

WALKING SEMINARS

“The impulse to **GET UNDER THE SKIN OF A COUNTRY** is what distinguishes Context”
-FINANCIAL TIMES

Paris with Context

With over 30 scholars in our Paris network, we're able to craft some of the finest experiences available in and around the city.

The **ARCHITECTURE AND URBANISM** walks that we organize in Paris offer new ways of reading and comprehending the city's built environment, whether we're exploring Gothic churches or experiencing Modernist masterpieces.

Similarly, our walks in **ART HISTORY** provide an in-depth experience of the great museums. Instead of a single “highlights” tour of the Louvre, we divide it into several different walks, each focused on a specific collection like French painting or the antiquities.

Our **GASTRONOMY** programs offer a unique way of appreciating food and food history in Paris. Working with culinary historians, chefs, and food writers, we've put together a half-dozen food walks that range from sit-down dinners to market walks to visits with famous chocolatiers. As we nibble our way along we learn how food has defined the French (and vice versa) over the past 150 years.

FAMILY PROGRAM walks are led by museum educators with special training in Visual Thinking Strategies and are shaped to ignite the curiosity of young minds. Walks like the Young Chefs include hands-on learning and activities designed to engage kids.

We also organize scholar-led **EXCURSIONS** out of Paris to explore such key destinations as wine regions, Chartres, Giverny, Rouen and the Normandy D-Day Beaches.

WHAT IS A WALKING SEMINAR (and how is it different from a regular tour?)

- **SMALL GROUPS** With no more than five other people, you'll participate in an intimate, hands-on experience.
- **NO TOUR GUIDES** Our “docents” are first and foremost scholars or specialists, with Ph.D.s or other terminal degrees in their fields of study.
- **SEMINAR APPROACH** Our walks are narrative, participatory experiences.
- **SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY** Context adheres to the precepts of sustainable travel. We invest in programs that mitigate the effect of tourism.
- **CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED** Context is consistently lauded in travel publications, guide books, and by our customers for our innovative approach to travel.

SMALL-GROUP WALKS (maximum six people) run daily. You can join existing groups (or propose your own) and reserve on a per-person basis. Recommended for:

- Single travelers and Couples
- Travelers on a budget
- Interest in meeting other travellers

PRIVATE CUSTOM WALKS are for your party alone and are scheduled on the day of your choose. They are priced at a flat fee for up to six and can be customized. Recommended for:

- Parties of four or more
- Families with children under 13
- Highly-specialized interests
- Travelers with mobility issues



Context founder, Paul Bennett selected as a 2010 top travel specialist



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GASTRONOMY

BAGUETTE TO BISTRO: CULINARY TRADITIONS OF PARIS

2.5 hours. Group: €70/pax. Private: €315 flat fee.
(plus tasting fee)

A discovery of gastronomic traditions: bakeries, cheese shops, and more on the Left Bank.

THE BOBO PALATE: NEW TRENDS IN PARISIAN GASTRONOMY

2.5 hours. Group: €70/pax. Private: €315 flat fee.
(plus tasting fee)

An exploration of the current food scene with visits to shops in the Haute Marais.

MARKET WALK

2.5 hours. Group: €70/pax. Private: €315 flat fee.
(plus tasting fee)

CHOCOLATE WALK

3 hours. Group: €70/pax. Private: €315 flat fee.
(plus tasting fee)

BELLY OF PARIS

3 hours. Group: €70/pax. Private: €315 flat fee.
(plus tasting fee)

ORIENTATION WALKS

PARIS ORIENTATION: RIGHT BANK

2 hours. Group: €40/pax. Private: €170 flat fee.

RIVE GAUCHE EVENING STROLL

2 hours. Group: €40/pax. Private: €170 flat fee.

FAMILY PROGRAM

GOthic PARIS FOR KIDS

2.5 hours. Private: €275 flat fee.

MONTMARTRE FOR FAMILIES

2.5 hours. Private: €275 flat fee.

LOUVRE CRASH COURSE (LOUVRE FOR KIDS)

3 hours. Private: €290 flat fee.

RIVERBOAT FOR FAMILIES

2 hours. Private: €170 flat fee.

YOUNG CHEFS IN PARIS

2.5 hours. Private: €360 flat fee.

ART HISTORY

LOUVRE FRENCH MASTERS LOUVRE ITALIAN MASTERS LOUVRE DUTCH AND FLEMISH MASTERS

3 hours. Group: €65/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

We divide the immense collections of the Louvre into thematic walks that take you deep into each topic.

ART GALLERIES OF PARIS

3 hours. Group: €65/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

MUSEE D'ORSAY: PARIS IN THE 19TH CENTURY

3 hours. Group: €75/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

CENTRE POMPIDOU

2 hours. Group: €55/pax. Private: €240 flat fee.

VERSAILLES

4 hours. Group: €85/pax. Private: €390 flat fee.

GIVERNY: MONET'S IMPRESSIONIST GARDEN

5 or 8 hours. Private: €85 or €450 flat fee/excl. transport.

ARCHITECTURE / URBANISM

NOTRE DAME AND GOTHIC PARIS

3 hours. Group: €65/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

A walk of Gothic architecture using as our textbook the Gothic masterpieces found on Ile de la Cite. Includes Notre Dame, Sainte-Chapelle and the Conciergerie.

CITY INVENTED, HAUSSMANN AND THE MAKING OF MODERN PARIS

3 hours. Group: €65/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

An investigation of Parisian urbanism particularly focused on the radical changes made in the late 19th century by Baron von Haussmann.

MODERNIST ARCHITECTURE

3 hours. Group: €65/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

A seminar of the development of Modernist architecture in Paris from 1920-1940, including visits to buildings designed by Le Corbusier and Mallet-Stevens.

MARAI MANSIONS

3 hours. Group: €65/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

LOUIS XIV: PARIS OF THE SUN KING

3 hours. Group: €65/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

LOUVRE ARCHITECTURE & HISTORY

2 hours. Group: €55/pax. Private: €240 flat fee.

THEMATIC WALKS

LE JAZZ HOT: AN AMERICAN ART FORM IN PARIS

2 hours. Group: €50/pax. Private: €245 flat fee.

A musical stroll through the Saint Germain and Latin Quarter, exploring the history and influence of Jazz in Paris. Visits some of its former haunts and also the current scene.

MEDIEVAL LIFE AND SOCIETY

2.5 hours. Group: €65/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

A seminar exploring the medieval period in Paris by combining a stroll through the Latin Quarter with an in-depth visit to the Cluny Museum.

REVOLUTIONARY PARIS

3 hours. Group: €65/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

An investigation of the century of revolutions in Paris starting at La Bastille, the place that sparked revolt in 1779. Includes several sites and the Canavelet museum.

NEW BOHEMIA: PARIS OF THE ROMANTICS

3 hours. Group: €65/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

A walk through the 19th century cultural hub "La Nouvelle Athènes," exploring the area's history and architecture via the lives of the artistic luminaries who once lived there.

IMMIGRATION AND THE CHANGING FACE OF PARIS

3.5 hours. Group: €70/pax. Private: €315 flat fee.

SHOPPING IN PARIS

3 hours. Private: €350 flat fee.

MEDIEVAL CHURCHES OF PARIS

3.5 hours. Group: €70/pax. Private: €315 flat fee.

JEWISH PARIS AND THE MARAIS

3 hours. Group: €65/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

MONTMARTRE

3 hours. Group: €65/pax. Private: €290 flat fee.

PÈRE LACHAISE

2.5 hours. Group: €60/pax. Private: €265 flat fee.

GARDENS OF PARIS

2 hours. Group: €55/pax. Private: €240 flat fee.

GROUP WALKS RUN DAILY

Check our calendar for the schedule or call our office at +33.1.7281.3635

PRIVATE WALKS ON REQUEST

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