SIGHTSEEING WALKS (contd.)

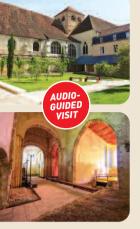
Take the Rue du Val. This part of the town was all marshland, until the water was drained off into a man-made artificial

Along your way there are a number of admirable half-timbered houses, shown on the map by symbol 🔯 . Some of them have been home to France's famous sons: Honoré de Balzac, Jules Verne, Edmond Nocard,... Commemorative plaques, squares and streets bear witness to their passage. After Général Leclerc Square, follow Rue de la Cordonnerie through to Saint-Ayoul square,

ARCHITECTURAL ENSEMBLE OF SAINT-AYOUL



■ The Saint-Ayoul Church 💢 🕕 The church square here was one of the earliest trade and commercial fair areas in Provins. It has been rebuilt many times since the 11th century. The modern sculptor Georges Jeanclos carved its remarkable portal. This church has ecently reopened its doors following major restoration work, the most significant since the 16th century: roofs, ramework and facings; floors, walls and vaults; new stained glass windows and furnishings; and new lighting to



■ The Priory of Saint-Ayoul

The Priory of Saint-Ayoul, cradle of the medieval town of Provins, opens its doors in 2019 after 15 years of restoration! Visit this thousand year old architectural ensemble! Audioguided visits available in English and in exchange for identity papers. No pets admitted. rom 30 March to 1st September: daily from 10 a.m. to 6

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From 2 September to 3 November: weekends and public holidays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. – weekdays from 2 p.m. to

• From 2 January to 29 March and from 4 November to 31 December: weekends, public holidays and daily during the French school holidays (all zones) from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Length: 45 min - Last admission 15 min before closure of the

■ PRICES : adults 5 € - children 3€ (4-12 years old) - Included in the Provins Pass



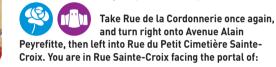
On leaving the church, cross over to your right and follow Rue ieille Notre-Dame to:



of Notre-Dame-du-Val

■ The Bell Tower

Recently restored, this 16th century bell tower is all that remains of the church and cloister of Notre Dame du Val, destroyed during the French Revolution. Its bells come originally from Saint-Ayoul church.





Built in the 12th century on the site of an ancient chapel, the church here owes its name to a piece of the True Cross supposedly brought back to Provins by the son-in-law of Saint Louis, Count Thibaud IV. Following a fire in 1305, the church was largely reconstructed in the 16th and 17th centuries, hence ts Renaissance-style main portal. (No interior visits).

Once again you have to make a choice at this point: If you want to complete The Rose Road walk, go to the end of Rue Sainte-Croix on your right, then turn right in to rejoin Rue du Val and walk back up Rue Saint-Thibault. You can then follow the final part of this walk as indicated on the back of the plan - your meeting point between walks is as shown at monument "P".

If you want to continue The Rampart Tour and discover more of the sights of Provins, turn left into Rue Toussaint Rose, then right just before the entrance to the Garnier Gardens and follow Rue du Durteint as far as the little bridge:



■ The Durteint and **Voulzie Rivers**

Renowned for its good quality, the cloth's very dark blue colour (known as "ners" blue) was obtained thanks to the hardness of the River Durteint's water. Further, water was indispensable for many trades; dver, tanner, butcher... At several points indicated on the map by the symbol you will find picturesque view points over the rivers and heir small private washhouses.





These gardens and their majestic house are named after Victor Garnier, a rich benefactor who bequeathed his estate to the town in the 19th century. Formerly owned by a teaching order of nuns who looked after the education of the town's girls, the site was once used as a training ground or the town's crossbowmen. Today it still holds a number of traces of 13th and 17th centuries Provins, including the portico of the nuns' chapel (visible to the left of the house)

Cross the garden. Go into the Square du Souvenir Français and take the stairway. Go up to your left:

■ Garnier Gardens



■ The Boulevard d'Aligre (or Aligre Walk)

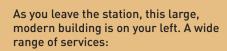
Much used by the people of Provins, this large boulevard Atypical, fully-equipped gite for up to 12 people with 2 private gardens. follows the line of the old ramparts that have been almost Fireplace - View of the Cesar Tower. completely destroyed in this part of the town. The river Wifi, private parking for 2 cars. Voulzie running alongside the boulevard marks the old Pets not allowed. moat ditch. A pleasant stroll along this boulevard affords 2 rue Pierre Lebrun some surprising views of the medieval town. Tel.: 06 01 77 94 78

When you reach the end of the boulevard, cross over the little bridge on your left and go through the wooden gate. This point marks the start of your climb up what is known as the Trou-au-Chat, a name derived from one of the most formidable of medieval siege engines, the "Chas". This engine was a match for the strongest fortifications, and a nearby rampart tower was in fact breached by a "Chas" during one of the sieges of Provins.

> If you want to continue this walk, return to the Count of Champagne's coat of arms, situated at the top of the map as



welcomes you as soon as you arrive at **Provins Train station.** As you leave the station, this large,



• Ticket sale for monuments • Shop area • Fast food nearby • Bus station

• From 30 March to 3 November: Wednesday to Sunday from 9 a.m. to

12.30 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. • From 2 January to 29 March and from 4 November to 31 December: Wednesday to Sunday from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. • Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays, 1 January and 25 December.



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The Rose Road The Rampart Tour

Meeting point between walks: the Count of Champagne's

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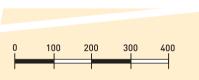
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• The European Museum's Night: 18 May • Les Musicales du Châtel: from june to august (subject to change). Free concerts in the Place du Châtel every Saturday evening. Introduction to medieval dances: from June to September. Free initiation on Saturday

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 Feast of Saint-Avoul: 22 June Roasters and feasters welcome you to savour delicious dishes for a festive evening.



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A big day of celebrations and events on the

 The Easel Tournament: 15 September Painting competition for amateur artists and

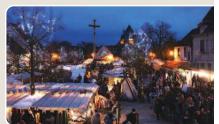


• Heritage Days: 21 & 22 September • Arts and crafts fair: 21 September to 6 October.

 The Rampart Foot Race: 6 October • Halloween at the farm: 26 and 27 October.

• The Niflette Festival (local pastry): 11 November

• Christmas in Provins: 14 & 15 December Medieval market, handicraft & Christmas market, animated nativity scene, and many other Christmas activities.



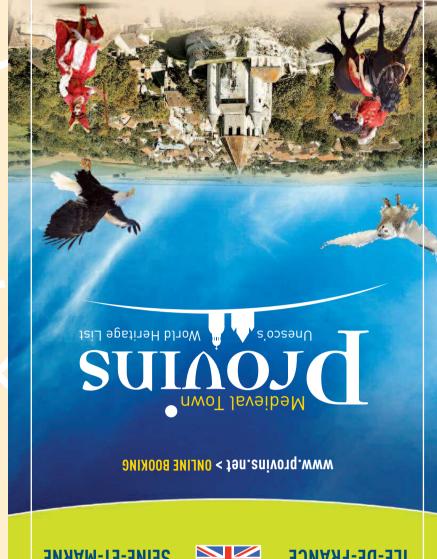
Non-exhaustive calendar subject to change. Calendar and information available on www.provins.net or call



Visitor's Guide

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art of the UNESCO World Heritage since December 2001, Provins is one of the best preserved medieval cities in France. Every street corner evokes the great splendour of the old capital of the Counts of Champagne.

The memory of lovers such as Héloïse and Abelard, the passion between Blanche de Castille and Thibaud le Chansonnier, the same Count of Champagne who brought back the "damascus rose" from the crusades, still haunt the streets of Provins.

In the 12th and 13th centuries, the fairs of Provins were the most important in Europe. Cloth merchants from Flanders, Lombardic money-changers, and spice merchants from the orient could be found here. However, at the beginning of the 14th century, the modification of the commercial routes, wars, plagues, the slow disappearance of fairs, as well as the joining of the lands of Brie and Champagne to the kingdom of France led to the town's decline.

In the 19th century, the writers Honoré de Balzac and Jules Vernes, and the painter Moreau le Jeune came to enjoy the romantic views of the ruined ramparts and of Caesar Tower covered with ivy.

Within an hour's reach of Paris, Provins is today an extremely well preserved town of the Middle Ages: 58 monuments included in France's National Inventory of Historical Monuments.





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- annual closure of Provins Tourisme and all the monuments on 1st January and



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the entrance to the Medieval Festival of Provins.

Length: 1h30

*Children: 4-12 years old. Limited to 5 children for Family Pass.

VISITS



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- eligious heritage's importance. Visit in French only. From 30 March to 3 November: weekends, public holidays and extra days at 2:30 p.m - Except during the Medieval Festival (1st & 2 June) and during the Olympic torch relay (20 July).
- Meeting point: the tourist office PRICE: adults 9,50 € - children 6 € (4 to 12 years old)
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- Bookings required (6 years and over).



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nformation open to modifications).

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between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.) • from 6 May to 1st September: daily from 11 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. (except between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.). Does not run on 31 May, 1st and 2 June (Medieval Festival of Provins), and 20 July

- (The Olympic Torch Relay) Runs until 5 p.m. on 6 July (Provins by Candlelight). from 2 September to 3 November: weekends, public holidays and every day during school holidays from 11 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. (except between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.) Runs from 2 p.m. on 6 October (The Rampart Foot Race).
- 9, 10 and 11 November: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. (except between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.). • From 21 to 31 December: every day from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. (except between 1 p.m. and
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MEDIEVAL SHOWS

Information and rental at Provins Tourist Office



A medieval immersion, when Provins was home of foolhardy knights and princesses. At the feet of majestic ramparts, where juggling, trick riding, acrobatics and cavalcades make you dream, you will celebrate the return from crusades of the Earl Thibaud IV of Champagne, close to the eautiful Blanche de Castille. While the luxurious city is desired by dark forces, our knights should fight and joust. Then, in the sound of the swords which collide, you will shiver because of stunts nd medieval siege engines. An epic adventure to share with family and friends! Educational signs and shop. Ticket sales. No pets admitted. Show produced by "Equestrio".

- From 30 March to 20 May: weekends and public holidays at 3.45 p.m. weekdays at 2.30 p.m. From 21 May to 2 July: weekends and public holidays at 3.45 p.m. - Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 2.30 p.m. - Tuesday and Thursday at 11.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.
- e: Medieval Festival of Provins: Saturday at 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday at
- From 3 July to 31 August: weekends, public holidays and extra days at 3.45 p.m. weekdays at
- From 1st to 15 September: weekends at 3.45 p.m.
- From 16 to 20 October: weekends at 3.45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at 11.30 a.m. • From 21 October to 3 November: weekends and public holidays at 3.45 p.m.



Great historical timeline about the art of falconry on horseback! In the Theatre of the Ramparts, immerse yourself in the Middle Ages, at the time when falconry became a real art of living... Discover the universe of falconry, as it was practiced in the steppes of Central Asia, in the Middle East and by Feudal Lords. You will be fascinated by the flight of eagles, hawks, falcons, kites, vultures, owls and secretary bird... This magnificent aerial ballet in perfect harmony with horses will leave unforgettable memories to young and old alike. After the show, visit the aviary, with about 100 birds from 25 different species. Educational signs and shop. Ticket sales. No pets admitted. Show produced by "Vol Libre".

From 30 March to 7 April: weekends and public holidays at 2.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 2.30 p.m. - Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. and 4 p.m.

- From 8 to 21 April: weekends at 2.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays at 2.30 p.m. and 4 p.m. r<mark>il:</mark> weekends at 2.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 2.30 p.m. - Wednesdays at 2.30 p.m. and 4 p.m.. From 1st May to 5 July: weekends, public holidays and extra days at 2.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. - Monday,
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• Length: 45 min - online sale: www.vollibre.fr

For 1 show, "The Legend of the Knights" or "The Eagles of the Ramparts": adults 13 € - children 9 € (4-12 years old)

• Rate with pre-sale online: adults 12 € - children 8 € (4-12 years old) Preferential rate with the Pass Provins: adults 12 € - children 8 € (4-12 years old). On presentation of the first ticket (bought the same day) at the desk of the second show. This offer is not valid for the Medieval Festival of Proving

 Other reduced prices: 11 € - children 7 € (4 to 12 years old) dents, senior, large family (only for children), people with reduced mobility and on Wednesday for children (except during school holidays). For more information, ask organizer.



vening equestrian show during "Provins by Candlelight": fire horses will astonish you with equestrian acrobatic feats and stunts. Show produced by "Equestrio". • Length: 30 min.

PRICES: adults 13 € - children 9 € (4-12 years old).

Tickets sold at the entrance of the show from 12 p.m. the D-day or on www.equestrio.fr

Rose Garden Discover a quiet and charming rose garden covering 3.5 hectares, with a breath-taking view of the monuments. In a bucolic atmosphere, you will learn about the story of this emblematic flower, its colours, shapes, scents, and its virtues. You will know everything there is about ancient roses - Rosa

Gallica (rose of Provins), Alba, Damascena, and modern roses which flower until autumn. Presentation in preview of last creations of roses. Garden of medieval plants. During the period of hot weather, you can have a walk in this cool garden, bordered by streams; enjoy the cosy atmosphere around the fireplace from the arrival of the cold weather. Tearoom with terrace, sale of rose bushes, exhibition room and music concerts.

From 30 March to 17 November: daily from 10 a.m. to 7.30 p.m. • from 5 February to 29 March and from 18 November to 31 December:

Friday from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. - weekends and Mondays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. - daily during French school holidays (all zones) from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Annual closure in January

■ PRICES: Spring/Summer 7 € - The rest of the year 4,50 € annual ticket 25 € - free for visitors 12 years of age and under r in the monuments during spring and summer: **6,50** €



- High season from 30 March to 3 November ● Low season from 2 January to 29 March and from 4 November to 31 December
- The Count Thibaud Tour
- The Rose Road
- The Rampart Tour Meeting point between walks: the

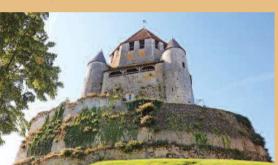
Count of Champagne's coat of arms

- Electric bike rental
- Tourist train stop
- Picnic area
- Camper area
- Carrousel
- "Tourism & Handicap" stamp

Prices for information only and open to modifications



and a T-shape formed by two bands of gold (the symbol of strength, intelligence, virtue and greatness). The vocabulary employed by students of heraldry when they describe a coat of arms is very specific: gold and silver hues are called metals, while other colours such as azure (blue) sinople (green) and gules (red) are known as enamels.



SIGHTSEEING WALKS

To help you discover the history and sites of medieval Provins,

monuments. You can follow them only thanks to this guide, no

involved in these walks are entrance fees to the various

why not try one of these three sightseeing walks. The only costs

• Where a walk itinerary includes this sign 💸, it indicates the site of an

information board by the monument. The explanations given on these

boards provide further information about the monument's history.

The Count Thibaud Tour

Thibaud IV is the most famous of the Counts of Champagne. Known as

"The Songster", he was a poet and skilled horseman who took part in

several crusades for the French crown. He instituted the safe conduct

means of an armed escort, thereby enabling the town of Provins to

system to protect merchants and their wares from highway robbery by

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Saint Thibault, plus the steep gradient of the

Trou-au-Chat at the end of Boulevard d'Aligre

Rue Saint Thibault and Rue des Jacobins

One of the town's strongest symbols, the Damascus rose is an ancient

of all our present-day rose varieties was formerly renowned for its

in June and is often likened to a dog rose. You can admire the Provins

variety brought back from the crusades by Count Thibaud. This ancestor

medicinal properties. The Damascus rose flowers at the end of May and

Rose Garden and even try some rose petal jam, sweets, syrup, ice-cream,

Orange Itinerary:

• Length: 1h30 hour

Rue Saint-Thibault

become the capital of the medieval Champagne Fairs.

Blue Itinerary:

The Rose Road

etc. in our local shops.

round or almond-shaped.

Length: 2.30 to 3 hours

Purple Itinerary:

The Rampart Tour

• Length: 2.30 to 3.30 hours

The impressive town ramparts have dissuaded many enemies from

by a unique variety of tower shapes - square, rectangular, polygonal,

measuring as much as 5 kilometres in length. The ramparts are fortified

attacking Provins. They developed as the town grew, eventually

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sign or panel in the medieval city.



Program

of visits and activities

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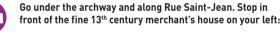




■ The Saint-Jean's gate

and the ramparts These splendid fortified walls were built in the 13th century. he gate's purpose with its two almond-shaped towers, was to ensure the protection of the old road to Paris. On the right, ou can find the medieval show area for "The Age of the amparts" and "The Legend of the Knights"







■ The Tithe Barn

to be rented to the merchants of Toulouse when they came to town for the Champagne Fairs. The audioguided visit takes you back to this lively era thanks to the scenography, which brings to life the main crafts and

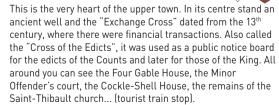
merchants of this time. Loan of the audio-guide against identity paper. Ticket and Provins Pass sales. No pets admitted.

- From 30 March to 1st September: daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. From 2 September to 3 November: weekends, public holidays and extra days from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. - weekdays from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- From 2 January to 29 March and from 4 November to 31 December: weekends, public holidays and daily during French school holidays (all zones) from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. • 14 & 15 December: Christmas in Provins: from 11.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. on Saturday and
- 4.30 p.m. on Sunday. ■ PRICES: adults 5 € - children 3 € (4-12 years old) - Included in the Provins Pass • Length: about 35 min - Last admission 15 min. before closure of the monument.



■ La Place du Châtel

Turn right at the end of the road, and enter:





At the far side of the square walk down Rue de l'Ormerie and Rue Desmarets. Can you see the typical façades of the

stone built houses? The smallest door in each house leads to the cellar, 150 of which lie scattered throughout the town These cellars are usually vaulted, with carved pillar capitals. They were occasionally used as store-rooms during the Champagne Fairs, and some even did duty as shops. After Rue Desmarets, the Rue de la Pie will lead you to the



■ Caesar Tower his keep was built in the 12th century as a symbol of the Counts of Champagne's power. It was used as a watch tower, prison,

bell-tower... The last floor offers a panoramic view over the town. At the end of your visit, a scenography will take you back in time to give you a glimpse of the reign of Henri the Liberal. Illumination at nightfall. Ticket and Provins Pass sales. No pets admitted. • From 30 March to 3 November: daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Exceptional closure on 20 July 2024 • From 2 January to 29 March and from 4 November to 31 December: weekends and public

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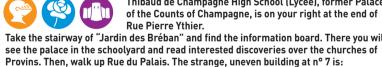


Turn left on leaving the tower to discover charming Saint-Quiriace square. You must have noticed the dome as you arrived, and you are now in front of:



■ The Saint-Quiriace Collegiate church

Erected in the 12th century by the will of Count Henri le kingdom's financial difficulties under the reign of Philippe le Bel. The nave and the portal should have raised up to the end of the square. The dome was built in the 17th century following a fire. Illumination at nightfall (tourist train stop).



Thibaud de Champagne High School (Lycée), former Palace of the Counts of Champagne, is on your right at the end of Rue Pierre Ythier. Take the stairway of "Jardin des Bréban" and find the information board. There you will



■ The Provins and the Provins area Museum

Situated in the Romanesque House (12th century), one of the oldest of the town, it houses collections related to the town and its areas' history from Antiquity to the 19th century. Ticket sales. No pets admitted.

- O February to 7 June: daily from noon to 5.30 p.m. May: European Night Museums: from 5.30 p.m. to midnigh <mark>8 June to 22 September:</mark> daily from 11 a.m. to 6.30 p.m
- nber to 3 November: daily from noon to 5.30 p.m. From 6 January to 9 February and from 4 November to 22 December: weekends and holidays from noon annual closure: from 23 December 2024 to 3 January 2025 included
- PRICES: adults 5 € reduced price 2,50 € Included in the Provins Pass • Length: about 45 min. - Last admission 30 min. before closure of the monument. All roads lead to Place du Châtel. Leave the square on your right



■ The Franciscan Abbey

ocated out of the ramparts, this religious monument was built in the 13th century by the Earl Thibaud IV, on the hill face to his palace, after a vision of Sainte Catherine. It became a ospital in 1749, by order of Louis XV. The archives of the National Department of Patrimony and Historic Monument, and a college of tourism are kept in this building, which only opens to the public on rare occasions.

by Rue Saint-Thibault, but be careful of the slope! Half-way down

this road the astonishing building that you see far off to your left is:

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On your right at the end of the road you will find:



■ The Underground Galleries 😠 👔 and the General Hospital The guided tour will lead you through this wonderful network

most disadvantaged in the 12th century. From 30 March to 5 July: weekends, public holidays and extra days at 2.30 p.m. From 6 July to 1st September: weekends, public holidays and extra days at 2.30 p.m. – weekdays

Regular departures with 25 persons maximum. Ticket and

palace of the countesses became the general hospital for the

Provins Pass sales. No pets admitted. Above, the ancient

om 2 September to 3 November: weekends, public holidays and extra days at 2.30 p.m. Please notice that guided tours in french language are available all year long. Information and booking at the Provins Tourist Office

■ PRICES: adults 6 € - children 4 € (4-12 years old) - Included in the Provins Pass • Length: about 45 min. To be booked when purchasing ticket at the Tourist Office or in the

FROM THIS POINT YOU HAVE TWO OPTIONS:

If you want to take The Count Thibaud Tour, go back up Rue St-Thibault and follow the itinerary starting from monument "P" (see below)

If you prefer to continue The Rose Road or The Rampart Tour, follow the instructions

on the other side of this sheet, before returning to the Count of Champagne's coat of arms for more discoveries... In the middle of the Rue St-Thibault, take the Rue des



Rose Garden. If not, continue to walk up. Cross Castle Square and go along Rue de Jouy to no 34, which is: At the top of the slope, go through the Faneron Postern. The interior passageway formed by this semicircular stone arch

Jacobins and the Rue des Prés if you want to visit The Provins

enabled the town's inhabitants to come and go in safety.

Bear left as you come out of the archway into Rue de Jouy



■ The Holy Ghost Cellar This sumptuous vaulted cellar is the remnant of a general hospital for mendicants and pilgrims.

and go to no 34, which is:

Built in the 12th century, it has been destroyed by fire in the 17th century. Nowadays, it is used as a function room (tourist Go towards the fortified gate. The stairway here leads to the



■ The Jouy Gate Erected in the 12th century, this door owned a pinnacle, a small bell-skeep which permitted to watch out and warn against enemies.





If you take Leper Alley (Allée des Lépreux) and Ramparts Alley, you can walk round the ramparts as far as the Tourist Office, admiring the fine views and getting an idea of the strength of the town walls. Here on the corner stands the greatest of the rampart towers, the Engine Tower (so named because it is said that the metal parts used to make siege engines were stored nearby). The defensive ditch here has never been filled with water.





