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Welcome to Lyon!

The leaves are falling and the air is growing colder between the Rhône and Saône. But that doesn't mean cultural life is slowing down in Lyon, quite the opposite!

An abundance of vibrant and enthralling events and activities continue to flourish all over the city. So make sure you get all the info: browse our mini-guide to discover all the things you can do here during your stay.

Unmissable events, great places to visit and useful tips await you!



→ Find all our advice
for your stay in Lyon.



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Top 10 to do in Lyon

Weave silk in the Croix-Rousse, home of the Canuts

Once inhabited by Lyon's silk-workers, known as the Canuts, the Croix-Rousse district reveals its industrial past through '*traboules*' and inner courtyards. For a taste of life in this period, make your way to one of the workshops where you can buy a square silk scarf at factory price and learn about silk-making trades.

Enjoy a '*quenelle*'^{*} in one of Lyon's '*bouchon*' restaurants

There's a wide range of specialities to be had in the city's famous *bouchons* and for a truly authentic experience, look out for the '*Bouchon Lyonnais*' quality label. It guarantees that restaurants prepare their food in keeping with Lyon's traditions, and regularly serve the classic morning meal known as a '*mâchon*'.

* *quenelle*: a creamed fish-flavoured soufflé.

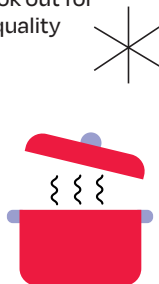


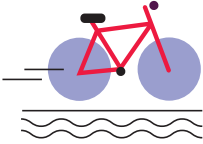
Ascend the hill of Fourvière

Take '*la ficelle*' (literally 'the string'), as the funicular going up the hill is known, and see Lyon spread out beneath you. A symbolic landmark, the nineteenth-century basilica of Fourvière watches over Lyon and offers visitors a richly decorated interior. Nearby, the ancient theatres and the Lugdunum site reveal the secrets of the Roman city founded in 43 BC.

Meet the best producers at Les Halles Paul-Bocuse

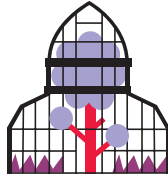
Les Halles de Lyon Paul-Bocuse is a temple dedicated to gastronomy, and will even take you on a voyage through neighbouring areas to discover their famous *terroir* products. Because Lyon's excellent reputation in matters of culinary delights also depends on the quality of its regional products, such as the famous Poulet de Bresse and Beaujolais and Côtes-du-Rhône wines. Make the most of the early morning hustle and bustle, and get to taste a piece of Saint-Marcellin cheese or Rosette sausage!





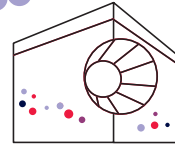
Cycle along the banks of Rhône and Saône

Grab a self-service Velo'v bicycle and head off along the banks of Rhône or Saône to discover their bustling, urban atmosphere. Then set off in search of the city's monuments before enjoying an open-air break on board one of the many barges moored along the river!



Take a break in Tête d'Or park

Nestled in a bend of the Rhône in the north of the city, Tête d'Or park has a free zoo, a lake, a botanical garden, and a rose garden with no less than 450 varieties. A green lung of Lyon and France's largest urban park, it contributes to the wonderfully preserved quality of life of a city on a human scale.



Discover Lyon's new face in the Confluence

Take the Navigône, Lyon's river shuttle service, to arrive right in the heart of the Confluence district. After being dominated by industry for centuries, it has been returned to the city's residents as a symbol of green and forward-looking redevelopment. The renovated industrial buildings of the former docks of Rambaud, designed by world-leading architects, offer amazing contrasts of shapes and colours..



Stroll through the Presqu'île

The peninsula between the Rhône and Saône is the city's beating heart. From Place Bellecour to the Grand Hôtel-Dieu complex, the Théâtre des Célestins and Place des Terreaux, the city centre's main streets are filled with history and enticing shops.



Travel back in time in the Renaissance district of Vieux-Lyon

From the cathedral of Saint-Jean to the townhouses once owned by Lyonnais and Italian merchants, a visit to Vieux-Lyon is a journey through the 15th and 16th centuries. Then there are the famous 'traboules'.

These passageways through buildings and inner courtyards, linking up parallel streets, are waiting to be explored, with respect for the local residents.



See you at the museum

From the masterpieces of the Musée des Beaux-Arts, housed in a former convent, to the fascinating story of the invention of cinema by the Lumière brothers at the Musée Lumière, Lyon's museums offer a variety of unique themes and included in the Lyon City Card.

On the bill!



Find out about the season's most eagerly anticipated events and exhibitions!



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Fête des Lumières

Over the course of four evenings, Lyon will shine bright for the Festival of Lights. From the traditional lumignons – candle lanterns that locals place on their window ledges – to the myriad visual and interactive shows that light up the city, this event is a magical way to discover Lyon. Take a plunge into this huge free gathering that's open to all!



→ fetedeslumieres.lyon.fr/en
From 5 to 8 December 2025

AiRT de famille

This participative and family-friendly art festival is returning for a fourth year, with the theme 'Métamorphose des Mondes' (Metamorphosis of Worlds), to ask questions about our relationship with things, nature, society and passing time. Over the course of two months, participants will get a chance to explore the worlds of more than forty local artists at an iconic new venue: the Perrache Multimodal Hub.



→ airtdefamille.fr
Until 30 November 2025.
30 cours de Verdun-Gensoul,
Lyon 2nd



PIMENT MARTIN © Metronomi

Lugdunum's 50th anniversary

On the 15th of November 2025, Lugdunum Museum will celebrate 50 years since its founding on the hill of Fourvière. A special programme will begin as early as October with the exhibition '*C'est canon ! L'art chez les romains*' exploring attitudes to art in Roman times, as well as all-new immersive attractions, including 3D models, geocaching and virtual reality. The celebrations will culminate on the weekend of 15 and 16 November with a diverse choice of activities and plenty of surprises.



→ lugdunum.grandlyon.com

Until 7 June 2026.

17 rue Cléberg, Lyon 5th

Titanic

110 years after its sinking, the world's most famous liner is docking at La Sucrière, for an immersive, super-realistic journey. Through life-size reconstructions, 3D video animations and 300 period objects, visitors are transported into the ship's luxurious interior: from the first-class cabins to the radio operators' room and the iconic grand staircase.



→ expo-titanic.com

Until 31 January 2026.

49 quai Rambaud, Lyon 2nd

Zombies, the origins

Make your way to one of Lyon's most recognisable museums – Musée des Confluences – which explores life's big questions like humanity's origins and future. This time, the museum is sending out Halloween vibes with the season's creepiest and most captivating exhibition that delves into legends of the living dead!



→ museedesconfluences.fr/en

Until 16 August 2026.

From age 13 up.

86 quai Perrache, Lyon 2nd

BRASSERIE GEORGES

**Bonne bière et bonne chère
depuis 1836**



Located in the city center, the Brasserie Georges is a historical monument and a not-to-be-missed spot of gastronomy in Lyon. The atmosphere is unique !

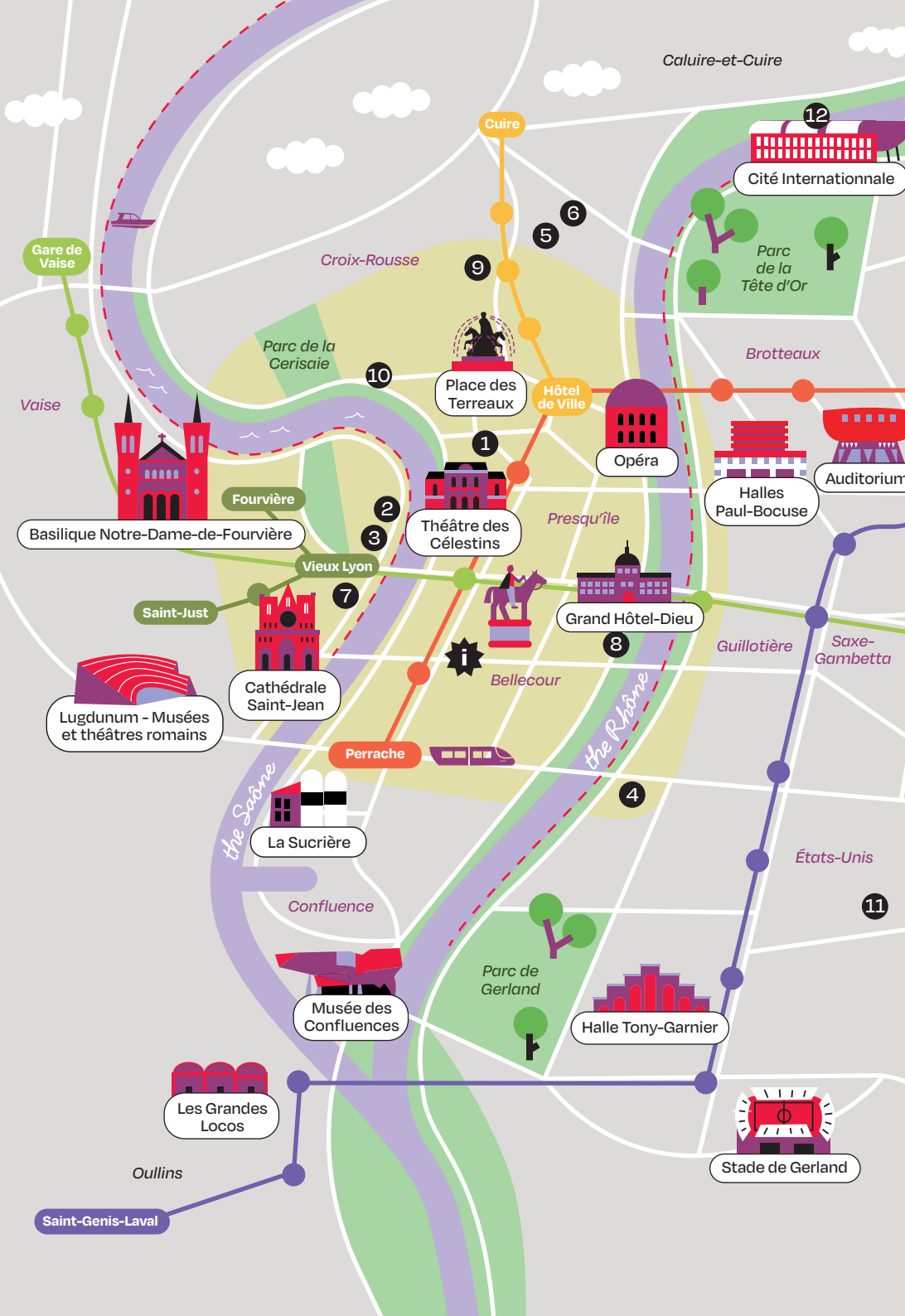


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et théâtres romains

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Célestins

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Croix-Rousse

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Vaise

Map

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 Banks of the Saône and Rhône by bike

And also:

- 1 Musée des Beaux-Arts
- 2 Gadagne : Musée d'histoire de Lyon, Musée des arts de la marionnette
- 3 Musée Miniatures & Cinéma
- 4 Centre d'histoire de la résistance et de la déportation
- 5 Maison des Canuts
- 6 Soierie vivante
- 7 Soierie Saint-Georges
- 8 Musée Soieries Brochier
- 9 Mur peint des Canuts
- 10 Mur peint des Lyonnais célèbres
- 11 Musée urbain Tony-Garnier
- 12 Musée d'art contemporain



Time to eat!



From tradition to modernity,
find the restaurant that
matches your tastes!



© Les idées clémentine

Équilibres café

Standing on the slopes of Croix-Rousse hill, this place is a magnet for vegetarians! People come for brunch, lunch, coffee and even work sessions in its cosy ambiance. The dishes are 100% home-made with ingredients that are organic, seasonal and as local as possible. And they are no less moreish for it: just try their crispy vegetarian croque monsieur, their creamy soup or their super comforting cookie. The socially conscious team at Équilibres Café offers customers the option to give a one-euro tip that will be used to help buy a meal for a person in need.

Open Wednesday to Sunday.
4 rue Terme, Lyon 1st

Les Assembleurs

Far from the elitism associated with some wine bars, Les Assembleurs – who produce their own wines on tap – have a simple goal: “open up the world of grape varieties and, above all, pleasure, in a down-to-earth way.” Here, fruit symbols on the menu help customers choose their drink and service is directly at the bar (that’s right, just like with beer). The atmosphere is friendly and there’s a choice of dishes prepared with local, seasonal ingredients for lunch, as well as tapas to share in the evening.

Open Monday to Saturday. 12 rue Mazenod (Lyon 3rd)
ou 144 Cours Gambetta (Lyon 7th).



© Les Assembleurs



Le Poêlon d'or

Holder of the 'Bouchon Lyonnais' quality label, Le Poêlon d'Or serves up traditional Lyonnaise cuisine in the authentic interior of a listed building. Chef Mickael Lorini offers a chance to taste the recipes of the *Mères Lyonnaises* (Lyon's famous women cooks) and his signature specialties: Pike Quenelle in Shrimp Sauce, Artichoke Heart and Foie Gras, Rum Baba, Praline Tart... For vegetarians, the restaurant also serves Mushroom Ravioli (a dish that originated in the nearby lands of Dauphiné).

Open Tuesday to Saturday.
29 rue des Remparts-d'Ainay, Lyon 2nd



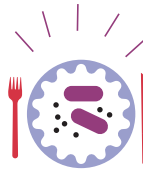
"Lyon is a city that
makes you hungry"
Paul Bocuse



Monplaisir market

Four times a week, Monplaisir market is held on the pretty square of Place Ambroise-Courtois. With its bandstand, cafés and bars, and not to forget the splendid former home of the Lumière Brothers nearby, this is one of Lyon's most pleasant markets. It brings together more than forty vendors (or twenty or so for the organic market) and you'll find everything you need for a beautiful spread: fruit and veg, cheeses, roast chicken, charcuterie and various meats, fish, bread and flowers.

Every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 6 am to 1:30 pm and Wednesday from 3 to 8 pm for the organic market.



Andouillette

While practically every region in France has its own andouillette, for us gones (as we Lyonnais like to call ourselves), there is only one that matters: the authentic *Andouillette de Lyon*. Made with veal ruffle, or the membrane around the calf's intestine (and not with pork as is the case elsewhere), the Lyonnais andouillette has a grilled and slightly spicy flavour.

You can buy one of these chitterlings sausages at Bobosse (in the Halles de Lyon-Paul Bocuse food market). Or you can sample one at a restaurant bearing the 'Bouchons Lyonnais' quality label.

Move!



In the fresh air or sheltered from the rain, have some experiences to remember!



Outing on the Lyon City Bus

Hop on board a double-decker tour bus to see the sights in the city's most famous districts, like Old Lyon, Fourvière and Confluence, from a different angle. Listen to the audio-guide along the 1½-hour route to learn more about Lyon's most iconic landmarks. This not-to-be-missed experience is free with the Lyon City Card from 1 November to 31 March (except during the Fête des Lumières – Festival of Lights).



Departure: 3 rue du Colonel-Chabbonnet, Lyon 1st



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Lyon 2nd



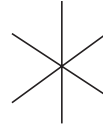
Lunchtime tour of Halles Paul Bocuse

On this gourmet tour, Praline and Rosette take you into the fabulous indoor food market that is Halles de Lyon-Paul Bocuse. From Lyon's famous delicacies to the flavours of Lebanon and other fine foods like smoked salmon, the tour will introduce you to the best that Lyon's temple of gastronomy has to offer. Lasting two hours and including seven tasting stops, it is a wonderful way to learn about and experience food.

€59.90. More info on shop.visiterlyon.com



© Praline et Rosette



© Delphine Castel

A guided tour: The traboules of Croix-Rousse hill and silk printing workshop

From the 20th to the 23rd of November 2025, the festival Silk in Lyon will celebrate this fine fabric through exhibitions, conferences and workshops. Outside of the event, guided tours on this topic in english are available in the Croix-Rousse district every Saturday (with a few exceptions). Don't miss the chance to learn about this precious material that made Lyon famous in the nineteenth century, including the daily life of the silk workers, known as '*canuts*', and silk scarf printing techniques at the silk workshop. .



Every Saturday, except 1 November, 6 and 27 December 2025. Booking required at shop.visiterilyon.com

A walk in the Beaujolais

Just 30 kilometres from Lyon, in southern Beaujolais, the lovely village of Bully offers a bucolic setting for an autumn stroll. To get there from Lyon, take bus C216 at Gorge de Loup. Once you reach the village, make your way to Place du Château to begin the four-mile walk. The route will take you past some charming buildings made of the local "golden stone" before winding its way through vineyards and meadows. It leads all the way to '*Crêt du Chat*' (cat's ridge), where you can take in the stunning view of the surrounding hills of the Monts du Lyonnais.



Further details of the route available at montsdulyonnaistourisme.fr



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Shop!



Great addresses to treat yourself or bring back a gift from Lyon.



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Météore Vintage

Météore Vintage is a concept store in Lyon dedicated to sportswear from the 1980s to the 2000s, from the big cult brands to original collections. More than just a shop, it is a hybrid space where vintage fashion, upcycling and urban art come together, with a tattoo studio upstairs.

2 rue d'Algérie, Lyon 1st

Oh My Gone

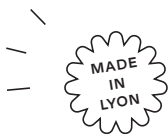
Looking for a souvenir to take home from Lyon? If so, Oh My Gone is the perfect shop for you! With regional produce, posters of the city, clothes printed with classic local phrases and more, you'll be spoilt for choice in this shop that gives pride of place to local artisans and producers.

3 rue Colonel-Chambonnet, Lyon 2nd

Chocolats Voisin

Whether it's for Christmas or Valentine's Day, there's always a good reason to gift chocolates, especially when they bear the 'Fabriqué à Lyon' (Made in Lyon) quality label! A master chocolatier established in 1897, Maison Voisin deserves a place on the list of all sweet tooths!

You can find their chocolates and confectionery in 15 shops dotted around Lyon.



Les Artpenteuses

For more than 15 years, this shop located on the slopes of Croix-Rousse hill has exhibited the work of 13 local creators. From garments to decorative items, stationery, leather goods, ceramics and jewellery, it covers all kinds of artisanry. You're sure to find something you love!

13 rue Romarin, Lyon 1st

Like a Lyonnais

on the street corner

Place de la Baleine, Lyon 5°

According to legend, this square in Vieux-Lyon (Old Lyon) was named after fragments of whale skeleton found on the site in 1547. Rumours had it that the wandering cetacean had swum up the rivers Rhône and Saône before dying of exhaustion. The more likely origin of the name is an old shop sign that bore pictures of dolphins, inspired by the coat of arms of a neighbouring count. 500 years later, not much has changed in this neighbourhood, except that the former Port de la Baleine has disappeared without trace.

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La vogue

This is the local name given to funfairs. The most well-known - *La Vogue des Marrons* - is held each year on top of Croix-Rousse hill. Next edition from 4 October to 11 November 2025.

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