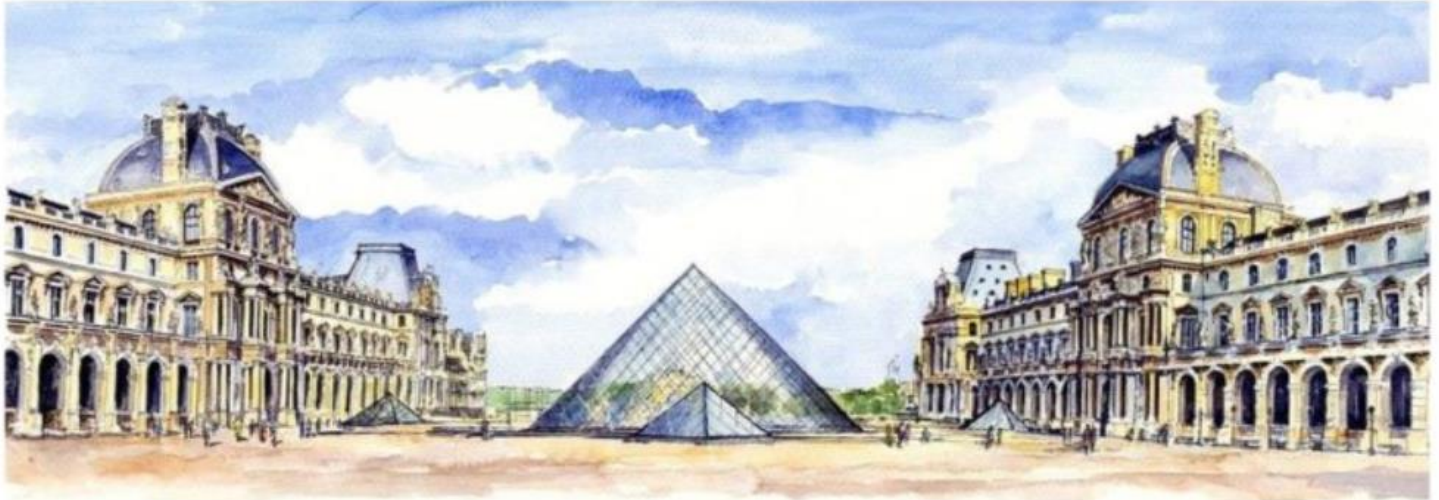




My Top 50 Paris Addresses



Museums & Exhibits

- Centre Georges Pompidou.** Largest modern art museum in Europe located in a unique post-modern building. Can purchase tickets in advance, online. Place Georges Pompidou, 75004. Métro: Rambuteau. Website: www.centrepompidou.fr
- Musée d'Orsay.** Impressionist art museum. Buy tickets in advance, online. 1 rue de la Legion d'Honneur, 75007. Métro : Solferino. Website : www.musee-orsay.fr
- Musée de Cluny.** Medieval arts & crafts, including the 6 famous Lady & the Unicorn tapestries. Can purchase tickets in advance, online, but easy to purchase in-person. Temporary Address (during renovation until 2020): 28 rue du Sommerard, 75005. (Permanent address is 6 place Paul Painleve, 75005.) Métro: Cluny-la Sorbonne. Website: www.musee-moyenage.fr
- Atelier des Lumières.** Art exhibit immersion. Current show is Salvador Dali. Buy tickets in advance, online. 38 rue Saint Maur, 75011. Métro: Rue Saint-Maur. Website: www.atelier-lumieres.com
- Louvre.** Vast collection of art from Middle Ages to 1848. Buy tickets in advance, online. Rue de Rivoli, 75001. Métro: Palais-Royal Musée du Louvre. Website: www.louvre.fr

Religious Sites

- La Madeleine.** Roman Catholic church designed in a form of a Greek temple to the glory of Napoleon's army. Classical music concerts, some are free (see concert website below). Place de la Madeleine, 75008. Métro: Madeleine. General Website: www.eglise-lamadeleine.com Concert info : www.eglise-lamadeleine.com/la-musique
- Notre Dame.** Medieval Catholic cathedral on the Île de la Cité, considered to be one of the finest examples of French Gothic architecture. Currently under repair due to fire several years ago. 6 Parvis Notre Dame, 75001. Métro: Cite. Website: www.notredamedeparis.fr
- Sacré Coeur.** Roman Catholic church and minor basilica located at the highest point of the city within the Montmartre area. Second most visited monument in Paris. Free admission, but get there early, since it does get crowded. 35 rue du Chavalier de la Barre, 75018. Métro: Abbesses. Website : www.sacre-coeur-montmartre.com/english/
- Saint Sulpice.** Second largest Roman Catholic church in Paris, made famous to Americans by the Da Vinci Code book & movie. Excellent organ concerts on Sundays before & after the 11 AM mass. Also, special organ concerts at different times (see offi website below). Place Saint Sulpice, 75006. Métro: Saint Sulpice. General Website: www.pss75.fr/saint-sulpice-paris/ Special organ concert info: <https://www.offi.fr/concerts/eglise-saint-sulpice-2161.html>

Saint Eustache. Houses the largest pipe organ in France. Free admission. Free concerts on Sunday afternoons at 5:30 PM. 146 rue Rambuteau, 75001. Métro: Les Halles. Website: www.saint-www.eustache.org

Sainte Chapelle. Gothic style royal chapel with the most beautiful stained glass windows in Paris. Buy tickets in advance, online. 8 blvd du Palais, 75001. Métro: Cite. Website: www.sainte-chapelle.fr/en/

Monuments

Arc de Triomphe. Monument honoring those who fought & died for France. Beneath the monument is the tomb of the unknown soldier from WWI. The Arc is located in the middle of the star created by the intersection of 12 avenues. Buy your tickets online. Place Charles-de-Gaulle, 75008. Métro : Charles de Gaulle – Etoile. Website: www.paris-arc-de-triomphe.fr/en/

Eiffel Tower. Iconic international symbol of Paris constructed for the 1889 World's Fair. Order tickets online. 5 avenue Anatole France, 75007. Métro: RER C - Champ de Mars – Tour Eiffel. Website: www.toureiffel.paris/en

Les Invalides. A collection of museums & monuments of French military history, including Napoleon's tomb. Can purchase tickets online. 129 rue de Grenelle, 75007. Métro: Invalides. Website: www.musee-armee.fr

Palais Garnier (opera house). Opulent 2000 seat opera house with an "Italian-style" auditorium. Its ceiling was painted in 1964 by Marc Chagall. Tickets to tour the building are available at the door. 8 rue Scribe, 75009. Métro: Opera. Website: www.operadeparis.fr/en/

Department Stores

Au Printemps. Just down the street from Galeries Lafayette. Very similar to Galeries Lafayette, but some people prefer one over the other. For you to decide! 64 blvd Haussmann, 75009. Métro : Havre-Caumartin. Website: www.departmentstoreparis.printemps.com/

BHV. Across from Hôtel de Ville (mayor's office), this department store in the hipster Marais area seems less pretentious than the department stores on blvd Haussmann. For those living in Paris, the basement level contains hardware, paint, electrical, cleaning products – everything for the DIY'er. Other floors include clothing, jewelry, books, art supplies, home décor, appliances. Currently, my favorite store in all of Paris. It has everything I want! 52 rue du Rivoli, 75004. Métro: Hôtel de Ville. Website: www.bhv.fr

Galeries Lafayette. Beautiful domed stained glass ceiling in this French department store. Must go to see the Christmas decorations! And, stop across the street for upscale food shopping at Lafayette Gourmet. 40 blvd Haussmann, 75009. Métro: Chaussée d'Antin (La Fayette). Website: www.haussmann.galeriesslafayette.com/en/

Le Bon Marché. Oldest department store on the left bank. After shopping, walk across the street to their food, wine, & liquor emporium called "La Grande Epicerie". 24 rue de Sèvres, 75007. Métro: Sèvres-Babylone. Website: www.24sevres.com/fr-fr/le-bon-marche

Shopping – Cookware & Knives

E.Dehillerin. Vast collection of kitchen tools, pots & pans. A "must visit" for serious cooks! 18 & 20 rue Coquillière, 75001. Métro: Les Halles. Website: www.edehillerin.fr/en/

G. Detou. Baking ingredients & hard-to-find cooking ingredients. 58 rue Tiquetonne, 75002. Métro: Etienne Marcel. Website: not available

La Bovida. Carries many brands of culinary products. 36 rue Montmartre, 75001. Métro : Les Halles. Website: www.labovida.com

Laguiole Coutellerie (Knives). Best steak knives. 35 rue des Deux Ponts, 75004. Métro : Pont Marie. Website : www.laguiole-paris.com

Mora. Kitchen utensils, baking pans, kitchen appliances. 13 rue Montmartre, 75001. Métro : Les Halles. Website: www.mora.fr

Shopping Areas – Clothes, Jewelry, etc.

Art galleries, young designer clothes, & hipster shops (Zadig & Voltaire, Maje, Sandro, Comptoir des Cotonniers, etc.). In the very trendy Marais area (parts of the 3rd & 4th arrondissements). One suggestion is to get out at the St. Paul or Hôtel de Ville métro stop & stroll a bit north from there.

China & crystal. Lalique, Daum, St. Louis, Bernardaud, & Haviland are found on rue Royale between the Concorde & Madeleine métro stops. Along the way, stop in at Maille mustards & the Ralph Lauren shop.

Discount jewelry. On rue du Temple between rue de Bretagne & rue Pastourelle. Get out at the Arts & Métiers métro stop & walk east.

Discount small leather goods. Along rue Beaubourg near (& on) rue des Gravilliers, rue Chapon, & rue de Montmorency. Get out at the Arts & Métiers métro stop & walk south.

Well-known designer clothing & jewelry (YSL, Givenchy, Hermès, Lanvin, Chanel, Cartier, etc.). Rue du Faubourg St. Honoré. Get out at the Concorde métro stop & walk one block north to most of the shops.

Rue des Rosiers. Jewish neighborhood with cobblestone street, great ethnic street food & many shops including Durance (scented candles, soaps, creams), Kusmi Tea, The Kooples, etc. Get out at the St. Paul métro stop & walk 2 streets north to most of the shops.

Shopping – Gourmet food

Lafayette Gourmet. Comparable to La Grande Epicerie (below). Both shops are fantastic. Visit the one nearest you. 35 blvd Haussmann, 75009. Métro: Chaussée d'Antin (la Fayette). Website:

www.haussmann.galerielafayette.com/en/category/home-fine-food/le-gourmet-en/

La Grande Epicerie at Bon Marché. Think of an upscale Whole Foods. 38 rue de Sèvres, 75007. Métro: Sèvres-Babylone. Website: www.lagrandeepicerie.com

Printemps du Goût. Located on the 7th & 8th floors of the Printemps Men's Store, it is the newest food emporium of the Paris department stores (opened January 2018). 64 blvd Haussmann, 75009. Métro : Havre-Caumartin. Website: www.departmentstoreparis.printemps.com/news/w/printempsdugout-47003

Shopping – Antiques & Flea Market

St. Ouen. Largest & most famous flea market in Paris. Many beautiful antiques. Spend the day browsing over 17 acres, 15 different markets along rue des Rosiers. Currently open Saturdays, Sundays, & Mondays. See website for details. Métro: Porte de Clignancourt. Website: www.marcheauxpuces-saintouen.com

Vanves. Smaller than the flea market at St. Ouen, but easier to handle. At the intersection of **avenue Marc Sangnier & avenue Georges Lafenestre, 75014. See website for detailed info – currently open on Sat/Sun from 7 AM to 2 PM.** Métro: Porte de Vanves. Website: www.pucesdevanves.fr

Shopping – Other

Montmartre. Artists in open-air market on Place du Tertre. Fabrics & notions at Marche St. Pierre (2 rue Charles Nodier) & Tissus Reine (Place St. Pierre). Chocolates, traditional French candies, tchotchkes, numerous little boutiques near Sacre Coeur. Can take the funicular from Place Saint Pierre up the hill to rue du Cardinal Dubois. Métro: Anvers.

Covered Passages. There are approximately 10 covered passages (quaint malls) in the city. Two of my favorites are Galerie Vivienne with luxury shops & hand-crafted wares (Métro: Bourse) & Passage Jouffroy with a pretty glass ceiling (Métro: Grands Boulevards).

Restaurants

Angelina. Best hot chocolate in the world! Pretty tea room for ladies' lunches (and breakfasts). Get a reservation online so you don't have to stand in line with the tourists. 226 rue de Rivoli, 75001. Métro: Concorde. Website: www.angelina-paris.fr

Le Train Bleu. Traditional French food in a gorgeous dining room located within the Gare de Lyon train station. Classified as a historic monument. My favorite Paris restaurant! Make an online reservation. Place Louis Armand, Gare de Lyon, 75012. Métro: Gare de Lyon. Website: www.le-train-bleu.com

Le Jules Verne. In the Eiffel Tower, terrific views, exquisite food & presentation. Expensive. Easiest to get reservations for lunch vs. dinner. Make an online reservation. Avenue Gustave Eiffel, 75007. Métro: Bir-Hakeim or Ecole Militaire. Website: www.restaurants-tou Eiffel.com

Sweets

Ladurée. Most well-known macaron bakery. Beautiful shops. Ten boutiques within Paris, 5 of which also include small eating areas. You can make an online reservation to eat breakfast or lunch. The one I've been to is at 16-18 rue Royale, 75008. Métro: Concorde. Website: www.laduree.fr

Pierre Hermé. Macarons, chocolates, pastries, cakes, etc. 17 boutiques within Paris. Website: www.pierreherme.com

Debauve & Gallais. 210-year history of chocolate making. Their creations have been the choice of kings & queens of France. 30 rue des Saint-Pères, 75007. Métro: Saint-Germain-des-Prés. Website: www.debauve-et-gallais.fr

La Maison du Chocolat. My favorite chocolates in the world. Boutiques throughout Paris. Check their website for the location nearest you. Website: www.lamaisonduchocolat.fr

Groceries

Bio c'est Bon. Organic food store chain, similar to a small Whole Foods. Numerous locations across the city. Website: www.bio-c-bon.eu/fr

Monoprix. Similar to a large U.S. Target store (food, wine, clothing, toiletries). Numerous locations across the city. Website: www.monoprix.fr

Picard. Specializes in high quality frozen foods. Good alternative when you don't want to cook & you don't want to go to a restaurant. Numerous locations across the city. Website: www.picard.fr

Parks & Scenic Areas

Parc Montsouris. One of the largest parks in Paris. Includes a lake, beautiful statues, plenty of green space. Also walk down a quaint street called Square Montsouris. Métro: Cité Universitaire.

Parc des Buttes-Chaumont. Large park in the NE of Paris. Hilly setting where you can see the city. Caves, waterfalls, a suspended bridge, etc. Métro: Botzaris or Chaumont

Rue Cremieux. Pretty little street. Métro: Gare de Lyon or Quai de la Rapée.

Boat Tour on the Seine. Several companies offer boat tours. My favorite has been Vedettes du Pont Neuf. Square du Vert-Galant, 75001. Métro: Cité. Website : www.vedettesdupontneuf.com