

Living حياة



ABOVE THE DELUXE SUITE
 ABOVE RIGHT LE BRISTOL PARIS UNMISTAKABLE FACADE
 RIGHT THE COLONNADE OVERLOOKING THE LUSH LE JARDIN FRANÇAIS
 BELOW THE GARDEN COURTYARD



LE BRISTOL PARIS

An icon of French elegance and *art de vivre*, Le Bristol Paris is situated in one of the city's most prestigious districts, Rue du Faubourg Saint-Honoré, just a few strides from art galleries and high-end fashion houses. The first to receive France's "Palace" distinction, the hotel has 190 grand rooms and suites with contemporary interiors, opulent washrooms for the bubble baths you can't go without, and expansive vanities to make sure you're

well-dressed before stepping out in the City of Lights.

After undergoing a full renovation last year, Le Bristol's existing cast of rooms was joined by the new Lumière Suite. Featuring a library corridor between the drawing room and bedroom, the suite contains large bow windows to invite light bouncing against the tonalities of aqua, jade, and coral on the furniture and walls. The Panoramic Suite, captured in *Midnight in Paris* (2011), is preserved in the same design to transport you to the Oscar-winning film. After a long day of shopping, you can hang your treasures in the walk-in closet illuminated by natural light and curl up on the plush sofa for an afternoon sieste. The hotel, established in 1925, still showcases its rich French history and heritage, whether in the wood parquet – the same as can be seen at the Palace of Versailles – or the silk rug beneath your feet.



WHERE TO GO

Tunisian singer-songwriter Emel shares her best-loved Parisian gems

1. EAT AT LE LOIRE DANS LA THEIERE ORDER TEA FROM THEIR AMAZING SELECTION AND DELICIOUS HOMEMADE TARTE TATIN, A DELIGHT. THE BEST IS SITTING ON THE OLD COUCH WHILE YOU SAVOR YOUR TEA AND CAKE. LELOIRDANSLATHIERE.COM

2. WALK ALONG THE SEINE THREE BRIDGES FROM POINT LOUIS-PHILIPPE, PASSING BY ÎLE SAINT-LOUIS (HAVING BERTHILLON ICE CREAM ALONG THE WAY) THEN THE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE LEADING BACK TO MAIN LAND WITH THE BEST MUSICIANS AND STREET ARTISTS IN TOWN.

3. SEE THE MUSEE DU LUXEMBOURG, A SMALL, INTERESTING MUSEUM DEDICATED TO SHOWING WOMEN PAINTERS. MUSEEDELUXEMBOURG.FR

4. SHOP AT MELODIES GRAPHIQUES A GREAT PLACE TO ADMIRE BEAUTIFUL HANDCRAFTS OR GET A SOUVENIR NOTEBOOK THAT YOU CAN HAVE YOUR NAME WRITTEN ON IN CLASSIC CALLIGRAPHY. MELODIES-GRAPHIQUES.COM/SAN-FRANCISCO-BOOKS IS A TINY GEM ON A TINY STREET IN THE 6TH ARRONDISSEMENT. I JUST LOVE GETTING LOST IN THERE. SFPHOTOS.COM

Renowned for its gourmet dining traditions, Le Bristol carries the honor of four Michelin stars between its two award-winning eateries, 114 Faubourg and Epicure. 114 Faubourg has reintroduced its lunch and dinner menus for the fall season, with the brasserie's relaxed atmosphere the perfect setting for its executive chef Eric Frechon's famous king crab, duck pâté with foie gras, and hand-chopped steak tartare – French classics prepared with a delicate twist. Epicure (which reopens on October 1) brings Frechon's decadent truffle macaroni with foie gras, caviar de Sologne, and spectacular bladder-poached Bress farm hen. In the 1 200sqm courtyard garden, Le Jardin Français, you can indulge in afternoon teas and dainty cakes under summer skies, blossoming orange trees, and chirping birds. When dusk falls, enjoy refined tapas to the DJ beats. For guests craving an easing massage, there's the option to double up on warmed beds and heated towels as you receive expert treatments at the Spa Le Bristol by La Prairie. Let your skin soak up a range of therapeutic anti-aging rituals as you lie in a Russian treatment room, complete with a hammam and heated marble massage table. Later, bathe in an extraordinary rooftop swimming pool, or enjoy the outdoor sun deck.

Lastly, to imbibe fun memories and some culinary mastery to the stay, Le Bristol also offers workshops that give a glimpse behind the scenes of world-class chocolatiers crafting sweet delicacies and baking artisans kneading fragrant bread in a city best known for its confectionaries. *From €1 100 per room per night.*

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