











Welcome to Orléans Métropole, a bright, elegant, authentic and exotic region. Here you'll find everything you need to satisfy your every whim, from micro-adventures to escapism.

You'll discover quality local produce, an exceptional heritage and breathtaking scenery. Take the time to walk or cycle along the banks of the Canal d'Orléans at Combleux or the Loiret at Olivet, for example. In the heart of Orléans, follow in the footsteps of Joan of Arc when she liberated the city in 1429. Extend your visit to the fine arts museum, one of the richest and oldest museums in France. Stroll through the magnificent, tree-lined, peaceful avenues of the Parc Floral de La Source or escape to the heart of nature in the Parc de Loire.

It's easy to see why: Orléans Val de Loire is a river, a history, a heritage, a way of life... and quinquettes! Welcome to Orléans Val de Loire!

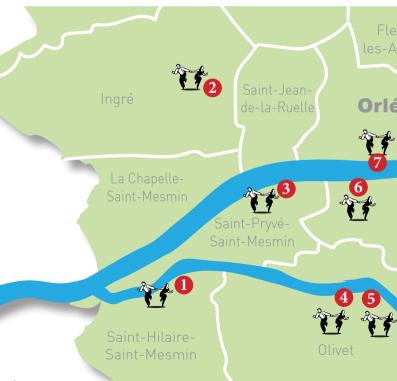
Discover Orléans Métropole, its river, its history, its monuments and places of interest, its museums, its parks and gardens... and its guinguettes!



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Twelve summer 'guinguettes' across greater Orléans.

Some are traditional, others more modern, but they all have a shared ideal: a friendly atmosphere and the enjoyment of time spent together. So, break out the checkered tablecloths, light the lanterns... and let's dance!



L'Escale Port Arthur

You can enjoy an exceptional view of the fauna and flora while having a drink on the terrace.

Ambiance:

The restaurant/'guinguette' is in a quiet, natural setting and affords a unique panorama of the wildest part of the Loiret. With its terrace on the banks of the Loiret, an iconic venue that has just reopened after a ten-year absence.

A drink, a bite to eat:

You will be welcomed by Nelly and Jérôme, the cuisine is traditional with grilled meats or fish prepared by the cook, Hamid Eddrief, who has worked in some of the best restaurants in Orléans.

Opening times:

Tuesday through Thursday, for groups of 20 or more, booking required.
From Friday lunchtime to Sunday lunchtime, traditional food or special menus for groups.



Shows & entertainment:

Themed evenings, concerts, with a dinner option. And 'guinguette' with a band on Sunday afternoons, with local musicians and a lunch option. Check out the programme in the news section of the L'Escale du Port Arthur website.

L'Escale du Port-Arthur 205 Rue de l'Église

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www.escale-du-port-arthur.fr





disease) than its "cousin", the field elm.



It is above all a spot where nature is in full song in every season: with a white carpet of snowdrops in March, a concerto of birds in May, and waves of immaculate buttercups on the Loiret in June.



Guinguette du parc de Bel Air

Every summer, an enjoyable time is to be had here, as you dance and meet new people.

Ambiance:

The lovely 'guinguette' in Ingré, with its professional dance floor. One of the only ones that is not located on the banks of the Loire, but on the route d'Orléans, between the Château de Bel-Air and the lake. The Guinguette du Parc de Bel Air is run by the non-profit Ingré Retraite Active (active seniors) organisation.

A drink, a bite to eat:

Lots of people come to enjoy a slice of cake or an ice cream...

Shows & entertainment:

Under the tall trees and the pennants of the big marquee, the band and accordion set a fast pace for the dancers, with the tango, paso, line dancing, polka, charleston, and more.

Opening times:

Every Sunday in August, from 2.30 to 7.30 pm Members: 7 euros Non-members: 11 euros

Things to visit nearby

Moulin de Martin

The windmill that has lost its sails was given a facelift in 2011 and now looks very smart indeed!



Guinguette du parc de Bel-Air Route d'Orléans - Parc de Bel Air 45140 Ingré







Au Piaf du Loiret

This terrace restaurant provides a gourmet break at the foot of the Saint-Nicolas bridge.

Ambiance:

View of the Loiret with its ducks, swans and canoeists, refreshments, areas in the shade and deckchairs in the sun. A 'guinguette', relaxation and good times...

A drink, a bite to eat:

A friendly restaurant/terrace where you can enjoy products such as salads (veggie, chicken...), grilled meats/fish, home-made fries, hot and cold drinks, ice creams...

Opening times:

Open 7 days a week with uninterrupted service

Shows & entertainment:

Au Piaf du Loiret can provide you with a hammock, petanque balls, colouring in for children and lots of other leisure activities, in a musical atmosphere...

Au Piaf du Loiret 350 Route de Saint-Mesmin 45750 - Saint-Pryvé-Saint-Mesmin 02 38 55 87 97 www.restaurant-lavillapryve.com







Things to visit nearby

Le Pont de l'Europe

A leaning bowstring arch bridge, the Pont de l'Europe spans the Loire between Orléans, Saint-Jean-de-la-Ruelle to the north and Saint-Pryvé-Saint-Mesmin to the south.

The bridge, with a modern asymmetrical design, was built between 1998 and 2000. It links the city of Orléans to the Loire à Vélo cycle route and features a wide cycle path in both directions that is separate from motorised traffic.







A little piece of paradise on the banks of the Loiret.

Ambiance:

This spot provides a breathtaking view of the banks of the Loiret and the famous 'promenade des moulins' (mill walk). Like back in the heyday of the guinguettes, this little piece of paradise provides a refreshing gourmet break and boat trips on the Loiret.

A drink, a bite to eat:

Snacks, tea room, local beers, refreshments for a fresh and tasty break.

Opening times:

February to October. Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays from 11am to 8pm.

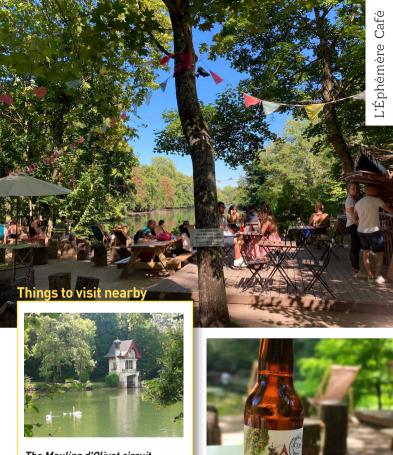


Shows & entertainment:

Unplugged concerts. Don't miss out on this bucolic break! On your own, with family or friends, it's definitely worth a visit.

L'Éphémère Café 800 rue du Bac 45160 Olivet 06 03 75 61 07 tonysano45@hotmail.fr • Ephemere.Cafe





The Moulins d'Olivet circuit

The Loiret river, mainly fed by inflow from the Loire, is 13 km long. This circuit lets you discover the former working windmills that are now converted into homes, typical boat stations and a number of large properties. The walk follows the sentier des Prés, sentier des Martinets and sentier de la Mothe pathways. You can keep going on the Tacreniers and Fosse-Marion pathways.



A 'ginquette' atmosphere on the banks of the Loiret

Ambiance:

In front of the 'quinquette' stage, on the terrace overlooking the Loiret, comfortably seated in the open-air theatre or strolling through the park, La Ramboche is the embodiment of summerl

A drink, a bite to eat:

The Bar à Bamboche with its cold drinks and snacks. welcomes you from 4.30 pm to 11.30 pm. The snack bar at the park's swimming pool and different food trucks are also available.

Opening times:

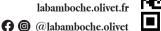
In July Thursday through Sunday from 4.30 pm to 11.30 pm Wednesday is children's day



Shows & entertainment:

La Bamboche is for evervone! Families in particular have dedicated shows called La Bambinoche, with stories, activities and workshops. From Thursday to Sunday, a variety of shows and concerts are held on the 'quinquette' stage, and in the open-air theatre. Whether you're on an afterwork, a weekend break or a holiday, come and enjoy an eclectic range of artistic offerings, designed to suit all tastes! Not to be missed this year: the Frangines, Marie-Flore and the Chocomédy.

La Bamboche Parc du Poutyl, 422 Rue du Général de Gaulle 45160 Olivet







Things to visit nearby



Le parc du Poutyl

Fabulous botanical diversity awaits you! Its open-air theatre welcomes you in the summer. This is one of the most beautiful public gardens in greater Orléans. On the south bank of the Loire, this French-style 3.5-hectare park, with its remarkable botanical diversity, has a terrace that overlooks the Loiret river: the view below takes in beautiful villas and their boat stations, vestiges of the Belle Époque in a fabulous setting.







LA PAILLOTE

On the south bank of the Loire, la Paillote is a veritable open-air cultural venue.

Ambiance:

Thought up by the Nanoprod non-profit organisation, it provides a new perspective on Orléans. From here you can see the city's most beautiful monuments: the Sainte Croix cathedral, the George V bridge, the belfry of the Hôtel des Créneaux and other beautiful bell towers.

A drink, a bite to eat:

Beers and wines, snacks...

Opening times:

From 15 April to 24 September 2023

Tuesdays (July and August only) from 5pm to sunset

Wednesdays through Fridays, from 5pm to sunset,

Saturdays from 4pm to sunset

Sundays and public holidays from 4pm to 8pm



Shows & entertainment.

You can watch movies in the open-air, let your children play with the free games, admire the beach, listen to local and less local artists. Now in its 7th season, La Paillotte invites you to attend shows, workshops, courses, conferences, films and exhibitions until the sun sets on the south bank. Open-air cultural venue, concerts, theatre, exhibitions, children's library, chess and draughts, Molkky, volleyball, badminton, table tennis, original "Loire desks" wooden furniture, deckchairs, blankets on the grass.

La Paillote Quai de Prague 45000 - Orléans www.nanonusicir/lapaillote







The Jardin des Plantes is a 3.5-hectare pleasure and discovery garden. It is also the City of Orléans' centre for plant experimentation. The Jardin des Plantes offers visitors a variety of plant species and atmospheres through its rose competition, tropical greenhouses, palm grove, shrub beds, themed and climatic gardens and rose garden. You can also take the time to admire 4 trees that are remarkable for the rarity of their species or their size.





Among the Loire river boats, with replicas of the bateau lavoir (laundry boat) and the Inexplosible river steamer, come and see the first 'quinquette' in our destination

Ambiance:

It is the oldest 'quinquette' in the Orléans metropolitan area. On the banks of the Loire, on the Quai du Châtelet side, the Le Ponton 'Guinguette' is the place to be for the people of Orléans and for walkers. With its gingham tablecloths under the lanterns and its nostalgic musical playlist, no one can resist the friendly and festive atmosphere Le Ponton exudes.

Opening times:

A drink, a bite to eat:

Come and try out some locallyproduced beverages, perhaps enjoy some light and local organic food, while playing cards with your friends or family.

Shows & entertainment:

Concerts, dances, theme nights... Friendly atmosphere guaranteed! The Shruti Box non-profit organisation, which manages the Dix Fûts bar and the GlouGlou restaurant, is now running this fabulous 'quinquette'.

Le Ponton 36 quai du Châtelet 45000 - Orléans

www.leponton-orleans.com











Things to visit nearby

Sainte-Croix (Holy Cross) Cathedral



A listed historic monument and one of the 5 largest Gothic cathedrals in France. Sainte-Croix Cathedral opens its doors to you and presents its extremely rich history. Inside, you'll discover its magnificent carved woodwork and stained glass windows telling the story of Joan of Arc, as well as its eleven chapels dating back to the 13th century. A free «son et lumière» (sound and light) show at the cathedral is available throughout the summer, at dusk. More information on orleans fr



At the "le BDL", 'guinguette', where you will get a warm welcome and a comfy seat on their pleasant little beach.

Ambiance:

Comfortably ensconced on the deckchairs, whether on the cobblestones or on the sand as you prefer, the BDL's beach, with a breathtaking view of the royal river. The setting is just stunning.

A drink, a bite to eat:

A wide range of cocktails as you spend a pleasant time with your toes in the sand, accompanied by sardines, marinated shrimps (new), trio of hummus, Edamane (soya beans

Opening times:

Open 7 days a week From May to the end of September from 4pm to 1am April and October, closed on Mondays



in their pods served with fleur de sel). Table service, QR code menu.

Shows & entertainment:

Music indoors, relaxation and good atmosphere guaranteed!

La plage du BDL 14 quai du Châtelet 45000 - Orléans BDL45 bdl.Orléans@gmail.com





Le musée des Beaux-Arts

Orléans' Fine Arts Museum displays an impressive collection of paintings, drawings, sculptures and objets d'art dating from the 15th to the 20th century. Italian, Flemish or Dutch paintings, and of course French works, are present. The Orléans pastels showcase is the second most impressive in France, after the Louvre.





Le Boui-Boui is a pretty 'guinguette' on the quai du Fort-Alleaume in Orléans, near the canal and the port



Ambiance:

With an esplanade facing the Loire, the venue provides an exceptional setting that invites you to take a seat at one of its tables, in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Strings of coloured lights overhead, sunset over the Loire and the canal... a good mood is guaranteed with the Capitainerie!

A drink, a bite to eat:

You can enjoy a range of food and drink options to suit every appetite: boui-boui burgers and veggie burgers, main course salads, buckets of crispy cornflake-crusted chicken, buckets of fries, ice cream and doughnuts, (local) beers, wines, cocktails... Mussels and fries only during the 5-day Loire Festival.

Opening times:

From May to October.
Monday to Thursday,
from 5pm to midnight,
Friday from 3pm to midnight,
Saturday and Sunday
from 2pm to midnight

Shows & entertainment:

Thanks to its location, a venue like this underscores the complementarity of the activities already available on the quays: open-air market, children's games, street-workout equipment, river shuttles, catering and more than 250 events throughout the summer during the day and in the evening.

Le Boui-Boui Capitainerie Quai Fort-Alleaume 45000 - Orléans D Lebouibouiorleans







Îlot4, located in the Parc de Loire, on the Île Charlemagne, in Saint-Jean-le-Blanc.

Ambiance:

Located in the heart of the Loire Park, Îlot4 welcomes you in a unique setting in Orléans. For a total change of air, a laid back atmosphere and local produce. Take a seat, order a lemonade, and feel time stand still! And just enjoy.



Opening times: From May to September. Saturday: 2pm - 10pm Sunday and public holidays: 12 noon - 9pm

A drink, a bite to eat:

We can suggest lemonade, sangria and tapas, all of which are "homemade",as well as organic wines and beers by a local brewer.

Shows & entertainment:

On Saturdays we organise concerts by local artists and on Sundays DJs from Orléans provide the mixes for our 'Sunday BeforeWork' events. Workshops (Yoga, sports...) will be run during the year for the young and youngat-heart.

L'Îlot4
Parc de Loire
45650 - Saint-Jean-Le-Blanc
Lîlot4-Guinguette-du-Parc-de-Loire
www.guinguette-ilot4.fr





nature watching...



Concerts and entertainment in this charming 'guinguette' in the heart of the Longues Allées park.



Ambiance:

The "Guinguette du Parc", located in the heart of the Longues Allées wooded park, organises concerts of different styles, but always in a friendly atmosphere, from 7 July to 26 August.

A drink, a bite to eat:

Bar and snacks.

Concerts & entertainment

Concerts and entertainment, in a decidedly family-friendly and dance-oriented atmosphere.

Opening times:

From 7 July to 26 August.
Fridays and Saturdays, from 7pm
to 11pm, concerts at 8.30pm. From
July 7 to August 26

Parc des Longues Allées 25 rue de Mondésir 45800 Saint-Jean de Braye









Bollée bell foundry and museum

The chimes that have been produced here over the years can be heard in over 60 cathedrals: Orléans, Tours, Chartres, Ottawa, Yamoussoukro... Next to it stands a metal windmill dating from 1872, also built by the Bollée family, which was classified as a historical monument in 1991.





L'Ecluse, or lock, is located by the canal, in the garden of a former lock keeper's house, near the Loire.



Opening times:

April and May:

Thursday and Friday: 5-11pm Saturday and Sunday: 12 noon-11pm

June:

Wednesday to Friday: 5pm - 11pm

Saturday and Sunday: 12 noon-11pm

July and August :

Tuesday to Friday: 5pm - 11pm Saturday and Sunday:

12 noon-11pm

September :

Thursday and Friday: 5-11pm Saturday and Sunday: 12 noon-11pm

Ambiance:

Samuel and Ludovic are happy to welcome tourists who are following the Loire à Vélo trail, on the edge of the towpath. You will enjoy the family atmosphere and peaceful setting.

A drink, a bite to eat:

Snacks featuring local products, wines and beers.

Shows & entertainment:

Unplugged concerts...

La Guinguette de l'Écluse 1 bis Chem. de l'Église 45800 - Combleux Guinguette de l'Écluse







Canal and Loire circuit

Combleux, a quiet village nestling in greenery, is located in a remarkable (listed) site on the banks of the Loire. The riverbank, towpaths and little streets in the village offer walkers an opportunity to discover the remains of a time when there was traffic on the Loire and the canal.





Orléans Val de Loire Tourisme - Orléans Métropole Tourist Office :
23 place du Matroi - 45000 Orléans
Open every day from 9.30am to 7pm
Tourism-orleansmetropole.com

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Some of the guided visits and tours on offer from Orléans Val de Loire Tourisme:

ORLEANS FROM TOP TO BOTTOM

'Up on the roof'

Climb the Cathedral's 252 steps, with a 360° view of Orléans as your reward! Then head down to one of the town's Romanesque remains, the Saint-Avit crypt.

THE MYSTERY OF THE SAINT-AIGNAN CRYPT

Brother Guillaume will take you down into the «bowels» of Orléans. Dressed in his hessian cassock, the monk will guide you by candlelight and reveal the mystery of the Saint-Aignan crypt.

SADDLE UP... FOLLOW THE GUIDE!

From the *Place du Martroi* to the Loire, we invite you to discover Orléans from another angle - on your bike! Your guide will help you discover or rediscover the city's iconic monuments. Head down the narrow streets of the old town centre and finish your outing on the banks of the Loire. History of the city, historical figures, anecdotes, and legends... A total Orléans experience!

THE BANNIER GATE

Under the *Place du Martroi*, this visit to *the Porte Bannier* takes you back to the 14th century, at a time when a second wall protected Orléans during the Hundred Years War.

DISCOVERING OLD ORLEANS

Let yourself be guided through the streets of the historic heart of the city, up to the Sainte-Croix (Holy Cross) Cathedral, passing by the Hôtel Groslot. Through these must-see sites you will learn about historical and significant events from Orléans history.

STREET ART

Home to artists from all eras, Orléans has also attracted urban artists who use the walls as canvases! Discover this colourful world that we see without looking.



PETIT TRAIN TOURISTIQUE (LITTLE TOURIST TRAIN)

All aboard the Petit Train Touristique, for a guided tour through the old town of Orléans with its half-timbered houses, the banks of the Loire and its traditional boats. The Campo Santo, Hôtel Groslot, Place du Martroi, Maison de Jeanne d'Arc, rue Royale, les Halles and many other places of interest are a must...

COMBLEUX

It's all about authenticity in this village whose history is bound up with the growth of river trade. Take a stroll with your guide and discover the vestiges of a unique past.

Meeting point on the car park of Combleux Town Hall.



OLIVET WINDMILLS

A testament to what was once a flourishing economic activity, come and discover the charming windmills along the Loiret. Meeting point: the car park of *La Reine Blanche* in Olivet.

Reservations via www.tourisme-orleansmetropole.com or in person at the Tourist Office. For further information: infos@tourisme-orleans.com or call 02 38 24 05 05.









How to get around?

By bike

358 km of cycle facilities
Ask for the map of cycle routes at the Tourist Office or find it on: orleans-metropole.fr

The Loire à vélo crosses the region from east to west 20 km from east to west, linking with Euro Vélo 3 and the Scandibérique.

rique.

Vélo'+, self-service bicycle service



Public transport

With 42 bus lines and 2 tram lines, the TAO network covers the whole of the Orléans metropolitan area. A bus network provides connections to other destinations in the *Département*.

The «Flash Ticket» solution allows you to receive a virtual ticket, which you can then flash with your smartphone (Android and iOS) when travelling by bus and tram.



