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PARIS VISITE CARDS 2023



Spending time in Paris and looking for an easy way to get around? The Paris Visite Card allows you to use Paris public transport. These easy-to-use cards are your key to the Paris Metro, bus, and tram system.

Price per card*

Paris Visite Card, Zones 1 to 3	Adult	Child (4-11 years)
1 Day	R 304	R 152
2 Day	R 494	R 248
3 Day	R 684	R 342
5 Day	R 970	R 494
Paris Visite Card, Zones 1 to 5 All zones, including airport connections, Orlyval, Disneyland Paris and Château de Versailles	Adult	Child (4-11 years)
3 Day	R1 358	R 680
5 Day	Sold out	R 836
Additional fees & courier		

Please note that there will be a **British TIPS service fee** (varies according to the entire booking). In addition, these are actual cards and require courier. You can arrange a courier to collect (Durbanville) or we can arrange this for you. Our **service fee is R 180** and we usually use Postnet-to-Postnet courier, which is speedy and affordable at **R 109 per parcel**. Alternatively, Postnet-to-Door is a little faster and you do not need to collect at your local Postnet and costs **R 185 per parcel**. Remember to order your card early, allowing at least 1 working week.

Child rates are for ages 4 – 11 years inclusive. Children aged 0 – 3 years travel free of charge. Children 12+ years are charged at adult rates.

**While stocks last*

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How do I use my Paris Visite Card?

The Paris Visite Card is a small cardboard ticket of about 6.5cm x 3cm with a magnetic strip on the back and space to write in your name and the date of first and last use. **IMPORTANT: You must write your first and last name, as well as starting and ending dates in pen on the card. If caught with a blank ticket, you could be fined or asked to leave the train.**

The first time you use the card, it will be activated.

Note: do not store the card near your mobile phone as this will damage the magnetic strip and your card won't work.

The Paris Metro system can seem daunting. We recommend looking at the map carefully before you start your journey, and note down which changes you need to make and where so you don't have to keep stopping to check the map. Alternatively, download the RATP app to help you use the system.

What if the card doesn't work?

This does happen sometimes because of how easy it is to damage a cardboard ticket and/or the magnetic strip. From our experience, it is very easy to resolve this – just go to a ticket desk at the station and politely ask the staff member to check your ticket. If it does not work properly, they will replace it for you free of charge.

PS: Remember to always greet staff with 'Bonjour!' first. In France, it is considered very rude to just go straight into asking for something without greeting first.

How long is a day?

It is one CALENDAR day and you can use it as much as you like within that day. Your Paris Visite Card counts from the DAY of first use (whether you activate it in the morning, afternoon, or evening) until midnight on the last day of validity.

For example, if you have a one-day card and you start using it at 8PM, it will be valid until 12PM on that day, not 8PM the following day. If you start using the card at 6AM, you will still have until 12PM on that day to use it.

Therefore, in order to get the most out of your card, it is best to start using it in the morning as this allows you to get the most out of it. If you need a late trip, we recommend purchasing a single journey in Paris, rather than wasting an entire day of your Paris Visite Card.



Which zone should I get?

Zones 1-3 will get you to most of the popular tourist destinations in Paris. including the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe, Cite des Sciences/La Villette, Louvre, Latin Quarter, Luxembourg Gardens, Les Grands Magasins (Printemps and Galleries La Fayette).

Zones 1 – 5 (older tickets say 1 – 6) will allow you to travel throughout Île-de-France (Greater Paris region), including Disneyland® Paris, Fountainbleu, and Château de Versailles, as well as to/from the Roissy-Charles de Gaulle (CDG) and Orly airports.

Why should I get a Paris Visite Card?

It is a handy and affordable way to get around Paris as it allows you to travel on all public transport within your selected zones. Not only that but it also offers benefits with over a dozen partners when you show the card. These change so it is best to check the RATP (Régie Autonome des Transports Parisiens - Autonomous Parisian Transportation Administration) website for regular updates.

The cards cover the following (depending on which zones you selected): Metro, RER, Bus, Tramway, Transilien suburban railway, Montmartre funicular, Roissybus, Orlybus, Orlyval.

Is there a children's card?

Yes. Children aged 4 – 11 will need a children's Paris Visite-Enfant, which is approximately half the price of the adult cards. Children 3 and under travel free of charge.

Is it the same as the Paris Pass?

No, the Paris Visite Card (sometimes called a Metro pass) is only for public transport in Paris.

The Paris Pass® is a sightseeing pass that allows free or reduced-price entry to various attractions in Paris. The Paris Pass® does include a Paris Visite Card but they are two separate things.

Should you wish to purchase either a Paris Pass® or a Paris Visite Card only, get in touch at sales@britishtips.com and we will be glad to assist.

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