

# Vive la France!



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Here are just some of the awesome things Gullivers groups enjoy on a **Vive la France** Music tour. Many groups take the Eurostar from Paris to London, or extend their tour into Italy, Austria or Spain. Ask what else you can do because there are so many more possibilities to make your music tour unique and memorable!

## PARIS



- Tour Paris to see all the great sights. Take the lift to the viewing platforms of the Eiffel Tower, visit the Arc de Triomphe, stroll down the Avenue des Champs-Élysées or along the Left Bank
- See the Sorbonne and the Latin Quarter, then take the funicular up to the highest point of Paris - Sacre Coeur - and see this basilica with its white dome and gold mosaic interiors. Enjoy the sweeping views of Paris from its terrace then explore the winding streets of Montmartre
- Notre Dame Cathedral is guaranteed to take your breath away. One of the most stunning cathedrals of Europe it is a marvel of gothic architecture, dating to the 12th century. You can climb the north tower and your choir can perform in this most stunning venue
- Perform in the amazing La Madeleine church. Resembling a vast Roman temple on the outside, its frescoed and decorated interior and ceiling cupolas presents a truly stunning place to play and sing
- Cruise the Seine at lunchtime to see some of Paris' most beautiful sites from this unique perspective. Or you can try it at night for a totally beautiful experience
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- Go backstage at the renowned Paris Opera, and in the evening see an opera at the Opéra National de Paris. More mature groups might consider taking in a traditional Parisian cabaret like the famous Moulin Rouge
- Attend a concert by the Orchestre National de France or the Paris Opéra Orchestra or, for something really different, consider seeing the Ensemble Intercontemporain
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- The Palace of King Louis XIV at Versailles is built and decorated on an almost unimaginable scale. Take a guided tour through the halls, apartments and gardens of this unforgettable monument to past glories
- Combine music and visual art for a holistic experience:
  - The Louvre Museum has the world's largest and most diverse collection of pre-20th century art including the *Mona Lisa* and *Venus de Milo*
  - The Musee d'Orsay, just across the Seine, has the world's most important collection of Impressionist and Post-Impressionist painting.
  - The Centre Georges Pompidou is a modern art museum. Its collection and the views of Paris from the rooftop are amazing.

## VILLERS-BRETONNEUX, YPRES and BEYOND



- While in France it is good to visit, remember and pay your respects at the memorials to Australia's World War I battles. Two famous memorials are at Villers-Bretonneux and over the Belgian Border at Ypres.
- Every evening at Ypres a moving ceremony takes place under the Menin Gate. The Last Post Ceremony has become part of daily life and the local people are proud of this tribute to the courage and self-sacrifice of those who died to defend their town. Your group may be able to perform as part of this ceremony
- There are many, many more amazing places to discover in France where you can share music across the world and delve into the rich and varied culture. For example, the Cathedral at Amiens is even more breathtaking than Notre Dame in Paris!
- And London is just 3 hours away by the high-speed Eurostar train ....

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**NOTE:** This outline is indicative of the kinds of things you can do on a Gullivers **Vive la France** Music Tour. All activities are subject to dates, availability and your tour budget. Contact Gullivers Music Travel to organise your own detailed itinerary and quote

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