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PARIS METRO

TICKETS

There are a few types you can consider. The ticket machines work in numerous languages. Prices below are based on adults. Tickets can be used on the Metro, RER, tram and bus

Single journeys:

Each single ticket is for 1 single journey with unlimited changes. There are 3 types available:

t+ tickets – Flexible tickets (Zones 1) €1.90

Île-de-France – Specific destination to a specific destination (Doesn't work on buses) €1.49 and up

Airport ticket – A separate ticket required to get to the airport €10.30 by RER. It can be brought as a return from ticket machines at stations or the airport

Single ticket journeys can be brought in multiples, for exponential price reductions. I tend to purchase a book of 10x 't+ tickets' each time (€16.90), though it can get confusing which tickets you have and haven't used, and make sure you keep your ticket separate to escape.

Day tickets

'Paris Visite travel pass' – an unlimited number of journeys, ideal for tourists

Zones 1-3 = €12.00

Zones 1-5 = €25.25 (includes airport, Versailles and Disneyland)

These exponentially get cheaper the more consecutive days you buy. They also save a load of hassle organising which tickets you have or have not used.

Reduced tickets:

Kids: 4-10

NAVIGATING

The direction doesn't work on North or South etc, the direction is according to the station at the end of the line.

Metro = Tube/subway – Numbered lines

RER = Larger underground trains, but less frequent– Lettered lines

SNCF = Over ground trains

1. Work out which line A-E or 1-14, remember this and its colour!
2. Check which station is at the end of the line, highlighted in bold with the number/letter on the map this is complicated when it branches... Remember this name!
3. Follow signs to that line. The signage in the larger stations can be horrific, keep a constant look out for other signs, as the direction may suddenly change...

OTHER INFORMATION

Insert your ticket to the right of each barrier. But, not all individual barriers have a slot for paper tickets.

The ticket barriers are brutal, and any straying suitcase or child will be trapped in a vice like grip. A reminder of the guillotine, you have been warned!

Watch your pockets, Paris is very safe. However, pickpocketing is common.

Stations often have numerous exits and with the size of some of them, it can be worth checking a map within the station and seeing which is the best exit for you, then follow that number in dark blue.

To get off the Metro trains, the doors don't always open automatically, some have buttons or lift up handles. The classic is to not realise this and miss your stop.

Make sure you have a picture of the Metro map saved to your phone, maybe in your favourites?

GLOSSARY

Voie = Platform

Gare = Station

Billets = tickets

Navigo = Weekly/monthly pass cards

Carte bleu = Blue card = Credit card!
