018





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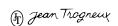








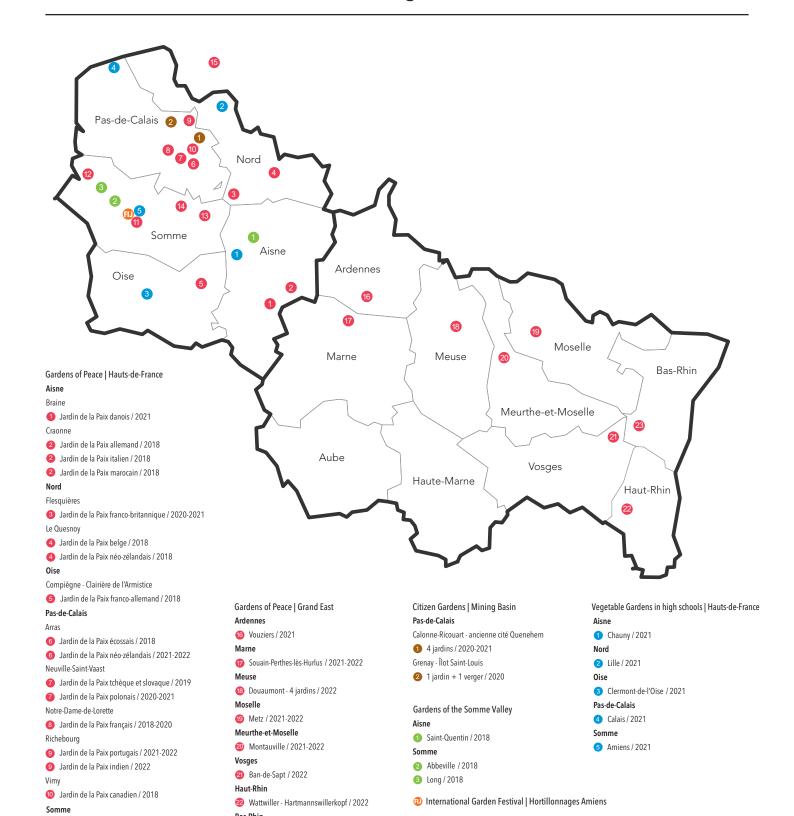






# Map of landscaped garden creations

### in Hauts-de-France, Grand Est and in Belgium



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#### Gardens of Peace | Belgium

Thiepval

Novelles-sur-Mer

Jardin de la Paix français / 2019

Jardin de la Paix australien / 2021-2022

(3) Jardin de la Paix irlandais et nord-irlandais / 2018

12 Jardin de la Paix chinois / 2021

4 Jardin de la Paix anglais / 2018

4 Jardin de la Paix gallois / 2018

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