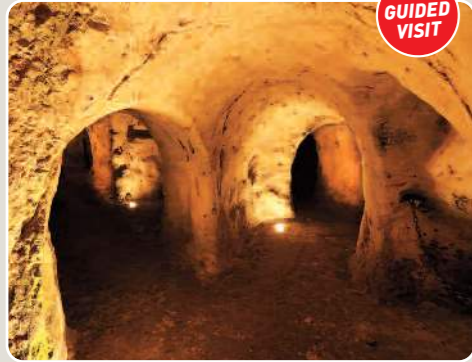


The Underground Galleries

Originally these galleries were used as a quarry to extract a special type of fuller's earth for degreasing wool cloth (the wool cloth had a renowned deep blue almost black color and was much in demand during the Middle Ages).

Once the cavities had been dug out, they became hiding-places, storerooms and also meeting places for various gatherings - some freemasons. Graffiti inscriptions, including Masonic symbols, testify to this.



GUIDED VISIT

ENGLISH GUIDED TOUR DEPARTURES:

- from 29 March to 4 July: weekends, public holidays and bridging days at 2.30 p.m.
- from 5 July to 31 August: week days at 2 p.m. - weekends, public holidays and bridging days at 2.30 p.m.
- from 1 September to 2 November: weekends, public holidays and bridging days at 2.30 p.m.

PRICES: adult 6 € - child 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 monuments.

Please notice that guided tours in French language are available all year long. Information and booking in Provins Tourist Office.

The Priory of Saint-Ayoul

Discover this architectural complex with a history stretching back thousands of years, the cradle of the medieval city of Provins. The Priory of Saint-Ayoul has had several lives and a history worthy of the greatest novels.

OPENING HOURS:

- from 29 March to 31 August: daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- from 1 September to 2 November: weekends, public holidays and bridging days from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. - week from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- from 2 January to 28 March and from 3 November to 31 December: weekends, public holidays, bridging days and daily during the French school holidays (zones B & C) from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Provins and the Provins area Museum

This local museum is housed in Provins' oldest stone building. It dates from the 12th century and is referred to as "the Romanesque House". The museum presents many works of art belonging to Provins and its neighbourhood from neolithic times to the 19th century, including Merovingian sarcophagi, Greco-Roman statues, medieval ceramic, paintings, furniture, and goldsmith crafted religious objects, and the famous 12th century chasuble of Saint Edme.

OPENING HOURS:

- from 4 January to 7 February and from 3 November to 21 December: weekends and public holidays from noon to 5.30 p.m.
- from 8 February to 13 June: daily from noon to 5.30 p.m.
- 17 May: European Night Museums: from 5.30 p.m. to midnight.
- from 14 June to 21 September: daily from 11 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.
- from 22 September to 2 November: daily from noon to 5.30 p.m.
- annual closure: 24 August and from 22 December to 2 January 2026 included.

PRICES: adult 5 € - reduced price 2,50 € - Included in the Provins Pass

Visit on your own: 45 min.

Last admission 30 min before closure of the monument.



Annual closure of all the monuments on 1 January and 25 December. Pets not allowed.

PRICES: adult 5 € - child 3 € (4-12 years old)

- Included in the Provins Pass

Length: 45 mn.

Last admission 15 min before closure of the monument.



AUDIO GUIDED VISIT

KEY INFO

Pour se rendre à Provins
A 80 km au sud-est de Paris



Tourist Office car park
Paying on weekend, public holidays and extra day during the high season. Car park and emptying area for campers.

GPS Coordinates:

Chemin de Villecran - 77160 Provins
Latitude: 48.5604069 - Longitude: 3.2806952

By road

- A4 Motorway: Paris - Metz - Nancy: exit 13 Serris-Provins, then follow the road D231.
- N4: main road for Nancy: exit Provins, then follow the road D231.
- D619 (ex N19): Troyes - Provins: exit Provins.
- A5: - direction Paris to Troyes: exit 16 Châtillon-la-Borde, take the D408 and then the D619. - direction Troyes to Paris: exit 17 Forges, after the D210, after that the D403 via Donnemarie-Dontilly, and then follow signs for Provins.
- A6 Motorway: direction Lyon to Paris: interchange A19 to Sens, then the N6 to Pont-sur-Yonne, and D976 to Bray-sur-Seine, thereafter follow signs to Provins.

By bus

Stop "Ville Haute" at the Tourist Office. From Melun (line 47), from the Chessy-Marne-la-Vallée RER station (leaves every hour, line 50), from Avon, Coulommiers... Check the regular schedules of these buses on www.seine-et-marne.fr

By train SNCF Transilien

Trains from Paris Gare de l'Est. For times and prices: www.transilien.com or www.transilien.mobi or call 3635. It is possible to travel to Provins using a Pass Navigo (metro, RER, rail, bus), or the Mobilis railcard for five zones.

TICKET SALES OUTLET

Buy and book your stay online on the official web site of Provins Tourisme, www.provins.net

At the Tourist Office and in the monuments (except Museum), you can buy the "Provins Pass" with the tickets for the medieval shows, the Provins Rose Garden or the Tourist Train.

You can also buy the "Provins Pass" and the tickets for the medieval shows in appointed sales outlets: France Billet booking services:

- Fnac stores, Carrefour stores, Géant stores... www.francebillet.com
- Ticketmaster: Virgin, Auchan, E. Leclerc, Cora, Cultura... 33 (0) 892 390 100 (0,45 € / min) - www.ticketmaster.fr

Tickets are neither refunded nor exchanged, except in the case of cancellation on behalf of the organizer. Means of payment: cash and Visa Card® (except AMEX).

PROVINS TOURISME (TOURIST OFFICE)



- From 29 March to 2 November: daily from 9 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.
- From 2 January to 28 March and from 3 November to 31 December: daily from 9.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Annual closure on 1 January and 25 December.

Area to accommodate visitors: sheltered picnic area, park and adventure playground for children, toilets, camper area, free Wi-Fi, and post office. 3D and scale model of Provins, souvenir shop and discovery of the Provins region with interactive games.

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Medieval town
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On the ancient lands of the Earls of Champagne, from the Year 1000, Provins is located on the crossroads of the European trade roads. Gradually, the town becomes a very significant trade market. During the 12th and 13th centuries, Provins is at the height of its fame thanks to the famous Trade Fairs of Champagne. The urban structure is organised to accommodate the great number of wholesalers: the wide streets for the transfer of goods and for the stalls, the three level merchant's houses with sumptuous vaulted low rooms... The presence of water (Durteint and Voulzie rivers) favours also the economic activities and the expansion of many trades such as the woollen cloth manufacturer, the parchment maker, butcher, etc... The impressive fortified wall was built during the 13th century and extended for 5 km (today 2 km), and it offers a catalogue of military architecture. Those ramparts protected the inhabitants and the tradespeople, and showed off the power of the Earls of Champagne.

Eight centuries later, the urban ensemble bears witness to its medieval history that stretched from 11th through to the 13th centuries. The town's architectural heritage is a supreme illustration of the emergence of commerce in early Western European history which is intimately linked to the growth of trade and cultural exchanges throughout Europe. Provins is a real showcase of medieval architecture (military, religious and civil) and it is one of the few towns in France that can boast of over fifty listed Monuments with historical value.

Thus, Provins was inscribed on the UNESCO's World Heritage List on December 2001.

Caesar Tower

Built on the edge of a rocky spur at the beginning of the 12th century, the tower protects the former Earl's Palace and dominates the valley. The tower is a potent symbol of power for the Earls of Champagne. The keep's highly complex layout gives it a unique, massive and powerful appearance making it one of the most original stately dwellings of its time.

It used to be a watchtower, a prison, a bell-tower, and a place of military retreat. The keep offers a panoramic view over the town and its surroundings! 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.

OPENING HOURS:

- from 29 March to 2 November: daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- from 2 January to 28 March and from 3 November to 31 December: weekends, public holidays and bridging days and daily during the french holidays from 10.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. - week days from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

PRICES: adult 5 € - child 3 € (4-12 years old) - Included in the Provins Pass.

Visit on your own: about 35 min.
Last admission 15 min before closure of the monument.

AUDIO GUIDED VISIT

Scan this QRcode to download the guided tour and discover the Caesar Tower!



Tithe Barn

"Provins at the time of the Fairs of Champagne"

This is a former merchant house. Dating from the 13th century, it is one of the most sumptuous buildings of Provins. Admire the sophisticated architecture of the rooms, sculpted capitals and the cross-rib vaults. This edifice was used as a covered market during the Fairs of Champagne up to the end of the 13th century, then as the place for paying tithes. Today, the Tithe Barn houses a permanent exhibition: scenes and characters bring to life the main crafts and the merchant activities of this time.

Audio-guided visits available in exchange for identity papers.

OPENING HOURS:

- from 29 March to 31 August: daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- from 1 September to 2 November: weekends and public holidays 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 3 November to 31 December: weekends, public holidays, bridging days and daily during French school holidays (zones B & C) from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

PRICES: adult 5 € - child 3 € (4-12 years old) - Included in the Provins Pass.

Audio-guided tour: about 35 min.
Last admission 15 min before closure of the monument.



AUDIO GUIDED VISIT

The Provins Pass: to visit the 5 monuments

Visit more and spend less! A great value package that offers discounts with partners and includes a visit to all 5 monuments: Caesar Tower, Tithe Barn, Underground Galleries, Museum and Priory of Saint-Ayoul

	Adult Price	Child Price *	Family Price *	Advantages	Validity
PROVINS PASS Includes 1 entry for each monument	17 €	10,50 €	2 adults and children : 50 €	Discounts on guided tours, shows, the Little Train and the Roseraie - only on the day of purchase	1 year from date of purchase, subject to monument opening times

Pass not available on 14 & 15 June, 24 August and 20 & 21 September. Pass doesn't include the extra entrance to the Medieval Festival of Provins and the Harvest Festival.

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

Visits

These visits reveal the history of the medieval city. Themed visits are also available during major events. For more information, visit www.provins.net



"Provins: discovery and tasting"

Discover the must-see sites of Provins with a guide. Immerse yourself in the heart of the medieval city, its history, its charming alleyways... and enjoy a tasting session with a local artisan. (Provins Brie or Provins rose speciality depending on the date).

- From 29 March to 2 November: weekends, public holidays and bridging days at 2.30 p.m. - except during the Medieval Festival (14 and 15 June) and the Harvest Festival (24 August).

■ Length: 1h30 ■ Meeting point: the Tourist Office
Price: 10 €

→ Guided tour + Provins Pass: adult 25 € - child 18 € (4 - 12 years old) - family 79 € (2 adults and their children aged 4 to 12)

"Entre chien et loup"

Discover the exceptional illumination of the ramparts at nightfall with this fun tour! Follow the guide into special places that are usually closed to the public, in search of a mysterious wolf hidden amongst you! - visit in French only.

- From 29 March to 11 October: every Saturday at 10.30 p.m.

■ Length: 1h15 ■ Meeting point: allée des Remparts.
Price : 16 € per person, 14 € for 5 tickets or more. Bookings required (6 years and over).

"Légendes et croyances"

Come and meet the "Meneu de loups", a bewitching character who will tell you fabulous stories in the bowels of the mysterious Provins Underground! - visit in French only.

- From 8 February to 22 March and from 18 October to 3 January 2026: every Saturday at 6 p.m.

■ Length: 1h15 ■ Meeting point: The Underground
Price : 16 € per person, 14 € for 5 tickets or more. Bookings required (8 years and over).



The Tourist Train

An original way to discover the medieval town of Provins a UNESCO World Heritage site. In group or individually. Recorded comments about the history and the main monuments of Provins available in French and in English. The ticket is available all day round.

- From 29 March to 31 August: every day from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. [except between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.]
- From 1 September to 31 December: weekends, holidays and bridging days from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. [except between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.]
- Does not run on 13, 14 and 15 August [Medieval festival], 23 and 24 August [Harvest Festival]. Runs until 5 p.m. on 5 July and 2 August [Provins by candlelight]. Runs from 2 p.m. on 5 October [Rampart foot race].

Prices : adult 7 € - child 5 € (4-12 years old).
→ Cut-prices with the Provins Pass: adult 6,30 € - child 4,50 € (4-12 years old).
■ Lasts of the whole tour: 35 min.

Medieval shows

The Legend of the Knights

Discover the epic world of the Earls of Champagne!

A medieval immersion, when Provins was home of foolhardy knights and princesses. At 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 beautiful 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 and medieval siege engines.

An epic adventure to share with family and friends! Rhythmed by beautiful Iberian horses gallop, this trip to the 13th century will mix humor, action, magic and equestrian art. Educational signs about medieval siege engines. Shop.



COVERED GALLERY
PROGRAMMATION PLANNING:
• from 29 March to 18 May: weekends and public holidays at 3.45 p.m. - Weekdays at 2.30 p.m.
• from 19 May to 1 July: weekends and public holidays at 3.45 p.m. - Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 2.30 p.m. - Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.
• 14 and 15 June: Les Médiévales de Provins: Saturday at 2, 4 and 6 p.m. - Sunday at 1, 3 and 5 p.m.
• from 2 July to 31 August: weekends and public holidays at 3.45 p.m. - weekdays at 3 p.m.
• from 1 to 14 September: weekends at 3.45 p.m.
• from 15 September to 19 October: weekends at 3.45 p.m. - Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11.30 p.m.
• from 20 October to 2 November: weekends and public holidays at 3:45 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 11.30 a.m.
PRICES: adult 14 € - child 10 € (4-12 years old)
→ Preferential rate with the Pass Provins: adult 12 € - child 8 € (4-12 years old).
→ Other reduced prices: adult 12 € - child 8 € (4-12 years old).

■ Doors open 30 min. before the beginning of the show.
■ Length: 45 min.

A show produced by "Equestrio".

Pets not allowed on the sites of the medieval shows.

Fire Horses

Evening equestrian show during "Provins by Candlelight": fire horses will astonish you with equestrian acrobatic feats and stunts. The sparks will be a delight for your eyes, as thousands of flames shine brightly.

- 5 July and 2 August at 9.30 p.m. and 11 p.m.

PRICES: adult 13 € - child 9 € (4-12 years old)
→ Tickets sold at the entrance of the show from 12 p.m. the D-day.
■ Length: 30 min.



A show produced by Equestrio.

INFORMATION POINT AT PROVINS SNCF STATION

This reception and promotional area welcomes you as soon as you arrive at Provins SNCF station. As you leave the station, this large, modern building is on your left. A wide range of services:

- Ticket sales for monuments, visits and shows
- Shop area
- Fast food nearby
- Bus station.

OPENING HOURS:
• All year round: Wednesday to Sunday, 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
• Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays, 1 January and 25 December.



The Eagles of the Ramparts

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. Educational signs and shop. Ticket sales.



A show produced by "Vol Libre Production".

IN THE OPEN AIR

PROGRAMME PLANNING:

- from 29 March to 13 April: weekends and public holidays at 2.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. - Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 2.30 pm - Wednesdays at 2.30 p.m. and 4 p.m.
- from 14 to 27 April: weekends and public holidays at 2.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. - weekdays at 2.30 p.m. and 4 p.m.
- from 28 April to 4 July: weekends, public holidays and bridging days at 2.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. - Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 2.30 p.m. - Wednesdays at 2.30 p.m. and 4 p.m.
- 14 and 15 June: Les Médiévales de Provins: at 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 5.30 p.m.
- from 5 July to 31 August: weekends, public holidays at 2.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. - weekdays at 2.30 p.m. and 4.30 p.m.
- from 1 to 7 September: weekends at 2.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. - Wednesday at 2.30 p.m.
- from 8 to 30 September: weekends at 2.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. - Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 2.30 p.m.
- from 1 to 19 October: weekends at 2.30 p.m. and 3.45 p.m. - Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 2.30 p.m.
- from 20 October to 2 November: weekends and public holidays at 2.30 p.m. and 3.45 p.m. - weekdays at 2.30 p.m.

PRICES : adult 14 € - child 10 € (4-12 years old)

→ Preferential rate with the Pass Provins: adult 12 € - child 8 € (4-12 years old).
→ Other reduced prices: adult 12 € - child 8 € (4 to 12 years old).

■ Doors open 30 min. before the beginning of the show.
■ Length: 45 min.

The Provins Rose garden

Presentation in preview of last creations of roses.

Discover a quiet and charming rose garden with a breathtaking view of the monuments. In a bucolic atmosphere, you will learn about the story of this emblematic flower, its colors, shapes, scents, and its virtues. You will know everything there is about ancient roses - Rosa Gallica (roses of Provins), Rosa Damascena, Rosa Alba, Rosa Centifolia, hybrid tea roses - and modern roses which flower until autumn. The garden of "simples" will introduce you to various medieval plants, with medicinal properties, like Dill, Angelica, Comfrey...

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, tasting of rose specialties, shop, sale of rose bushes, exhibition room and music concerts.



OPENING HOURS:

- from 29 March to 11 November: daily from 10 a.m. to 7.30 p.m.
- from 1 February to 28 March and from 14 November to 31 December: Friday from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. - weekend and Monday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. - daily during French school holidays from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- annual closure in January

PRICES: Spring/Summer 7,50 € - The rest of the year 4,50 €
→ Annual ticket 25 €.
→ Free for visitors 12 years of age and under.
→ Reduced prices Spring/Summer with the Pass Provins : 6,50€ - the rest of the year : 3,50€.

CALENDAR 2025



Medieval Festival of Provins



Paintball in Poigny



Feast of Saint-Ayoul



The Longueville AJECTA Railway Museum



The "Musée de la Vie d'Autrefois" in Les-Ormes-sur-Voulzie



"Jumping Forest" in Chenoise

This is not the complete list of events and places that should not to be missed. A calendar is available on www.provins.net or call Provins Tourisme.

... Provins

■ **Easter egg hunt: 20 & 21 April.** Free treasure hunt to find chocolate eggs, for children 12 years of age and under.
■ **The European Night Museums: 17 May.**

■ **Medieval Festival of Provins: 14 & 15 June.** The 40th edition of this great historical re-enactment: troubadours & acrobats, musicians, dances... to bring back to life the festive atmosphere of the Fairs of Champagne.

■ **Les Musicales du Chatel: 21 June to 16 August.** Free concerts every Saturday evening in the Place du Châtel.

■ **Introduction to medieval dances: 21 June to 16 August.** Free initiation on Saturday afternoons in the Place du Châtel.

■ **Provins by candlelight: 5 July & 2 August.** Exceptional evenings to discover Provins and its heritage in a magic way, by candlelight: guided tours, street animations, music & evening shows.

■ **Feast of Saint-Ayoul: 12 July.** Roasters and feasters welcome you to savour delicious meals during a festive and lively dinner.

■ **Harvest Festival: 24 August.** 52th edition of this traditional festival: parade of wheat-decorated floats, ancient cars & tractors, world music, folk dance, old-style threshing...

■ **Arts and Crafts fair: 6 to 21 September.**
■ **National Medieval Book Prize: 13 September.**

■ **The Easel Tournament: 14 September.** Painting competition open to amateur artists. The painters install their easel in the medieval town, according to their inspiration.

■ **Heritage Days: 20 & 21 September.**

■ **The Rampart Foot Race: 5 October.** A road race which proposes 2 departures: 6kms (1 circuit race) and 17kms (3 circuit races).

■ **Halloween in Provins: 25 and 26 October.** Spell Farm, trick-or-treating, theatrical tours, gourmet workshops, story readings...

■ **The Niflette Festival: 11 November.**

■ **Christmas in Provins: 13 and 14 December.** Medieval and traditional market, animated nativity scene, skating rink, guided tours and many others for an original Christmas.

... Provins neighbourhood

■ **Jumping Forest in Chenoise: end of March to October.** Outdoor activities park: acrobatic (tree climbing), laser-tag in the forest, archery battle and treasure-hunting!

■ **Paintball in Poigny:** Immerse yourself in nature. Discover paintball in a natural, wooded environment.

■ **Salon des Artistes en Bassée-Montois in Gouaix: 26 and 27 April.** Local artists open the doors of their studios.

■ **Nature Photo Festival of Gurcy-le-Châtel: 17 & 18 May.** Exhibitions, outing, projections and meetings around nature.

■ **Musique en Bassée-Montois: 14 to 22 June across the region.**

■ **Cider Festival in Beton-Bazoches: 12 October.** Tasting & animations around cider, and great fair.

■ **Fairy Christmas in Vimpelles: from early December to early January.** Decorations and illuminations in the whole village. The highlights: Christmas market, firework...

■ **The Longueville AJECTA Railway Museum (Musée Vivant du Chemin de Fer de l'AJECTA).** steam locomotives and antique vehicles. Rides in a steam engine train and other special trains for big events. Museum open Wednesday to Sunday from 10.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.



→ In the Bassée-Montois region: the National Nature Reserve of the Bassée, the medieval village, cloister and garden of Donnemarie-Dontilly, the "Écomusée du Bassée-Montois" in Luisetaines, the "Musée de la Vie d'Autrefois" in Les-Ormes-sur-Voulzie, the Farm of Sigy, the riverside station of Bray-sur-Seine.

And so many activities: hiking, escape game, culinary workshops, archery, horse-back riding, water skiing, fishing, canoe and kayak, Skike-Trek (cross skating)...

