



Groups Professionals Brochure

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THE MUSÉE DE L'ARMÉE LES INVALIDES

Face to face with history!

Located right in the heart of Paris in the prestigious setting of the **Hôtel national des Invalides**, the museum is home to one of the largest military history and art collections in the world, offering a unique overview of the history of France. It is one of the 10 most visited museums in France, with around **1.2 million visitors in 2018**.

This remarkable historic site is **the other major building project commissioned by Louis XIV**, predating Versailles. The Hôtel des Invalides was founded to house veterans and wounded soldiers. It now forms the unique, prestigious setting for the Musée de l'Armée.

The museum's collections **contain over 500.000 pieces**, covering a period from the Middle Ages up to the present day and following a newly designed educational route: the armour and weapons of the Kings of France, swords, cannons, uniforms, paintings, photographs, the personal effects of important figures such as François I, Louis XIV and Charles de Gaulle, plus the Dome church, which since 1861 has been home to **the monumental tomb of Napoleon Bonaparte**, its golden dome reaching up into the skies of Paris at over 110 metres high.

The museum stays lively all year round thanks to **the many events** organised here, including exhibitions, concerts, performances, immersive games and other activities. A fascinating place to be explored with family or friends, alone or in a group!

SERVICES

AND SPECIAL OFFERS*

The Musée de l'Armée offers tailor-made packages for tourism professionals at preferential rates. Various packages and staff are available to meet your needs.

GROUP VISITS

- Priority access tickets (for 10 tickets and over)
For groups of 20 or more, booking is essential.

Permanent collections

Including the Dome church (Napoleon's tomb), the museum of Plans-reliefs, and the museum of l'Ordre de la Libération.

GROUP TICKETS

These priority entry tickets, valid for one year from the date of issue, give access to all the permanent collections and the temporary exhibition.

€ RATES

A combined ticket giving visitors access to the permanent collections and temporary exhibition

Reduction applicable to the full price ticket of €12 (price per ticket)	Amount after discount (price per ticket)
de 10 à 49 billets **	€ 10
de 50 à 99 billets	€ 9
de 100 à 499 billets	€ 8,5
à partir de 500 billets	€ 8

**no booking required



Information and ordering:
groupe@musee-armee.fr

GROUP GUIDED TOURS

Theme-based guided tours of the collections at the Musée de l'Armée and Hôtel des Invalides site are available for individuals and groups.

Routes offered:

- Secret Invalides
- Napoleon Route
- From Knights to Musketeers
- The World Wars
- The Treasures of the Musée de l'Armée
- Temporary exhibition
- Exclusive tours outside closing times (permanent collections and exhibition)



RATES

Prices in effect until 31 July 2019

Groups under 20 pax :
unique rate of € 258

Groups between 20 and 30 pax :
€ 12,90

The tours are available in French, English, Spanish, Italian, German and French Sign Language (other languages available on request).



Information and ordering:
contact@cultural.fr
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* Rates valid at 1st January 2019



GUIDED TOURS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES

The Musée de l'Armée welcomes visitors of all ages to discover the history of France through its exceptional collections. The richness and diversity of the collections allows topics such as the history of art and techniques, heritage restoration, fashion, etc. to be explored. From knights' armour to the resistance fighters of the Second World War, via Louis XIV and Napoleon, experience the whole of History at the Musée de l'Armée!

THE PARIS MUSEUM PASS

Individual visitors can buy the Paris Museum Pass from the museum's ticket office. The highly practical Paris Museum Pass cuts out queueing and is a money saver, offering unlimited direct access to over 60 museums and monuments in Paris and the surrounding region.

SPECIAL RATES FOR THE MUSICAL SEASON

Tourism professionals, charities and works councils benefit from a special rate for concerts.

N.B.: The concerts programming is related to the subjects of the temporary exhibitions.

Individual visitors benefit from a special offer:

- 1 concert ticket purchased = 1 ticket for the temporary exhibition for an additional €1

VENUES HIRE

Right in the heart of Paris, in the prestigious setting of the Hôtel des Invalides, the Musée de l'Armée is the perfect venue for hosting your cocktail parties, lunches, dinners, press conferences, symposiums, launches and concerts.

From the prestigious Grand Salon to the Austerlitz Auditorium, via the spectacular Turenne Room, the Salons Quesnoy or the magnificent Dome courtyard, the rooms available for hire are both versatile and adjustable, accommodating up to 2,200 people.

@ Information and booking:
jeunes@musee-armee.fr
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? Discover our quizzes, workshops, storytelling sessions and themed tours on the "Your visit" section of the museum website.

The museum is free for children under 18.

@ Details:
www.parismuseumpass.com

€ RATES

(price per ticket)	premium	* Category 1	* Category 2
Rate A	€40	€30	€20
Rate B	€30	€20	€15

*** Tourism professionals get a discount of 20% off the general public prices shown above.**

@ Information and booking:
saisonmusicale@musee-armee.fr
+33 (0)1 44 42 54 66

? The full programme is available on the Concerts page of the museum website

Organising an event at this unique site is an original way to let your guests experience History in a wonderful setting.

@ Information and quotations:
locations@musee-armee.fr

Private guided tours of our collections and temporary exhibitions are also available for your customers.

TO **COMPLETE** YOUR **VISIT**

The museum offers digital devices for use throughout your visit. Available for iPad and iPod touch, they are fun, practical and suitable for everyone.

DIGITAL GUIDE



The digital guide offers theme-based and chronological tours in French, English and Spanish, and will be available in April 2019. The guide will have two versions, for groups and for individuals.

► New in 2019: the guide will now be available both for the permanent collections and the temporary exhibitions.



Bookings at the museum ticket office

AUDIO-PEN

Visitors can use an audio pen to listen to a series of fascinating anecdotes and plunge into the history of France at their own pace, delving into the mysteries of the Musée de l'Armée and Hôtel National des Invalides, and discovering the site's amazing history.



Flat rate: € 5



Informations et réservation:
bezeldin@antennainternational.com



You will be asked to provide an identity document to hire the digital guide and audio pen.

ON-SITE MULTIMEDIA INSTALLATIONS

Interactive posts and maps are available in the Louis XIV to Napoleon III department, providing visitors with additional information (in French and English).



GIFT SHOP / BOOKSHOP

This vast and recently renovated area sells a large selection (over 2,000 items) of guides and books on the Musée de l'Armée's collections and military history.

The shop also offers a number of facsimiles and replicas of pieces of the museum's collections, a children's section, merchandise, and unusual themed souvenirs such as honey collected from bee-hives of the Invalides roof!

A small shop is also open in the Dome church between April and September.

Open every day:
▶ except 1 January, 1 May and 25 December.



@ Information and offers:
invalides@arteum.com
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LE CARRÉ DES INVALIDES CAFÉ RESTAURANT

A warm welcome awaits you at the restaurant, with its summer terrace at the foot of the Dome church. It is located near the ticket office, on the Place Vauban side.

It can hold up to 90 people

Open every day:
▶ except 1 January, 1 May and 25 December.

@ Information:
carre-des-invalides
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SALON DE THÉ ANGELINA

All summer long, enjoy the exceptional scenery of the Salon de thé Angelina. Take a sweet break on the terrace of the famous French café, located right by the golden Dôme of the prestigious Hôtel des Invalides.

The Salon de thé Angelina's terrace is open during summer.

Open every day from April to October



@ Information and offers:
www.angelina-paris.fr

THE CULTURAL PROGRAMME

Two temporary exhibitions are shown every year at the museum, accompanied by a varied cultural programme: concerts, conferences, film cycles, tours, educational workshops and events...

TEMPORARY EXHIBITIONS



► PICASSO AND WAR

5 April to 28 July 2019

The life of the Spanish artist, a French resident from 1901 until his death in 1973, was punctuated by armed conflicts, although paradoxically he did not take an active part in any war himself. The artist experienced the wars that ravaged the 20th century as a civilian. The exhibition will mix a chronological and chrono-thematic approach. Picasso's works and personal archives, in all their diversity, enter into a dialogue with a selection of explanatory items and documents (press articles, photographs and objects) evoking the reality and spread of the conflicts that influenced

his work. The exhibition explores the various ways that warfare informed and impacted Picasso's creative output throughout his career. A whole array of activities have been organised to mark the exhibition, including a cooking workshop with Michelin-starred chef Alain Passard, film screenings, and performance of a play written by Picasso.

The exhibition is organised by the Musée de l'Armée and Musée National Picasso-Paris.



► A SALUTE TO STYLE

from 10 October 2019
to 26 January 2020

Since war has often been waged by the privileged classes and since they are determined to distinguish themselves from civilians and display the glory of their triumphs, soldiers have always had a taste for finery and are attached to the beauty, quality, and even the splendour of the weapons, equipment and accessories they use in their profession and which also set them apart. Visitors will marvel at a display of close to 200 armoury and harquebus masterpieces, along with magnificent gold and silverwork, embroidery, ivory items, and saddlery, mostly from the Musée de l'Armée's collections. They take the form of jewellery, fashion accessories and haute couture garments for the exclusive use of warriors past and present.



More information on musee-armee.fr/en





MUSICAL SEASON

The Musée de l'Armée invites you to discover or re-discover the great classics and some more original works, with over 40 concerts taking place in this prestigious historical setting. Secular and sacred concerts, recitals and concert-lectures are organised at lunchtimes and evenings in some of the

most remarkable places on the site: Saint-Louis Cathedral, the Turenne room and the Grand Salon.

The artists nominated for the Victoires de la Musique Classique cycle are given the chance to put on a concert at Les Invalides, thanks to the financial support of the CIC.



ANNUAL EVENTS

Throughout the year, the Musée de l'Armée hosts a programme of major spectacular events in the Invalides cour d'Honneur!

► **La Nuit aux Invalides Show**
Every year during summer

Against the unusual backdrop of the 250-metre façade of the cour d'Honneur, this wonderful sound and light show takes you on a thrilling journey through the key moments in History. The latest sound and video technologies are used to create a sensory experience that will take your breath away!

► **Noël aux Invalides**
Celebrate Christmas at the Invalides!

Every year, the Museum organises a unique programme: a wide choice of fun activities as well as fantastic illuminations at the Dome Church (which hosts the tomb of Napoleon I) for all visitors to enjoy with their family and friends!

- ▲ Concert in the Saint-Louis Cathedral
- ◀ Rooms of the temporary exhibition *Knights and Bombards*



THE MUSEUM SPACES

SAINT-LOUIS CATHEDRAL THE DOME CHURCH – TOMB OF NAPOLEON I

In 1676, Louvois, the Minister for War, commissioned Jules Hardouin-Mansart to build a church on the site of the Invalides.

The architect designed a building that harmoniously and consistently combines a royal church, the "*Dome des Invalides*", with a church for the soldiers, now Saint-Louis Cathedral. The King and the soldiers could therefore attend mass at the same time, entering the place of worship through different doors. This partition was reinforced in the 19th century with the building of Napoleon's tomb and a glass wall between the two churches.

Napoleon Bonaparte's son, known as "*L'Aiglon*" (the Eaglet), his brothers Joseph and Jérôme, and famous military figures such as Turenne, Vauban, Foch and Lyautey have all been laid to rest in the Dome church.

ARTILLERY COLLECTION IN THE COUR D'HONNEUR

All along the solemn, sober galleries of the cour d'Honneur, you will find a remarkable battery of 70 bronze cannons spanning 200 years of the history of French artillery: its role, symbolism and the story of these impressive weapons and the great French artillerymen who used them. A permanent historical visit of the Invalides site will also be proposed starting in April on the main courtyard's pillars.



- ◀▶ Napoleon I's Tomb, Dome des Invalides
- ▲ Battery of cannons in the cour d'Honneur





ANTIQUE ARMS AND ARMOURS FROM THE MIDDLE AGES TO 1643

The chronological route of exceptional objects, such as François I's armour and the Arsenal gallery, an impressive arms store of over 2,500 items, takes you through one of the three largest armouries in the world, a journey through the era of the knights and great Kings of France, from Saint Louis to Louis XIII.



FROM LOUIS XIV TO NAPOLEON III - 1643-1871

Rediscover the military, political and social history of modern France through this unique collection of uniforms, equipment, weapons, decorations, heraldry, paintings and the personal belongings of illustrious figures, such as Napoleon Bonaparte and his marshals. Relive the great battles, explore the life of the soldiers, follow the development of technologies and tactics, and encounter the major figures of the age.

THE EXTRA-ORDINARY CABINETS

Since december 2015, two new spaces dedicated to musical instruments, figurines and artillery models are opened to the public.

A selection of rare and often unknown pieces of the museum's collections are presented in these fascinating spaces, especially designed for these wonderful works.



- ▲ Guided visit in front of the Napoleon's portrait painted by Jean-Auguste-Dominique Ingres © Christophe Chavan
- ▲ Armour of King Louis XIII © Jean-Yves and Nicolas Dubois
- ▲ Louis XIV to Napoléon III museum rooms © Emilie Cambier
- ▲ Musical instruments in the Extra-ordinary cabinets © Pascal Segrette





THE TWO WORLD WARS - FROM 1871 TO 1945

These rooms give visitors the opportunity to understand the origin and challenges of the two major conflicts of the 20th century, following a route with thousands of objects such as archives and contemporary witness accounts, films and photographs, weapons, paintings, everyday objects from soldiers' lives and uniforms, including some that belonged to famous military chiefs (Joffre, Foch, De Lattre etc.).

CHARLES DE GAULLE HISTORIAL

Devoted to the political and personal story of Charles de Gaulle, this 100% multimedia space takes you to the heart of 20th century history.

Using an audio guide, you follow a fascinating, interactive route containing 400 audiovisual documents and nearly 20 hours of commentary, discovering all the facets of this great historical character, in particular through a biographical film projected onto multiple screens.



Programme available in 8 languages (French, English, German, Italian, Spanish, Russian, Chinese and Japanese) and in audio-description.

YOUR TICKET ALSO GIVES YOU ENTRY TO TWO OTHER MUSEUMS IN THE HÔTEL DES INVALIDES

MUSEUM OF L'ORDRE DE LA LIBÉRATION

This fully renovated permanent exhibition contains three themed spaces (Free France, Internal Resistance and Deportation), with 2,000 items and documents illustrating the story of the early resistance fighters who became the Compagnons de l'Ordre de la Libération (Companions of the Liberation).

MUSEUM OF PLANS-RELIEFS

The museum of Plans-reliefs currently exhibits 28 examples of an impressive collection of models of fortified towns, built between 1668 and 1875 as military strategy planning tools and symbols of control over the territory.



Le musée des Plans-Reliefs est ouvert tous les jours :
▶ de 10h à 17h (fermeture le 1^{er} lundi de chaque mois).

More information on musee-armee.fr/en

- ◀ Sword of François I, circa 1510-1520 © Pascal Segrette
- ◀ *Napoleon I in Fontainebleau*, 31 March 1814, Hippolyte Delaroche dit Paul Delaroche, 1840
- ◀ The Appeal of 18 June presented in the Second World War II rooms © Pascal Segrette
- ▶ Facade of the Dome church © Anne-Sylvaine Marre-Noël



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

COMING TO THE MUSEUM

Musée de l'Armée / Hôtel des Invalides
129 rue de Grenelle, Paris 7^e
01 44 42 38 77
musee-armee.fr

OPENING TIMES

The museum is open every day:

- ▶ 10am to 6pm from 1 April to 31 October
- ▶ 10am to 5pm from 1 November to 31 March

Open on Tuesday evenings until 9pm, from April to September

The museum is closed on 1 January, 1 May and 25 December

- ▶ Two ticket offices with ticket machines
- ▶ Last entry 30 minutes before closing time
- ▶ **Free for children under 18**

DISABLED ACCESS

Disabled access:

6, Boulevard des Invalides, Paris 7

All the areas in the Musée de l'Armée have disabled access facilities.

Only the Dome church requires specific assistance.

- ▶ Wheelchairs are available from the museum reception



Terms and conditions of free entry are on the "Coming to the museum" section of the website



Disabled information: accueil@musee-armee.fr

HOW TO GET THERE

- ▶ Car park (fee may apply):

An underground car park is accessible from the Esplanade des Invalides.

- ▶ To make it easier for coach parties, groups can be dropped off on Place Vauban, where coaches can also park, for a fee. Please ask for details from the Paris Prefecture.



Information on: www.passautocars.paris.fr

Métro  La Tour-Maubourg

Métro  Varenne

RER  Invalides

CLOAKROOM

A cloakroom is available free of charge at the ticket office on the Place Vauban side, upon presentation of a museum entrance ticket. You can leave your belongings while visiting the museum (maximum size 55 x 35 x 25 cm).

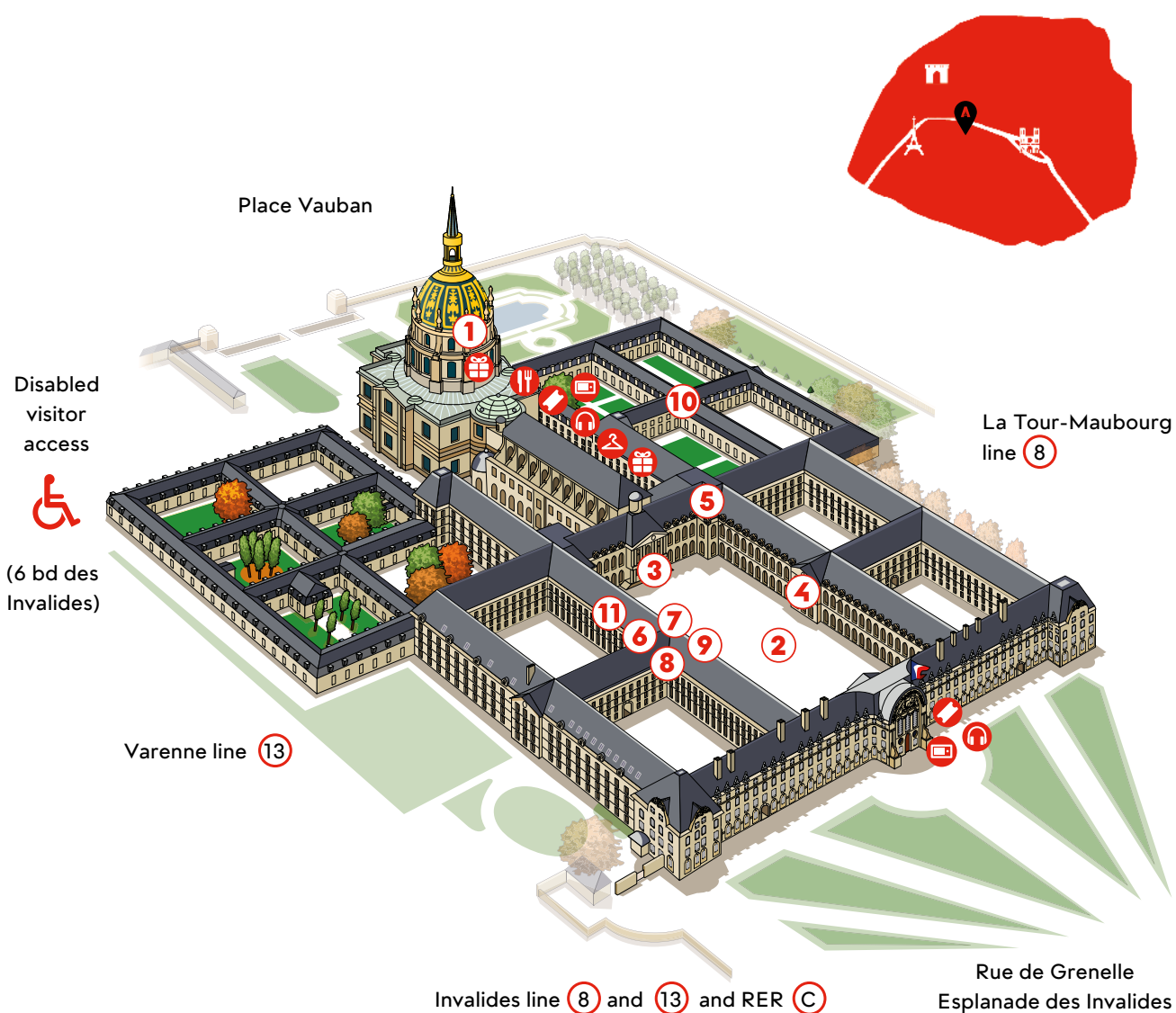
PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL

- ▶ For any textual or visual materials:



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