

Student guide

October 2024 – Paris La Défense



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Paris La Défense

Much more than just a business district!

Europe's leading business district and the fourth most attractive business district in the world, Paris La Défense has become a vibrant, thriving residential neighborhood over the past sixty years.

More than fifty higher education institutions are set in the area, welcoming over 70,000 students each year. This community is at the heart of a powerful network, comprising companies of all sizes and in all sectors. Beyond opportunities for internships and entry-level professional positions, the area also offers the opportunity to develop collaborative research projects, the subject of which can even be the neighborhood itself. In the future, shared initiatives to provide services in the area will enhance student life.

The district's transport hub makes it even more appealing. Located just ten minutes from central Paris, the neighborhood is accessible via an extensive transportation network, further bolstered by the arrival of the RER E in 2024 and the Grand Paris Express in the years to come.

Unique in France for its vertical design, the area is also a center for architectural and artistic creation, with its iconic towers and open-air museum featuring some fifty contemporary artworks. All kinds of quality recreational activities, restaurants, accommodations, and social venues add to the neighborhood's appeal. The heart of Paris La Défense beats to the rhythm of major events, such as the Garden Parvis festival, runs for charity and the traditional Christmas market.

Making the neighborhood more pleasant to live in each day, the public organization Paris La Défense develops, operates and enlivens the area through its strategic vision while halving the area's greenhouse gas emissions by 2030, making it the world's first post-carbon business district.

Discover the area
by video



1st
EUROPE'S PREMIER
BUSINESS DISTRICT

Key figures

The world's

4th

most attractive
business district

(baromètre des quartiers d'affaires
internationaux - EY/ULI)

TOP 5

towers by height

First (231 m - 756 ft)
Hekla (220 m - 722 ft)
Majunga (194 m - 636 ft)
T1 (185 m - 607 ft)
Granite (184 m - 604 ft)

37,35 ha
of green public spaces



More than

50

institutions
of higher learning

70,000 STUDENTS
180,000 EMPLOYEES
50,000 INHABITANTS

1 HUB

5 new lines of public
transportation
+ 2 new RER E stations
and 2 Grand Paris Express
station to come

Paris
La Défense Arena
Largest indoor concert
hall in Europe

40 000
places

One of the largest
shopping centers in
Europe

Westfield
Les 4 Temps - CNIT

More than
150
restaurants



20
food trucks

More than
50
works of art



+2,000
bicycle racks
+600
protected spaces
in parking lots

Getting to Paris La Défense



Public transportation access

Paris La Défense is accessible via one of the world's best public transport networks, which expanded with the addition of two RER E stations in 2024 and will expand further with line 15 of the Grand Paris Express by 2030.

Lines serving Paris La Défense :

- **M** Line 1
- **RER** RER: A, E
- **T** Lines: L, U
- **T** T2
- **BUS** 258, 141, 159, 275, 276, 360, 174, 278, 541, 73, 144

At the heart of the transport hub, Terminal Jules Verne provides access to bus routes, such as:

- Lines towards western Paris, operated by Île-de-France Mobilités (Express A14...)
- Cross-country routes, operated by various carriers (FlixBus, Blablacar...).



Bicycle Access and Parking

Bicycles are welcome in La Défense. There are more than twenty ways to reach the esplanade, via pedestrian bridges or boulevards. Over 2,000 bicycle racks are available in public spaces and 600 spots for two-wheeled vehicles are available in parking lots.

In 2025, there will be around 30 Vélib' stations in the La Défense Business District, for a total of over 1,200 docking points.



La Défense parking lots

The business district is accessible by car from the A14 and A86 highways, as well as from Boulevard Patrick Devedjian. 22,000 parking spaces are available in the district's 9 parking lots, as well as one in Nanterre, all managed by Q-Park.

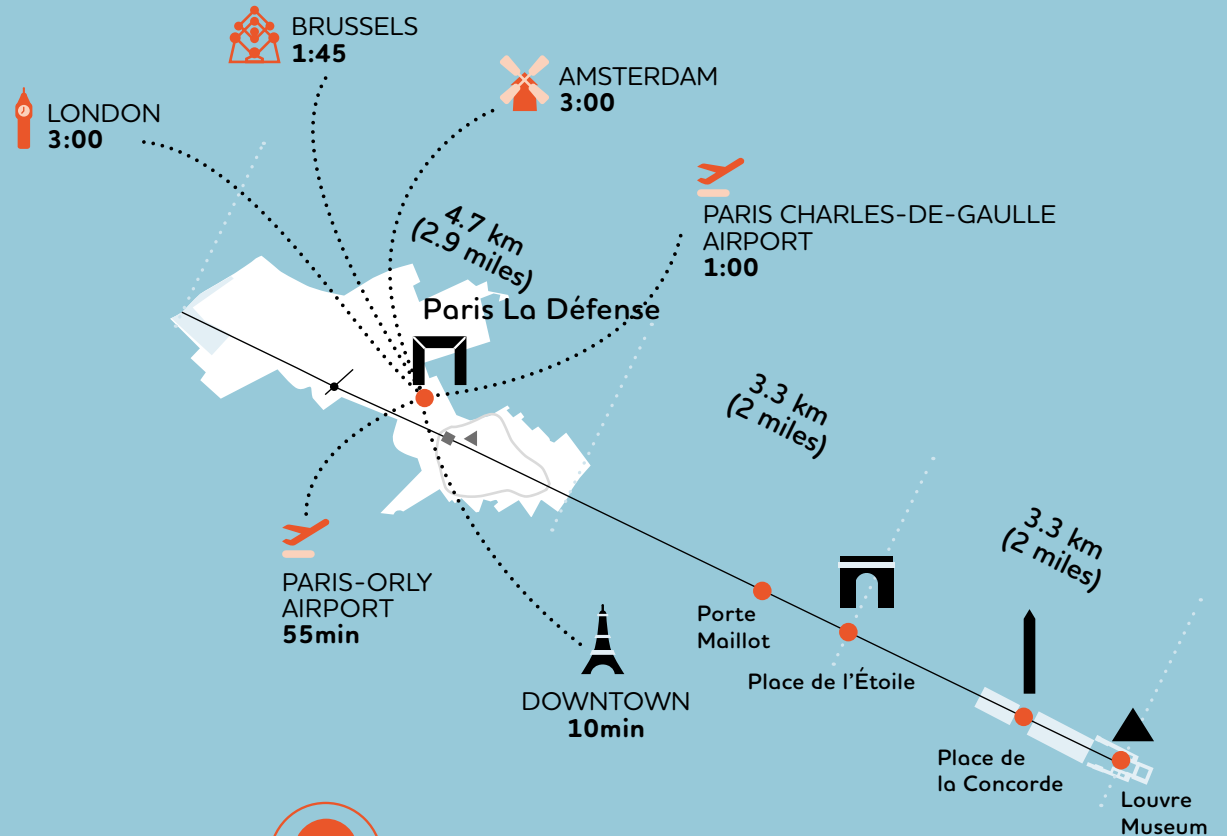
Visit the [Q-Park website](#) for more information about parking offerings in Paris La Défense.



Taxi stands

Two taxi stands are accessible from the pedestrian platform:

- nearly place Carpeaux:
33, avenue de la Division Leclerc – 92400 Courbevoie
- towards downtown Courbevoie:
20, avenue André Prothin – 92400 Courbevoie.



Major events in Paris La Défense

Paris La Défense hosts many commercial events throughout the year, alongside major summertime sporting tournaments and musical and cultural celebrations.



Very Food Trip

An event celebrating cuisine and an opportunity to discover the restaurants in the area. Paris La Défense's Food Trucks are gathered in a food court for the occasion.



Les Extatiques

A must-see event in the La Défense district, Les Extatiques celebrates contemporary art by exhibiting a variety of artistic works.



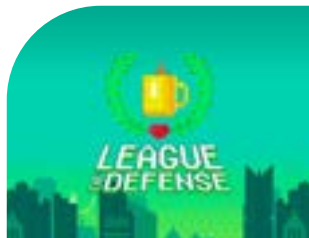
La Défense Jazz Festival

Founded in 1977 and organized by the Hauts-de-Seine Department, the La Défense Jazz Festival offers jazz fans an eclectic program.



League of Defense

For the 2024 back-to-school season, get set to participate in Paris La Défense's largest charity challenge. Intended for the businesses and schools in the neighborhood, this event has some wild activities in store!



Garden Parvis

The not-to-be-missed summer event to take advantage of the dog days in La Défense! This outdoor celebration lets you relax and enjoy the sun with a host of exciting.

Christmas Market

An institution: over 25 years and counting! The Christmas Market is a must for merchants and visitors alike, alive with a Christmas atmosphere to prepare for the holiday season stress-free.

Charity runs

Every year, Paris La Défense sponsors and supports an array of non-profit associations, particularly by hosting four major solidarity-based races.

Vertigo race

Organized by NGO Play International, this vertical marathon brings together participating teams to race up the stairs of a La Défense tower. The funds raised serve to support the development of sports-oriented education programs in France and abroad.



Cancer-free Children City Race

This race has been organized by the association Imagine for Margo since 2018. 100% of the donations go to research dedicated to finding specific, innovative treatments.

Race against hunger

Since 2008, this inter-company challenge has brought together thousands of employees from Paris La Défense companies for a wide array of sporting activities. Donations to the NGO Action Contre la Faim help institute solutions to ensure a sustainable food supply for all.



The Special Olympics race

Special Olympics is committed to inclusion of people with intellectual disabilities in sports. For many years, the association has organized an inter-company benefit race in the business district.



Getting Involved in Paris La Défense

At Paris La Défense, we believe that solidarity and civic engagement can make a difference! Numerous events are organized throughout the year, such as solidarity runs ([see page 6](#)) and World Clean Up Day, to support causes like environmentalism, the fight against cancer and education around the world.

Various non-profit organizations are active in the area, giving students the opportunity to help people in vulnerable situations. From clothing donations and breakfast distributions to awareness-raising workshops and intergenerational activities, there is no shortage of volunteering opportunities.

These are just some of the initiatives that enable people to socialize and escape their daily routine by getting involved in public interest causes with the aim of living better together.

Community Organizations



Association du Site de La Défense (ASD)

ASD is a specialized prevention organization and a *Point d'Accueil Écoute Jeunes* (Youth Welcome and Share Center, see [PAEJ map](#)). A free, confidential and anonymous place, ASD provides welcome, listening and guidance, and educational, social and psychological support to young people between the ages of 11 and 25 (parents are also welcome). Visitors can meet with psychologists, educators and socio-cultural mediators.

Hours: Monday to Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Address: NDP, 1, parvis de La Défense – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 46 98 00 49



La Cravate Solidaire

This organization helps unemployed people succeed in job interviews and develop professional skills needed in the workplace. With the support of volunteers who work in Image Coaching and Human Resources, candidates maximize their chances for success. La Défense companies organize the collection of business attire, which is then sorted with the help of volunteers.

Atelier Hours: Monday to Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Clothing Donation Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Address: 162, rue Nationale – 75013 Paris
Contact: [Website](#) / Volunteer E-mail: benevolat@lacravatesolidaire.org



Le Chaînon Manquant

This organization works to combat food waste and food insecurity. Every day, volunteers collect fresh, high-quality surpluses from food retailers, then redistribute them directly to nearby charities via refrigerated vans. The organization seeks volunteers to take part in collection and distribution rounds.

Hours: Missions from La Défense every Thursday (12:45 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.) and Friday (1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
Address: 61, rue Henri Regnault – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#) / 07 68 81 33 02



La Maison de l'amitié La Défense

This organization's mission is to reach out to isolated and vulnerable people living in or visiting La Défense. Working to foster social links and solidarity among all, the organization offers a daily welcome in a friendly area shared by beneficiaries, employees and volunteers. Numerous volunteer opportunities are available.

Contact: [Website](#) / Volunteer E-mail: mmoustakaly@lamaisondelamitie.fr



Entourage

Using positive technology, this organization's mission is to create social links between neighbors, whether they are with or without a roof over their heads. The mobile application allows you to participate in workshops that raise awareness about the realities of housing insecurity, propose local solidarity operations, and join social events to meet your unhoused neighbors.

Contact: [Website](#) / [Mobile Application](#) Entourage /
 E-mail: ambassadeurs@entourage.social / 06 11 04 06 14



La Salle À Manger

Open to all, this community restaurant is unique in that it offers a complete lunch for €1 to people in vulnerable situations in La Défense on referral by a social worker. The restaurant promotes solidarity by acting as a link between worlds that often cross paths in La Défense but do not otherwise meet. In addition to providing occupational integration, the restaurant aims to prevent food waste by redistributing unsold, unprocessed food.

Kitchen Volunteer Hours: Monday to Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Hosting and Table Service Volunteer Hours: Monday to Friday, 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Address: 2, patio de la Pyramide – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / Volunteer E-mail: bonjour@salleamanger.org / 06 98 19 29 57



Things to do Activities in the district

Thanks to the wide variety of activities on offer – sports, culture and entertainment – Paris La Défense is the perfect place to live, play and relax. Twelve fitness centers offer specific disciplines and services throughout the district, along the esplanade, inside the Westfield Les 4 Temps - CNIT shopping centers and even in downtown Nanterre. Traditional workouts, crossfit, urban soccer, swimming and even bouldering: Paris La Défense has it all!

The neighborhood also abounds with art exhibitions, as well as venues to indulge in an escape game or a virtual adventure. The cultural landscape of Paris La Défense was recently enriched with the Cité de l'Histoire, a unique site that takes visitors back in time with highly original, immersive experiences. All these experiences and activities are available at discounted rates for students.

Finally, the district is a veritable paradise for shoppers, who can explore the many boutiques in Westfield Les 4 Temps - CNIT, open every day.



One of the
largest shopping
centers in Europe



25
activities



12
fitness
centers



2
cinemas
26 screens

Activities

CULTURE



CGR Nanterre Cœur Université

The 10-screen Nanterre Cœur Université cinema features a premium projection room equipped with innovative technologies. Screening rooms and the reception area can be reserved for private events.

Opening hours: 10:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. every day
Address: 200, allée de Corse – 92000 Nanterre
Price: for students €7.00 per session
Contact: [Website](#) / 08 92 68 85 88



UGC Ciné Cité La Défense

The UGC Ciné Cité La Défense cinema is located in the Westfield Les Quatre Temps shopping center, on the top floor of the “Dôme.” It features 16 screening rooms, several of which are equipped with 3D technology.

Opening hours: 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. every day
Address: Parvis de la Défense – 92800 Puteaux
Price: under 26, €9.30 / subscriptions from €17.90
Contact: [Website](#) / 08 26 88 07 00 / Application UGC Direct



La Terrasse

La Terrasse is a contemporary art center offering artists the opportunity to organize painting, sculpture and photography exhibitions in a multipurpose room spanning 145 m² (1,560 sq. ft.).

Opening hours: Wednesday to Friday from noon to 6:00 p.m., Saturday 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Works displayed in the front window are visible 24/7.
Address: 57, boulevard de Pesaro – 92000 Nanterre
Contact: [Website](#) / E-mail: arts.plastiques@mairie-nanterre.fr / 01 41 37 62 67



Paris La Défense Arena

Europe’s largest indoor concert and sports hall! This 94,000-m² (1 million-sq. ft.) stadium hosts Racing 92 rugby matches and other sporting events, as well as any number of concerts: an extremely rich and varied event program for up to 40,000 people.

Price: depending on event
Address: 99, jardins de l’Arche – 92000 Nanterre
Contact: [Website](#)



Pif à Papa

Created in 2020 by a father and son team, the Pif à Papa winery in Courbevoie produces 12 wines each year. Employees also run oenology courses for individuals and works councils. Pif à Papa features a 300-m² (3,230-sq. ft.) space that can accommodate up to 100 people.

Opening hours: upon request
Address: 22, rue du Clos Lucé – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#) / E-mail: sfeirfady@gmail.com / 06 03 70 03 12



Cité de l’Histoire

The Cité de l’Histoire opened its doors in January 2023. This innovative learning center features three spaces equipped with cutting-edge technologies offering an interactive and fun-filled way to discover the History of France and mankind in general.

Opening hours: Tuesday and Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Thursday and Friday 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Address: Under La Grande Arche, 1, parvis de La Défense – 92800 Puteaux
Price: students €18.99 per seat
Contact: [Website](#) / E-mail address for group reservations: ce-groupes@amaclio.com / 01 47 57 57 27

IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES



Éternelle Notre-Dame

With this immersive virtual reality experience, visitors live the history and secrets of the Notre-Dame de Paris Cathedral, which was partially destroyed by fire in 2019. With an avatar as your guide, travel back in time 850 years to discover the history of this iconic monument.

Opening hours: Tuesday to Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Address: Cité de l’Histoire, sous La Grande Arche, 1, parvis de La Défense – 92800 Puteaux
Price: for students €20.99 per seat
Contact: [Website](#) / E-mail address for group reservations: ce-groupes@amaclio.com / 01 47 57 57 27

SPORT



Game On

Game On is a new, modern arcade on the ground floor of Westfield CNIT. Video game enthusiasts can enjoy classic arcade games, pinball machines, racing and simulation games.

Opening hours: Monday to Friday
Address: Westfield CNIT, level 0,
 2, place de La Défense – 92800 Puteaux



Illucity

Located in the Westfield Les 4 Temps shopping center, Illucity is the perfect place to blend virtual reality and escapes games. How about traveling back in time to Ancient Egypt? Or participating in an interplanetary expedition? Anything is possible! Some spaces may be reserved for private events.

Opening hours: Monday to Sunday, opening hours vary by day
Address: Westfield Les 4 Temps, zone Mandarine, level 0,
 15, parvis de La Défense – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 80 88 22 64



La Tête dans les nuages

In 2024, this family entertainment area, located in the Westfield Mall Les 4 Temps, invites you to have fun, offering an arcade room, state-of-the-art consoles, 3D/4D animations, and a laser game section.

Opening hours: Opening in 2024
Address: Westfield Les 4 Temps, zone Mandarine, level 3,
 15, parvis de La Défense – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#)



Team Break

In the heart of Jean Monnet tower on Place des Vosges lies an escape game center spanning over 1,200 m² (12,900 sq. ft.). Team Break offers seven escape games based on TV series, game shows and even movies, as well as an outdoor escape game in summer.

Opening hours: Everyday from 9:45 a.m. to 12:30 a.m.
Address: 11, place des Vosges – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#) / E-mail: ladefense@team-break.fr / 01 80 88 23 96



Blocbuster

Blocbuster climbing gym offers several different types of walls perfect for beginners and experienced climbers alike. Introductory, one-on-one and group lessons are available.

Opening hours: Monday to Friday 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., weekends and holidays 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Address: 48, square des Corolles – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#) / E-mail: info@blocbuster.fr / 01 41 30 14 04



Crossfit Factory

Crossfit Factory center in Puteaux covers an area of more than 400 m² (4,300 sq.ft.). Feel free to join a group session or drop in for a solo work out during the opening hours.

Opening hours: Monday to Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and Sunday 10:00 a.m. to noon.
Address: 22, rue Arago – 92800 Puteaux
Prices: student offer, €100/month (1 WOD per day + Open Gym) Monday to Saturday
Contact: [Website](#) / crossfitfactory92@gmail.com / 01 47 31 62 42



Crossfit Grande Arche

This Crossfit studio is located in the hallways of the RER Grande Arche station and covers over 400 m² (4,300 sq.ft.). Several offers are available with sessions ranging from 45 to 90 minutes.

Opening hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Address: RER station La Défense-Grande Arche – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / 06 23 28 65 55



Dynamo cycling

Dynamo cycling is the only indoor-cycling studio at La Défense. Located at the basement of CNIT, this studio offers bike sessions with music to work out your cardio, and abs.

Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 7:15 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Address: CNIT, level -1, 2, place de la Défense – 92800 Puteaux
Tarifs: Deux offres valables en studio uniquement, le pack étudiants 5 sessions, 19€/sessions ou l'offre étudiants, 21€ la session.
Contact: [Website](#) / E-mail: ladefense@dynamo-cycling.com

Things to do



Fitness Park

Fitness Park sports club is less than five minutes away from the Grande Arche station, at the foot of the tower Cœur Défense. It offers many activities on an area of 800 m² (8,600 sq. ft.), and more than 90 machines and equipment.

Opening hours: Everyday from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
Address: 17, place des Corolles – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#)



Maison Sport Santé

The Maison Sport Santé (MSS) has moved into Hyfive tower, in the heart of the business district. Recognized and accredited by the French Ministry of Health, MSS shares Adapted Physical Activity expertise with individuals, businesses and professionals.

Opening hours: Monday to Friday
Address: Tour Hyfive, 14, passage Boieldieu – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / E-mail: hyfive@wellnesscenter.fr



Forest Hill La Défense

The Forest Hill sports complex in La Défense features badminton, squash and tennis courts. It also offers Zumba classes, muscle strengthening sessions, stretching and Pilates.

Opening hours: Weekdays 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., weekends 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. for racket sports. Weekdays 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., weekends 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. for cardio training.
Address: 19, avenue de la Liberté – 92000 Nanterre
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 47 24 67 67



Neoness

The Neoness La Défense-Grande Arche gym spans 1,400 m² (15,000 sq. ft.) divided into several workout areas equipped with treadmills, elliptical bikes, rowing machines, semi-recumbent bikes and much more. The gym also offers group classes in boxing, yoga and Pilates, as well as workouts with a certified sports coach.

Opening hours: Weekdays 7:00 am to 10:00 p.m., Saturday 9:00 am to 7:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 am to 5:00 p.m.
Address: Galerie du passage de l'Arche, level -1 – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 80 88 27 60



Hapik

Hapik is a climbing gym spanning more than 500 m² (5,380 sq. ft.) with 90 colorful climbing routes for young and old, up to 8 meters (26 feet) in height. The gym also offers two high-wire adventure courses as well as two tree-top adventures courses. Group events available.

Opening hours: During school vacation periods, every day 9:45 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Closed Monday, Tuesday and Thursday outside of school vacation periods. Wednesday 10:00 am to 5:00 p.m., Friday 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. and Sunday 10:00 am to 7:00 p.m.
Address: 189, allée de Corse – 92000 Nanterre
Contact: [Website](#) / E-mail: nanterre@hapik.fr / 01 47 24 45 96



On Air

In the Westfield Les 4 Temps shopping center, On Air is a new gym with a view of the esplanade. It features several workout areas for cardio, crossfit, boxing, and weightlifting. A dedicated section for women and group classes are also available.

Opening hours: Everyday, 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
Address: 15, parvis de La Défense – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / E-mail: ladefense@onair-fitness.fr / 01 40 90 97 58



Keepcool

Keepcool gym is located at the foot of Ariane tower. Open daily, the gym features different areas for fitness enthusiasts (cardio, strength training, stretching, targeted workouts, cycling, etc.).

Opening hours: Weekdays 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., weekends 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Address: Tour Ariane, 5, place de la Pyramide – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#)



UrbanSoccer

Located in Nanterre, UrbanSoccer offers eight indoor soccer fields for 5v5 games. Visit the website to book your session. Win or lose, you can enjoy post-game festivities in the clubhouse. On occasion, the center transforms into a sports bar broadcasting major European competitions.

Opening hours: Weekdays 10:00 a.m. to midnight, Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Address: 85, avenue François-Arago – 92000 Nanterre
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 84 02 04 60

SHOPPING



Westfield CNIT

Built in 1958, the CNIT was transformed into a shopping center in the late 1990s. Today, it features many major retail brands. In 2024, with the opening of the RER E station, seminar spaces and a new range of restaurants will open up.

Opening hours: Daily from 10:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Address: 2, parvis de La Défense – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 47 73 54 44



Westfield Les 4 Temps

Built in the 1980s and one of the largest shopping center in Europe, Westfield Les 4 Temps is constantly evolving. It features more than 250 stores – including Europe’s largest Zara location – a cinema and some 50 restaurants.

Opening hours: Daily from 10:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Address: 15, parvis de La Défense – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 47 73 54 44





Things to do

Itineraries for visitors to Paris La Défense

Over the years, Europe's premier business district has become a destination of unparalleled richness and originality thanks to a bold and ambitious vision that transformed it into a remarkable locality.

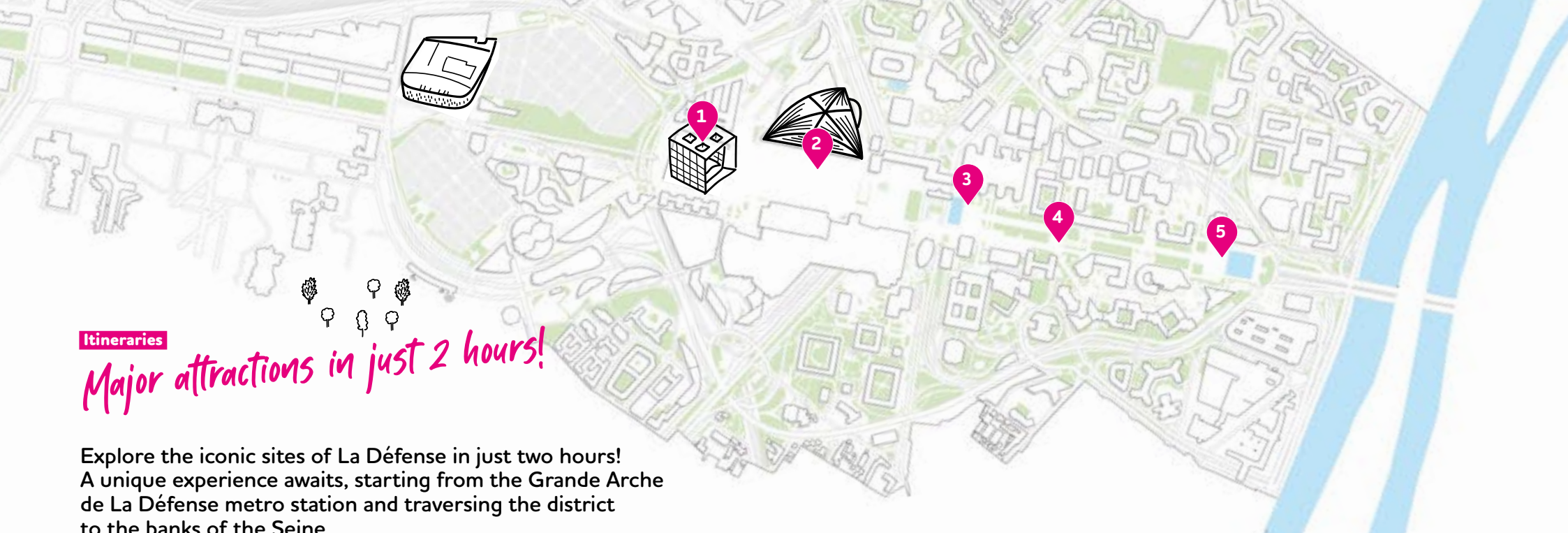
From the Parvis to the esplanade, Paris La Défense boasts the largest pedestrian area in Europe, to be discovered like a vast open-air museum. With its skyline, its iconic monuments, its towers designed by illustrious architects, its collection of artwork open onto the sky and its plentiful green spaces, Paris La Défense offers any visitor a unique decor and an altogether exceptional experience.

History buffs, high-rise aficionados, connoisseurs of modern art and even nature lovers in search of an idyllic setting can take advantage of a wide variety of itineraries to discover the district in a few hours or several days!

 **61**
high-rises

 More than
50 works of art

 **37,35** ha (92.29 acres)
of green public spaces



Itineraries

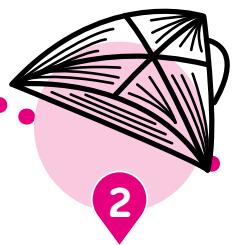
Major attractions in just 2 hours!

Explore the iconic sites of La Défense in just two hours! A unique experience awaits, starting from the Grande Arche de La Défense metro station and traversing the district to the banks of the Seine.



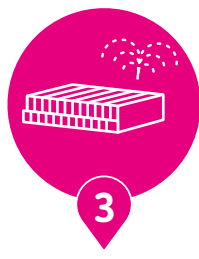
Grande Arche

The Grande Arche is perhaps the most emblematic monument in the business district. You can climb the steps on either side to admire a breathtaking view of the historic axis of La Défense.



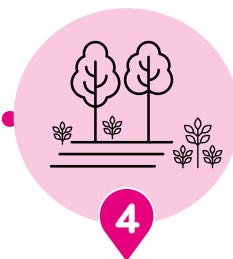
CNIT

Inaugurated in the late 1950s, the Centre des Nouvelles Industries et Technologies was the first building to be constructed in the area. After many years as an exhibition venue, today CNIT houses offices, shops and restaurants, with a new RER E station set to open in 2024.



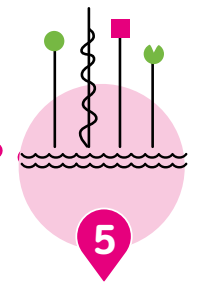
Monumental Fountain

A little further on, treat your eyes to Yaacov Agam's Monumental Fountain. Designed as a spectacular work of art mirroring the extravagance of the La Défense business district, its photogenic water features inspire reverie.



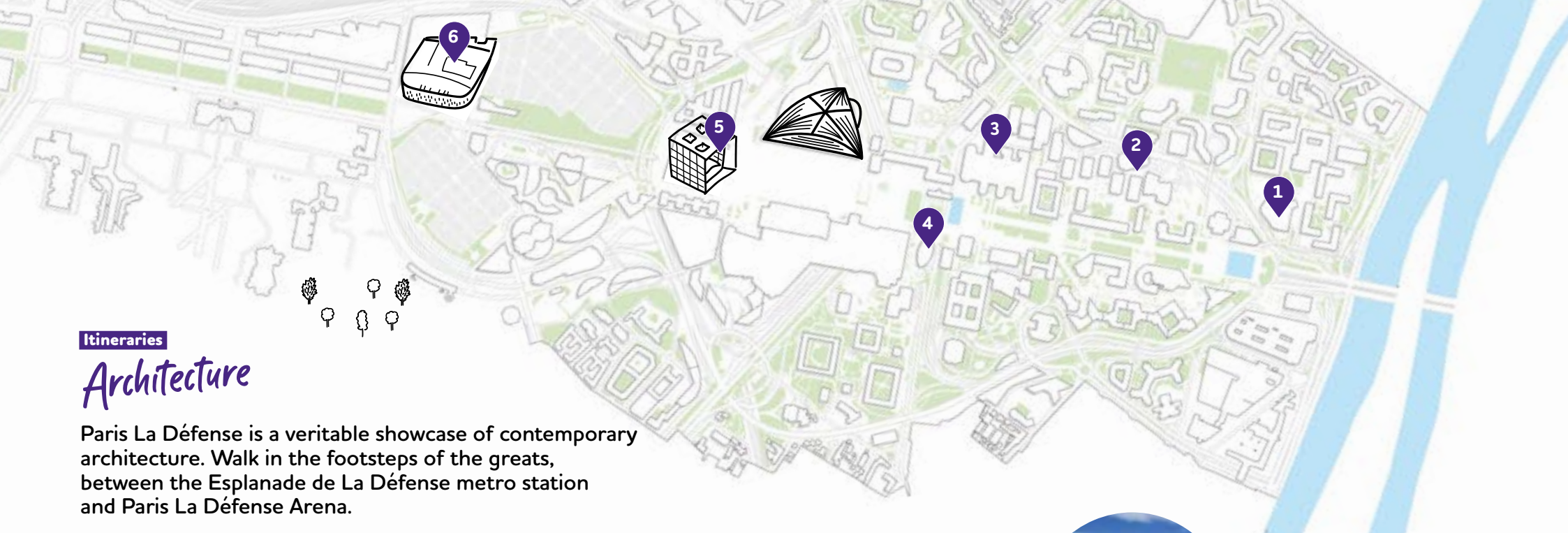
Place Basse

Enjoy a break on Place Basse and take in the stunning view of the Arc de Triomphe. An ideal place to picnic or spend some family time on weekends in the business district.



Takis Pool

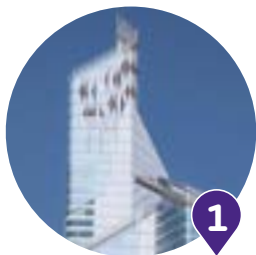
Finally, grab a bite by Takis Pool at the end of the esplanade. An iconic work of art to be discovered, but also a place to enjoy the breeze on warmer days. A favorite spot to play for local kids!



Itineraries

Architecture

Paris La Défense is a veritable showcase of contemporary architecture. Walk in the footsteps of the greats, between the Esplanade de La Défense metro station and Paris La Défense Arena.



First tower

Impossible to miss, First tower is the tallest skyscraper in France, rising 231 meters (758 feet)! To fulfill this ambition, an extra 50 meters (164 feet) were added during the recent refurbishment.



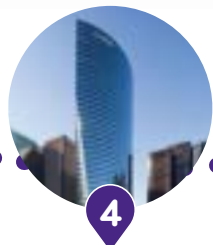
D2 tower

Remarkable for its ovoid shape, it is one of the jewels in the crown of the Franco-American architectural duo Anthony Béchu and Tom Sheehan.



Cœur Défense

Designed by Jean-Paul Viguier (the architect behind Majunga tower), this complex offers the largest usable office space in Europe, with nearly 190,000 m² (2 million sq. ft.) and 78 elevators for people and goods.



Légende tower

(formerly EDF tower)

Designed with the help of Leoh Ming Pei, creator of the Louvre Pyramid, this emblematic tower took on a new name in 2021 following refurbishment. A feat of architectural ingenuity, it is wider at its top than at its base, while its canopy, 24 meters (79 ft) in diameter, lends it a majestic presence.



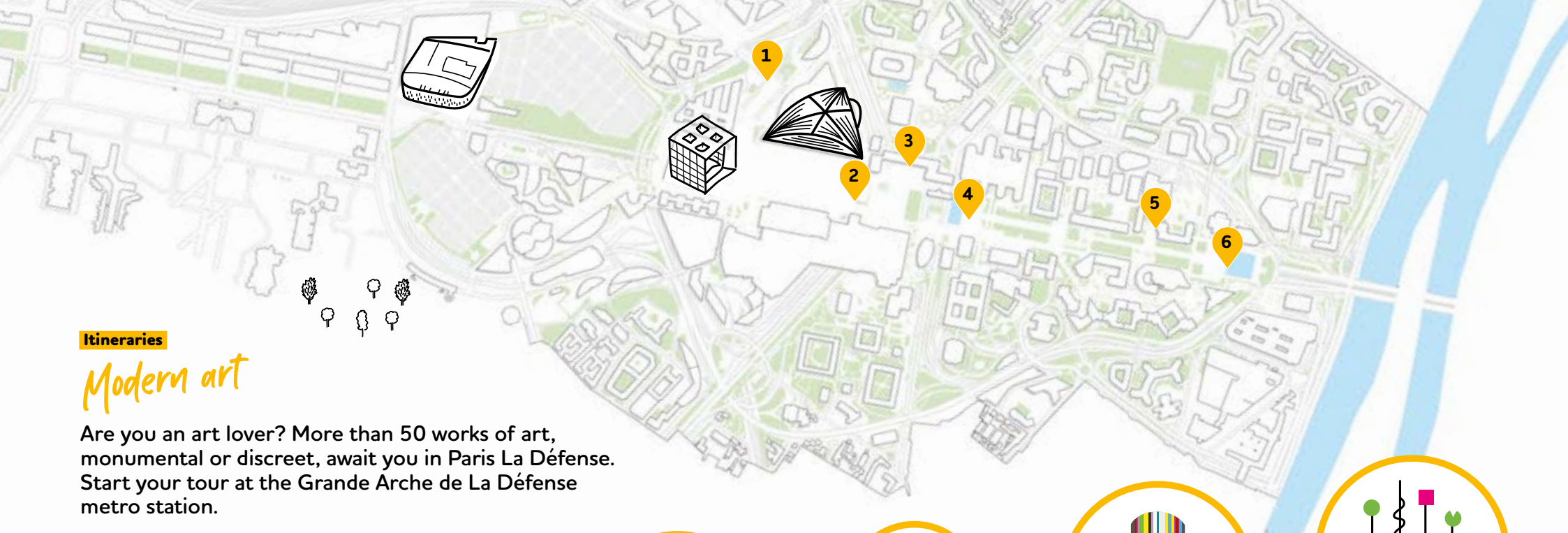
Grande Arche

Designed by Danish architect Johan Otto von Spreckelsen and completed by Paul Andreu, the Grande Arche is the ultimate emblem of the business district. Inaugurated in 1989, it houses private and government offices.



Paris La Défense Arena

Designed by Christian de Portzamparc, the 40,000-seat Paris La Défense Arena is the largest indoor sports and concert hall in Europe, as well as the home stadium of the Racing 92 rugby club. It will host swimming events during the 2024 Olympic Games. A unique place to enjoy a performance, whether artistic or athletic, in absolute immersion.



Itineraries

Modern art

Are you an art lover? More than 50 works of art, monumental or discreet, await you in Paris La Défense. Start your tour at the Grande Arche de La Défense metro station.



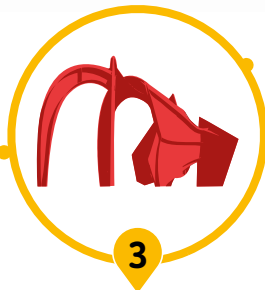
César's thumb

An enlargement likeness of the thumb of artist César Baldaccini, better known as César. Considered a fragment of today's reality, a symbol of practicality and manual work, it points to the sky, conveying a mixture of optimism and vanity.



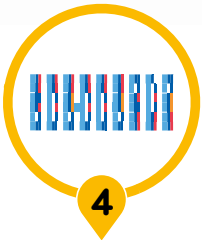
Fantastics Characters

Officially referred to as the "Monumental Ensemble," this work by Catalan painter, sculptor, engraver and ceramist Joan Miró applies a hint of surrealism and excess to convey the unstable balance between the childish joy of the present moment and the disconcerting strangeness of fate.



Red Spider

An imposing work by Alexander Calder, rising 15 meters (49 feet) high and sculpted from 75 tons of steel! The artist himself chose the location on Place de La Défense. The Red Spider echoes another work by the artist, Flamingo, located in Chicago.



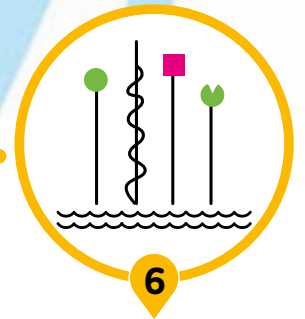
Monumental Fountain

A spectacular work of art by Yaacov Agam, mirroring the extravagance of the business district. The fountain, enlivened by water effects in spring and summer, is composed of an 86-color Venetian enamel mosaic.



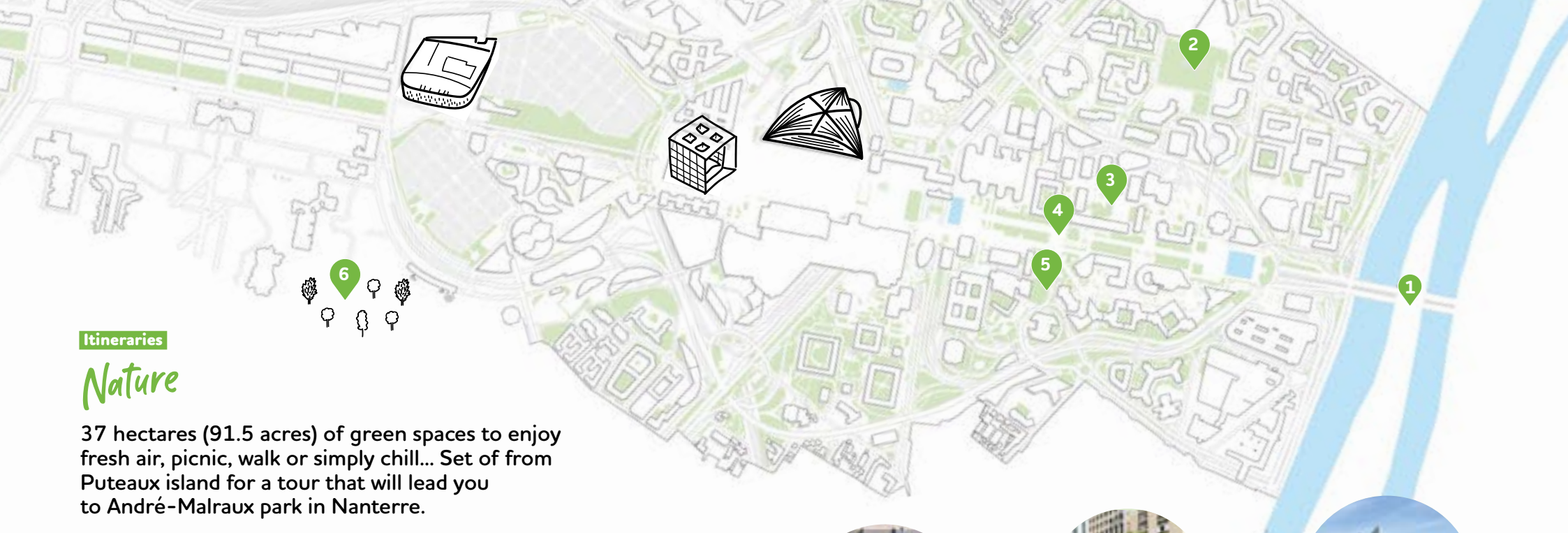
Moretti

This giant straw by Raymond Moretti serves to coat a 32-meter (105-foot) high ventilation chimney with 672 fiberglass tubes in 19 different colors, positioned over the entire surface to best highlight the vertical volume of this work.



Takis Pool

At the eastern end of the esplanade, the artist Takis transformed this rectangular pool into a veritable sensory experience. Spread throughout the pool, 49 metal rods emerge from the water, crowned with colorful geometric forms and flashing lights.



Itineraries

Nature

37 hectares (91.5 acres) of green spaces to enjoy fresh air, picnic, walk or simply chill... Set off from Puteaux island for a tour that will lead you to André-Malraux park in Nanterre.



1

Puteaux island

Come stroll along the banks of the Seine. On foot or by bicycle, discover the wonders of Puteaux island, a haven of lush greenery: the butterfly meadow, beehive and Naturoscope aquariums, not to mention the ample swimming pool at the Palais des Sports.



2

Diderot park

With a full hectare (2.5 acres) of greenery, a monumental waterfall and hills making for a 14-meter (46-foot) difference in elevation, Diderot Park is a perfect place to get away from it all, and why not enjoy a picnic on the upper section of the grounds? The park also features a playground and a multisport field.



3

Jardin des Reflets

Fragrant, flowery and festooned with varied species of shrubs, vegetables and aromatic plants, le jardin des Reflets offers a calm and relaxing setting. Members of the shared garden can enjoy special events featuring free workshops by the association "Vivre Ensemble."



4

Place Basse

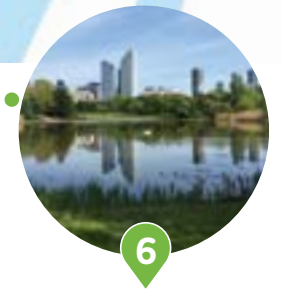
A green oasis located on the historical axis, Place Basse is a popular place to enjoy some R&R. Planted with holm oaks and Chinese or Mediterranean shrubs such as rosemary, lavender and jasmine, the square is also dotted with planters sculpted by artist Shelomo Selinger.



5

Majunga eco-garden

Located at the foot of Majunga tower, this open-ground eco-garden spans 2,300 m² (42,750 sq. ft.) and features a mineral basin, local plant species, a playground and a petanque court for tourists, employees and local residents.



6

André Malraux park

A vast 25-hectare (62-acre) landscaped park in the heart of the city of Nanterre offering ample fields, a pond and 400 different tree species. A haven for birds, the park is also ideal for long walks, bouldering and many other activities, including a water playground for children.



Eating in Paris La Défense

With more than 150 restaurants, Paris La Défense's dining scene is rich and ready to satisfy all tastes! Whether you're on your own or with friends, there's something for everyone at any time of day, from breakfast to dinner to after-work drinks.

For less than €15, you can grab lunch at Paris Food Club or Francesca. Enjoy a salad from Mister Garden or a sandwich from La Famille in one of the area's many green spaces. To unwind after a day of classes, there's nothing like happy hour in one of the neighborhood bars, such as IT Trattoria, Aubrac Corner or Billy Billy. And if you'd like to dance the night away, head to Nood, on the edge of the Takis Pool.

Paris La Défense also offers a fleet of around twenty food trucks featuring a variety of world cuisines, available for lunch from Monday through Friday at four sites: Parvis de La Grande Arche, Cours Valmy, Place de La Défense and Takis Pool.

20
food trucks

Over
150
restaurants

Restaurants and Bars

ON THE GO



Cosy

Cosy combines fast-food and gourmet experiences for €4 to €8! Dishes change daily, with fresh produce selected and procured each morning near the Grande Arche.

Specialty: Sandwiches and salads

Outdoor Seating: No

Opening hours: Monday to Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Address: 22, passage de l'Arche – 92800 Puteaux

Contact: [Website](#) / 01 55 91 95 52



La Famille

La Famille features recipes by a Michelin-starred chef: fresh sandwiches prepared on the spot, all French and certified. You can enjoy them at Place de l'Iris, in the square near the Arche gardens.

Specialty: Sandwiches and salads

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: Monday to Friday

Address: La Famille - Iris: place de l'Iris – 92400 Courbevoie

La Famille - Parvis de La Défense: 13, place de La Défense – 92400 Courbevoie

La Famille - Valmy: 43, place de l'Hémicycle – 92000 Nanterre

Contact: [Website](#)



Le Chill

At the heart of the Saisons neighborhood, Le Chill offers sandwiches, wraps and salads to suit all tastes, as well as several drinks and pastries.

Specialty: Sandwiches and salads

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: Monday to Friday

Address: 38, place des Saisons – 92400 Courbevoie

Contact: [Website](#) / E-mail: contact@lechill.fr / 06 64 14 38 19



Mister Garden

The three restaurants in the district offer a world in which salad reigns supreme. Carefully selected products for affordable salads, prepared on the spot in front of the customer.

Specialty: Sandwiches and salads

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: Monday to Friday lunchtime

Address: Mister Garden - La Défense Europe: 33, place des Corolles, 92400 Courbevoie

Mister Garden - La Défense Saisons: 51, galerie des Damiers – 92400 Courbevoie

Mister Garden - La Défense Iris: 8 bis, place de l'Iris – 92400 Courbevoie

Contact: [Website](#)



Paris Food Club

Located in the Bellini neighborhood at La Défense, Paris Food Club is a 15-restaurant food court with accessible online ordering. Takeaway only, on offer: burgers, pizza, sushi, ramen and Moroccan and Lebanese specialties.

Specialty: Sandwiches and salads

Outdoor Seating: No

Opening hours: Monday to Sunday, lunch and dinner

Address: 30, terrasse Bellini – 92800 Puteaux

Contact: [Website](#) / 06 71 03 48 97

SIT DOWN



Francesca

Italian specialties like pasta al dente, comprise the menu at this fast-food restaurant. Located near the Grande Arche, it offers 19 different sauces, all made with fresh produce, to accompany your pasta.

Specialty: Italian

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: Monday to Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Address: 32, passage de l'Arche – 92800 Puteaux

Contact: [Website](#) / 01 40 90 91 74



IT Trattoria

Located in the Table Square culinary complex, It Trattoria can accommodate groups for a cocktails, lunch or dinner thanks to its large dining room and terrace. Chefs prepare southern Italian specialties every morning.

Specialty: Italian

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: Monday to Sunday for lunch and dinner

Address: 86, esplanade du Général-de-Gaulle – 92400 Courbevoie

Contact: [Website](#) / 01 40 89 20 00



Jungle Gorill

Step into the heart of the jungle, just a four-minute walk from Westfield CNIT. At Jungle Gorill, the chefs concoct spicy, mouth-watering recipes including unique burgers, quality grilled foods, and exotic salads.

Specialty: Burgers

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: Monday to Sunday, lunch and dinner

Address: 1, allée de l'Arche – 92400 Courbevoie

Contact: [Website](#) / 01 43 33 05 05



Noura Street Food

Noura Street Food offers Lebanese cuisine with a new spin. Enjoy fresh seasonal produce for a culinary adventure through Middle Eastern flavors.

Specialty: Middle Eastern/African

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: Monday to Friday, 11: a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Address: 3, passage de l'Arche - 92800 Puteaux

Contact: E-mail: nourastreetfood@noura.com / 01 75 33 06 31



Le Forum

This restaurant combines hospitality and savoir-faire in the Boieldieu neighborhood. Le Forum offers home cooking and a wide selection of beers.

Specialty: French

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: Monday to Friday, 7:00 a.m. to midnight

Address: 63, jardins Boieldieu - 92800 Puteaux

Contact: [Website](#) / 01 47 73 01 83

DRINKS



Aubrac Corner

Hearty fare from Aveyron in southern France, right by the Grande Arche and Paris La Défense Arena, Aubrac Corner caters to burger lovers as well as local employees! In the evening, enjoy a game of pool and a wide choice of beers.

Specialty: Burgers

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: Monday to Sunday for lunch and dinner

Address: 36, boulevard de Pesaro - 92000 Nanterre

Contact: [Website](#)



Les Gentlemen

The restaurant Les Gentlemen, just a few minutes from the Paris La Défense Arena, is the perfect place to dine or have a drink after a match or a concert.

Spécialité: French

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: From Monday to Sunday, all day

Address: 187, jardin de l'Arche - 92000 Nanterre

Contact: [Website](#)



Billy Billy

Opposite the Paris La Défense Arena, Billy Billy restaurant, open all week, offers dishes and cocktails inspired by Italian and Mediterranean flavors. For groups or private events, take advantage of a large covered terrace heated in winter.

Specialty: Italian

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: All day Monday to Friday

Address: 170, jardin de l'Arche - 92000 Nanterre

Contact: [Website](#) / 01 47 58 47 11



Nodd

Located in the Oxygen complex with a view of the Arc de Triomphe on one side and Takis Pool on the other, Nodd offers a perfect setting. Open only for group reservations, it regales partygoers with drinks and DJ sets up to the wee hours.

Specialty: French

Outdoor Seating: Oui

Opening hours: Monday to Friday evenings

Address: 2, esplanade de La Défense - 92800 Puteaux

Contact: [Website](#)



Corcoran's Iris Pub Nanterre

A stone's throw from the Paris La Défense Arena, this Irish pub offers a Happy Hour from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. daily. The menu features gourmet burgers to complement your beers and cocktails.

Specialty: Burgers

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: Monday to Saturday

Address: 135, rue des trois Fontanot - 92000 Nanterre

Contact: [Website](#) / 01 46 95 00 53 /

E-mail: resacorcoransnanterre@gmail.com



Tusk

Between the esplanade and the Place de La Défense, Tusk is a dining establishment that changes according to the time of day. In the evening, take advantage of afterwork celebrations to enjoy happy hour, the wine bar and tapas to share!

Specialty: French

Outdoor Seating: Yes

Opening hours: All day Monday to Friday

Address: 16, place de La Défense - 92400 Courbevoie

Contact: [Website](#)



Studying in Paris La Défense

Higher education is all about studying and homework. While schools offer workspaces, you can also opt for a “third place” (an alternative social setting) in the area to work on your own or in a group.

Visit your local traditional libraries and multimedia libraries for maximum peace and quiet, both weekdays and weekends.

If you’re looking to get together as a group in a more social setting, some local hotels and coworking areas offer student-friendly packages with free Wi-Fi and snacks to fuel you.

COWORKING SPACES



Hubsy

Hubsy CNIT, located on Level -1 in Westfield CNIT, is a coworking café with areas for work and leisure. You can come for a few hours or for the whole day. For students, the rate is €23 for five hours or more.

Address: Westfield CNIT, 2, place de La Défense – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#)



Ibis Paris La Défense Esplanade Novotel Paris La Défense Esplanade

Ibis and Novotel hotels have workspaces available on request, open from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. every day. For €18 per person, you can stay for four hours to enjoy Wi-Fi, a hot drink, a pastry, fruit and filtered water. The ALL loyalty card earns you points as you go, giving you even more benefits.

Adresse Novotel : 2, boulevard de Neuilly – 92400 Courbevoie
Adresse Ibis : 4c boulevard de Neuilly – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website Novotel](#) / [Website Ibis](#)



Icône Oxygen

Icône Oxygen provides a co-working service and offers students a 20% discount from the second hour onwards (€5 per hour excl. VAT). You can also enjoy snacks and hot drinks.

Address: 8 bis, esplanade du Général-de-Gaulle – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#)



Hôtel Renaissance

Hôtel Renaissance provides workspaces with a special offer for students. For €15 a day or €7.50 half a day, you'll have access to first-floor offices, infused water, two coffee capsules, free Wi-Fi, a flipchart and 10 complimentary print runs.

Address: 60, cours Valmy – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 41 97 50 50



Mama Shelter – Diner

Mama Shelter invites students to come and study in its Mama's Diner restaurant and enjoy a Happy Hour from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. With your student card, you get 10-50% off hot drinks and pastries.

Address: 10, rue Jean-Jaurès – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#)



Okko Hotels

Okko Hotels invites students to take advantage of the lounge area to study in peace and quiet. For €5 per hour, €15 per half-day or €30 per day, students can sit on the hotel's 2nd floor, enjoy the terrace and snacks and drinks. The club area, which is equipped with a computer and printer, is open to all.

Address: 2261, boulevard de La Défense – 92000 Nanterre
Contact: [Website](#)

TRADITIONAL AND MULTIMEDIA LIBRARIES

Bibliothèque principale

Opening hours: Tuesdays, 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.;
 Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Thursdays,
 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Fridays, 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.;
 Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Address: 41, rue de Colombes – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: 01 71 05 73 38

Palais de la Médiathèque

Opening hours: Tuesdays, 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.;
 Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Fridays, 1:00 p.m.
 to 7:00 p.m.; Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.;
 Sundays, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Address: 122, rue de la République – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: 01 40 90 21 50

Bibliothèque de quartier Les Damiers

Opening hours: Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.;
 Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; Fridays, 2:00 p.m.
 to 6:00 p.m.; Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Address: 30, place des Saisons – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: 01 71 05 70 98 /
 E-mail: biblio.administration@ville-courbevoie.fr

Médiathèque Jules Verne

Opening hours: Tuesdays, 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.;
 Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Fridays, 1:00 p.m.
 to 7:00 p.m.; Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and
 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Address: 4, rue Marcellin Berthelot – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: 01 40 90 21 50



Housing in Paris La Défense

To keep up with the influx of new students in recent years, Paris La Défense has established a number of co-living residences. A wide range of high-quality accommodation is now available for all those seeking housing close to their school or in the area. Since summer 2024, Canvas, a new residence for students and young professionals, has welcomed inhabitants in the Valmy neighborhood.

Most of our residences offer apartments ranging from studios for solo living to two-bedrooms for shared occupancy. From sports facilities, lounges and shared kitchens to laundry and cleaning services, these residences offer a host of amenities.

For those who want to share moments of sociality spanning across ages, the non-profit organization, Ensemble2Génération, provides intergenerational housing opportunities.



Nearly
15
student residences

STUDENT RESIDENCES



Courbevoie – Modigliani

In the Faubourg de l'Arche neighborhood, the Modigliani student residence offers 240 studios ranging from 18 to 26 m² (194 to 280 ft²) and 10 double studios of 60 m² (646 ft²).

Amenities: Parking, reception, digital code entry, cleaning services
Address: 17-29, rue des étudiants – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 74 70 05 92



Les Estudines Nanterre Université

Located in the Provinces Françaises neighborhood, the Estudines Nanterre Université student residence is close to Université Paris Nanterre. The residence offers one- and two-bedroom apartments, with a fully equipped kitchen and full bathroom.

Amenities: Bike garage, gym, Wi-Fi
Address: 201, allée d'Aquitaine – 92000 Nanterre
Contact: [Website](#) / 09 69 39 22 00



Canvas

Completed in summer 2024, Canvas replaced the Le Guillaumet building in the Valmy neighborhood. With over 600 premium apartments available for students and young professionals, the residence also features a gym, yoga studio, movie theater and terrace.

Address: 60, avenue du Général-de-Gaulle – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#)



Néméa Appart'Etud Nanterre Campus

Apartments in the Néméa Appart'Etud Nanterre Campus residence feature a fully equipped kitchenette, full bathroom and furnished living area with a pull-out bed, desk and wardrobe.

Amenities: Wi-Fi, bike garage, gym, common room, reception
Address: 14, rue Anatole France – 92000 Nanterre
Contact: [Website](#) / 06 45 71 70 56



Student Residence Citadines La Défense Paris

Located just a stone's throw from the La Défense plaza, the Citadine La Défense Paris residence offers students 18 to 20 m² (194 to 215 ft²) apartments for a minimum of three months.

Amenities: Bike garage, meeting rooms, Wi-Fi, air conditioning
Address: 8, boulevard de Neuilly – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#)



Résidence Pythagore Grande Arche

The Pythagore residence is ideal for students, young professionals and employees on secondment contracts. Located near the Parc du Millénaire, the residence offers studio apartments ranging from 18 to 21 m² (194 to 226 ft²), with sleeping, dining and office areas.

Amenities: Reception, Wi-Fi, parking, video surveillance, sports facilities
Address: 54, avenue Puvion-de-Chavannes – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 49 97 07 07



Stud'City Colline de l'Arche

In the Faubourg de l'Arche neighborhood, the Stud'City residence is located between the Pôle Léonard de Vinci and the Parc du Millénaire. The furnished one-bedroom apartments range in size from 17 to 37 m² (183 to 398 ft²).

Amenities: TV, Wi-Fi, bike garage
Address: 49, rue des étudiants – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#) / 09 69 39 22 00



Studéa Grande Arche

Apartments in the Studéa Grande Arche residence are close to the heart of the La Défense business district. The residence offers a wide range of amenities, including laundry facilities and an in-house manager to help and advise students.

Amenities: Cafeteria, meeting room, Wi-Fi, laundry, video surveillance
Address: 56, avenue de l'Arche – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#)



Studéa Lilas d'Espagne

Studéa Lilas d'Espagne offers 17 to 26 m² (183 to 280 ft²) apartments, with a fully equipped kitchen and full bathroom. The residence is close to André Malraux Park.

Amenities: Wi-Fi, studios, cafeteria, video surveillance, meeting rooms
Address: 30, rue des Lilas d'Espagne – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#)



Studéa Léonard de Vinci

Apartments in the Studéa Léonard de Vinci range from 18 to 28 m² (194 to 301 ft²). The residence is well-networked, with a mobile application of its own that provides students with relevant information.

Amenities: Entertainment, Wi-Fi, cafeteria, meeting room, video surveillance, gym
Address: 4, allée Botticelli – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#)



The Student Hotel Paris La Défense

Various accommodations are available in this residence. Students can choose between a classic room with or without a balcony or a comfort room with or without a balcony.

Amenities: Wi-Fi, meeting rooms, video surveillance, luggage storage, lounge, swimming pool, terrace
Address: 56, rue Roque-de-Fillol – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#)



YouFirst Campus Paris Grande Arche

The YouFirst Campus Paris Grande Arche student residence is in the Skylight building behind the Grande Arche, a few meters from the Paris La Défense Arena. It offers 168 furnished apartments for students and young professionals who wish to live alone or in shared housing.

Amenities: Lounge area, fitness area, Wi-Fi, bike parking, video surveillance, laundry facilities
Address: 1, terrasse Valmy – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / 09 69 39 22 00



YouFirst Campus Paris La Défense

The YouFirst Campus Paris La Défense residence for students and young professionals opened in 2018. Located in the Rose de Cherbourg neighborhood, it offers 399 apartments, ranging from studios to shared flats, combining comfort and modern design, furnished, and fully equipped with internet access.

Amenities: Wi-Fi, fitness area, shared kitchen, piano, foosball, video surveillance
Adresse : 34, avenue du Général-de-Gaulle – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 40 40 64 10

ASSOCIATIVE HOUSING



Ensemble2générations

This association offers intergenerational housing solutions for young people (18-30) and seniors (over 60). Each gives the other a helping hand: the young adult benefits from low-cost accommodation and the senior citizen can count on a reassuring presence in the evening and at night.

Contact: Véronique Lascorz, . Director of Ensemble2génération Hauts-de-Seine,
E-mail: v.lascorz@ensemble2generations.fr / 06 35 34 04 74

Practical information

Paris La Défense

MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS

Courbevoie Town Hall

Address: 2, place de l'Hôtel de Ville – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 71 05 70 00
Internships and Apprenticeship Contracts: [Website](#)

La Garenne-Colombes Town Hall

Address: 68, boulevard de la République – 92250 La Garenne-Colombes
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 72 42 40 00
Internships and Apprenticeship Contracts: [Website](#)

Nanterre Town Hall

Address: 1, place du 27 mars 2002 – 92000 Nanterre
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 47 29 50 50

Puteaux Town Hall

Address: 131, rue de la République – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#) / 01 46 92 92 92

Puteaux Point Info (PPI)

Address: 120, rue de la République – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: [Website](#)

EMPLOYMENT

House of employment and training

Address: 6, avenue Lénine – 92735 Nanterre Cedex
Contact: 01 41 37 98 13

Nanterre Youth Information Structure

Address: 49, rue Maurice-Thorez – 92000 Nanterre
Contact: E-mail: accueil.sij@mairie-nanterre.fr / 01 41 37 17 11

La Garenne-Colombes Youth Information Structure

Address: 34 bis, boulevard de la République – 92250 La Garenne-Colombes
Contact: [Website](#) / E-mail: pji@lagarennecolombes.fr / 01 56 05 03 15

PRINTING

Point Phone

Photocopying, printing, faxing...

Address: 65, avenue Gambetta – 92400 Courbevoie
Contact: 01 47 89 57 27

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All types of printing and finishing

Address: 93, rue de la République – 92800 Puteaux
Contact: 01 49 00 00 40

HEALTH

Max Fourestier Hospital Nanterre Reception and Hospital Care Center

Address: 403, avenue de la République – 92000 Nanterre
Contact: [Website](#)

Free Healthcare Center for Students

Upon presentation of a valid health insurance card and supplementary insurance

Address: 45, rue des Saints-Pères – 75006 Paris

SOS 92 Medical Emergencies Home

Care Services 24/7

Contact: 01 46 03 77 44

On-call pharmacies

Contact: 118 712



Education in Paris La Défense

The area's central location, its expanding recreational facilities and high-quality real estate make Paris La Défense increasingly desirable, attracting numerous higher education institutions.

Today, over 50 have set up here, offering students opportunities to collaborate with companies in the business district and an unparalleled study environment. Whether you're looking for a top business, management and finance school, an engineering school specializing in digital technology, the metaverse or gaming, a nursing school, an osteopathy school, an agricultural or sustainable development school, you'll find it all in Paris La Défense.

10 sectors

Over
50 higher
education
institution



Over
70000
students

Higher Education Institutions

UNIVERSITY

Université Paris Nanterre

A multidisciplinary university offering a wide range of degree courses, including: 6 *BUT* programs, 22 *licences professionnelles* programs, 31 doubles *licences* programs, 31 *licences* programs and 80 master's programs.

Contact: [Website](#)

BUSINESS OR MANAGEMENT

3A – L'École internationale du management responsable

Located on the HEP – Paris La Défense campus, 3A's courses focus on sustainable and humanitarian development. Degree courses range from bachelor's (BA) to master of Science (MSC).

Contact: [Website](#)

Ascencia Business School

The Ascencia Paris La Défense School of Business and Management is located in the Grande Arche and offers courses from *Bac* to *Bac* +5.

Contact: [Website](#)

Devinci Executive Education

Devinci Executive Education is located in the Pôle Léonard de Vinci. This institution of higher education offers training for working professionals and students looking to specialize in a new field.

Contact: [Website](#)

École Conte Paris La Défense

This school specializing in luxury and fashion management offers courses ranging from *licence* (BA) to *Mastère Spécialisé* (MS) in fashion design, jewelry, luxury marketing and oenology.

Contact: [Website](#)

EDC Paris Business School

Offering five programs of academic excellence and over 20 double degrees, EDC Paris Business School is in Puteaux, on a campus of over 17,000 m².

Contact: [Website](#)

EMLV

A part of Pôle Léonard de Vinci, EMLV is a management school offering a range of courses, including the *Grande École* Program.

Contact: [Website](#)

ESCE – International Business School

Established in 2022 on the campus of the private higher education institution, Omnes Education, ESCE offers particularly well-recognized courses in the field of international business.

Contact: [Website](#)

Essec Business School Executive Education

Located in Westfield CNIT, Essec trains students in management, organizational administration and human resources (HR).

Contact: [Website](#)

ESUP

Located in the heart of the business district, ESUP offers a wide range of courses from *BTS* to master's degrees.

Contact: [Website](#)

Groupe ESI Courbevoie

In the Ciel tower in Courbevoie, students at École Supérieure de l'Immobilier (ESI) can enroll in full-time or work-study course programs to learn about real-estate professions.

Contact: [Website](#)

ICN Creative Business School

Offering courses from *Bac* +3 to *Bac* +5 with the option of pursuing a double degree, ICN Creative Business School is located in the Collines de l'Arche building, a stone's throw from the Grande Arche.

Contact: [Website](#)

IDRAC Business School - campus de Paris

Located on the HEP – Paris La Défense campus, IDRAC Business School offers degree courses ranging from *BTS* to *MBA*.

Contact: [Website](#)

IÉSEG School of Management

Ranked among the best management schools in France, IÉSEG offers a wide range of courses, from bachelor's to *MBA*, as well as the *Grande École* Program.

Contact: [Website](#)

IFAG Paris – École de management

IFAG's Paris campus is in the Boieldieu district of Puteaux. The school supports students throughout their education and with *Parcours Entrepreneur*, an entrepreneurial training program.

Contact: [Website](#)

IFG Executive Education

Located in Coeur Défense tower, IFG (Institut Français de Gestion) Executive Education is the professional training arm of Omnes Education. The institute offers courses in nine domains.

Contact: [Website](#)

Incom Sup

In Les Collines de l'Arche, Incom Sup offers a range of post-baccalaureate courses in international business, communications, digital marketing, entrepreneurship and business administration.

Contact: [Website](#)

PEM Paris – Apollon

Apollon is a sports management school where students can enroll in work-study course programs ranging from Bac +3 to Bac +5.

Contact: [Website](#)

PEM Paris – EFMH

Paris École de Management prepares students for management positions in the hotel and restaurant industries.

Contact: [Website](#)

PEM Paris – IEM

PEM – IEM, located in the Atlantique tower, offers a bachelor's degree program in Human Resource Management and a master's degree program in Strategic Human Resource Management.

Contact: [Website](#)

DIGITAL

Digital College Paris La Défense

With a campus in the Grand Arche, Digital College is a member of the Collège de Paris network of higher education institutions. The school offers courses in digital strategy and marketing from Bac to Bac +5.

Contact: [Website](#)

Gaming Campus

The first student campus dedicated to the video game industry, Gaming Campus brings together three schools to train students in all professions associated with the sector.

Contact: [Website](#)

Holberton School

Located in the Bellini neighborhood, Holberton School offers full-time or workstudy course programs in the fundamentals of computer science. Students can then specialize in a number of areas.

Contact: [Website](#)

IIM – L'Institut de l'Internet et du Multimédia

Located on one of the Pôle Léonard de Vinci campuses, L'Institut de l'Internet et du Multimédia offers course programs to train students in the digital sector, ranging from Bac +1 to Bac +4.

Contact: [Website](#)

PEM Paris – EMCD

Now part of the PEM Paris Group, EMCD offers work-study course programs in digital marketing and communications.

Contact: [Website](#)

WIS Paris La Défense EMCD – École de Marketing et de Création Digitale

At WIS Paris La Défense, students can take courses ranging from BTS to master of Science (MSc Digital), training them to become experts in the field.

Contact: [Website](#)

Ynov – École supérieure des métiers du digital

Ynov is a higher education institution dedicated to professions in the digital sector. Based on a 6,900 m² (74,300 ft²) campus, Ynov students benefit from modern facilities and learn audiovisual, IT and marketing skills.

Contact: [Website](#)

ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

2i Academy

Part of the M2i Group, 2i Academy offers 10 course programs from Bac +2 to Bac +5 in technical computer science, cybersecurity, and human resources (HR).

Contact: [Website](#)

Cybersup

In the Lefebvre Dalloz office building, Cybersup offers several course programs in the field of cybersecurity.

Contact: [Website](#)

CESFA BTP Nanterre

Le Centre Supérieur de Formation par l'Apprentissage (CSFA) offers six specialization programs and a professional pathway for becoming a construction expert.

Contact: [Website](#)

CESI École d'Ingénieurs

CESI École d'Ingénieurs has 25 campuses, including one in Nanterre. It offers several course programs, including the Grande École Program, gateway programs and the Programme Professionnel Supérieur (PPS).

Contact: [Website](#)

EPITA – École d'ingénieurs en informatique Paris La Défense

EPITA, an integral part of Campus Cyber, the leading cybersecurity hub in France, trains students in engineering, computer science, and digital professions.

Contact: [Website](#)

EPSI

In the heart of the Boieldieu neighborhood, the computer engineering school EPSI offers students high-level computer science training.

Contact: [Website](#)

Education

ESILV

The engineering school of the Pôle Léonard de Vinci, ESILV offers high-level, comprehensive scientific and technical training, with a strong digital dimension.

Contact: [Website](#)

Guardia Cybersécurité School

Guardia Cybersécurité School is an IT school with a focus on cybersecurity. Students can become computer developers specialized in cybersecurity or cybersecurity experts.

Contact: [Website](#)

IA Institut

At Campus Cyber, this AI and data engineering school offers the *Grande École* Program and a bachelor's program in AI & Data Engineering.

Contact: [Website](#)

Metaverse College

Located in the Grande Arche de La Défense, Metaverse College specializes in little-known metaverse-related professions. It offers continuing education or work-study course programs, from Bac +3 to Bac +5.

Contact: [Website](#)

Sup de Vinci

Established over 25 years ago, Sup de Vinci is a school 100% centered around IT, offering state-approved full-time and work-study course programs, from Bac to Bac +5.

Infos: [Website](#)

BANKING, ACCOUNTING AND INSURANCE

ACMP IGEFI – L'Institut de Gestion & d'Études financières

Located on the HEP campus, IGEFI specializes in corporate finance and certified public accountancy. Students can take courses in Accounting & Finance, Certified Public Accountancy and Management & Payroll.

Contact: [Website](#)

Dauphine Executive Education

This school offers over 50 degree programs and nearly 30 certificates in the fields of real estate, insurance, finance, management, human resources (HR) and coaching.

Contact: [Website](#)

École supérieure de la banque

ESBanque offers a range of degree and diploma pathways, most of which are work-study course programs, to prepare students to enter the banking sector.

Contact: [Website](#)

ESG Finance

ESG Finance moved to La Défense in 2022. It prepares students for careers in finance and management.

Contact: [Website](#)

ESG Immobilier

ESG Immobilier is a business school specializing in real estate. Course programs range from post-baccalaureate to Bac +5.

Contact: [Website](#)

Exchange Collège

Exchange Collège is a banking and insurance school located in the heart of La Défense, with course programs ranging from bachelor's to master's degrees.

Contact: [Website](#)

IFPASS Paris La Défense

L'IFPASS (Institut de Formation de La Profession de L'Assurance) Paris La Défense offers a range of diploma courses for practicing professionals, jobseekers and post-baccalaureate students.

Contact: [Website](#)

PEM Paris – ENSMI

Located in the Atlantique tower, ENSMI (l'École Nationale Supérieure de Management Immobilier) offers work-study course programs.

Contact: [Website](#)

AGRICULTURE

IHEDREA Paris

Bringing students together each year on the HEP campus in Paris La Défense, this school of agriculture and food-processing (*l'École de l'agri et de l'agro*) is the only one of its kind in Europe.

Contact: [Website](#)

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND POLITICS

CEDS – Centre d'études diplomatiques et stratégiques

Set on the Omnes Education campus, CEDS is a leading institution in the fields of political science, international relations and diplomacy.

Contact: [Website](#)

HEIP – Hautes Études Internationales et Politiques

Part of the Omnes Education Group and located in the Cœur Défense tower, HEIP educates students specializing in political science and international relations.

Contact: [Website](#)

SUSTAINABLE ENERGY

Solve

Solve, based in Nanterre, offers state-certified course programs in sustainable energy.

Contact: [Website](#)

HEALTH

CSO Paris Nanterre

The Conservatoire Supérieur d'Ostéopathie trains students in osteopathic medicine using a multidisciplinary approach tailored to the needs of the profession.

Contact: [Website](#)

IFSI IHFB Puteaux (CNIT)

Part of the Institut Hospitalier Franco-Britannique, the Institut de Formation aux Soins Infirmiers offers training courses for nurses, nurse's aides and childcare assistants.

Contact: [Website](#)

APPRENTICESHIP SCHOOL (CFA)

AFi24

At the Spaces tower, AFi24 offers apprenticeships and work-study programs in science, from Bac to Bac +6.

Contact: [Website](#)

CFA AGEFA PME IDF Puteaux

Based in Puteaux, CFA AGEFA PME educates young people about the challenges facing companies and SMEs in the Île-de-France region.

Contact: [Website](#)

CFAI Mecavenir

Located in Puteaux, CFAI Mecavenir trains future industry technicians and managers. Course programs range from BTS to masters.

Contact: [Website](#)

M2i Formation Paris La Défense

In the Aurore tower, M2i Formation Paris La Défense offers courses in management, digital strategy, artificial intelligence and computer science.

Contact: [Website](#)



Information center *Paris La Défense*

Located in the heart of the business district, near the Agam fountain, the Information Center is open to visitors of the business district from Monday to Friday between 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. This space is dedicated to answer all your queries about the business district, provide brochures, support for visitors and to also inform you about ongoing activities and events.

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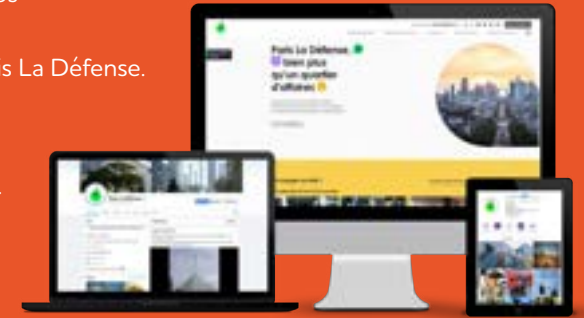


Our information materials

Our website parisladefense.com will give you the latest updates about the business district, the events calendar, dedicated sections for different places to explore, history of the business district, directions to reach the business district as well as the ongoing and upcoming projects and events. **Subscribe** to our [newsletter](#).

Paris La Défense is also available on social media:

- **TikTok**, for the district events!
- **Instagram**, with stunning photos and videos of the site.
- **X**, for direct updates about Paris La Défense.
- **LinkedIn**, to stay up-to-date about major projects.
- **Facebook**, the district contacts.
- **Youtube**, to discover the area through videos.



Hard copies of the guides are available at the Espace Info Paris La Défense information desk:

- **Pedestrian map**, find yourself surrounded by towers
- **Work-of-art trail**, to spot all 50 pieces of the outdoor collections.
- **Better Magazine quarterly newsletter**, to follow the latest trends in the district.
- **Project maps and brochures**, to know more about upcoming projects.

You can **download** the guides on [our website](#).



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