Famous Landmarks of France





Paris is the capital city of France. It is a large city, located on the banks of the **Seine River**. People have lived in the location since about 259 BCE. The original city was established on an island in the middle of the Seine called the **Île de la Cité**.









Notre-Dame Cathedral

was built in medieval times. Construction began in 1163 and was largely completed by 1260.

Part of the cathedral caught fire in 2019. There was great damage to the spire and the roof which needed to be restored.





The <u>Arc de Triomphe</u> is a stone arch, built to honour those who fought and died for France during the French Revolution and Napoleanic Wars.

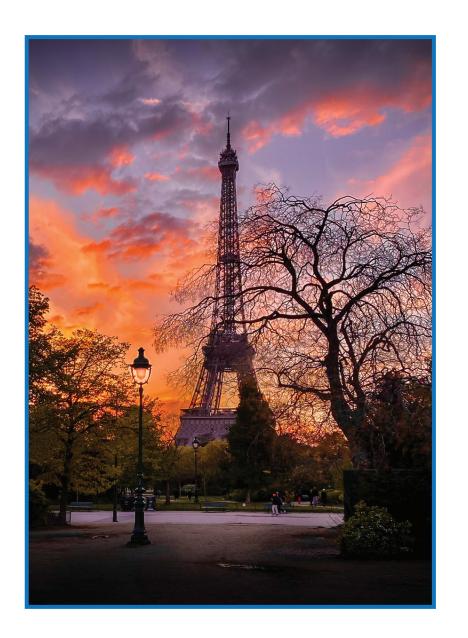
It is located at the Place Charles de Galle, formally called Place de l'Étoile. The twelve main avenues of Paris start here.



The <u>Eiffel Tower</u> was built for the 1889 World's Fair. It marked the 100th anniversary of the French Revolution.

It was named after its designer, Gustave Eiffel.





The **Louvre** is France's national art museum, located in Paris.

Formally a royal palace, it is now home to some of the world's finest pieces of art, including Leonardo da Vinci's Mona Lisa.



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