



## Blois

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## International

### Twinning



As well as the "historic" twinning with the towns of **Lewes (GB)** and **Waldshut-Tiengen (D)**, more recently Blois also became twinned with the town of **Weimar (D)**.

The two associations that run the twinning operations, the Twinning Committee for the first two and the Blois-Weimar association, organise activities such as school exchanges, trips to get to know each other, exhibitions, concert trips, plays, and help to find summer jobs... They are also involved in the city's big events, like the

[Carnival](#), the [Historical Rendezvous](#)...

The City of Blois is also twinned with **Sighishoara** in Romania.

In addition, Blois and the city of **Urbino** in Italy signed a friendship treaty in 1999, following which the Dante Alighieri association has implemented a number of actions, like Italian cinema week, language and cookery courses...

The same formula applies to the city of **Cacerès** in Spain, with which a friendship treaty was signed in June 2009. In November, this treaty led to a meeting between the Cacerès Youth Council and the City of Blois Education authorities, and a cultural exchange trip based on choral singing during the 2010 [Lyres d'Été](#) festival.

### Cooperation deals

As regards cooperation, in 2007 the city of Blois forged a partnership with the city of **Huế** in Vietnam concerning measures to enhance the urban heritage, public lighting, parks and gardens, games areas for children and the prevention of river floods. Every year the city of Blois helps students from Huế to gain entry to the Val de Loire École Nationale d'Ingénieurs (engineering college).

A project is also being examined for Blois to begin the process of closer cooperation with a town in the Meknés-Tafilalet region of Morocco, as the Centre Regional Council has already concluded a cooperation agreement with the region.

### WALDSHUT-TIENGEN (Germany)

Number of inhabitants: 25,000  
Distance: 684 km  
Twinning date: 30th June 1963  
Blois Twinning Committee:  
Association BLOIS - LEWES - WALDSHUT-TIENGEN  
1, Place de la Grève, 41000 BLOIS  
Tel.: +33 (0)2 54 78 24 36  
>> [www.waldshut-tiengen.de](http://www.waldshut-tiengen.de)



### WEIMAR (Germany)

Number of inhabitants : 62,000  
Distance: 1,040 km  
Twinning date: 18th February 1995  
Blois Twinning Committee:  
Association BLOIS - WEIMAR  
1, Place de la Grève, 41000 BLOIS  
Tel.: +33 (0)6 86 27 46 84  
>> [www.weimar.de](http://www.weimar.de)



### LEWES (England)

Number of inhabitants: 15,000  
Distance: 511 km  
Twinning date: 30th June 1963  
Blois Twinning Committee:  
Association BLOIS - LEWES - WALDSHUT-TIENGEN  
1, Place de la Grève, 41000 BLOIS.  
Tel.: +33 (0)2 54 78 24 36  
>> [www.lewes-town.co.uk](http://www.lewes-town.co.uk)



### SIGHISOARA (Romania)

Number of inhabitants : 36,500  
Distance: 2,235 km  
Twinning date : 18th November 1995  
Blois Twinning Committee :  
Association BLOIS - SIGHISOARA  
18 rue de la Taille aux moines, 41000 BLOIS  
>> [www.sighisoara.com](http://www.sighisoara.com)



### URBINO (Italy)

Number of inhabitants: 60,000  
Distance: 1,265 km  
Twinning date: 1st May 2003  
Blois Twinning Committee:  
French-Italian association "DANTE ALIGHIERI"  
>> [www.comune.urbino.ps.it](http://www.comune.urbino.ps.it)



### CÁCERES (Espagne)

Number of inhabitants: 90,802  
Distance: 1,303 km  
Twinning date: June 2009  
>> [www.ayto-caceres.es](http://www.ayto-caceres.es)



### HUÉ (Vietnam)

Number of inhabitants: 340,000  
Distance: 10,000 km



Twinning date: May 2007

>> <http://france.thuathienhue.gov.vn>

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