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French Calendar

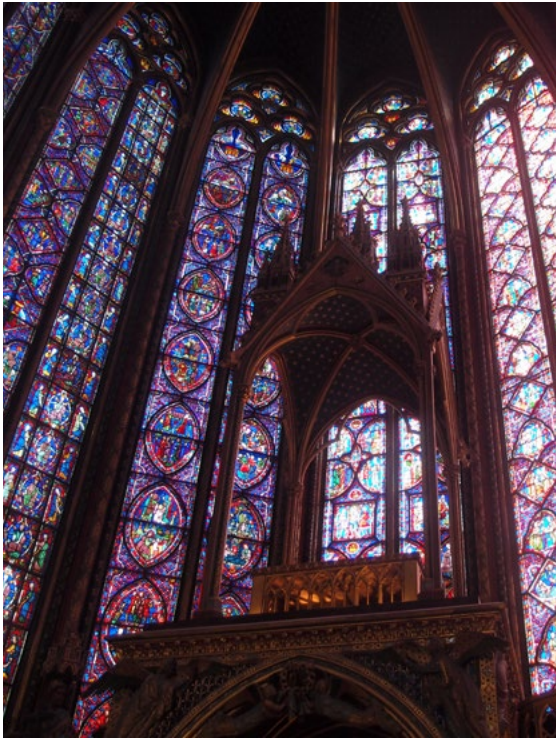


JANVIER BIENVENUE À PARIS!

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Toujours en France

- Guided sightseeing viewing of Arc de Triomphe, Les Invalides, Notre Dame and more
- Authentic dinner in the home of local Paris residents
- Scenic boat ride along the Seine at sunset
- Plus—2 days in the Loire Valley and 2 in Normandy



Saviez-vous?



January is a festive time to visit France's capital city; the Champs-Élysées will still be lit up for the holidays and it is one of the two official sales seasons for France. Come enjoy some great shopping with the locals, go to Angelina's to order their famous "Chocolat chaud à l'africain" and maybe even see the annual countdown to the new year in front of the Arc de Triomphe!



LUNDI	MARDI	MERCREDI	JEUDI	VENDREDI	SAMEDI	DIMANCHE
1 Jour de l'An (New Year's Day)	2	3	4	5	6 L'Épiphanie/ The Epiphany	7
8	9	10	11 Proclamation of Independence in Morocco	12	13	14
15 Birthday of writer Molière	16	17	18	19	20	21 Birthday of fashion designer Christian Dior
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 National Croissant Day	31				



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FÉVRIER BIENVENUE À LA VILLE DE QUÉBEC!



Saviez-vous?



The first winter carnival took place in Québec in 1894 and grew to be a yearly event. It now includes ice sculptures, races, an ice hotel, and more, all presided over by the adorable mascot “Bonhomme Carnaval.” If you cannot make it for the festival, you can still enjoy all the delights of Québec by visiting a “cabane à sucre” (sugar shack), where you’ll enjoy delicious farm treats, all served with maple syrup!

LUNDI	MARDI	MERCREDI	JEUDI	VENDREDI	SAMEDI	DIMANCHE
			1	2 2/2-2/11 Québec Winter Carnival La Chandeleur - make some crêpes today!	3	4
5 World Nutella Day	6	7	8 Birthday of science fiction author Jules Verne	9	10	11
12	13 Carnival (Mardi Gras)	14 Le Jour de Saint Valentin/ Valentine's Day	15	16	17 2/17-3/3 The oldest and largest Carnival celebration is "Le Carnaval De Nice"	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29			



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MARS BIENVENUE À BRUGES!

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Vive La Manche

- Explore the cultural highlights of London, Paris and Bruges
- Overnight in Bruges with sightseeing by bike
- Timed entrance to the Louvre museum
- Stops in Dover and Reims



Saviez-vous?



The medieval town of Bruges, also called "The Venice of the North," was the center of the trading industry in the middle ages due to its canals and lace industry. When it was no longer a hub for trading, it basically settled into a slumber until the last few hundred years, where it is has been rediscovered for its charm and beauty. After wandering through this gorgeous Belgian city, be sure to try its famous chocolates, waffles and fries!



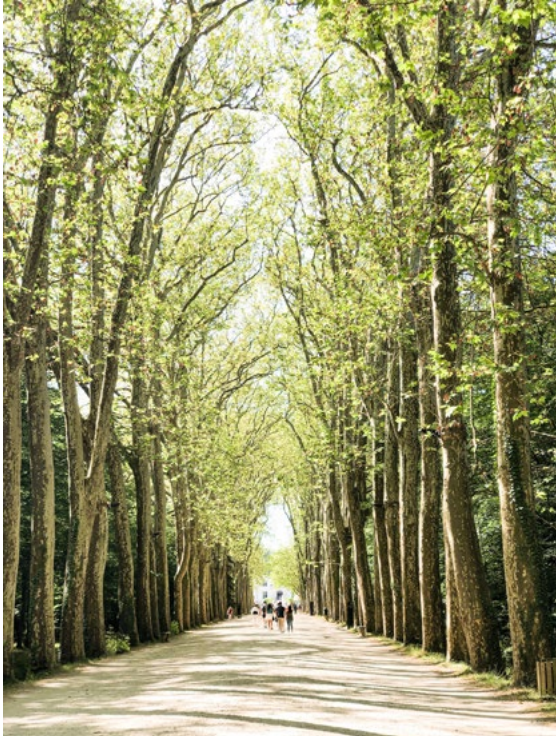
LUNDI	MARDI	MERCREDI	JEUDI	VENDREDI	SAMEDI	DIMANCHE
				1	2	3
4	5 Paris Olympics begin Birthday of MC Solaar	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Birthday of Belgian musician Stromae	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 National Baguette Day in the US	22 Birthday of Marcel Marceau, the world-famous mime	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Birthday of the Eiffel Tower	31 Pâques/ Easter



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AVRIL

BIENVENUE À CHENONCEAU!



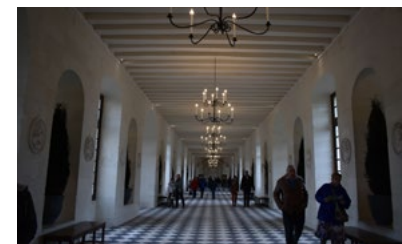
Saviez-vous?



Chenonceau, the second most-visited castle in France, spans over the river Cher in the Loire River Valley and has medieval and Renaissance features. This castle is sometimes named “the château of six ladies” due to the influence of six women who resided here over the centuries, including Queen Catherine de Medici and Diane de Poitiers. Both of these women created lush gardens on either side of the entrance. This spectacular castle was a military hospital during World War II and is now privately owned but open for visitors to enjoy its castle, gardens and even a maze on the property of the château.



LUNDI	MARDI	MERCREDI	JEUDI	VENDREDI	SAMEDI	DIMANCHE
1	2	3 National Chocolate Mousse Day	4	5	6	7
8	9 Birthday of writer Charles Baudelaire	10	11 National Fondue Day in the US and "Poutine Day" in Canada	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Jour de Terre (Earth Day)	23	24 Souvenir Déportés (Remembrance day for the deported in WWII)	25	26	27	28
29	30					



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MAI

BIENVENUE À AIX-EN-PROVENCE!



Saviez-vous?



A delicacy to enjoy when you are in Aix-en-Provence is called a "calisson." These delicious treats first appeared in the middle of the 15th century. They were baked by the king's baker in the form of a smile to cheer up the young bride, Princesse Jeanne de Laval who was unhappy to marry the much older King Rene d'Anjou. These treats are made of crushed almonds, candied fruits, and sweetened with honey, melons and oranges. Try one yourself and you too will be smiling when walking around the beautiful town of Aix!



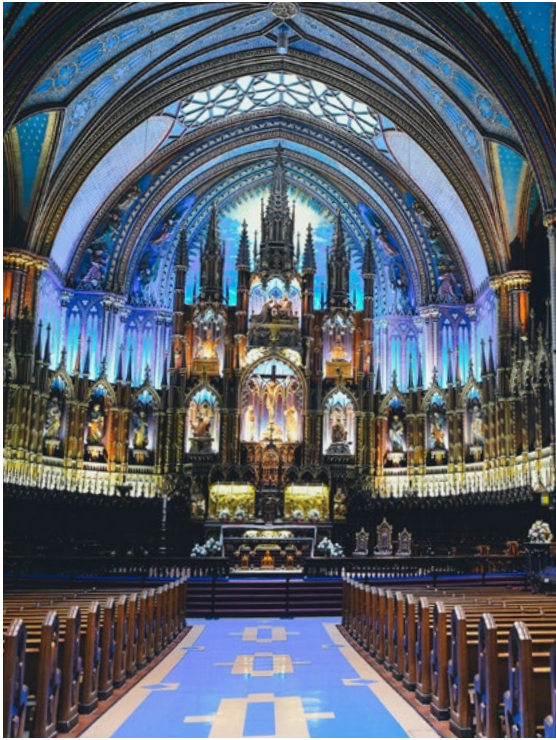
LUNDI	MARDI	MERCREDI	JEUDI	VENDREDI	SAMEDI	DIMANCHE
		1 La Fête du Travail en France	2	3	4	5
6 Birthday of politicien Maximilien Robespierre Birthday of Maitre Gims	7	8 La Fête de la Victoire	9	10	11	12
13	14 5/14-5/25 The 76th Cannes Film Festival	15	16	17	18	19
20 National Macaron Day National Day in Cameroon	21	22	23	24 National Escargot Day	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		



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JUIN

BIENVENUE À MONTRÉAL!



Saviez-vous?



Montréal was settled by French explorers in 1642. The city started as a center of the fur industry and later grew into the largest city in the province of Québec. Although Montréal is one of the five largest French-speaking cities in the world, most of its citizens speak English and even a third language! Some of the highlights of the city include its Notre Dame Basilica, its underground mall—20 miles of shopping—and the Olympic Park. At the Olympic Park, you can see the entire city from its Funiculaire, go swimming, or visit the Biodôme. After a busy day of visiting, be sure to try a delicious plate of poutine—fries covered with gravy and cheese curds! C'est délicieux!

LUNDI	MARDI	MERCREDI	JEUDI	VENDREDI	SAMEDI	DIMANCHE
					1	2
3	4 National Cheese Day	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Birthday of marine biologist Jacques-Yves Cousteau	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Birthday of writer Jean-Paul Sartre	22 National Chocolate Éclair Day	23
24 La Fête Nationale de Québec, also known as Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day	25	26	27	28	29 The 111th Tour de France begins in Florence, Italy Birthday of writer Antoine de Saint Exupéry	30



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Capitals and the Basque Country

- Guided sightseeing tour of Bordeaux
- Multi-day stays in Paris and Madrid
- Compare the Spanish and French Basque cultures with visits to San Sebastián and Biarritz



Saviez-vous?



The city of Bordeaux has been around for over 2,000 years and has been influenced by the Romans, the British and of course the French. This city is not only known for its wine industry but also its beautiful “old city area” where you can find museums, parks, and preserved buildings which date from the 1400s. While enjoying a stroll in the old city, be sure to pick up a “canelé de Bordeaux.” These small cakes are baked in a candle-shaped mold, which creates a crunchy caramel outside and a rich custard-like inside. Legend has it that these desserts were the invention of thrifty bakers, who used left-over egg yolks from the wineries who had used the egg whites to clarify their wines. Legend or not, these treats are worth trying! Bon Appétit!



LUNDI	MARDI	MERCREDI	JEUDI	VENDREDI	SAMEDI	DIMANCHE
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 World Chocolate Day
8	9	10 Birthday of author Marcel Proust	11	12	13	14 La Bastille: La Fête Nationale/ French Independence Day
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 Birthday of author Alexandre Dumas	25	26	27 National Creme Brûlée Day	28
29	30	31				



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AOÛT

BIENVENUE À MONT SAINT MICHEL!



Saviez-vous?



Mont Saint Michel, a rocky islet between the regions of Brittany and Normandy, was built between the 11th and 16th centuries. The church on the top of the islet is dedicated to Saint Michel, who supposedly came to Bishop Aubert of Avranches in a dream and told him to build a church. The bishop ignored Saint Michel until one morning he woke up with a burnt hole in his skull from the finger of Saint Michel, who was obviously serious about having a church in his honor! Today it is visited by over 2.5 million people yearly.

LUNDI	MARDI	MERCREDI	JEUDI	VENDREDI	SAMEDI	DIMANCHE
			1	2	3	4
			Swiss National Day			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
			L'Assomption - The Assumption (National Holiday in France)			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Birthday of Coco Chanel					National Waffle Day	
26	27	28	29	30	31	
	National Pots de Crème Day					



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SEPTEMBRE BIENVENUE À VERSAILLES!

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London, Loire Valley and Paris

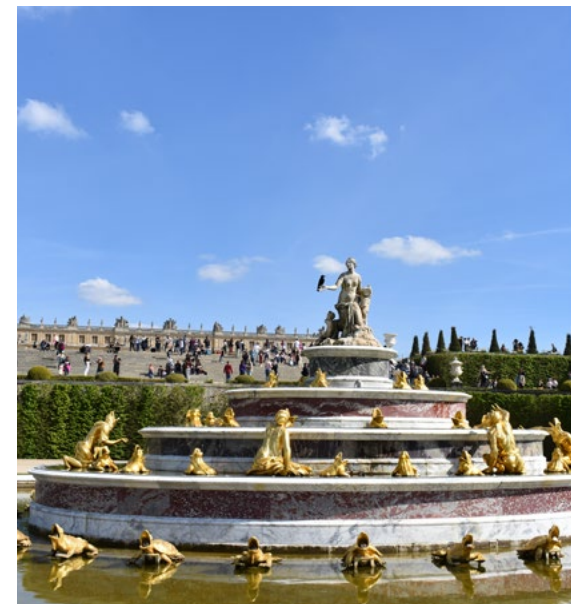
- Guided sightseeing of Paris's historic monuments and cultural highlights
- Day trip to the grand palace at Versailles
- Plus—2 days in London and 1 exploring the Normandy coast



Saviez-vous?



Louis XIV “Le Roi Soleil” took the throne at the young age of 4; during his long reign (which was the longest in French history), he built the château of Versailles which would become the center of his monarchy. Not only is the building impressive, but the lavish gardens and fountains are a sight to see! The fountains cannot all be turned on every day due to the large amount of water used; it is rumored that they would only be turned on if the king was planning to walk past. If you go to Versailles, try to go on a day when the fountains are working for an amazing display!



LUNDI	MARDI	MERCREDI	JEUDI	VENDREDI	SAMEDI	DIMANCHE
						1
2	3	4	5 Birthday of Louis XIV "Le Roi Soleil"	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 9/14-9/15 Braderie de Lille is an annual flea market, the largest in Europe, and dates back to the 12th century.	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 French Community Day in Belgium	28	29 National Coffee Day
30						



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OCTOBRE BIENVENUE À GENÈVE!

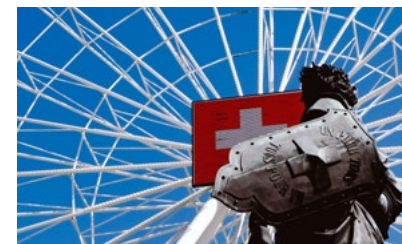


Saviez-vous?

The "Jet d'eau," the city of Geneva's iconic water spout, was created in 1886 to help cool machinery such as watch-making machines. Today, it stands 50ft taller than the Statue of Liberty and is manually turned on and off every day. A great way to see the lake itself and the surrounding Alps is to take a water taxi.



LUNDI	MARDI	MERCREDI	JEUDI	VENDREDI	SAMEDI	DIMANCHE
	1 International Coffee Day	2	3	4 Feast of St Francis of Assisi	5	6
7	8	9 Birthday of composer Charles-Camille Saint-Saëns and writer Léopold Sédar Senghor	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 World Food Day	17	18	19	20 Birthday of author Arthur Rimbaud
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			



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NOVEMBRE BIENVENUE À MONTE CARLO!



Saviez-vous?



The country of Monaco is the second smallest country in the world; an average person can walk across its width in less than an hour! Tucked between Italy and France, Monaco has the 3rd priciest real estate in the world and has the reputation of being the playground of the rich for its amazing location, the casinos and the famous Formula One races that take place here.



LUNDI	MARDI	MERCREDI	JEUDI	VENDREDI	SAMEDI	DIMANCHE
				1 "La Toussaint"/All Saints Day and National Pâté Day	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Armistice Day	12	13	14 Birthday of artist Claude Monet	15 National Peace day in the Ivory Coast	16 Beaujolais Nouveau Day	17
18	19 "La Fête du Prince" (Monaco's National Day)	20	21 Birthday of writer Voltaire	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	



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DÉCEMBRE BIENVENUE À LYON!

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Nice, Provence and Lyon

- Overnight stays in Nice, Provence and Lyon
- See the historic Pont du Gard
- Traditional Bouchon Lyonnais dinner
- Exploration of the city of Arles



Saviez-vous?

Lyon, France's 3rd largest city, is known not only for its culinary arts and gorgeous architecture, but also its annual "Fête des Lumières." This event, which takes place on December 8, dates back to 1852, when the town came together by placing candles in their windows to support the proposed placement of a statue of the Virgin Mary for the Immaculate Conception. Now, every year the town celebrates with candles in their windows and a spectacular lights and sound show!



LUNDI	MARDI	MERCREDI	JEUDI	VENDREDI	SAMEDI	DIMANCHE
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
				La Fête de Saint Nicolas		La Fête de Lumières à Lyon
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
					National Bouillabaisse Day	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
			Birthday of singer Edith Piaf		Birthday of French president Emmanuel Macron	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		Noël/Christmas Birthday of Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau				
30	31					
	Saint Sylvestre (New Year's Eve)					



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