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Beautiful Paris...& the Louvre

Half day panoramic tour of Paris followed by afternoon visit to the Louvre Museum

Enjoy a panoramic tour including a stop at the Eiffel Tower, Montmartre district and Notre Dame and follow your guide through the main treasures of the museum from the birth of the great antique civilizations right up to the first half of the 19th century.

Make it Fashion at the Louvre!

DECOUVERTES ADVICE for an optional venue: Follow your expert-guide through the Louvre and learn about costumes history through the ages
Please see the last page for more information

Make it Da Vinci Code!

DECOUVERTES ADVICE for an optional venue: Follow the footsteps of Robert Langdon and Sophie Neveu in the Louvre Museum
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Paris & the Louvre Museum

8:45 am: Meet your driver-guide in the lobby of your hotel for a **panoramic tour of Paris** which will give you the opportunity to view most famous monuments of this beautiful city such as the Eiffel Tower, Montmartre district and Notre Dame.

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-Élysées, Montmartre and the Left Bank. And of course there are the food, cafés, bistros, and Michelin-starred restaurants.

Photo stop 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 charming Montmartre for a **Photo stop**, 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!

Finish the morning 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.

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

In the afternoon, continue and **visit the Louvre Museum**.

Divided into 7 departments, the Louvre collections incorporate works dating from the birth of the **great antique civilisations right up to the first half of the XIXth century**, thereby confirming its encyclopaedic vocation.

Among the thousands of priceless paintings is Leonardo da Vinci's **Mona Lisa**, probably the most famous painting in the world, housed in the Salle des États in a climate-controlled environment behind protective glass.





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Works of artists like **Fragonard, Rembrandt, Rubens, Titian, Poussin, and David** can also be seen. Among the well-known sculptures in the collection are **the Winged Victory of Samothrace and the Venus de Milo**.

Time permitting, do not miss Le Louvre des Antiquaires, the largest place for Antique dealers 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 Fashion at the Louvre!

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Follow your guide passionate with fashion history for a thematic visit of the Louvre museum focused on 17th and 18th century costumes. You will discover the masterpieces of the Museum such as Mona Lisa, the Venus de Milo or Samothrace Victory but you will also learn about fashion history through the works of the major artists of 17th and 18th century. It is a unique visit for those who are passionate with art, art history and costumes.

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



Make it Da Vinci Code!

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Visit the Louvre in the footsteps of the heroes of the novel and the movie *The Da Vinci Code*, exploring the places, works, and themes at the heart of the story. The trail provides an amusing tour of the museum in the footsteps of the “symbolologist” Robert Langdon and the cryptologist Sophie Neveu, the main characters of *The Da Vinci Code*. Although the selection of things to see in the trail will no doubt be obvious to those who have read the book or seen the movie, it should enable everyone to see the Louvre in a new and amusing light, providing both a historical and literary perspective.

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