

MAY 2019 – 2 pages

MEETING POINTS and descriptions of regular tours are on the front of this brochure (2nd page on the website). Tours last about two hours and cost 15€ (unless specified).

RESERVATIONS: Most tours require no reservation. You only need to reserve if it says so in the tour description. To reserve, first contact us by phone or e-mail, to check availability

May 1 is a holiday in France

Wed 1 10.30am **Village Montmartre**

Wed 1 2.30pm **The Two Islands**

Wed 1 2.30pm **Les Gobelins Neighbour-**

hood This area grew up round the famous tapestry manufacture, and the ancient river Bievre which now flows underground. Enjoy the history and charm of this quarter, and the little pocket of old streets known as the Butte-aux-Cailles, with cafes, bistros and street art. This walk takes you off the tourist route. *Meet at metro Gobelins, at exit 4, (Manufacture des Gobelins) 20€*

Thurs 2 10.30am **St Germain-des-Prés**

Thurs 2 2.30pm **The Marais** Circuit 2

Fri 3 10.30am **Hemingway's Paris**

Fri 3 2.30pm **Village Montmartre**

Fri 3 5–7pm **Louvre Highlights Small**

Group World famous paintings and sculptures, Mona Lisa, Venus de Milo, Winged Victory, the history of the Louvre as a royal palace with the remains of the medieval castle, and splendidly decorated rooms. Groups limited to 6 people. Price 45€ (+ entrance 17€ which we can provide) *Meet at statue of Louis XIV outside Louvre pyramid. Please reserve and prepay*

Sat 4 10.30am **The Marais** Circuit 1

Sat 4 2.30pm **The Old Les Halles Food**

Market District Explore the architecture of this district rich in history, with picturesque old streets, where the famous fresh produce market was for many centuries. We see Paris' oldest patisserie, old-style bistros serving onion soup, traditional food stores, and the splendid Renaissance church of St Eustache. Enjoy the displays and hear about French food through the ages. *Meet at metro Etienne Marcel 20€*

Sun 5 10.30am **Village Montmartre**

Sun 5 10.30am **Paris during the**

Occupation and Liberation On this walk in the area of the Tuileries gardens, place Vendome, Concorde and Champs Elysées, hear how the Parisians survived the dark years of the

Occupation from 1940-44 with stories of daily life, the Gestapo, the Resistance and the Liberation. *Meet at metro Tuileries*

Sun 5 2.30pm **The Marais** Circuit 2

Sun 5 2.30pm **Père Lachaise Cemetery**

It's well worth visiting this extensive cemetery with an expert, to hear the stories of celebrities including: Chopin, Balzac, Oscar Wilde, Edith Piaf, Maria Callas, Jim Morrison and ill-fated lovers Abelard and Héloïse. Enjoy the atmospheric mixture of cobbled pathways, magnificent tree-lined avenues and beautiful elaborate tombs. *Meet metro Père Lachaise, exit on Blvd Ménilmontant. 20€*

Mon 6 10.30am **Cité Island & Notre Dame**

Mon 6 2.30pm **Medieval Latin Quarter**

Mon 6 3pm **Fitzgerald, Hemingway and Left**

Bank Writers Walk the old streets of St Germain and Montparnasse, and the attractive Luxembourg Gardens. See where Hemingway, Fitzgerald, and Gertrude Stein lived, the famous cafés where they met in the 1920s, and where Sylvia Beach had her celebrated bookshop, Shakespeare and Co. *Meet at metro Vavin in front of the Rotonde café*

Tues 7 10.30am **The Marais** Circuit 1

Tues 7 2.30pm **The French Revolution**

Tues 7 2.30pm **Cafés and Food Tastings**

Walk Learn about the history and variety of French food, see some excellent bakeries and chocolate shops, celebrated historic cafés and restaurants, and some which have recently become the favourites of food lovers. The tour includes some delicious tastings. *Meet at metro rue du Bac. Price: 28€ (includes tastings) Please reserve*

May 8 is a holiday in France (VE day)

Wed 8 10.30am **Village Montmartre**

Wed 8 2.30pm **The Two Islands**

Wed 8 2.30pm **The Resistance and the**

Occupation, Left Bank See May 12. *Meet at metro Sevres Babylone, exit 3 at junction of rue de Sevres and Blvd Raspail, by the garden*

Thurs 9 10.30am **St Germain-des-Prés**

Thurs 9 10.30am **Paris Fashion Walk** (Palais Royal – an area with alternative luxury shops) This delightful enclave with the old world charm of covered arcades is now home to famous designers, unique small-scale boutiques, vintage haute couture, and perfumes. Our fashion specialist will give fascinating insider insights into fashion through the ages and today. *Meet at Palais-Royal metro, exit on place Colette, by Comedie Française, by café le Nemours. Price 20€*

Thurs 9 2.30pm **The Marais** Circuit 2

Thurs 9 4–6pm **Highlights of the Musée**

d'Orsay Small Group Paintings, sculptures, and how the art reveals the personalities and social history behind the Impressionist master-pieces by Monet, Manet, Degas, Renoir, Van Gogh. Up to 6 people per group. Price 50€ (+ entrance 15€ which we can provide) *Meet at elephant statue outside Museum. Please reserve and prepay*

Fri 10 10.30am **Hemingway's Paris**

Fri 10 2.30pm **Village Montmartre**

Fri 10 5–7pm **Louvre Highlights Small Group** (45€ +17€) See May 3. *Meet at statue of Louis XIV outside Louvre pyramid. Please reserve*

Sat 11 10.30am **The Marais** Circuit 1

Sat 11 2.30pm **Medieval Paris and the**

Templars Paris' oldest house, the alchemist Nicolas Flamel, the mystery of the Knights Templar, the site of their enclave, the beautiful medieval architecture of the Abbey of St Martin, the intriguing St Merri church and the splendid flamboyant St Jacques' tower. This tour takes you off the beaten track. *Meet at metro Temple. Price 20€*

Sun 12 10.30am **Village Montmartre**

Sun 12 10.30am **The Paris Flea Market**

This vast picturesque labyrinth of stalls, the largest such market in the world, is greatly enhanced with a personal guide. Come and enjoy the bustle and bargaining to find many delightful hidden treasures and specialist stores at the Marché aux Puces (St Ouen) - books, postcards, vintage clothes, antiques, bric-a-brac, art deco by-gones and nostalgia of all types. *Meet metro Garibaldi, (line 13) in front of church. Small group tour, please reserve. Price 25€*

Sun 12 2.30pm **The Marais** Circuit 2

Sun 12 2.30pm **The Resistance and the**

Occupation, Left Bank The story of the resistance (who came from all backgrounds) the prisons, the plight of the Jews and the round ups. Everyday life during the Occupation, and many poignant, revealing tales and the heroic acts of ordinary people. *Meet at metro Sevres Babylone, exit 3 at junction of rue de Sevres and Blvd Raspail, by the garden*

Mon 13 10.30am **Cité Island & Notre Dame**

Mon 13 2.30pm **Medieval Latin Quarter**

Mon 13 3pm **Fitzgerald, Hemingway and Left Bank Writers** See May 6. *Meet at metro Vavin in front of the Rotonde café*

Tues 14 10.30am **The Marais** Circuit 1

Tues 14 2.30pm **The French Revolution**

Wed 15 10.30am **Village Montmartre**

Wed 15 2.30pm **The Two Islands**

Wed 15 5–7pm **Louvre Highlights Small Group Tour** Up to 6 people per group (45€ +17€) See May 3. *Meet at statue of Louis XIV outside Louvre pyramid. Please reserve*

Thurs 16 10.30am **St Germain-des-Prés**

Thurs 16 2.30pm **The Marais** Circuit 2

Fri 17 10.30am **Hemingway's Paris**

Fri 17 10.30am **Chanel Fashion Walk**

Chanel rose from poverty to become one of the great names of French chic. Walk in the rue St Honoré, see the Ritz and place Vendome, famous for the luxury trade and glamour, with our fashion specialist who will tell Chanel's story and give the background to the famous designers. *Meet in front of WH Smith 248 rue de Rivoli, (metro Concorde, exit rue Cambon). Price 20€. Please reserve*

Fri 17 2.30pm **Village Montmartre**

Sat 18 10.30am **The Marais** Circuit 1

Sat 18 2.30pm **The French Revolution**

See description on front of brochure for Tuesdays. *Meet at metro Odeon at the statue of Danton.*

Sun 19 10.30am **Village Montmartre**

Sun 19 10.30am **Paris and the Occupation**

See May 5. *Meet at metro Tuileries*

Sun 19 2.30pm **The Marais** Circuit 2

Sun 19 2.30pm **Père Lachaise Cemetery**

This is Paris' most famous and historic cemetery. See description May 5. *Meet metro Père Lachaise, exit on Blvd Ménilmontant. 20€*

Mon 20 10.30am **Cité Island & Notre Dame**

Mon 20 2.30pm **Medieval Latin Quarter**

Mon 20 3pm **Fitzgerald, Hemingway and**

Left Bank Writers See May 6. *Meet at metro Vavin in front of the Rotonde café*

Tues 21 10.30am **The Marais** Circuit 1

Tues 21 2.30pm **The French Revolution**

Wed 22 10.30am **Village Montmartre**

Wed 22 2.30pm **The Two Islands**

Thurs 23 10.30am **St Germain-des-Prés**

Thurs 23 10.30am **Chocolate Tasting Tour** Learn how to select and appreciate top quality chocolate at a variety of superb chocolatiers on this enjoyable walk which mixes history and anecdotes with chocolate and pastry tasting. *Meet at metro Louvre-Rivoli. Price 35€ includes tastings. Reserve and pay by 1pm the day before.*

PARIS WALKS

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Thurs 23 2.30pm **The Marais Circuit 2**
Fri 24 10.30am **Hemingway's Paris**
Fri 24 2.30pm **Village Montmartre**
Fri 24 5–7pm **Louvre Highlights Small Group Tour** (45€+ 17€) See May 3. *Meet at statue of Louis XIV outside Louvre pyramid. Groups limited to 6 people. Please reserve.*
Sat 25 10.30am **The Marais Circuit 1**
Sat 25 2.30pm **The Resistance and the Occupation, Left Bank** See May 12. *Meet at metro Sevres Babylone, exit 3 at junction of rue de Sevres and bd Raspail, by the garden*
Sun 26 10.30am **Village Montmartre**
Sun 26 10.30am **Les Gobelins Neighbourhood** Enjoy the history and charm of this quarter, on this walk which takes you off the tourist route. See description May 1. *Meet at metro Gobelins, at exit 4, (Manufacture des Gobelins) 20€*
Sun 26 2.30pm **The Marais Circuit 2**
Sun 26 3pm **Jefferson and Franklin in Paris** Hear how they and their friends, including Lafayette, lived through the political turmoil in Paris on the eve of the French Revolution, and learn of the cross influence of ideas between France and America. The tour includes the Tuileries Gardens and the Left Bank. *Meet metro Concorde, in front of the hotel Crillon. 20€*
Mon 27 10.30am **Cité Island & Notre Dame**
Mon 27 2.30pm **Medieval Latin Quarter**
Mon 27 3pm **Fitzgerald, Hemingway and Left Bank Writers** See May 6. *Meet at metro Vavin in front of the Rotonde café*
Tues 28 10.30am **The Marais Circuit 1**
Tues 28 2.30pm **The French Revolution**
Tues 28 2.30pm **Cafés and Food Tastings Walk** See May 7. *Meet at metro rue du Bac. Price: 28€ (includes tastings) Please reserve*
Wed 29 10.30am **Village Montmartre**
Wed 29 2.30pm **The Two Islands**
Wed 29 5–7pm **Louvre Highlights Small Group Tour** See May 3. *Meet at statue of Louis XIV outside Louvre pyramid. (45€+ 17€) Up to 6 people per group. Please reserve*
Thurs 30 10.30am **St Germain-des-Prés**
Thurs 30 2.30pm **The Marais Circuit 2**
Thurs 30 4–6pm **Highlights of the Musée d'Orsay Small Group** Impressionist master-pieces by Monet, Manet, Degas, Renoir, Van Gogh. Up to 6 people per group. Price 50€ (+ entrance 15€ which we can provide) *Meet at elephant statue outside Museum. Please reserve and prepay*

Fri 31 10.30am **Hemingway's Paris**
Fri 31 2.30pm **Village Montmartre**
JUNE
Sat 1 10.30am **The Marais Circuit 1**
See June programme for more tours

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Price: 15€ unless specified. (Children under 15 = 10€, students under 21 = 12€ please bring ID) Tours last about two hours. Guides wear Paris Walks badges and are easy to find at the meeting places. We meet above ground at metro exits, unless indicated. We have tours all year, consult our website for details

EVERY MONDAY

Ile de la Cité and Notre Dame 10.30am Read the stories in the medieval sculptures, and hear how the cathedral was built. We explore the history and architecture of the Island, the old streets, the flower market, quiet gardens, secret courtyards and the poignant memorial to the deported. *Meet at metro Cité*
The Medieval Latin Quarter 2.30pm A walk through this atmospheric district, to see highlights and hidden details. Roman remains, charming old streets, the story of medieval scholars and the famous Sorbonne University. *Meet at metro Maubert-Mutualité, by café 'Le Métro' (exit 1)*

EVERY TUESDAY

The Marais Circuit 1 10.30am This is the most unspoilt historic quarter in Paris. Beautiful architecture from picturesque medieval streets to splendid classical mansions, and the lovely royal square, the place des Vosges. We see the southern Marais: architecture, history, Jewish history, hear stories of the celebrated inhabitants such as Victor Hugo and Mme de Sevigné, famous for her witty letters. *Meet at metro St Paul*
The French Revolution 2.30pm In the historic Latin Quarter, see where the revolutionaries lived and met, the oldest café in Paris, and the hall where Danton and the radical Cordeliers' club held their debates. Understand the background to the chilling stories: Dr Guillotin's sinister 'razor', Marat stabbed in his bath by Charlotte Corday. *Meet at metro Odeon, at the statue of Danton (exit 1)*

EVERY WEDNESDAY

The Village of Montmartre 10.30am On this picturesque walk you will discover old winding streets, the vineyard, artists' studios (Renoir, Lautrec, Van Gogh, Picasso) quiet gardens, historic cabarets, the place-du-Tertre with its artists and the Sacré Coeur Basilica. *Meet at metro Abbesses (use the elevator to get to street level, the station is quite deep)*
The Two Islands 2.30pm A walk to enjoy the essence of Paris on the two islands. The magical Ile St Louis, elegant architecture and aristocratic inhabitants, a favourite with the lost generation of the 1920s who savoured its old world charm. We hear the history of Ile de la Cité, where Paris was first founded and look at the architecture and sculptures of Notre Dame cathedral. *Meet at metro Pont Marie.*

EVERY THURSDAY

Saint Germain-des-Prés 10.30am This tour captures the essence of Paris on the Left Bank: the old abbey church of St Germain, charming streets lined with bookstores and literary cafés, old squares, artists' studios, the famous Paris Fine Arts School, the hotel where Oscar Wilde died, and the beautiful St Sulpice church, mentioned in the Da Vinci Code. *Meet in front of Church of St Sulpice (short walk from metro St Sulpice)*
The Marais Circuit 2 2.30pm See Sunday below. *Meet at metro Saint Paul*

EVERY FRIDAY

Hemingway's Paris 10.30am Explore this charming district in the Latin Quarter with the old houses of the Mouffetard market street, secret courtyards, hidden remains of the medieval city wall, and the lovely historic church of St Etienne-du-Mont. It is associated with many writers: Joyce, Orwell, Balzac, Hugo, Verlaine and immortalised by Hemingway in A Moveable Feast. *Meet at metro Cardinal Lemoine (exit 1)*
The Village of Montmartre 2.30pm See Wednesday above. *Meet at metro Abbesses (use elevator)*

EVERY SATURDAY

The Marais Circuit 1 10.30am See Tuesday above. *Meet at metro Saint Paul*

EVERY SUNDAY

The Village of Montmartre 10.30am See Wednesday above. *Meet at metro Abbesses.*
The Marais Circuit 2 2.30pm Stories of royalty, mistresses and intrigue in this beautiful historic neighbourhood. We see the northern Marais: elegant classical mansions with graceful courtyards and gardens, the old Jewish quarter and the place des Vosges, the city's oldest square. *Meet at metro St Paul*