# THE OFFICIAL GUIDE









Museums, palaces, recreation facilities, hotels and restaurants: the wide range of accessible, quality offerings can be identified using this symbol. On accessible.net, families with children or disabled visitors can find out about the places best adapted to their needs.



Whether you plan to visit a museum, château or recreation site, this app helps you beat the crowds by providing real-time information.

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# HERE COMES THE SUMMER!

When the sun shines, the city of light sparkles a thousand times brighter, dazzling you at every turn. Whether you wander the streets of the capital, stroll along the banks of the Seine or the Canal de l'Ourcq, cool down in the numerous parks and gardens of Île-de-France, linger at one of the city's many café terraces, taste a French speciality, window-shop at the department stores, muse over a work of art, or sway to the sound of a rock group or DJ — Paris is a celebration!

"My Summer in Paris Region" is 64 pages of thrilling cultural and festive offerings. This is the season when Paris and its region pulls out all the stops, with open-air activities, festivals, shows, clubs, historical reenactments, bike trips — not to mention a host of opportunities for a round of golf, castle visits and beautiful gardens. The sky's your limit!

The perfect travel companion, this guide will let you discover (or rediscover) the French capital, including new experiences, experts' accounts and fun stories. You'll find all you need to make your stay easier and even more unforgettable.

Welcome to the Paris region!





there's **plenty** to see





For the last decade, abandoned sites in the Paris region - disused factories, brownfield sites, old railway stations - have been given a new and quirky lease of life.

Take a yoga class, grab brunch, join a workshop and catch a set by the latest band - all in the same spot. These out-of-the-ordinary places in Paris and its surrounding area are breaking the mould. Their aim is to to create unorthodox, hybrid spaces where all kinds of art and people from all backgrounds can come together to explore new horizons.



Often built on brownfield land, and offering new cultural, leisure, food and clubbing experiences, hybrid venues in Paris and its region have really taken off in the last few years. One company that creates, designs and operates these kinds of outdoor venues and spaces is Noctis, which specializes in three areas: fun, food and events.

We asked Noctis CEO Laurent de Gourcuff how they fit the bill, whether the recently reopened ParisLongchamp racecourse is an example, and if they have similar plans for other venues in Paris and its region.

**LDG:** ParisLongchamp is the perfect example of the hybrid approach. On a single site, you can find horseraces, restaurants to suit every pocket, concerts, facilities for company seminars, outdoor sports events and more. The icing on the cake with this type of space is when, in addition to our three areas of expertise, the place itself, through its history or features, contains something that gives it real added value. For example, at Terminal 7 we installed a monumental work of art that transforms and embellishes the space. At the Domaine de Longchamp, we benefit from indoor and outdoor exhibitions by the Good Planet Foundation, and their environmental expertise. And the Dernier Etage - a fully refurbished car park with panoramic views - is unique on the Paris events scene.

As for our own plans, in a few months' time we're going to refit and transform the first floor of Saint Lazare train station in Paris – it's called Compagnie 1837.

Among these transformed cultural brownfields, rooftop bars and restaurants and river barges, what would you recommend for visitors to Paris and the region?

I love second-hand stores and flea markets, both in Paris and in the small country villages. As for rooftops, I'm a big fan of the Perchoir - I still enjoy the concept, atmosphere and location. At Noctis, with my business associate Gilles Malafosse we're preparing the summer rooftop terrace of La Girafe on the roof of the Cité de l'Architecture et du Patrimoine. It will be cosy with a great view Last year I discovered the Monsieur Mouche barge, which has helped to revive the area around the Pont de I'Alma - it's a refreshing summer spot. I'm particularly keen on the Shivas, our own barge. It's got a homely feel that makes it perfect for dinner with family or friends.



# THE ECO-FRIENDLY CHOICE

In the grounds and buildings of an old railway station, La Recyclerie has a restaurant, bar, urban farm and even a team DIY workshop, all designed to help save the planet and help each other. The tasty vegan brunch on Saturdays gets our top marks!

www.larecyclerie.com 83 boulevard Ornano M Porte de Clignancourt



# 2 THE CHEF'S CHOICE

A 6,000-square-metre space buzzing with life, **Ground Control** has been a regular fixture in the Halle Charolais, near the Gare de Lyon, for the past three years. For ethically sound fun, spend time on the terrace or in the orchard, clubbing space, designer stores and food court with its dozens of stands serving world fare.

www.groundcontrolparis.com 81 rue du Charolais M Gare de Lyon

# > A BITE TO EAT

It's unlikely you've ever eaten anywhere quite like at this modern, elegant restaurant housed in the former La Muette train station. Enjoy French cuisine with a twist under the vast glass roof or on the terrace in summer.

www.restaurantlagare.com

M La Muette



Set in a former coal terminal, **La Station-Gare des Mines** is a fun, friendly, off-beat music lab for up-and-coming names on the music scene - a mix of festival and open-air club.

www.lastation.paris 29 avenue de la Porte d'Aubervilliers (M) Porte d'Aubervilliers



#### THE COOL KIDS' CHOICE

A collaborative space that likes to mix things up a little, **Le Hasard Ludique** is home to a concert hall, bar, restaurant, artists' workshops and - new this year - a 300-square-metre terrace overlooking the "petite ceinture" railway that once circled the capital. Great for summer chilling!

www.lehasardludique.paris 128 avenue de Saint-Ouen (M) Porte de Saint-Ouen



#### THE STREET ART-LOVERS' CHOICE

Located in a former train shed, L'Aérosol is a happening space devoted to urban culture in its many forms. A museum of street art, a 300-metre graffiti wall, a skating area, bar and community market — this is a place to be yourself!

www.laerosol.com 54 rue de l'Évangile M Marx-Dormoy



#### 2 THE ECLECTIC CHOICE

Perched on the banks of the Canal Saint-Martin, on the site of an old building materials store, **Le Point Ephémère** is a colourful venue that has shot up the league to become one of the city's leading cultural hotspots where you can catch an exhibition, concert, performance, festival or one of a host of nighttime events. The rooftop - aptly named Le Top - is amazing too.

www.pointephemere.org 200 quai de Valmy M Jaurès

# THE BRAND NEW CHOICE

A converted 1930s industrial complex, **Les Magasins Généraux**<sup>(1)</sup> is a mind-blowing new creative space with an eclectic cultural line-up and a vast exhibition space. Until 5 August, the first season is dedicated to football. Events include performances, giant video screens, street football, concerts and evening events. **Dock B**<sup>(2)</sup>, at its base, will be opening its doors very shortly. A coffee shop, food stand, live performance venue, exhibition space and canal-side terrace - it's the revelation of the summer!

(1) www.magasinsgeneraux.com 1 rue de l'Ancien Canal, Pantin M Église de Pantin (2) dockbpantin.com 1 place de la Pointe, Pantin (M) Église de Pantin

# 3 THE BARGE CHOICE

This summer, make the most of the **barges moored on the banks of the Seine**, with their floating terraces and pop-up beaches. A modern take on the traditional "guinguette" café, **Rosa Bonheur sur Seine**<sup>(1)</sup> promises tapas, cured meat platters, wine and beer, with a friendly dose of fun. A stylish barge that's perfect for partying, **Flow**<sup>(2)</sup> has a performance space, restaurant, bar and a huge upper-deck terrace. For an unbeatable touch of Parisian magic, both barges enjoy panoramic views over the Eiffel Tower and the Grand Palais.

(1) rosabonheur.fr (2) www.flow-paris.com (M) Invalides



# THE EXTRAVAGANT CHOICE

À La Folie is a lively space located in one of the red follies in Parc de La Villette. It's perfect for chilling during the day or partying at night. Don't miss their delicious barbecues with choice cuts of meat to enjoy on the large leafy terrace.

www.alafolie.paris Parc de La Villette (M) Corentin Cariou

# 5 THE EPHEMERAL CHOICE

With its large terrace and chilled décor, Le Papa Cabane is the city's freshly minted Thursday night hangout, offering cocktails, boules, table tennis and table football, food trucks and the best sounds, all on the banks of the Seine.

Facebook Le Papa Cabane Rue Paul Belmondo (M) Bercy



La Javelle is western Paris' top summer spot. With its guinguette-style terrace filled with deckchairs and street food and hosting concerts and open-air dances, this venue is always buzzine!

Facebook La Javelle Port de Javel Bas (M) Javel



#### **THE EXUBERANT** CHOICE

The Bassin de la Villette is the new happening summer hotspot in the east of Paris. On the banks of the Canal de l'Ourcq, with its wooden tables, deckchairs and parasols, the terrace of **Pavillon des Canaux**<sup>®</sup> offers some of the best views over the Bassin de la Villette. **The Grand Marché Stalingrad**<sup>(2)</sup> successfully combines different cuisines - from trattoria to tapas bistro and a bar - and unique design with its store and exhibition space. Listen to lively sets by up-and-coming DJs or dance on the terrace into the small hours. Don't forget, the Bassin de La Villette opened up to

swimmers in the summer of 2017. Swimsuits to the ready!

(1) a www.pavillondescanaux.com 39 quai de la Loire (M) Ourcq (2) www.grandmarchestalingrad.com 6-8 place de la Bataille de Stalingrad (M) Stalingrad

#### > A BITE TO EAT

### POLPO

Embark on this floating brasserie in the west of Paris to sample seafood in a relaxed atmosphere with views over the lle de la Jatte.

www.polpo-brasserie.fr

# BROWNFIELD AUTIES

#### **THE PIONEER'S** CHOICE

Built on brownfield sites, these spaces have quickly made their mark on the city's cultural and artistic scene. A collaborative artistic platform, **Le Centquatre**(1) offers an accessible programme of contemporary events for the public featuring artists from all over the world. You'll also find restaurants, a pizza truck, a bookstore and a shop run by Emmaüs, a charity that combats poverty and homelessness. Dancers, jugglers and singers put on a permanent show in these vast open spaces. A multicultural hotspot, **La Bellevilloise**(2) offers festivals, exhibitions, concerts, parties and one-of-a-kind events. Enjoy a drink under the glass roof in the indoor garden, or tuck into brunch on Sundays and public holidays, surrounded by centuries-old olive trees.

(1) ã www.104.fr 104 rue d'Aubervilliers M Crimée (2) ã www.labellevilloise.com 19-21 rue Boyer (M) Ménilmontant



#### **THE ARTISTIC** CHOICE

Along the Canal de l'Ourcq, in an old industrial building in Saint-Denis, **Le 6B** hosts concerts, exhibitions and performances in a 3,000 squaremeter space dedicated to creation and culture. In summer, the vast terrace becomes a beach, with a dance floor made of sand.

www.le6b.fr 6-10 quai de Seine, Saint-Denis © D > Saint-Denis



## THE PARTY-LOVER'S CHOICE

Run by the jubilant Soukmachines collective, La Halle Papin, a former factory, and its huge open-air terrace with refreshment stall, barbecue and themed banquets, is a summer-long venue for outside-the-box concerts, DJ sets, exhibitions and artistic performances.

www.lahallepapin.com 62 rue Denis Papin, Pantin (M) Aubervilliers



#### THE MAD HATTER'S CHOICE

A laboratory for ideas, culture and urban agriculture, **La Ferme du Bonheu**r is a joyfully wacky place, located on a brownfield site close to Paris Nanterre University. Its summer festival includes weekend events such as plays, concerts, films, visual arts and mammoth electronic music parties. An out-of-this-world experience guaranteed!

www.lafermedubonheur.fr 220, avenue de la République, Nanterre (a) (A) > Nanterre Université



#### THE NEW YORKER'S CHOICE

Next to the famous Saint-Ouen flea market, the **Mob Hôtel**, housed in the old General Electric building, has revolutionised the capital's hotel scene with its sophisticated rooms. But it's also known for its rooftop vegetable garden, open-air cinema, vegetarian restaurant and designer pop-up store.

www.mobhotel.com/paris 4-6, rue Gambetta, Saint-Ouen M Garibaldi



Located in the former Saint-Vincent de Paul hospital, **Les Grands Voisins** is a forward-looking community village in Paris' 14th arrondissement. A collaborative and multicultural space, it welcomes people seeking social inclusion, with an upcycling area where used objects are given a second life, a community restaurant, henhouse, vegetable garden and fun events for both children and adults.

lesgrandsvoisins.org 74 avenue Denfert-Rochereau (M) Denfert Rochereau



#### **THE UNEXPECTED** CHOICE

Run by La Sauge, an organisation that promotes urban agriculture in the interests of the whole community, La Prairie du Canal is an urban farm located on the banks of the Canal de l'Ourcq, on the site of the former MBK moped factory. Learn all about vegetable growing or take part in the fun programme of weekend events run by innovative collectives including Cracki Records and Camion Bazar. Bobigny's own "little house"!

www.canalprairie.fr 55 rue de Paris, Bobigny M Bobigny-Pantin Raymond Queneau

#### > A BITE TO EAT

# BAMBOU

Discover authentic and delicious Thai cuisine in this former fabric workshop transformed into a haven of Asian flavour, with a terrace and open-air dining area.

www.bambouparis.fr

(M) Grands Boulevards



#### THE BIRD'S-EYE CHOICE

Out of the whole **Perchoirs** family, the **Ménilmontant rooftop**<sup>(1)</sup> remains a firm favourite. The secret of this roof terrace's success lies in its delicious cocktails, homemade dishes, a view over the Sacré Coeur and year-round events. It's such a winning formula that two sister rooftops have opened recently: the **Perchoir Marais**<sup>(2)</sup> on the roof of the BHV department store and the **Perchoir de l'Est**<sup>(3)</sup> on the top floor of the Gare de l'Est train station.

#### leperchoir.tv

- (1) 14 rue Crespin du Gast (M) Ménilmontant
- (2) 37 rue de la Verrerie (M) Hôtel de Ville
- (3) Place du 11 novembre 1918 (M) Gare de l'Est

# Opéra Garnier, Eiffel Tower and Montmartre. haussmann.galerieslafayette.com 40, boulevard Haussmann (M) Chaussée d'Antin La Fayette

THE FASHION-FORWARD CHOICE

After shopping till you drop in one of

the city's leading fashion stores, head for

the Galeries Lafayette rooftop to relax,

enjoy a drink, nibble on tapas and make

the most of the breathtaking view of the

### THE ELECTRIFYING CHOICE

The bubbles bar on the third floor of **La Machine du Moulin Rouge** in Pigalle is the epicentre of the city's club scene. It's a great place to hang out with friends for a moonlit drink before heading to Le Central, a dancefloor with an energising electronic music offering.

www.lamachinedumoulinrouge.com 90, boulevard de Clichy (M) Blanche

### THE COOL KIDS' CHOICE

This roof terrace is in the **Mama Shelter's** own image, being the coolest hotel in the east of Paris: it's fun and cosy. Relax on multicoloured cushions under brightly-coloured parasols, try your hand at table football or table tennis, and enjoy barbecue fare or light meals by Guy Savoy.

www.mamashelter.com 109, rue de Bagnolet (M) Gambetta



#### **THE GRAVITY-DEFYING** CHOICE

The rooftop of the Grande Arche de la Défense wins all the records, from the highest (110 metres from the ground) to the biggest (1,000 square meters). The roof of the Grande Arche offers amazing views over all of Paris. You can also eat in the covered restaurant run by chef Jean-Christian Dumonet or, outside, take a walk over the bridge that spans the building for a dizzying after-work experience.

www.lagrandearche.fr 1, parvis de La Défense (M) La Défense



A stunning Art Deco swimming pool that reopened in 2014, **the Molitor hotel** has a roof terrace for sunny days with a friendly restaurant, expertly made cocktails, DJ evenings and views overlooking the outdoor swimming pool and the Roland Garros tennis grounds.

www.mltr.fr 6, avenue de la Porte Molitor M) Porte d'Auteuil

# **THE ROMANTIC** CHOICE

Want to visit seventh heaven? Head for Le Terrass' Hôtel between Montmartre and Place de Clichy. Take the lift to the top floor of this elegant hotel to admire the panoramic view from one of the largest rooftop terraces in the capital. Sip on a cocktail and take in the sunset... with Paris at your feet!

www.terrass-hotel.com 12-14 rue Joseph de Maistre M Blanche

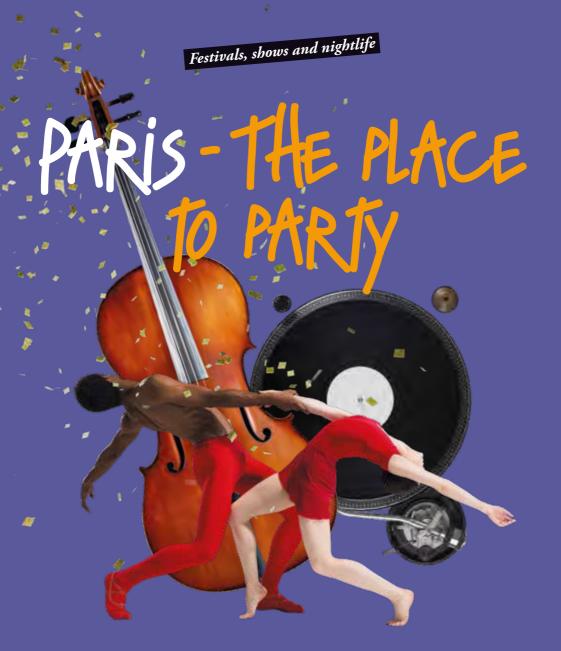


EP7

Treat yourself to the bistro-style cuisine of chef Adrien Tran on the top floor of this new digital-age, interactive guinguette.

ep7.paris (M) Bibliothèque François Mitterrand





From Paris Plages and L'Été du Canal to music festivals, live entertainment and sumptuous historical reenactments, come summertime, Paris puts on its finest show to make sure you enjoy a unique and unforgettable stay.





Throughout summer, Paris and its region offer amazing experiences, unique in the world, from mind-blowing firework displays to quirky candlelit tours and historical shows in illustrious surrounding.

### THE FRENCH **GAME OF THRONES**

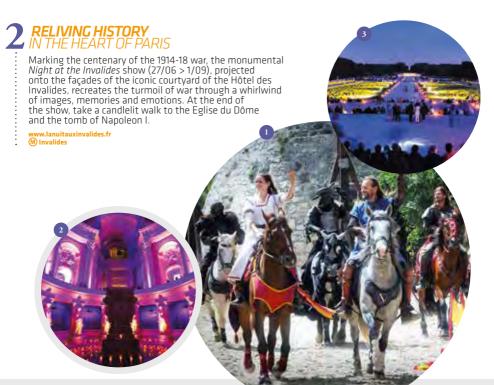
Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site. the medieval walled city of Provins invites you to step back in time to the Middle Ages. Until 4/11, relive two age-old traditions: falconry with The Eagles of the Ramparts and jousting with The Legend of the Knights. Until 3/07 The Age of the Ramparts recounts the history of knights and their weapons. For total immersion, The Medieval Festival of Provins recreates the famous Champagne Fairs (9 & 10/06).

From Paris: Train from Gare de l'Est > Provins

# **CANDLELIT** EVENINGS

Every Saturday until 6/10, explore the Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte and its French gardens in the flickering light of 2,000 candles. Relax in a lawn chair as you listen to classical music, a glass of champagne in your hand, and admire the gold and silver fireworks as this timeless experience draws to a truly explosive end.

From Paris: Train from Gare de l'Est > Verneuil l'Etang + Châteaubus shuttle



# Historical stables of GLORY







# 4 HÉROÏQUES!

This show takes you on an epic journey through the history of Meaux. From 16/06 to 15/09, at the foot of the cathedral, in the heart of the episcopal city, 500 volunteer actors, dancers and musicians bring one thousand years of history to life under the watchful eye of Bossuet, Napoleon, Hugo, De Gaulle and others.

www.spectacle-meaux.fr From Paris: Train from Gare de l'Est > Meaux

# A FIERY **QUEEN**

From 29/06 to 12/07, the Château de Versailles will be exploring the extraordinary fate of the last queen of France, Marie-Antoinette, in a fireworks display by Groupe F. A royal evening of fire and light in the delightful gardens of the Orangerie.

www.chateauversailles-spectacles.fr
From Paris: ② > Versailles Rive Gauche. Train from Gare Montparnasse
> Versailles Chantiers or Saint-Lazare > Versailles Rive Droite



# 6 FIRE POWER

Don't miss Europe's largest firework display on 8/09 in the exceptional surroundings of the Domaine National de Saint-Cloud, including 60,000 rockets, 30 original scenes and a 90-minute show. The final volley is mind-blowing!

www.le-grand-feu.com

M Pont de Sèvres

# DES CHARMILLES

If your idea of the perfect Saturday evening is eating creative, refined cuisine by candlelight - preferably overlooking an illuminated château then Vaux-le-Vicomte is for you.

www.vaux-le-vicomte.com



Six top picks for summer shows.



# FAVEN

#### SEVENTH **HEAVEN**

Take a rustic walk in the gardens of the Domaine National de Saint-Cloud, and picnic on the vast lawn before kicking back your heels at twilight for a free film. The **Films sous les étoiles** festival will light up your summer evenings.

www.domaine-saint-cloud.fr

(M) Boulogne Pont de Saint-Cloud



#### SUMMER BALLETS

Part of the new Seine Musicale cultural programme, **Les étés de la danse** will be hosting five leading international dance companies to celebrate the centenary of the birth of choreographer Jerome Robbins. A must-see event for ballet enthusiasts.

www.lesetesdeladanse.com

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#### **STARLIGHT** SCREENING

The impressive main courtyard provides a stately backdrop to **open-air film screenings** at the Château de Vincennes. The keep and Sainte-Chapelle will be illuminated exclusively for the occasion.

www.chateau-de-vincennes.fr

M Château de Vincennes



#### **ARTS. STAGES** AND SUN

During the **Festival Paris l'été**, some of the most illustrious and surprising venues across Paris and its region - national monuments, gardens, museums, swimming pools, town squares - will set the stage for theatre plays, dance, circus and musical performances. Find your place in the sun!

www.parislete.fr







#### **SINGING** UNDER THE STARS

From Lala Land to the Umbrellas of Cherbourg and the Jungle Book, **Open-air cinema** in Parc de la Villette invites you to sing all summer long under the starry skies. And to dance too!

www.lavillette.com (M) Porte de La Villette





Renowned for its equine choreography combining artistic and sporting prowess, including fencing, singing and archery, this summer Bartabas reveals the secret of La voie de l'écuyer, a show that requires a high level of agility - both mental and physical. The performance by the Académie équestre de Versailles is followed by an open tour of the stables - don't miss it! Saturday at 6 p.m., Sunday at 3 p.m.

www.bartabas.fr From Paris: (□) > Versailles Rive Gauche. Train from Gare Montparnasse > Versailles Chantiers or Saint-Lazare > Versailles Rive Droite.



#### > A BITE TO EAT OCTAVE

Make your evening at the Seine Musicale just a little more magical by dining in its restaurant or on its beautiful terrace overlooking the Seine.

www.laseinemusicale.com

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They say music soothes the soul. Find the perfect harmony for a carefree summer.



#### FESTIVAL **D'AUVERS-SUR-OISE**

One of the most prestigious festivals in Europe, with a programme of Baroque, classical, Romantic, lyrical and contemporary pieces, this festival channels the Impressionist spirit: variety, intensity, curiosity and freedom.

#### www.festival-auvers.com

From Paris: Train from Gare du Nord. Direct train to Auvers-sur-Oise Saturday, Sunday and public holidays, starting 9.38 a.m., returning at 6.32 p.m. (www.transilien.com).



#### **OPEN-AIR** OPERA

Remarkable sites across the region - the Domaine départemental de Sceaux (15 and 16/06), the Château de Vincennes (29 and 30/06), the Domaine National de Saint-Germain-en-Laye (6 and 7/07) and the courtyard of the Hôtel National des Invalides (5, 6, 7 and 8/09) - set the scene for Bizet's Carmen, staged by film director Radu Mihaileanu.

www.operaenpleinair.com



#### CLASSIOUE AU VERT

Every weekend, the Parc Floral plays host to eight open-air concerts. And once you've paid the park entrance fee, it's free!

www.classiqueauvert.paris.fr M Château de Vincennes





Until 05/07

#### FESTIVAL DE **SAINT-DENIS**

For many classical music lovers, this is the holy grail of festivals. Set in venues including the Saint-Denis basilica, a gem of Gothic art, and the prestigious Maison de la Légion d'Honneur, its exceptional concerts feature internationally renowned orchestras.

www.festival-saint-denis.com

M Saint-Denis Basilique



#### FESTIVAI **CHOPIN**

Every year, the exceptional Orangerie in the Parc de Bagatelle provides a remarkable backdrop to this festival celebrating the Polish composer and his work.

www.frederic-chopin.com Bois de Boulogne M Porte Maillot + bus

### » A BITE TO EAT THE AUDERGE RAVOUX

RESTAURANT

Enjoy a traditional hearty meal seated at Van Gogh's table and

surrounded by a late 19th-century artist's café décor.
www.maisondevangogh.fr

From Paris: Train from Gare du Nord >
Auvers-sur-Oise



Tap your toes to the sound of blues, bal-musette, Latin jazz and gypsy jazz throughout the summer at festivals across the Paris region.

16 & 17/06

#### FESTIVAL JAZZ MUSETTE DES PUCES

This festival holds the torch for popular swing - a mix of French musette and gypsy jazz to enjoy in the aisles, squares and bistros of the world's biggest antiques market. This year, don't miss the lively tribute to Didier Lockwood, one of the genre's best-known players.

www.festivaldespuces.com

M Porte de Clignancourt



#### LA DÉFENSE JAZZ FESTIVAL

Held on the vast forecourt of the La Défense business district, this free festival kicks off the season with a wide-ranging line-up that embraces jazz in all its diversity. Enjoy outdoor concerts on weekend evenings, at lunchtime or after work on weekdays.

www.ladefensejazzfestival.hauts-de-seine.fr

M La Défense Grande Arche



#### **BARRIÈRE ENGHIEN** JAZZ FESTIVAL

One of the highlights of the summer, this festival headlines dozens of artists playing some thirty concerts in venues across town, including free open-air DJ sets, concerts in the theatre, and a huge floating stage on the lake. Magical!

www.enghien-jazz-festival.com
From Paris: Train from Gare du Nord > Enghien-les-Bains



#### JAZZ À **LA VILLETTE**

From the Grande Halle to the Philharmonie and the Cabaret Sauvage, La Villette is celebrating jazz in style this summer. Groove to Black Music, jazz, hip hop, soul and funk for a summer to remember!

www.jazzalavillette.com (M) Porte de Pantin



#### PARIS | AZZ FESTIVAL

In the Parc Floral de Paris, under shady trees at the water's edge, enjoy thirty concerts spread over seven weekends featuring household names and newcomers to the jazz scene.

www.parisjazzfestival.fr (M) Château de Vincennes



#### FESTIVAL **DJANGO REINHARDT**

Reviving the spirit of one of the great names in jazz, this festival, set in the park of the Château de Fontainebleau, will be opened by the talented George Benson to mark its 50th anniversary.

www.festivaldjangoreinhardt.com From Paris: Train from Gare de Lyon > Fontainebleau



LE FOUQUET'S

Treat yourself to chef Pierre Gagnaire's bistro-style cuisine as you admire the stunning views over Lac d'Enghien.

www.casinosparriere.com From Paris: Train from Gare du Nord > Enghien-les-Bains POP, ROCK, TEMPORARY MUSIC FESTIVALS

The festival season in Paris and its region runs from June to September, when streets, parks, concert halls and even airbases fill with the sound of pop, rock, chart music, hip hop and electro. There's something to suit all tastes!



#### PARIS **HIP HOP**

Are you a hip hop fan? Then hop along to Paris Hip Hop! Among the musicians performing in venues across Paris and its region are Vince Staples, Ninho, and Rim'K, with sets by street artists.

www.paris-hiphop.com



#### FÊTE **DE LA MUSIQUE**

Guitars and trombones at the ready - it's going to be a crazy night! The Fête de la Musique is probably the most fun event on the French musical calendar. Amateur and professional musicians take to the streets, bars and less usual places – like museums and churches – in a giant clamour and clatter of sounds and sensations. This year it celebrates its 30th anniversary.

www.fetedelamusique.culturecommunication.gouv.fr



#### **SOLIDAYS**

Fancy listening to good music for a good cause? Head to Solidays at the ParisLongchamp Hippodrome. For two decades, hundreds of artists have waived their fees to play at this high-octane festival and raise money for HIV/AIDS charities, in front of a crowd of thousands. Shakka Ponk, Camille, The Kills and newcomer Eddy de Pretto are among this year's line-up.

www.solidays.org

M Boulogne-Jean-Jaurès



#### DOWNLOAD

The second Download festival is set to make some noise! Held at the 217 airbase in Brétigny-sur-Orge and Le Plessis-Pâté, this UK festival will be headlining big names including Ozzy Osbourne, Foo Fighters, Marilyn Manson, Guns N'Roses, Ghost, The Offspring and The Hives. It's only rock'n'roll!

www.downloadfestival.fr





#### **DAYS OFF** FESTIVAL

A mix of rock and current music, the Days Off festival at the Philharmonie de Paris never fails to supply original sounds and surprising events. This year, don't miss the headline concert by David Byrne, ex-lead singer of Talking Heads. For legendary names, Days Off won't let you down.

www.daysoff.fr

# 05 > 07/07

Every year, the Fnac Live festival organises 30 free open-air concerts on the Hôtel de Ville square. Among the artists headlining this year are Feder, Synapson, Jeanne Added, Dominique A, Asaf Avidan, Gael Fave and Petit Biscuit.



# 21 & 22/07

#### LOLLAPALOOZA

World-famous US festival Lollapalooza is once again making a stopover at the ParisLongchamp Hippodrome, with Dépêche Mode. Gorillaz, The Killers and Kasabian topping the bill. You won't believe vour ears!

www.lollaparis.com M Boulogne-Jean-Jaurès



#### ROCK EN SEINE

Rock en Seine is a world-renowned festival with a top-flight line-up that pulls a pan-European crowd. PNL, Thirty Seconds to Mars and Justice promise three days of high-octane sounds just outside Paris in the leafy surroundings of the Domaine National de Saint-Cloud.

ww.rockenseine.com M Pont de Sèvres

# Mid-June > late Septembe

#### LA PLAGE **DU GLAZART**

A sandy dancefloor, bar, deckchairs, concerts and club music make the plage du Glazart a warm and welcoming venue that serves up an eclectic and cutting-edge dose of sounds ranging from techno to world music and indie rock. You'll forget you're in Paris!

M Porte de la Villette

# 14 > 16/09

#### FÊTE **DE L'HUMANITÉ**

First held in 1930, the Fête de l'Humanité is a fixture on the festival scene. Set in the Parc Départemental de la Courneuve, this festival is all about world cuisine, a forum for social issues, and above all, listening to a roll call of big names performing on a selection of stages. This year marks the big comeback of Suprême NTM. Prepare for a wild ride!

fete.humanite.fr From Paris: (M) La-Courneuve-8-Mai-1945 or (EP) (B) > Le Bourget



## LE BALCON

Head to the sixth floor of the Philharmonie de Paris for an original pre- or post-concert meal with panoramic views over the capital.

w.restaurant-lebalcon.fr M Porte de Pantin



ELECTRO FESTIVALS



#### 02 & 03/06

#### WE LOVE **GREEN**

A new generation festival, We Love Green is a contemporary music event that raises awareness of environment issues. Listen to Björk, Orelsan, Nina Kravitz and Charlotte Gainsbourg on four funky, colourful stages in the Plaine de la Belle Étoile in the heart of the Bois de Vincennes. Stunning!

www.welovegreen.fr







#### LA MARCHE DES FIERTÉS (PARIS PRIDE)

A fun, community-centred event, La Marche des Fiertés (Paris Pride) is a colourful parade in the centre of Paris with electro floats, outlandish costumes and a crowd of thousands. Get your rainbow flag out and join the parade!

www.inter-lgbt.org/marche-des-fiertes



#### **MACKI MUSIC** FESTIVAL

The secret of the Macki Music Festival's success? High-octane concerts and thumping DJ sets! Organised by La Mamie's & Cracki Records, two leading collectives on the electro scene, and set in the leafy park of Carrières-sur-Seine, its premium line-up - A Deep Groove, Tin Man and Golden Dawn Arkestra - is hard to resist.

www.mackimusicfestival.fr
From Paris: ((a) (A) > Carrières-sur-Seine or Houilles



#### **THE PEACOCK** SOCIETY

More than a festival, The Peacock Society is a two-day celebration of electro sounds with a mind-bending party atmosphere. Set in the magical Parc Floral, with a mix of indoor stages, forest dance floors, bars and food trucks, enjoy sets by Jeff Mills, Laurent Garnier and Théo Muller. The night is yours.

www.thepeacoksociety.fr





#### **ELEKTRIC PARK** FESTIVAL

Enjoy the last rays of summer sunshine by dancing to big names on the electro scene in the rustic surroundings of the Island of the Impressionists in Chatou. This year, the Elektric Park Festival is playing host to Sven Väth, Fakear, Popof and Feder. Twelve hours of music in a unique setting!

www.elektricpark.com From Paris: (a) > Rueil-Malmaison or Chatou-Croissy



#### **TECHNOPARADE**

The summer electro music season ends on a high with the Technoparade and its parade of floats pumping the capital's streets full of techno sounds. Don't miss the 20th anniversary of this big, free open-air party for anything. Crank up the volume!

www.technoparade.fr

#### > A BITE TO EAT

# LE PIGALLE

Every night is party night in Pigalle, so start your evening with some unpretentious yet tasty local cuisine, savoured to the sound of a DJ set.

lepigalle.paris M Pigalle

# clubbing

Renowned for its trendy clubs and vibrant electro scene. Paris is one of the world's most hip and happening nightlife capitals. It's time to hit the dancefloor!



Clubber, DJ, party organiser, radio presenter and activist, Éric Labbé lives for the night. In the space of just a decade, Éric says, the capital's nightlife has been transformed into one of the most happening in Europe, with the creation of Concrète, freestyle parties in suburban brownfields and incredible line-ups. My Summer in Paris asked him to share his hottest tips for a crazy night out on the town.

- I get things rolling in the afternoon at La Ferme du Bonheur in Nanterre. It's a totally crazy place - where you can dance to soul, funk and house, barefoot on the grass, surrounded by peacocks, rabbits and sheep!
- Then I head over to the Canal de l'Ourcg for a game of boules outside **Bar Ourcq**, and a warm-up drink. I borrow a deckchair and play a round of boules to get in the mood before moving on to La Station Les Mines.
- I'll look around the **Station**, typical of the new blood pulsing through the city's night scene, over in Aubervilliers. It's pretty underground, really on the edge and experimental, but also friendly and open to everyone. The playlist is out of this world.
- At around 2 a.m., I head over to the **Rex Club.** which has just celebrated 30 years in the business. It's the home of electronic music in Paris, and ranked among the world's top ten clubs. And it attracts the biggest DJs on the planet!
- I end the night at Concrète, the barge-club that revolutionised Paris nightlife, with a mind-blowing line up. You don't want to miss "Samedimanche". the city's first 24-hour club night, running non-stop from Saturday night to Monday morning. It's crazy!



This barge has revolutionised Parisian nightlife. The first club to stay open 24 hours at the weekend, its "Samedimanche" events mix collectives and crazy line-ups for wild parties that never have to end. The Woodfloor is open till 6am throughout the summer.

www.concretenaris.fr ort de la Rapée (M) Quai d'Austerlitz

# $\mathbf{2}_{\scriptscriptstyle{\mathsf{REX}}}$ CLUB

This club has lorded it over the capital's night scene for thirty years. Voted one of the best clubs in the world, world-renowned DJs and the club's unique sound system do justice to its exacting standards for electronic music.



# F **BADAROUM**

A mix of concert hall, eatery, cocktail bar and electro club, La Badaboum will keep you buzzing all night long.

2bis rue des Taillandiers (M) Ledru-Rollin



#### LA MACHINE DU **MOULIN ROUGE**

Next to the legendary cabaret, this Berlin club in the heart of Pigalle offers three different atmospheres for unforgettable nights out: the rooftop Bar à Bulles to get the evening off to a great start, the Central for memorable concerts and finally the Chaufferie to dance till dawn.

www.lamachinedumoulinrouge.com (M) Blanche



#### I A MANO

Good vibes are guaranteed in this new HQ for happening parties in Paris, with an eclectic mix of music, from new wave to mainstream. Turn up the volume!

10 rue Papillon



### **)** LA **CLAIRIÈRE**

Located in a clearing in the Bois de Boulogne (clairière is French for glade), the Domaine de Longchamp is playing host to a pop-up club for wild electro nights under the stars all summer long.

Facebook La Clairière

#### CITÉ DE LA MODE ET DU DESIGN

Wanderlust, Communion, Nuits Fauves. Garage... the Cité de la Mode et du Design is a one-stop-shop for a great night out in Paris with its outdoor terrace, lounge area with table football and food truck, dancefloor groove and underground club sounds. It's hot out there!

www.wanderlustparis.com www.communion.paris www.nuitsfauves.com

32-36 quai d'Austerlitz M Gare d'Austerlitz



# 8 LE FAUST

Nestled under the Pont Alexandre III bridge, this is the most happening club on the Left Bank. Stylish and trendy. it's a restaurant, terrace, and a disco - the Tunnel, spiritual home for top names on the electro scene.

www.faustparis.fr (M) Invalides



Tucked away in the basement of the Palais de Tokyo, the former screening rooms of the Cinémathèque française have given way to a trendy club and dancefloor kitted out with raw concrete walls and a giant bar.

13 avenue du Président Wilson (M) Alma-Marceau

The lounges, gilding, chandeliers and wall hangings of this former townhouse, now a listed historic monument, at the heart of Pigalle, make it the perfect place for late-night chilling.

www.le-carmen.fr 34 rue Duperré M Pigalle



#### > A BITE TO EAT

# LA FELICITÀ & MAISON PLISSON

Before you hit the dance floor, recharge your batteries at La Felicità (M Quai de la gare) the latest addition to the popular Big Mamma Italian restaurant chain. And after a crazy night out, head to Maison Plisson (M Richard Lenoir) for a healthy. tasty breakfast.

# CABARETS

These legendary names call to mind sophistication, extravagance, the grace of scantily-clad bodies and the French cancan. Welcome to the sensual, erotic world of the Parisian cabaret.



# CAN YOU **FRENCH** CANCAN?

The Moulin Rouge has been the leading light on the city's stylish and brazen night scene since 1889. Keeping the spirit alive, its *Féerie* review, which takes us back to the Paris of the Belle Epoque, is a whirlwind of feathers, sequins and glitter. The final act - the wild and world-famous French Cancan - is mind-blowing!

www.moulin-rouge.com 82 boulevard de Clichy (M) Blanche

#### A DEVILISH PARADISE

Le Paradis Latin is the oldest of the great Parisian cabarets. Its Paradis à la folie review is a delectable series of scenes filled with joy and surprises, including the not-to-be-missed French Cancan with a touch of Left Bank humour.

www.paradislatin.com 28 rue du Cardinal Lemoine M Cardinal Lemoine



#### **BLUSH** WITH PLEASURE

This show will have you blushing deep red... like the cabaret's velvet walls, or the iconic soles of the shoes designed for the Crazy Girls by Christian Louboutin, and the tender eroticism of its scenes. **The Crazy Horse** and its reviews never fail to set hearts racing. The *Totally Crazy* review by Philippe Decouflé takes a mischievous look back at the legendary shows of the city's most avant-garde cabaret.

www.lecrazyhorseparis.com 12 avenue George V M Alma Marceau



#### CABARET DES MERVEILLES

The **Lido** casts an enchanting spell over the Champs-Elysées with its lavish sets and glamorous choreography. The *Paris Merveilles* review, starring the sublime Bluebell Girls, celebrates the city of light in a show ranging from acrobatics and dancing to singing and ice-skating.

www.lido.fr 116 bis, avenue des Champs-Élysées M George V



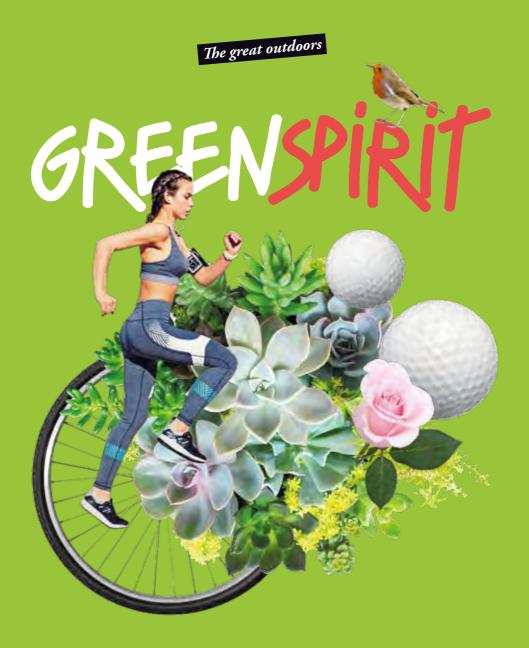
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Created especially for Louis XIV's table, the King's Kitchen Garden is filled with a thousand rare or little-known varieties of fruit and vegetables. Watch the gardeners as they keep the traditional art of pruning alive.

www.potager-du-roi.fr From Paris: (a) > Versailles Rive Gauche. Train from Gare Montparnasse > Versailles Chantiers or Saint-Lazare > Versailles Rive Droite

#### **2 VALLÉE-AUX-LOUPS** ARBORETUM

Visitors to the Vallée-aux-Loups arboretum are rewarded with a remarkable collection of over 500 species of trees and bushes. This romantic haven is just a short walk from the house of 19th-century writer Chateaubriand.

www.vallee-aux-loups.hauts-de-seine.fr From Paris: (B) > Robinson

#### 3 DOMAINE DE **SAINT-JEAN DE BEAUREGARD**

Besides the château, seven courtyards, parklands and French gardens, chapel, dovecote and one of the most impressive vegetable gardens in France, the Domaine de Saint-Jean de Beauregard also hosts world-renowned horticultural events.

www.domsaintjeanbeauregard.com

# 4 ROSERAIE DU **VAL-DE-MARNE**

The Roseraie du Val-de-Marne contains 3,000 species and varieties of roses and 11,000 rose bushes. A living museum teeming with creepers, stems and climbers, from tea roses to Far Eastern varieties, it's the perfect place to savour the scent of the iconic flower.

www.roseraie.valdemarne.fr
From Paris: ((B) > Bourg-la-Reine + bus 172



#### 5 COURANCES PARK & GARDENS

Home to French and Japanese gardens and a vegetable plot, the park at the Courances estate is above all a Renaissance garden with no fewer than 14 springs and 17 ornamental ponds. Stay in one of the former château outbuildings, today a charming residence (www.pierresdhistoire.com).

www.courances.net From Paris: © D > Boutigny



Majestic walkways, box hedges, fountains and impressive statues – get a breath of fresh air.



Enter the gardens of Versailles and take a step back in time. Based on the vanishing-point design, these gardens - a reference in 17th-century Europe - cover 190 acres of elegant pathways lined with marble statues, some leading to hidden groves. This is the heart and soul of the Versailles estate.

www.chateauversailles.fr From Paris: (a) (b) Versailles Rive Gauche. Train from Gare Montparnasse > Versailles Chantiers or Saint-Lazare > Versailles Rive Droite. ParisCityVision shuttles (www.pariscityvision.com)

# 2 DOMAINE DE SAINT-GERMAIN-EN-LAYE

Relax in the shade of the tall trees in the Domaine de Saint-Germain-en-Laye gardens, designed by Le Nôtre. The large terrace built for royal promenades affords wonderful views over Paris.

From Paris: (A) > Saint-Germain-en-Laye

# 3 CHÂTEAU DE **FONTAINEBLEAU**

Composed of several gardens, the Domaine du Château de Fontainebleau combines nature and history in a single walk. The Grand Parterre by Le Nôtre, the carp pond that launched the fashion for water mirrors under François I, and the 1,200-metre canal built under Henri IV take you on a journey through the art of landscape gardening.

www.musee-chateau-fontainebleau.fr From Paris: Train from Gare de Lyon > Fontainebleau





# 4 CHÂTEAU DE CHAMPS-SUR-MARNE

The Château de Champs-sur-Marne park has a classically French central garden as the focal point, within English-style gardens. Restored in the 19th-century, the landscape reads like a page in the history of garden design.

www.chateau-champs-sur-marne.fr From Paris: ((a) > Noisiel

## DOMAINE DE **SCEAUX**

With its French gardens designed by Le Nôtre, winding pathways through the trees, vast lawns that call out to be lounged on and playgrounds, the park at Domaine de Sceaux has a lot going for it. Make it your summer residence!

www.domaine-de-sceaux.hauts-de-seine.fr From Paris: (ES) | > Parc-de-Sceaux

# DA BITE TO EAT IN FOULERIE

Enjoy unforgettable dining experiences? The former mill at the Château de Courances plays host to the world's greatest chefs for one evening only – including Yannick Alleno and Mikkel Maarbiera.

www.courances.net From Paris: © D > Boutigny + taxi PARKS AND ORNAMENTAL GARDENS



Where heritage, culture and leisure converge, these parks and gardens are perfect for relaxing away from the hustle and bustle of the city.

# DOMAINE DE **CHAMARANDE**

With its lakes, rolling lawns and woodlands, the 240-acre Domaine de Chamarande turns a casual stroll into a bucolic, artistic experience. Enjoy a packed programme of open-air events including a contemporary art exhibition - part of which is displayed in the 17th-century château as well as concerts, shows and films to enjoy on the grass.

www.chamarande.essonne.fr © > Chamarande

# ARRAYF DE **ROYAUMONT**

Set around the Abbaye de Royaumont. a masterpiece of Gothic art, this 15-acre park is a listed historic monument. Stroll through the gardens filled with aromatic and medicinal plants for a visit that's not just entertaining it's educational too!

www.royaumont.com

# PARC DF LA VILLETTE

On sunny days, there's no better place to head than the Parc de la Villette, an urban playground located at the city's edge. Stretch out on the vast lawns and soak up the sound of the djembes, explore its 26 red follies and an eclectic programme of events; learn about ecology and biodiversity in the seasonal gardens, or wander through the incredible bamboo grove. La Villette is a park where freedom grows!

www.lavillette.com (M) Porte de la Villette

# PARC CULTUREL DE RENTILLY MICHEL-CHARTIER

There are few better places for a picnic than beneath the giant sequoia trees in the Parc Culturel de Rentilly Michel-Chartier, where a surprising château entirely covered in mirrors by Xavier Veilhan reflects the English gardens. The château and its exhibitions are open to visitors.

www.parccultureIrentilly.fr From Paris: (ER) (A) > Torcy

> A BITE TO EAT

# IA TABLE

Discover local cuisine made with vegetable garden produce in one of the abbey's most beautiful vaulted rooms.

From Paris: Train from Gare du Nord > Viarmes







Wildcats, giraffes, sharks, fish and superheroes there are plenty of theme parks in Paris and its region where you can relax and have fun with family and friends. Thrills guaranteed.

# 1 DISNEYLAND® PARIS

Marvel Super Heroes will descend on Disneyland® Paris this summer and stay around until 30 September. Bringing the park's 25th anniversary season to a heroic end, this is a unique opportunity to encounter Spider-Man, Iron Man, Captain America and Star-Lord. You'll be amazed as the Avengers take on the villainous Loki in an interactive show with heroic special effects, while Star-Lord and other Guardians of the Galaxy strut their stuff in an awesome dance-off. Beef up your summer!

www.disneylandparis.fr From Paris: © ② > Chessy Marne-la-Vallée or Disneyland Paris Express shuttle (www.disneylandparis-express.com). From Paris-Charles de Gaulle and Paris-Orly airports: Magical Shuttle (www.magicalshuttle.fr)

# **2** PARC ZOOLOGIQUE DE PARIS

With its celebrated 65-metre-high rock, the Parc Zoologique de Paris has created five biozones for its many species – from the iconic giraffes, wolves and lions, to the endangered Madagascar boa, scimitar oryx and Crévy's zebra and the less well-known Caribbean manatees and wolverines. This vast, 35-acre site can also be visited at nightfall, when the weather is clement.

# 3 JARDIN D'ACCLIMATATION

The pathways of the Jardin d'Acclimatation, opened by Napoleon III, have been a playground for generations of little Parisians. On the edge of the Bois de Boulogne, next to the Fondation Louis Vuitton, it's also home to an amusement park with merry-go-rounds. Don't miss the nature walks, shows, workshops and farm. Renovated over winter, it has 17 new attractions.

www.jardindacclimatation.fr

# 4 AQUARIUM DE PARIS

Sharks, jellyfish, skates, seahorses and exotic fish of a thousand shapes and colours are just some of the amazing things to see at the Aquarium de Paris. Young nature enthusiasts can also learn more about biodiversity in the workshops, learning tours and exhibitions. This is an attraction that offers total immersion!

d www.cineaqua.com 5 avenue Albert de Mun (M) Trocadéro



> A BITE TO EAT

## REST O AT THE CITE DES SCIENCES

Enjoy a fun lunch at the Cité des sciences et de l'industrie museum restaurant, under the watchful eyes of trumpet shells, crabs and groupers in the aquarium!

www.cite-sciences.fr

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# GET ON your bike!



Philippe Coupy, a cycle tourism expert and co-founder of the francevelotourisme.com website, has written several travel guides. Forever seeking freedom, he loves to discover new cycle routes. Here, he shares one of his favourite itineraries from his Paris Île-de-France à vélo guide.



# Philippe Coupy A cycle tourism expert

Would you like to discover another side of Versailles? Then hop on your bike! My recommended circuit starts in the city of Versailles, passing through the parklands of the Château - a pleasant ride through nature with a spot of culture. The tree-lined paths, Grand Canal and the wonders of the Grand and Petit Trianons all take on a whole new meaning! If you're cycling with children, stop off at the Queen's Hamlet -Marie-Antoinette's preferred place of retreat - to see the sheep and goats. Suitable for all, this route takes you to places you might never have heard of, such as the King's Kitchen Garden and the Versailles Market - a great place to stock up on supplies and refuel! Between the cycle route and the stop-off points, you'll easily spend the day exploring. At lunchtime, picnic next to the Pièce d'Eau des Suisses, a lake in the Château's grounds, or try La Petite Venise restaurant.

- 1 Versailles Rive Droite train station (Circuit start and finish points)
- 2 Château de Versailles
- 3 Queen's Hamlet
- 4 Petit Trianon **5** Grand Trianon

- 7 Petite Venise
- **8** Pièce d'eau des Suisses
- **9** King's Kitchen Garden
- 10 Versailles Market
- 11 Versailles Château Rive Gauche train station
  - 1 Office de tourisme

# LONGER CYCLE RIDES

If you're an avid pedaller, try one of the major cycle routes that cross Paris and its region. Fancy riding between two capital cities? The 400-kilometre Avenue Verte **London-Paris** is for you! Alternatively, cycle from Paris to Mont Saint-Michel along the Véloscénie, via Versailles and Euro Velo 3 (Scandibérique) linking Trondheim (Norway) to Santiago de Compostela (Spain) via Paris. The Seine à vélo will shortly offer cyclists the chance to reach the Channel from Paris by following







The Paris Île-de-France à vélo Routard Guide (available from 20 June, €15) has 55 routes to enjoy with family or friends. All starting points can be reached in less than an hour from Paris by train. Circuits include the Seine of the Impressionists, the Canal de l'Ourcq, the forests of Fontainebleau, Rambouillet, Saint-Germain, and many more.



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### ANDRÉA

By combining her two passions, tourism and running, Andréa made her dream come true. She got into running 15 years ago when an injury prevented her from playing basketball.

Since then, she runs at least four times a week, and has never regretted her change of sport. Armed with two degrees in tourism, she's happy to guide you around the city – you just need to keep up!



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## GOLFCOURSES

If you like spending time on the green, the fairways of Paris are in swinging range so pack your clubs!

#### THE BIG KIDS' CHOICE

A putting green shaped like Mickey Mouse's ear? There's no doubt about it, you're at **Golf Disneyland!** Just 35 minutes from Paris, this 200-acre golf course to the south of the amusement park lets you experience the world of Disney in a very unique way. This fairytale course is adapted to all player levels.

www.disneylandparis.fr



## 2 THE CELEBRITIES'

Thirty-five kilometres to the west of Paris, the **Golf National** is the Paris region's premium golf course. Its legendary Albatros course has been the venue for the Open de France tournament since 1991, and it will also welcome the prestigious Ryder Cup this year. You too can follow in the footsteps of the world's greatest golfers.

www.golf-national.com



Played between teams from Europe and the United States, the Ryder Cup is a major international sports fixture and the world's leading team golf competition. This year it's being held in France for the first time, from 25 to 30 September 2018 – another great reason to visit the Golf National.

www.rydercup.com





## **THE HISTORIC** CHOICE

Half an hour south of Paris, the prestigious Golf de Fontainebleau, set in the heart of the forest, combines high playing standards with tradition. Playable in all seasons due to its sandy soil, it's one of the oldest and most beautiful courses in France.

www.golfdefontainebleau.org



Would you like to spend some time in the countryside and play on a course renowned for its exceptionally high quality? The Exclusiv Golf de Courson promises a unique golfing experience on a course maintained to Stade Français standards. lust half an hour from Paris, on a 270-acre estate, this is one of the most beautiful courses in Europe, with its unrivalled panoramas, eight ponds and broom-lined fairways.

www.stadefrancais.com/courson

## **THE CONTEMPORARY CHOICE**

At the centre of a natural park north of Paris, the **Golf Hôtel\*\*\* de Mont Griffon** is a perfect blend of tradition and modernity. This 270-acre estate has two courses with holes set within the parkland, panoramic views and a large driving range with 310 hitting mats.

www.golf-hotel-mont-griffon.fr

#### > A BITE TO EAT

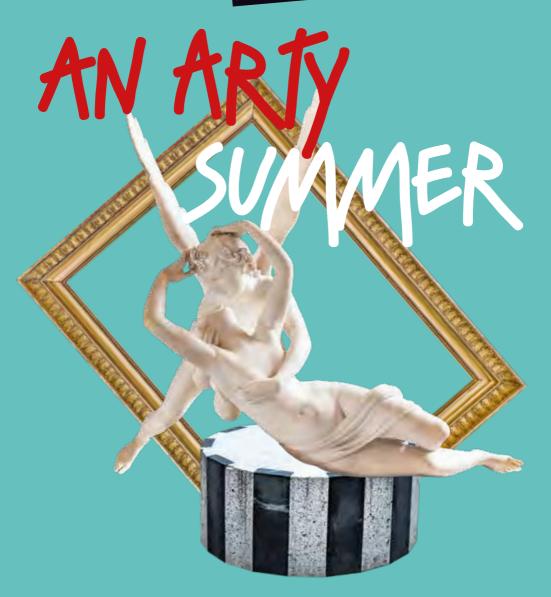
## LEMERAUDE

Surrounded by the Château de Cély's golf course, sample traditional French cuisine in the club's relaxed atmosphere.

6, route de Saint Germain, Cély-en-Bière www.lemeraudecely.fr



Art & Culture



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## **FLYVIEW** PARIS



Ever wondered what it would be like to fly over Paris? Thanks to this virtual reality tour, now you can! Just a short walk from the Opéra, strap on a jetpack for a unique bird's-eye-view of the capital's most amazing buildings.

www.flyview360.com 30 rue du 4 Septembre M Opéra

## L'ATELIER **DES LUMIÈRES**



This former foundry is home to the city's first digital arts centre. Immerse yourself in the paintings of Gustav Klimt projected onto the walls and floors of this vast space as you listen to an inspired soundtrack. Sensations guaranteed.

www.atelier-lumieres.com 38 rue Saint Maur (M) Père Lachaise

## EXHIBITIONS



#### **GHOSTS** AND HELLS

Learn all about the ghostly figures that have haunted the Asian popular imagination for centuries at the Musée du quai Branly-Jacques Chirac. From Buddhist paintings to Hokusai prints, and from Pac-Man to Thai spirit culture, the Ghosts and Hell's exhibition takes visitors on a journey through religious art, theatre, cinema, contemporary design and manga. Super scary!

ð www.guaibranlv.fr (M) Alma-Marceau







## **RUSSIAN AVANT-GARDE** IN PARIS

Marc Chagall founded the School of Fine Arts in his hometown of Vitebsk a century ago, with his friends Lissitzky and Malevitch. The Centre Pompidou focuses on these three leading modernists through 250 of their most prestigious works that shed light on the post-revolutionary years.

a\_www.centrepompidou.fr (M) Rambuteau

#### **SCULPTURE** IN MOTION

The Rodin and Dance exhibition explores a little-known facet of the artist's work his fascination with dance - as illustrated by his encounters with the dancers of the time, such as Loïe Fuller, Isadora Duncan and Hanako. The famous "Dance Movements" series, never shown in the sculptor's lifetime, will be displayed alongside his sculptures. photographs and drawings. A world of grace and poetry to explore!

a www.musee-rodin.fr 77 rue de Varenne (M) Varenne

Until 22/07

> A BITE TO EAT

Are you a fan of contemporary fine dining, especially when the Eiffel Tower's in the frame? Then the roof terrace of the Musée du auai Branly-Jacques Chirac is for you!

www.lesombres-restaurant.com

## Until 23/07

#### **EUGÈNE DELACROIX,** STAR OF THE LOUVRE

Delacroix (1798-1863) at the **Louvre museum** pays tribute to the career of this outstanding painter, from his big hits at the Salons, to his depictions of Antiquity and his later religious compositions. This historic retrospective exhibition features a selection of 180 works, including the famous "Liberty guiding the People".

a www.louvre.fr





#### **HISTORY** IN PAINTING

Although *Guernica* cannot be seen in Paris it's certainly one of the world's best-known paintings. The exhibition at the **Musée national Picasso-Paris** sheds light on the drama behind the canvas and the origins of this pacifist symbol through numerous preparatory studies, sketches and post-scriptums by Picasso himself. All in all, a worthwhile history lesson.

a www.museepicassoparis.fr 5 rue de Thorigny (M) Saint-Paul

## TWO FASHION EXHIBITIONS, one name:

## MARTIN MARGIELA



#### THE **PALAIS GALLIERA**

No fan of the limelight, Martin Margiela has remained a man of mystery. That might all be about to change with Margiela/Galliera at the Palais Galliera - the first ever retrospective of his work. One hundred and thirty designs, catwalk videos, archive items and more offer a fresh insight into this hugely influential contemporary Belgian fashion designer.

d www.palaisgalliera.paris.fr



#### MUSÉE **DES ARTS DÉCORATIFS**

Margiela, The Hermès Years at the Musée des Arts décoratifs unpicks the couturier's five-year stint at the celebrated Paris fashion house. Curated by the designer himself, the exhibition features some one hundred accessorised pieces.

ð www.madparis.fr M Palais-Royal Musée du Louvre

## Until 30/07

#### **COLOURS** AND SHAPES

**The Grand Palais** is organising a retrospective of works by *Kupka*, an early 20th-century Czech artist unfairly overlooked in France. Three hundred paintings, drawings, engravings, books and documents explore the prolific and varied career of this pioneer of abstraction, a painter of light and movement.

đ www.grandpalais.com (M) Champs Élysées Clemenceau





### PERFECT **HARMONY**

What is man's place in the universe? What bonds tie him to his environment? The **Fondation Louis Vuitton** aims to answer these questions through a selection of 200 works from its collections. In Tune with the World aims to create a dialogue between 25 contemporary creators and some of the 20th century's greatest artists including Picasso, Giacometti and Matisse. Don't miss the complementary series devoted to the work of Japanese artist Takashi Murakami.

ở www.fondationlouisvuitton.fr ⋒ Les Sablons





#### THEY'RE HERE... **AND THEY'VE GOT** TEETH!

Inspired by one of the biggest blockbusters in film history, Jurassic World at the **Cité du cinéma** takes visitors on a journey to Isla Nublar for a scarily close look at T.rex, brachiosaurus and other velociraptors, and even the infamous Indominus Rex, the film's hero. Fun and interactive, this exhibition is ideal for fans of big beasts, some of which are seven metres tall!





#### MUSÉUM NATIONAL **D'HISTOIRE NATURELLE**

Don't miss the T.rex exhibition at the **Muséum national d'Histoire naturelle:** the almost complete skeleton is guaranteed to send shivers down your spine!

ã www.mnhn.fr

## Until 06/01/2019

#### TALK OF THE TOWN

After a fifteen-year absence, the artist Zao Wou-Ki (1920-2013) is set to take the city's art scene by storm with the Space is Silence exhibition at the Musée d'Art moderne de la Ville de Paris. This selection of around forty large-format works is an invitation to rediscover the artist's work.

a\_www.mam.paris.fr (M) léna



#### OUR **DISTANT COUSIN**

Long considered a primitive creature, Neanderthal Man is now recognised as a human being in his own right. At the Musee de l'Homme, Neanderthal The Exhibit brings us up to date. Spend a day with him and see how he lived, guess his physical abilities by studying his anatomy and solve the mystery of his disappearance.

(M) Trocadéro



What's next? Three exhibitions at La Villette!

M Porte de Villette, Corentin Cariou, Porte de Pantin



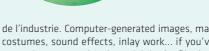
#### SUPFR LEGO®

After trotting the globe, The Art of the Brick: DC Super Hero has finally arrived in Paris! Displays include 120 original and entertaining sculptures inspired by the world of DC Comics - Batman, Superman, Wonder Woman, the Joker and more - produced by artist Nathan Sawaya, a big fan of the tiny plastic cubes. Awesome! www.aotbdc.fr



#### **BEHIND** THE SCENES

Get a behind-the-scenes look at special effects, from film design to cinema projection, at the Special Effects: Steal the Scene! exhibition in the Cité des sciences et



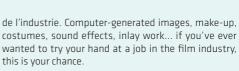
đ www.cite-sciences.fr



#### **REYOND** DREAMS

A rather unusual immersive experience awaits you at the Grande Halle de La Villette. Produced by the Japanese TeamLab collective, Au-delà des limites invites you to explore an enchanting 360° world in a 2,000 squaremeter space where the works morph as you move about. Reinvent vour dreams!

www.villette.com



## Impressionist adventures

The birthplace of Impressionism, Paris and its region invite you to follow in the footsteps of the painters of light and visit the areas that touched them as artists. Get ready for an Impressionist journey!

## PARIS and MONTMARTRE

#### the heart of the capital

The journey starts with the masterpieces found in one of the city's favourite museums: the Musée d'Orsay(1), housed in the former railway station built for the 1900 World Fair and home to the world's largest collection of Impressionist paintings. On the other side of the Seine, in the Jardin des Tuileries, two rooms in the Musée de l'Orangerie(2) play host to the monumental Water Lilies murals by Monet. Next, we're off to the Musée Marmottan Monet(3) and the largest collection of works by the father of Impressionism, including the iconic Impression, Sunrise.

(1) a www.musee-orsay.fr - (M) Solférino

(2) a www.musee-orangerie.fr - (M) Concorde

(3) www.marmottan.fr - 2 rue Louis Boilly - M La Muette

Download an audio tour of Montmartre<sup>(1)</sup> in the footsteps of Renoir, Pissarro and Van Gogh and discover Bohemian Paris transformed by Haussmann or whiz around the city in a classic 2CV convertible(2) as your driver points out sights of interest. Visit the Musée de Montmartre(1) and relive the heyday of the "Butte" where Renoir had his studio and painted Le Bal du Moulin de la Galette.

- (1) download from www.montmartre-guide.com
- (2) www.4roues-sous-1parapluie.com
- (3) www.museedemontmartre.fr

#### TOP TIP

There are three combined-ticket options: Musée d'Orsay + Musée de l'Orangerie; Musée de l'Orangerie + Fondation Claude Monet Giverny, and Musée Marmottan Monet + Fondation Claude Monet Giverny.

Day trip including a visit with audio quide of the Musée d'Orsay and Giverny with ParisCityVision (www.pariscityvision.com).





#### **IMPRESSIONIST** exhibitions



Until 08/07 at the Musée Marmottan Monet

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MARY CASSATT: AN AMERICAN IMPRESSIONIST

www.musee-jacquemart-andre.com



#### Heading south to

## BARDIZON and YERRES

Return to nature with a visit to Barbizon. Discover the haunts of France's landscape artists, the precursors of Impressionism. Leaving their studios, they painted in the open air, in the forest of Fontainebleau, and were regulars at the Auberge Ganne. Now home to the Musée des peintres de Barbizon<sup>(1)</sup>, the old inn gives an idea of what the area was once like. Download the audio walking tour<sup>(2)</sup> to explore this pretty artists' village. Don't miss Jean-François Millet's house-cum-studio<sup>(3)</sup>, where he painted masterpieces including The Angelus and The Gleaners.

Two great Impressionist painters later made their homes in the area. Sisley lived in Moret-sur-Loing<sup>(4)</sup> for the last 20 years of his life. The Sisley trail rambles through this charming medieval town, pausing at viewpoints

that inspired the painter. On sunny days, large-scale reproductions of his works are displayed around the town.

Further north, in Yerres, Caillebotte<sup>(s)</sup> was a regular visitor to his family's home, which is featured in some of his major paintings. Recently restored, redecorated and refurbished to reflect the painter's era, it is now open to visitors. The delightfully preserved 11-hectare park with its restaurant and exhibition space can be explored in augmented reality (digital tablets available for hire).

- (1) d www.musee-peintres-barbizon.fr
- (2) www.zevisit.com
- (3) www.atelier-millet.fr
- (4) From Paris: Train from Gare de Lyon > Moret-Veneux-les-Sablons www.msl-tourisme.fr and www.alfred-sisley.com
- (5) From Paris: ( D > Yerres www.proprietecaillebotte.com





Until 20/08 at the Musée de l'Orangerie

THE WATER LILIES.

AMERICAN ABSTRACT PAINTING
AND THE LAST MONET

à www.musee-orangerie.fr

From 21/06

at the Petit Palais

IMPRESSIONISTS IN LONDON. FRENCH ARTISTS IN EXILE 1870-1904 www.petitpalais.paris.fr



## Impressionist adventures

## the **SEINE**

With the arrival of the locomotive, the banks of the Seine became a party spot for Parisians, inspiring the Impressionists. On the Île de la Jatte and upstream towards Asnières (www.tourisme92.com), Bougival (www.tourisme-bougival.com), Chatou, Croissy-sur-Seine, Louveciennes, Marly-le-Roi and Le Pecq (www.seine-saintgermain.fr), follow trails dotted with reproductions of paintings and admire the landscapes that inspired them, in the very spot where the artists

pitched their easels. In Chatou, don't miss the famous Maison Fournaise<sup>®</sup>. Once a guinguette, its restaurant set the scene for Luncheon of the Boating Party. With its wonderful terrace overlooking the Seine, it provides a good idea of what life was once like here. Its museum recalls the carefree days of boating, as does the nearby Musée de la Grenouillère<sup>®</sup>.

From Paris: ( A) > Chatou-Croissy
(1) www.restaurant-fournaise.fr and www.musee-fournaise.com
(2) 12 Grande Rue, Croissy





#### Heading north to

## ALVERS and the OISE VALLEY

Auvers-sur-Oise is strongly associated with Vincent van Gogh. He spent the last 70 days of his life in the village, producing more than 80 paintings, and died here in mysterious circumstances. Following in his footsteps feels almost like a pilgrimage. His room at the Auberge Ravoux, known as the "House of Van Gogh"(1), has been conserved in its original state. Discover the landscapes immortalised by the artist, including the celebrated Auvers Church on a walk through the village, to the cemetery where he lies alongside his brother Theo.

The landscape painter Daubigny was the first to move to Auvers, before Van Gogh. Don't forget to visit his home studio(2), its walls decorated with paintings by Daubigny, Corot and Daumier, among others. A museum(3) is also devoted to him. Until 26/08, the Marine Impressions exhibition pays tribute to Daubigny and the painters who worked alongside him.

Reflecting the vibrant art scene in the village at the time. Auvers also won the admiration

in Pontoise for several years. The Musée Camille Pissarro<sup>(4)</sup> explores his life and work. Until 8/07, discover the Gustave Loiseau. Landscapes of the Île-de-France and Normandy exhibition.

Last stop: the Château d'Auvers(5), where a new immersive tour retraces the history of Impressionism, from its pioneers to heirs. A great opportunity to relive each stage on your Impressionist journey. The circle is complete.

From Paris: Train from Gare du Nord. Direct train to Auvers-sur-Oise Saturday, Sunday and public holidays, starting 9.38am, returning at 18.32pm (www.transilien.com).

- (1) www.maisondevangogh.fr
- (2) www.atelier-daubigny.com
- (3) a www.museedaubignv.com
- (4) 17 rue du Château, Pontoise
- (5) a www.chateau-auvers.fr

#### Office de tourisme

- 38 rue du Général de Gaulle
- a www.tourisme-auverssuroise.fr



# CHÂTEAUX

Intriguing plots, stories and legends: the châteaux of Paris and its region have hundreds of secrets to share. These are the footnotes in history that changed France!



### VAUX-LE-VICOMTE



South of Paris, the château and its attractive French gardens created by the 17th century's leading artists - architect Louis Le Vau, interior decorator Charles Le Brun and landscape architect André Le Nôtre - was the inspiration for the Château de Versailles.

www.vaux-le-vicomte.com From Paris: Train from Gare de l'Est > Verneuil l'Étang + Châteaubus shuttle

#### Alexandre Dumas

The extravagant Alexandre Dumas liked to shut himself away in his study, which he called Château d'lf, surrounded by fish, monkeys, parrots and even a vulture!



#### Empress Joséphine

Before becoming Joséphine, the empress was called Rose. An auspicious name for a woman who loved botany and roses.



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On a hunting trip on his estate, King Francis I died here on 31 March, 1547, in the tower that bears his name

Francis I

## 2 FONTAINEBLEAU



Staying south of Paris, Fontainebleau is a marvel of French art and architecture. Built in the 12th century, it witnessed some extraordinary chapters in French history, from the Middle Ages to the Renaissance. A royal residence for nearly eight centuries, it was inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1981.

õ www.chateau-fontainebleau.fr From Paris: Train from Gare de Lyon > Fontainebleau. ParisCityVision shuttles (www.pariscityvision.com)

## 3 MALMAISON



To the west of Paris, from 1799 this elegant residence decorated in the Empire style was the private home of Napoleon and Joséphine. After their divorce in 1809, Joséphine withdrew to the house, where she died in 1814. A fascinating insight into the private life of the imperial couple.

ố www.chateau-malmaison.fr From Paris: (ER) (A) > Rueil-Malmaison

## RAMBOUILLET



Set in the Forest of Rambouillet, west of Paris, this former royal residence set the stage for great names in French history - Francis I, Louis XVI and Napoleon I - and several presidents of the French Republic. Don't miss Queen Marie-Antoinette's dairy in the park where she liked to play the farmer's wife.

www.chateau-rambouillet.fr From Paris: Train from Gare Montparnasse > Rambouillet

### Marquise de Pompadour

Versailles and rented this elegant residence. Loved by King Louis XV, she was the envy of his courtiers.







Napoleon I

#### MONTE-CRISTO



A tad megalomaniac, the author, at the height of his fame, wanted somewhere he could escape the pressures of Parisian life. To the west of the city, close to Saint-Germain-en-Laye, he had this haven built in 1844, and named it after the character in his own novel. Have fun finding characters from his novels engraved in the stone walls.

www.chateau-monte-cristo.com
From Paris: (ER) (A) > Saint-Germain-en-Laye + bus 10 > Les lampes stop + walk.

## CHAMPS-SUR-MARNE



Built in an oasis of greenery to the east of Paris, on a bend in the River Marne, this gem of Classical architecture gives a glimpse of the 18th-century art of living. Discover its charm and elegance on a walk through the grounds.

a www.chateau-champs-sur-marne.fr From Paris: (A) > Noisiel

## CHÂTEAUX



#### **VERSAILLES**



The epitome of Louis XIV's sumptuous reign, Versailles is the château of superlatives. From a simple hunting lodge in the 17th century, it became France's centre of power under the Sun King, and has been a museum since the 19th century. With its park and beautiful French gardens, it covers an area of 800 hectares. Majestic!

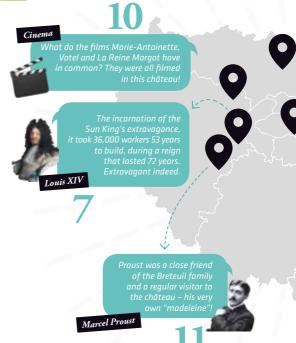
ã www.chateauversailles.fr From Paris: ⊕ ⓒ > Versailles Rive Gauche. Train from Gare Montparnasse > Versailles Chantiers or Saint-Lazare > Versailles Rive Droite. ParisCityVision shuttles (www.pariscityvision.com)

## 8 VINCENNES



Located next to the Bois de Vincennes. this is the largest royal castle still in existence in France. Its history is full of fascinating twists and turns. Neglected by Louis XIV in favour of Versailles, it became a prison in the 16th century. The 52 metre-high keep is one of the highest in Europe.

ã www.chateau-de-vincennes.fr M Château de Vincennes



## DISNEYLAND PARIS



A real fairytale castle with dizzyingly high spires, richly decorated towers, royal blue rooftops, stained glass windows and tapestries, Sleeping Beauty's castle makes an enchanting escape from the real world. But beware: there's a dragon about...

www.disneylandparis.fr From Paris: (A) > Chessy Marne-la-Vallée. Disneyland Paris Express shuttles (www.disneylandparis-express.com). From Paris-Charles de Gaulle and Paris-Orly airports: Magical Shuttle (www.magicalshuttle.fr)

## 10 MAISONS



This is the best-preserved work of François Mansart, a pioneer of Classical architecture in France. With its symmetry, balanced design, elegant roofs and large windows to let in more light, it is the definition of architectural harmony — a gem that awaits, between Paris and Versailles.

o www.chateau-maisons.fr From Paris: ⊕ (A) or Gare Saint-Lazare > Maisons-Laffitte

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his magnificent residence was built by Anne de Montmorency, constable and close friend of Francis I. Unfortunately, they fell out before the king ever set foot inside the château!

Anne de Montmorency

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his beauty has been leeping in the magical orld of Disneyland just utside Paris for 25 years.

Sleeping Beauty

Diderot was imprisoned here for a few months in 1749 for publishing a censored text. He was visited by his friend Jean-Jacques Rousseau: architectural beauty encountering beautiful prose.

Denis Diderot

11 BRETEUIL



Located between Versailles and Rambouillet, this château and its history are closely intertwined with the history of France, brought to life by wax figures dotted around its rooms. Paintings also set the scene for the tales of Perrault (Puss in Boots and Donkey Skin), another friend of the family.

www.breteuil.fr From Paris: (B) > Saint-Rémy-lès-Chevreuse + Baladobus (Sundays and Public Holidays)

## 12 ECOUEN



Located to the north of Paris, deep in a forest, this château is a jewel of French Renaissance architecture. It is now the only French museum entirely devoted to this period, its history and artistic movements, from painting to tapestry.

ă www.musee-renaissance.fr
From Paris: Train from Gare du Nord > Luzarches

## Street Art Special



In 1995, NTM, one of France's most successful hip-hop groups, released the album *Paris sous les bombes*, an ode to graffiti artists. Since then, street art has made a name for itself, no longer just for people in the know. Today, Vitry, the 13th arrondissement and along the Canal Saint-Denis are unmissable showcases of this art form.

## STREET ART 13

#### When Art Goes Big

This is an art gallery the likes of which you've rarely seen - if ever. The Street Art 13 project. supported by Galerie Itinerrance and the town hall of the 13th arrondissement, is a collection of around 50 gigantic murals by well-known artists, visible from the elevated metro line 6, which cuts through the 13th arrondissement. While some of these works are located at eve level, others stretch high above, covering the entire side of a building. One of the most striking is the Marianne painted by Shepard Fairey. The U.S. artist, better known under the alias Obey, became a household name thanks to the iconic poster he designed for Barack Obama's 2008 campaign, which depicts the former President of the United States in shades of blue and red. If you want to learn more about

the murals, you can take a tour guided by Fresh Street Art Tour Paris and enjoy an outdoor art history class.

- Itinerary: along Boulevard Vincent Auriol between Place d'Italie and Quai de la Gare metro station.
- Detailed route and works: streeatart13.fr
- Guided tours by Fresh Street Art Tour Paris: freshstreetarttourparis.com



## Enlarge <sup>your</sup>Paris

The journalists from Enlarge your Paris, an independent regional news organisation, have been exploring the greater Paris region since 2013, with a particular focus on cultural events and what's happening beyond the Paris ring road. In 2018 they published the *Guide des Grands Parisiens* in collaboration with Les Magasins Généraux, an artistic hub based in Paris suburb Pantin. The guide contains a list of 300 addresses in eight areas that straddle Paris and the adjoining suburbs. They are the Fabrique, the Petite Riviera, the Rooftop, the HyperMuseum, the Océan Vert, the Square XXL, the Street Galerie and the Delta.



#### VIIRY International Capital Of Street Art

Vitry and street art is a decade-long love affair that's still going strong. It began when artist Christian Guémy, alias C215, began stencilling on the city's walls when he moved there after a break-up. A number of local and international artists followed him, turning Vitry into the stage for some of the world's most unique street art. In Vitry, art is everywhere: on postboxes, in cafés, on the EDF electrical boxes, and sometimes even on the trees. It's a city overflowing with art that the association Vitry'n Urbaine can help you discover on a guided walking tour of the city. As a side note, Vitry is also home to France's third-biggest state collection of contemporary art, thanks to a bold cultural policy. Some 140 artworks take pride of place in the streets of Vitry, including a monumental sculpture by Jean Dubuffet in front of the Mac Val, the first museum of contemporary art to open in a Paris suburb, in 2005. Vitry has truly mastered the art of promoting art.

- Map of artworks: vitry94.fr
- Guided tours organised by the association Vitry'n Urbaine: tourisme-valdemarne.com

## STREET ART AVENUE

## An Art Trail Along The Canal Saint-Denis

To mark the 2016 UEFA European Football Championship, a Street Art Avenue was created between Parc de la Villette in the 19th arrondissment and Stade de France, offering walkers the chance to discover original works. And the art isn't all that's original along this walk. The Tourist Office organises guided tours on an electric scooter or on a jog!

- Art trail along the Canal Saint-Denis, from Parc de la Villette to Stade de France
- Guided tours by the Plaine Commune tourist office: tourisme-plainecommune-paris.com

# SHARING THE BEST TRAVEL TIPS



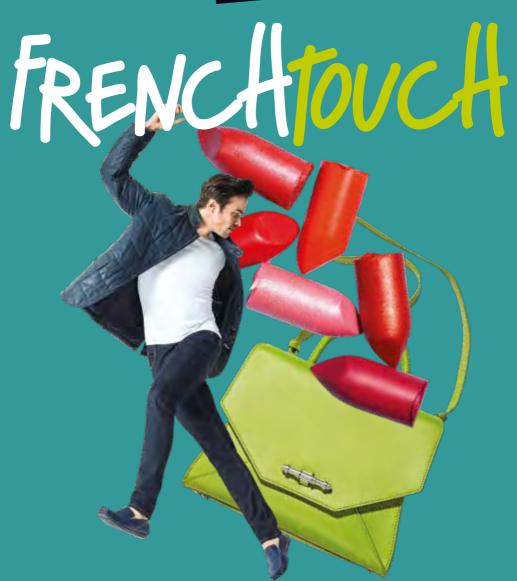






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Shopping



Paris is, without question, the world capital of fashion and an unmissable shopping destination - you just have to look at the showcases of French style and savvy that are the Paris fashion weeks, the luxury brands that the world envies, the city's shopping meccas and its designer boutiques.

# SHOP TIL YOU PARIS

Off the catwalk, *la mode française* continues year-round - with among the highest number of stores per square kilometre in the world. A style for every neighbourhood.

### THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE FOR HAUTE COUTURE

Try a spot of window shopping on Avenue Montaigne and Avenue George V, loved by fashionistas the world over for its prestigious stores including Louis Vuitton, Dior and Chanel. With everything from high-end ready-to-wear labels to fast fashion brands, shopping on the Champs-Elysées couldn't be more varied. Don't forget to take a macaron break at Ladurée!

## 2 PLACE VENDÔME FOR ULTIMATE CHIC

The column at the centre of this square is like a totem for good taste. Fall in love with something sparkly or splurge on a luxury watch before a stroll down rue Saint-Honoré for statement-making style, from couture labels to top-flight designers and ultra-fashionable creatives like Margiela and Chloé. End the day with a stroll in the Palais Royal gardens.

#### THE MARAIS FOR THE LATEST TRENDS

The epicentre of Parisian style, the Haut-Marais is brimming with exciting finds. Start with the charming winding streets, Rue de Poitou and Rue de Bretagne, then head for craft concept store Empreintes on Rue de Picardie, before grabbing lunch-on-the-go at the Marché des Enfants Rouges - the oldest market in Paris. Check out French brands Sandro and Maje, the Isabel Marant flagship store and other designer boutiques, then head to the Bas-Marais for luxury shopping on Rue Vieille-du-Temple, lined with Fendi, Cucci, Givenchy and other exclusive brands. Wrap up your shopping expedition at the Perchoir, the rooftop bar at the top of the BHV Marais department store.

#### **GRANDS MAGASINS** FOR A GRAND ENTRANCE

Boulevard Haussmann is always buzzing. The handsome, listed building that houses Printemps department store is the perfect setting for top luxury labels such as Givenchy, Guy Laroche, Isabel Marant and Olivia Burton. For more fashion-forward fun, browse the racks under the Art Deco dome of the Galeries Lafayette. Renowned for its uber-trendy clothes, this store is a magnet for voguish shoppers. End the day on a high note with a visit to the store's rooftop terrace for panoramic views of Paris.





Shopping during the sales requires preparation and lots of organisation.
Forget high heels and trainers - especially not with laces.
Opt instead for ballerina flats, a tanktop under a light jacket,
and leggings for trying on dresses, skirts and shorts with a minimum

of fuss. Remember to take a light, practical, roomy bag, and don't forget a bottle of water! Ready? Let's go!

#### **PIGALLE AND MONTMARTRE** FOR PURE PARISIAN STYLE

The Rue des Abbesses has a friendly village feel – and to top it off, it's choc-full of great shops. From designer boutiques, outlets for French labels including Maje and APC, and vintage stores, there's something to suit all tastes and pockets! For the very latest fashions, cross Boulevard de Clichy and head down rue des Martyrs to "South Pigalle" and its portfolio of concept stores, such as Sept Cinq, for 100% Parisian shopping, SuperShop, a designer studio store, and L'Oeuf, two stores offering clothes, shoes and fashion accessories. Soak up the last rays of sunshine at a terrace on the gorgeous Place Gustave-Toudouze.

## **6 SAINT-GERMAIN-DES-PRÉS** FOR ELEGANCE

The cobbled streets of the Latin Quarter never fail to charm, and its jazz and intellectual scene continues to thrive. Luxury stores abound in Saint-Germain, where creative types are part of the landscape. And it's not all about shopping: the Carré Rive Gauche is filled with art galleries. Need to recharge your batteries? Head to Sèvres-Babylone where the Bon Marché and its Grande Epicerie welcome food lovers with open arms. Rest your weary legs with a good book at the legendary Les Deux Magots café.

## **LUXURY OUTLETS**FOR CRAZY PRICES

SUMMER

Does your heart skip a beat at the sight of Maje, Sandro and Zadig & Voltaire? Are you mad about Gérard Darel, Carven and APC? Outlets and factory stores are a great place to find a host of French labels under one roof. If your idea of heaven is a day of bargain-hunting, it doesn't get much better than this, with low prices slashed by up to 70%! Not far from Disneyland Paris, the Vallée Village needs no introduction, with previous-season collections by 110 prestigious labels at prices you simply can't resist. Another option is One Nation at Clayes-sous-Bois, near Versailles, which carries premium brands alongside the only Galeries Lafayette outlet in the world – 1,800 square metres of affordable fashion!

> A BITE TO EAT

## LE PRINTEMPS DU GOÛT

Gourmet alert! At the top of the Printemps de l'Homme department store, shoppers can choose from a range of high-quality, all-French products and dining options.

(M) Havre-Caumartin



## LES PUCES

- A HAVEN FOR ANTIQUE-HUNTERS

Every weekend from Friday morning to Monday evening, more than 2,000 antiques dealers display their goods at the biggest flea market in the world, the Saint-Ouen Flea Market. This paradise for antique-hunters is a treasure trove of old metal wares, clothes and trinkets, but it's also big on antiques and vintage design.

Once the haunt of rag-and-bone men and scrap-metal dealers, the Saint-Ouen Flea Market, which opened in 1885, now has fifteen markets, selling everything from the everyday to the extraordinary. It's a great place to hunt for antiques, take a stroll or just soak up the friendly, traditional market atmosphere.

M Porte de Clignancourt

#### SEVERAL MARKETS IN ONE

Each market has its own vibe. Dauphine is renowned for its prestigious 17th and 18th century antiques; Biron - one of the most famed is home to 220 antique and art dealers; Vernaison, where it all began, and Jules Vallès are heaving with trinkets, second-hand goods and vintage posters. Strolling around the galleries, sitting in trendy restaurants and accordion bars, or admiring the tiny wisteria-covered houses at Paul Bert market, it's sometimes hard to remember which century we're in!





Paul Bert is an open-air market. Make an early start and visit the antique and second-hand goods dealers at 18 rue Paul Bert. It's got a great mix of industrial and craft furniture, giant chandeliers and haute-couture wear. Next. head down Aisle 2 to the vellow pagoda and admire some iconic Thonet chairs. Lined with frames. Aisle 3 has a classic feel, while Aisle 7 is filled with a glorious jumble of odds and ends - it's a real treasure trove. On Aisle 4, spend time with the second-hand goods dealers - some of them are market veterans! and cast your eve over the curiosity cabinets and 50s ceramics, and then move on to Aisle 5 to browse the linen and vintage textiles. Interested in experimental post-war French design? You need Aisle 6! Take a break at La Chope des Puces, a bistro on Rue des Rosiers. This is where Django Reinhardt launched his career, and they're keeping the flame of traditional gypsy guitar music alive

In the afternoon, stroll along the red carpets of the **Serpette covered market**, and lose yourself in its maze of aisles. If you're interested in 20th century Scandinavian, Brazilian and Italian design you'll love this place; it's also great for classic French furniture, or to chat to the stars of the antiques world. For highend ready-to-wear, head to Aisles 1 and 2, where you'll also find an array of jewellery. On Aisle 3, admire the vintage Louis Vuitton trunks and luxury luggage, or talk to a specialist in celebrity jewellery. Aisle 5 is devoted to primary arts and 20th century design. As you exit via Cour Serpette, you'll discover some quintessentially English Chesterfield sofas. End your day with a visit to **Ma Cocotte**, a restaurant designed by Philippe Stark, serving traditional French classics with a twist.

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Make your stay easier with our practical guide

### Information

#### ASK **A TOURISM VOLUNTEER**

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## YOU'LL FIND EVERYTHING YOU NEED **AT GALERIES LAFAYETTE**

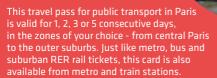
The ultimate shopping destination, this department store doesn't just stock the best in design - it's a gateway to the best Paris and its region have to offer. Find lots of useful products and services at the tourist information and reservation desk on the ground floor of Galeries Lafayette L'Homme (the men's store), including tickets for shows, museums, major tourist sites, cabarets, City Tours, river cruises, transport, excursions, a Wi-Fi box and more.

Galeries Lafayette L'Homme: 40. boulevard Haussmann



### Getting around







This free app available in 10 languages gives you top tips on using the transport system and discovering the most beautiful sites in the city and its region, from the Eiffel Tower to the Château de Versailles. Most features can be used without an internet connection. Available from App Store and Google Play.

#### **GETTING TO THE AIRPORT** (PARIS-CHARLES DE GAULLE AND PARIS-ORLY



- By bus, with Le Bus Direct Paris Aéroport (four routes in Paris), RoissyBus (Place de l'Opéra), OrlyBus (Place Denfert-Rochereau).
- By train, on the RER B to Paris-Charles de Gaulle, on the RER C to Orly.
- By shuttle, with SuperShuttle France, a shared or private transfer service in an 8-seater mini-van with free Wi-Fi.



#### **RIVER** TRANSPORT

Batobus is a shuttle service operating along the Seine, with nine stops between Beaugrenelle and the Jardin des Plantes.



#### **TAXIS**

Take a taxi (Taxis Parisiens, Taxis Bleus, Taxis G7 or Alpha Taxis) from one of 420 ranks - outside train stations and airports, near major tourist sites, etc. - or hail one in the street.

#### Discover

#### PARIS **BY RIVER BOAT**

Take a daytime or evening cruise along the Seine, with the option of a themed cruise, commentary, lunch or dinner, with Bateaux Parisiens (Port de la Bourdonnais – (M) Bir-Hakeim), Bateaux-Mouches (Pont de l'Alma – (M) Alma Marceau) or Vedettes de Paris (Port de Suffren – (M) Trocadéro).

#### **OPEN-TOP** BUS TOUR

Discover Paris on an open-top double-decker bus with Big Bus Paris and L'Open Tour. Routes cover the whole city.









#### PARIS MUSEUM PASS

Choose from three packages (2, 4 or 6 days) for unlimited entry to more than 50 museums and sites in Paris and its region, with access to permanent collections. Also on sale at participating sites.

#### **GREAT** DEALS

Museums and national monuments are free for young people under 26 from European Union countries, and everyone on the first Sunday of the month - although there are a few exceptions. Most sites close on Tuesdays and some public holidays, including 25 December and 1 January. Entry to the permanent collections of museums run by the City of Paris is free.

## Stay connected



Stay connected with Travel Wi-Fi - a handy, easy-to-use portable box for up to 10 devices. Alternatively, buy a SIM card or hire an Insidr 4G smartphone with lots of apps, and a Wi-Fi hotspot for up to eight devices.

#### Emergencies

- European emergency number (police and fire service): 112
- Bank card loss or theft: Mastercard: 0 800 90 1387 Visa: 0 800 90 20 33

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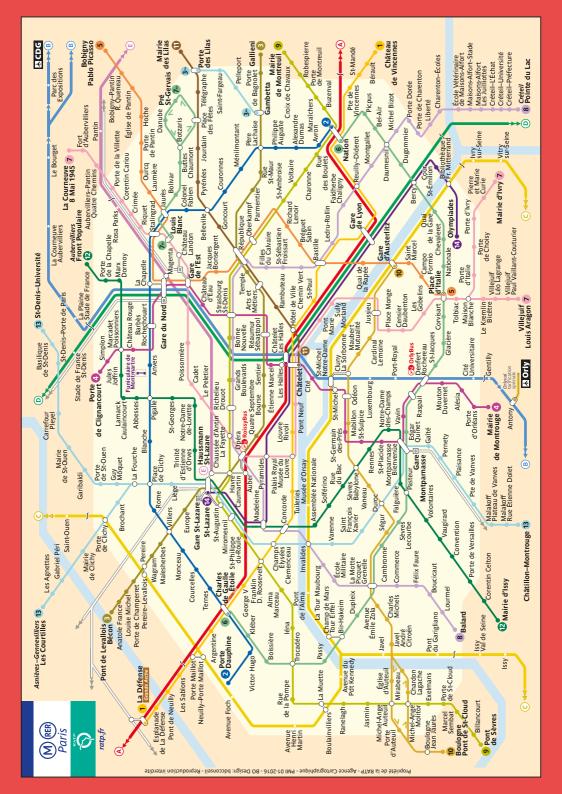
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