

A NEW JOURNEY...



Seine et Marne
VIVRE EN GRAND !

2025 press pack


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Your new journey
on video

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Seine-et-Marne, the new journey

Adventure is just around the corner... where you least expect it!

Between 25 minutes and 1 hour 20 minutes from Paris by train, Seine-et-Marne is the ideal destination for getting away from it all, recharging your batteries and experiencing unique moments with family, friends or as a couple.

Immerse yourself in forests as far as the eye can see, soak up the history of UNESCO-listed towns, discover picturesque villages or meet a craftsman with unsuspected talent.

This enchanting region offers a multitude of opportunities to escape the hustle and bustle of the city.

Our promise? To offer human and rejuvenating experiences just a stone's throw from Paris!

New promotional tools for the region

In November 2024, our agency launched its new destination website:
tourisme-seine-et-marne.fr

Intuitively designed, it features a full range of tourist offers, daily news updates, an intuitive agenda and inspirational ideas for your next outing or stay. The english version will be online for spring 2025.

To extend this dynamic, Seine-et-Marne Attractivité has teamed up with the production agency Les Coflocs to create two promotional videos for the region

An inspirational film that invites you to experience intensely the soul of Seine-et-Marne.
Each experience is lived with the senses, inviting visitors to live a New Journey.

A corporate film: a captivating portrait of the region through emblematic sites, varied activities, wide-open spaces... it's all there to make you want to venture out.

We hope this press kit and these new promotional tools will inspire your next article, blog or press trip to Seine-et-Marne!

Seine et Marne
VIVRE EN GRAND !



51%
OF THE TOTAL SURFACE AREA OF THE ÎLE-DE-FRANCE REGION

THE LARGEST DEPARTMENT OF ÎLE-DE-FRANCE

NEAR PARIS AND ITS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS: CHARLES DE GAULLE AND ORLY

NEARLY
500 000
VISITORS TO THE NAUTICAL STADIUM
IN VAIRES-SUR-MARNE DURING OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES PARIS 2024

ITS STARS

4
MICHELIN-STARRED RESTAURANTS:
L'AXEL, LE QUINCANGROGNE, L'AUBERGE DE LA BRIE AND LA VIEILLE AUBERGE

SOME
15 000
ROOMS

18,3M
TOURISTS IN SEINE-ET-MARNE IN 2024
66 % ARRIVALS ARE FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES

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OVERNIGHTS
AVERAGE STAY

245
GÎTES DE FRANCE® TOURIST COTTAGES

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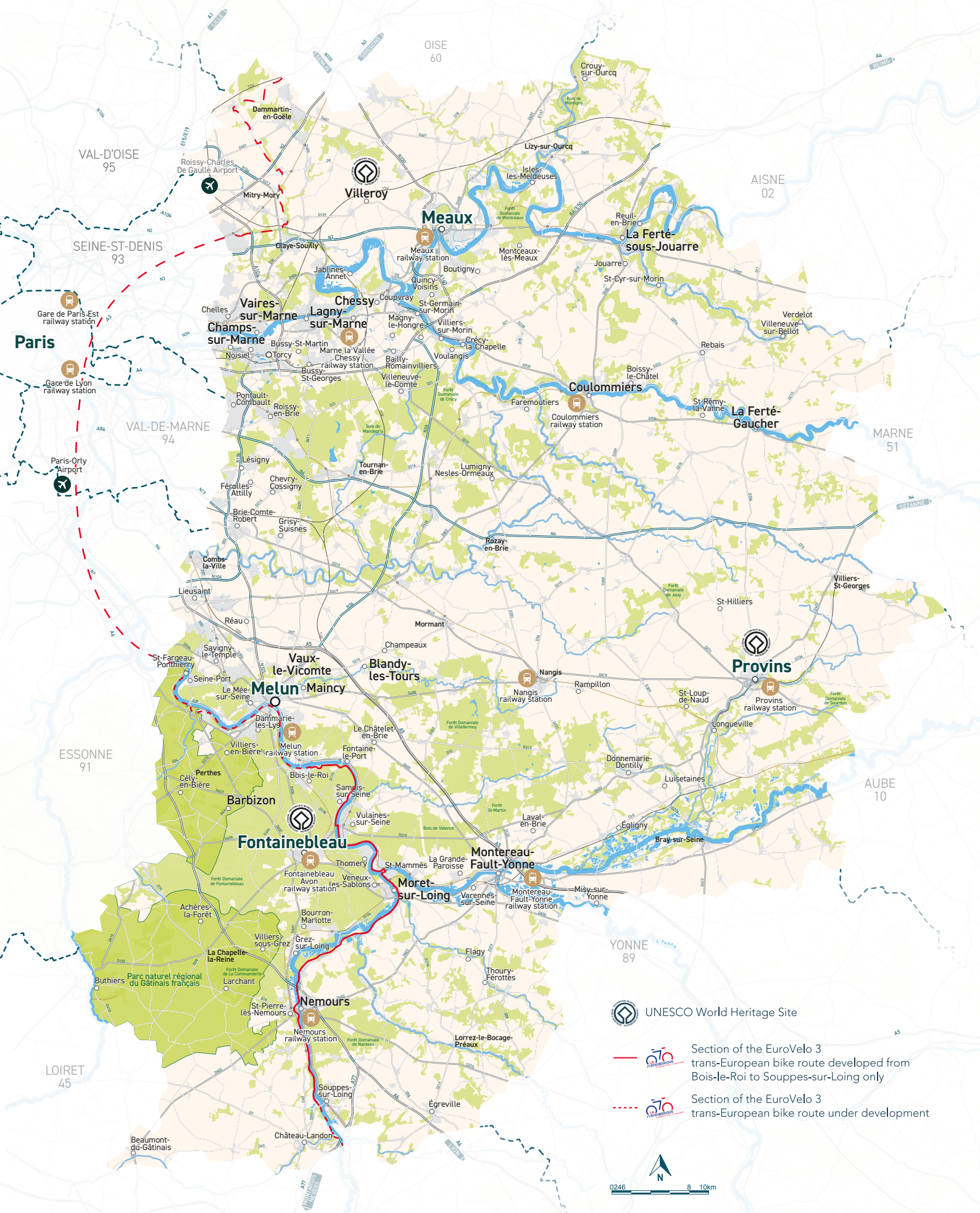
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VILLAGE DE VACANCES

Figures for 2023 (January to December)



ACCESS

Paris Gare de Lyon station - Line R: Melun (26 min) Fontainebleau-Avon (40 min) ● Thomery (45 min), Moret/Veneux-les-Sablons (47 min) ● Nemours (1hr07),

Paris Gare de l'Est station - Line P:

Provins (1hr21) ● Meaux (25 to 40 min)
Coulommiers (1hr03) ● Thorigny / Lagny-sur-Marne (24 min)

Consult the full schedule at: www.transilien.com

01

SLEEP IN THE KOREAN HOUSE IN THE GARDEN 'MOULIN JAUNE', and plunge into the world of Slava Polunin, the 'world's biggest clown in the world'.







02

TAKE PART IN THE CARNIVAL IN DIY DISGUISE, BIKE INCLUDED. 25 MAY IN MORET-SUR-LOING!

Date to be confirmed

10 ONE-OF-A-KIND SEINE-ET-MARNE EXPERIENCES!



03

VISIT THE PRELUDIAN ART VILLAGE OF THE ARTIST CHOMO, who lived alone for over 40 years in the forest of Fontainebleau in the 12th century...



04

TAKING THE HELM OF A SAILBOAT
and become a skipper on the Marne river





05

TAKE PART IN A SCULPTURE WORKSHOP
at the Musée-Jardin Bourdelle

06



STAYING AT 'PASSAGE DES SORCIERS'
and plunge into the world of a famous young magician! Find the secret passage to the upper floors and park your brooms in front of the bed and breakfast





07

PARTICIPATE IN A GOURMET WORKSHOP
in a chocolate factory set up in a railway station in Saint-Mammès

09

UNUSUAL HERITAGE :
THE 'SIXTINE OF LESCHES'.
Admire its walls and vaults covered with figurative paintings by artist Nicole Michigan



08

PICNIC
on the banks of the Loing river



10

LEARN TO PLAY JEU DE PAUME
in a room built by Henri IV at the Château de Fontainebleau



ARE YOU INSPIRED? OTHER EXPERIENCES

ON seineetmarnevivreengrand.fr



Living the adventure

Nature is nothing without humans... and vice versa! Out of all the Île-de-France departments, Seine-et-Marne has undoubtedly best understood and respected this natural complementarity. Lace up your hiking shoes, stroll about a garden in bloom, rent a bicycle or a canoe, and set out to explore this exceptional natural heritage. Rock climbing, golf, treetop adventuring... Seine-et-Marne awakens your senses with each surprising experience!

by FOOT

THE MOST VAST AND VERDANT ÎLE-DE-FRANCE DEPARTMENT, SEINE-ET-MARNE IS TRULY A SPECIAL TERRITORY FOR HIKES AND NATURE WALKS.

A few figures:
4,700 kilometres of marked trails

250 short-distance trails (petites randonnées or PR) approved by the FFR (French hiking federation)

1,221 kilometres of long-distance trails (grandes randonnées or GR), FFR-approved and well-marked

Focus on **4 HIKING LOOPS EASILY ACCESSIBLE VIA PUBLIC TRANSPORT**

Follow us!



> You're less than
than an hour from Paris!

HIKE NO. 1
BARGING THROUGH THE FOREST

Departing from Moret-sur-Loing or Saint-Mammès



SEE THE itinerary

Very easy | Distance: 9 km

A loop combining two rivers, a canal, fluvial stops and canal locks, walking beneath the fresh forest canopy and by waterside gardens. Discover the picturesque bargee village of Saint-Mammès, at the confluence of the Seine and Loing rivers.

Discover on the 'Balad'Nature' app

TO SEE ALONG THE WAY

IN SAINT-MAMMÈS

- Water jousting on Sunday afternoons (May to September)
- An old canal lock built in 1724 and a lockman's house

IN MORET-SUR-LOING

- The bicycle museum

ÉTAPES GOURMANDES

IN SAINT-MAMMÈS

- La Boutique du Quai chocolatier and pastry shop, in the Saint-Mammès railway station
- Farmers' market on Sunday mornings

IN MORET-SUR-LOING

- La Palette (semi-gourmet restaurant), in an old inn over a century old, on the Loing River, where the painter Alfred Sisley notably stayed
- La Maison des Arts

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Accessible via the Saint-Mammès railway station (49 min from Paris Gare de Lyon) or the Parking du Grand Jardin car park in Moret-sur-Loing

TO EXTEND YOUR STAY

IN SAINT-MAMMÈS

41 Quai de Seine, eco-friendly guesthouse
www.41quaideseine.eu

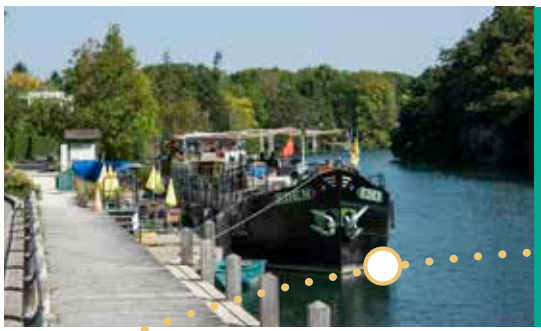
IN MORET-SUR-LOING

Hôtes de Maïa, in an old barley sugar candy factory in Moret
www.msl-tourisme.fr

HIKE NO. 2

THE 'PETIT BARBEAU' WALK THROUGH THE VILLAGE OF SAMOIS-SUR-SEINE

Samois-sur-Seine > Samois-sur-Seine



SEE THE itinerary

Very easy | Markings: yellow | Distance: 5 km

A walk along the banks of the Seine River and through the forest. Admire the flamboyant villas known as Les Affolantes in Samois-sur-Seine, a great diversity of beautiful trees, and wonderfully scenic views.

Discover on the 'Balad'Nature' app

TO SEE ALONG THE WAY

- Les Affolantes, superb villas along the banks of the Seine
- The house and statue of the jazz virtuoso Django Reinhardt
- The Samois Tower
- Île du Berceau

TASTY STOPS

- La Maison du Pain bakery, with its small summer terrace
- Maison Sumac, café-restaurant and fine grocery
- Pizzeria Démé, with a terrace on the Seine

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Access: departing from 43 Quai Franklin Roosevelt, 15 min from the Fontainebleau-Avon railway station, bus line 7

TO EXTEND YOUR STAY

The Eden river barge moored on the Seine River quay, offering cruises

TO SEE ALONG THE WAY

- The priory church of Saint-Loup-de-Naud and its sculpted portal. Open year round
- The medieval 'Square Tower' (exterior)

TASTY STOPS

- Prepare your picnic in Sainte-Colombe or Longueville, then stop at the old washhouse picnic area in Saint-Loup

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Access: railway stations of Sainte-Colombe or Longueville (1 hr 15 min) from Paris Gare de l'Est

TO EXTEND YOUR STAY

- J&J Accommodation
- Maison Vérosia guesthouse

GÎTES DE FRANCE Seine-et-Marne

HIKE NO. 3

DISCOVER SAINT-LOUP-DE-NAUD

Sainte-Colombe > Sainte-Colombe



SEE THE itinerary

Very easy | Markings: yellow | Distance: 5 km

This hike exploring a variety of landscapes takes you to Saint-Loup-de-Naud, a picturesque village famous for its rich architectural heritage: its old church, medieval tower, fortified farm, bourgeois houses, etc.

Discover on the 'Balad'Nature' app

HIKE NO. 4

GATEWAY TO THE CHAMPAGNE REGION IN ÎLE-DE-FRANCE

Saâcy-sur-Marne > Saâcy-sur-Marne

Moderately | Distance: 12 km

In Seine-et-Marne, only three municipalities boast the Champagne protected designation of origin, and all three are located in the Pays Fertois: Citry, Nanteuil-sur-Marne and Saâcy-sur-Marne. Nanteuil is situated at the start of the champagne wine route.

Discover on the 'Balad'Nature' app



SEE THE itinerary

TO SEE ALONG THE WAY

IN SAÂCY-SUR-MARNE

- Deportation railway carriage from the Second World War
- Parc de la Royère to see deer
- View of the vineyards
- Natura 2000 zone

TASTY STOPS

- 'C'est déjà ça' cultural and community café in Saâcy-sur-Marne
- L'Auberge du Lion d'Or in Nanteuil-sur-Marne
- Les Abeilles Briardes, local honey producer in Saâcy-sur-Marne

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Access and start of the hike: Nanteuil-Saâcy railway station, 49 min from Paris Gare de l'Est

TO EXTEND YOUR STAY

- Gîte de l'Île in Saâcy-sur-Marne
- Gîte de Nanteuil

the MAIN WALKING EVENT FOR HIKING, NATURE AND HERITAGE LOVERS!

THE 'RANDO DES 3 CHÂTEAUX' HIKES

> 27 April 2025

Seine-et-Marne's walking event exclusively reserved for everyone! Several hikes for all abilities, with the loops exploring the department's natural and architectural heritage, including the 3 exceptional châteaux of Fontainebleau, Blandy-les-Tours and Vaux-le-Vicomte, not to mention various surprises and associated activities.

To learn more



by BIKE

TO BICYCLE IN SEINE-ET-MARNE IS TO EMBARK UPON A NEW AND SURPRISING OUTDOOR JOURNEY, AS YOUR LEGS PEDAL YOU TO A ONE-OF-A-KIND EXPERIENCE,

ever changing depending on the season and, the weather. So hop on your bike and pedal off to explore our department's forests and rivers, its plains and picturesque villages.

Here, cycling's a passion!



> Cross the Berceau island of Samois-sur -Seine

SOUTHERN SEINE-ET-MARNE BY BIKE IS EVEN BETTER!

Bois-le-Roi > Souppes-sur-Loing

Very easy | Distance: 55 km

The 'Scandibérique' bike route snaking through Seine-et-Marne!

The EuroVelo 3 long-distance bike route, linking Trondheim in Norway to Santiago de Compostela in Spain, offers 60 km of dedicated bike paths snaking along the waterways of southern Seine-et-Marne. The 'Scandibérique' promises pedallers fresh air and freedom on the outskirts of Paris, the opportunity to experience differently and directly the department's natural scenery.

Starting in Bois-le-Roi and heading south, you'll pedal by Moret-sur-Loing and through splendid landscapes and charming old villages. Wave to the pleasure boaters navigating the Seine River and the Loing Canal, as you cycle through a national forest and several nature reserves on your way to the history-steeped town of Souppes-sur-Loing, offering a host of sporting and cultural activities. Your legs and lungs permitting, you can continue pedalling all the way to Montargis...

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SEE THE itinerary

TO SEE ALONG THE WAY

IN MORET-SUR-LOING
- 'Barley Sugar Museum'

IN NEMOURS
- 'Prehistory Museum'
- Château-Museum

IN SOUPPES-SUR-LOING
- Cercanceaux Abbey

TASTY STOPS

IN NEMOURS
- Des Lis Chocolat chocolatier

IN BOULANCOURT
- Le Safran restaurant

IN MONDREVILLE
- La Gâtine brewery

Facilitate your pedalling in Seine-et-Marne with our bike-friendly networks:

label 'accueil vélo'

bike professionals

AUTUMN MUST-DOS

La Ronde à vélo (October 2025)

A convivial, early-autumn sporting challenge for all cycling enthusiasts. This family-friendly event is also the perfect opportunity to discover Fontainebleau Forest, with outdoor activities for all ages and ability levels.



A brochure dedicated to the pleasure of bicycling in Seine-et-Marne.

28 routes and loops to discover, as well as our recommendations for stops along the way.
In french only.

HEADING FOR THE CHEESES OF SEINE-ET-MARNE!

La Ferté-sous-Jouarre > La Ferté-sous-Jouarre

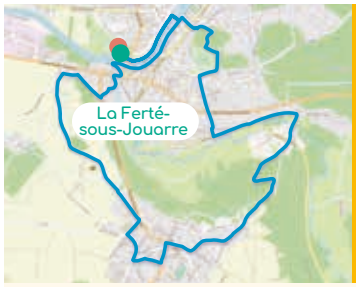
Very easy | Distance: 12 km

Treat yourself to an authentic tasting of life in the French countryside, during this Brie-themed bike outing.

Starting in La Ferté-sous-Jouarre, historic capital of millstone-manufacturing, you'll take advantage of the Marne's shady riverbanks. During your bucolic ride, why not stop to purchase some Tome Meulière, the fragrant local cheese?! You'll certainly pause to admire the panoramic view of the Petit Morin River Valley, and a little further on, the picturesque footbridge of Courcelles-sous-Jouarre in its flowered setting.

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SEE THE itinerary

TO SEE ALONG THE WAY

- The 'Bergerette Wood' nature reserve

IN LA FERTÉ-SOUS-JOUARRE

- The British Memorial
- 'Pigeons' Fountain Park'

TASTY STOPS

IN LA FERTÉ-SOUS-JOUARRE

- La Fine Bouche restaurant
- O'berge restaurant

À JOUARRE

- Fromagerie Ganot cheese dairy
- Chèvrerie du Marteroy goat cheese dairy

TO SEE ALONG THE WAY

IN LAGNY-SUR-MARNE

- Place de la Fontaine square
- Notre-Dame des Ardents church

IN VAIRES-SUR-MARNE

- The Olympic nautical stadium

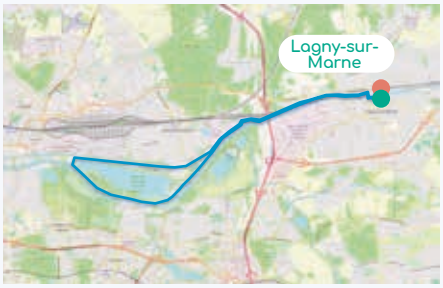
TASTY STOPS

IN LAGNY-SUR-MARNE

- Abeilles et Miel, for local honey
- Okookeat cookies

IN VAIRES-SUR-MARNE

- Le Rallye Nautique restaurant



COMBINING THE NAUTICAL AND PEDALLING PLEASURES

Lagny-sur-Marne > Lagny-sur-Marne



SEE THE itinerary

Very easy | Distance: 17 km | Elevation gain: 53 m

During this invigorating and verdant loop along the Marne River, be sure to stop by the Olympic nautical stadium at the sports and recreation park of Vaires-Torcy. Gourmand pedallers won't want to miss the Lagny market, every Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, for local farm-fresh produce!

Discover on the 'Balad'Nature' app

on the WATER

AS ITS NAME SUGGESTS, SEINE-ET-MARNE IS FRANCE'S FLUVIAL DEPARTMENT PAR EXCELLENCE!



> A peaceful perspective of the banks of the Loing river

On the Marne and Seine Rivers and the Ourcq and Loing canals, tranquil cruises allow you to admire the charming riverbanks and a plethora of picturesque landscapes. Numerous guinguette (open-air cafés or dance halls) are the perfect pick to enjoy a delicious meal or a refreshing drink in a convivial atmosphere with a waterside view. Their garlands of lights evoke the bals musettes of the Impressionist paintings. As for watersports enthusiasts, they can choose between windsurfing, paddleboarding, canoeing, kayaking, pedal-boating, or even white-water rafting!

To recharge your batteries with friends or family, renting an electric boat (no licence required) represents an excellent option!



> Maiden raftings down the Vaires-Torcy Olympic river



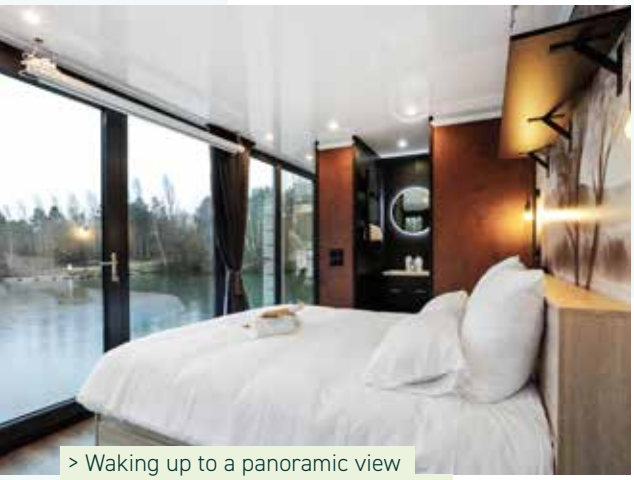
> Canoeing or kayaking down the Grand Morin River



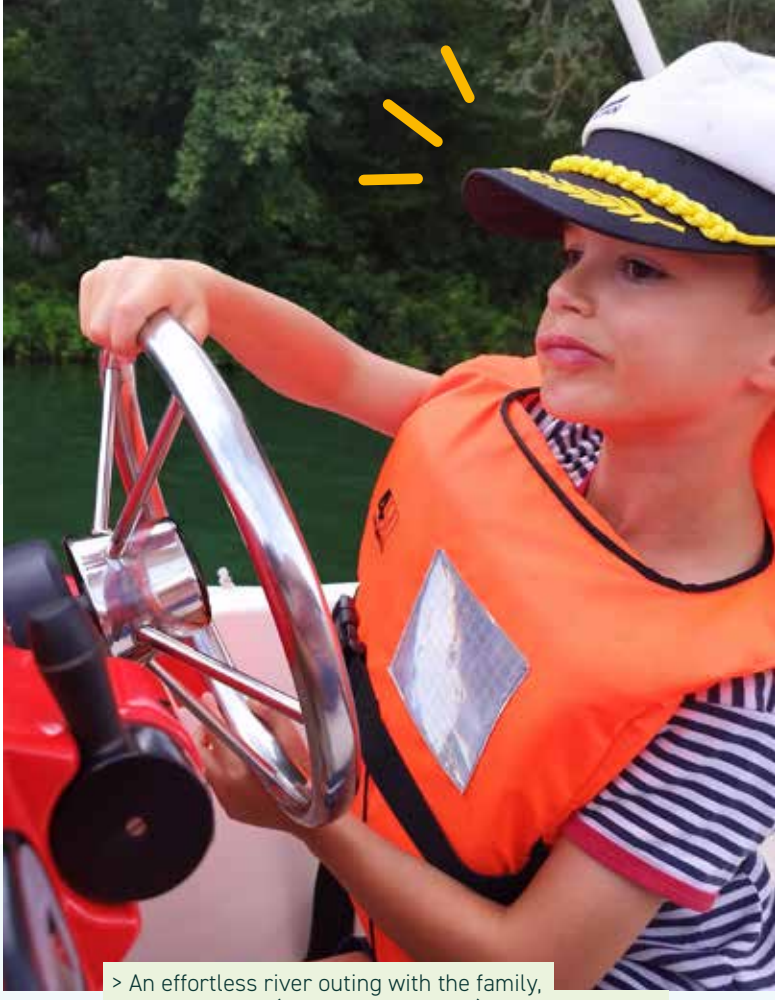
> The waterside market in Saint-Mammès



> BBQ boats in Lagny-sur-Marne!



> Waking up to a panoramic view of the Seine River at L'Escale Royale in Saint-Fargeau-Ponthierry



> An effortless river outing with the family, by electric boat (no licence required) The little captain, with his watchful parents as first mates



> Enjoying an evening drink overlooking the Loing, at Les Terrasses du Moulin in Nemours

FESTIVE WATERSIDE EVENTS

FÊTE DU CANAL DE L'OURCQ

> 12 and 13 April 2025

The 2nd Fête du Canal de l'Ourcq will be held at the Villers-lès-Rigault power plant. A blend of industrial and natural heritage, enjoy a weekend with family and friends, and plenty of entertainment!

www.meaux-marne-ourcq.com

FESTIVAL DES 2 RIVIÈRES

> From 13 to 15 June 2025

Its name refers to the two rivers, the Petit Morin and the Marne, in La Ferté-sous-Jouarre. A festival combining street music, international headliners, free stages and tourist excursions.

www.fertejazz.com

LA FÊTE DE LA MARNE

> 21 and 22 June 2025

The Fête de la Marne will offer activities on the water, including pedal boats, canoeing and kayaking initiations and baby water skiing. Workshops, games and plenty of other surprises on the banks of the Marne river at Lagny-sur-Marne.

Find out more

FRENCH WATER JOUSTING TEAM CUP

> 28 June 2025

The French Nautical Jousting Team Cup will take place in Saint- Mammès' barge village! Come and discover this emblematic water sport, which resembles jousting in the Middle Ages.

Find out more

PAYS DE NEMOURS ALONG THE LOING

> 27 July 2025

A day dedicated entirely to the Loing river, with a wide range of activities on and in the water, concerts and on-site catering.

www.tourisme-paysdenemours.fr

Find all the fluvial activities in Seine-et-Marne on:
tourisme-seine-et-marne.fr

in the FOREST

FONTAINEBLEAU FOREST

AN 'EXCEPTIONAL FOREST' COVERING 62,000 ACRES.

Long ago known as Bière Forest, Fontainebleau Forest today constitutes the vastest natural space in all of Île-de-France.

A UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, the forest is world-renowned amongst rock climbers for its exceptional bouldering, as well as attracting hikers, bikers, horse riders, and other outdoor enthusiasts.

No one way to discover the forest!



> By foot! No less than 500 kilometres of marked trails



> Biking the 'FB', the greenway linking Fontainebleau and Barbizon

A phantom (and secret) stop in the heart of Fontainebleau Forest

A stop largely unknown to the general public, for absent from the R line plan. Here's what you need to know: the train stops only on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, at 8:16 and 9:16 AM, and only in the direction from Paris Gare de Lyon to Montargis.

If you'd like to attempt the adventure, plan on a hike or a bike to hop on a returning Paris-bound train, at either the Fontainebleau/Avon or Bois-le-Roi railway station!

To learn more

A DIVERSE ECOSYSTEM

5,685 species of plants

460 types of mosses

2,700 species of mushrooms

675 types of lichen

500 types of algae

6,600 species of animals

60 species of mammals

200 species of birds

5,600 species of insects

PROPER PRACTICES FOR THE FOREST

- No trash bins are found in the forest, so be sure to bring your picnic trash back out with you.
- Fire is the forest's worst enemy! For obvious reasons, ban all barbecues, cigarettes and campfires.
- Pets must be kept under control at all times, all year long!
- Pick and gather with moderation! Flowers, mushrooms and dead wood can only be carried out in limited quantities for one's own personal use.
- The use of motorised vehicles is supervised within the forest. Avoid 4x4, quad or motorbike outings, which bother walkers, animals and plants, and deteriorate the paths.
- Avoid adventuring beyond the forest footpaths. Stepping off the trail accelerates the erosion of fragile areas and damages the forest's undergrowth and seedlings.

Consult the complete guide about good forestry practices



> Sylvan tour: 'In the footsteps of Fontainebleau Forest's animals' in the company of Yannick Dagneau



> Dog sledding with Evasion Canine



> Introductory rock climbing lessons in one of the world's greatest (and most beautiful) bouldering spots



> Flying over Fontainebleau, its château, canals, forest and villages along the Loing

> By horseback



SEINE-ET-MARNE'S ANIMALS



UNDERSTANDING NATURE TO BETTER PROTECT IT

UNDERSTANDING NATURE IS ESSENTIAL FOR ITS PRESERVATION.

To protect biodiversity, it is necessary to comprehend the specific needs of fragile species and ecosystems.

Animal parks play an important role in this mission, by maintaining environments in which researchers and caretakers can study the behaviours and needs of rare species.

THE ATTILLY WOOD ZOO

Giraffes and lions, bears and bison... Quite a change from the deer and boar, the foxes and rabbits one so often sees in Seine-et-Marne! The exceptional Bois d'Attilly Zoo is home to some 500 wild animals from all four corners of the world, representing some 100 species of mammals and birds.

The discovery trail explores four thematic areas, where the zoo's diverse species live together in harmony. The miniature farm shelters gentle donkeys and dwarf goats, mischievous alpacas and amusing black-headed sheep from far-off Somalia. Ever a hit with children! Teenagers prefer the thrilling tigers and Andean condors, the panthers and hyenas...

This educational zoo helps raise awareness of the need to respect and protect nature and its rich biodiversity, as well as tackling essential issues of environmental protection, all while helping to preserve threatened species. In the springtime, the many births are sure to soften even the hardest of hearts!

www.zoo-attilly.fr



LUMIGNY SAFARI RESERVE

A peaceful haven for 160 felines roaming free within a 71-hectare (175-acre) nature reserve. Stroll down the shady lanes of this park to discover four natural worlds: Europe, Africa, Asia and the Americas, home to servals, cheetahs, black panthers, white lions, jaguars and many more wild cats, not to mention some sixty lemurs living freely upon their own spacious island welcoming visitors!

The spaces are designed to favour encounters without disturbing the animals, via panoramic viewpoints, observatories, plate-glass windows, footbridges, etc.

The ideal destination for nature photographers! The reserve's experts are skilled in the popularisation of science, helping to raise awareness among visitors of all ages of the different challenges linked to the preservation of biodiversity.



Primate enthusiasts can complement their visit by adding the 'Terre de Singes' option. Situated just across the road and also home to many brightly coloured birds, this animal park hosts numerous 'commented nuncheons'.

www.lumigny-safari-reserve.com

Its New

Sleeping in front of the lions

Extend your experience by spending a night at the hotel 'Le royaume des Lions'. Wake up to the roar of the king of the savannah!

Dine at 'Le Marula' restaurant, and enjoy a breathtaking view over the African lion territory!

22 PROTECTED NATURE RESERVES

Seine-et-Marne is home to 22 fragile nature reserves (ENS). An ENS is a site recognised for its ecological and scenic qualities, whose preservation is necessary to guarantee the perennity of the department's rich natural heritage. To this end, Seine-et-Marne purchases and maintains these natural areas, rendering them accessible to the general public.

Each site stands out for its history, its particular characteristics, its cultural, architectural, athletic and/or recreational wealth. Indeed, if you're sporty, a lover of history or a keen observer of nature, you'll enjoy exploring every one of Seine-et-Marne's natural areas.

Take the opportunity to discover them!

To learn more

SEA LIFE PARIS

Located in the heart of the Val d'Europe shopping centre, only 5 minutes from Disneyland Paris, the SEA LIFE aquarium invites visitors to discover the treasures of the marine world and the importance of their protection. With vast pools equipped with astonishing viewpoints perfectly suited to young children, the SEA LIFE aquarium presents a panorama of various ecosystems, from coral reefs to the oceanic depths to Amazonia. Experience such unforgettable moments as feeding tortoises or penguins, or observing up-close via underwater camera a starfish or a shark's egg... An incredible watery world awaiting exploration!

www.visitsealife.com/paris/en



PARROT WORLD

Passionate about parrots, Eric Vignot created the Parrot Wildlife Foundation. Well aware of the difficulties of recreating the proper conditions for these birds' reproduction, the committed philanthropist set out to construct a new generation animal park: Parrot World. An immense 10,000-sqm aviary allows hundreds of parrots and other birds to freely fly about, while a river is home to giant river otters, capybaras and jaguars. There's also a 2,000-sqm farm-animal petting enclosure, a giant playground, and an overlook onto the penguin pool.

New in 2025: An immersive zone dedicated to the Pantanal featuring the Hyacinth Macaw, the world's most largest and emblematic parrot species.

www.parrotworld.fr/en



Sleeping in a lodge facing the animals

Who hasn't dreamed of spending a night in the Amazon rainforest?

Extend the experience by treating yourself an exotic stay in one of the 5 lodges inspired by the stilt houses that line the Amazon River.

SPORTS AND RECREATION PARKS

9 Seine-et-Marne sports and recreation parks improve the department's quality of life while helping to preserve its natural environment, for a plethora of recreational activities.

Soak in the sun on your beach towel, explore the trails by foot, by bike or on horseback, or opt for one of many outdoor sports on offer: golf, rock climbing, mountain biking, sailing, cable skiing, surfing, treetop adventuring, etc. Discover the department's exceptional recreation parks in Bois-le-Roi (between the Seine and the forest), Jablines-Annet (the loveliest beach in Île-de-France), Saint-Fargeau-Ponthierry (a haven in the heart of nature), Souppes-sur-Loing (awarded the 'Blue Flag' quality label, in the Loing River Valley), Vaires-sur-Marne / Torcy (an Olympic nautical centre), Buthiers (sylvan escapades), La Grande Paroisse (paradise for windsurfers), Saint-Rémy-la-Vanne (family fun and relaxation) and Varennes-sur-Seine (on the banks of the Seine).

INCREDIBLE GARDENS

LUXURIANT PARKS AND SUPERB ENGLISH- AND FRENCH-STYLE GARDENS DELIGHT WALKERS IN SEARCH OF HARMONY AND AESTHETICISM.

Throughout the seasons, these naturals settings present fabulous canvasses of mosaiculture. Every visit is a new vegetal voyage!

Discover **SEINE-ET-MARNE'S 7 LABELLED 'REMARKABLE GARDENS'.**





What is a 'Remarkable Garden'?

Created in 2004, the 'Remarkable Garden' label is awarded to parks and gardens of cultural, aesthetic, historic or botanical interest, be they public or private.

...Flowered

THE PROVINS ROSE GARDEN

'Mignonne allons voir si la rose...'

Legend has it that the Count of Champagne, Thibaud IV, brought the Rosa Gallica Officinalis back from the Crusades in the year 1240. Today, the town's floral symbol is an integral part of its historic heritage. The rose garden, covering 3.5 hectares (7.5 acres), is home to nearly 1,500 rose bushes and no less than 450 different varieties arranged by theme, not to mention a quaint tearoom selling rose-flavoured delicacies.

www.laroseraiedeprovins.com



...Majestic

THE GARDENS OF FONTAINEBLEAU



The English landscape garden was begun in 1812, when Napoleon Bonaparte commissioned the palace architect to create a 'picturesque park'. An artificial river and winding pathways constantly present new points of view. A pool marks the location of the legendary 'Belle Eau' spring. The 'Garden of Diana' is designed around the Fontaine de Diane, while the neoclassical statue of Diana from Marly dates from 1684. André Le Nôtre's classic Grand Parterre (1660-1664), with its 14 hectares (35 acres) of French formal gardens, extends beyond the Bassin des Cascades to form a long park through which flows the Henri IV Grand Canal. For a romantic touch, opt for a boat ride about the 'Carp Pool'.

www.chateaudefontainebleau.fr/en

THE GARDEN OF VAUX-LE-VICOMTE

Vaux-le-Vicomte's vast garden is designed around a perspective of over three kilometres, a beautiful innovation by André Le Nôtre. This earliest example of the French formal garden comprises three successive terraces adorned with parterres and smaller gardens running along either side of the central pathway, prolonged by a perspective terminating with an imposing statue of Hercules. Statues and pools punctuate the park's perfect symmetry. However, this perfect vision is but illusory, thanks to the genius of Le Nôtre, for as strollers delve ever deeper into the park, they happen upon one surprise after another: subtle dissymmetries appear, and certain statues reveal themselves to be rough concretions of stone and cement. By artistically staging the château within its verdant setting of 33 hectares (81.5 acres) in the heart of nature, André Le Nôtre and Louis le Vau composed the 17th century's most perfect marriage of architecture and landscaping.

www.vaux-le-vicomte.com/en



THE GARDENS OF CHAMPS-SUR-MARNE

The gardens of the Champs-sur-Marne estate cover 85 hectares of natural beauty. They feature French-style avenues as well as wooded areas and meadows inspired by the English garden tradition. Now classified as a 'Jardin Remarquable,' they were redesigned by the renowned landscape architects, the Duchêne, in the early 20th century. The impressive perspective stretching from the château down to the banks of the Marne is punctuated by ponds, sculptures, and the sumptuous embroidery-like patterns of the flowerbeds. A floral square in front of the Orangerie and a walled vegetable garden complete the visit.

www.chateau-champs-sur-marne.fr/en



...Artistic gardens

THE GARDEN OF THE BOURDELLE DEPARTMENTAL MUSEUM

ÉGREVILLE

A verdant setting created by Michel Dufet to magnify the oeuvre of his father-in-law, Antoine Bourdelle. The 7,000-sqm garden is home to 58 bronze silhouettes by Bourdelle, the majestic statues seemingly cut up by the shadows of their protective vegetation. Be sure to admire the famous Héraklès, Bourdelle's proud archer. Here, nature sublimates art.

www.musee-jardin-bourdelle.fr





Other out-of-the-ordinary gardens to discover

- The Japanese gardens of Favières
- The medieval garden of the Templar Commandery in Coulommiers
- The sculpture garden of the Dhuys in Chessy
- The medieval garden of Donnemarie-Dontilly
- The 'Garden Isle' and the 'Pigeons' Fountain Park' in La Ferté-sous-Jouarre
- The Rentilly Cultural Park

THE RENTILLY CULTURAL PARK

VERDELOT

A veritable earthly paradise playing good-naturedly with nature, the Jardin du Point du Jour marries art and the imagination to give birth to unique and enchanting creations. Beneath its vegetal cathedral, near the antique theatre, or in its 'fairy hall', you'll be transported back to your tender childhood, imagining the garden as a haven of exploration, ideal for whiling away the hours...

www.jardin-lepointdujour.com



LE JARDIN DU MOULIN JAUNE

CRÉCY-LA-CHAPELLE

In northern Seine-et-Marne, in Crécy-la-Chapelle, you'll be enthralled by the Moulin Jaune garden and theatre. Its creator, the Russian clown Slava Polunin, imagined this garden by weaving together his dreams, passions and memories of his travels. Read the press pack pages dedicated to this enchanting garden.

www.moulinjaune.com/en/





les GREAT GARDEN EVENTS

CONTEMPORARY ART TRAIL 'GRANDEUR NATURE 2'

> From 18 May to 22 September in Fontainebleau

In the heart of the gardens and park of the Château de Fontainebleau, visitors are invited to take part in an extraordinary art treasure hunt and discover contemporary artworks. These installations, as ephemeral as they are whimsical, will highlight the beauty of the château's gardens and park, allowing visitors to rediscover their perspectives while emphasizing their importance and fragility.

www.chateaudefontainebleau.fr

PLANT DAY & GARDEN ART

> 29–30 March 2025
Le Grand Parquet in Fontainebleau

A weekend dedicated to nature lovers, celebrating plants and the art of gardening.

www.journeesdesplantesblandy.fr

PARKS & GARDENS FESTIVAL

> 3 and 4 May 2025
in Barbizon

In this exceptional setting, chosen by painters such as Camille Corot, Charles-François Daubigny, Jean-François Millet, and Théodore Rousseau for their outdoor painting sessions. This annual event will celebrate plants, nature, and biodiversity.

www.barbizon.fr

COULEUR JARDIN

> Juin-Juillet 2025

Discover the most beautiful public and private gardens of Seine-et-Marne!

www.77couleurjardin.com



Walking with Marguerite, Hirondelle or Laïos

GREEN STAY IDEAS

Seine-et-Marne reveals itself to be a multifaceted and fascinating land of adventures. Between the age-old trees, the winding footpaths and the fun boulders of Fontainebleau Forest, each step leads you to a new natural history. Then, cruising a tranquil waterway, seduction plays its part in a fluvial and gastronomic experience. From the peaceful woods to the titillation of tastebuds, each moment promises an unforgettable immersion in the heart of the department's exceptional nature, heritage and culinary culture.

stay 1

Cabin, forest and painters' village

FRIDAY

- **Arrival in Fontainebleau late in the morning**

We tour the farmers' market, on Place de la République. A lover of cheeses, I choose an expertly aged Brie de Melun at La Fromagerie Loiseau. For my bread, I head to the Boulangerie Dardonville, in Rue des Sablons. A few lovely seasonal vegies, tomatoes, cucumbers, radishes, and a raspberry jam to accompany the Fontainebleau fromage frais... our basket's ready!

- **Picnic** on a bench within the château's grand parterre, with a view of the palace, watching the strollers and joggers... Simply paradise!

- **Afternoon walk:** 'In the footsteps of the forest's animals', heading out from La Faisanderie.

Our guide Yannick Dagneau, a passionate animal photographer, shows us the traces and tracks left by deer, wild boar and foxes... while a squirrel couldn't care less, as it acrobatically jumps from branch to branch.

- **Evening:** We discover our Gîte de France® lodging, L'Acousmahome, a cabin perched 6 metres up in the air, in Arbonne. Our host has prepared a delicious dinner of fresh local produce! We were smart to bring our headlamps, there's no lighting in the evening, for the animals' well-being, and also to better admire the myriad stars at nightfall.

SATURDAY

- **Morning:** In Achères-la-Forêt, our (furry) guides Marguerite, Hirondelle and Laïos await us for a 2-hour walk. Discovering the forest through the eyes of these attentive companions, well familiar with every trail... what an amazing experience! Perhaps next time, we'll also try our hands at a sculpting workshop? Virginie and Julien Colboc offer numerous packages, suited to every age and interest.

Lunch in Barbizon, on the shady terrace of La Bohême.

A digestive stroll along the paved lanes of the 'painters' village', admiring the houses with their colourful shutters, the art galleries and boutiques... During our next visit, we'll be sure to discover the 'Museum of Barbizon Painters'!







Boat on the water

Saint-Étienne Cathedral, The little Sister of 'Notre-Dame'

stay 2
The tranquil Marne and Meaux's fragrant Brie

SATURDAY

- **Arrival in Meaux in the morning**

Meet up at the Maison du Brie de Meaux.

Following a tour dedicated to this special Brie, the 'King of Cheeses', we roll up our sleeves for the family-friendly cheesemaking workshop. Our kids are super proud to produce their own French fromage frais! > for 5 years old and up

- **A floating lunch** for gourmands on La Péniche, with a view onto Saint-Étienne Cathedral.

To order without hesitation: a perfectly prepared filet mignon, and for dessert the delicious parfait or the 'café immense'!

- **Afternoon:** We take advantage of the fine weather to discover the Marne aboard an electric boat (no licence required) hired from Marin d'Eau Douce! Ahoy, mateys! Young and old take turns at the wheel, while exploring the banks of the Marne.

While we opted for the easy electric boat option, bicycling aficionados can freely borrow their bikes from the tourist office, via the VELMO app. I can recommend the 'Brie and Battlefields' loop (21 km), to further delve into Brie cheeses and also journey back in time to follow in the footsteps of the World War I soldiers.

Sleeping on an old patrol boat dating from 1924: Le Spicy (Gîtes de France®) was used by the German navy for surveying the coastline during the Second World War. Today's craft has been transformed into an atypical pleasure boat, somewhere between a river barge and a flagship, moored at the Meaux river stop! Resolutely out-of-the-ordinary!

SUNDAY

- **Morning:** At the Domaine de Monthyon, we'll immerse ourselves in French 20th-century cinematic history, the estate having hosted the Dorléac sisters, Romy Schneider, Marie-José Nat, Barbara, Claudia Cardinale and Isabelle Adjani, not to mention Jean Marais and François Truffaut...

Recently labelled a Maison des Illustres ('House of the Illustrious') by the French Ministry of Culture, the estate reopens its doors in spring, offering you entry into the provincial hideaway of French cinema's most famous confident and artist: Jean-Claude Brialy.

SCINTILLATING VILLAGES

PERCHED ATOP A ROCKY OUTCROP OR NESTLED DEEP WITHIN A VALLEY, THE PICTURESQUE VILLAGES OF SEINE-ET-MARNE HAVE BASKED THEIR STONES IN THE SUN FOR GENERATIONS.

The department's authentic villages have a soul steeped in history and tradition. These living, endearing and occasionally mysterious localities picturesquely punctuate Seine-et-Marne's relief. Each village stands out for its singularity.

They all promise a warm welcome and quality services, easily accessible cultural activities, and a unique landscape and natural environment, not to mention an astonishing heritage.



> Château-Landon, a medieval town with lovely cobblestoned lanes and an old washhouse!



> Nicknamed the 'lighthouse of Brie', the church of Saint-Martin de Doue dominates the surrounding plain.

Village de Caractère

Village de Caractère ('Picturesque Village')

Set up by the department in 2014, this quality label promotes rural municipalities offering local tourist activities and services. .



> Many are the artists to have fallen in love with the lovely lanes of Grez-sur-Loing

AULNOY, BARBIZON, BEAUMONT-DU-GÂTINAIS, BLANDY-LES-TOURS, BOISSY-AUX-CAILLES, BOULANCOURT, BOURRON-MARLOTTE, CARNETIN, CHÂTEAU-LANDON, COUPVRAY, DONNEMARIE-DONTILLY, DOUE, EGREVILLE, FLAGY, GREZ-SUR-LOING, GUÉRARD LARCHANT, LESCHES, MAINCY, MOISENAY, MONTCEAUX-LES-MEAUX, MONTIGNY-SUR-LOING, MONTMACHOUX, NOISY-SUR-ÉCOLE, SAINT-AUGUSTIN, SAINT-CYR-SUR-MORIN, SAINT-LOUP-DE-NAUD SAINT-MAMMÈS, SAMOIS-SUR-SEINE, SEINE-PORT THOMERY, VERDELOT, VILLECERF, VILLENEUVE-LE-COMTE VILLENEUVE-SUR-BELLOT



> Strolling about the cloister of Donnemrie-Dontilly



> The Orvanne River renders Flagy even more charming!

> A Touch of Brittany in Boissy-aux-Cailles





History at play

The great names of French history built their country residences on the fertile verdant outskirts of Paris. Delve into the past of Fontainebleau, Vaux-le-Vicomte, Provins... through educational treasure hunts, surprising tales and legends, and exciting escape games. Fall under the charm of long-ago eras all while having fun, combining entertaining discoveries with history lessons.

FONTAINEBLEAU PALACE,
A UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE

This vast edifice is not only famous for its having played an integral role in the imperial adventure of Napoleon Bonaparte. It's also a château relating the history of France's greatest monarchs, allowing visitors to stroll through European history as well as about its beautiful park and gardens. From King Philip II in the 12th century to Napoleon II in the 19th century, some forty sovereigns left their indelible mark upon the palace. King Francis I gave the château its Renaissance form, while Napoleon Bonaparte lent Fontainebleau its lasting legend. A synthesis of French architectural styles, the residence of 1,500 rooms (100 of which welcome visitors) offers a fascinating tour of French splendour.

www.chateaudefontainebleau.fr/en



> A boat ride upon the 'Carp Pool'



Secret Investigation (Enquête au château)

'Do you think this could have been a book that once belonged to the château?'

Help the chief curator unravel a mystery dating back to the 19th century—one that could finally be solved today with your help! Explore hidden corners of the château and step behind the scenes of history.

> Family Visit – 'Enquête au château'
Every weekend, except during school holidays.

In the boots of a Musketeer

Immerse yourself in the intriguing court of King Louis XIII, and explore the vast palace echoing to the footsteps of the monarch's most famous and devoted Musketeer. Join the Cadets of the Guard, follow the courtier and Musketeer from room to room, and discover life at the royal château, with its saluting rapiers and marks of reverence. Help d'Artagnan foil the nefarious plot and witness the final duel held in the middle of the Oval Courtyard.

> Family Visit – 'D'Artagnan'
Duration: approximately 1 hour.
For children aged 6 and up.



VAUX-LE-VICOMTE

THE CHÂTEAU THAT INSPIRED VERSAILLES

With its remarkable architecture, its extraordinary décors, and its singular garden, Vaux-le-Vicomte was born of the determined desire of its founder, Nicolas Fouquet, and the genius of his three commissioned artists: the architect Louis Le Vau, the painter-sculptor Charles Le Brun, and the landscape gardener André Le Nôtre.

The three masters, sternly supervised by Fouquet, combined their exceptional expertise to create one of the greatest masterpieces of the 17th century. On 17 August 1661, a mere five years after construction of the château had begun, Nicolas Fouquet hosted its inauguration in the presence of King Louis XIV, under whom he served as Superintendent of Finances.

Though the party was grandiose, the French sovereign would not stay to sleep in the 'King's Chamber', instead preferring his own palace at Fontainebleau... 19 days later, Fouquet would be arrested, on suspicion of treason, and would remain in prison for the rest of his days. However, the disgrace of their patron did not prove harmful to the careers of Le Brun, Le Vau and Le Nôtre. Indeed, they would subsequently be hired by Louis XIV to build the Sun King's spectacular new palace at Versailles.

www.vaux-le-vicomte.com/en



'THE FABULOUS HISTORY OF VAUX'

immersive audio tour

Children discover the château in the company of the famous fabulist Jean de La Fontaine, Fouquet's friend, and Panache, a flying squirrel and the estate's (imaginary) guardian spirit... This tour, while destined primarily for younger visitors, is designed to also interest curious minds of all ages!

> Audio guide available at the front desk.



> Majestic view of France's vastest private château



New in July 2025 Fables in the Heart of the Tree

In the whispering forest, settle into the hollow of a tree and listen to captivating fables. A unique experience that transports children and adults alike into a magical and enchanting world.

> Daytime activity for the whole family.

www.vaux-le-vicomte.com/en

The CHÂTEAU DE CHAMPS-SUR-MARNE

THE BELLE ÉPOQUE

Built upon a loop of the Marne River in the early 18th century, the Château de Champs-sur-Marne is a perfect example of the pleasure home. Successively the property of the Princess of Conti, the Duke of La Vallière and the Marquess of Pompadour, the Champs château hosted such famous guests as Diderot, d'Alembert and Voltaire. Echoing the grand townhouses of the Marais district of Paris under Louis XV, the estate owes its great fame to the Marquise de Pompadour.

The château dates back to 1706, when the wealthy financier Poisson de Bourvallais built his sumptuous residence upon the foundations of an old castle. Following his fall, the estate passed to the family of the Princess of Conti. In 1757, Madame de Pompadour, the famous favourite mistress of Louis XV, rented and renovated the château at great expense. The estate would subsequently pass from owner to owner, before being finally brought back to life in the 19th century by Count Cahen d'Anvers.

In 1935, the château became an official residence of the President of the French Republic, welcoming foreign heads of state during their official visits to France. Today listed as a national estate and a historic monument, Champs-sur-Marne has managed to preserve its particular atmosphere combining a love of art, a vivacious life of the mind, and an appetite for more worldly pleasures.

www.chateau-champs-sur-marne.fr/en



> Don't miss to visit the French formal garden

Dragon hunting

Dragons have invaded the Château de Champs-sur-Marne! Dozens are hiding all about the château, will you be able to find them all?! Help your host save Champs-sur-Marne from these surprising pests, and who knows, perhaps you'll earn your official 'dragon hunter' diploma...

> Guided exploration, upon reservation.
For 4 to 8 years of age. .



Château mysteries

Four family-friendly adventure games, with mysteries to elucidate and enigmas to solve, both in the château and out in the gardens. All you need is your smartphone with Internet! ...

> Adventure game. For 5 years old and up.

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la MEDIEVAL TOWN OF PROVINS

JOURNEY BACK IN TIME

An old Champagne market town, Provins has managed to preserve its stone and half-timbered houses built atop superb vaulted cellars. Its 25-metre-high rampart walls and fortified gateways still encircle the town and have been recently restored. Thanks to this exceptional architectural heritage, Provins was named a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2001. The upper town is a wonderful illustration of medieval construction, while the ancient subterranean passageways – some of which welcome visitors – retain their mysteries regarding their utilisation throughout the centuries. The elaborate religious edifices testify to the fervour and wealth of the Counts of Champagne.

Today, Provins offers numerous events, activities and tours to immerse visitors in the 12th century, the golden age of this market town.

www.provins.net/en



> Time to play at knight or medieval maiden



Medieval dancing in the old square

Enjoy beginning medieval dancing lessons, with the branle, the basse danse or the pavane set to the music of the bagpipe-like cornemuse. Every Saturday afternoon, on the Place du Châtel square. Then don your loveliest medieval outfit to participate in the grand ball held during the June medieval festivities, and also during the medieval Christmas market every December!

> Open to everyone!
From mid-June to mid-August (free)

Immersion in the world of knights and princesses!

Daily spectacles allow you to wonder at magnificent birds of prey and full-costumed chevaliers. 'The Legend of Knights' is a historical pageant immersing you in the Middle Ages, when Provins welcomed valiant warriors and daring princesses. The passionate falconers of the 'Rampart Eagles' will demonstrate the ancient art of falconry, all within the authentic setting of the town's many-centuries-old ramparts.

> Historical spectacle for everyone, from April to November.



> Action with the Knights ! Featuring stunts, acrobatics, daring feats, and a touch of magic!

BLANDY-LES-TOURS
A FORTRESS IN A CHARMING VILLAGE

This spectacular castle is a rare example of 14th-century military architecture. Recently renovated, the ensemble is dominated by an impressive keep rising 35 metres and offering an exceptional panoramic view of the surrounding area. Ringed by crenelated battlements and punctuated with towers, the late-medieval fortress can only be accessed via the old drawbridge.

The castle dates back to the Hundred Years' War, when it was built to protect the royal domain. Having miraculously survived the conflict for which it had been constructed, the edifice would only suffer much later the ravages of time. In the 18th century, Blandy-les-Tours belonged to the vast domain of Vaux-le-Vicomte, whose new owner, the Maréchal de Villard, had the framework of the outbuildings restored by dismantling the castle, leaving only an imposing ruin that was later acquired by the municipality in the 19th century. In 1992, the Seine-et-Marne department in turn purchased the estate and has since commissioned several stages of restoration work, along with archaeological digs.

Discover Blandy-les-Tours and travel back in time, via the site's numerous activities, events and tours.

www.chateau-blandy.fr





Histoire en scène

Let yourself be transported through time! The past comes to life with captivating and immersive performances spanning various historical eras—from medieval epics to great explorations, pirate adventures, and Molière's comedies.

> Spectacular and interactive reenactments for all.
Multiple dates in September 2025.



> A vibrant medieval fortress

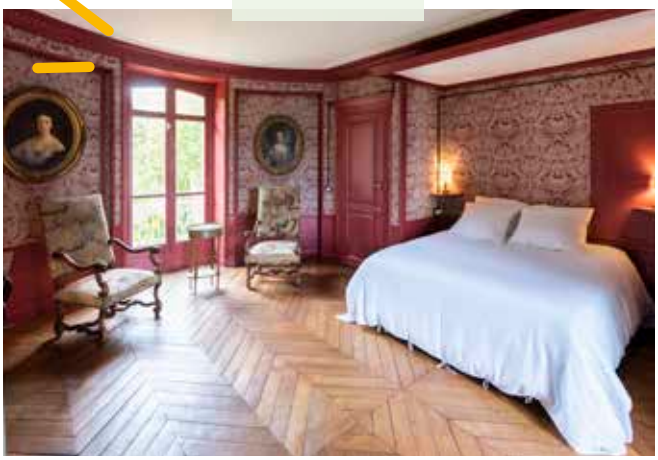
'Quest of the Golden Bird'

Injured during the Crusades, Adam III has returned to his feudal estate in search of the golden bird that might save him. But his castle seems so different, and he there encounters such strange characters... Who are they? What are they doing in his castle? And can they help him in his quest? Explore the fortress (and lend an ear) as you follow Adam about in this adventure, and perhaps you'll unearth the secret behind the object of his quest...

> For 10 years old and up
Availabale all year round

SLEEPING IN CHÂTEAU

THE MAJESTIC SETTINGS AND SURROUNDINGS, THE HISTORY ENGRAVED IN EACH STONE WALL, AND THE TIMELESS LUXURY ALL MAKE THESE ESCAPADES AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE.



the CHÂTEAU OF ROSA BONHEUR

Sleep in the very bedroom of this renowned animal painter of the 19th century, the first woman to be awarded the French Legion of Honour in 1865, in tribute to her artistic talents. She was quite a character for her time, obtaining an exceptional derogation to wear pants, while smoking cigars and counting Buffalo Bill amongst her friends... Authentic, spacious and luminous, the rather mysterious suites offer splendid views of the château grounds and promise guests a delicious yesteryear stay.

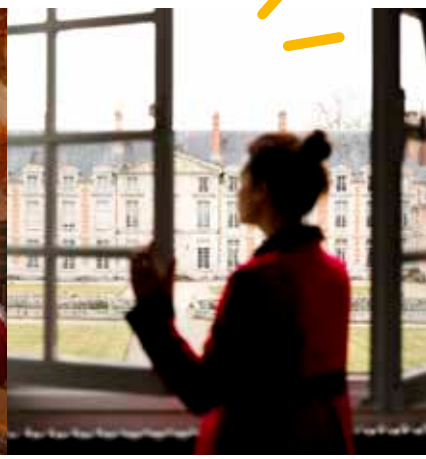
www.chateau-rosa-bonheur.fr

IN A POSTERN OF THE DOMAINE DE FLEURY

The Poterne de Fleury is a singular perched house that once served to survey the estate's surroundings. Elegantly furnished, this apartment offers an unobstructed panoramic view of the château and its grounds. 'Pierres d'Histoire' also offers stays in other emblematic locations of the Domaine de Fleury, notably the château tower, the lookout, and the restored stables.

www.pierresdhistoire.com/le-domaine-de-fleury







LIVING IT UP AT THE CHÂTEAU DE BOURRON

Built upon the foundations of an earlier medieval fortress, the luminous Château de Bourron boasts no less than 95 windows! It also stands out for its double grand staircase, modelled after that of Fontainebleau. Today, the estate offers visitors well-being sessions, with in-room massages, flotation baths, and Reiki treatments, or simply strolls about the adjacent forest. There's also an adjoining gastronomic restaurant, Les Prémices, for your singular sustenance.

www.bourron.fr

the GREAT HISTORICAL FESTIVITIES

PROVINS

Les Médiévales de Provins, France's greatest medieval festival!
> 14 & 15 June 2025



Provins will celebrate its 40th Medieval Festival in 2025! During two days, troubadours, acrobats, clowns and other entertainers resurrect medieval Provins, with various artisans, merchants and medieval enthusiasts scattered all about the picturesque town. Dancing, music, games, jousts and street performances, not to mention the festival's yearly highlights: its traditional medieval ball, grand medieval concert, and must-see parade of some 700 persons in fancy period dress. Later, in December, lovers of the Middle Ages won't want to miss the medieval Christmas market!

VAUX-LE-VICOMTE

Les Soirées aux Chandelles (candlelit evenings)
> Saturday evenings from 24 May to 27 September 2025, as well as Sunday 13 July, and Friday 15 August 2025.

'Les Soirées aux Chandelles' are unique visits, to discover the château and its formal French gardens by the enchanting light of 2 000 candles. A romantic dinner, a champagne bar and fountains animating the pools complete this delicious, timeless evening.



A monumental projection retraces the greatest events of Vaux-le-Vicomte's history, capped by a spectacle of gold and silver fireworks.
Dates to be confirmed.
Please check them on the château's website.

The Grand Siècle Rendez-vous
> 31 May 2025

Adorn yourself in your finest period dress and journey fashionably back to the time of King Louis XIV and Nicolas Fouquet, for this chic 17th-century evening at the château.

On the program: carriage rides, musketeer show, demonstration of baroque dances, parade of costumed individuals, and fireworks.

BLANDY-LES-TOURS

Les Seigneuriales de Blandy
> 31 May and 1st June 2025

Blandy Castle hosts a festive weekend dedicated to the various sports enjoyed during the Middle Ages. Choose your favourite knight during the colourful tournaments, or discover the ancient art of falconry. All weekend long, immerse yourself in the special medieval atmosphere. Saturday evening, a medieval banquet is followed by a concert, to prolong this historical and entertaining experience well into the night!

Les Lumières de Blandy
The Legacy of the Viscounts
> Every Friday and Saturday in July and August 2025



The château's grounds will host monumental projections, live performances, lights, and music. Expérience battles and political intrigue, sprinkled with love stories, an epic adventure as if you were there...

MEAUX

Roissy Meaux air show
> 6 July 2025

A must-see air show! This year's edition pays tribute to all female pilots, past and present.
On the programme: An exhibitors village, 200 reenactors of both World Wars and diverse activities.

Historical shows in Meaux
> 14, 20, 27 & 28 June and 4, 5, 11 & 12 July 2025



From the ancient city of the Meldi tribe to the Roaring Twenties of the 20th century, an epic journey through 2 000 years of history, that of France and of Meaux, concentrating the efforts and talents of 500 volunteers in the heart of Meaux's episcopal city.

Historical Reenactment Weekend
> 6 & 7 September 2025
(dates subject to confirmation)

Dive into the history of the Great War for a weekend with over 300 re-enactors, a gigantic bivouac, guided tours, a hiking trail as well as numerous workshops and demonstrations for young and old.

MORET-LOING-ET-ORVANNE

Medieval festival
> From 4 to 6 July 2025

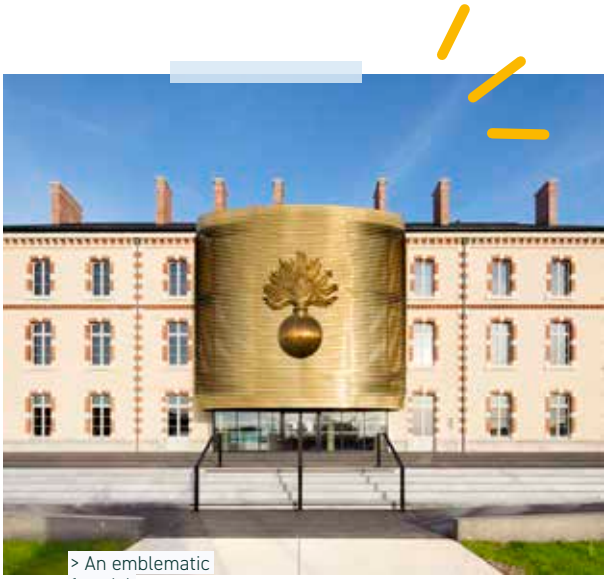
The historic heart of Moret-sur-Loing will be the setting for a grand medieval festival themed around metamorphosis!
On the program: a banquet, equestrian show, nautical jousting, concerts, street performances, projections, and lectures.



Cultivating *escapades*

Punctuated with surprises, teeming with collections, and abundantly marked by prehistoric and illustrious personages, the department of Seine-et-Marne is sure to seduce visitors keen to cultivate their curiosity.

Seine-et-Marne's amazing museums



> An emblematic façade!



> Tell me all about airplanes!

YOU'RE COMING WITH US

THE NATIONAL GENDARMERIE MUSEUM
MELUN

Inaugurated in 2015, this unique museum presents the history and heritage of one of France's oldest institutions. The arrest of the Bonnot Gang, the crime weapon for the Dominici case, even the heroics of the dog 'Gamin' in Algeria (first canine awarded a medal of merit) stimulate visitors' imagination as they also immerse themselves in the particular world of the elite GIGN unit. Multimedia and audio ambiances provide an interactive experience accessible to all visitors.

gendarmerie.interieur.gouv.fr/musee

> The museum regularly hosts escape games and workshops for families.

A REMARKABLE WOMAN

THE CHÂTEAU OF ROSA BONHEUR
THOMERY

Ever since 25 May 1899, time has stood still in the studio of Rosa Bonheur. This museum-atelier shares with visitors the places where the artist worked for forty years and the special atmosphere she created around herself – an ambiance that still permeates her personal items on display.

Everything's there... The château's passionate owner, Katherine Brault, will guide you through the magical home of the very first woman awarded the French Legion of Honour. There's also a tearoom and guestrooms, to savour an elegant château stay (more information on page 38).

www.chateau-rosa-bonheur.fr

> Music lovers will be delighted to discover the château's summer concerts, in July and August, with a programme entirely dedicated to female composers.

Each year, the castle-museum hosts a unique temporary exhibition within its walls.

UP, UP AND AWAY!

THE SAFRAN AERONAUTICS AND SPACE MUSEUM
RÉAU

The only museum dedicated to airplane engines, from the birth of aviation up to the present day, as well as explaining space propulsion. A gallery showcases a collection of engines and many models of launchers and satellites. Don't be surprised if afterwards you entertain an aerial or even out-of-this-world career change!

safran-group.com/fr/groupe/histoire-patrimoine/musee-safran

> For 8 years old and up

To do: As a family, attempt the fun 'space exploration' escape game! Find a mysterious object to keep it safe from a nefarious spy.



> In the studio of Rosa Bonheur

MEMORIALS

THE GREAT WAR MUSEUM IN MEAUX

Situated near the First Battle of the Marne, this museum's 3,000 sqm of exhibition spaces present over 70,000 objects and documents from the First World War: uniforms, arms and artillery, various equipment, personal items, etc.
A veritable WWI treasure trove showcased by an attractive and innovative scenography. The museum tour is designed to provide an immersive and intimate experience. This family-friendly museum (for visitors 5 years and older) also offers a family space where visitors can take a break, with the possibility of trying on uniforms, drawing and reading.

During the French school holidays, a multitude of thematic visits, workshops, spectacles, storytellings, etc. are also hosted.

Discover the current children's programme.



> The largest European museum dedicated to WWI

> IT'S NEW!

An open-air immersive trench!

> Inaugurated on 11 November 2024

The Museum of the Great War is enriched with an innovative feature designed to provide visitors with a realistic immersion into the daily life of soldiers from 1914-1918. Perfectly integrated into the museum's architecture, this life-size reconstruction will offer a pathway showcasing the key elements of this defensive system: a second line, communication trenches, a first line, as well as artillery, first aid, and listening posts, a soldier's shelter, firing benches, and even no man's land with its chevaux de frise, barbed wire, and all accompanied by sound effects. Thanks to this immersive approach, it will be easier to imagine the daily life of soldiers from that era.







> EXHIBITIONS 2025

The museum will host two exhibitions in 2025:

'Photographing the Trench - 1914-2024'
> until August 2025

'Of Horses and Men'
> starting April 2025

Seine-et-Marne's amazing museums



INSPIRATION

MUSÉE DÉPARTEMENTAL DES PEINTRES
BARBIZON

This museum comprises two historic sites: the Ganne Inn, where many artists stayed between the 1820s and the 1860s, and the house-studio of Théodore Rousseau. Since 1995, the Ganne Inn has housed the museum's permanent collection.

The collection consists of both the decorations created on the furniture and walls of the building by the painters who stayed there, as well as a collection of paintings, drawings, and prints by Camille Corot, Jean-François Millet, Théodore Rousseau, and Narcisse Diaz de la Peña.

Throughout the year, the museum offers conferences, plein air sketching workshops, and printmaking sessions.

Learn more

CULTURE

THE CASTLE-MUSEUM
NEMOURS

Situated on the left bank of the Loing River, in the heart of the medieval centre of Nemours, this 12th-century edifice is a rare example of an urban fortress in Île-de-France. The museum's extensive collection notably includes a remarkable ensemble of 19th-century creations.

The third exhibition in this cycle dedicated to the collections of the Castle-Museum of Nemours focuses on animal art. Come discover our furry, feathery or scaly artistic subjects!

Learn more

SWEET MYSTERY

BARLEY SUGAR MUSEUM
MORET-SUR-LOING

Occupying the Moulin Provencher, a watermill on an isle of the Loing River, this museum presents the history of barley sugar, the oldest French sweet dating back to 1638. For over four centuries, this delicacy has remained the same, and its recipe is still secret!

Learn more



REMEMBERING THE PAST

LE MUSÉE DE LA VIE D'AUTREFOIS
LES ORMES-SUR-VOULZIE

Spanning 3 500 m² and featuring a collection of 60 000 items, imagine the life of our great-grandparents (1800 – 1950) through 103 life-sized scenes. From the farm to the city, visit the laundresses' washhouse, the firefighters' barracks, the witch's lair, the clogmaker's workshop, or even the old-fashioned dentist's office, which will definitely make you appreciate modern times!

An intergenerational visit for families to either discover or reminisce...

Learn more



> The castle - museum of Nemours



> To discover without moderation.

FIVE DEPARTMENTAL MUSEUMS

From the origins of humanity to space exploration, Seine-et-Marne's museums present the department's rich history. The five departmental museums form a diverse ensemble comprising the fine arts, prehistory, a societal museum, a writer's house, a sculpture garden...

In this manner, the Barbizon Painters Museum, the Île-de-France Museum of Prehistory in Nemours, the Seine-et-Marne Museum, the Mac Orlan House in Saint-Cyr-sur-Morin, the Stéphane Mallarmé Museum in Vulaines-sur-Seine, and the Bourdelle Museum-Garden in Égreville accompany curious visitors in their exploration of Seine-et-Marne's history.



Contempor'art!

All forms of contemporary creation are lent centre stage in Seine-et-Marne...
Redeveloped brownfields, cultural parks, land art, street art, artist's residences...
the department presents a vast panorama of contemporary creation.

Dare a contemporary art experience
in Seine-et-Marne

the MOULIN JAUNE

The 'Yellow Mill' is the residence and creative laboratory of the renowned Russian clown Slava Polunin. Created in 2001 by the founder of 'Slava's Snowshow' as a way of living his life as a veritable work of art, the Moulin Jaune is home to several thematic gardens serving as stages for artistic performances. This 'Remarkable Garden' is also home to the 'Academy of Fools'. An oneiric park combining nature, creation and everyday life. Ever changing, the 4-hectare (10-acre) haven reveals a world at once real and marvellous, a subtle blend of art brut, science fiction and Felliniesque circus.

Occasional openings of the garden with creative picnics, lively music, joyful characters, unexpected scenes, immersive walks, and of course, a colorful dress code!

2025 schedule (subject to changes):
17-18 May / 7, 8, 9 June and 28-29 June / 19-20 July, 30-31 August / 20-21 September / 11-12 October

Guided tours of the garden, discovering the stories from the creation lab, lasting 1.5 hours – available in French, English, or Russian.

By reservation only.

www.moulinjaune.com



> le Moulin jaune, orné de l'entrelac sans fin de personnages surréalistes...



> the world's greatest clown

SLAVA POLUNIN

Despite his dilettante airs, this world-renowned clown is a fierce worker, striving first and foremost to chase down his dreams and so attain absolute freedom.

At the age of 11, Slava discovered Charlie Chaplin in The Kid, which proved a revelation! He thenceforth knew exactly what he wanted to do. A few years later, he began learning the art of pantomime. Assissiaï, his clown persona in his signature yellow costume with red shoes, subtly combines the characteristics of his three great masters: the fabulous Soviet clown Enguibarov, the philosophical mime Marceau, and the moving comedian Chaplin. He subsequently gave birth to the project of a theatre home to wonderfully disparate clowns; that kaleidoscope of characters was embodied by the Polunin Troupe, which became extremely popular. Following its break up twenty years later, Polunin turned his attention to tragicomedy, seeking to reconcile the grotesque and the epic, and so 'bring the clown back to the theatre'. This led to a series of projects, with notably the 'Mime Parade' gathering together in Leningrad over eight hundred clowns from all over the Soviet Union, followed by a first street theatre festival and a 'National Congress of Fools'.

The 'Caravan of Peace', a travelling theatre, crisscrossed Europe, from Moscow to Paris. The 'Academy of Fools' sought to resuscitate the concept of the carnival and gave birth to the 'Ship of Fools' gathering together the world's most talented clowns, not to mention the legendary 'Snowshow', a marvellous snowstorm swirling about the world and carrying away circus enthusiasts of all ages.

Dare a contemporary art experience
in Seine-et-Marne

GALLERIA CONTINUA

Astonishment! Such is the overriding feeling upon discovering Galleria Continua / Les Moulins, near Boissy-le-Châtel, an international art gallery belonging to an ensemble of renowned sites in Italy, China, Brazil, Cuba and elsewhere.

Occupying a former paper factory once supplying the chic stationery shops of Paris, Galleria Continua takes advantage of its spectacularly spacious spaces to present monumental artworks. Here, contemporary creation questions, moves, disconcerts, shocks.

Each exhibition space serves a separate function, thus enjoying its own architectural and spatial identity. Galleria Continua hosts in situ projects by such international artists as Etel Adnan, Kader Attia, Daniel Buren, Subodh Gupta, Anish Kapoor, Kiki Smith, and many more.

From season to season, stop by to contemplate monumental creations by artists from all four corners of the world.

www.galleriacontinua.com



> Artistically monumental !!!



> Mirror, mirror, in the park...

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the RENTILLY CULTURAL PARK - MICHEL CHARTIER

A CONTEMPORARY ART CENTRE IN AN ARTWORK

Michel Chartier raised eyebrows this year by transforming his château into a contemporary art centre.

You're sure to be dazzled by this astonishing architecture with its reflective facades, a magical second skin of mirrors. More than a simple restoration, the work by Xavier Veilhan, in collaboration with the architects Bona and Lemercier and the scenographer Alexis Bertrand, immerses the château within the landscape of its park. Inside, two levels covering 500 sqm host a variety of temporary exhibitions all year long.

Three free festivals punctuate the centre's calendar:

'PrinTemps de Paroles', from 20 to 25 May, paying tribute to street art, dance, theatre, music and the circus.

'Automne Jazz', from 7 to 12 October, lending jazz centre stage.

'Frisson Baroque', from 30 January to 2 February, dedicated to the baroque arts.

A FESTIVE TERRITORY

SEINE-ET-MARNE'S SURPRISING SUMMER FESTIVALS COMBINE ART, MUSIC, DANCE AND GASTRONOMY TO CREATE UNFORGETTABLY OUT-OF-THE-ORDINARY EXPERIENCES. GET READY TO BE AWED, INSPIRED AND ENCHANTED!

LA DOUVE BLANCHE
ÉGREVILLE

> 4 to 6 July 2025

Égreville Castle's medieval moats host the 10th edition of 'La Douve Blanche' festival marrying music and cuisine. A unique opportunity to delight one's ears as well as one's stomach, with a feast of talented chefs, a 'culinary stage', and numerous food trucks.

The festival's musical menu presents a savoury selection of virtuosos combining electric and acoustic styles.

www.ladouveblanche.com

FESTIVAL OF ART HISTORY
FONTAINEBLEAU

> 6 to 8 June 2025

More than 250 guests and thousands of festival-goers eager to share their passion for art history. Over 200 events to celebrate the 2025 theme of 'true/false.'

Austria will be the guest country at this public event, which is free and open to all.

www.festivaldelhistoiredelart.fr

FESTIVAL DES 2 RIVIÈRES
LA FERTÉ-SOUS-JOUARRE

> 13 to 15 June 2025

The festival's name refers to two rivers, the Petit Morin and the Marne, flowing through La Ferté-sous-Jouarre. A festival combining street music, international headliners, free performances and tourist outings.

www.fertejazz.com

FESTIF L'ART
POINCY

> 11 and 12 July 2025

The Festif l'Art returns for its 16th edition in Poincy (near to Meaux)!

Dive into a world where creativity knows no limits! A festival that is accessible, free of judgment and prejudice, where only the passion for sharing and living together through art matters.

5 eclectic stages, over 60 artists, and 27 hours of live music.

www.festiflart.org



AU BON COIN FESTIVAL
THOMERY

> 22 to 24 August 2025

The 10th edition of this multidisciplinary, festive, and family-friendly festival, with a mix of shows, concerts, street theater, circus performances, workshops, and local food trucks The founding idea of the association in charge of the event, Pas trop Loing la Seine, was to get people out of their homes, change mindsets, and broaden narrow perspectives... A successful bet, given the success of the numerous events organized since then in the South of Seine-et-Marne.

www.pastroploingdelaseine.fr



DJANGO REINHARDT FESTIVAL
FONTAINEBLEAU

> 26 to 29 June 2025

45th edition of this international jazz festival named after Django Reinhardt, the world's most famous gypsy jazz musician, who spent the final years of his life nearby, in Samois-sur-Seine. The Bois d'Hyver Meadow within the Fontainebleau park serves as the verdant setting for these four melodious days.

www.festivaldjangoreinhardt.com

ROSA BONHEUR FESTIVAL
THOMERY

> July-August 2025

A young festival dedicated to feminine creation, in the heart of the park of the Rosa Bonheur château in Thomery. This special site that saw the renowned animal painter blossom over a century ago, today pursues her artistic heritage by highlighting past and current female creators.

www.chateau-rosa-bonheur.fr



Delights and delicacies

Seine-et-Marne's towns and cities are well-known for their culinary specialities, notably the world-famous Brie de Meaux cheese and its fragrant neighbour, the Brie de Melun, both awarded protected designations of origin (PDOs). But there's also Provins, famous for its rose-flavoured sweets, and Fontainebleau for its cheesy eponymous dessert... As for the department's many farms, their fresh local produce deliciously contribute to Seine-et-Marne's well-deserved reputation for quality gastronomy.

SAY CHEESE(S)!

SEINE-ET-MARNE IS FAMOUS FOR ITS BRIE CHEESES... BUT NOT ONLY! CREAMY, MOUSSY, UNCTUOUS... *taste them all!*

THE BRIES OF SEINE-ET-MARNE

Seine-et-Marne is inseparable from its Bries! There exist several varieties, whose names evoke the department's cities: Meaux (PDO), Melun (PDO), Provins, Coulommiers, Montereau, Nangis... These soft cow's-milk cheeses with their flowery rinds were a flavourful favourite of Charlemagne's, and remain an essential component of any self-respecting cheese platter.

BRIE DE MELUN

Considered the ancestor of all Bries, the Brie de Melun has enjoyed its own PDO since 1980. Its flavour stands out from the other Bries for being particularly pronounced. It's generally savoured at the end of a meal, and best accompanied by a solid yet elegant red wine, such as a Gaillac, Burgundy, Côtes du Rhône or Saint-Nicolas-de-Bourgueil.

COULOMMIERS

Coulommiers, also known as Brie petit moule ('small disc Brie'), was first created to solve the delivery worries engendered by the larger Bries. To be savoured at any time of day, Coulommiers is best accompanied by a light red or a dry white wine such as a Petit Chablis.

BRIE DE MEAUX

The so-called 'King of Cheeses', Brie de Meaux has enjoyed its own PDO since 1980 and is produced in the region stretching from the Brie plains all the way to the mighty Meuse. Named after the territory of Brie and the town of Meaux, Brie de Meaux is well-balanced, at once mild and wonderfully aromatic. Often savoured at the end of a meal, this Brie is also an essential ingredient in several regional dishes.
Best accompanied by a fruity red wine, such as a Saint-Estèphe, Côte de Beaune or Beaujolais.

FONTAINEBLEAU

Fontainebleau – also known as Bellifontain or Crémet – is a famous voluptuous mousse created in the town of the same name. However, the recipe was never officialised and still retains a few mysteries. This fromage frais of cow's milk and whipped cream is thought to have been born in the late 18th century in an old milk depository. Savoury and unctuous, it lends freshness and lightness to starters, quiches, veloutés, etc. Beloved by numerous chefs, Fontainebleau can also be enjoyed as a dessert, either plain or with icing sugar, syrup or coulis.

FOCUS ON THE 'MAISON DU BRIE DE MEAUX'

MEAUX

Reconstructions and staged exhibitions will allow you to explore the history of this renowned cheese. Discover the various stages of its manufacture, from collecting the milk to ageing in the cellar. You'll also comprehend the current challenges facing this artisanal PDO cheese, proudly represented by its 'Brie de Meaux Brotherhood'. All year long, this culinary cultural centre hosts activities for cheese-curious visitors, with workshops, tastings, exhibitions, guided tours for all ages, etc.

www.meaux-marne-ourcq.com



OUR 3 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DELICIOUS BRIES



FROMAGERIE GANOT

JOUARRE

The oldest ager in all of Brie (since 1895). At this cheese dairy, the fifth generation of affineurs produce Brie de Coulommiers, Brie de Meaux (PDO), Brie de Melun (PDO)... Taste some Brie Noir (also known as gueule cassée or 'busted mug', in reference to the First World War), a French version of aged parmesan.

Book your visit

FROMAGERIE SAINT-FARON

MEAUX

This small cheese dairy of only 10 employees is named after Saint Faron, the 7th-century bishop of Meaux. Awarded in 2017 the prestigious Prix d'Excellence at the Paris Agricultural Fair, this cheese dairy actively preserves the ancestral techniques for the manufacture of Brie.

For more information

FERME DE LA VALLIÈRE

TANCROU

Gourmands with a preference for goat's milk cheeses will head for the on-site boutique of the 'Ferme de la Vallière' in Tancrou, offering a delicious diversity of chèvres: crottins, bûches, tomettes, pyramides, and more! Three of the farm's cheeses were awarded at the 2023 regional artisanal cheese competition: gold medals for the tomme Saint-Donatien and the plain yoghurt, and a bronze for the crottin frais. All year long, the farm welcomes visitors for tours of the working dairy – watch them milk the goats!

www.fermedelavalliere.fr

SAVOURY AND/OR SWEET

MEAUX MUSTARD

MEAUX

Manufacturers of mustard have been present in Meaux ever since the 18th century, notably J.B. Pommery. In 1760, a dignitary of the Meaux chapter house shared with the manufacturer its secret recipe for this one-of-a-kind condiment, proudly present upon the French royal table since 1632! Meaux mustard comprises ground seeds of the Sinapis nigra mixed with water, vinegar, herbs and spices.

Roll up your (children's) sleeves for the 'Little Mustard-Maker' workshop at the Maison du Brie de Meaux!





SEINE-ET-MARNE BEERS

Artisanal micro-breweries continue to bloom in Seine-et-Marne, with notably La Bellifontaine, the beer of Meaux and Provins, and the brews of the Brasserie Rabourdin, awarded no less than twenty medals at the prestigious Paris Agricultural Fair! Not to mention La Gâtine, with its subtle touch of honey, and La Pachamama beer of Fontainebleau inspired by the forest's fragrances... and its rock climbing!

THE PROVINS ROSE

PROVINS

This rose has been the pride of Provins ever since the 19th century, renowned for its medicinal properties and used by the period's apothecaries for many of their remedies. Today, the flower is especially prized by confectioners, as well as for cosmetics. prisée en cosmétique.



NIFLETTE

PROVINS

The niflette is a speciality pastry from Provins, in Seine-et-Marne. Sold by the delicious dozen, these flaky pastries are covered in a voluptuous pastry cream, either plain or orange-blossom flavoured. Niflettes were originally handed out to orphans outside cemeteries: the term niflette is derived from the Latin ne flete! or 'don't cry!'

Today, the pastry chefs of Provins continue the tradition, still preparing this confection every November.

Not to miss: the Niflette Festival every 11 November in Provins!

BARLEY SUGARS

MORET-SUR-LOING

Created in 1638 by Benedictine nuns during the reign of King Louis XIII, barley sugar sweets have remained the same ever since, with the original ancestral recipe kept secret through the centuries. Napoleon Bonaparte gobbled them up, Sarah Bernhardt would never walk onto the stage without first warming her voice with a barley sugar, while Aristide Briant, Jean Jaurès and André Mauriac all made pilgrimages to Moret-sur-Loing in honour of this special sweet.

NEMOURS POPPIES

NEMOURS

This colourful flower has given birth to several local specialities, such as poppy liqueur, syrup, vinegar, candied poppies, and poppy-flavoured sweets and chocolates.

TEA TIME

RELAXING IN A TEAROOM (OR CAFÉ) CONSTITUTES A MAGICAL BREAK IN WHICH THE ENCHANTING SMELLS OF YOUR WARM DRINK MIX WITH THE CONVIVIAL ATMOSPHERE CONDUCIVE TO CONTEMPLATION OR DELICIOUS DAY DREAMING.



CHEZ ELEMIAH
FONTAINEBLEAU

This alternative vegan tearoom is nestled within an intimate courtyard on 3 Rue des Trois Maillets. Come taste the various Kodamá teas, warm delicious plant-based drinks, local artisanal beers and organic wines, served with homemade pastries.

www.chezelemiah.fr

THÉ ART CAFÉ
LAGNY

Located on Place de la Fontaine, this hybrid space is a convivial café in the morning, a restaurant at noon, a tearoom at teatime, and a trendy bar at the end of the day... Be sure to try the caramel macchiato, the selection of Kusmi teas, and their own designer bagels. Also, concerts every Tuesday evening!

www.theartcafelagny.com

ROSLINA CAFÉ ET THÉ
MORET-SUR-LOING

Roslina is the story of three young women who first founded a mobile eco-café resting upon a tricycle and well-known among the locals, followed by this tearoom (and café) on 1 Rue du Peintre. The sisters themselves assemble the teas and prepare the pastries, quiches and out-of-the-ordinary sandwiches.

www.roslinacafe.fr

LA LIBRAIRIE CAFÉ
CRÉCY-LA-CHAPELLE

A tearoom and bookshop with a view of the tranquil Grand Morin River. Select a good read, sit yourself comfortably down, and sip your tea as time stands deliciously still...

www.lalibrairiecafe.com

LA JUXTAPOSITION
BARBIZON

A warm, cosy place perfect for a convivial break. Savour their Christine Dattner teas and quality coffees from the Belleville roaster in Paris, not to mention their fine pastries prepared by Frédéric Cassel.

www.la-juxtaposition.com

Many more places for discerning gourmands to discover!

AS FOR CHOCOLATE...

3 MOUTH-WATERING DESTINATIONS



CRÉNEAUX CHOCOLAT
PROVINS

Well hidden within a lane of the upper town, the laboratory-shop run by Jérôme relies first and foremost on word of mouth. With a little luck, you'll discover the master chocolate-maker 'hard at work', in the midst of confecting one of his signature ganaches flavoured with rose water, yuzu, whisky, or some other subtle inspiration.

Discover

LA BOUTIQUE DU QUAI
SAINT-MAMMÈS

A surprising pastry-and-chocolate shop, recently set up in the former lobby of the Saint-Mammès railway station, which daily welcomes some 800 travellers. Sophie, 'Miss Pastry', and Romuald, 'Mr Chocolate', chose this unexpected site to together embark upon their gourmand journey!

Discover

CHOCOLAT CHAPON
MEAUX

With Patrice Chapon, one first discusses cocoa before talking chocolate. This passionate chocolatier travels far and wide in search of the very best beans, from the plantations to the roasters. One of only a handful of French chocolatiers mastering the entire chocolate-making process.

www.chocolat-chapon.com

our TALENTED CHEFS
SHINING STARS

IN SEINE-ET-MARNE, OUR MICHELIN-STARRED CHEFS SPOTLIGHT THE DEPARTMENT'S GASTRONOMY WITH THEIR TALENT AND CREATIVITY, OFFERING RESTAURANT-GOERS AN UNFORGETTABLE CULINARY EXPERIENCE. DISCOVER THEIR RESTAURANTS MARRYING EXCELLENCE WITH TRADITION, TO TITILLATE EVEN THE MOST DEMANDING TASTEBUDS.



LE QUINCANGROGNE
DAMPMART

Franck Charpentier, head chef of Le Quincangrogne, combines his passion, an exceptional cuisine and a unique setting for a most refined dining experience. One Michelin® star since 2018.

www.hotel-restaurant-lequincangrogne.fr/?lang=en

L'AUBERGE DE LA BRIE
COUILLY-PONT-AUX-DAMES

CChef-de-cuisine and pastry chef Alain Pavard subtly marries diverse flavours to create a refined personalised menu, awarded one Michelin® star since 1995.

www.aubergedelabrie.net



LA VIELLE AUBERGE
VILLENEUVE-LE-COMTE

While the ambiance remains convivial at this family-run restaurant-inn, Nicolas has taken the place of his father in La Vielle Auberge's kitchen with an eminently innovative approach: surprise 'tasting menus', local produce and a spirit of constant creation. One Michelin® star since March 2024.

'We ask our diners if they have any intolerances, any allergies, or any dishes they don't like. Then, we ask them to trust us, to savour new flavours and to be guided along from A to Z.'

The Michelin® Guide accorded La Vielle Auberge a special commendation for its cheese platter of some fifty varieties!

www.la-vieille-auberge-77.com

L'AXEL
FONTAINEBLEAU

Since a child, Chef Kunihisa Goto had dreamt of working in France and intimately immersing himself in French gastronomy. At the age of 25, he left his native Japan for France, where in 2012 he would open his own restaurant in Fontainebleau, creating a marriage of flavours straddling Japanese and French gastronomies. His determination and hard work have paid off deliciously, with the Michelin® Guide awarding his cuisine a precious star.

www.laxel-restaurant.com

the GOURMAND MUST-EVENTS FOR 2024

INTERNATIONAL CHEESE AND WINE FAIR
COULOMMIERS

> 11 to 14 April 2025

Cheeses, wines and all the quality produce that the territory of Coulommiers has offered generations of foodies. 200 exhibitors and artisans of the culinary arts will pay tribute to regional and national wine and cheese specialities.

www.foire-fromages-et-vins.com

BRIE HAPPY
MEAUX

> 11 and 12 October 2025

All weekend long, discover the history and inimitable taste of this ancestral cheese of international renown. Meet the territory's cheesemakers and, shopping basket in hand, stroll about the must-see terroir market held in the heart of the episcopal city. The city of Meaux will pay joyous tribute to its favourite cheese through a veritable platter of gastronomic activities organised by the local shopkeepers and restaurateurs.

www.meaux-marne-ourcq.com

FÊTE DE LA NIFLETTE
PROVINS

> 11 November 2025

This sweet Provins speciality is thought to date all the way back to the Middle Ages and All Saints' Day! The 'Niflette Festival' pays delicious tribute to the town's beloved pastry, with workshops, demonstrations, a gastronomic market, live jazz and activities for the entire family.

www.provins.net

MELUN CELEBRATES ITS BRIE
MELUN

> October 2025

Melun celebrates its Brie every first Saturday of October, with tastings, competitions and activities spotlighting the Brie de Melun, but not only! Take the opportunity to taste delicious local produce, as well as gastronomic specialities from all over France!

To learn more

IMPÉRIAL CHOCOLAT AT CHÂTEAU DE FONTAINEBLEAU
FONTAINEBLEAU

> November 2025

Following the sweet success of its six first editions, the 'Imperial Chocolate & Gastronomy' fair returns to the Château de Fontainebleau. Under the presidency of Frédéric Cassel, the internationally famous pastry chef and chocolatier, a dozen leading chocolate makers and some twenty artisans of fine gastronomy, from both France and abroad, will take part in this grand gourmand gathering.

imperialchocolat-fontainebleau.fr



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The 'Artisan du Tourisme' quality label

In December 2023, 54 artisans were awarded the Artisan du Tourisme label guaranteeing quality, proximity and hospitality. This label spotlights those artisans offering thematic visits, convivial tastings and 'discovery workshops'.

Discover all the 'Artisans of Tourism'

ARTISANS OF THE CULINARY ARTS

ONCE UPON A TIME, IN THE GOURMAND PARADISE, CULINARY CREATORS...

titillating our tastebuds

BEES AND HONEY

LAGNY-SUR-MARNE

The boutique 'Abeilles et Miel' is two brothers, Nicolas and Rémi, who in 2012 set up their beehives in Seine-et-Marne, in Paris at the foot of the Tour Montparnasse, and elsewhere in France where they wander. Honey-flavoured sweets and beer, honey soaps, bees' wax and candles all await discovery in their shop, not to mention a great variety of artisanal honeys.

THEIR LITTLE EXTRA: Ever keen to raise environmental awareness, Rémi and Nicolas offer businesses the opportunity to rent one or more of their hives and so join a collective (and delicious) project! They also host educational initiations, to share their passion for and introduce others to the fascinating world of bees, including beekeeping and tastings of their honey-based products. A true delight for epicureans in search of new natural flavours and fragrances.

www.abeilles-miel.com

LE FOURNIL DU BOIS PIGET

DORMELLES

At 'Le Fournil du Bois Piget' in Dormelles in southern Seine-et-Marne, Gilles and Sabrine Derosin offer foodies their artisanal breads prepared on the farm. The wheat is grown according to the principles of organic farming, then stone-milled according to the ancestral technique that these artisans of the soil and of the oven are keen to conserve through their quality farming and baking!

HIS LITTLE EXTRA: And if you've always dreamed of making your own delicious bread, learn how to prepare an organic French baguette or brioche at a fun breadmaking workshop with Sabine and Gilles. Discover every step of the bread-making process, from preparing the yeast to kneading the dough to finally baking the bread!

Facebook.com/LeBoisPiget





NASSAU RHUMS

JOUARRE

Nassau Rhums is first and foremost the long-standing passion of a self-taught individual, a lover of rum, cooking, and travel. All his discoveries, from fruits and spices to flavors of all kinds, have contributed to the creation of innovative, unique, and refined recipes. The goal is to pair each dish with a spiced rum, much like a fine wine. Notably, the new creation launched in 2024 with chef Grégory Cohen, MAD: rum from the Indian Ocean enhanced with Madagascar spices!

HIS LITTLE EXTRA: Tasting workshops of spirits from around the world, and for the more daring, a workshop on creating spiced rum or a master class on cheeses (Fromagerie Ganot) and spirits!

www.nassaurhums.com

FINE ARTS & CRAFTS MEN AND WOMEN

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VERIERE - BEAUTÉ TRANSPARENTE

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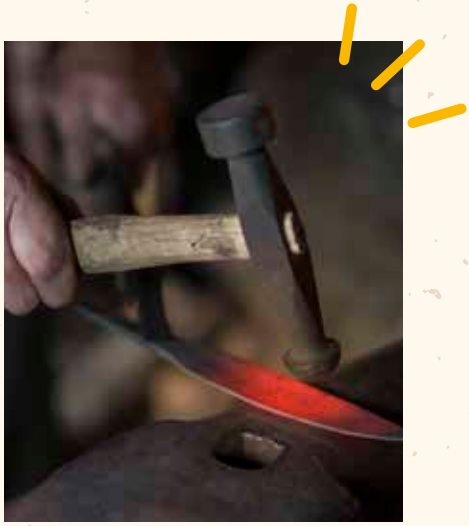
Floriane, the soap maker, has one goal: to offer gentle cosmetics for the body that are respectful of the planet. 'I created Veriere to provide products that are transparent and that I trust, both to take care of my body and our planet!'

Natural soaps made with honey and milk from the region, ground organic coffee for its exfoliating properties, and refreshing notes of lemon, orange, mint, and verbena for those who love a burst of freshness! Her range of solid shampoos— 'rosée du matin,' 'terre de douceur,' and 'souffle de verdure'— is a true invitation to reconnect with nature!

HER LITTLE EXTRA: Floriane offers workshops to make your own homemade soap, a fun and enriching experience for both young and old.

www.veriere.com





LES COUTELIERS DE FONTAINEBLEAU

GENEVRAYE

Yann and Renaud have joined forces around their shared passion for knives! From preparing the personalised pieces to their final sharpening, they strive to manufacture knives of the finest quality, drawing inspiration from the rocks and boulders of the Fontainebleau Forest (with their Grimpeur or 'Climber' knife) or from the history of Napoleon Bonaparte, another local fixture. Lovers of artisanal tradition, they create everyday objects liable to become veritable lifetime companions. When the branch of a family garden's tree is used to shape an heirloom passed down from generation to generation, something special has been crafted, sharply testifying to several lives lived.

THEIR LITTLE EXTRA: To further pursue your apprenticeship, book a full-day or 3-day course to shape and sharpen your very own knife! Choosing your piece's materials and then crafting it yourself, will not only prove an enriching experience, but you'll also come away with a special handmade memory to keep in your pocket!

www.lescouteliersdefontainebleau.fr

LA TERRE DE BALTHAZAR

PROVINS

'Choosing your cup in the morning, is like choosing the clothes you'll wear that day.' Séverine shapes the words on her Facebook page as she shapes the ceramics in her studio. Hand-turned and hand-thrown stoneware, decorative slips, and other ceramic techniques allow her to create one-of-a-kind pieces in small series. At her boutique, you'll find artisanal crockery, unique decorative objects, and colourful creations for your garden.

HER LITTLE EXTRA: Séverine also hosts workshops and lessons for hand-shaping your very own pottery, sharing with you the various techniques to lend ceramic form to your imagination. A relaxing, otherworldly experience.

www.laterredebalthazar.com



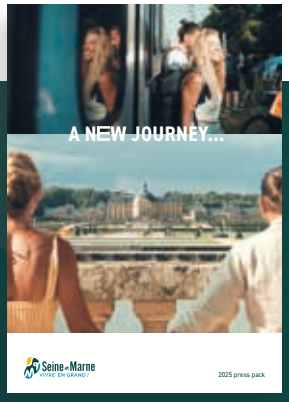
JULIEN COLBOC FINE WOODWORKER

ACHÈRES-LE-FORÊT

A sculptor and fine worker of wood for over 20 years, Julien creates inspired objects from this most noble of natural materials. He employs ancestral skills complemented by more modern techniques to create his sculptures and everyday objects from green wood. His sustainable approach favours environmentally responsible forestry and the elimination of any waste in his own studio and workshop.

HIS LITTLE EXTRA: At his studio, in his garden, or out in the Fontainebleau Forest, test your dexterity in shaping your very own wooden spoon or stool. Julien's on-site workshops are excellent for combining creation and utility, all while reconnecting with nature, if only for the space of a few rewarding hours.

www.juliencolboc.com



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