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Nice is a city of paradox, audacity, discovery and pleasure. Located in the heart of one of the world’s most highly prized regions, at the gateway to major European cities, it offers its rich history, wonderfully mild sunny climate and geographic location between the sea and the mountains...

A symbol of the Mediterranean art of living, it offers a perpetual invitation to travel.

Its vicinity, too, provides ample opportunity for architectural and cultural discoveries, from pleasant strolls in museums to old palatial homes, from beaches to gardens and gastronomic adventures with countless flavours.

This brochure lists (non-exhaustively) the essence of opportunities available in Nice and Greater Nice through different themes.
LOCATION
Latitude 43°42’N - Longitude 7°16’E
Situated in southern Europe and at the southeasternmost tip of France, Nice is a privileged junction between the Alps, Provence, Corsica and Italy. The city occupies a remarkable natural site in the heart of the French Riviera. It extends in a broad stretch open to the South on the Mediterranean with a succession of wooded hills to the West. To the North, the first peaks of the foothills of the Alps appear, some reaching heights exceeding 3,000m above sea level, only 50km from the coast as the crow flies...

WEATHER
Nice enjoys an exceptional microclimate that has made its renown for nearly two centuries. Open to the sea, the city is protected from the wind by the surrounding hills, to the West by the Esterel Massif and, to the Northwest by the barrier of the Mercantour Alps. The climate is always mild in winter and never too hot in summer thanks to the sea breeze. It is not rare to have lunch outdoors on a terrace wearing no more than a T-shirt in February when the rest of France is shivering in the cold.

HISTORY
A land of hospitality since prehistoric times with the site of Terra Amata (beloved land), Nice proudly displays its roots, going back more than 400,000 years at the foot of Mont-Boron, near the Lazaret Cave, which is still under excavation to yield the secrets of those who lived there 160,000 years ago.
In Ancient times, it became Nikaia - Victory - a strategic trading post in the western Mediterranean. Three centuries later, the Romans, wishing to control the Alps, settled in turn in this ideal position where they built the town of Cemenelum, with its amphitheatre, baths and forum.
This dynamic expansion attracted outsiders and a period of ten centuries witnessed the passage of Barbarian, Ligurian and Saracen invaders who put an end to this refined industrious society.
The Counts of Provence took over the ancient Greek site. In the 14th century AD, the people of Nice, wearied by constant political strife, placed themselves under the protection of the House of Savoy. They remained so until 1860, with two interruptions: from 1691 to 1713, the French king Louis XIV took over the Comté de Nice, and from 1792 to 1814, it was part of the French Republic, then Napoleon I’s Empire, becoming the Alpes-Maritimes département for the first time.

In 1860, the population of Nice and its Comté voted in a plebiscite to become part of France, thanks to the Treaty of Turin, signed by Napoleon III and Victor Emmanuel II, King of Sardinia.

From that time on, the town enjoyed considerable growth and prosperity. It became a fashionable resort, admirably served by the brand new railway. Today, Nice is the fifth largest city in France with its 400,000 inhabitants, very much open to culture and the arts, as well as services, scientific and high-tech activities.

Thanks to such ambitious realisations as the Acropolis, the Convention & Exhibition Centre, the Nice Côte d’Azur Airport, second airport in France after Paris, and the finest hotel facilities, the City of Nice today has the enviable reputation of international capital of tourism.
Setting off to discover Nice - elegant and trendy, cheerful and bustling, proud of its past independence - you will be surprised by its personality, dynamism and passion for the arts and culture. Nice has countless surprises in store for visitors... monuments, churches, gardens, footpaths linking the surrounding hills to the city centre, but also museums, artists, local arts and crafts, international gastronomy with the savour of garlic, olive oil and basil, shopping... It will also delight you with its beautiful neighbourhoods, unique light and mild climate.
GETTING AROUND NICE

BY BUS

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[Service 0,06 €/min + price of a local call]

www.lignesdazur.com

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- Notre Dame - 1 RUE D’ITALIE (H4)
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- Thiers - 17 AVENUE THIERS (H3)
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- Jean Jaurès - 4 BD JEAN JAURÈS (I4)
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The Lignes d’Azur network offers a single price for the entire Nice Côte d’Azur Metropolitan area. There are a hundred lines during the day and four at night.

Noctambus - Night bus services for all-nighters:
Service runs up to 1.10 am except the N4 (last departure 10.10 pm). Runs every 30 min or hour from 9.10 pm. Departures from the J.C. Bermond stop (corner of av Félix Faure and rue Alberti). Tickets on sale in the bus.

BY TRAMWAY

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You must stamp your ticket every time you board the tram.

Ticket for sale in Lignes d’Azur agencies (see above), on station platforms and in the “Parcazur”. For a better quality of life, the Nice Côte d’Azur Metropolitan area has provided a latest-generation tramway line connecting the North to the East via the city centre along Avenue Jean-Médecin and Place Masséna.

The tramway runs every day starting at 4:25 am (departure from Henri Sappia) or 5.10 am (departure from Hôpital Pasteur), with trams every 4 mins during the day.

Service Noctrambus from 9:00 pm to 1:35 am.
**VÉLO BLEU (BICYCLE RENTAL)**

1,750 bicycles are provided from self-service rental in the municipalities of Nice, Saint-Laurent and Cagnes-sur-Mer. Access 24/7. Payment is made directly on the site (cell phone and credit card mandatory) or on the Internet. The first half-hour of use is free. Rental cannot exceed 24 hours. Minimum age: 14.

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Book online, at the kiosk (17 av. Thiers) (Monday to Friday: 8:00 am to 6:30 pm & Saturday 8:00 am to 2:30 pm) or by phone.

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www.auto-bleue.org

**BY TAXI**

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Fares are estimates and vary depending on traffic conditions. The final fare is shown on the meter. Receipt available upon request.

Possibility of booking a taxi (the day in advance):

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**SIGHTS, MONUMENTS & CHURCHES**

**OLD NICE**

*Until the 18th century, the Old Town was home to virtually the entire population of Nice. Baroque churches and palaces, colourful façades and narrow streets: the heritage of Old Nice is protected.*

**Nice Opera House**

*4, 6 RUE SAINT-FRANÇOIS-DE-PAULE [I5]*

Located in Old Nice and across from the sea and perfectly integrated in the urban fabric, the Opéra de Nice was built on the site of the previous theatre, destroyed by fire. The design was entrusted to the architect François Aune of Nice, who sought his inspiration in different styles, baroque in particular. This listed historic building remains today at the heart of the city’s cultural life.

**Cours Saleya**

*RUE SAINT-FRANÇOIS-DE-PAULE [H5]*

Built on the ramparts dismantled in the early 18th century, Cours Saleya, a pedestrian area in the heart of Old Nice, has become a picturesque part of the city, a must for tourist and locals alike. In this rectilinear baroque ochre setting, the flower and vegetable markets (in the 100 most picturesque markets in France) are held every day except Monday, when they are replaced by an antiques market, provide a feast for the eyes and a delight for the taste buds. On summer evenings, tourists take advantage of the pleasant arts & crafts market.

**Prefecture Palace**

*1 PLACE DU PALAIS DE JUSTICE (RUE DE LA PRÉFECTURE) [I5]*

The palace of the Dukes of Savoy in the 17th century, a hospital during the French Revolution and the Prefecture when Nice became French in 1860, this building has been renovated several times. Today, after having had different functions, the Palais de la Présidence is the home of the Préfet of the Alpes-Maritimes department and remains an essential landmark in Old Nice.

**Miséricorde Chapel**

*COURS SALEYA [I5]*

Built after 1740 and designed by the famous architect Bernardo Vittone, the chapel has an elliptical nave, with semicircular side chapels. The wealth of the decoration inside, the originality of its volumes and the murals by Bistolfi make this a genuine gem of Baroque art, with exceptionally rich architecture.

**Adam & Eve house**

*RUE DE LA POISSONNERIE - ANGLE COURS SALEYA [I5]*

One of the few remaining examples of the decorated façades of Old Nice, this bas-relief dated 1584 shows Adam and Eve naked in the Garden of Eden, threatening each other with clubs. Perpendicular to Cours Saleya, this façade of this house is famous for this mural.

**Les Ponchettes**

*PROMENADE DES ANGLAIS / COURS SALEYA [I5]*

Between Cours Saleya and the Sea, this row of buildings includes two 19th-century vaulted halls, now converted into municipal galleries, which host many exhibitions with a definite predilection for contemporary art.

**Castle Hill**

*QUAI DES ÉTATS-UNIS [I5]*

The site of the first town founded by the ancient Greeks, then the first mediaeval town, today’s Castle Hill (Colline du Château) has preserved only a few foundations and fragments of walls; but this park and botanical garden offers unique vistas over Nice and its surroundings, a surprising artificial waterfall, remains of the former 11th-century Cathedral, walkways paved with colourful 20th-century mosaics...

Access: by lift (Cours Saleya) or on foot along Rue Rossetti, Montée Menica-Rondelly & Rue Catherine Ségurane.

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**Discovering Nice**

**Sights, monuments and churches**

**The midday cannon shot**

*In 1861, to respect the military tradition of the ‘midday cannon shot’, a Scottish winter visitor, Sir Thomas Conventry-More, paid to have a cannon set up on the Castle Hill. Legend has it that he used this to ask his wife to return to prepare lunch. On 19 November 1875, a municipal decree was voted to officialize this reminder of the importance of having the right time.*
Bellanda Tower
Parc du Château, escalier Lesage (I5)
Built on the foundations of a defensive structure razed to the ground during the French occupation under King Louis XIV, Tour Bellanda was home to the great 19th-century French composer Hector Berlioz while he was writing the King Lear Overture. Adorned today with ceramic mosaics with ancient Greek motifs, the terrace offers a splendid panorama over the city and its surroundings.

Church of Saint-Jacques-le-Majeur, or Église du Jésus (Gesù in Niçois)
Rue Droite (I5)
Built in the Baroque style starting in 1607 by the Jesuits, the ‘Gesù’ church is richly decorated with many ornaments, stucco, false marble, cherubs and medallions. The blue of its façade dominate the small square that bears its name and from its luminous architectures emanates great spirituality.

Lascaris Palace
15 Rue Droite (I5)
The finest example of baroque civilian architecture, Palais Lascaris was designed like the traditional palazzi of Genoa. In addition to its opulently decorated façade and impressive portal, this home boasts a monumental staircase whose elaborated painted vaults houses a museum dedicated to decorative arts, folk art and traditions and musical instruments.

Place Saint-François (I4)
Of the former Franciscan convent, all that remains is a small part of the cloister and the recently restored bell tower (Tour de l’Horloge) dominating the lively square where the fish market is held every morning (except Monday) around the dolphins’ fountain. The former town hall, decorated in the Baroque style, was first built in the 16th century. It is one of the few Baroque public buildings in Old Nice and now houses the Trades Council.

Church of Saint-Martin-Saint-Augustin
Place Saint-Augustin (I4)
The present church dates mainly from the 17th century; among the fine works it contains, there is a Pietà, a panel painting attributed to Louis Brea (ca. 1504). The Augustinian convent became a barracks after the French Revolution, renamed ‘Caserne Filley’ in 1907, home to the Foreign Legion.

Place Garibaldi (I4)
The first extension of Old Nice northward, Place Garibaldi today is lined by elegant red façades with green shutters and vaulted porticoes, in which the Blue Penitents’ chapel, Chapelle du Saint-Sépulcre, is perfectly integrated. A statue of Giuseppe Garibaldi stands in the middle of this square that is central to the life of the city.

Place Rossetti (I5)
Ochre façades, fountains, flower-decked balconies, baroque cathedral and café terraces contribute to the life of this bustling square, one of the most picturesque in Old Nice.

Cathedral of Sainte-Réparate
Place Rossetti (I5)
This church, which became the Cathedral in the 16th century, is the largest sanctuary in Old Nice. Inspired by early Baroque architectural models from Rome, the structure has a basilical layout; with a triple nave and a transept. The decoration of the side chapels and choir is particularly sumptuous and the interior reflects the influence of Saint Peter’s of Rome.

Church of the Annunciation, better known as Sainte-Rita
1 Rue de la Poissonnerie (I5)
Generally known as Saint Rita’s, for the patron saint of desperate causes canonized in 1900, the church was rebuilt in the 17th century and dedicated first to Saint Giaumé (Saint James), then Notre-Dame-de-l’Annonciation. With its dark outer architecture, it goes almost unnoticed, but the interior is richly decorated with baroque stucco, false marble, gilded motifs and trompe-l’oeil paintings.

Justice Palace
Place du Palais (I5)
Built from 1890-1892 on the site of the former Dominican convent, the Hall of Justice was built according to the very traditional principle of a colonnade and a great Neoclassical staircase.

City Hall
Rue de l’Hôtel de Ville (I5)
Neoclassical on the outside and Art-Deco inside, this structure, built in 1730, was used successively as a seminary for the Diocese, a hospital and a barracks. Since 1860, it has been the Town Hall.
Discovering Nice

**OTHER DISTRICTS**

**Notre-Dame Basilica**
*Avenue Jean Médecin (H4)*
The largest church in Nice and the first modern religious structure, the basilica of Notre-Dame was built after Nice became French (1864-1868). Inspired by the Cathedral of Angers with its two square towers, it is adorned with 19th-century stained-glass windows and a sumptuous rose window with scenes of the Assumption.

**Place Masséna (H4/5)**
Built in the 1840s, Place Masséna remains the jewel of Nice. On the north side, elegant arcaded buildings are painted with the famous Pompeian red and to the East, there is a splendid perspective on the hills with their Tuscan charm. The square was renovated in 2007, accompanied by the installation of artworks along the tramway: seven statues devised by the Spanish artist Jaume Plensa, titled ‘Conversation in Nice’ and representing the seven continents.

**Promenade des Anglais (B8 à H5)**
Nice owes this route its international standing! This famous seaside road is always elegantly decorated with flowers and follows the harmonious curve of Baie des Anges. Originally a footpath no more than 6 feet wide, it was widened by an Englishman, Reverend Lewis Way, at his expense in 1820 and the local population soon dubbed it ‘Chemin des Anglais’. In 1931, when it was given its final form with two roadways separated by a central reservation planted with palm trees, the ‘Prom’ was inaugurated by the Duke of Connaught, one of Queen Victoria’s sons.

**Monument du Centenaire (Centennial Monument)**
*Jardin Albert 1er (H5)*
Built in 1893, this monument commemorates the decree declaring the Comté de Nice to be part of France and the creation of the Alpes-Maritimes département. It faces Promenade des Anglais and the Mediterranean Sea, on the edge of Jardin Albert 1er.

**Le Palais de la Méditerranée**
11 *Promenade des Anglais (H5)*
A temple to gambling and the arts in the Interwar years, in 1927, the year of its construction, it became the world’s most grandiose casino. Closed in 1978, it was not until 2004, after three years of works, that life was re-instilled in the legend with its Art-Deco architecture thanks to a private developer who refurbished the interior of the building while preserving the sumptuous façade, a listed historic building. Today, it is recognised as one of the world’s finest 5* hotels.

**“Negresco” Hotel**
37 *Promenade des Anglais (G5)*
Built on the shores of the famous Baie des Anges in 1912 by Niermans for the Romanian Henri Negresco, this Belle-Époque landmark is the only museum and luxury hotel in Nice. A listed historic building since 2003, it houses collections retracing five centuries of art history. The 121 rooms and 24 suites each have their own decoration. The styles of the most brilliant periods in French art are represented from Louis XIII to modern art. Rated 5-star category, it is reputedly one of the world’s finest hotels.

**“Tête Carrée”**
2 *Place Yves Klein (I4)*
Devised by the sculptor Sacha Sosno, the ‘Square Head’ is the key symbol of the city’s contemporary architecture: 30 metres high and 14 metres wide, this monument-sculpture is not open to the public and houses the offices of the Louis Nucéra municipal library.

**Acropolis**
1 *Esplanade J. F. Kennedy (J3)*
Acropolis, founded in 1984, has made Nice the top city in France, after Paris, for Business Tourism and is one of the world’s very best convention centres. The Convention Centre offers the best in the technical facilities for the needs of each professional event: gala evenings, entertainment...

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“Label Patrimoine du XXᵉ siècle en région Provence-Alpes-Côte d’Azur”
This “20th-century Heritage” status created by the French Ministry of Culture, is granted to the most remarkable 20th-century architectural complexes. For complete information and the list of these sites in the Alpes-Maritimes, consult: [www.paca.culture.gouv.fr](http://www.paca.culture.gouv.fr).
THE PORT
The Nice-Villefranche port is the second Mediterranean cruise port. Surrounded by 18th-century buildings in the Genoese style, it is actually named Port Lympia. The architectural complex seems inspired by the Italian Renaissance and influenced by the baroque urban planning of Turin.

Place Ile-de-Beauté (J5)
Aligned symmetrically on either side of the church of Notre-Dame du Port (Church of the Immaculate Conception), the buildings and houses on the square form an exemplary complex in the Neoclassical style. Also called ‘Place du Port’, its harbour is the main link between France and Corsica.

War Memorial
PLACE GUYNEMER (I5)
At the foot of the Castle Hill, where Nice was born, the War Memorial was inaugurated in 1928 in the old quarries cut into the sides of the hill, in honour of the 4,000 people of Nice who died in World War I (1914-1918).

Quai Rauba Capeu
EASTERN END OF PROMENADE DES ANGLAIS (I5)
At the foot of the Castle Hill, Promenade des Anglais becomes Quai des États-Unis along the old town, then Rauba Capeu, which offers one of the finest vistas on the Mediterranean Sea and the beautiful blue and ochre nuances along Promenade des Anglais. The latest renovation of Quai Rauba Capeu was awarded the ‘Prix de l’Architecture’ 2004, in the urban renewal category.

USEFUL INFORMATION:
The sundial
On Quai Rauba Capeu which links Promenade des Anglais to the Port, a most unusual sundial gives the time thanks to the shadow of the human head.
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**CIMIEZ**

**Former hotel Régina**  
71 bd de Cimiez (I2)  
This former hotel was built in 1896 for English aristocrats and essentially Queen Victoria; construction took only eighteen months. With its impressive majestic silhouette, it bears witness to the splendours of the Belle Époque.

**Franciscan Church & Monastery of Cimiez**  
AV. DU MONASTÈRE (J2)  
On the site of a Benedictine chapel, the church was later part of a Franciscan convent and became the site of a popular pilgrimage in the 16th century. The church houses three key works by the gothic painter Louis Brea of Nice and a monumental altarpiece of carved gilded wood.

**Monastery of Cimiez square**  
The Franciscan cross on the square is a copy of the original inside the church dated 1477. The marble cross 5.80 metres high bears several finely carved figures including the Seraph described in Saint Francis of Assisi’s visions.

**Monastery of Cimiez cemetery**  
AV. DU MONASTÈRE (J2)  
Raoul Dufy, Roger Martin du Gard and Henri Matisse are buried in this cemetery which has many surprising monuments in memory of the departed.

**NEIGHBOURING DISTRICTS**

**Saint Nicolas Russian Orthodox Cathedral**  
AV. NICOLAS II (BD TZARÉVITCH) (G4)  
The Saint Nicolas Russian Orthodox Cathedral of Nice was built in the early 20th century near a monument to the deceased tsarevich where many Russian aristocrats lived. This listed historic building is one of the most important outside Russia. Inspired by the Muscovite style, it has a very richly decorated interior with many icons, murals and carved woodwork as well as an iconostasis of embossed metal.

**Sainte-Jeanne d’Arc church**  
11 RUE GRAMMONT (H2)  
A stunning realization made of concrete painted white, the Joan of Arc church was built by the architect Jacques Droz in the early 1930s, with exceptional consistency between the materials, shapes and aesthetic design. The 65-metre bell tower adorned with twisted flames, the three raised domes and the ellipsoidal porch form a fine architectural complex.

**Mont-Alban Fort**  
AVENUE DU MONT-ALBAN (K4)  
Built on a hilltop 222 metres above sea level, the Fort is a massive 16th century structure with bastions and bartizans. It offers an exceptional panorama including Italy (point of Bordighera), Cap d’Ail, Saint-Jean Cap-Ferrat, Baie des Anges, all the way to La Garoupe on Cap Antibes… In perfectly clear weather, it is actually possible to see Corsica. The Fort will soon be dedicated to contemporary art.

**Batterie du Mont-Boron**  
ROUTE FORESTIÈRE DU MONT-BORON (K6)  
The old fort known as ‘Batterie du Mont-Boron’ will soon be renovated by the world-renowned French architect Jean Nouvel, who is famous for the Musée du Quai Branly (Paris), Soho Hotel (New York), the great urban park of Barcelona… to make it into an architectural centre for creativity and research in France, a bridge between heritage and modernity.

**USEFUL INFORMATION:**

One of the hills of Nice, Cimiez owes its name to the amazing height of the trees growing there, so tall that, according to legend, their tops literally caressed the sky.
Discovering Nice
Parks and gardens

PARKS & GARDENS
Nice has preserved its exceptional heritage of parks and gardens: 300 hectares of greenery and many private gardens are an integral part of the urban landscape. It is in no way surprising that Nice is one of the cities with the most flowers and vegetation in France... In the 19th century, the aristocracy of Europe discovered the French Riviera, settled here and, to enhance the parks surrounding their palaces, imported many trees and other plants from distant lands thanks to the mildness of the climate to satisfy their whims and create amazing landscapes with rare species. From the palm trees that have become emblematic of Promenade des Anglais and its historic façades, to the olive trees of the neighbouring hills, Nice is now home to many species that crossed the continents to be reborn here.

CITY CENTRE
“Promenade du Paillon” (H5/I4)
A true green path: there is a 12-hectare park right in the heart of the city, connecting the Museum of Modern Art and Contemporary Art (MAMAC) to the Théâtre de Verdure and the Promenade des Anglais. This vast garden will also be available for events (e.g. art exhibitions, fun activities and large scale events, etc.). A green walkway through the city with games for children, water mirrors and mist sprays.
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From 1/10 to 31/03: 7 am to 9 pm; 01/04 to 30/09: 7 am to 11 pm.

Albert 1er garden
1 Promenade des Anglais (H5)
This is one of the city’s oldest gardens, with many species of palm trees and roses. Arbours of greenery surround the vast stretches of lawn with ponds and fountains. Across from the sea, it extends to Place Masséna, the city’s geographic centre, providing a leafy alleyway over 2km long in the heart of town, reaching to the seafront. This is a vast area for strolling and relaxing with a bandstand and a late-19th-century theatre in the green (Théâtre de Verdure). It hosts many events in summer. ‘L’Arc de Venet - 115°5’, a huge black metal arc 19 metres high, has been there since 1988, a gift of the contemporary artist, Bernar Venet.

Castle Hill Park
Rue des Ponchettes et rue de Foresta / Montée Montfort (I5)
The city’s original site, the Castle Hill once boasted a reputedly impregnable citadel that was entirely dismantled by the soldiers of the French King Louis XIV in 1706. Truly a maze of greenery that has become popular for its cool undergrowth and surprising waterfall, this wonderful place for strolling offers a wonderful viewpoint over Baie des Anges, Old Nice and the Port (orientation table). Spectacular lighting at night. Access on foot from Old Nice and Place Garibaldi, in an Art-Deco lift or by steps (‘escalier Lesage’) at the end of Quai des États-Unis or on the Little Tourist Train (see p.29).
THE HILL OF CIMIEZ

Monastery garden

PLACE DU MONASTÈRE DE CIMIEZ (J2)
Peace and harmony reign here, near the Amphitheatre (Arènes). This 9,550m² park evokes an Italian-style garden: the monks’ former orchard and vegetable garden, it has preserved its original layout around a well with old pergolas entirely covered with climbing roses. The fragrance of a multitude of varieties of flowers fills the air. At the end of the garden, there is striking vista over the city.

Cimiez Gardens and Roman Arena

184 AV. DES ARÈNES DE CIMIEZ (IJ2)
Across from the Monastery of Cimiez, this garden is a vast olive grove, with thousands of centuries-old trees; the lawns are easily accessible to everyone, which makes this a favourite haunt for family outings. Every year, it hosts traditional local events like the May Festival. This broad stretch of greenery also features several interesting tourist sights: Matisse Museum, the Monastery of Cimiez with its church and cloister, Archaeology Museum and Roman ruins.

NEIGHBOURING DISTRICTS

Chambrun park

RUE GEORGE SAND (H1)
Located in the residential district of Saint-Maurice, in the northern part of Nice, where the street names celebrate the names of great 19th century poets, this park is renowned for its calm and its music pavilion - called the Temple of Love or Temple of Diana, a little masterpiece of Belle-Époque architecture.

Valrose park

AV. SAINT-LAMBERT (H2)
A former aristocratic estate, Parc Valrose still boasts a splendid Château. This is the only ‘Second-Empire’ park in Nice to have kept its original 10 hectares of grounds, where the Sciences Division of the University of Nice has been located since 1961, one of the most beautiful campuses in Europe. Along with rare trees, it also features a genuine Russian isba made of fir wood and shipped by sea from Odessa and reassembled on the site. Like several other major landmarks (the Russian Orthodox Cathedral, the Fine Arts Museum...), it is a reminder of the presence of Russian aristocrats on the Riviera in the mid-19th century.

Eco Vallée Park

PLAINE DU VAR (A2)
This area of parkland extends over 1.6 hectares at the heart of the Var Plain. Situated near the Allianz Riviera stadium, Nice Council’s former horticultural nursery has been totally renovated and is now open to the public. Nearly 500 trees have been planted, belonging to twenty different species, to maintain the new landscaped garden’s original style. Walkers can now stroll along the botanical path, discover the plants and have lunch in the dedicated picnic areas while families can enjoy the recreational lawn areas.
Winter: 8:30 am to 6:00 pm. Summer (from April): from 8:30 am to 8:00 pm.

Vigier park

BD FRANCK PILATTE (J5)
Located near the Port, this 10,000m² Mediterranean garden open on the sea offer a wide range of exceptional trees, two of the most remarkable being the wild date palm (Phœnix zeylanica) and Agathis.

Nice cap

Boulevard Franck Pilatte leads to Félix Rainaud garden [view on the sea and Cap-Ferrat cape]. From there, it is possible to follow the coastal trail for a short walk, or take the steps built in the hillside to climb to the Mont-Boron district.
Access from Vigier Park (J5/6)

Mont-Boron forestal park

ROUTE FORESTIÈRE DU MONT BORON (K6)
11km of marked trails Botanical garden in the heart of a 57-ha Mediterranean forest (Aleppo pine and rare species): from the Mont-Alban Fort, a unique panorama unfolds from Italy to the Esterel Massif, including the Bay of Villefranche, the Cap-Ferrat peninsula, Nice and the mountainous relief of the Alps.

Estienne d’Orves Departmental Nature Reserve (F4)
This 14.6 hectare wooded area occupies a large part of St-Philippe hill. It has been laid out so that the public can enjoy pretty views of the town and sea.
Access: 31 av. Honoré d’Estienne d’Orves
Discovering Nice

Parks and gardens

■ Vinaigrier park (K4)

At the eastern end of the city, this stretch of greenery reveals a unique panorama on Baie des Anges. Owned by the Conservatoire du Littoral, this Park is the starting point for a botanical trail that leads to the Col de Villefranche-sur-Mer, which is home to dense varied fauna. The flora benefits from exceptional soil conditions and exposure that further the development of rare species. Access from the Grande Corniche, after the Observatory.

■ Departemental natural park of "la Grande Corniche" (HP/K1)

This 660-hectare park occupies several communes and offers a breathtaking view from San Remo (Italy) to Saint-Tropez (Var) and sometimes, when the visibility is ideal, it is even possible to see Corsica on the horizon. This site is home to 450 plant species as well as interesting fauna, including large birds of prey and rare bird species and many mammals. Access from the A8 motorway, (La Turbie exit) or RD 2564.

■ Botanical garden

78 AV. DE LA CORNICHE-FLEURIE (C5)
+33 (0)4 92 29 41 80 - www.nice.fr

This garden offers a remarkable view on the mouth of the Var River and a vast panorama from the Alps to the Esterel Massif. This 3ha garden features 3 000 varieties essentially Mediterranean plants. Certain tropical species are constantly in bloom. What makes its originality lies in the reconstruction of typical Mediterranean landscapes. National collections of sage and agave approved by the Conservatoire des Collections Végétales Spécialisées (Conservatory of specialised plant collections). Officially recognised by the Botanical Gardens of France and Francophone Countries, it was recently granted the 'Remarkable Garden' label. Open every day. Admission free. From 01/11 to 31/03: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm - From 01/04 to 30/10: 9:00 am to 7:00 pm. Free guided tour by appointment (approx 1.30 hrs)

■ Phoenix park

405 Promenade des Anglais (C7/8)
+33 (0)4 92 29 77 00 - www.nice.fr

Across from the city, this 7-hectare park at the western entrance to Nice is ideal for a moment of relaxation and change of scene. It offers many activities and exhibitions on Nature all year long, with:
• Some twenty theme gardens display 2,500 plant species.

• A lake, where a hundred birds - ducks, pelicans, black swans - live together in peace and in which are reflected the white marble façades of the Asian Arts Museum designed by the Japanese architect Kenzo Tange.

• One of the largest greenhouses in Europe: the 'Green Diamond', that takes visitors through seven different tropical climates to discover several thousand rare plant species, including tree ferns, an orchid collection... and many more plants.

• Other areas display sharks, rays, spectacle caimans, iguanas and free-flying exotic birds.

From 1/04 to 30/09: 9:30 am to 7:30 pm; 01/10 to 31/03, 9:30 am to 6:00 pm. Open every day - Price: €3 (free for children under 12).

■ THE HILLS OF NICE
14km of trails to discover the countryside.

■ Vinaigrier trail

ROUTE FORESTIÈRE DU MONT-BORON (K5/6)

At the eastern end of the city, this stretch of greenery reveals a unique panorama on Baie des Anges. Access: Chemin du Vinaigrier, then Chemin de la Compagnie Générale des Eaux and steps to the trail.

■ Gairaut canal trail

AVENUE DE RIMIEZ (J0)

A lovely stroll under the olive and fig trees along an old canal, a favourite haunt for joggers.
Access: Avenue de Gairaut, then Ancien Chemin de Gairaut near the Cascade.

■ Gairaut waterfall

AVENUE DE GairaUT (H0)

The picturesque waterfall of Gairaut and its chalet commemorate the opening in 1883 of the canal bringing the waters of the Vésubie River to Nice. The chalet stands atop artificial rocks structuring a broad waterfall dropping into a perfectly symmetrical pool.

■ THE COAST

■ The coastal trail (K6)

This sporty hike through a protected wilderness, on irregular ochre-coloured terrain, along steps cut in the bedrock and wooden footbridges, provides an opportunity to discover the splendours of the coast.
Start from Coco Beach or the Basse Corniche via the steps at La Pointe des Sans-Culotte. It is important to wear hiking shoes, 45 min return trip.
MUSEUMS, GALLERIES & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

USEFUL INFORMATION:
Nice has some twenty municipal museums & galleries, a large number of private contemporary art galleries & artists’ studios.

NATIONAL MUSEUM
National Marc Chagall Museum
AV. DU DOCTEUR MÉNARD/ANGLE BD DE CIMIEZ (13)
✆ +33 (0)4 93 53 87 20 - www.musee-chagall.fr

The national Marc Chagall museum, was created by the artist’s will to bring together in one purpose-built place his most important biblical works: the 17 paintings which make up the Biblical Message.

The permanent collection is the biggest public collection of works by Marc Chagall. It is organized around the set of works produced by the painter on the Old Testament themes, supplemented by a large number of works of secular or religious inspiration: over 400 painting, gouaches, drawings, wash drawings and pastels. The museum offers the visitor a first room containing twelve large-size paintings illustrating the first two books of the Old Testament, Genesis and Exodus. In a second, smaller hexagonal room are five compositions on the theme of the Song of Songs, another Old Testament book.

Price for the permanent collection: €8
Reduced price (for young people age 18 to 25): €6
Temporary exhibition rates on request. Free admission granted on the 1st Sunday of each month and to EU residents under 26. Every day, May to October 10:00 am to 6:00 pm & November to April 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.
Closed Tuesday & some holidays.
Head-phones available.
DÉPARTEMENT MUSEUM
Asian Arts Museum
405 Promenade des Anglais (C8)
☎ +33 (0)4 92 29 37 00 - www.arts-asiatiques.com
Standing in the artificial lake in Parc Phoenix, in a building of white marble and glass designed by the Japanese architect Kenzo Tange, the Asian Arts Museum evokes the spirit of the main civilizations of Asia, India, Southeast Asia, China and Japan through both classical and contemporary works. Temporary exhibitions, as well as performances and other activities, like the famous ‘tea ceremony’ illustrate the Museum’s creativity.
Every day, from May to mid-October, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, and from mid-October to the end of April, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, except Tuesday & some holidays. Guided tour for individuals 3rd Saturday of the month €4 per person.

MUNICIPAL MUSEUMS
The museums are open daily from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm (except Prieuré du Vieux-Logis). Closed Mondays or Tuesdays and some public holidays: 25th December, 1st January, Easter Sunday and 1st May.
Admission prices: Individual ticket: €10 giving access to all museums & galleries (valid 48 hrs). Ticket 7 Days: €20 access to all municipal museums & galleries for 7 days, guided individual visit (supplement): Information from Museums and: www.nice.fr/fr/culture

Museum of Modern & Contemporary Art
Place Yves Klein (I4)
☎ +33 (0)4 97 13 42 01 - www.mamac-nice.org
The MAMAC collections, with nearly 400 works, illustrate the key role of Nice in the development of groundbreaking movements from the 1960s and 1970s to the present: New Realists (César, Arman, Niki de Saint-Phalle), Pop Art (Andy Warhol, Tom Wesselmann), Fluxus (Ben Vautier), Minimal and Conceptual Art, School of Nice, Supports-Surfaces, as well as more solitary figures associated with Nice, like Ernest Pignon-Ernest and Gilli. The Museum hosts many temporary exhibitions. Closed Monday.

Anatole Jakovsky International Museum of Naïve Art
Château Sainte-Hélène - av. de Fabron (E5)
☎ +33 (0)4 93 71 78 33 - www.nice.fr/fr/culture
Thanks to sizeable donations from Anatole and Renée Jakovsky, guided tours through the International Museum of Naïve Art are able to provide a unique overview of the history of naïve painting from the 18th century to the present. Works by Rousseau, Bauchant, Bombois, Rimbert, Séraphine, as well as painters from Croatia, Haiti, Brazil...
Closed Tuesday.

Museum of Archeology - site of Nice-Cemenelum
160 av. des Arènes (I2)
☎ +33 (0)4 93 81 59 57 - www.nice.fr/fr/culture
Cemenelum was proclaimed the capital of Alpes-Maritimaee, an ancient Roman Province, in 14 BC by the Emperor Augustus, was. The ruins that can be visited include the amphitheatre (arènes) and baths (3rd century AD), as well as paved streets and a Palaeo-Christian complex (5th century AD).
The museum, inaugurated in January 1989, displays collections ranging from the Bronze Age (1100 BC) to the Middle Ages: ceramics, glass, coins, jewellery, sculptures, tools...
Closed Tuesday.

Museum of Archeology - site of Terra Amata
25 bd Carnot (J5) ☎ +33 (0)4 93 55 59 93 - www.nice.fr/fr/culture
With a campsite occupied by elephant hunters 400,000 years ago, reconstructed prehistoric habitats, plaster casts.
Closed Tuesday.

Museum of Natural History
60 bis bd Risso (I4) - ☎ +33 (0)4 97 13 46 80 - www.mhnice.org
Founded in the mid-19th century, the Museum of Natural History is truly the memory of Mediterranean Nature, the better to understand regional biodiversity: a heritage to help protect the environment, with over a million botanical, zoological and geological specimens.
Closed Monday.
Matisse Museum
164 AV. DES ARENÈES (12)
☎ +33 (0)4 93 81 08 08 - www.musee-matisse-nice.org
In a fully renovated Genoese villa set in the olive grove in the Cimiez Gardens, this single-artist museum follows the artistic development of the painter who lived in Nice from 1917 to his death in 1954. The collection is of interest for the overview that it offers, from the first paintings in 1890 to the gouache drawings that Matisse produced at the end of his life, and for its presentation of all the techniques the artist used to express his art. The museum also houses the artist’s personal objects, thus offering a more private view of his work.
Closed Tuesday.

Masséna Museum
65 RUE DE FRANCE ET 35 PROMENADE DES ANGLAIS (G5)
☎ +33 (0)4 93 91 19 10 - www.nice.fr/fr/culture
Listed in the Historic Monuments inventory, the Villa Masséna is an architectural jewel in a tree-lined setting on the Promenade des Anglais that presents the history of Nice in the 19th Century.
Closed Tuesday.

Lascaris Palace
15 RUE DROITE (15)
☎ +33 (0)4 93 62 72 40 - www.nice.fr/fr/culture
The residence of the Lascaris-Vintimille family from 1657 to the French Revolution, this listed historic building was restored after 1963 to become a museum. Decorated in the Genoese Baroque style, this palatial home has preserved its monumental staircase, murals and luxuriously decorated rooms. An apothecary’s shop (originally in Besançon), dated 1738, has been installed on the ground floor, while the state rooms are on the second floor. It also houses a fine collection of ancient musical instruments retracing much of the history of music.
Closed Tuesday.

Prieuré du Vieux-Logis
59 AV. SAINT-BARTHÉLÉMY (G1)
☎ +33 (0)4 93 91 19 10 - www.nice.fr/fr/culture
“Le Prieuré” houses collections of medieval religious art and a set of day-to-day objects and furniture.
Closed Tuesday. Open only by appointment.

Théâtre de la Photographie et de l’Image
27 BD DUBOUCHAGE (I4) - (OCTOBER 2016 : NEW LOCATION)
☎ +33 (0)4 97 13 42 20 - www.tpi-nice.org
Exhibition rooms offer exhibition opportunities for all trends, from photojournalism to art photography, from “straight photography” to digital images: portraits, landscapes, reporting, applied photography... Documentation centre, bookshop, multimedia.
10:00 am to 6:00 pm. Closed Monday.

MUNICIPAL GALLERIES
The municipal galleries are dedicated exclusively to temporary exhibitions of contemporary art.
Admission prices: Individual ticket: €10 giving access to all museums & galleries (valid 48 hrs). Ticket 7 Days : €20 access to all municipal museums & galleries for 7 days, guided individual visit (supplement): Information from Galleries and: www.nice.fr/fr/culture

Galerie de la Marine
59 QUAI DES ÉTATS-UNIS (I4)
☎ +33 (0)4 93 91 92 90 - www.nice.fr/fr/culture
10:00 am to 6:00 pm - Closed Monday & some holidays.

Galerie des Ponchettes
77 QUAI DES ÉTATS-UNIS (I4)
☎ +33 (0)4 93 62 31 24 - www.nice.fr/fr/culture
Attached to the MAMAC (See p.24).
10:00 am to 6:00 pm - Closed Monday & some holidays.

Espace Ferrero
PLACE GAUTIER (I5)
☎ +33(0)4 93 13 24 82 - www.nice.fr/fr/culture
This space is home to a donation gifted to the City of Nice by Jean Ferrero in 2013 which includes works by some of the most famous artists on Nice’s art scene, such as Arman, Ben and César.
10:00 am to 6:00 pm. Closed Tuesday & some holidays.
Discovering Nice
Museums, galleries and cultural activities

**Libraries**

- **La grande bibliothèque Louis Nucéra**
  2 Place Yves Klein (14) - ☏️ +33 (0)4 97 13 48 00 - www.bmvr-nice.com.fr
  Located in the extension of the Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art Modern, the library occupies a vast 10,000m² area on a single level dominated by a huge square head devised by the sculptor Sacha Sosno. It houses over 200,000 documents freely available to the public (books, periodicals, CDs, CD-Rom, DVDs, musical scores).
  Admission free. Tuesday & Wednesday, 10:00 am to 7:00 pm; Thursday & Friday, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm; Saturday, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm; Sunday, 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm from October to June. July & August, Tuesday to Saturday, 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Closed Monday.

**Other Exhibition Venues**

- **Franciscan Museum**
  Place du Pape Jean-Paul II (12) - ☏️ +33 (0)4 93 81 00 04 - www.nice.fr/fr/culture
  Church & Monastery of Cimiez
  An evocation of the life of Franciscan friars in Nice from the 13th to the 18th century, an illustration of Saint Francis of Assisi’s spiritual and social message, paintings, sculptures, prints, illuminated manuscripts, murals, chapel and reconstructed cells...
  10 am to 12 am and 3 pm to 5:30 pm. Closed Sunday & some holidays.

- **Villa Arson - School of Fine Arts & National Contemporary Art Centre**
  20 AV. Stephen Liegeard (G1) - ☏️ +33 (0)4 92 07 73 73 - www.villa-arson.org
  A 19th-century villa surrounded by contemporary architecture, Villa Arson is a listed “20th-century monument,” an experiment in the art of living through its many exhibitions and well worth discovering. Free, unrestricted access (during exhibition periods). Open to the public from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm from July to September and from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm from October to June. Closed Tuesday.

- **National Sport Museum**
  BD DES JARDINERS - STADE ALLIANZ RIVIERA (A2) - ☏️ +33 (0)4 89 22 44 00 - www.museedusport.fr
  Relive the greatest sporting exploits of each era through an innovative and immersive trail. Devoted to sport in all of its different forms, the Museum is open to all. Its collection of objects bear testimony to sport’s finest hours, whisking visitors away on a journey through the museum’s 2,000 m² of exhibitions.
  01/10-30/04: from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm - 01/05-30/09: from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm. Thursday evening at 9:00 pm. Closed Monday.
  Price: €6 for one exhibition, €8 for two exhibitions (permanent + temporary). Free for children under age 18 and disabled persons. Half-price for students, groups and families.

- **Astrorama**
  Route de la Revère - Eze - ☏️ +33 (0)4 93 85 85 58 - www.astrorama.net
  Located near Nice, on a belvedere between the sea and the mountains, visitors to the Astrorama can view the sky through binoculars and telescopes.
  From April to November included, Friday and Saturday. In July and August, every evening except Sunday and Monday.

- **Observatory**
  Grande Corniche (K1) - www.oca.eu
  The Observatory complex offers remarkable scientific, historical & natural heritage. Built by Charles Garnier (of the Paris Opéra), it boasts in particular Europe’s largest sliding dome designed by Gustave Eiffel.
  Walking tour (2km) on Wednesday and Saturday at 2:45 pm. Register on the website.

- **Grotte du Lazaret**
  33 Bis Bd Franck Pilatte (J5) - ☏️ +33 (0)4 92 00 17 37 - www.lazaret.unice.fr
  Located at the foot of Mont Boron, the cave is 35 metres long and 4 to 14 metres wide. It was listed as a Historic Monument in 1963.

- **Maison de l’environnement**
  31 AV Castellane (K1) - ☏️ +33 (0)4 97 07 24 60 - www.nice.fr/fr/culture
  An information point on the environment to stir interest and provide information on various themes, such as the environment, selective sorting, water quality... “La Maison de l’Environnement” also organizes exhibition and lectures, as well as many festivities and activities.
  From Tuesday to Friday: 9:00 am to 6:00 pm[1:00 pm Saturday]. Closed Tuesday.

- **L’art en mouvement**
  20 RUE EMANUEL PHILIBERT - ☏️ +33(0)9 52 55 95 64 - www.l-art-en-mouvement.com
  Gallery- Shop - Restaurant - Museum mechanical theaters.
**WALKING TOURS**

**"Discover the heart of Nice"**- Tour of the Old Town:
Tour of the narrow streets of the old town to discover its sights, history, Baroque churches and picturesque markets. General presentation from the ancient Greeks to the present, highlighting the Belle Époque and the Baroque period. The colourful tour is punctuated with anecdotes to bring back to life past events and persons.
Duration: approx 2.30 hrs - Saturdays at 9:30 am year round. Departure in front of the Convention & Visitors Bureau - 5 Promenade des Anglais
Languages: French - English - Price: €12 for adults, €6 for children.
Guided tour non available in January
Reservations at the Nice Convention & Visitors Bureau [see p.63].
☎ +33(0)4 92 14 46 14 - www.nicetourisme.com

**"Heritage Centre" guided tours**
14 RUE JULES GILLY (15)
Open Monday to Thursday, 8:30 am to 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm (Friday: 3:45 pm).
☎ +33 (0)4 92 00 41 90 - www.nice.fr/fr/culture
Every day (except public holidays) the Centre du Patrimoine (Heritage Centre) offers guided tours on a variety of themes: "Palais des Rois Sardes, Nice Art-Déco, "Colline du Château"...
Walks lasting approximately 2 hours.
**Bookings only via the Centre du Patrimoine:**
http://centredupatrimoinevdn.getaticket.com

**"Heritage Centre" site visits**
Booking: Centre du Patrimoine: ☎ +33(0)4 92 00 41 90
or http://centredupatrimoinevdn.getaticket.com

- **Nice's archeological crypt**
  PLACE JACQUES TOJA
  Nice’s archeological crypt is an immense underground area of 2,000 sqm located underneath the Place Garibaldi.
  French Guided visits Wednesday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday at 2 pm, 3 pm, 4 pm- Booking required.

- **Le Fort du Mont-Alban**
  Guided tour and presentation of the daily lives of soldiers.
  Meet in front of the fort. 04/07-02//10/2016: everyday at 2.30 pm & 4 pm except Wednesday.
“Discovery loops”

The town of Nice has designed an entertaining booklet entitled “Nice in 8 Discovery loops”, a genuine invitation to take a stroll and discover Nice and its architectural, historical and plant heritage. The pedestrian tours are accessible to all. Available from the Maison de l’Environnement, in the annexes of the Town Hall or on http://www.nice.fr/Tourisme/Decouvrez-Nice/Boucles-decouvertes

A Taste of Nice Tour

+33 (0)6 19 99 95 22 - www.atasteofnice.com
Sample the unique flavour of Nice with one of the “Taste of Nice Food Tours”.

Trèsnice

+33 (0)4 93 54 64 98 - https://tresnicetours.fr/
Guided walking tour (in english).
Daily: 9.30 am -2 hrs -no booking

Tours of Nice

+33(0)6 62 24 84 17 - www.toursofnice.com
A guided tour leading you through Nice’s historic squares and little winding streets.
Every day from 11am (tour in English) and 2pm (tour in Italian). 2hrs.
Meet at the Fontaine du Soleil, Place Masséna (participants are asked to arrive 10 minutes before the start). 2hrs.

Nice Food & Wine Tours

+33(0)7 62 09 11 50 - www.nicefoodandwinetours.com
Gastronomic adventures in Nice’s Old Town, indulging in delicious local specialities. 3 hrs. Booking required.

The French Way-Food Tours

+33 (0)6 27 35 13 75
Discover everything you need to know about the famous Niçoise cuisine on this gastronomic and cultural tour of the beautiful Nice Old Town.
From 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Closed Monday.

“Aventures sur La Côte - Chasse au Trésor”

30 RUE F. PASSY (G4) - +33 (0)6 44 06 12 71 - www.chasse-tresor.fr
An entertaining, instructive treasure hunt for children and adults.

Nice au rythme de ses façades

+33(0)6 25 07 08 23 - www.facades-de-nice.fr
Guided walking tours of Nice’s different districts to introduce you to its variety of façades.
Runs for 1.5 to 2 hours.

French riviera sightrunning

1 AV CAP DE CROIX
+33(0)6 24 66 68 80 - www.frenchrivierasightrunning.com
Guided tours led by national lecturer and interpreter guides.

LOL-Photo

194 CHEMIN DU CLAOUT - TOURRETTE-LEVENS
+33 (0)6 31 35 04 28 - www.lolphoto06.com
2-hour, 1/2 day or whole-day photography tours to explore the Nice region, from sea to mountains. The tours are led professional photographers (1 photographer for 4 people).

Nice le Grand Tour

Tour of Nice from the top of a double-decker bus.
This original means of transport combined with guided tours in 9 languages, offers the possibility of getting on and off the bus at each of the stops. Discover the city from the top, with the cornices and ornaments of architecture from the Belle Époque or other periods, to enjoy unique vistas along the way or treat yourself to a culture break at the Matisse or Chagall Museums both serviced by bus.
Tour duration 1h30 (non stop). 13 possible stopping points. Available all year round. Two buses are accessible.

• Main stop: 4, av. des Phocéens (H5)
High season: departures every 30 min., from April to October.
First tour leaves at 10:00 am. Last tour leaves at 6:00 pm
Low season: departures every hour from November to March.
First tour leaves at 10:00 am. Last tour leaves at 5:00 pm.
Pick up your €1 discount voucher from the Convention & Visitors Bureau reception desks [see p.63].
Buy your tickets from the driver.

• Nice le GrandTour By Night
Every Thursday & Saturday from June to September starting at 9:05 pm in front of the Royal Hotel (Av. des Phocéens: 9pm) on the Promenade des Anglais, join the Nice by night walking tour (duration 50 minutes).
Bookings can be made before 7:00 pm at the Convention & Visitors Bureau, 5 Promenade des Anglais, or tickets can be purchased directly from the driver 15 minutes before departure. Prices Adults: €15 - Children (4-11): €8
+33 (0)4 92 29 17 00 - www.nice.opentour.com
Nice, a natural brilliance

FRENCH RIVIERA PASS

VISIT MORE OF THE COTE D'AZUR. SPEND LESS!

Designed to offer maximum opportunities, the French Riviera Pass offers access throughout the period of validity to:

- “Nice le Grand Tour” on an open top deck bus
- Nice Tourist Trains
- Segway, Casino Barrière, Cave Bianchi, Domaine de Toasc, Parc Phœnix, Musée National du Sport, Stade Allianz, Observatoire, Crypte, Cathédrale Orthodoxe Russe, Nice Car, Trans Côte d’Azur, My Nice Excursion...
- Free entrance to major sights of the French Riviera:
  - Nice: Musée national Marc Chagall, Musées: Matisse, MAMAC & Ponchettes, Masséna, Lascaris, Archéologie Cimiez/Terra Amata, Beaux-Arts, Art Naïf, Histoire Naturelle, Théâtre Photographie & Image, Espace Ferrero, Galerie de la Marine, Villa Arson...
  - Antibes: Marineland (pass 72h uniquement), Musées: Picasso, Peynet, Archéologie, Fort carré
  - Beaulieu: Villa Kérylos
  - Biot: Musée national Fernand Léger
  - Cagnes-sur-Mer: Château-Musée Grimaldi, Musée Renoir
  - Cannes: Planaria, Trans Côte d’Azur
  - Cap-d’Ail: Villa Les Camélias
  - Eze: Jardin exotique, Astrorama, Parfums Galimard
  - La Turbie: Trophée d’Auguste
  - Monaco: Jardin Exotique, Musée Océanographique, Grimaldi Forum, Nouveau Musée National de Monaco
  - Mougins: Musée d’Art Classique (MACM)
  - St-Jean Cap Ferrat: Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild
  - Villefranche-sur-Mer: Vieille Ville & Citadelle
  - Surrounding area: Parc Alpha, les loups du Mercantour

- Various guided tours
- Gifts, reductions and special offers in numerous boutiques, restaurants and other venues during a one-month period starting from the date the card is used for the first time
- A practical guide to help you make the most of your stay.
- Transport option €4/day.

SALES
- Nice Convention & Visitors Bureau
- 5 Promenade des Anglais
- Promenade du Paillon
- Railway station SNCF, av. Thiers
- www.frenchrivierapass.com
- Available in certain hotels, at the Airport and and other points.

POINTS
- Ebeke Riviera Tours
  7 RUE MASSÉNA (H4) - +33 (0)6 29 02 42 78 - www.ebike-riviera.com
  Enjoy an effortless ride to the finest view on the Riviera with these guided tours of Nice on an electric bike.

- Nice Azur Visit
  7 RUE DU CHÂTEAU (I5) - +33 (0)6 23 42 40 73 - www.nice-azur-visit.com
  Guided tours of the city on foot or by bicycle. Dynamic, surprising and unique tours. A wealth of historical and cultural knowledge combined with sporting activities.

- Holland Bikes
  2 RUE BLACAS (H4) - +33 (0)9 63 06 00 76 - www.hollandbikes.com
  Discover Nice comfortably installed on your Dutch bike!
  A 3 hour bike ride tour (except Monday & Sunday).
  Departure: 10 am and 2 pm.

Tourist Trains
+33 (0)6 08 55 08 30 - www.trainstouristiquesdenice.com
Departure every day from the Promenade des Anglais, across from jardin Albert-1er (H5) for a 50-min guided tour, in 8 languages: tour of the Old Town, Flower Market, Place Masséna, Place Garibaldi, yachting harbour... 10-minute stop at the top of the Castle Hill to admire the superb panorama over Baie des Anges - and back.
June-September: from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm. October-March: from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. April-May: from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.
Not available in January. Price Adults: €10 - Children: €5.

Le Cyclopolitain
Allo Cyclo: +33 (0)4 93 81 76 15 - nice.cyclopolitain.com
Try a new and original way to explore the city: our electric tricycles, with your own driver.
Every day: from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm. Guided tours (30 min or 60 min).
Discovering Nice
Organised guided visits

Fatbike Tour
23 BD CARNOT - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm - 7/7 (season).
☎ +33(0)6 88 35 41 51 - www.fatbiketour.com
Electric bike rides to explore the region.

Le Carrosse – The Original Rickshaw
☎ +33(0)6 67 64 36 69 - 7/7
Tuk-tuk carriage with a quirky, vintage carriage design.
Book by phone

Happymoov’ Nice
☎ +33(0)6 52 77 39 33 - www.happymoov.com
Nice City tour by electric bicycle rickshaw.
A guided tour with an original commentary by the “Happy Drivers”.
On booking. Duration: 30 mn or 1h. Monday to Saturday.

Segway - Mobilboard Nice
Gyropod Segway® tours
2 RUE HALÉVY (H5)
☎ +33 (0)4 93 80 21 27 - www.mobilboard.com
Set out to discover Nice on a Segway Personal Transporter, the latest, modern, environmentally friendly electric vehicle. The initiation takes place on the Promenade des Anglais.
Minimum 2 persons - children from 14 years accompanied by an adult (minimum weight 45kg/99lbs maximum 118 kg/260 lbs).
Reservation required.
Times: From September to June: from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm and from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
July and August: from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm and from 2:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Nice Car
2 RUE HALÉVY - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm
☎ +33(0)4 93 16 90 36 - www.nice-car.fr
Fun trails to discover Nice.
Guided tours by GPS with audio-guide system. 2 car seats, simple driving with a handlebar.

2CV Escapade
7 PLACE ÎLE DE BEAUTÉ (J5)
+33 (0)6 52 01 30 40 - www.2cv-escapade.com
Be tempted by a unique and original experience aboard a legendary convertible French car with a commentary by a multilingual driver.

Trans Côte d’Azur
QUAI LUNEL (J5)
☎ +33 (0)4 92 00 42 30 - www.trans-cote-azur.com
From Cap de Nice to the Promenade des Anglais, boat trip via the famous bay of Villefranche, you will marvel at the gorgeous scenery.
Duration: approx. 1h. Every day (except Mondays) from April to October: coastal walk.
From June to September: the other excursions. Reservation required.

Nice Boat Tour
1 PASSAGE EMILE NÉGRIN
☎ +33(0)6 29 02 42 78 - www.boat-tour.fr
A Trip to discover the French Riviera by boat.

GUIDED TOURS ON A MINIBUS
Tours are available for groups ranging from 2 to 8 persons, beginning from the hotel or any other meeting point to be defined with the service provider.

TOURS ON REQUEST
Tour guides organise tours in various languages for individuals and groups.
Information: Office du Tourisme et des Congrès de Nice
☎ +33 (0)4 92 14 46 14 - www.nicetourisme.com

USEFUL INFORMATION:
Essential Nice
Nice by bike (Easy: 6 kms/2 hours)
Flash this code & get the routes

Book your tour online - http://booking.nicetourisme.com
“CUISINE NISSARDE” LABEL
To highlight the authenticity of the cuisine of Nice, the label ‘Cuisine Nissarde, respect de la Tradition’, was created by Nice Convention and Visitors bureau. This label is awarded to restaurants featuring selected traditional recipes in their menu. A list of affiliated restaurants is available on: www.nicetourisme.com

Starters
Fleurs de courgettes: fritters, to be eaten warm with tomato sauce.
Pan-bagnat: a small round loaf of white bread, split in two, rubbed with garlic on both slices and filled with lettuce leaves, slices of tomato, radishes, spring onions, celery, purple artichoke hearts, tuna in oil, three anchovy fillets, vinegar, salt, pepper and olive oil.
Pissaladière: Onion tart with anchovy fillets and black olives.
Salade niçoise: Bell pepper, tomato, celery, onion, hard-boiled egg or tuna, black olives of Nice and, according to the season, tiny artichokes and young broad beans.
La socca: A very thin crepe made with chickpea flour and olive oil.

Main courses
Farcis: tomatoes, onions, round courgettes, aubergines, bell peppers, each with their own stuffing.
Ratatouille: tomatoes, bell peppers, aubergines, courgettes, onions and garlic sautéed separately then simmered together.
Raviolis niçois: filled with beef daube (stewed in wine sauce) and chard greens.
Stockfish (estocafic): dried cod, soaked four or five days in running water, then cooked with onions, tomatoes and wine. After simmering for two hours, some anchovies and handful of olives are added.

Desserts
La tourte de blettes: pie made with Swiss chard grown on the hills of Nice and pine nuts.

The wine of Bellet
www.vindebellet.com
Wines that enhance the cuisine of Nice: these AOC (Appellation d’Origine Contrôlée) wines, red, white and rosé, have earned an excellent reputation in particular on the ‘star-studded’ tables of great restaurants in Nice and are made with grapes grown on the hills of Nice, just a 20-minute drive from the city centre. Some producers offer tours of their estates [D1].

Cave Bianchi 1860 - Wine Museum
7 RUE RAOU1 BOSIO - ☏ +33(0)4 93 85 65 79 - www.cave-bianchi.fr
A sample local wines with a sommelier to savour the riches of our territory.

Olives / Olive oil
The AOP ‘olive de Nice’ is grown on a variety of olive tree called the ‘caillietier’ that thrives on the hills of the Alpes-Maritimes. Table olives are kept in brine made with sea salt for six months before being eaten, when they offer their incomparably fine, crisp fruity taste. AOP olive oil from Nice is made with olives picked from November to April, traditionally using the gaulage technique, beating the branches with a long pole. This extra virgin oil is produced in the 27 mills remaining in the département.

The Alziari olive oil mill
318 BD DE LA MADELEINE - ☏ +33 (0)4 93 44 45 12 - www.alziari.com
The Alziari olive oil mill, the one still operating in Nice

Brasserie artisanale
14 AV VILLERMONT - ☏ +33(0)9 73 59 20 30 - www.brasserie-nice.com
100% Nice-brewed craft beer.
The brasserie is located in the Libération district, fully self-sufficient with all brewing stages carried out by hand and on site.
5 pm - 7 pm (Tuesday - Friday) & 10 am - 12 am/4 pm - 7pm (Saturday)

USEFUL INFORMATION:
More Information on Local Products and Souvenirs:
www.en.nicetourisme.com/what-to-do
Like all major international cities, the heart of Nice offers some fifty shops and the most prestigious brands in what is truly a ‘golden square’ (Alphonse Karr, Rue Paradis, av. de Suède & de Verdun): Louis Vuitton, Chanel, Hermès, Cartier, Armani, Ventilo, Façonnable, Lepage, Longchamp, Kenzo, Max Mara, Sonia Rykiel... and many more boutiques displaying elegant creations.

The area of Place Masséna and the neighbouring pedestrian streets offer a succession of famous brands, couturiers, jewellers and luxury boutiques. Avenue Jean-Médecin and its side streets are bustling with activity.

The second store for international customers after Paris, the Galeries Lafayette, whilst consolidating their identity as a mainstay of the Boulevard Haussmann, offer a new design across 13,000 m² and 6 levels, playing host to top labels. A total of 600 brands are represented across a whole range of items. For a coffee break or a convivial lunch, “La Table” provides a breathtaking view of Place Masséna.

Opening times: Monday to Saturday, from 9:30 am to 8:00 pm (10:00 am to 9:00 pm in July and August). Sunday: from 11:00 am to 8:00 pm.

2 car parks close by: Corvésy et Masséna

In the very heart of Nice, on the city’s main street, this urban shopping mall offers 100 shops on 21,000m², for all the pleasure of shopping in spacious contemporary architecture.

Monday to Saturday, 10:00 am to 7:30 pm, 10:00 am to 8:00 pm (July-August). Sunday: 11:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Parking 24h/day.

With over 600 shops, Old Nice is the largest outdoor shopping area on the French Riviera. Many boutiques offer local specialities and typical gifts, in particular around Cours Saleya. Nearby, Place Garibaldi marks the boundary between the old town and the new, opening eastward on Avenue de la République, a bustling street with many shops near the Acropolis Convention Centre.

Cours Saleya is one of the busiest parts of Old Nice with its flower market; many of its products from the greenhouses on the hills of Nice exhale their subtle fragrances dominated by the perfume of mimosa in winter. Fruit & vegetable market: 6.00am to 1.00 pm. Flower market (except Monday & public holidays): 6.00 am to 5.30 pm, Sunday 6.30 am to 1:30 pm.

The fruit and vegetable market was selected by the National Culinary Arts Council as one of France’s most picturesque markets. The antiques market replaces the fruits and vegetables under the striped awnings on Monday from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm except on the eve of holidays, and sale of goods on display on Place Garibaldi on the 3rd Saturday of each month. A summer evening crafts market is held from mid May to mid September 6:00 pm to 0:30 am. Place Saint-François hosts the fish market every morning from 6:00 am to 1:00 pm, except Monday (I4). A marvellous example of success and renovation, Place du Palais de Justice hosts theme markets 7.00am to 5.00pm [summer: 7:00pm]: used & antique books on the 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month, artists & craftsmen on the 2nd Saturday of each month, antique postcards on the 4th Saturday of each month (I5).

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FASHION GALLERY

Mode, déco, accessoires, oeuvres d'arts Sid Dickens et Ibride. À 2 pas du Cours Saleya, une adresse riche de nouvelles tendances...

Fashion, deco, accessories, art by Sid Dickens and Ibride. 2 feet from the "Cours Saleya", an inspiring address for new trends...
Sport and leisure come together in Nice, a seaside city on the Mediterranean, where life is so wonderful, and the temptation of recreational and athletic pursuits is vast and contributes to further enhancing your stay. Whether for water or winter sports, going to the beach or shopping, gambling or nightlife, Nice offers a multitude of pleasures.

Find all these activities on:
www.nicetourisme.com
http://sports.nice.fr - www.cotedazur-tourisme.com
www.departement06.fr - www.randoxygene.org
BEACHES
Over 7km, you can choose from 15 private beaches and 20 public beaches. The water is regularly tested and the quality is generally considered to be very good according to European standards. The different water sports available are clearly marked out. Swimming areas with lifeguards are located between the nautical base at Carras and the tip of Pointe des Ponchettes. All private beaches offer mattresses, parasols, beach huts and showers from April to October and they all have restaurants by the sea. www.plagesdenice.com

Two public beaches have adaptive facilities for easier access to the sea by the disabled: Plage du Centenaire and Plage de Carras beaches. (2-buoy handibeach label). "Audioplage" at Carras (F5), a special beach for visually impaired persons: Four buoys positioned in the sea, each at a distance of 15 metres. Users wearing an emitting device on their wrist can activate the buoys as they move around in the sea. The only requirement is to be a good swimmer.

USEFUL INFORMATION:
4 "NON SMOKING" BEACHES
The Centenaire, the first French beach to promote the "Tobacco free" label. Other non-smoking beaches opposite the Lenval hospital (H5), Ste Hélène & "Bains militaires". For further information: www.nice.fr

WATER SPORTS
These establishments provide a chance to practise various activities on the beaches along Promenade des Anglais.

BOAT-TO WED SPORTS
Glisse Evasion / Blue Beach Watersport
Blue Beach/Neptune (G5 - across from the Hôtel Negresco)
☏ +33 (0)6 10 27 03 91 - www.glisse-evasion.com
Parasailing, waterskiing, boat-towed buoys, fly fishing, kayaking...

Nikaïa Water Sports
Opéra/Beau Rivage (H5 - across from Old Nice)
☏ +33 (0)6 09 16 02 16 - www.nikaiaglisse.com
Parasailing, waterskiing, wakeboarding, fly fishing, boat-towed buoys, canoeing & kayaking.

SEA KAYAK
Azur Kayak Mer
50 bd Franck Pilatte (I5)
☏ +33 (0)6 50 25 18 41 - www.azurkayakmer.com

WATER SPORTS
Liven Up Nice
208 bd du Mercantour (A6)
☏ +33(0)4 93 21 25 12 - www.livenup.fr

L'Aigle Nautique
50 bd Franck Pilatte (I5)
☏ +33 (0)4 93 56 77 99 - www.aiglenautique.org

JET-SKIS & SEA SCOOTERS
Jet Evasion
Plage de Carras (F5)
☏ +33 (0)6 61 45 87 97 / +33 (0)6 98 10 50 62 - www.jetevasion06.com
Beginners, broad selection of discovery outings at sea. June to September.

SCUBA DIVING CLUBS
Centre École de Plongée Le Poséidon (Baptisms and aquatic walks)
Quai Lunel (J5) - ☎ +33 (0)4 92 00 43 86 - www.poseidon-nice.com
May to October

Centre International de Plongée (CIP) Nice (Baptisms)
2 ruelle des Moulins (I5)
☏ +33 (0)4 93 55 59 50 / +33 (0)6 09 52 55 57 - www.cip-nice.com

Nautil Plongée (Baptisms & Snorkelling)
Quai Lunel (J5)
☏ +33 (0)6 09 55 71 45 - www.nautille-diving.com

École de plongée Nice Diving (Baptisms & Snorkelling)
13 quai des deux Emmanuel (J5)
☏ +33(0)9 51 05 51 83 / +33 (0)6 14 46 04 06 - www.nicediving.com
March to mid December.

Centre de Découverte du Monde Marin (Snorkelling)
50 bd Franck Pilatte (J5) - ☎ +33 (0)4 93 55 33 33 - www.cdmm.fr
May to October.
**SPORTING ACTIVITIES**

The region’s fantastic climatic conditions and geography provide make it ideal for a wide variety of disciplines and explain the richness of Nice’s sporting life; organisation of large competitions, very broad sporting offer.

For a comprehensive list of sports activities log on to the city website: [www.nicetourisme.com](http://www.nicetourisme.com)

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**“FAMILLE PLUS LABEL”**

Nice has earned the “Famille Plus” label. The establishments showing the logo have committed themselves to respect the welcome quality criteria (equipment for children, family rates, a special welcome). “Nice with the family” is available at tourist offices and on [www.nicetourisme.com](http://www.nicetourisme.com)

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**USEFUL INFORMATION:**

**SPORTS PORTAL**

The city of Nice has created an interactive web portal available to Nice’s sporting associations and clubs presenting all of the area’s sporting activities. It features a wealth of information, events, articles, photos, videos. [http://sports.nice.fr](http://sports.nice.fr)
**LEISURE PARKS**

**Phoenix park**
405 Promenade des Anglais (C7/8)
✆ +33 (0)4 92 29 77 00 - www.parc-phoenix.org

Across from the city, this 7-hectare park at the western entrance to Nice is ideal for a moment of relaxation and change of scene. It offers many activities and exhibitions on Nature all year long. Admission free for children under age 12. 2 hours free parking at Parking de l’Aréna. (weekends / holidays and in summer).

**ANIMAL PARKS**

**Marineland Parks**
306 av. Mozart - Antibes
✆ +33 (0)892 426 226 - www.marineland.fr

Enter the magical world of Marineland Parks and discover the park’s 4,000 animals. Get up close and personal with a host of different species at Kid’s Island and enjoy the many attractions aimed at our youngest visitors. In the summer, try the slides in the Aquasplash park, from the dizzying to the more mellow. The Adventure Golf in the midst of dinosaur country is perfect for a day or evening out with family or friends. If it’s peace, quiet, a chance to explore and underwater adventures you’re after, spend the day at the Marineland Lagoon, a space dedicated to relaxation and wonderment Night shows (Summer).

**Scénoparc Alpha - Les Loups du Mercantour**
Le Boréon - Saint-Martin Vésubie
✆ +33 (0)4 93 02 33 69 - www.alpha-loup.com

Just an hour’s drive from the coast, in the heart of the Mercantour National Park, a visit with the family for 2 or 3 hours to discover the world of wolves and their story. Thanks to ‘scenovision’ (multisensory shows), discover the time of humans, with four colourful characters who share their knowledge of wolves, before entering the time of wolves through the forest house to meet the inhabitants of this pristine site. 3 packs, 18 wolves. From 10:00 am to 5:00 pm (01/07 - 31/08: 6:00 pm).

**MEETING MARINE MAMMALS**

**Acti Loisirs**
✆ +33 (0)6 01 33 42 68 - www.dauphin-mediterranee.com

A striking experience: an excursion in the Mediterranean Reserve, 4 hours leaving from Villefranche-sur-Mer. June to September on booking.

**AMV**
✆ +33 (0)4 93 76 65 65 - www.amv-sirenes.com

Mediterranean marine mammal photo safari. 4-hour trip departing from Villefranche-sur-Mer. June to September on booking.

**Méditerranée Pêche Découverte**
✆ +33(0)6 09 20 90 20 - www.med-sportfishing.com

Take a trip with the professionals to see the dolphins and whales Transfers and boat trips available on request. Whale and dolphin-watching. Daily departures to Beaulieu sur mer. 1/2 day or full-day. Closed from October to April

**Excursion Vision Sous Marine - Visiobulle**
✆ +33 (0)4 93 67 02 11 - +33 (0)6 36 65 50 08 - www.visiobulle.com

Exploring Cap d’Antibes with an underwater view of Billionaires’ Bay. An excursion with commentary for about 1 hour. (April to September) [Departure: Embarradère Courbet - Juan les Pins].

**OTHER ACTIVITIES**

**Aventure Interactive**
69 RUE DE ROQUEBILLIÈRE - www.aventure-interactive.com

Play the lead in your very own adventure story with this interactive, immersive trail!

**Boulodrome**
Port de Carras - 240 Promenade des Anglais (E6)
To learn to play pétanque - 4 pétanque grounds by the sea open to everyone.

**Kid’s City**
590 bd du Mercantour - Forum Lingostière
✆ +33 (0)4 92 01 10 70 - www.kidscity.fr

700m² of games (ball pool, obstacle course, slides). 10 am to 6.30 pm
Sports and leisure activities
Leisure activities - Nice by night

■ Laser Game Evolution
590 BD du Mercantour - FORUM LINGOSTIÈRE
✆ +33 (0)4 92 29 19 00 - www.lasergame-evolution.com
A fun and friendly gaming area where young and old alike will have the time of their lives. From noon to 11:00 pm from Monday to Saturday and from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm on Sundays.

■ Canyon Forest
PARC DES RIVIERES DE LOUP - VILLENEUVE LOUBET
✆ +33 (0)4 92 02 88 88 - www.canyonforest.com
Adventure trail in an exceptional site nestled between the river and the cliffs! February to November - see opening calendar on the website.

■ Hippodrome Côte d’Azur (racecourse)
BD KENNEDY - CAGNES-SUR-MER
✆ +33 (0)4 92 02 44 44 - www.hippodrome-cotedazur.com
By the sea, the racecourse offers an exceptional panoramic view, a magical 60-hectare site for horse races by day and by night, horse shows and specific events. Restaurants, free parking, children’s playground.

■ Ludi Parc
1401 ROUTE DU PONT DE PIERRE - LA COLLE SUR LOUP
✆ +33(0)4 93 59 14 14 - www.ludiparc.fr
A leisure park and city farm in a peaceful setting between woods and river. 10.30 am - 7.00 pm mid march-mid december

■ Village des Fous
2559 RD 2085 - 06270 VILLENEUVE-LOUBET
✆ +33 (0)4 92 02 06 06 - www.levillagedesfous.com
A leisure park boasting 2 hectares of awesome games for kids and adults alike, as well as a discovery and educational space packed full of surprises. Open from April to November all day on week-ends, public holidays, school holidays and each Wednesday afternoon.

■ BOWLING AND BILLIARDS
■ Bowling / billards Acropolis
5 ESPLANADE KENNEDY [J4]
✆ +33 (0)4 93 55 33 11 - www.bowling-amf.com
With 24 bowling alleys & 9 billiard tables, the Bowling de Nice is one of the largest in France. Open 7day/wk, 1:00 pm to 2:30 am weekdays & 10:00 am to 4:00 am weekends.

■ Académie de billard Louis XI - 22 tables.
45 BD RENÉ CASSIN [D7] - ☏ +33 (0)4 93 72 55 05

■ Billard Club de Nice - French billiards: 13 tables.
35 AV. DU RAY [H1]
✆ +33 (0)4 93 84 49 13 - www.billard-club-de-nice.sitew.com
10.00 am to noon & 14:00 pm to 800 pm
Synday & public holidays: 3.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

■ Le Players Pub - La Boule Noire - Billiards

■ CASINOS
Access to the Casino is reserved for legal adults with valid ID and not banned from gambling.

■ Casino Barrière Le Ruhl Nice
1 PROMENADE DES ANGLAI [H5]
✆ +33 (0)4 97 03 12 22 - www.casinoruhr.com
This legendary casino is truly a shrine to entertainment. For gambling, you can choose from 282 slot machines on a single level, whose Terrace offers a unique gaming area between the sky and sea, an elegant Lounge for table games including Blackjack, English and French roulette and electronic English roulette, a Poker Room featuring cash games and tournaments. Open every day, 9:00 am to 4:00 am (see p.55).

■ Casino du Palais de la Méditerranée
15 PROMENADE DES ANGLAI [H5]
✆ +33 (0)4 92 14 68 00 - www.casinomediterranee.com
An exceptional venue. 194 slot machines, 2 English roulette and 3 Black Jack tables, a concert hall with a capacity of 1,000 people. Open every day, 10:00 am to 3:00 am (4:00 am weekend).

■ NICE BY NIGHT
The golden hues of the morning give way to the powdery mauve of the evening... Aperitif on Cours Saleya or a trendy lounge bar, gastronomic, exotic or trendy dinner, late-night salsa, disco, jazz, cabaret or casino... You can prepare your evening as you like! Cours Saleya, Old Nice, the Port, the Pedestrian Area and the city centre: within this perimeter, you will find a concentration and variety of theme bars, clubs, discotheques and lounge bars to make merry until the early hours of the morning.
www.nicetourisme.com
From Nice, along the tiny winding roads of the hinterland or the legendary busy roads along the sea, you can discover the splendid coastal towns, lovely perched villages, rugged valleys, natural parks, towering mountains... The surroundings of Nice are brimming with ideas for outings and unexpected discovery.
MÉTROPOLE NICE CÔTE D’AZUR
COASTAL TOWNS
BEAULIEU-SUR-MER
Tourist Bureau
✆ +33 (0)4 93 01 02 21 – www.otbeaulieusurmer.com
Sights: the commune’s wealth of Belle Époque heritage, the Greek Kerylos villa, listed as a historic monument, and its Mediterranean garden. Tours unguided or with an audio-guide.

CAP D’AIL
Tourist Bureau
✆ +33 (0)4 93 78 02 33 – www.cap-dail.com
Sights: its rocky promontories and luxuriant parks and gardens, maritime pines with Mediterranean fragrances, Belle-Époque villas, gardens, beaches; a coastal trail offers a particularly pleasant walk with a panoramic view.

SAINT-JEAN-CAP-FERRAT
Tourist Bureau
✆ +33 (0)4 93 76 08 90 – www.saintjeancapferrat-tourisme.fr
Sights: the village, the harbour, Sainte-Hospice Chapel (18th century) and the Black Madonna, Villa Ephrussi-de-Rothschild and its theme gardens, Museum of Shells.

VILLEFRANCHE-SUR-MER
Tourist Bureau
✆ +33 (0)4 93 01 73 68 – www.villefranche-sur-mer.com
Sights: the Bay, 16th-century citadel and the Volti Museum, the harbour and its colourful façades, Saint-Pierre Chapel, the old town, Rue Obscure. Guided tours.

BALCONIES ON THE FRENCH RIVIERA
EZE VILLAGE
Tourist Bureau
✆ +33 (0)4 93 41 26 00 – www.eze-tourisme.com
Sights: the mediaeval village perched high above the Mediterranean with its narrow streets lined with artists’ and craftsmen’s studios and perfumeries. The Baroque Church with its altarpieces and trompe-l’oeil decoration; the exotic garden in the ruins of the mediaeval fortress on the rocky peak overlooking the sea.

LES HAUTS DE CAGNES-SUR-MER
Tourist Bureau
✆ +33 (0)4 93 20 61 64 – www.cagnes-tourisme.com
Sights: The fortified mediaeval town of Haut-de-Cagnes, its steep narrow streets decked with flowers, 14th-century castle; Renoir Museum and millennium-old olive trees; picturesque village of Cros-de-Cagnes.

VENCE
Tourist Bureau
✆ +33(0)4 93 58 40 10 – www.vence-tourisme.com/fr
Sights: the historic town and 11th-century Cathedral, Chapelle du Rosaire decorated by Matisse, Château de Villeneuve, a major centre for modern and contemporary art, the chapel of the White Penitents with its cultural exhibitions throughout the year and the Provençal museum.

THE HINTERLAND OF NICE
BELVÉDÈRE
Tourist Bureau
✆ +33 (0)4 93 03 51 66 – www.belvedere-tourisme.fr
Sights: its picturesque narrow streets, Maison du Chevalier, Maison du Tribunal, tall fortified houses, the oil and flour mill, Place des Pénitents Blancs, Saint-Pierre et Paul Church, Museum of Milk. Outings and treks in the Gordolasque Valley, Vallée des Merveilles and in the Mercantour National Park.
Between the sky and snow, between the sea and the mountains, between the majestic Var valley and the erratic banks of the Paillon river, the canton of Levens will offer you Ten Smiles. A land of olive trees and villages perched up on rocky ledges like the eagles’ nest overlooking the Nice region, villages nestled into the hills where time appears to have stood still, river-side villages that have been caught up by modern living: nothing but contrasts, and perfect for visiting. They live peacefully in harmony with the seasons; they appear similar from afar, and one might think them identical, as they jealously watch over the secret of their differences, inviting you come to discover what makes them stand apart.
**OUTSIDE THE CITY - WEST**

**ANTIBES-JUAN-LES-PINS**
- Tourist Bureau
  ☎ +33 (0)4 22 10 60 01 - www.antibesjuanlespins.com

Sights: Port Vauban, the old town, its narrow streets and flower decked squares, Cathedral, ramparts, Picasso Museum, Peynet Museum, the Absinth museum, the gardens of the villas Eilenroc and Thuret, the beaches and Marineland sea park. Boat excursions with the “Visiobulle”.

**BIOT**
- Tourist Bureau
  ☎ +33 (0)4 93 65 78 00 - www.biot-tourisme.com

Sights: the Fernard Léger museum, the museum of history and ceramics, the glassworks. 10 Master glassmakers including 6 open to the public...

**CANNES**
- Tourist Bureau
  ☎ +33 (0)4 92 99 84 22 - www.cannes-destination.fr

Sights: La Croisette and the Festival Hall, luxury shops in the city centre, Old Cannes and the hill of Le Suquet, the square tower, Musée de la Castre, panorama over the Bay of Cannes, the Estérel Massif and the Isles of Lérins.

**GOURDON**
- Tourist Bureau
  ☎ +33 (0)811 811 067 - www.gourdon06.fr

A medieval village ranked as one of the most beautiful in France. Only 10 km from the Mediterranean as the crow flies, this isolated rock was once a place of refuge and defence. Today, its lively streets, Provençal houses and many craftsmen and women make it one of the most popular places in the region.

**GRASSE**
- Tourist Bureau
  ☎ +33 (0)4 93 36 66 66 - www.grasse.fr

The world capital of perfumery. Free tours of perfumeries.
Sights: the old town, the Cathedral, Place aux Aires and its market (14th-century arcaded square); the International Perfumery Museum, Fragonard Museum, Museum of Art and History of Provence, Naval Museum, Museum of Provençal Costume and Jewellery.
■ SAINT-PAUL-DE-VENCE
■ Tourist Bureau
☎ +33 (0)4 93 32 86 95 - www.saint-pauldevence.com
Sights: the fortified village, 12th-century Church, 16th-century ramparts and panorama over the hills and the sea, Place de la Grande Fontaine, the cemetery and the tomb of Marc Chagall, the Maeght Foundation, the Folon Chapel, the Museum of Local History and the Saint-Paul Museum.
10 guided tour themes every day on request.

■ SAINT-TROPEZ (Var department)
■ Tourist Bureau
☎ +33 (0)8 92 68 48 28 - www.sainttropeztourisme.com
Sights: the village, its picturesque narrow streets and Provençal squares, the harbour, 16th-century citadel and Naval Museum; famous sandy beaches (Pampelonne, Tahiti...) and splendid pine groves along the peninsula of Saint-Tropez that can be explored along several ‘Conservatoire du Littoral’ coastal trails.

■ TOURRETTES-SUR-LOUP (city of violets)
■ Tourist Bureau
☎ +33 (0)4 93 24 18 93 - www.tourrettessurloup.com
Sights: the mediaeval village and its ramparts, Rue de la Bourgade, Aqueduc du Moulin, Saint-Grégoire Church, Saint-Jean Chapel, Gorges of the Gorges of the Loup. The citrus garden of Confiserie Florian created in 1996 featuring citrus trees and plants for confectionery (Seville oranges, lemon, tangerine, orange trees...) and Mediterranean plants (violets, verbena, roses, jasmine, rosemary, myrtle...) In the heart of this exceptional site, the golden fruit of the Riviera have been transformed for over a half-century to make candied fruit and other delicacies. The Violet Bastide, a museum and farm specializing in the “Victoria” violet, the jewel of Tourrettes. Our hothouses are in bloom from November to March. The museum is open all year round, from Tuesday to Saturday. Free entry.

■ VALLAURIS GOLFE-JUAN
■ Tourist Bureau
☎ +33 (0)4 93 63 73 12 - www.vallauris-golfe-juan.fr
OUTSIDE THE CITY - EAST

MENTON

Tourist Bureau
✆ +33 (0)4 92 41 76 76 - www.tourisme-menton.fr
Sights: the old town, the Saint-Michel-Archange basilica and its parvis, the harbour, Jean Cocteau Museum, Regional Prehistory Museum, exceptional gardens: Palais Carnolès (citrus trees), Villa Maria-Séréna, Clos du Peyronnet, Serre de la Madone, Val Rahmeh Museum (exotic botanical garden).

PEILLE

Information Point
✆ +33 (0)4 93 82 14 40 - www.peille.fr
Sights: the old fortified gate of L’Arma, Tower in the rampart, Sainte-Marie Notre-Dame de l’Assomption Church (12th century), Palais of the Lascaris family (17th century) on the edge of the cliff, Saint-Sébastien Chapel (13th century), Chapelle de la Miséricorde, Saint-Joseph Chapel, Musée du Terroir (local tradition), via ferrata.

PRINCIPALITY OF MONACO

Tourist Bureau
✆ +377 92 16 61 16 - www.visitmonaco.com

ROQUEBRUNE-CAP-MARTIN

Tourist Bureau
✆ +33 (0)4 93 35 62 87 - www.rcm-tourisme.com
Guided tour of the mediaeval village and castle Walk along the coastal trail with the famous architect Le Corbusier’s cottage.

ROYA-BÉVÉRA VALLEY / www.royabevera.com

BREIL-SUR ROYA

Tourist Bureau
✆ +33 (0)4 93 04 99 76 - www.breil-sur-roya.fr
Sights: the little town in a bend in the Roya River, the spectacular Church of Santa Maria in Albis (17th century), Chapelle de la Miséricorde, seven organs in the valleys, Notre-Dame du Mont Chapel, Saint-Marc Church, Sainte-Catherine Chapel, Porte de Gênes (Genoa gate). Not to be missed: Les Baroquiales, baroque music festival.

SAORGE

Town hall
✆ +33 (0)4 93 04 51 23 - www.saorge.fr
Sights: Saint-Sauveur parish Church (15th century), Franciscan convent, La Madone del Poggio Chapel, Saint-Jacques Chapel, Saint-Sébastien Chapel, panoramic view from the ruins of the castle of M allemort. Hiking and trout fishing.

TENDE

Tourist Bureau
✆ +33 (0)4 93 04 73 71 - www.tendemerveilles.com
Sights: the mediaeval town and its vaulted passageways, chapels, Collegiate Church, ruins of the Castle, Musée des Merveilles (a tribute to Vallée des Merveilles, the largest outdoor museum featuring over 30,000 Bronze Age rock carvings www.museedesmerveilles.com).
Change directions, head for the hinterland and the mountains for skiing, snowboarding, paragliding, bungee jumping, via ferrata, rock climbing, outings with sleigh dogs, rafting, mountain biking, outings in 4x4 vehicles, meetings with wolves, marmots and chamois... Nature offers itself to you in all its splendour.

MERCANTOUR NATIONAL PARK
✆ +33 (0)4 93 16 78 88 - www.mercantour.eu

Just 90km from Nice and the beaches of the Riviera, many hikes and outdoor sports can be practised in the Mercantour National Park, one of ten National Parks in France.

Exceptionally rich flora: over 2,000 varieties of flowers identified (out of 4,000 known flower varieties in France), 200 of them are rare species, 30 are endemic; some of them since the end of the Ice Age. Forests (larch forest with the oldest larch trees in France going back some 1,300 years), alpine lawns, meadows, flowers, waterfalls, lakes, gorges... All this forms an exceptional natural heritage. The fauna includes chamois, ibex, marmots, eagles and wolves. Vallée des Merveilles, in the eastern part of the Park, is accessible from the village of Tende. Mont Bégo, culminating at 2,872m, offers the richest series of open-air rock carvings in Europe, with over 15km² on which 40,000 petroglyphs have been identified dating from 3800 to 1880 BC. In the heart of the Park, human activity is regulated to preserve the great wealth of this territory and its fragility.

Consult the guidebooks for the mountains, Nature, hiking... available [in French only] in Tourist Bureaus and La Maison du Département: Pays Côtier (coastal area) - Moyen Pays (near hinterland) - Haut Pays (mountain hinterland) - VTT (mountain biking) - Clues et canyons (canyons) - Raquettes à neige (snowshoeing) - Via Ferrata RANDOBUS: www.departement06.fr
**SKI RESORTS**

**AURON** Altitude 1,140m and 1,600m

**Tourist Bureau**

☎ +33 (0)4 93 23 02 66 - www.auron.com

Less than 1hr30 from Nice, Auron is a real village resort that stands at a height of 1,600m at the gateway to the Mercantour National Park. The resort offers a holiday in which skiing, a friendly atmosphere, relaxation and entertainment blend happily together!

**CIMES DU MERCANTOUR**

**LA COLMIANE - VALDEBLORE** Altitude 1,500 m

☎ +33(0)4 93 23 25 90 - www.colmiane.com

Winter activities: skiing, snowboard, hiking, snowshoeing.
Summer activities: Colmiane Forest tree climbing, paragliding, horseback riding, canyoneering, gondola lift, mountain bike, summer toboggan, mini-golf, via ferrata...

**ISOLA - ISOLA 2000** Altitude 862m and 2,000m

**Tourist Bureau**

☎ +33 (0)4 93 23 15 15 - www.isola2000.com

Just 1hr30 from the French Riviera and its international airport, the resort of Isola 2000, the summit of the Southern Alps, is open all year round to offer you an excitement-packed holiday. At a height of 2000m and on the border with Italy, Isola 2000 offers you fresh air and an outstanding natural environment.

**ST-ETIENNE-DE-TINÉE** Altitude 1,140m and 1,600m

**Tourist Bureau**

☎ +33 (0)4 93 02 41 93 - www.saintetiennedetinee.fr

A real crossroads at the heart of the Mercantour National Park...The village offers its visitors an amazing variety of colours and heritage, with its pastel facades, fountains, sun-dials, chapels, frescoes and museums. It’s also a dynamic, sporting place, with a full range of events and activities.

**VALBERG** Altitude 1,670m

**Tourist Bureau**

☎ +33 (0)4 93 23 24 25 - www.valberg.com

Winter activities: alpine skiing, cross-country skiing, mountain trekking, ice rink, quad-biking on the snow, snowmobiles, spa.
Summer activities: Espace Valberg Aventure (tree climbing), golf, tennis, ice rink, swimming pool, quad, mountain bike, Fun Trampo (trampoline), summer toboggan, trout fishing, canoeing and kayaking, archery, mountain trekking, horseback riding, spa.

Find all the winter resorts in the Alpes-Maritimes on www.cotedazur-tourisme.com
Here are some ideas for devising your own discovery tour using different means of transportation to reach the selected towns and villages. non-exhaustive list.

- **Baroque art in the Comté de Nice and Liguria**
  
  **☎️ +33 (0)4 93 04 22 20**
  
  www.royabevera.com - www.departement06.fr

  From the coast to the hinterland of the Alpes-Maritimes, this route includes 80 of the finest sacred and civil monuments that are part of a priceless architectural heritage. Signs have been placed along the way to guide visitors.

- **Gardens of the Riviera**
  
  **☎️ +33 (0)4 92 41 76 76 - www.departement06.fr**

  From Mandelieu to Menton, this bucolic route includes some sixty fine gardens designed for rich winter visitors, crowned heads and amateur artists who came to the French Riviera in the late 19th and early 20th centuries to enjoy the gentle life.

- **Nicois primitive painters: the Brea family**

  General Council of the Alpes-Maritimes - www.departement06.fr

  Discovery of sacred art in the former Comté de Nice and Western Liguria: often hidden, these treasures form a unique religious heritage, remarkable for its spiritual, intellectual and aesthetic qualities.

- **On the road of perched villages**

  www.nicecotedazur.org/territoire

  Nice Côte d’Azur offers many suggestions for tours and discoveries through the sixteen perched villages that so beautifully complete its coastal façade (Aspremont, Saint-Jeannet, Falicon, la Roquette-sur-Var, Saint-Blaise, Castagniers, Èze, Duranus, Coaraze, Levens, Tourrette-Levens, la Gaude, Colomars, Utelle, Carros and Lantosque).

- **In the footsteps of Matisse**

  www.musee-matisse-nice.org

  From Nice, where he resided for 27 years, to Eze, from Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat to Villefranche-sur-Mer and Beaulieu-sur-Mer, from Cagnes-sur-Mer where he met with Renoir to his Vence retreat during the War, Matisse has left his flaming mark on this land of lights and polychromes. Nice Cote d’Azur invites you to visit the abundant and inspired journey of the master, which will reveal the extraordinary richness of this region.
ESCAPADES AT SEA
Enjoying the sea as a means of transportation or as a place for excursions.

Trans Côte d’Azur
Quai Lunel (J5) - ☏ +33 (0)4 92 00 42 30 - www.trans-cote-azur.com
From Cap de Nice to the Promenade des Anglais via the famous bay of Villefranche, you will marvel at the gorgeous scenery.

Corsica Ferries
Quai du Commerce
☎ 0 825 095 095 (0,18 €/min) - www.corsica-ferries.fr
Regular crossings to Corsica, Sardinia and Elba Island.

Moby
MOBY c/o - 2 Quai Lunel - ☏ +33(0)4 93 217 217 - www.mobylines.fr
Regular crossings to Corsica, Sardinia and Elba Island.

THE FRENCH RIVIERA BY TRAIN
TER Regional service
Nice Centre Railway Stations (H3), Nice Riquier (J4), Nice Pont-Michel (K2) & Nice Saint-Augustin/Aéroport (C7)
☎ +33 (0)800 11 40 23* (free from a landline from Monday to Friday, 7:00 am to 9:30 pm) - www.ter-sncf.com/paca
Along the coast, the TER (Transport Express Régional) provides regular service to all the coastal towns between Saint-Raphaël and Ventimiglia.
In the hinterland, the Nice-Tende-Turin line is a picturesque train that takes passengers daily to the villages in the Roya-Bévéra Valley and beyond to Limone, Cuneo and Turin.
The Roya Valley is accessible by train from Nice. The train stops in Sospel, Breil-sur-Roya, St-Dalmas de Tende and Tende.

Le Train des Merveilles
TER Paillon Roya Bévéra - ☏ +33 (0)800 11 40 23*
www.ter-sncf.com/paca - www.tendemerveilles.com
This tourist train has been fitted out and illustrated by the Provence-Alpes-Côte d’Azur region, and will take you up through the sights of the Paillon and the Roya- Bévéra valley and the Mercantour national park, where the Vallée des Merveilles [Valley of the Marvels] hides its treasures. A qualified guide will talk you along the route and tell you about the traditions, the culture and the landscapes of the villages you pass through.
Every day from May to September included
Chemins de Fer de Provence
RRT PACA - 4 BIS RUE ALFRED BINET (H3)
+33 (0)4 97 03 80 80 - www.trainprovence.com
Feeling like a change for a new horizon? Embark on board on the narrow-gauge Train des Pignes to explore the Mediterranean hinterland! A century-old railway line that’s known throughout the world. The “Train des Pignes” made its first journey in 1891. Today, “Chemins de Fer de Provence” connects Nice with Digne-les-Bains via 151 km of narrow-gauge track that climbs to a height of 1000m and goes through and over 50 tunnels, bridges and viaducts.

The Train des Pignes steam train
RRT PACA - 4 BIS RUE ALFRED BINET (H3)
+33 (0)7 81 92 67 75 - www.traindespignes.fr
The steam train runs on part of Provence’s railway line every Sunday from May to October. “Full steam ahead with the Train des Pignes! Come and discover the wonders of the hills of Nice, aboard a 1925 steam locomotive, a classified historical monument.” From May to October, every Sunday.

Thello
GARE SNCF - AVENUE THIERS (H3)
www.thello.com
Thello offers a new direct line between south-eastern France and Italy.

BY HELICOPTER
Another way to discover Nice and its region!
Many possibilities for discovery and panoramic flights available.
Prices vary according to the number of passengers (5 max).
www.nicetourisme.com

Azur Hélicoptère
AÉROPORT NICE CÔTE D’AZUR - TERMINAL 1 & 2
+33 (0)4 93 90 40 70 - www.azurhelico.com

Héli Sécurité
AÉROPORT NICE CÔTE D’AZUR
+33 (0)4 94 55 59 99 - www.helicopter-saint-tropez.com

Monacair
AV DES LIGURES - HELIPORT DE MONACO - 98000 MONACO
+377 97 97 39 00 - www.monacair.mc

EXCURSIONS BY BUS OR MINIBUS
Discover Nice... and the Côte d’Azur!
The minibus is a way to discover the surrounding towns and villages in small groups. Pre-defined itineraries to the main tourist attractions of the French Riviera: Bays & billionaire’s splendors, Italian Markets, Riviera panorama, Cannes, Gourdon, Monaco, Provence and its lavender, the countryside...
book on line your excursions: http://booking.nicetourisme.com
Practical information

- Emergency services 24/7
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- **EMERGENCY SERVICES 24/7**
  - Police Secours (from a mobile): ☎ 112
  - Fire Department: ☎ 18
  - Samu (emergency medical care) - Centre 15: ☎ 15
  - S.O.S. Médecins: ☎ +33 (0)4 93 85 01 01
  - Doctors on call and Emergency: ☎ +33 (0)4 93 53 03 03
  - Emergency - Hôpital Pasteur 2
    30, AV DE LA VOIE ROMAINE (J1): ☎ +33 (0)4 92 03 77 77 (standard CHU)
    www.chu-nice.fr
  - Poison Centre in Marseille: ☎ +33 (0)4 91 75 25 25
    www.centres-antipoison.net/marseille
  - Laboratory on call: ☎ +33 (0)4 93 16 68 47
  - S.O.S. Dental care: ☎ +33 (0)4 93 01 14 14
    (weekends & holidays)
  - Dental emergency: ☎ +33 (0)4 92 13 06 26
    (from Monday to Saturday, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm)
  - S.O.S. Dos (care for back problems): ☎ +33 (0)6 07 45 02 13
    www.sosdos.com
  - Riviera Medical Services (medical service for foreigners)
    ☎ +33 (0)4 93 26 12 70
**Emergency for Children**

- **Lenval Hospital** (F5)
  57 av. de la Californie 📞 +33 (0)4 92 03 03 03

**Pharmacies 24/7**

- **Pharmacie Masséna** (H4)
  7 rue Masséna 📞 +33 (0)4 93 87 78 94
  Sunday after 6:30 pm.

- **Pharmacie Riviera** (H4)
  66 av. Jean Médecin 📞 +33 (0)4 93 62 54 44
  Sunday after 7:00 pm.

- **Duty Pharmacies 24/7**
  Find the nearest pharmacy.
  📞 3237 - www.3237.fr

**In Case of Loss or Theft**

- **Central Police Station 24/7** (I4)
  1 av. Maréchal Foch 📞 +33 (0)4 92 17 22 22
  Foreign visitor reception desk:
  Opening hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm - interactive terminals in different languages. Passport & National Identity card. Thefts can be reported at the police station. Please report the loss of French ID cards to the Town Hall (Mairie). Telephone number in case of loss (or theft) of the main.

- **Police municipale 24h/7** 📞 +33 (0)4 93 53 53 53

- **Telephone number in case of loss or theft:**
  - Main bank cards 📞 0 892 70 57 05
  - American Express 📞 +33 (0)1 47 77 72 00
  - Cheque books (bank or post-office) 📞 0 892 68 32 08

**Lost & Found**

- **Police municipale**
  42 rue Dabray (G3) 📞 3906
  web.nice.fr/formulaires/objets-trouves/?_locale=fr
  Open Monday to Thursday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, Friday till 3:45 pm.

**Currency Exchange**

- **Inter Change**
  Airport Nice Côte d’Azur - T1&T2 (B8) 📞 +33 (0)4 93 21 74 18

- **BNC Change**
  17 av. Jean Médecin (H3/4) 📞 +33 (0)4 93 87 99 72

- **Change de la Piétonne**
  2 rue de France (H5) 📞 +33 (0)4 93 88 63 00

- **Comptoir Financier Arin**
  9 av. Jean Médecin (H4) 📞 +33 (0)4 93 87 82 62

- **Travelex**
  1 av. Malausséna (H3) 📞 +33 (0)4 93 62 61 70 - www.travelex.fr

**Consulates**

For information:

- **General Secretariat, Alpes-Maritimes Consular Service**
  107 quai des États-Unis “Le Beau Rivage” (H5)
  📞 +33 (0)4 93 62 03 16 - www.corpsconsulaire-am.com

**Consumer Services**

- **Direction Départementale de la Protection des Populations des AM (D.D.C.R.F.)**
  (The Alpes Maritimes Health Protection Regional Division)
  CADAM-147, route de Grenoble (G4)
  📞 +33 (0)4 93 72 28 00 - ddpp@alpes-maritimes.gouv.fr
  www.economie.gouv/fr/dgccrf

- **Maison Accueil des Victimes**
  6 rue Gubernatis - 📞 +33 (0)4 97 13 52 00 - www.nice.fr
  Legal aid, personalised support, psychological counselling.
  Monday to Friday: 9 am - 12.30 am /1.30 pm - 6 pm

- **Association to aid victims** 📞 +33 (0)4 93 87 49 49

Map of Nice available in Convention & Visitors Bureau agencies [see p.63]
### PETS
- **Animal Defence Society (S.D.A.)**
  38 BIS RUE MARÉCHAL JOFFRE (H4)
  📞 +33 (0)4 93 88 71 47 - www.sda-nice.com
- **Animal assistance**
  27 AV. G. CLEMENCEAU (H4) 📞 +33 (0)4 93 82 34 59
- **S.O.S. Vet** 📞 +33 (0)4 93 83 46 64
- **Vet clinic 24h/7**
  3 RUE MAURICE MIGNON (D7) 📞 +33 (0)4 93 71 21 41
- **Veterinary emergency**
  27 BOULEVARD DE L’ARIAINE (K0)
  📞 +33(0)4 22 53 05 05 - urgences-veterinaires-nice.fr
  24/7 - Home interventions.
- **Lost & found animals**
  📞 +33(0)8 00 03 70 16 toll free number.
- **Société Centrale Canine**
  (dogs with a tattoo or electronic identification) 📞 +33 (0)1 49 37 54 54
- **Carros shelter**
  Z.I. 15e AVENUE, 13e RUE 📞 +33 (0)4 93 08 11 79
  From 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

### CAR RENTAL
Car rental agencies are located at the following strategic points:
- **Nice Côte d’Azur Airport** (B8)
- **Railway station (Gare SNCF) Avenue Thiers** (H3)
- **City centre** (H5)

### REPAIRS - 24/7
- **Auto Best Dépannage Transport** 📞 +33 (0)4 93 18 10 00
- **Dépannage Côte d’Azur Transports**
  📞 +33 (0)4 93 29 87 87 - dcat-depannage.fr
- **Help Dépannage** 📞 +33 (0)4 93 89 80 89
- **Racing Auto Dépannage**
  📞 +33 (0)4 93 72 11 12 - www.racingautodepannage.com

### TOWING AWAY
- **Car Pound**
  61 ROUTE DE GRENOBLE (B8) 📞 +33 (0)4 93 89 18 08
  Cost: €121,20 on the first day + €6,10 per day (+ €35 fine).
  Expert’s report fees applicable from the 3rd day onwards: €61.
  To get your vehicle back, please provide: registration book, insurance, driving license.

### TRAMWAY CAR PARKS 🌋
Reserved for travellers on Lignes d’Azur transport.

### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

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### RECOMMENDATIONS
*In this enchanting countryside, nonetheless please remain watchful in public places, on public transport, in your car, to the beach... in order to fully enjoy your stay. At the seaside and in the mountains, please check the weather forecast before setting out, always use the appropriate equipment for your activity and leave a copy of your itinerary with a third person.*
The city abounds in entertainment and festivals all year round as a reminder that its good to live there.

Nice, a French Riviera Metropolis, like all the major European capitals, is a lively and dynamic city with a rich and diversified events calendar all year round. You will be spoilt for choice.

Events in the City of Nice: www.nice.fr
Events on the French Riviera: www.cotedazur-en-fetes.com

Calendar of Events “Nice vos Rendez-vous” available at tourist offices (P63)
www.nicetourisme.com/agenda
Events & Shows
Annual events

■ MAJOR EVENTS
• Nice Carnival and Flower Parade / February-March
• Crossover Festival / May-June
• Nice Jazz Festival / July
• Prom’Party / July-August
• Christmas Fair / December-January

■ FESTIVALS & HERITAGE
• The Gourd Festival / March
• “Maytime Fêtes” / May
• Malonat Fête / July
• San Bertomieu Fête / September
• Sainte-Réparate Fête / October
• Celebration of Catherine Ségurane / November
• “Lou Présépi”, Live Nativity Scene / December

■ MAJOR SPORTING EVENTS
• Paris-Nice cycle Race / March
• Nice International Half Marathon / April
• Indoor Trial World championship, Nice / April
• Nice Côte d’Azur Tennis Open / May
• Ironman France, Nice / June
• Nice Côte d’Azur Triathlon / September
• Alpes-Maritimes Marathon / November

■ TRADE SHOWS & FAIRS
• Nice International Fair / March
• L’Italie à Table / May
• Book Fair / June
• Bionazur organic produce salon / June
• Furniture, Home and Decoration Fair / November
• Luna Park / December-January

Opera and National Theatre of Nice:
high quality programming from September to June.

Palais Nikaïa entertainment complex:
concerts and shows all year round.

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or www.nice.fr/fr/l-agenda

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5 Promenade des Anglais (H5)
1st October to 31st May: 9am-6pm, Monday to Saturday
1st June to 30th September: 9am-7pm, Monday to Sunday
Closed 25th December, 1st January and 1st May

Gare SNCF - Avenue Thiers (H3)
1st October to 31st May: 9am-6pm, Monday to Saturday
10am-5pm, Sunday
1st June to 30th September: 9am-7pm, Monday to Sunday
Closed 25th December, 1st January and 1st May

Promenade du Paillon (H5)
1st May to 31st May: 10am-5pm, Monday to Sunday
1st June to 30th September: 10am-8pm, Monday to Sunday
Christmas Village (December-January): 10h-17h, Monday to Sunday

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T1 & T2 - Every day: 6 am - 11 pm

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Visit the city's, old town, harbour, Garibaldi place, the castle and return by the sea side. Tour 45 min.