

PARIS

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Paris is a wonderfully magical city, however you choose to experience it.

You may wish to visit the famous major landmarks, museums and galleries, or you may wish to simply stroll along the grand tree-lined boulevards, stopping occasionally in a café, diverting off the main routes to explore the charming back streets of the French capital.

Whatever you decide to do, you are bound to be enchanted by Paris!



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Portsmouth to Caen is the company's 'Flagship Route' and the two ships that serve on this route, the Normandie and the Mont St Michel, offer an excellent range of facilities that include a choice of restaurants, lounge bars and cinemas, a casino, shopping boutique, games room and sun decks.

EXACTLY WHAT'S INCLUDED

luxury coach travel
outward overnight crossing Portsmouth to Caen
2-beth inner cabins for outward crossing
2-nights at the ??? in the centre of Paris
continental style buffet breakfast in the hotel
return crossing via Caen/Portsmouth

YOUR HOTEL



The 3* Best Western Hotel Ronceray is located in the heart of Paris and is therefore superbly situated for easy access to all the city's sightseeing highlights. Built above the Passage Jouffroy, one of Paris' fascinating 'Passages Couverts' (see back for details), this elegant 19th century building is fully air-conditioned and offers comfortably furnished rooms with private facilities as well as free wifi connection, mini-bars, satellite televisions, direct dial telephones, and tea and coffee making facilities.

PICK-UP & RETURN TIMES

PICK UP FROM SOUTHAMPTON AT 21:00
RETURN TO SOUTHAMPTON AT 23:00

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE, PLEASE CONTACT:-

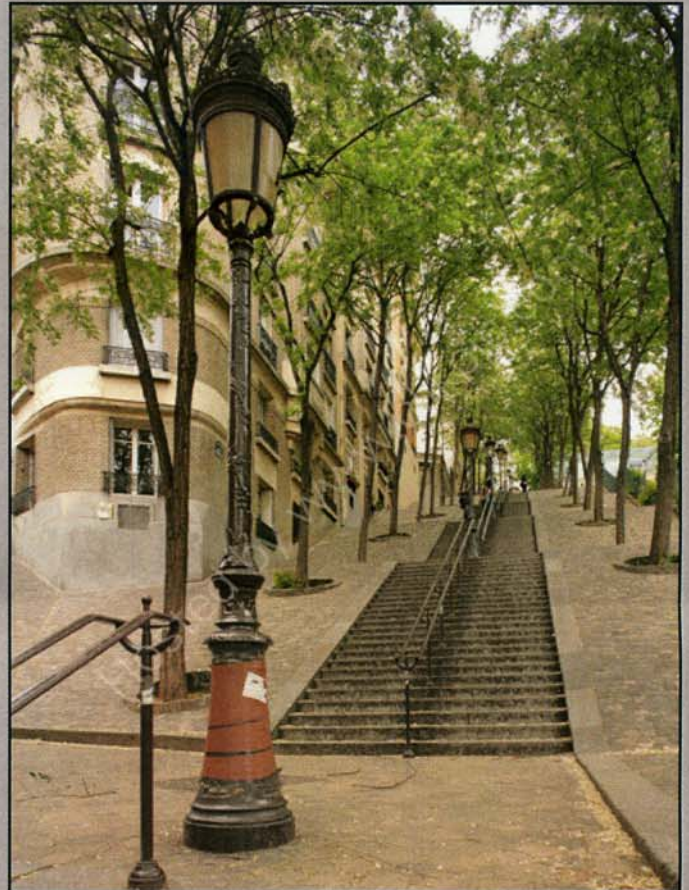
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Paris offers the visitor a myriad of experiences, whether it be strolling around quiet hidden streets with secret gardens and squares, or bustling along the 'Grands Boulevards'; shopping in smart designer boutiques or haggling in characterful outdoor markets; visiting museums and galleries with world famous and breathtaking art and sculpture; or simply taking a seat in a restaurant or café and sampling the best that France has to offer, while watching the world go by.

However many times you visit, the city always has something new and surprising to reveal to us – that's why we keep going back for more!



THE FASHIONABLE MARAIS



This was once the Jewish quarter of Paris and is centrally located between the Pompidou Centre and the Bastille. A vibrant and colourful area, the charming and characterful streets of the

Marais offer superb restaurants and cafes, as well as smart trendy shops and hidden squares such as the Places des Vosges, considered to be one of the most beautiful squares in Paris and the former abode of Victor Hugo.

THE LEFT BANK



The Left Bank, or Rive Gauche, really refers to the Paris of an earlier ear – that of artists, writers and philosophers such as Pi-

casso, Matisse, Sartre, Hemingway and Scott Fitzgerald to name but a few. The area's bohemianism and creativity still exists today although cafes once frequented by penniless and anarchic intellectuals and artists are now frequented by the Parisian bourgeoisie and the area is now also known for its smart apartments and stylish shops.

LES PASSAGES COUVERTS



Designed by town planners in the nineteenth century to give pedestrians protection from mud and horse-drawn vehicles, the passages (shopping ar-

cades), between the Grands Boulevards and the Louvre, are enjoying a new lease of life as havens from today's far busier traffic. For decades they were left to crumble and decay, but many have now been renovated, their tiled floors and glass roofs restored. Their entrances, however, remain easy to miss, and where you emerge at the other end can be quite a surprise!

THE MUSEE d'ORSAY



The Musee d'Orsay was once a former railway station built between 1889 and 1900 in the Beaux Arts style. The building itself is beautiful in its own right with the interior

being light and spacious, perfectly showcasing the paintings and sculptures of artists such as Monet, Degas, Renoir, Cezanne, Gauguin and Van Gogh.