

Paris: A Journey Through Art, History, and Romance

Welcome to Paris, the City of Light, where centuries of history blend seamlessly with contemporary culture. This detailed 7-day guide will take you through the city's magnificent monuments, world-class museums, and charming neighborhoods.

Historical Overview

Paris has been a center of art, culture, and politics for over two millennia. From its humble beginnings as a Roman settlement to its current status as one of the world's most visited cities, Paris has maintained its position as a global cultural capital, influencing fashion, cuisine, and the arts.

Iconic Landmarks

- Eiffel Tower: The city's most recognizable symbol, offering breathtaking views of Paris
- Notre-Dame Cathedral: A masterpiece of Gothic architecture (currently under restoration)
- Arc de Triomphe: A monumental arch honoring those who fought for France
- Louvre Museum: Home to thousands of works of art, including the Mona Lisa
- Sacré-Cœur Basilica: A stunning white church overlooking the city from Montmartre

Cultural Districts

- Le Marais: Historic district with medieval architecture and trendy boutiques
- Latin Quarter: Student district with bookshops and historic universities
- Montmartre: Artists' quarter with stunning city views and charming cafés
- Saint-Germain-des-Prés: Intellectual hub with famous cafés and galleries

Gardens and Green Spaces

- Luxembourg Gardens: A peaceful haven with formal gardens and fountains
- Tuileries Garden: Historic garden between the Louvre and Place de la Concorde

- Champ de Mars: Large green space offering perfect Eiffel Tower views
- Trocadéro Gardens: Elevated park with the best views of the Eiffel Tower

Practical Travel Tips

- Transportation: Use the Metro for efficiency; consider a Navigo pass for weekly travel
- Best Times to Visit: Spring (April-June) or Fall (September-November)
- Language: Basic French phrases are appreciated; English is widely understood in tourist areas
- Safety: Watch for pickpockets in crowded tourist areas and on public transport

7-Day Itinerary Breakdown

Day 1: Classic Paris Introduction

- Eiffel Tower exploration
- Trocadéro Gardens visit
- Seine River Cruise
- Evening at Champ de Mars

Day 2: Art and Gardens

- Louvre Museum (book in advance)
- Tuileries Garden stroll
- Musée de l'Orangerie
- Palais Garnier tour

Day 3: Historic Heart

- Notre Dame Cathedral (exterior view)
- Sainte-Chapelle
- Île de la Cité Walk
- Latin Quarter exploration

Day 4: Artistic Quarter

- Montmartre neighborhood
- Place du Tertre
- Evening at Moulin Rouge

Day 5: Left Bank

- Luxembourg Gardens morning
- Saint-Germain-des-Prés
- Les Invalides
- Rodin Museum

Day 6: Luxury and Shopping

- Champs-Élysées walk
- Arc de Triomphe
- Galeries Lafayette
- Evening Seine stroll

Day 7: Day Trip Options

Choose between:

- Palace of Versailles
- Disneyland Paris
- Monet's Gardens at Giverny

Paris offers an endless array of experiences, from world-famous museums to hidden neighborhood gems. This itinerary provides a balanced mix of must-see attractions and local experiences, allowing you to experience both the grandeur and intimate charm of the French capital.

Whether you're admiring masterpieces at the Louvre, enjoying a croissant at a sidewalk café, or watching the Eiffel Tower sparkle at night, Paris promises to create lasting memories at every turn. Embrace the Parisian way of life and let the city's magic unfold before you.

Bon voyage!

Itinerary Preview

7 days

Eiffel Tower

Trocadero gardens

DAY 01

SeineRiverCruise

Champ de Mars

Louvre Museum

DAY

Tuileries Garden

02

Musée de l'Orangerie

Palais Garnier

Cathédrale Notre-Dame de Paris

DAY

Sainte-Chapelle

03

Île de la Cité

Latin Quarter

DAY 04

Montmartre

Place du Tertre

Moulin Rouge

Jardin du Luxembourg

DAY

Saint-Germain-des-Prés

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Hôtel des Invalides

Musée Rodin

Champs-Élysées

Galeries Lafayette Haussmann

9th arrondissement

DAY 07

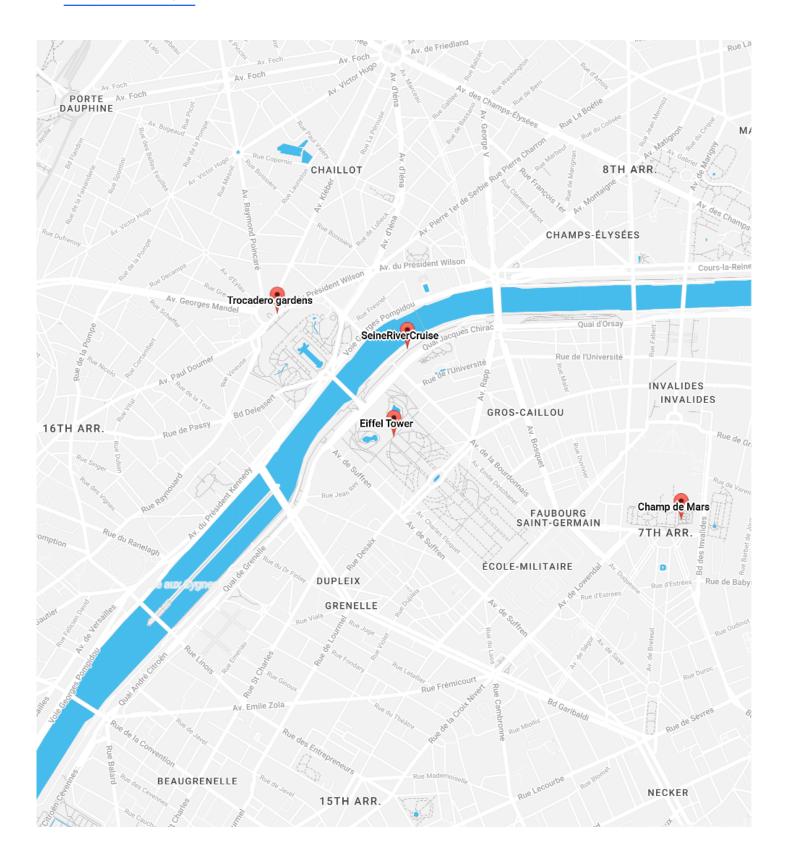
Palace of Versailles

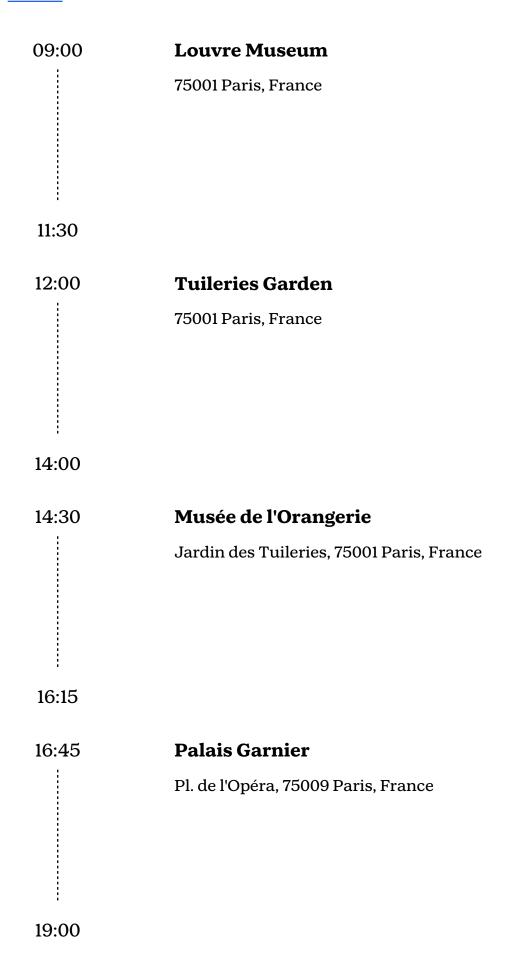


Daily Events

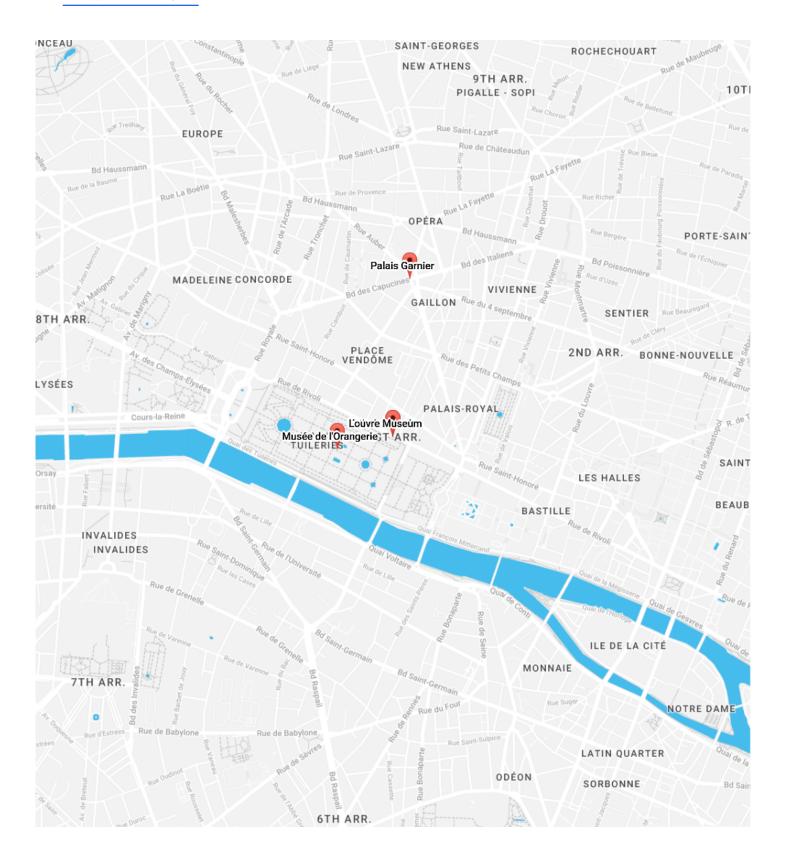
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11:00	
11:15	Trocadero gardens
	Pl. du Trocadéro et du 11 Novembre, 75016 Paris, France
12:30	
13:00	SeineRiverCruise
	Port de la Bourdonnais, 75007 Paris, France
15:00	
15:30	Champ de Mars
17:15	75007 Paris, France
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Map for Day 1



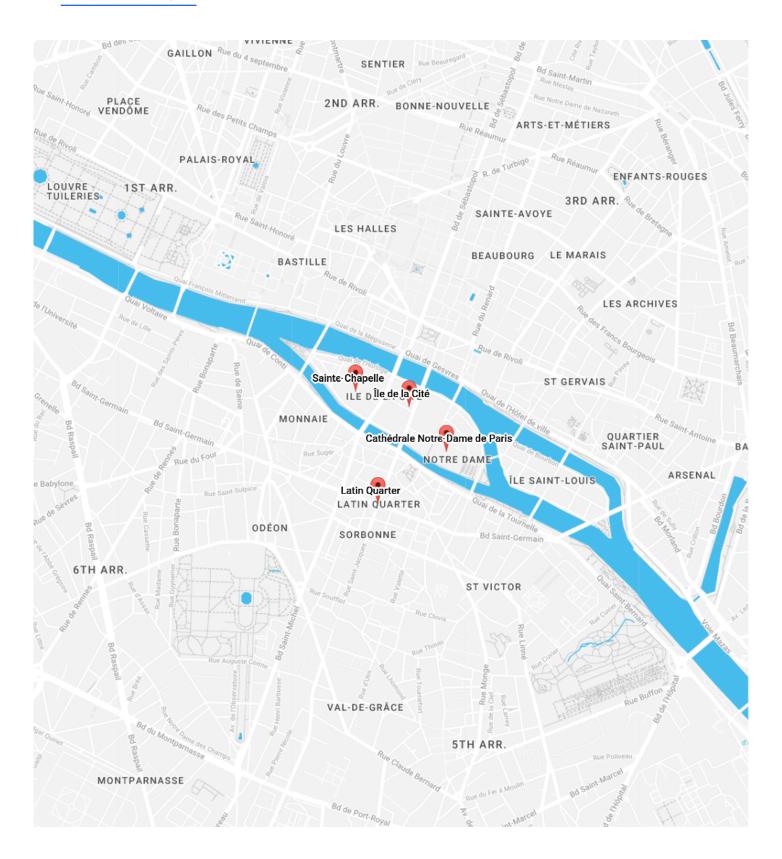


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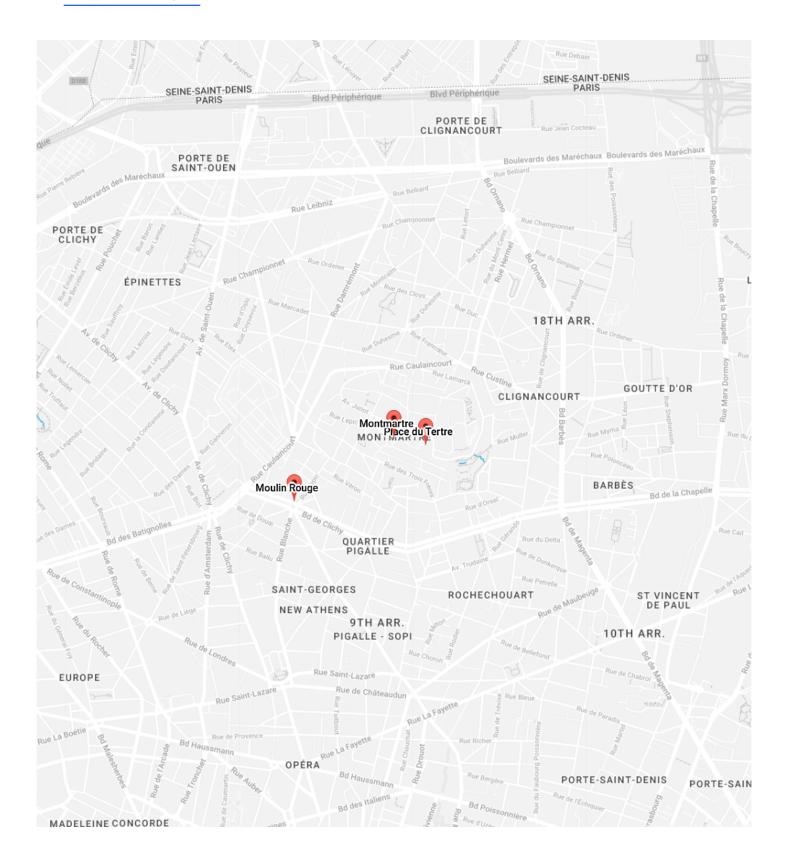
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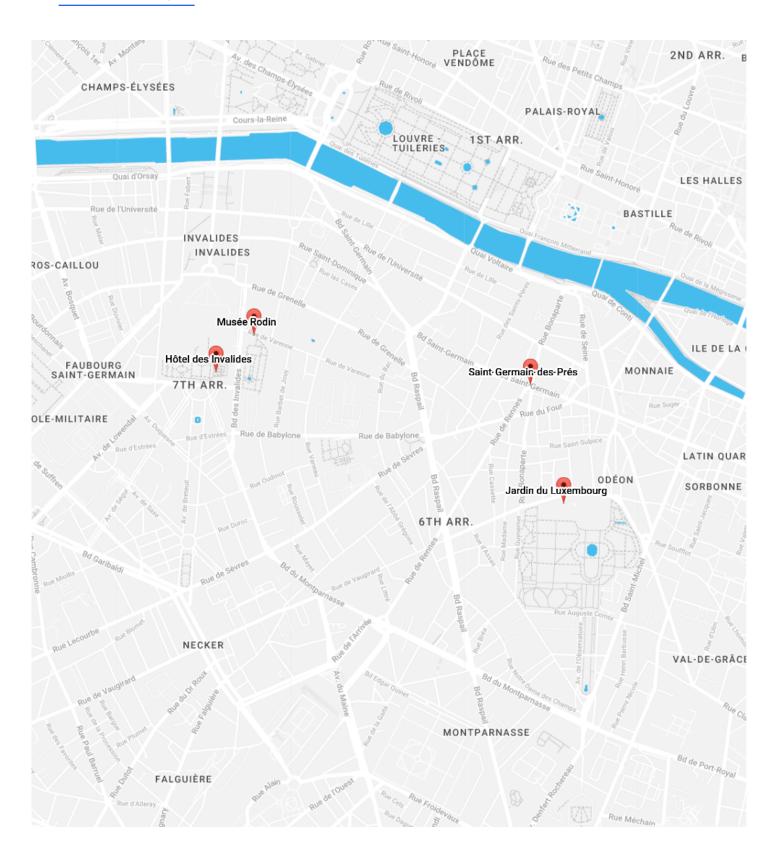


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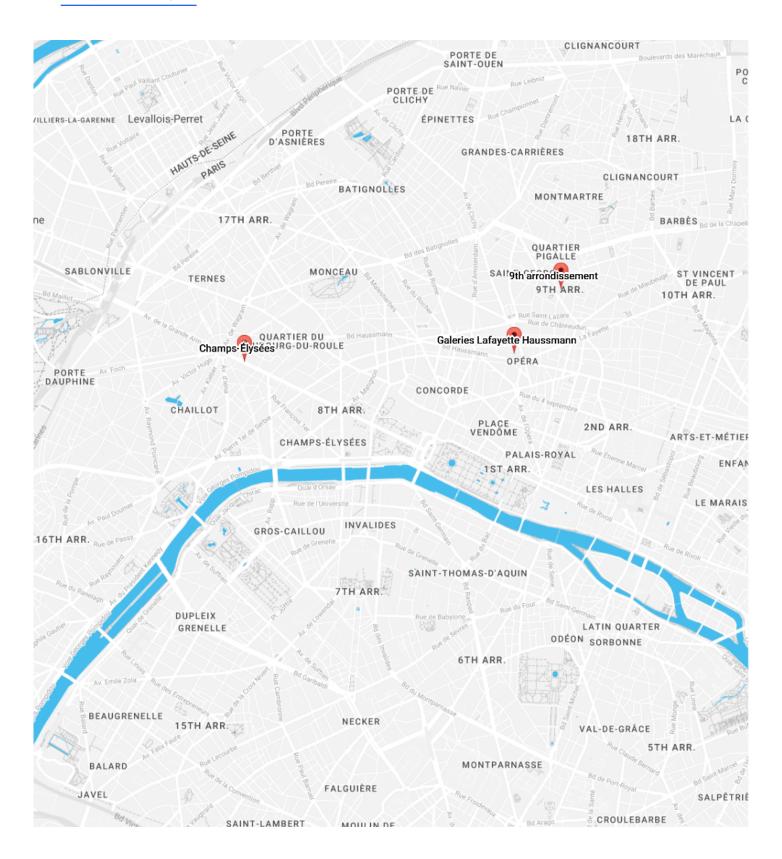
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Map for Day 5



Champs-Élysées 09:00 Av. des Champs-Élysées, 75008 Paris, France 11:30 12:00 Galeries Lafayette Haussmann 40 Bd Haussmann, 75009 Paris, France 14:00 9th arrondissement 14:30 9th arrondissement, 75009 Paris, France 17:00

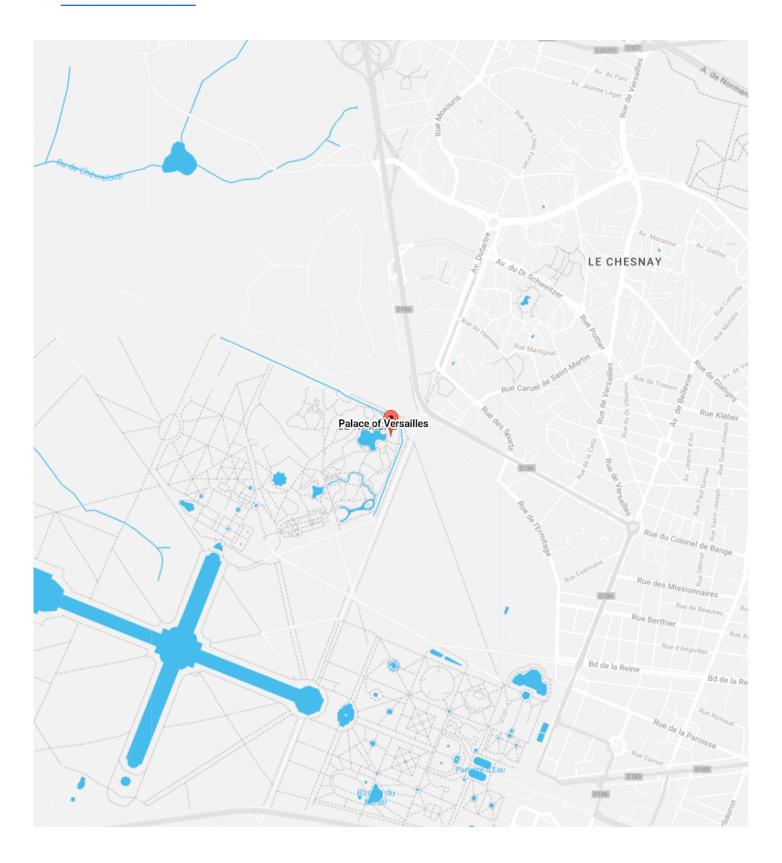
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Day 7

11:00 Palace of Versailles
Place d'Armes, 78000 Versailles, France
15:15

Map for Day 7





Spots



Saint-Germain-des-Prés

Saint-Germain-des-Prés, 75006 Paris, France



9th arrondissement

9th arrondissement, 75009 Paris, France



Galeries Lafayette Haussmann

40 Bd Haussmann, 75009 Paris, France

Summary:

Grand, century-old department store with a steel-frame art nouveau glass dome ringed by loggias.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 8:30 PM Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 8:30 PM Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 8:30 PM Thursday: 10:00 AM - 8:30 PM Friday: 10:00 AM - 8:30 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM - 8:30 PM Sunday: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM

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Moulin Rouge

82 Bd de Clichy, 75018 Paris, France

Summary:

Famed 19th-century cabaret featuring Belle Epoque decor, dinner & dancers in elaborate costumes.

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Place du Tertre

Pl. du Tertre, 75018 Paris, France

Summary:

Small, cafe-lined cobbled square & a hangout for buskers & artists painting visitors' portraits.



Latin QuarterLatin Quarter, Paris, France



Cathédrale Notre-Dame de Paris

6 Parvis Notre-Dame - Pl. Jean-Paul II, 75004 Paris, France

Summary:

Towering, 12th-century cathedral with flying buttresses & gargoyles, setting for Hugo's novel.

Phone:

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Champ de Mars

75007 Paris, France

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours Tuesday: Open 24 hours Wednesday: Open 24 hours Thursday: Open 24 hours Friday: Open 24 hours Saturday: Open 24 hours Sunday: Open 24 hours



SeineRiverCruise

Port de la Bourdonnais, 75007 Paris, France



Parc des Buttes-Chaumont

75019 Paris, France

Summary:

19th-century park in former quarry, with tall trees, lake, waterfalls and old, iron railway bridge.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM Tuesday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM Wednesday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM Thursday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM Friday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM Saturday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM Sunday: 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM



Rue Montorgueil Food Street

61-59 Rue Montorgueil, 75002 Paris, France

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM



Musée National Picasso-Paris

5 Rue de Thorigny, 75003 Paris, France

Summary:

17th-century building holding 5,000 artworks by Pablo Picasso, his own art collection & archive.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM

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Île Saint-Louis

Île Saint-Louis, 75004 Paris, France

Summary:

Quaint island in the Seine River featuring boutiques, restaurants, bars & a famed ice cream shop.



Trocadero gardens

Pl. du Trocadéro et du 11 Novembre, 75016 Paris, France

Summary:

Public park, created in 1937, with sculptures & a central fountain featuring 20 water jets.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours Tuesday: Open 24 hours Wednesday: Open 24 hours Thursday: Open 24 hours Friday: Open 24 hours Saturday: Open 24 hours Sunday: Open 24 hours



Canal Saint-Martin

Canal Saint-Martin, Paris, France



Palais Garnier

Pl. de l'Opéra, 75009 Paris, France

Summary:

Italian-style opera house with ceiling painted by Chagall & library museum in 19th-century building.

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Cité des Sciences et de l'Industrie

30 Av. Corentin Cariou, 75019 Paris, France

Summary:

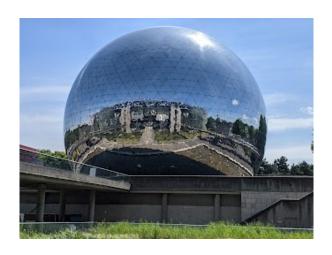
Multimedia, interactive displays in vast science & technology center, with silver-domed IMAX cinema.

Opening Hours:

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Musée Rodin

77 Rue de Varenne, 75007 Paris, France

Summary:

18th-century mansion & sculpture garden displaying Rodin's influential works, such as The Thinker.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 6:30 PM Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 6:30 PM Thursday: 10:00 AM - 6:30 PM Friday: 10:00 AM - 6:30 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:30 PM Sunday: 10:00 AM - 6:30 PM

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Conciergerie

2 Bd du Palais, 75001 Paris, France

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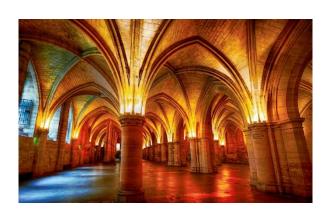
Gothic, riverside fortress & French Revolution prison, housing Marie Antoinette's former cell.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Tuesday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM

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Jardin des Plantes

75005 Paris, France

Summary:

Vast park with plant species grown in botanical & alpine gardens & restored 19th-century hothouses.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 6:30 PM Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 6:30 PM Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 6:30 PM Thursday: 8:00 AM - 6:30 PM Friday: 8:00 AM - 6:30 PM Saturday: 8:00 AM - 6:30 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM - 6:30 PM

Phone:

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Musée de l'Orangerie

Jardin des Tuileries, 75001 Paris, France

Summary:

Museum with 20th-century European art collection, showcasing 8 of Monet's water lilies murals.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Tuesday: Closed

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

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Rue Cler

75007 Paris, France



Place des Vosges

Pl. des Vosges, 75004 Paris, France

Summary:

Oldest planned square in Paris, lined with trees and red brick houses, built by Henri IV in 1612.



Catacombs of Paris

1 Av. du Colonel Henri Rol-Tanguy, 75014 Paris, France

Summary:

Illuminated labyrinth in former limestone mine with millions of ghoulishly arranged skeletons.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:45 AM - 8:30 PM Wednesday: 9:45 AM - 8:30 PM Thursday: 9:45 AM - 8:30 PM Friday: 9:45 AM - 8:30 PM Saturday: 9:45 AM - 8:30 PM Sunday: 9:45 AM - 8:30 PM



Petit Palais

Av. Winston Churchill, 75008 Paris, France

Summary:

Richly decorated 1900 building, housing eclectic fine arts dating from Renaissance to 20th century.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

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Grand Palais

75008 Paris, France

Summary:

Art nouveau hall with domed glass roof, built in 1900, hosting exhibitions and cultural events.

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Hôtel des Invalides

75007 Paris, France

Summary:

Series of army museums including a church & the tombs of many famed officers, including Napoleon.



The Centre Pompidou

Place Georges-Pompidou, 75004 Paris, France

Summary:

Architecturally avant-garde complex housing National Museum of Modern Art, library and music center.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Tuesday: Closed

Wednesday: 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM Thursday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM Friday: 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM Saturday: 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM Sunday: 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM



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Cimetière du Père-Lachaise

75020 Paris, France

Summary:

Vast tree-lined burial site with famous names including Oscar Wilde, Jim Morrison & Maria Callas.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 8:30 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

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Île de la Cité

Île de la Cité, Paris, France

Summary:

This Parisian isle connected by the ancient Pont Neuf bridge is home to the Notre Dame cathedral.



Place de la Concorde

75008 Paris, France

Summary:

Major public square, scene of executions, decorated with fountains, statues & an Egyptian obelisk.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours Tuesday: Open 24 hours Wednesday: Open 24 hours Thursday: Open 24 hours Friday: Open 24 hours Saturday: Open 24 hours Sunday: Open 24 hours



Tuileries Garden

75001 Paris, France

Summary:

Expansive, 17th-century formal garden dotted with statues, including 18 bronzes by Maillol.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM Tuesday: 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM Wednesday: 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM Thursday: 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM Friday: 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM Saturday: 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM Sunday: 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM



Pont Alexandre III

Pont Alexandre III, 75008 Paris, France

Summary:

Ornate, late 19th-century arched bridge in a Beaux Arts style & named after a Russian czar.



Jardin du Luxembourg

75006 Paris, France

Summary:

17th-century park with formally laid-out gardens, trees planted in patterns & statues on pedestals.

Phone:

01 42 34 20 00



Musée d'Orsay

Esplanade Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, 75007 Paris, France

Summary:

Major 19th- & 20th-century European art collections housed in a monumental, former railway station.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 9:30 AM - 9:45 PM Friday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

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Palace of Versailles

Place d'Armes, 78000 Versailles, France

Summary:

Immense, 18th-century palace with gilded apartments, chandeliered Hall of Mirrors & fountain show.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM

Phone:

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Basilique du Sacré-Cœur de Montmartre

35 Rue du Chevalier de la Barre, 75018 Paris, France

Summary:

Iconic, domed white church, completed in 1914, with interior mosaics, stained-glass windows & crypt.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 6:30 AM - 10:30 PM Tuesday: 6:30 AM - 10:30 PM Wednesday: 6:30 AM - 10:30 PM Thursday: 6:30 AM - 10:30 PM Friday: 6:30 AM - 10:30 PM Saturday: 6:30 AM - 10:30 PM Sunday: 6:30 AM - 10:30 PM

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Montmartre

Montmartre, 75018 Paris, France

Summary:

430-ft. hill & vibrant neighborhood, home to the Basilica of the Sacré-Cœur, cafes & street artists.



Sainte-Chapelle

10 Bd du Palais, 75001 Paris, France

Summary:

Ornate, 13th-century, Gothic chapel with relics & notable stained-glass windows of biblical scenes.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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Champs-Élysées

Av. des Champs-Élysées, 75008 Paris, France

Summary:

Famed route of landmarks such as the Louvre, Tuileries & Arc de Triomphe plus shops & restaurants.



Arc de Triomphe

Pl. Charles de Gaulle, 75008 Paris, France

Summary:

Iconic triumphal arch built to commemorate Napoleon's victories, with an observation deck.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 10:30 PM Tuesday: 11:00 AM - 10:30 PM Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 10:30 PM Thursday: 10:00 AM - 10:30 PM Friday: 10:00 AM - 10:30 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM - 10:30 PM Sunday: 10:00 AM - 10:30 PM

Phone:

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Louvre Museum

75001 Paris, France

Summary:

Former historic palace housing huge art collection, from Roman sculptures to da Vinci's "Mona Lisa."

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Tuesday: Closed

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

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Eiffel Tower

Av. Gustave Eiffel, 75007 Paris, France

Summary:

Gustave Eiffel's iconic, wrought-iron 1889 tower, with steps and elevators to observation decks.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 AM Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 AM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 AM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 AM Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 AM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 AM Sunday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 AM

