

Geographical Expenditure Guide

Country/Region: France

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Guidelines on Reasonable Expenditure:

Exchange Rate = £1 = 1.1948 €	
Breakfast	16€
Lunch	20€
Dinner	30€
Taxis	Taxi from Gare Du Nord (Eurostar terminus) approximately 15€.

Recommended Hotels in Paris:

Hotel Name & Details	Price Guide	Comments
	Single room 173€ including breakfast	This hotel is situated within a 5 minute walk of the Embassy. When booking, please ask for the British Embassy rate.
	Single room 196€ including breakfast	This hotel is situated within a 5 minute walk of the Embassy. When booking, please ask for the British Embassy rate.
	Single room 146€ including breakfast	This hotel is situated within a 5 minute walk of the Embassy. When booking, please ask for the British Embassy rate.
	Single room 206.50€ including breakfast	This hotel is situated within a 5 minute walk of the Embassy. When booking, please ask for the British Embassy rate.
	Single room prices from 135€ including breakfast for a 3* hotel.	You can contact central reservations who can help you find room availability- saving a lot of time during busy periods. When booking please ask for the British Embassy rate.

(Please note rates vary during 'fair dates'- see below for further information)

Recommended Hotels in France Network

LYON

	Single room €99 – €145 including breakfast (+ local tax €1.10)	Airport (St Exupéry) Fast tram (Rhone Express) from the airport to Lyon Part-Dieu station costs €13 and takes about 30 minutes. Station (Part-Dieu)
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	per day per person)	Taxi from the station to the office costs €10 - €15.
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BORDEAUX

	<p>Single room €95 - €155 (Breakfast 15€)</p> <p>(+ local tax €1.10 per day per person)</p>	<p>Public transport can be easily used between the hotel, the office (bus N° 29,56,6 – travel time 15 minutes) and the station (bus N° 9, approx 5 km – travel time 30-45 minutes).</p> <p>Airport (Mérignac) Jet’Bus shuttle links the airport, the town centre and the main station, St Jean. It takes approximately 45 minutes and costs €7.00.</p> <p>Travel time by taxi is 30-45 minutes depending on traffic and costs from €35.00. (REDACTED taxis speak English and take credit card payments)</p>
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MARSEILLE

	<p>Single room €76.00 - €86.00 including breakfast</p> <p>(+ local tax €1.00 per person per night)</p>	<p>Airport (Marseille Provence) Shuttle bus from the airport to the main station (St Charles) costs €8.50 and takes about 25 minutes. A taxi costs about €46.00</p> <p>Public transport Castellane metro station is two or three stops from St Charles (line 1 or line 2). Metro tickets cost €1.50</p>
	<p>Single room from €194.00 (Excl breakfast) (+ local tax €1.00 per person per night)</p>	
	<p>Single room €76.00 - €86.00 including breakfast (+ local tax €1.00 per person per night)</p>	

Country Specific Information:

Exchanging Money:

- Use official Bureau de Change or Banks
- There are Bureau de Changes available at Charles de Gaulle airport and at Gare du Nord (Eurostar terminal).

- Cash machines are widely available which accept Visa/ Mastercard withdrawals

Credit Card Use:

- Widely accepted in shops and restaurants, however cash will be asked for small amounts, including snacks.

Other Relevant Information:

- Further hotel information can be obtained from the Paris Procurement team if you would like additional information or encounter any difficulties in bookings.
Contact
- During certain busy periods, Paris hotels have limited availability and usually increase their rates. If travelling to Paris during these periods, you should book as early as possible to avoid paying very high hotel costs. Here are some of the busy periods in Paris in 2012:

SALON INTERNATIONAL DE LA LINGERIE	21/01/12 - 23/01/12
CONGRES DE L'EAU	24/02/2012 - 28/02/2012
EURO PCR	15/05/2012 - 17/05/2012
ERA-EDTA	24/05/2012 - 26/05/2012
PRET A PORTER PARIS	30/06/12 - 03/07/12