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Toulouse, a city with an exceptional heritage, has some wonderful surprises in store for you. Private mansions from the golden age of woad (a plant grown in the 16th century for its blue pigment), religious buildings with brick and stone decorations, rich collections in museums based in remarkable monuments and converted industrial sites: so many amazing places to see!

Let the pink city reveal all its history and charm as you travel among its streets and monuments. In the evening, the façades, the River Garonne and the city’s monuments take on a new look with clever lighting.
HÔTEL-DIEU SAINT-JACQUES AND THE BASILICA OF ST. SERNIN, LISTED AS WORLD HERITAGE SITES AS PART OF THE WAY OF ST. JAMES.
Enjoying the gentle way of life in the Toulouse area of Southern France means taking the time to live. Wander the bustling streets for a spot of shopping, stroll around the markets, or take a break on a café terrace. The atmosphere here reveals the personality of people in the South: authentic and friendly. While Toulouse knows how to live, it also knows how to entertain guests, often around a table laden with local products to savour: foie gras, duck breast, cassoulet, Toulouse sausage, wine (Fronton, Gaillac, Armagnac), cheese (Roquefort, Tomme des Pyrénées), violet treats and more...
Toulouse is an active, bustling city whose pronounced taste for celebration makes it similar to nearby Spain. Its enthusiastic personality finds expression at the rugby matches of the Stade Toulousain, and football games with the TFC “violets”. Its cultural life gives free rein to creativity and emerging new trends at festivals such as Río Loco, Toulouse en piste and La Novela, as well as events such as the Violet Festival, carnival, the Toulouse Métropole Marathon, Toulouse plages beach festival and more...

Our cinemas, theatres, restaurants, casinos, bars and discos are also great places to continue your evening.
TOULOUSE EN PISTE (STREET FESTIVAL)

ON THE BANKS OF THE GARONNE

TANGO POSTALE FESTIVAL

FÊTE DE LA MUSIQUE (MUSIC FESTIVAL)
Since the end of the 19th century, Toulouse has witnessed many daring innovations: Clément Ader and his curious “aeroplane” machine, then the Aéropostale connections with his heroes such as Antoine de Saint-Exupéry. Today, the A380 sets the standard for research and innovation. Enthusiasts can visit the Airbus production lines. A visit to Toulouse is also an opportunity to learn about the sciences of the Universe through the new activities and exhibition spaces on offer at the Cité de l’espace theme park: the ArianeV rocket, Mir space station, Imax, planetarium and more…
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City of Knowledge

Airbus Assembly Factory

On the banks of the Garonne

Airbus A380

The Cité de l'Espace
Toulouse is resolutely modern and cosmopolitan, yet also retains a human aspect and offers a pleasant combination of green and blue. It’s easy to tour the city on foot, by bicycle or on a boat along the water. The *canal du Midi*, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and the many parks and gardens offer plenty of natural areas that are ideal for relaxing, walking or playing sports. The River Garonne is the soul of the city: its waters run through the middle of the city and its banks are focal points for life in Toulouse.
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relaxation on the banks of the Garonne
detail of a fountain in Toulouse
cruise on the Canal de Brienne

The Canal du Midi
Feeling adventurous? Want to get away from the urban environment for a while? As the gateway to the Midi-Pyrénées region, next to Languedoc-Roussillon, Toulouse’s geographical location makes it the ideal starting point for discovering an area that’s full of exceptional sites, listed among the “Most Beautiful Villages of France” or identified as “Great Sites of Midi-Pyrénées”. Albi, Lourdes, Moissac, Rocamadour, Carcassonne... Let Toulouse show you the way to admire local treasures of architecture and nature, gems of Romanesque and medieval art, and great bastions of spirituality.
Toulouse and further afield the Pyrenees, Millau Viaduct, the city of Carcassonne, Moissac Cloister.
Located
• 681 km south of Paris
• 150 km from the Mediterranean
• 250 km from the Atlantic Ocean
• 110 km from the Pyrenean ski resorts

• France’s 4th biggest city and 5th biggest urban area
• 445,000 inhabitants
• Toulouse Metropole: 711,000 inhabitants
• Over 20,000 newcomers per year
• France’s 3rd biggest university town
• Capital of Midi-Pyrénées, the biggest region in France
• European aeronautical capital
• 4th biggest provincial airport

Weather
• Temperate climate
• 2,027 hours of sunshine per year on average
• 650 millimetres of rain per year on average
• 4 days of snow per year on average
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Mon to Sa from 9 am to 7 pm.
Su and BH from 10.30 am to 5.15 pm.

From 1 October to 31 May
Mon to Fri from 9 am to 6 pm.
Sa from 9 am to 12.30 pm and from 2 pm to 6 pm.
Su and BH from 10 am to 12.30 pm and from 2 pm to 5 pm.
Closed on 25 December and 1 January.

Toulouse is part of the network of Great Sites of Midi-Pyrénées.
To discover all the places that have made the region famous,
go to www.grandsites.midipyrenees.fr.