



Paris Décor Tour

September 6-12, 2023

All New Itinerary!*

Join us- experienced Paris devotees Deb Barrett and Susan Schultz- for a week of inspiration in September 2023. In our 10+ years of regularly visiting Paris, we've gathered an amazing list of resources--design ateliers, boutiques, restaurants, hidden museums, insider experiences and much more. From our base at a four-star hotel, you'll have seven days to explore Paris.

For September 2023 we're focusing on the glorious, glamorous history of l'art de vivre. We've revamped our Paris Décor Tour itinerary to focus on truly unique design discoveries, atelier visits and Parisian experiences that capture that unique French savoir faire. We are calling it the Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous: French History Edition. Private tours of historic châteaux, visits to not-your-typical museums, unique special events, and so, so, much more. Of course, there will be free time to explore, and we're here to help you make the most of your time in Paris!



Wednesday, September 6: Exploring Montmartre

We'll meet in the hotel lobby before leaving for our first stop, an 1830 hôtel particulier at the foot of Montmartre. This intimate museum also has a lovely outdoor cafe for a light bite or something to drink before heading further into Montmartre. After the museum, for those who are interested, we are now up near Marché Saint Pierre, the largest collection of textile stores in Paris. We can head east to take and look and then make our way up to Sacré Coeur from there. Or, from the museum, we can take the Metro a few more stops and explore Montmartre from

the less-touristy north side, a walk that includes views of the only vineyard in Paris, Clos Montmartre. From either direction, we'll reach the top of Montmartre and the Basilica of Sacré Coeur. You can explore the basilica, and, if you wish, climb to the dome for an even-more-spectacular view over the city. Wander through this area, and particularly the Place du Tertre, known for its cafés, shops, artists, and restaurants. We'll be back in Saint Germain in time for everyone to plan early-ish dinner, or just call it day, depending on your state of jet lag!



Thursday, September 7: From Royalty to Revolution to Restoration

A full day exploring some of the key monuments in Paris—from the Medieval era to the mid-19th c.—that highlight important turning points in the most tumultuous century in French History, all with a focus on the iconic Marie-Antoinette. This includes a visit to one of the most gorgeous new museums that recently opened in Paris, the Hôtel de la Marine. Lunch included.



Friday, September 8:

We're waiting for Paris Design Week and other culture schedules to be announced before we finalize plans for this day, because we want to make sure we take advantage of the best the city has to offer!



Saturday, September 9: In the Footsteps of Kings

A long, but very inspiring day with customized guided tours of two magnificent châteaux. Our first stop will be Château de Fontainebleau, the “family home” of the French monarchy for centuries. Our vetted guide will provide us with insights and opportunities that are typically not available. After a break for lunch (included) we’ll go to Vaux le Vicomte, considered to be the model for Versailles. Once again we have insider access as part of our exclusive guided tour. We’re planning to stay late at this beautiful estate to experience an incredible candlelit evening, giving us the opportunity to see what the château may have looked like in the 18th century. A private van will take us back to Paris.



Sunday, September 10: Time Out

Until fairly recently “le brunch” was not a French thing—and really, why should it be, when most of our favorite brunch treats are already French breakfast staples?! So this morning we’ll head out for breakfast and then give you some time off, so that you can spend the day as you wish. Shopping, museums, art galleries—just let us know what you have in mind and we’ll work up an itinerary for you.



Monday, September 11: Iconography

An exploration of key elements of l'art de vivre—design, art, fashion, and food—seen through the works of several French icons. Our first stop is Château de Malmaison, Joséphine Bonaparte's work-of-a-lifetime. A fashion icon in her time, Joséphine's work at Malmaison has profoundly influenced interior design throughout the decades, and it also offers a unique glimpse of the private lives of the Bonaparte-Beauharnais family. After lunch (included) we head to La Galerie Dior, which is more than just a single designer retrospective. It is an exceptional opportunity to truly see couture and gain a better understanding of what it means on many levels. Our final event is a farewell dinner on the Seine, where you can enjoy an amazing view of Paris at night and watch the Eiffel tower sparkle and glow. All accompanied by a four-course dinner prepared under the guidance of the legendary chef Alain Ducasse. What better way to wrap up our time in Paris!

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Sadly, we'll be saying au revoir to the City of Lights brimming with inspiration and memories. Airport transfers included.

Not Ready to Leave?

Tuesday, September 13, 2023: Musée Toile de Jouy and Versailles



Neither are we! If you're interested in another day of exploring why not join us for a day-long adventure to the Musée de la Toile de Jouy and then to the splendor of Versailles?

Private transportation with an English-speaking driver from our hotel to all destinations. Includes your extra night stay at the hotel, lunch, admission fees to Musée Toile de Jouy and Versailles and an exclusive-access guided tour at Versailles.

\$1,500.00



Our Accommodations

We'll be staying at one of our favorite boutique hotels, Hôtel de Buci, in the heart of our favorite area, Saint Germain-des-Prés. Not only is the location fantastic, the rooms are designed with exclusive editions of Brunshwig & Fils fabrics, many in a historic color called Bleu Céleste invented in 1752 by the prestigious Manufacture Royale de Sèvres, and re-issued just for this installation. There are two pricing tiers—one for a shared double with two twin beds, and another for a single (or double) occupancy queen bedroom. There are only two shared double rooms currently available, so if that is your preference, book soon! Breakfast at the hotel is included, and there is limited room service available for dinner, but the area has dozens of good and several great restaurants to choose from, so we encourage you to explore.

Note: Itinerary subject to change which may become necessary based on conditions outside of Decor Tours' control.

Note: If you plan to extend your stay for personal travel either before or after our tour, please include that information when completing your registration, so that we can arrange a seamless stay.

TOTAL PRICE \$5750.00 UNTIL APRIL 15, 2023

Guarantee your reservation with a non-refundable \$1500.00 deposit. Balance due as follows: \$2000.00 due June 15, 2023, \$1500.00 due July 15, 2023 and balance of \$750.00 due on or by September 1, 2023.

Single occupancy upcharge \$1300

Versailles and Musee Toile de Jouy Extension \$1500

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