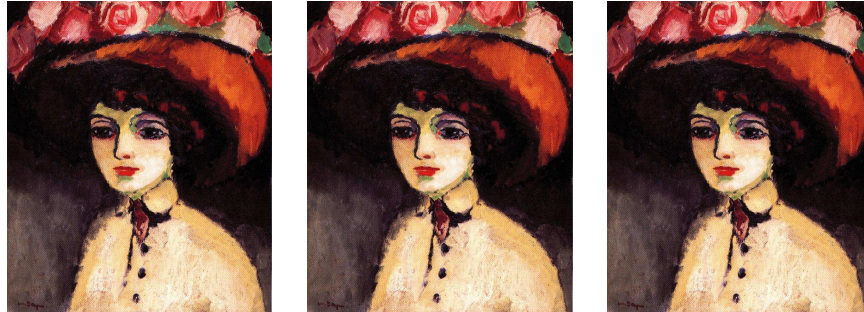




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Paris by Art

Full day tour of Paris including a visit to Montmartre district and a visit to Orsay Museum

You will follow the footsteps of famous artists such as Toulouse-Lautrec or Van Gogh in Montmartre district and will have the opportunity to view impressionist masterpieces at Orsay Museum.

Make it Monet!

DECOUVERTES ADVICE for an exclusive optional venue: Follow your guide for a visit to Marmottan museum displaying works by impressionist painter Monet.

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Make it Modern Art!

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Paris

9:00 am: Meet your driver-guide in the lobby of your hotel for a **painters tour of Paris** which will give you the opportunity to walk in **Montmartre** and **Orsay Museum**.

Drive pass the **Moulin Rouge** famous for the French cancan. Amongst these figureheads of Parisian life, some will go down in history, like the famous La Goulue, immortalized by painter **Toulouse-Lautrec**.

Continue to the **charming Montmartre**, a hill in the north of Paris, primarily known for the white-domed **Basilica of the Sacré Cœur** on its summit. The Sacré-Cœur is built of travertine stone. This stone constantly exudes calcite, which ensures that the basilica remains white despite the weather and pollution.

Climb up to the **Butte Montmartre**, home to the greatest painting **movements of the 19th and 20th centuries**, among them impressionism but also cubism, Fauvism, Futurism and Surrealism.

In the mid-1800s artists, such as **Johan Jongkind** and **Camille Pissarro**, came to inhabit Montmartre. By the end of the century, Montmartre and its counterpart on the Left Bank, Montparnasse, became the principal artistic centers of Paris.

Pablo Picasso, **Amedeo Modigliani**, and other impoverished artists lived and worked in a commune, a building called Le Bateau-Lavoir during the years 1904–1909.

Artist associations such as **Les Nabis** and the **Incoherents** were formed and individuals including **Vincent Van Gogh**, **Henri Matisse**, **André Derain**, **Pierre-Auguste Renoir**, **Edgar Degas**, **Maurice Utrillo**, **Toulouse-Lautrec**, worked in Montmartre and drew some of their inspiration from the area.

You may wish to enjoy lunch at **Le Moulin de la Galette**, a windmill in 1622, then a popular dance hall painted by Renoir and Toulouse-Lautrec. Weather permitting, you can have lunch on the charming terrace.

In the afternoon drive to **Orsay Museum** a former railway station that was inaugurated for the Universal Exhibition on July 14, 1900 and that was the **1st Parisian train station to have electric power**.

In 1977, the station became a **museum dedicated to the artistic creation of the 2nd half of the 19th century** (1848-1914).





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You will discover a **fabulous collection of impressionist paintings** as well as art deco furniture and a large variety of sculptures.

The visit is a must for those who wish to deepen their knowledge of the main Impressionist painters such as Renoir, Van Gogh, Monet, Sisley, Bazille, Manet, Pissarro...

Return to your hotel in Paris at the end of the afternoon.





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*NB: Please note that some sites mentioned in the itinerary might not be available every day or all year long.
We suggest you to check with our Production Managers*

This package includes

- Deluxe minivan which can carry up to 6 passengers
- Professional English speaking guide-driver who will chauffeur you on your sightseeing tour and is licensed to guide and accompany you on walking tours, as well as into museums and monuments
- Découvertes fees
- 24 hour assistance available during your stay
- All taxes

This package does not include

- Entrance fees
- Tips
- Lunch or dinner

Découvertes can also provide:

- Pre-payment of all entrance fees to museums and other sites
- Lunch reservations



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Make it Optional

Make it Monet!

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Guided visit to Marmottan Museum: This incomparable mansion decorated with sculptures and furnitures from the Napoleonic era has become the hub of Impressionism. It contains the world's largest and most important collection of paintings by Claude Monet, notably the famous «Impression Soleil Levant», and also many paintings of his friends: Boudin, Gauguin, Morisot, Renoir, Pissarro and Sisley.

Housed in a specially built exhibition hall, this collection offers the public a unique opportunity to see major works from the various stages of the master's career and thus follow the development of his technique.

Come and enter in this world of wonder!

Please contact us for more information and price. Upon request and availability.



Make it Modern Art!

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If you want to know more about Modern Art, visit the cultural and artistic center named after Georges Pompidou, built in the old Beaubourg area. The building itself has sparked many a lively debate about its daring and strange architecture (designed by architects Rogers, Piano and Franchini). But now, the metal and glass parallelepiped, whose air ducts, heating shafts, and stairwells were all stuck onto the outside to gain more space inside, has a unique central role in the neighborhood. You will view the diverse collection of works from many modern schools and have the opportunity to visit the temporary exhibits that are always outstanding!

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