



Practical guide 'GETTING AROUND' Before the Olympic Games

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Introduction:

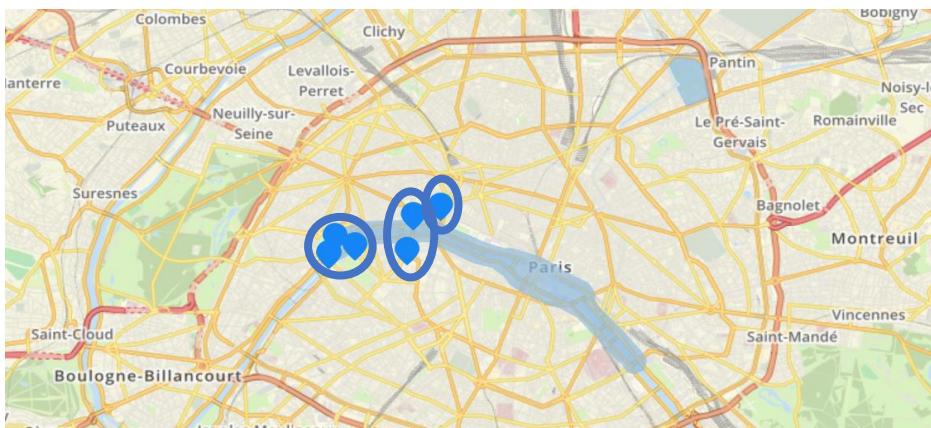
Paris 2024 has chosen some outstanding locations for its competition venues: the Champ-de-Mars, the Eiffel Tower, and the Grand Palais. Although most of the Olympic competition venues already exist, a few others will be installed temporarily. From spring onwards, the city will be preparing to host this global event, setting up the spectator stands as well as the various areas for the public, the athletes and the various actors involved in the organization. The temporary venues will however be set up progressively during the time leading up to the Games, and traffic constraints limited geographically.

Tourists visiting Paris before the Games will be able to get around on foot and by public transport as normal. The city's tourist activities will also continue, especially as many popular tourist areas will not be affected by the setting up of the temporary venues, which will be in the centre-west of Paris.

This period will also be an opportunity to experience the city in a new way, as it undergoes a series of transformations and gradually incorporates the 'Look of the Games' into the urban landscape.

1- In which areas of Paris are the temporary competition venues located?

These venues are concentrated in the centre-west of Paris:



Source: Ville de Paris (Paris City Hall) map: <https://www.paris.fr/jeux-2024>

2- What impact on zones hosting temporary competition venues?

a- On Place de la Concorde

Concorde will host a temporary installation for the Skateboarding, BMX, 3x3 Basketball and Breaking events.

Installation work will start in March. The Place de la Concorde is the only temporary venue zone where traffic will be completely disrupted from June 2024.

Calendar:

April 1: southwest quarter of the square (pedestrians/cycles/vehicles)

April 26: traffic closure on Cours de la Reine between avenue Winston-Churchill and avenue Franklin-D-Roosevelt

May 17: north-south axis closed to traffic (pedestrians/cycles/vehicles)

June 1: closure to vehicular, pedestrian and cyclist traffic of the whole of Place de la Concorde

- In the north-south direction, rue Royale will be closed to general traffic, except for local services, from Place de la Madeleine and from rue du Faubourg-Saint-Honoré to Place de la Concorde.
- In the south-north direction, from the rue de Rivoli already restricted to general traffic, traffic will remain open on the rue Royale towards Madeleine. Local services will continue to be authorised in an east-west direction towards avenue Gabriel.
- In the west-east direction, on avenue des Champs-Élysées, traffic between avenue Winston Churchill and place de la Concorde is closed.
- The Concorde bridge is accessible from the Cours la Reine in a north-south direction and remains accessible for local traffic in a south-north direction.
- Diversions for bicycle traffic will be put in place

June 1 to September 25: closure of the Concorde underground public car park

July 1: closure of Pont du Carrousel to traffic

July 15: Pont Royal closed to traffic

The metro stations Concorde, Tuileries, and Champs Élysées Clémenceau will be progressively closed, including connections

Concorde: lines 1 and 8 closed on June 17

line 12 closed on May 17

Tuileries: line 1 closed on June 17

Champs-Élysées-Clémenceau: lines 1 and 13 close on July 1.

Stations to reopen on September 21, 2024.

b- In the zone: Eiffel Tower - Champ de Mars - Trocadéro

The zone will host several competition venues, notably the Eiffel Tower, Arena Champ de Mars, and Champions Park at Trocadéro.

Work will begin in March and may have an impact on motorized traffic.

Calendar:

April 12: Closure of Place Gouraud and extension into the garden

May 1: traffic reduced to one lane in each direction on avenue du Président-Wilson and closure of the southbound carriageway of place du Trocadéro

May 31: closure of avenue des Nations-Unies to traffic (including pedestrians)

- Make rue Le Nôtre a two-way street to serve local needs

June 3: almost complete closure of the Champ-de-Mars gardens

26 June: full occupation of the Champ-de-Mars by Paris 2024

July 1: closure to traffic of the Pont d'Iéna, closure of the Trocadéro gardens and closure to traffic (vehicles, pedestrians and bicycles) of avenue Albert-de-Mun and the south of the avenue.

July 15 to September 8: closure of the Joffre underground public car park and the Grand Suffren above-ground car park

July 16: closure of Place du Trocadéro and Pont d'Iéna (motor vehicles, pedestrians and bicycles)

July 21: closure to cars of quai Jacques-Chirac (between avenues Suffren and Bourdonnais); the underground passageway remains open to traffic.

July 24: closure to traffic of quai Jacques-Chirac

c- In the zone: Grand Palais - Esplanade des Invalides - Alexandre III bridge

The Invalides competition site will play host to the archery, athletics, and fencing competitions. The Alexandre III bridge will welcome the swimming marathon, triathlon, and road cycling events.

Calendar:

April 26 to June 10: gradual expansion over the entire area

May 1: installation on the south-west lawns

May 2: lane reduction on avenue Winston-Churchill

May 17: closure Alexandre-III bridge to vehicular traffic (pedestrian traffic maintained on upstream sidewalk)

May 20: closure of the Champs-Élysées port

May 30: closure of the Bleuet-de-France traffic circle and one-way traffic on rue de Grenelle

- Two-way traffic maintained on rue de Grenelle

- Invalides underground public car park closed (until 25 September)

June 3: closure of the port des Invalides for assembly work (until June 10)

June 17: 17 June: closure of the entire avenue Gallieni between quai d'Orsay and rue de Grenelle and closure of rue de l'Université between Fabert and Constantine. Rue Saint Dominique remains closed to traffic.

d- On the Seine, for the Opening Ceremony

The Opening Ceremony on the Seine will welcome more than 300,000 visitors on July 26, an exceptional event. Spectators will take up their places on the upper and lower quays between the Austerlitz and Iéna bridges.

Calendar:

17 June: Closure of the Port du Gros Caillou and the Niki de Saint Phalle archipelago gardens (lower quay) to the general public (left bank).

- Reopening to the general public from Saturday 7pm to Monday 5am, every weekend until 14 July. Access to the sites will be maintained via a temporary staircase. Bicycles are not permitted.
- Square Barye (upper quay) closed to the general public until 1 August.
 - 18 June:** closure to the general public of the sports ground under the Pont de Sully (left bank).
 - 24 June:** closure of the Tournelle and Montebello ports (left bank). Reopening to the general public from Monday to Friday from 5pm to 5am and from Friday 5pm to Monday 5am (no access for bicycles).
 - 25 June:** Closure of the Jardin d'Erevan (upper quay) to the general public, but pedestrian and vehicular traffic to be maintained.
- Closure of the Promenade Édouard Glissant (lower quay) between the Pont Royal and the Pont de la Concorde (left bank). Reopening to the general public from Friday 7pm to Monday 5am (access forbidden to bicycles).
 - 27 June:** closure to the general public of the Parc Rives de Seine from the Pont Louis-Philippe to the Tunnel des Tuileries (Quai Bas - Right Bank). Reopening to the general public Monday to Friday from 5pm to 5am and Friday 5pm to Monday 5am. Access forbidden to bicycles.

For all the information you need about the opening ceremony, there's another dedicated fact sheet on the resource centre.

e- In the zone : Hôtel de Ville

June 4: Closure of the Town Hall forecourt (start of assembly of the festivities site)

f- Checkpoints

To accompany the closures linked to the setting up of the sites, the police will set up filtering roadblocks during the day. The filtering points are located at the following crossroads:

- Avenue des champs Élysées at the corner with the champs Élysées roundabout (south-east side)
- Pont de la Concorde at quai d'Orsay
- Rue Royale at Place de la Madeleine
- Rue Royale at the corner of rue Saint Honoré

Motorised vehicles will need to provide proof of entitlement to travel beyond these points. No proof of identity is required for pedestrians and cyclists. The filter points are lifted at the end of the day and at weekends.

Motorists in Paris and the Paris region are strongly advised to plan their journeys in advance, to consult real-time route guidance applications, and to avoid and bypass the centre of Paris as far as possible.

g- Closure of some train stations

Certain stations directly adjacent to the security perimeters **will be closed (including connections):**

Metro :

Station	Line closure
Champs-Élysées-Clémenceau	Lines 1 and 13: Closed from 20 July to 11 August and from 22 August to 8 September 2024, all day.
Concorde	Lines 1 and 8: closed all day from 17 June to 1 September 2024 The Concorde stop on lines 1 and 8, and the connection between these two lines, as well as Tuileries station, will reopen on 2 September. Line 12: from 17 May to 21 September 2024
Tuileries	Line 1: from 17 June to 1 September 2024, all day long The Concorde stop on lines 1 and 8, and the connection between these two lines, as well as Tuileries station, will be reopened from 2 September.

You can find all the closures on our dedicated public transport practical guide.

Tramway :

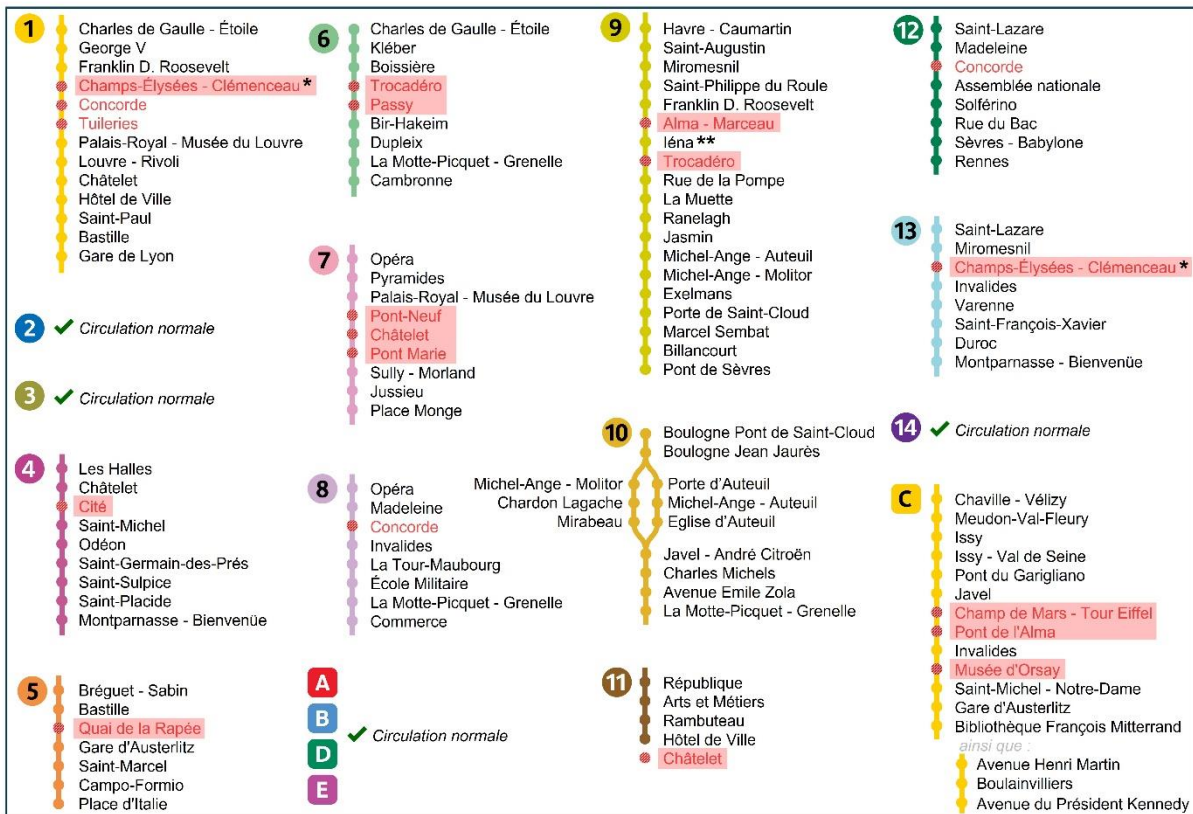
Porte d'Issy	Line T2: from 25 July to 11 August 2024, all day long from 29 August to 7 September 2024
Porte de Versailles	Line T2: from 25 July to 11 August 2024, all day long from 29 August to 7 September 2024 Line T3a : from 25 July to 11 August 2024, all day from 29 August to 7 September 2024
Colette Besson	Line T3b: from 27 July to 10 August 2024, all day from 29 August to 8 September 2024

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Closures due to the opening ceremony

From July 18 to 25, certain metro and RER stations directly within the SILT perimeter will be closed.

Du 18 juillet au 25 juillet inclus



Légende

Arrêt non-desservi, le train ne marque pas l'arrêt

Fermeture supplémentaire par rapport à la période précédente

* Fermeture de Champs-Élysées - Clémenceau à partir du 20 juillet

** Fermeture d'léna uniquement le 24 juillet

→ St Michel station on the RER C, however, will remain open.

→ On line 7, Sully-Morland station will remain open until the evening of 25 July, so that the line can be operated in a single section.

→ On line 9, léna station will remain open until 25 July inclusive (with the exception of Thursday 24 July).

Bus routes crossing both perimeters will be diverted. (Some buses will be able to operate in the red perimeter on an exceptional basis).

Please note

The Austerlitz station is within the red perimeter, but pedestrian access will be maintained, and bus and cab access will be provided on an exceptional basis.

July 26:

No buses will be allowed inside the red and gray perimeters.

Many stations will be closed, with hour-by-hour details.

Outside these perimeters, public transport will be maintained during the opening ceremony.

Find all closed stations [here](#)

Get real-time information on the [government map](#)

And on the traffic news feed of the [IdFM](#)

3- Will there be any impact on tourism in Paris?

Tourist activities in Paris will operate as normal in the run-up to the Olympic Games and tourists will be able to get around the city with ease.

Attractions, museums, and monuments will be open and accessible as usual.

River cruises on the Seine will continue until 7 days before the Opening Ceremony on July 26.

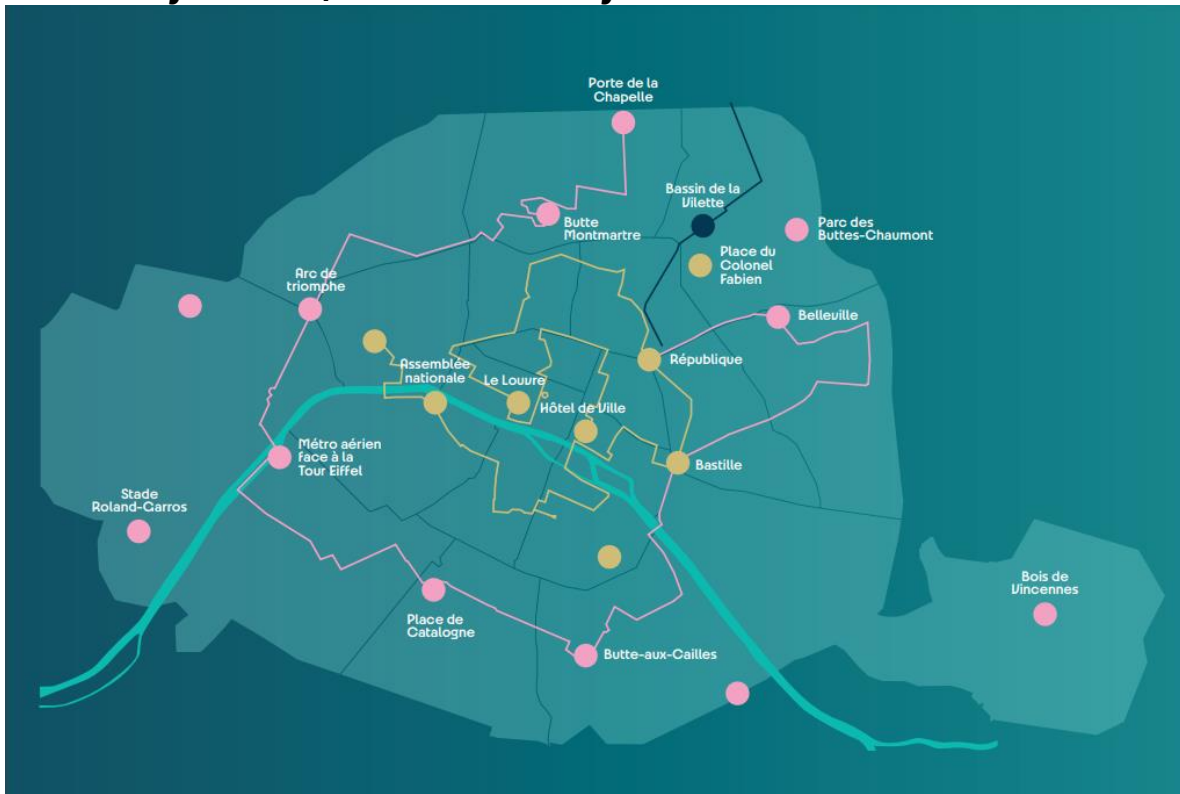
Motorized itineraries will be slightly adjusted, starting in mid-May in the areas of Invalides and Concorde.

This means that tourists will be able to get around easily and enjoy Paris in the run-up to the Games. What's more, the experience will be a new one with the excitement that will take hold of the city in anticipation of the Games. Many museums, for example, will be staging exceptional exhibitions combining sport and culture, as part of the Cultural Olympiad; the urban landscape will progressively be decked out in the colours of the Olympic Games.

4- When will the celebration of the Paris 2024 Games really get underway?

Paris will welcome the countrywide Torch Relay on 14 and 15 July 2024. This will signal the start of the Olympic and Paralympic Games celebrations. During these two days, the flame will pass through many districts of Paris (see map below).

Torch Relays in Paris, on 14 and 15 July 2024:



Yellow: torch crossing points on 14 July, Pink: crossing points on 15 July
Source : City of Paris

Resources to keep you up to date:



Paris je t'aime - Tourist Office:

Information for MICE professionals : [Olympic and Paralympic resources center](#) (in English)

Information for Paris tourist trade professionals: [Olympic and Paralympic Games resources centre](#) (in French)

To guide your customers: [My.parisjetaime.com](#) (in English)
a map with geolocation to guide users via itineraries,
identify points of interest around them, etc.



Ville de Paris:

[FAQ](#) (in French) on the security perimeters during the Games.

The newsletter [Paris info Games 2024](#) (in French) to sign up for and receive personalized information before and during the Games. The [calendar](#) (in French) for the setting up and dismantling of temporary venues.



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The [Pass Jeux](#) platform to obtain an exemption and circulate within the security perimeters.