

FROM THE AIRPORTS

From Roissy Charles de Gaulle Airport

è RER (train)

Take line RER **B** - stop at **Châtelet** station

Then take line RER **A** - stop at the **La Défense Grande Arche** station

è Air France Bus + metro

Take Air France Bus for **Porte Maillot** (go till **Etoile** if you go to Paris downtown)

Then take the Metro line **1** to the Terminus : **La Défense Grande Arche** station

è Taxis

About €50 to the centre of Paris (day fare) - a bit more to La Défense area

From Orly Airport

è OrlyVal + RER (train)

OrlyVal Shuttle + line RER **B** - stop at **Châtelet** station

Then take line RER **A** - stop at the **La Défense Grande Arche** station

è Air France Bus + metro

Take Air France Bus for **Invalides**

Then take the Metro line **13**, change in **Champs Elysées Clémenceau** station

Then take the Metro line **1** to the Terminus : **La Défense Grande Arche** station

è Taxis

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TRANSPORTATION

By Air Aéroports de Paris – all flights for Paris : www.aeroportsdeparis.fr/Adp/en-GB/Passagers/

Aéroport d'Orly: Flight Info +33 1-49.75.15.15

Aéroport Roissy CDG: Flight Info +33 1-48.62.22.80

By Train (SNCF – Société Nationale des Chemins de Fer – www.sncf.fr/index.php?LANG=en_EN)

In France, train tickets must obligatorily be stamped by the passenger himself before boarding the train at the time of departure. Railway stations in Paris :

- Gare du Nord : Northern France, Germany, the Scandinavian countries, Belgium, the Netherlands, UK.
- Gare de l'Est : Eastern France, Luxembourg, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, eastern Europe.
- Gare Saint-Lazare : Normandy, maritime connections
- Gare Montparnasse : Brittany, Aquitaine
- Gare d'Austerlitz : South-western France, Spain, Portugal
- Gare de Lyon : South-eastern France, Switzerland, Italy

By Car

It is compulsory to wear a seatbelt both in the front and in the back. Speed is limited to 50 km/h in town, 80 km/h on the ring roads, 90 km/h on the main roads and 130 km/h on the motorways. In most districts of Paris you must pay for parking by using parking meters, limited to a stay of two hours. A large number of public car-parks (paid car-parks) are available in most districts from between € 1.50 and € 3 per hour.

RER (suburban trains), **Métro** (underground/subway trains) and **Bus in Paris**

The Parisian metro network (the "RATP" - Régie Autonome des Transports de Paris : www.ratp.fr/) has 16 lines. The RER (Réseau Express Régional) is a suburban train network identified by lines A,B,C, and D, serving Paris and its region. It links up with the urban metro network and certain SNCF train lines. Timetables: The first metro is at 5.30 and the last one is at 0:50am, 1:50 on Saturdays. Individually, metro tickets cost around € 1.30, and a book of 10 tickets costs around €11.50. A single metro journey corresponds to one ticket. The buses generally operate from 6.30am to 8.30pm, yet certain lines operate until 1.30am and later. The information displayed on the bus stops will guide you. Metro and bus tickets are identical. They can be purchased from RATP stations and from tobacconists. Beyond zone 2 the RER is subject to special regulations and the ticket prices are different.

Taxis

Where can you find a taxi ? In the railway stations, airports, near to main traffic routes and at the 470 taxi ranks. Altogether, some 14 900 taxis work around Paris. The light on the roof of the car enables you to identify a taxi. You can call a taxi by using the call points for the Parisian taxis.