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Once the home of cutting-edge art and culture, then accused by some of resting on its laurels, Paris has recently experienced a rebirth, with an influx of new ideas such as the 104 arts centre and the Vélib bike-hire system. It almost makes you forget the frustration of dealing with public institutions.

Essentials

- 01 Be polite. Even though the Parisians may seem rude at times, a little *bonjour*, *s'il vous plaît*, and *merci* goes a long way.
- 02 Neo-bistro is as popular as ever. Try Bruno Doucet's new restaurant, La Régalade Saint-Honoré, 123, rue de Saint Honoré, +33 01 42 21 92 40.
- 03 Get a perfect old-school shave at Alain, Maître Barbier +33 1 42 77 55 80
- 04 A l'Étoile d'Or is the best sweet shop in town. 30 rue Pierre Fontaine
- 05 Check out Le Bal, an arts centre in Clichy dedicated to photography. 6 Impasse de la Défense, le-bal.fr

Guide/Info

Hotels

Newly opened

Le Royal Monceau - Raffles Paris
37 avenue Hoche
+33 1 42 99 88 00
leroyalmonceau.com

Dependable chain

Hilton Arc de Triomphe
51-57 rue de Courcelles
+33 1 58 36 67 00

Premium

Le Bristol
112 rue du Faubourg Saint Honoré
+33 1 53 43 43 00
hotel-bristol.com

Dining

Fast breakfast

Du Pain et Des Idées
34 rue Yves Toudic
dupainetdesidees.com

Business breakfast

Ladurée
75 avenue des Champs-Élysées
laduree.fr

Mid-morning coffee

La Caféotheque
52, rue de l'Hotel-de-Ville
lacafeotheque.com

Working lunch with colleagues

Glou
101 rue Vieille du Temple
+33 1 42 74 44 32

Need-to-impress-clients lunch

Apicius
20 rue d'Artois
+33 1 43 80 19 66
restaurant-apicius.com

Lunch on your own

Le Comptoir du Relais
9 carrefour de l'Odéon
+33 1 43 29 12 05
hotel-paris-relais-saint-germain.com

Afternoon tea/drink

Rose Bakery
30 rue Debellemey
+33 1 49 96 54 01

Dinner on your own

Atelier de Joël Robuchon
5 rue de Montalembert
+33 1 42 22 56 56
joel-robuchon.com

Dinner with colleagues

Thou Mieux
79 rue Saint-Dominique
thoumieux.fr

Private dinner

Top floor of Kunitoraya
5 rue Villedo
+33 1 47 03 07 74
kunitoraya.fr

Big dinner with partner/clients

Passage 53
53 Passage des Panoramas
+33 1 42 33 04 35

Drink after dinner

Spring Buvette
basement wine bar
6 rue Bailleul
+33 1 45 96 05 72

Late drinks

The Prescription
Cocktail Club
23 Rue Mazarine
+33 1 45 08 88 09

Late bite

Maison de l'Aubrac
37 rue Marbeuf
+33 1 43 59 05 14
maison-aubrac.com

On the tiles

L'Arc
12 Rue de Presbourg
+33 1 45 00 78 70
larc-paris.com

Reading

Bookshop

Ofr bookshop
20 rue Dupetit-Thouars (Carreau du Temple)
ofrsystem.com

Newsstand

WH Smith
248 rue de Rivoli
+33 1 44 77 88 99
whsmith.fr

Thank yous

Chocolates

Patrick Roger

108 boulevard Saint-Germain
+33 1 43 29 38 42
patrickroger.com

Shopping

Luxury scents

Perfumes and laundry liquid from Maison Francis Kurkdjian.
5 rue d'Alger
+33 1 42 60 07 07

Something for the kids

Miniature wooden cooking utensils and sharp clothes from Bon Ton

5 boulevard des Filles du Calvaire
bonton.fr

Something for everyone

Paper laptop bags, fashion, furniture and food from Merci
111 boulevard Beaumarchais
+33 01 42 77 00 33

Something for yourself

Shoes from French Trotters
116 rue Vieille du Temple
frenchtrotters.fr

Two-hour tour

- 01 Musée du quai Branly
37 quai Branly
+33 1 56 61 70 00
quaibranly.fr
- 02 La Cité de l'Architecture et du Patrimoine
1 place du Trocadéro
+33 1 58 51 52 00
citechaillot.fr
- 03 Musée d'Art Moderne
11 avenue du

Président Wilson
+33 1 53 67 40 00

Limousine/car

Chabé Limousines
+33 1 41 20 95 00
chabe-limousines.com

Transport

Vélib

Avoid traffic congestion and hop on a hire-bike.
velib.paris.fr

Fitness

Good gym

Klay Club
4 bis rue St. Sauveur
+33 1 40 26 00 00
klay.fr

Good running route

Start from the Eiffel Tower and run along the Seine towards Invalides, cross over Pont Alexandre III and head to the Louvre. Run around Ile de la Cité and Ile Saint Louis, then head back to the Eiffel Tower on the Left Bank past the Musée d'Orsay.

