

VISIT TO PARIS

from Monday 25th July 2011 to Friday 29th July 2011

This visit has been organised by Stanley Melinek..

The itinerary aims to avoid the obvious attractions that most people will already have visited.

Programme

Day 1 Mon 25 th July	Les Egouts (sewers), 4.30 euro. Opens 11h. M ^O . Alma-Marceau. Leave 12.30. Lunch: BHV, rue de Rivoli. M ^O Hôtel de Ville. Afternoon: History of Medicine museum. 3.50 euros. Rue de l'Ecole de Médecine. Open 14h to 17.30. M ^O Odeon. Pere Lachaise cemetery (closes 18h). M ^O Pere Lachaise.
Day 2 Tues 26 th July	Musée Marmottan (Monet). 9.00 euro. M ^O . La Muette. Opens 11h. Leave 13h. Lunch: snack at kiosk or bring sandwich. 2km walk through Bois de Boulogne to Parc de Bagatelle (flower garden), 5.00 euros.
Day 3 Wed 27 th July	4km walk along canal to Cité des Sciences, see www.cite-sciences.fr Tickets (over 60) 16.00 euro (8.00 euro excluding Hubble). 23 euro for annual ticket. M ^O Porte de la Villette. Leave 16.30 for stroll in the park. 18h, Canauxrama boat trip from Bassin de la Villette, 11.00 euro. M ^O Jaures or short walk (1.5km) from Cité des Sciences.
Day 4 Thur 28 th July	5km walk from Parc de Sceaux. Buy single ticket to RER Parc de Sceaux, 2.35 euro (not Metro ticket). If making own way, meet in the park at 11.30 at the Chateaux. Lunch: snack at kiosk or bring sandwich. Supper: Flunch. Evening- Musée des Arts et Metiers (Arts and Crafts). M ^O Arts et Metiers. 6.50 euro. Free on Thurs evenings 18h-21.30.
Day 5 Fri 29 th July	Albert Kahn museum of photography (has very nice garden) 3.00 euro (over 60- 1.50 euro?). Opens 11h. M ^O . Pont de St-Cloud. Lunch at nearby restaurant, 13h. Afternoon: Basilique St Denis (historic), 7.00 euro (over 60- 5.50 euro?). M ^O . Basilique de St-Denis.

M^O = metro station (in case we get separated)

Travel to Paris

Members should make their own way to Paris.

Hotels

Ibis have a branch, **Hotel IBIS Paris Gare De L'Est** at 6 rue St Laurent, two star, 0033 (0)1 40 38 05 05, www.ibishotels.com, 0.5km from the Gare du Nord, M^O Gare de l'Est. (Note- bookings are cheaper on line but cannot be cancelled).

Other hotels can be found on the French yellow pages (www.pagesjaunes.fr). For easy access to Eurostar (Gare du Nord) we suggest a hotel in the 10e Arrondissement. For the 10e Arrondissement the location should be entered as 75010. There is a tourist web site (www.parisinfo.com) and no doubt other web sites. Not all websites offering hotel rooms are reliable. Alternatively, try a guide book.

Where and when to meet

All trips start 10h each day from Hotel Ibis Gare de l'Est (details above). Alternatively, members should make their own way to the first venue of the day. All visits are optional.

Evenings

Suggestions- restaurants, concerts, films, theatres, cabaret, Louvre (Wednesdays and Fridays), Pompidou Centre. See Pariscope (0.40 euro from news kiosks) for list of events.

Cost

The only charge will be just £2.00 for REMS administration. All travel, accommodation and site entry costs to be paid by members at the appropriate time.

For transport, buy a carnet of Metro tickets (ten tickets, approx. 12 euro).

Paris museum cards are available. 35/50/65 euro for 2/4/6 days. These might not cover all the above items. Probably not worthwhile unless also visiting other attractions.

More information

www.paris.fr
www.parisinfo.com