

Voyage

AU PAYS DE FONTAINEBLEAU

AN UNFORGETTABLE DESTINATION IN FRANCE

GROUP TRAVEL



Pays de
Fontainebleau
Office de Tourisme

Discover

FONTAINEBLEAU AND ITS SURROUDINGS

Less than an hour from Paris, the Pays de Fontainebleau has hidden gems to offer an unforgettable journey in France. Let's celebrate an elegant French Art de Vivre with the Chateau de Fontainebleau surrounded by the Forest of Fontainebleau. Both are listed by Unesco. The charm of the imperial city, Fontainebleau and the artists's villages, Barbizon, Bourron-Marlotte, Samois-sur-Seine are sought-after places to visit France in a peaceful and authentic atmosphere.

Many guided tours (in multiple languages) are available to discover this incredible natural and cultural heritage. The Tourist Office has a strong expertise to offer multiple activities in the Forest of Fontainebleau with qualified partners.

The incoming department welcomes more than 250 groups each year, a team of experts who offer both turnkey tours and advice on tailor-made tours. With a thorough knowledge of the region's tourist offer, this service is at your disposal to meet your requirements for groups and individuals.

The Tourist Office has partnerships with 18 hotels ***/**** and 15 restaurants in Fontainebleau, Barbizon, Bourron-Marlotte...



The Exceptional Forest of Fontainebleau

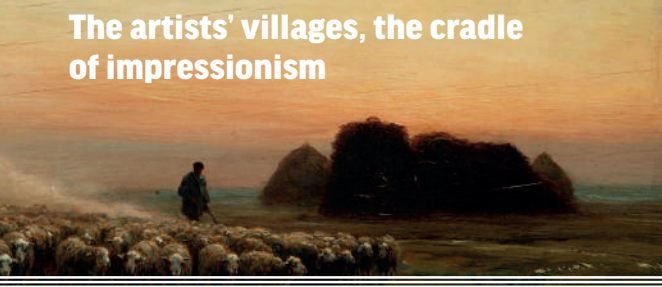
Recognized by UNESCO as a Naturel reserve Biophere of World Importance, the forest of Fontainebleau is unique in its kind : a real paradise for lovers of nature with a vast network of signposted paths for walkers, cyclists and horse-riders. Fontainebleau is a world famous place for bouldering.

Listed as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, Fontainebleau is the only palace that has been inhabited by all the crowned heads of France for 8 centuries (34 kings and 2 emperors), included Napoleon I & Napoleon III, Francis 1st and Henry IV... Fontainebleau is the most furnished palace in Europe, with beautiful "jardins à la française", and an English garden.



The Chateau of Fontainebleau and its gardens

Barbizon, Bourron-Marlotte, Samois-sur-Seine are the places to discover the world of painters of the Barbizon School, the precursors of impressionism. These picturesque villages were the sources of inspiration for many painters, writers and art directors.



The artists' villages, the cradle of impressionism



International events and exhibitions

Numerous festivals have chosen the Pays de Fontainebleau such as the international Jazz Festival Django Reinhardt, the Festival of the History of Art to name but a few. Many exhibitions and concerts are scheduled during the spring and summer season.

Just 2 min walk from the Chateau of Fontainebleau, the imperial city of Fontainebleau has preserved a typical "French art de vivre" and cultural liveliness. The city charms the visitors with its many terraced restaurants, pretty little lanes, its beautiful theatre and shops.



The Imperial City of Fontainebleau

Royal & Imperial destination

GUIDED TOUR - A SELECTION

The Great Apartments of the Chateau

Take a tour through the Renaissance and Empire rooms of the Chateau. Discover the sumptuous lifestyle of the great sovereigns!

Price : from 23 € per pers.

1h30 - 1 guide/30 pers.- every day except on Tuesday - several languages.

Free access to the courtyards and the "Jardins à la française"

Private tours : tours outside the chateau's usual opening hours. 1h30. Every day except on Tuesdays. Price: on request



Imperial Theatre & Private apartments

Discover the Theater commissioned by Emperor Napoleon III. Inaugurated in May 1857, it was used for a dozen of private performances. Then you will discover the private apartment of Emperor Napoleon I and its personal library.

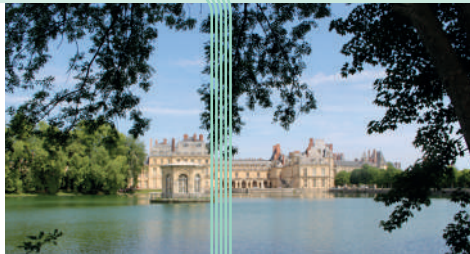
Price : from 34 € per pers. 1h30 - 1 guide/20 pers. Every day except on Tuesday - English guided tour



Courtyards and Gardens of the Chateau

Discover the courtyards and the "Jardins à la Française" with a private guide. Walk through the 130 hectares of prestigious greenery, where the French sovereigns enjoyed wandering. These gardens and the park are also listed by UNESCO.

Price: 240 € per group - 1 guide/30 pers. Every day - Several languages



The Imperial City of Fontainebleau

Take a tour through the historical center of Fontainebleau to discover its imperial & royal heritage. Artisans are also proudly displaying the "savoir faire" characteristic of French excellence.

Price: from 240 € per group - 1 guide/30 pers. Every day - Several languages



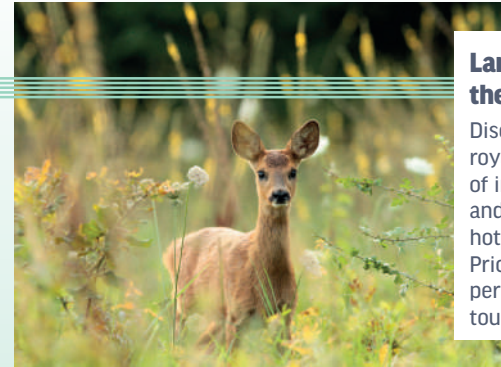
Nature Destination

DISCOVER THE EXCEPTIONAL NATURAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE OF THE FOREST OF FONTAINEBLEAU.

GUIDED TOUR - A SELECTION

Landscape and biodiversity of the Forest of Fontainebleau

Discover the history of this ancient royal forest which became a place of inspiration. With 15,000 animals and plant species, it is one of the hotspots of biodiversity in Europe. Price: 240 € per group - 1 guide/30 pers. - Every day - English guided tour



Impressionism heritage in the artists' village of Barbizon

Take a tour to discover the artistic story of this beautiful village on the edge of the Forest of Fontainebleau. Major painters such as Theodore Rousseau or Jean-François Millet settled down in the 19th century, fascinated by these landscapes.

Price: 240 € per group - 1 guide/30 pers. Every day - Several languages



Following the Barbizon painters

The invention of the paint tube, which gave the artists the freedom to paint outdoor was a major invention in Barbizon. The refusal of the Paris salons to exhibit naturalist paintings prompted many artists to freshen up their palettes in this place.

Price : 240 € per group - 1 guide/30 pers. Every day - Several languages



Activities

AROUND THE CHATEAU AND THE FOREST OF FONTAINEBLEAU

The royal tennis

Located inside the Chateau of Fontainebleau, the royal tennis hall is one of the last in France. The "Maître Paumier" will present the history and the rules of the game. A demonstration will take place.

Price: 280 € per group - 1 guide/30 pers. - Every day
English-spoken presentation

Touristic train ride

This is an enjoyable way to discover the gardens of the Chateau of Fontainebleau thanks to a ride on board of a touristic train. The ride includes a tour in the Honor Courtyard, Diane's Garden, Great French Parterre and English garden.

Price: 7 € per pers - 35 minutes - Every day

Introduction session to bouldering

Discover the pleasures and excitement of climbing in a natural environment with a qualified instructor. Included climbing and safety equipment rental.

Price: from 42 € per pers. - 2/3 hours - Every day -
English-spoken monitors

Ride in an authentic horse carriage in the forest

Embark on a delightful ride in a horse carriage, and discover the beauty of the Forest of Fontainebleau.

Price: from 16 € per pers. for a 40 minutes tour
Every day

Others activities

Guided tour of the Equestrian Military School
Horse riding tour in the Forest of Fontainebleau
Hot-air balloon flight
French cheese and wine tasting



Journey IDEAS

DAY 1

An imperial stay in Fontainebleau

9:30 am - Guided tour - The great apartments of the Chateau
11 am - Self guided tour of the Napoleon I museum, in the Chateau
12:15 pm - Lunch in a restaurant in the historical city center (3 courses, drinks included)
2:30 pm - Guided tour - Courtyards and Gardens of the Chateau and a stop in the city center
4 pm - End of the program
Price Day 1: from 63 € per pers.
1 guide/30 pers.



DAY 2

Impressionism journey in Artists' Villages

9:30 am - Guided tour - the artistic history of the famous Barbizon village
11 am - Guided tour in the Barbizon painters' museum
12: 30 pm - Free time for lunch in a restaurant in the heart of the Forest of Fontainebleau
2 pm - Guided tour - the artistic village of Bourron-Marlotte and its Town Hall Museum.
4 pm - Guided tour - the Chateau Atelier Rosa Bonheur, workshop Museum in Thomery
Price Day 2: from 79 € per pers.
1 guide/25 pers.



Others tailored-made programs to discover the destination on request.

Contact

DETAILS



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How to come to Fontainebleau & Surroundings

By train from Paris

Direct trains to Fontainebleau every 30 minutes from Paris Gare de Lyon Hall 1, Line R towards Montargis or Montereau (Metro tickets are also valid for this journey), stop at Fontainebleau-Avon.

From Paris Gare du Nord / Eurostar:

RER D > Paris Gare de Lyon (Hall 1) > Line R > Fontainebleau-Avon

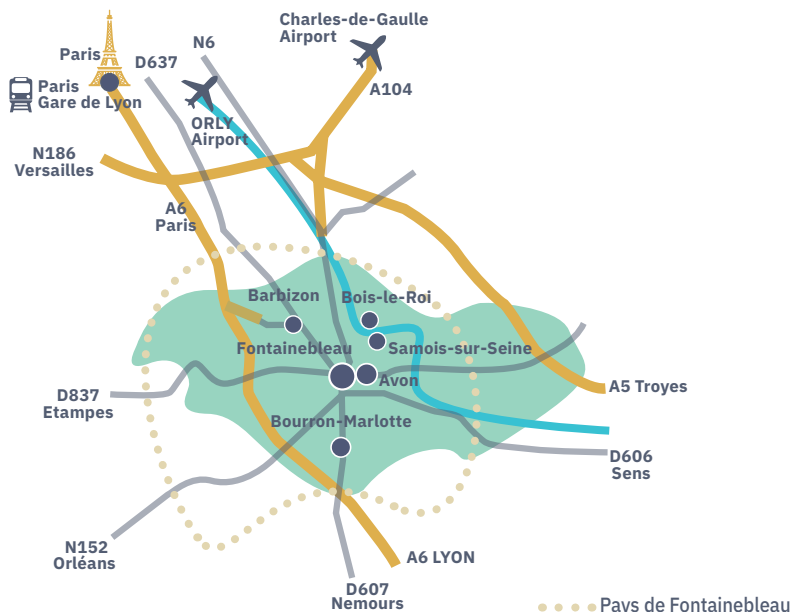
From Paris Orly Airport:

Line 14 > Paris Gare de Lyon (Hall 1) > Line R > Fontainebleau-Avon

By bus and car from Paris

Take the south ring road (périphérique sud) direction A6 Lyon, exit Fontainebleau (approximately 50 minutes).

You can park within walking distance of the Chateau.



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