

ACDS GOES TO PARIS

8 Days ✪ April 29-May 6, 2023 ✪ Paris, France



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Trip Information

See it with fresh eyes, and live *la vie parisienne* through immersive, interactive experiences covering everything from language, art, history, and fashion to engineering and urban planning. You will return from this trip exhilarated by an immersive understanding of French life and unforgettable memories.

YOUR ADVENTURE INCLUDES

- **Roundtrip airfare** from SFO to Paris
- Full time, 24/7 **French-fluent Tour Guide**
- **All Transportation** while on tour
- High quality, central, clean **hotel** in a safe neighborhood
- Daily breakfasts & **multi-course dinners**
- **Activities** as noted in the itinerary
- Basic **Trip Protection Plan**
- Individual **Customized Payment Plans** tailored to your schedule

Note: This trip is available to current ACDS French Elective Middle School students.

OUR VALUES



True Experiential Learning

The entire trip is designed to be immersive, engaging, and interactive, making true learning connections for your student.



The Best Guides

Our tour guides are the best in the business at making your destination come alive!



Customized & Private

Every tour is crafted to the exact specifications of the Group Organizer. Nothing is cookie cutter, and you always travel in a private group.





Projected Itinerary

DAY 1: FLY OVERNIGHT FROM SAN FRANCISCO TO PARIS

DAY 2: ARRIVE IN PARIS AND EXPLORE CLASSIC PARIS (THE RIGHT BANK)

- Arrive into Paris CDG at 11:15am, and take a transfer bus to our central hotel. And we'll beat the jet lag by walking our way through Paris today! Have lunch in a Parisian café along the Seine river, followed by a walking tour of the Ile de la Cite. Learn the stunning stories behind landmarks like Notre Dame, Hotel de Ville, the Bastille. Walk the grand avenue of the Champs-Élysées, and finish at the top of the Arc de Triomphe.
- In the evening we'll go to a French market to shop for a picnic dinner at sunset on the Champ de Mars, in front of the Eiffel Tower. We'll finish today by ascending to the top of the Eiffel Tower.

DAY 3: STUDENT PARIS (THE LEFT BANK)

- The Latin Quarter. We'll see French middle schools, high schools, universities and learn about the educational system in Paris. Learn about French food by visiting the Rue Mouffetard — a charming, classic French market street. We will visit Luxemburg Gardens and later dive deep into the Paris Catacombs.
- Today we'll visit **Les Invalides**, which served as the scene for several key events in French history, and houses Napoleon's Tomb.
- This evening, we'll have dinner followed by a sunset boat cruise.

DAY 4: FOODIE PARIS

- This morning we'll have a unique breakfast experience: a **Croissant baking class!**
- Learn about the unique shops and stories of the **Rue du Bac**, a street of hidden gems that tells the story of Paris. Students will have the opportunity to order crepes or other French treats at a café.
- We'll make a visit to the **Museum of Chocolate** and learn the French traditions of this treat
- No trip to Paris is complete without diving into the wonders of a **local French grocery store!**
- And finally, dinner tonight is in a **Parisian apartment**, cooked by a local! Learn about Paris life and food from a local.

DAY 5: ROYAL PARIS

- With an art historian, we'll spend the morning at the **Louvre Museum**, old palace of the kings.
- We'll see the area's opulent architecture, like the **Palais Garnier Opera House**
- **Palais-Royal Gardens & Tuileries Garden**
- Charming **Square du Vert-Galant**
- Wander through the floors of the **Galleries Lafayette** department store

DAY 6: HIP PARIS

- Paris isn't just a historical town, it's living and breathing bustling city.
- Included **Street Art Tour & Workshop**. Street art in certain neighborhoods has become a real thing.
- **Canal Saint-Martin** neighborhood
- Oberkampf & North Marais

DAY 7: ARTISTIC PARIS

- We'll finish the trip focusing on what Paris is most often known for: the **artists** who have lived and created in the city.
- Experience the **Musee d'Orsay**, completing our lesson in art history by looking at modern and contemporary art, including the famous Impressionists.
- **Walking Tour of Montmartre**, including the **Moulin Rouge**
- **Sacré-Cœur Basilica**, including an optional climb to the top
- Farewell Dinner

DAY 8: DEPART FROM CHARLES DE GAULLE AIRPORT FOR YOUR FLIGHT HOME



Your guide will be Mitch Bach, the co-owner of TripAdventures. He has 20+ years experience taking student groups around the world (including 10 trips with ACDS). Mitch speaks fluent French, having lived and studied in Paris for 8 years. He was a local tour guide in the city, and has B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of Paris-Sorbonne. He loves sharing his experiences as a young student with a new generation of travelers, and uses his connections in the city to provide an exceptionally unique and immersive travel experience.

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