

Paris

The 'city of light' has something for everyone, day and night, as Anna Evans, 31, from Cardiff, discovered...



WHY DID YOU GO THERE?

We'd always wanted to visit. So when my husband decided to run the Paris Marathon, we chose to go a few days before the big event and turn it into a romantic minibreak, with a little sightseeing and plenty of eating.

WAS THERE MUCH TO DO?

Mais oui! There's loads – go up the Eiffel Tower, stroll alongside the Seine river, hop on the Metro to the famous Saint-Michel-Notre-Dame cathedral or relax in a deckchair in the Jardin des Tuileries if it's sunny. Don't forget Disneyland Paris for the kids or Sacre Coeur for amazing city views.

You'd be mad not to go on the Seine at some point



WHAT WAS YOUR TRIP HIGHLIGHT?

Cruising down the River Seine on a Bateaux Mouches boat, eating amazing food.

WHAT ABOUT THE NIGHTLIFE?

Place Pigalle is the seedy but fun home of the famous Moulin Rouge as well as lots of Irish-themed pubs, while St-Germain-des-Pres has sophisticated bars and Montparnasse also has some great bars and clubs.

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DID YOU DO ANY SHOPPING?

Of course! We strolled around Boulevard Haussmann, Galerie Lafayette and the Champs Elysee for a little high street retail therapy, then we went to the 8th arrondissement to marvel at the designer boutiques. I also picked up some colourful macarons (pictured) from Laduree on the Champs Elysee.



Ooh la la!

HOW WAS THE FOOD?

We enjoyed the cafe culture with a few too many chocolat chaud, pastries and coffees. For a special treat, I'd recommend the 8th arrondissement district where there are lots of Michelin star restaurants, while Place de Clichy, Bastille and Quartier Latin all have good, fair-priced food too. Make sure you leave room for a dessert!

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