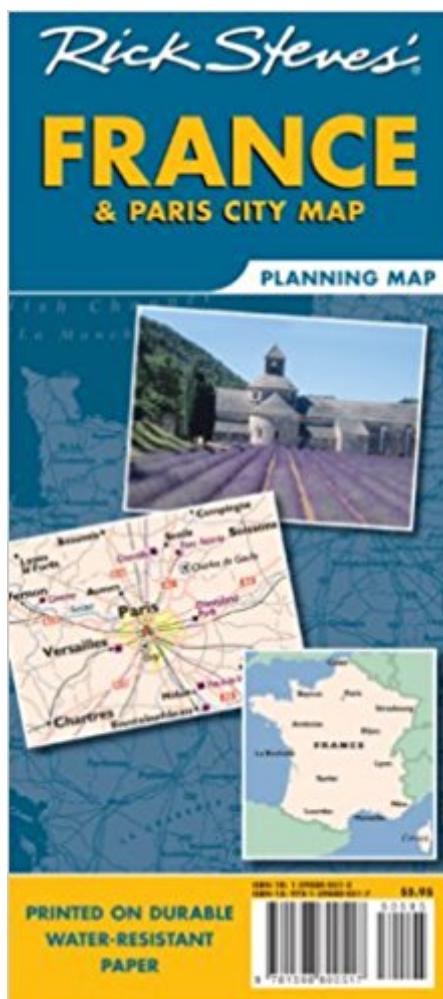


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# Rick Steves' France And Paris City Map



## Synopsis

Designed specifically for Rick's travel audience (or users) these maps highlight choice destinations throughout France, from Calais to Corsica, in a colorful, easy-to-use format on high-quality paper that lasts over many trips: Cuts the Clutter: While big cities are left for navigational purposes, this map is otherwise stripped clean and filled in only with places that matter to travelers; Guidebook-Friendly: At a glance, all the places you read about in Rick's France and Paris guidebooks pop right out in a crisp, easy-to-read format; Rail or Road: Includes important train lines and highways (and ferry routes) for easy route-planning, no matter how you'll get around; The Back's Even Better: The reverse side includes a colorful, detailed heart of Paris map, locating sights, hotels and restaurants from Rick's Paris guidebook. A handy Paris Metro map, too!

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Rick Steves is on a mission: to help make European travel accessible and meaningful . --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Rick Steves writes the best travel books for those wanting a more local experience. He is able to provide a lot of useful and practical information along with anecdotes and humor. You can really tell that he and his writing team are true professionals who are dedicated to helping others travel well. My husband and I have been using his books for European travel for the last ten years, and we've tried other books as well. We still think his books are the best! One small thing is that we usually don't like his hotel recommendations-they're more for the budget traveler. They're always clean and safe, but we use Trip Advisor more for hotel booking now. Buy his books for the next trip you go on! You won't be disappointed!

Too many travel books are confined to the average tourist who is compelled to see the "must see" sites. Steves, who numerous travels to France make him a walking encyclopedia of this terrain, is compelled to dedicate too much of his book to Paris and other touristic classics. Not until you delve into the pages of lesser known places does Steves deliver to his readers what many others cannot. But, even then the reduction of pages and substantial dedication of the others make this less through than you may wish. To the publisher, I would recommend that a new book called "Unknown France" be written by this author about lesser known places like beautiful Annecy, high hilling Auch, bay enchanting La Rochelle or Epernay. Some of my friends told me, after I returned, that they never had a good meal in Paris. I never had a bad meal outside of Paris -- get the hint? The villages and lesser cities are not only more charming than the New-York-like impersonal multicultural unembracing Paris, but they depict the France which the country would be more proud to allow portray the national norm of this country glazed with adorable centuries-old stone structures atop rolling hills. In spite of all this, I followed one Stevesism: do not take too many pounds of travel books with. In yesteryear, he would recommend to tear out the important pages in order to lighten your load. This is the 21st century -- so I brought my Kindle version with a few other competitors' copies (free as they came from the library) and carried those few extra pieces of sage information about the many cathedrals encountered (people Notre Dame has many competitors -- maybe better and certainly less crowded -- in the lesser towns like Chartres, Auch, Strasbourg, or Besancon). If Steves could write more about the lesser known, I would hop onto that publication. And, I would hop quickly because the lesser known would become more known because of his strong following.

I have used Rick Steves' books in Italy and in France, and cannot recommend them highly enough. He breaks down what you should see based on the amount of time you have to spend, the best ways to avoid huge crowds, how to get things like museum passes and train tickets ahead of time to

avoid long lines and higher fees, and provides his own do-it-yourself tours so that you don't have to pay through the nose for tour guides abroad. The level of valuable information and detail found in this book about anywhere you would ever want to go in France (including an outstanding section on Paris, no need to buy the Paris book separately) is priceless and makes you a much more prepared traveler. The cost of the book is nothing compared to the money saved by the tricks of the trade he provides and the time saved waiting in lines. If you're going to France, you NEED this book!

DO NOT BUY THIS MAP IF YOU BUY RICK STEVES FRANCE 2017--it is the same map printed on a bit bigger paper than that already included in the book. It is a map of France on one side and the reverse has a Paris street map.

Rick Steves only picks the towns and cities in France that he feels is important and appealing to tourists. His guide is excellent for the towns that he does highlight. I would highly recommend this guide even though there are some cities that he overlooks (case in point - Toulouse). He gives very practical suggestions on traveling throughout France, emphasizing what he feels his readers will want to see. It is not a thorough guide as other guides are which describe and give space to most cities and towns in France.

This is the best travel guide through Paris, and other parts of France, that I know of. My late husband was French, and we traveled to Paris regularly to visit my in-laws for about twenty years. I no longer travel in Europe, so I treasure the images of the sights in Paris, and the rest of France. It might be a nice gift for first-time visitors to France.

Good book - we used GPS and did no Toll roads from Zurich to Dion, then routed to Annecy. Annecy is Awesome - if in area take a peek. Thun, Switzerland is a nice surprise too. Driving very easy - no stop signs, just small roundabouts - very few cars on the roads, gas stations harder to find and some days closed, so plan to fill up at half tank (also would not take our chip cards, so have cash). The green handle on the gas pump might be diesel - if it says something like gazal (spelling?) - it also might mean diesel. Look for 95 something for regular. Better yet, ask someone. Most towns were 2 blocks combined - ha. Have a map so can follow traffic arrows with towns written on them, just in case you hit a road construction and your GPS keeps trying to take you back to the construction. Remember most side roads run to the main roads that run in the valley. There were plenty of pull overs without restrooms, but not scenic ones because they have let their trees grow

tall. But still lovely scenery along the way.

Nice enough map for the price. Easy to read. Tells you basic and useful information about location and proximity. I like the paper that it's printed on as it holds up to frequent folding. I usually write on my maps to highlight specific places and this holds up well to my marker and pens.

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