

VAL-DE-MARNE

Tourism and leisure

Press kit 2018

Val-de-Marne offers a multitude of ideas for outings and entertainment to get away for a few hours, a weekend, or more, just a few minutes from Paris.

Stroll along the Marne or the Seine, drop into a Guinguette (it is a sort of tavern on the river with music. It is typically French). Take time to visit company savoir-faire and meet artisans, enter the world of contemporary art and street art, or simply enjoy, with your family, what Val-de-Marne has to offer.

In this press kit, the guided tours in English bookable on our website are mentioned in pink.

Val-de-Marne Tourism & Leisure promises unusual visits and unforgettable encounters.

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ORIGINAL TOURS WITH UNIQUE ENCOUNTERS



More info and how to organise your visit:
www.tourisme-valdemarne.com

Original tours: taking a fresh look at Val-de-Marne

Urban strolls, Company visits, cruises, meeting artists and artisans, delving into the world of contemporary art, activities for children, Val-de-Marne Tourism & Leisure proposes a selection of new excursions, original tours and unique encounters with passionate enthusiasts all year round.

A STROLL ABOUT STREET ART, MEET THE EXPERTS



Vitry-sur-Seine has been turned into a genuine open-air museum. The town streets have become a vast ground of expression for the hundreds of artists of international fame: C215, Cope2, Bébar, Finbarr... Graffiti, stencil painting, mosaic and more colour this urban landscape. Simply wandering through the streets you will come across, at the corner of a building, along a wall or on a letter box, the many works of art in the town.

You can take part in a **guided tour in English** (www.tourisme-valdemarne.com) or follow one of our proposed tours on the web site.

We also propose different visits around street art in the 13th district of Paris, in the Marais or Bercy area.

URBAN STROLLS

Walking with a greeter

To discover the region in an original way, let yourself be guided by a volunteer from the area who will take you to the less well-known parts of his town. He will share with you the history and stories of his district. It is just like being with friends.

Guided tours

We propose urban strolls all year round to discover the different landscapes and local culture. For example, discover Chinatown in the 13th district of Paris: secret temples, delicious food... **Guided tour in English** (www.tourisme-valdemarne.com)



SCENE AROUND WORK

Companies in Val-de-Marne open their doors and invite you in to discover their savoir-faire. Follow the enthusiastic technician or member of staff in their daily routine to better understand the job at hand, the techniques used and the inner workings of the firm. Dare to go behind the scenes of the world's largest wholesale market for fresh produce.

A night in the buzz and excitement of Rungis market



You will have to get up dead early but this not-to-be-missed visit is well worth cutting your night short.

Slip on the butcher's coat and cap for hygiene purposes and immerse yourself into this genuine little town where fish, meat, cheese, fruit, vegetables and flowers are delivered daily. 1,200 companies are spread out over the 234 hectares where, close to 1.5 million tons of foodstuffs and about 50 million flowers and potted plants pass through each year. This all happens amidst a myriad of streets frequented daily by 24,000 people.

After all these smells and colours it is time to enjoy the hearty brunch served up after your visit! **Guided tour in English (www.tourisme-valdemarne.com)**

Visit Paris-Orly airport, ready for take-off!

Check out life behind the scenes near the runways, learn the history and observe how the second largest airport in the Paris region works. You will see planes up close, enjoy the coordinated gestures of ramp agents and become familiar with the landing and take-off services of the plane (ground movement, passenger boarding - enplaning and deplaning, refueling, catering) during your guided visit. The Maison de l'Environnement et du Développement durable de l'aéroport Paris-Orly (Sustainable development and local environment culture and information centre) invites you to enhance your knowledge on aviation through the many learning tools made available. **Guided tour in English (www.tourisme-valdemarne.com)**



Mappiness home made beer (Saint-Maur-des-Fossés)

Come and discover this brewery. Beer makers will explain their work through a visit of the brewery followed by a beer tasting session with a description of the raw materials used.

Guided tour in English (www.tourisme-valdemarne.com)

Industrial cruises at the port of Paris (Bonneuil-sur-Marne or Choisy-le-Roi)

We propose two cruises. The first one is an invitation to discover the docks of the industrial port of Bonneuil, which is the second largest river port in Ile-de-France. The second one links the port of Choisy which is undergoing redevelopment to the port in Paris, located in front of the National Library of France (BnF).



SCENE AROUND ART AND CULTURE



More info and how to organise your visit:
www.tourisme-valdemarne.com

CONTEMPORARY ART

Val-de-Marne is home to contemporary artistic creation. It played a pioneering role in the promotion of contemporary art by welcoming the very first museum on this theme in the suburbs, the MAC VAL. It has abundant artists' workshops, art galleries, contemporary creations and presents a rich and renowned program of festivals all year long (Frasq, Exit, Les Plateaux, etc.). Discover the artistic vitality of the region on one of our sightseeing tours around Vitry-sur-Seine, the capital of street art.



MAC VAL, a unique museum on contemporary art located in the outskirts of Paris (Vitry-sur-Seine)

Enter into the world of this Contemporary art museum in Val-de-Marne. It houses an art collection of more than 2,000 artworks, reflecting the art scene in France from the 50's up to now. Across the seasons, themed tours and temporary exhibitions invite you to discover the latest trends in contemporary art: optical and lumino-kinetic art, geometric abstraction, action painting, etc. Visit the museum with an expert guide and enjoy an interactive encounter with the abundant artworks.

Guided tour in English (www.tourisme-valdemarne.com)

An extraordinary site: the «Closerie Falbala» By Dubuffet (Périgny-sur-Yerres)

Enter into this unique world of the «closerie Falbala» created between 1971 and 1973 by Jean Dubuffet (classified as a historical monument). This monumental work of art shelters the «Cabinet logologique». Just beside it a museum exhibits part of Dubuffets' artworks: elements from the animated painting show «Coucou Bazar», paintings and architectural models.



Art galleries - contemporary creations:

Not far from here, take the time to discover **CREDAC** in Ivry-sur-Seine. Located in the former grommet factory, this contemporary art centre is an exhibition space and place to experiment favouring exchanges between artists and the general public. **Guided tour in English (www.tourisme-valdemarne.com)**

And also: Maison des Arts et de la Culture de Créteil, Maison d'Art Bernard Anthonioz (Nogent), la Briqueterie (Vitry), Anis Gras - le Lieu de l'autre (Arcueil), la Fonderie and la Halle Roublot (Fontenay)...

CASTLES AND MUSEUMS

Val-de-Marne is rewarded with a rich and varied cultural heritage. Delve into the history and cross through the ages to explore majestic buildings such as the «Château de Vincennes» and the «Château de Grosbois» and museums on the 19th century or even on National resistance.

CASTLES:

Royal, Château de Vincennes



A spectacular monument in Val-de-Marne, the Château de Vincennes is not to be missed. It was a royal residence from the 12th to the 18th century. It has preserved its ramparts, its medieval towers, its gothic chapel «Sainte-Chapelle» and its stained-glass windows and more importantly, its medieval dungeon, the highest in Europe (50 metres). A free or guided tour of this fortress managed by the «Centre des monuments nationaux» (National Monuments Centre) will take you back through history, to Charles V apartments and the prison life of some famous prisoners such as Henri de Navarre, the Marquis de Sade or Mirabeau.

Guided tour in English (www.tourisme-valdemarne.com)

Take the time to wander through the town of Vincennes that has been awarded the label «Town of Art and History».

The refined world of the Château de Grosbois and horse trotters (Boissy-Saint-Léger)

Constructed in the 17th century, the Château de Grosbois stands proudly in the centre of a vast wooded park. The interior is entirely furnished, a testimonial to its prestigious owners represented on the frescos by Abraham Bosse at the time of Charles de Valois, or, in the gallery, with its immense paintings representing napoleonic battles at the time of Marshal Berthier.

The castle also houses the musée du Trot (horse trotting museum) which recounts the 3,000 years of history between man and horse.

You can also see horse trotters at the international training centre. Established on 412 hectares of woodland, ponds and meadows, this centre of worldwide reputation includes more than 1,500 stalls, several tracks, a horse-riding arena, horse-shoeing, saddlery, veterinary clinic...



MUSEUMS :

Musée Fragonard, face to face with «flayed figures» (Maisons-Alfort)



Located in the historic park of the prestigious Ecole nationale vétérinaire de Maisons-Alfort (National Veterinarian School of Maisons-Alfort), this curiosity cabinet exhibits a unique collection devoted to house pets, skeletons, mouldings, and natural abnormalities (cyclopes, sirens, two-headed calves...). You are about to enter into both a surprising and fascinating world. The famous «Flayed Figures» by Honoré Fragonard are reason enough to visit this museum, in particular the «Horse and rider», the horse in full gallop mounted by a stiff-backed rider...

MUSEUMS:



Musée de la Résistance (Champigny-sur-Marne)

Housed in a mansion from the 19th century overlooking the Marne, this museum traces the history of the Resistance during the 2nd World War. It is a place of remembrance and reflection for present and future generations. The Museum shelters major collections on clandestine editions and archives from Resistance organizations.

The Diorama de Daguerre (Bry-sur-Marne)

Painted by Louis Daguerre, this Diorama (classified as a historical monument) is the last existing one. This painting, 5m35 by 6m15, dating from 1842, has just found its place in the heart of the church of Bry after several years of restoration.



The Musée de Nogent, a history of the Marne riverbanks

This museum invites you to discover the Marne riverbanks, the landscape, art structures, architecture, which are all testimonials to the history of the place, gradually shaped by man. Places, that were, in the 19th century, taken over by merry crowds of boaters bringing with them an air of gaiety and joy, accompanied to the tastes and sounds of the guinguettes and where Parisians came and spent their Sundays...

Maison de la photographie Robert Doisneau (Gentilly)

This site pays tribute to Robert Doisneau by exploring both the history of humanist photography, looking beyond national borders, and giving preference to those photographers with a keen eye for observation and detail. Every year, 4 monographic or thematic exhibitions are set up.



Musée national de l'histoire de l'immigration (Paris)

This museum invites you to discover inhabitants from all over the world in Paris France and to learn about the history of different migratory flows over the last two centuries. A historical, artistic and ethnographic view of the diversity of the French population.

Guided tour in English (www.tourisme-valdemarne.com)



SCENE AROUND WATER AND NATURE



More info and how to organise your visit:
www.tourisme-valdemarne.com

SCENE AROUND WATER

Known familiarly as the «water department», Val-de-Marne offers several places in which to relax by the water's edge. A constant inspiration for countless writers, painters, singers and filmmakers, the riverbanks of the Marne and the Seine are the perfect setting for leisure activities. Go cycling with the family along the banks, observe the local flora and fauna, enjoy a glass of white wine in one of the «guinguettes» (a sort of riverside tavern with music and dance), admire the Art Deco villas, try out some water sports... these are just some of the activities awaiting you.

The riverbanks as seen from the river

Hop on board a boat and let yourself glide along to admire the landscape around the Marne. There are several cruise companies to choose from. Unless you prefer to ride in a canoe or kayak.



Au Fil de l'eau (departure from Saint-Maur-des-Fossés)

Admire the fauna and flora with the association 'Au fil de l'eau' by sailing in a catalante. Go on a guided tour to discover the many islands, three of which are classified as «Réserve naturelle départementale des Iles de la Marne» - a natural reserve.

In summer, take yourself back to the days of the ferryman and cross over the Marne at Champigny-sur-Marne and Nogent-sur-Marne or the Seine at Choisy-le-Roi. It is free of charge.

Canauxrama and Pariscanal (departure from Paris)

These cruise companies take you on a day-trip to discover the Marne riverbanks (lunch optional).

Water-based activities

The more sportive among you can opt for a discovery tour of the Marne:

- **in a canoe or kayak:** Base nautique municipale (Champigny-sur-Marne), Canoë-kayak Club de France (Bry-sur-Marne), US Créteil Canoë-kayak (Créteil), Les canotiers nogentais (Nogent-sur-Marne), Société Nautique du Tour de Marne (Saint-Maur-des-Fossés)
- **on a stand-up paddle:** Le Grand Huit (Joinville-le-Pont), Beach paddle (Saint-Maur-des-Fossés)
- **aboard an electric boat** (hire without licence): marinas of Joinville-le-Pont and Nogent-sur-Marne



In the land of guinguettes, a convivial setting

A true symbol of both a traditional «popular» and festive culture on the banks of the Marne, guinguettes continue even today to invite you to dance to the sound of the accordeon.

Join in the chorus of songs such as «Ah le petit vin blanc», enjoy some fried food and let yourself be carried back to the relaxing atmosphere of a Sunday afternoon at the end of the 19th century.

Three guinguettes open their doors to you.



La Guinguette de l'Île du Martin-Pêcheur (Champigny-sur-Marne)

La Guinguette de l'Île du Martin-Pêcheur is situated on an island on the Marne river. It is a haven of greenery and an invitation to relax and enjoy among friends.

La Guinguette Chez Gégène (Joinville-le-Pont)

Chez Gégène is an establishment which has honoured the greatest names in cinema and welcomes you to a 50's-60's style decor on the banks of the Marne.

La Guinguette Auvergnate (Villeneuve-Saint-Georges)

La Guinguette Auvergnate is situated on the banks of the river Seine. You can take advantage of the panoramic terrace and its spectacular view overlooking the river.

SCENE AROUND NATURE

Without doubt, Val-de-Marne has a pronounced taste for nature and is determined to preserve it. The Bois de Vincennes and Notre-Dame or Grosbois forests, the riverbanks of the Marne and Seine, departmental parks and natural areas, all offer a variety of ways to relax and practise leisure activities.

It is a novel way to discover Val-de-Marne at your own pace and from another viewpoint.

Walking and rambling in Val-de-Marne

Rambling in Val-de-Marne, in a built-up area? It is possible! Check out www.tourisme-valdemarne.com for a selection of tours to do. Some leave from Paris and can be done on foot or by bike and are adapted to all levels of ability.

Discover other excursion ideas in the departmental parks. These vast green spaces are perfect for relaxing and walking. Some are equipped with play areas, sports zones, picnic areas, and also themed gardens and nature trails.



A haven of greenery: Bois de Vincennes

The Bois de Vincennes is an unmissable place to explore on foot or by bike or simply to enjoy a boat ride on one of its lakes.

In summer, sway to the rhythm of music filtering through the woods at one of the open-air concerts in the Floral park.

Several **guided tours in English** (www.tourisme-valdemarne.com) are suggested to discover what the woods have to offer: Jardin d'agronomie tropicale, arboretum de l'Ecole du Breuil, urban farm V'île fertile, zoo de Paris, ride on a Segway, visit the Republican Guard...





From one forest to the other, Notre-Dame

This forest with its 2,056 hectares is rich in exceptional fauna (deer, boar...) and flora (aquatic plants, heather, oak trees, lime trees...) that are particularly visible all along the two marked-out paths. Whether you are on foot, by bike or on horse-back, this green woodland is an invitation to ramble through its treks and trails.



Val-de-Marne rose garden, a scented and colourful journey (L'Haÿ-les-Roses)

This rose garden, a first of its kind in the world, was created by Jules Gravereaux along with the help of the landscape architect Edouard André. Explore, through the thirteen garden collections featuring 3,000 varieties, the history of the rose and follow it on its journey through the continents. You will learn all there is to know about the greatest living collection of roses, from Asia and the Far East, but also from North America, to finally the «French» rose garden.

Orchids, a sent of summer (Boissy-Saint-Léger)

The orchid, from the orchidaceae family, has many tens of thousands of plant species some as rare as they are resplendent. Amidst the tropical atmosphere of the greenhouse, this visit will teach you the history of the orchid and the unique savoir-faire of the Vacherot-Lecoufle orchids, creator and producer of international renown. It is also the occasion to pick up useful tips on how to care for such a magnificent plant.

From the Amazon forest, passing through the Réunion to Asia, take the time to relish this scented journey.



Leisure parks and bases

Various parks and bases offer a privileged environment for recreation where friends and families can enjoy a wide range of sporting and water-based activities.

- Ile de Loisirs à Créteil
- Parc Interdépartemental des Sports de Choisy Val-de-Marne à Créteil
- Parc Interdépartemental des Sports et de Loisirs du Tremblay
- Parc des Sports du Grand Godet à Villeneuve-le-Roi

Golf courses

Two golf courses are ready to welcome you no matter what your level. Improve your swing in an exceptional natural setting: the undulating and wooded golf course Marolles-en-Brie (an 18-hole golf course) and catch a glimpse of the Réveillon riverbed. You can also discover this sport at the Tremblay departmental park with its 9-hole golf course in Champigny-sur-Marne.





SCENE AROUND FAMILY



More info and how to organise your visit:
www.tourisme-valdemarne.com

Val-de-Marne never forgets the family and offers countless things to do. Museums where you can learn through play, creative workshops to reveal hidden talents, educational farms to discover nature, pony rides and many other leisure activities to delight big and small. Here are a few suggestions of activity ideas to share with the family.



Exploradôme: the please touch museum! (Vitry-sur-Seine)

This museum is an invitation to discover science, digital innovation and lasting development through 60 interactive displays, from the classical optical illusions to very original experiments. The museum also contains an annual temporary exhibition, visits and workshops around science for the 5-14 age group and multimedia for all ages.

Take part also in family workshops to explore through the ages, from the château de Vincennes taking in the «Musée de Nogent» and the Museum of contemporary art in Val-de-Marne, the MAC VAL.

Paris-Vincennes zoo

Right in the middle of the woods, you might spot a giraffe and then a wolf. No, you are not dreaming! These animals belong to the Paris-Vincennes zoo. The zoo is organised into five major natural environments (called biozones) taking you on a round trip from the Sudanese Sahel to the European evergreen forests, passing through the Amazon forest recreated inside an immense tropical greenhouse. Roam around and discover a variety of 180 species!

Guided tour in English (www.tourisme-valdemarne.com)



Meet a donkey-dairy breeder (Chennevières-sur-Marne)

Head off and observe a herd of 20 animals that are not as stubborn as you might think...

«Francilanes», the only donkey dairy farm in Ile-de-France, is where donkeys are born and bred. During this visit, you will learn all there is to know about donkeys and the biological function of such a farm. Observe the daily milking process and taste organic milk produced by one of the ten donkeys that make up the livestock. Children will be very happy to pet this rather pleasant and docile animal!



Ponies

The «Ecuries de Condé» (equestrian centre) offers children first time and beginner pony riding classes. You can also opt for pony rides in the Bois de Vincennes organised by Trottin or Animaponey.

In Poneyland at Thiais, young riders can ride Shetland ponies, one of the smallest equine animals in the world. Originally from the Shetland islands in the North of Scotland, they measure less than 107 cm from the shoulder and are ideal for starter rides for children.

Playmobil Funpark® - a giant playground

2, 000 m² and 12 play areas completely dedicated to the world of Playmobil®, a genuine giant playroom!

In this vast setting, the play areas are grouped into themes, knights and princesses, pirates, fairies, dinosaurs, farm animals...

During the school holidays your kids can take part in different activities on specific themes.

You can even celebrate your child's birthday whether it be at Playmobil FunPark® or Gulli Parc®, Little Parc®, Dino Jo®, etc. with the family or between friends!



KIDS EVENTS

Festivals specifically dedicated to children. More info on www.tourisme-valdemarne.com

Ciné Junior, from 31 January to 13 February 2018 (cinema)

Les sciences des livres, in January 2018 (science festival)

Jeux du Val-de-Marne, in June 2018 (sports)

Les Pestacles, from June to September 2018, Parc Floral (shows)

Estival Archéo, in July 2018, Parc des Hautes-Bruyères (archeology workshops)

Fête des Moissons, in August 2018, Parc des Lilas

Les Enchantées, in October 2018, Boissy-Saint-Léger (singing festival)

#Bon, in October 2018 (gastronomy for children)



BY NIGHT



More info and how to organise your visit:
www.tourisme-valdemarne.com

Val-de-Marne is full of good addresses near Paris to spend a pleasant evening with friends or family: enjoy a drink, see a show or a concert in original places, go to a dinner-show or simply party and dance all night long.

Concerts and shows in original places

- **Anis Gras, Le Lieu de l'autre** - Arcueil: This former anisette distillery offers theatre plays, clowns, acrobatics, dance, concerts and exhibitions.
- **La Péniche du Lapin vert** (barge) - Joinville-le-Pont: This unusual place offers an eclectic program of concerts and shows.
- **Gare au théâtre** - Vitry-sur-Seine: It is a place of contemporary creation set up in a former railway station. Theatre, dance, music, for young people shows, performance, encounters.
- **Mac de Créteil**: This national stage features choreographic performances of contemporary, modern and hip hop dance.
- **La Briqueterie** - Vitry-sur-Seine: Located in a former brick factory, this Choreographic Development Center of Val-de-Marne houses many companies that offer shows at the end of their time in residence.
- **La Halle Roublot** - Fontenay-sous-Bois: This concert hall was set up in an old market hall. Music program all year long: concerts, music battles and open stages bring together musicians from all walks of life, from amateur jazz groups to renowned Africolor Festival artists.
- **Le Hangar** - Ivry-sur-Seine: This place offers an eclectic music program. It is also one of the essential stages of the Paris Hip-Hop Festival.



Party venues and dinner-shows

- **Bodega Feria** - Champigny-sur-Marne: Its 650 m² marquee opens its clubbing area every weekend. Many themed nights are organized.
- **La Lucha grande - Quai 38** - Champigny-sur-Marne: Located on the banks of the Marne, this place allows you to start the evening with a themed dinner show and finish on the dance floor.
- **Hippodrome de Vincennes** (racecourse): Its restaurant offers a panoramic view of the track and the best place to enjoy the trotting race meetings. In total, 1,200 races take place here each year, including the prestigious Prix d'Amérique, you can even visit behind the scenes with a guided tour of the stables when some of the races are on.

Dance all night

- **Barges in the 13th district of Paris:** le Batofar, le Petit Bain, la Dame de Canton, le Nuba, le Moonroof, le Djoon, le Wanderslust, La Concrete (afters).
- **LOFT Métropolis** (nightclub) - Rungis
- **Guinguettes:** (pg.8): Guinguette de l'Île du Martin-Pêcheur - Champigny-sur-Marne (the Marne), Guinguette Chez Gégène - Joinville-le-Pont (the Marne), Guinguette Auvergnate - Villeneuve-Saint-Georges (the Seine)

MAJOR EVENTS

For each season, an unmissable event. All year long, Val-de-Marne hosts a multitude of festivals, artistic encounters, concerts, etc. for all tastes and interests.

More info on www.tourisme-valdemarne.com

Winter (December/January/February)

Sons d'Hiver Festival (jazz)
From 26 January to 17 February 2018

Spring (March/April/May)

International women's film festival
From 9 to 18 March 2018, Créteil

International Rhythmic gymnastics tournament
From 24 to 25 March 2018, Thiais

The Month of Photography
In April 2018

A scent of music at the Val-de-Marne rose garden
From 19 to 21 May 2018, l'Haÿ-les-Roses

Vive l'Art Rue festival (street theatre)
In May and June 2018

Summer (June/July/August)

Franco-American music festival
From 23 to 24 June 2018

Saint-Maur book fair (paperback)
In June 2018

Theatre Festival «We will not go to Avignon» (multidisciplinary)
In July 2018, Vitry-sur-Seine

Many other sites in the department take part in national events such as "Museum Night", Heritage Open Days, garden parks, Music festivals, Food festivals, etc.

Autumn (September/October/November)

Les Plateaux (contemporary dance festival)
In September 2018, la Briqueterie, Vitry-sur-Seine

Mur/Murs Festival (urban culture)
In September and October 2018, Vitry-sur-Seine

Urban Focus (urban culture)
From September to December 2018, Créteil

Festi'Val-de-Marne (music festival)
In October 2018

Frasq (contemporary creation)
In October 2018, Gentilly

Short film festival «My uncle»
In October 2018, Saint-Maur-des-Fossés

Salon des Métiers d'art du Plateau Briard (craft fair in South-East Paris)
From 12 to 14 October 2018, Marolles-en-Brie

Kalypso (hip-hop)
In November 2018

Théâtrales Charles Dullin (contemporary theater)
In November 2018

Documentaries (cinema festival)
In November 2018, Arcueil and Gentilly

Val-de-Marne Cinema festival: «A look at...»
In November and December 2018



PORTRAIT OF VAL-DE-MARNE

Located just outside Paris, Val-de-Marne is the largest department in the suburbs (245 km²) and has more than 1.3 million inhabitants. It celebrated its 50 years of existence in 2014 (Act of 10 July 1964).

The quality of its hydrography gives the department an image of a «water department». 37 towns out of the 47 municipalities are bordered by a watercourse with the presence of the Seine over 15 km, the Marne over 24 km and tributaries (the Morbras, the Réveillon, the Yerres, the Ru of Rungis and the Bièvre).

The Marne has 25 islands, 3 of which are classified Departmental Natural Reserve.

The presence of this river system added to 2,550 hectares of forest, offers an exceptional natural heritage to the department, in order to observe wildlife and flora but also for walks and outdoor recreation.

Val-de-Marne is also a territory of artistic creativity and has a rich cultural heritage. From historical museums to contemporary art centers, from the architecture of the 12th century to garden cities, to the development of street art; all forms of art and architecture mingle together in the territory.

Gastronomy also plays an important role. Ideally located close to Orly airport and right next to the Rungis International Market, the City of Gastronomy «Paris-Rungis», scheduled for 2024, will showcase the culinary creativity of the entire area with development and animation of the food markets. The product will be presented, from reception to transformation through the Rungis Market, the largest fresh produce market in the world.

So today, Val-de-Marne offers a genuine tourist and cultural mosaic, a reflexion of its own identity.

KEY FIGURES

Accommodation:

- 110 hotels
- 22 guest rooms or rentals
- 1 hostel
- 1 group accommodation
- 1 campsite

Transport network:

- 3 subway lines, 5 RER lines
- Trans-Val-de-Marne, tramway T7
- Orly airport
- Multimodal platform port of Bonneuil, 2nd largest river port in Ile-de-France

Tourist information points:

- 1 Comité Départemental de Tourisme
- 6 Offices de Tourisme (Bry-sur-Marne, Champigny-sur-Marne, Choisy-le-Roi, Fontenay-sous-Bois, Vallée de la Marne, Vincennes)
- 2 Espaces de Tourisme Régionaux - Orly airport



TOOLS FOR JOURNALISTS

Val-de-Marne tourist & leisure board (Comité Départemental du Tourisme) is an association created on the initiative of the County Council in 1999.

It is in charge of strategy, development and promotion of tourism in the territory, in collaboration with professionals and local structures.



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Val-de-Marne tourist & leisure board is at your service:

- to prepare your article topics
- to organize your stay in the area and accompany you
- to help you find new ideas and keep you informed of what is on

Press space on www.tourisme-valdemarne.com

A space is dedicated to journalists on our website. You can find:

- press releases
- image library
- portrait of Val-de-Marne
- examples of previous press

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