

Titan Science Meeting

St. Jacut de-la-Mer, Brittany, France, June 20-23, 2011

The Meeting will be held at the Abbaye Saint-Jacut-de-la-Mer which is located on the Channel coast in Brittany, France. See below for a map.

Participants will stay at the Abbaye, all meals will be offered there as well (except on Wednesday, June 22 if you come to the tour to Mont St. Michel - on that day you will have dinner there).

For more info please visit their web site (in French) on <http://www.abbaye-st-jacut.com>

Travel Access

By plane:

Two alternatives are possible when arriving by plane, either to fly into Paris and from there by train to Saint Jacut, or to fly directly to the nearby small airport of Dinard-Pleurtuit, located ~14 km from Saint Jacut. One route exists between London Stansted and Dinard using [Ryanair](#). Note: Ryanair do not fly to Dinard on Sunday June 19!

By car:

Travel by car is possible, with the added benefit of local mobility. The venue is located ~4-5h west of Paris.

By Train:

The nearest train station is Saint Malo, at roughly 25 km distance from the Abbaye. Direct trains (TGV) run between Paris Montparnasse and St. Malo with an average travel time of 3 h.

Train times between Paris Montparnasse and Saint Malo are as follows on Sunday (June 19) and Thursday (June 23):

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Paris Montparnasse	Saint Malo	Via
08:05	11:13	direct
09:05	12:22	Rennes
10:05	13:03	direct
11:05	14:40	Rennes
12:40	16:54	Le Mans
14:05	17:19	Rennes
15:05	17:58	direct
16:05	19:20	Rennes
17:05	20:22	Rennes
18:05	21:19	Rennes

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Saint Malo	Paris Montparnasse	Via
12:12	15:18	direct
12:50	16:13	Rennes
14:50	18:23	Rennes
15:50	19:13	Rennes
16:40	20:03	direct

All trains between Paris and St Malo are at least in part TGV trains (direct trains are TGV, those via Rennes or Le Mans are TGV between Paris and that location and a non-TGV for the second leg to St Malo).

We recommend that you book your tickets ahead of time online since there is a small risk that buying the ticket on the day of travel may not work since your train of choice may already be fully booked. One way of reserving tickets or checking timetables is via the [SNCF web site](#) (in French). In theory the [TGV Web site](#) (in English) should work too, but in practice it doesn't always (but do try!)

The only downside of booking ahead of time is that you have to commit to a specific train. If you buy online in some cases you can print out your ticket yourself and in some cases you have to go to the ticket machines in the train station, slide in the card you used to make your online booking, enter your card pin number and if all goes well the tickets are printed out.

Note that all tickets except those you printed out at home will need to be stamped on the train station in the yellow machines at the start of the platform. Failing to do so may result in a fine when the tickets are checked on board. If you rush onboard and forgot to do it, but remember that you forgot, you need to immediately look for the train conductor and tell him/her yourselves that you didn't stamp your tickets. Don't wait until they find you.

Transportation between St Malo and St Jacut:

A bus or Taxi can be taken to travel from Saint Malo train station to Saint Jacut. Here are the options explained in more detail:

(1) Shuttle bus

We have organised two shuttle buses between St. Malo and St. Jacut:

- Departure Sunday, June 19 at 18:15 from St. Malo train station to St. Jacut
- Departure Thursday, June 23 at 11:00 from St. Jacut to St. Malo train station to allow everyone to catch the 12:12 train to Paris (see schedule)

The buses will be made available at no extra charge, so do make use of them!

(2) Taxi

A typical taxi ride from St Malo to St Jacut takes around 30 mins.

The simplest option is to arrive and look out for taxis at St Malo station, there should be several taxis waiting there, depending on the time of arrival, but it's not guaranteed.

If you want more guarantee to find a taxi you may want to book a taxi ahead of time to meet you at the station when you arrive - see below.

Expect to have to pay your taxis by cash (more info on prices is given below)

Here are two alternative taxi companies:

(a) Allo Taxis Malouins

Tel. +33 2 99 81 30 30 (from within France: 02 99 81 30 30)

<http://www.allo-taxis-malouins.com/accue.htm>

This is a company local to St Malo, so closest to the train station. They run "standard" (regular sized) taxis, make sure you ask them to take you to the Abbaye in St Jacut (not simply "St Jacut").

