

Festivals & Events

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THE LOIRE FESTIVAL

In September, Orléans hosts the biggest riverboat gathering in Europe! Experience the golden age of the Orleans river port as some 200 traditional boats gather on the last 'natural' river in Europe.

This family event, held every 2 years, is festive and free of charge, welcoming visitors from around France to the Orleans riverfront. Don't miss exceptional moments that highlight our beautiful city's rich history and heritage.

JAZZ À L'ÉVÊCHÉ photo ①

A great way to get summer off to a swinging start! Enjoy live jazz performances this June in the garden of the former Bishop's Palace at the heart of the historic district.

Address : Jardin de l'Évêché, 45000 Orléans

FÊTE DES DITS photo ②

Every August, an island in the middle of the Loire becomes a showcase for modern and contemporary creation where photography, music, applied arts, theatre, dance and more transform a natural space into something totally unique.

Address : Quai de Prague, 45000 Orléans

LES MOULINS À PAROLES (Parc du Poutyl)

This festival greets visitors with poetry, music and stories in many and varied forms. This July, enjoy entertainment on stage and throughout the lovely park on the banks of the Loiret river!

Address : Parc du Poutyl, 45160 Olivet

RIVER CRUISES IN MARDIÉ

Travel back in time to the heyday of Loire river trade and the Orléans canal on board this cruise boat fitted out for a comfortable trip down the river, complete with commentary. Food is available on board.

Address : Embarcadere de Mardié, Pont aux Moines, 45430 Mardié
Open March - October

NOCTURNES & SPECTACLES

On 4 different dates this summer, the Parc Floral de la Source stays open after sunset, offering family-friendly shows and inviting the public to see the park by lamp light!

Address : Avenue du Parc Floral, 45100 Orléans



By bicycle photo ③

For a unique experience, grab a bike and head down one of the most beautiful cycling routes in France, stretching 800 km across 2 regions, 6 departments and 6 cities!

Plus, every June, join in the Orléans VÉLOTOUR, a bike ride through unexpected places. Fun for the whole family!

More info at www.tourisme-orleansmetropole.com/faire-du-velo-orleans



The 'Ville Fleurie' label

Improving the quality of life, respecting the environment, making public areas greener... In 2017, 13 towns from the Orléans Métropole area were awarded this coveted label!



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Orléans Métropole River, parks & gardens



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1 PARC FLORAL DE LA SOURCE

A certified 'Jardin Remarquable', the Parc Floral de La Source is 35 hectares of nature at its finest, featuring local plants and animals.

Open to garden enthusiasts and hikers, the park is a veritable haven of peace and a restful place to spend a few hours, or the whole day.

Address : Avenue du Parc Floral,
45100 Orléans



2 JARDIN DES PLANTES

The Orléans botanical garden features several themes, including the rose, an important horticultural activity in Orléans since the 1850s.

Address : Place du Jardin des Plantes,
45100 Orléans



3 PARC LOUIS PASTEUR

This large garden features flower beds that set off wide expanses of lawns. Relax on a bench or stroll around the variety of plants, monuments, statues and children's play areas including merry-go-rounds and a puppet theatre.

Address : Rue Eugène Vignat, 45000 Orléans

4 JARDIN DE LA CHARPENTERIE

Plenty of grass to play on, a pergola and cypresses for shade, a kiosk and children's garden... this 5,000 m² park is a welcome oasis in the midst of the city.

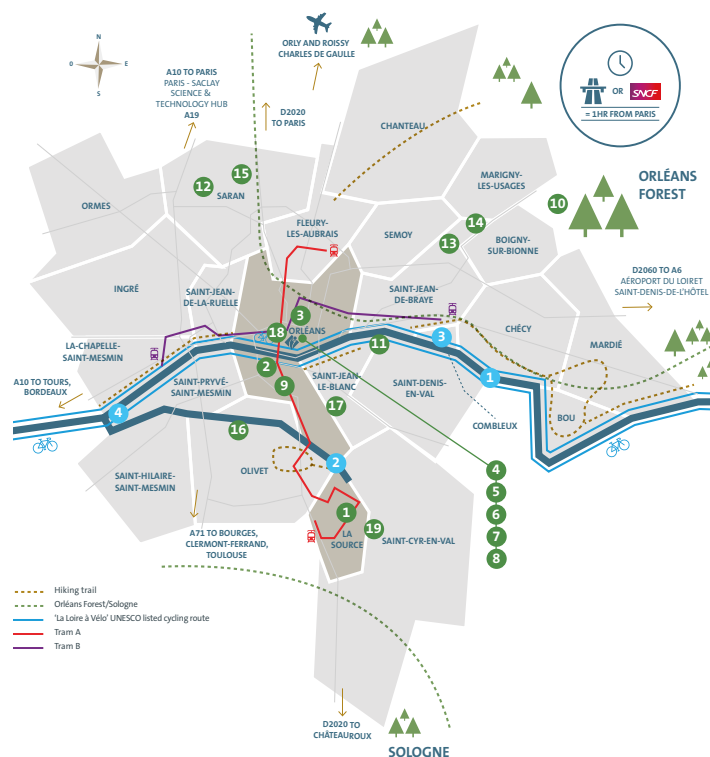
Address : Rue de la Charpenterie,
45000 Orléans



5 JARDIN DE L'ÉVÊCHÉ

In the purest classical style, this 3,700m² garden offers a splendid view of the apse of Sainte-Croix Cathedral as well as a chance to admire the 18th century façade of the former Bishop's Palace.

Address : Rue Robert de Courtenay, 45000 Orléans



6 THE HOTEL GROSLLOT GARDEN

Covering 2,850m², this mansion's romantic garden is a lovely example of typical 19th century townhouse gardens.

Stop to admire the Ginkgo Biloba, the 'three hundred coin' tree and the porch of the St Jacques Chapel. Or choose a spot for a leisurely read on the grass!

Address : 3 rue d'Escures, 45000 Orléans



7 JARDIN DE LA VIEILLE INTENDANCE

Tucked away in the historic town centre, the Jardin de la Vieille Intendance remains relatively little known. And yet it offers 2,700m² of shade and greenery in the heart of Orléans.

Address : Rue Alsace-Lorraine, 45000 Orléans

8 JARDIN HELENE CADOU

The last, but not least, of the city's gardens!

Address : 10 Impasse Notre Dame du Chemin, Orléans



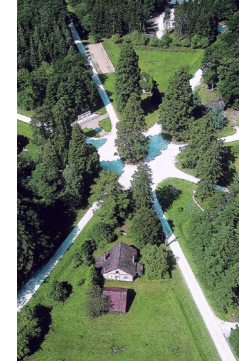
9 PARC DU MOINS ROUX

Address : Parc du Moins Roux, 45000 Orléans

10 ORLEANS FOREST

This 35,000-hectare forest is the largest public forest in France! Every season offers enchanting walks for families or couples.

Continue your visit at the nearby Museum of Professions and Legends of Orléans Forest or the Château de Chamerolles.



AND THERE'S MORE

rivers, parks and gardens in Orléans Métropole:

- 11 Ile Charlemagne in Saint-Jean-le-Blanc
- 12 Parc du Château de l'Etang in Saran
- 13 Parc du Château de la Charbonnière in Saint-Jean-de-Braye
- 14 Ruet Pond in Saint-Jean-de-Braye
- 15 Médecinerie Lake in Saran
- 16 Parc du Poutyl in Olivet
- 17 The castle rose garden in Saint-Jean-le-Blanc
- 18 Jardin Jacques Boucher in Orléans
- 19 Château de Morchène in Saint-Cyr-en-Val

1 THE LOIRE: Known as the 'Royal River', it is Europe's last 'natural' river and its 1,012 kilometres make it the longest in France. It boasts an historic canal latéral, and is lined with numerous castles, abbeys, historical cities and typical villages, yours to discover and explore!
www.tourisme-orleansmetropole.com/partir-la-decouverte-de-la-loire



Orléans is an integral part of the listed
UNESCO World Heritage site.

2 THE LOIRE : Looking for a romantic spot? The Loire offers a lovely 15-km walking path, lined with windmills and sumptuous 17th century properties. Swans, ducks and other water fowl join you on your stroll along the Sentier des Prés, an old medieval byway.

3 COMBLEUX : A charming little fishing village with vestiges of the glorious past of busy Loire River trade. Come for a riverside lunch next to the lock. *More info at:* www.tourisme-orleansmetropole.com

4 COURPAIN POINT: Come take a walk where the Loire and the Loire rivers meet. This site is home to a very interesting alluvial forest, part of the Saint-Mesmin nature reserve!
More info at: www.saint-pryve.com

WALKING TOURS OF ORLEANS

We offer friendly walks year-round, exploring different facets of the city, such as:

- Orléans from top to bottom
- Underground Orléans
- The Loire Festival special tour...

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