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## Paris at a glance...

*Full day panoramic tour of Paris including the major monuments of the city*

Morning panoramic tour including a stop at the Eiffel tower, drive along the Champs-Élysées and stop at the Opera Garnier followed by afternoon visit to Montmartre district and the Ile de la Cité

### Make it Secret!

**DECOUVERTES ADVICE for an exclusive optional venue:** Follow your expert-guide through the secret covered passages of Paris  
*Please see the last page for more information*

### Make it Marais!

**DECOUVERTES ADVICE for an optional venue:** Walking tour of the oldest area of Paris with an expert-guide  
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## Paris

9:00 am: Meet your driver-guide in the lobby of your hotel for a **panoramic and walking tour of Paris** which will give you the opportunity to view most famous monuments of this beautiful city such as the Grand Louvre, Notre Dame, the Bastille, l'Arc de Triomphe, Eiffel Tower, the Concorde, the Madeleine, the Opera, Montmartre district and the Ile de la Cité.

From the **Eiffel Tower**, the Arrondissements (districts) of Paris radiate before you like spokes on a wheel. Notre Dame's delicate buttresses almost take flight beside the River Seine. The Arc de Triomphe and the Champs-Elysees, Montmartre and the Left Bank. And of course there are the food, cafés, bistros, and Michelin-starred restaurants.

Enjoy a **short walking tour** around the Trocadero, from where you can admire the spectacular Eiffel Tower. At the time of its construction in 1889, the tower was the tallest structure in the world, a title it retained until 1930, when New York City's Chrysler Building was completed. The tower is the second-highest structure in France and the highest structure in Paris.

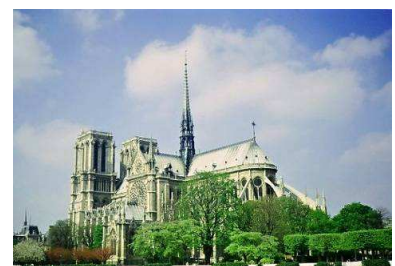
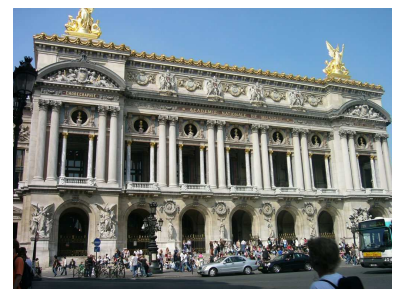
Continue to the **Arc de Triomphe** and drive down the Champs-Elysées, "the most beautiful avenue in the world." **View the obelisk** on the place de la Concorde and continue to the **Opera district** where you have lunch at leisure.

We suggest lunch cruise on a **panoramic boat down the Seine River**

This afternoon, 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. Most of the scenes of the movie *Amélie* of Montmartre were set up in this hill! Enjoy a **walking tour of the district**.

Time permitting, finish the afternoon at **Notre Dame de Paris**, often known simply as Notre Dame in English, a Gothic cathedral on the eastern half of the Île de la Cité in Paris. Notre Dame is widely considered one of the finest examples of French Gothic architecture.

17:00 pm: Return to your hotel in Paris.





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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 Secret!**

#### ***DECOUVERTES ADVICE for an optional venue***

Follow your expert-guide through the secret covered passages of Paris. These passages, or arcades, are a kind of time machine, transporting us back to the bustling street life of the nineteenth century. With their mazelike alleys protected from the elements by glass roofs and hemmed in by cafés, bookstores, art dealers, and antique shops, they offer a jumble of sights, a plethora of unexpected objects. The passages are almost without a specific history, evoking not an epoch per se but a way of perceiving the world around us outside of the logical rhythm of everyday life.

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



### **Make it Marais!**

#### ***DECOUVERTES ADVICE for an optional venue***

The Marais is one of Paris' oldest and most dazzling quarters. First developed in the 12th century, the Marais, which means "swamp" and once was one, went from being a royal favorite under Henri IV and Louis XIII, to falling into ruin after the Revolution of 1789. Since its revival in the 1960's, it has shone as a center of Parisian artistic and cultural life. A walking tour of this area is a must because it is one of the only areas that preserves the narrow streets and architectural styles of Medieval and Renaissance-era Paris. Most of Paris was overhauled in the mid-19th century under the direction of Napoleon III and architect Baron Georges Eugène Haussmann. You will view dramatic residences (hôtels), artisan's boutiques, galleries, lavish squares, and learn about the fascinating history of the area.

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