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The 12-Month Map:

France

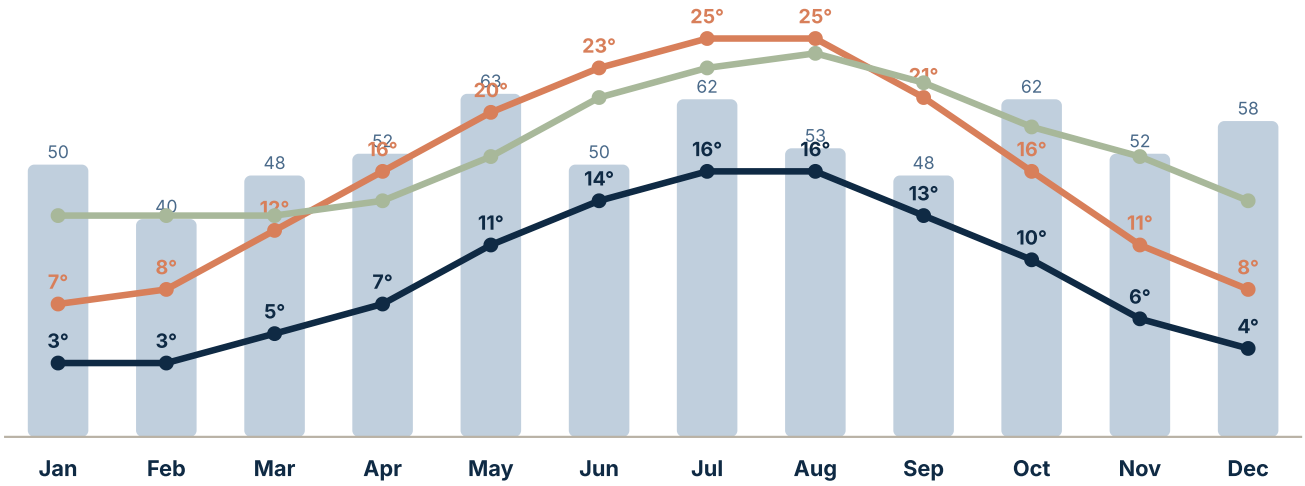
Every month of the year, rated in one look — the free companion to When to Go: France.

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THE YEAR AT A GLANCE

France, region by month



	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Paris	W	W	G	G	P	P	G	G	P	G	W	G
Provence and the Riviera	W	G	G	G	P	P	G	·	P	G	W	W
The Alps	P	G	P	G	·	G	P	G	G	·	·	G
Brittany and Normandy	W	W	W	G	G	P	P	G	P	G	W	W
The Loire	W	W	W	G	P	P	G	G	P	G	W	W
Bordeaux	W	W	W	G	G	P	G	G	P	P	W	W
Corsica	·	·	W	W	G	P	G	·	P	G	W	·

Best Good Workable Avoid

MONTH BY MONTH

Every month in one line

January	5/10	Quiet Paris, cold days and the heart of the ski season
February	5/10	Ski holidays, carnivals and the first mild days on the Riviera
March	6/10	Spring starts in the south while the Alps keep their snow
April	7/10	Gardens, Easter crowds and the start of the open season
May	8/10	Long weekends, long days and France at its greenest
June	9/10	The longest days, lavender starting and France fully awake
July	7/10	Hot summer, French holidays and festival season
August	6/10	France on holiday: full coasts, quiet Paris and the hottest weeks
September	9/10	The best month: warm sea, harvest and France back at work
October	7/10	Golden vineyards, mild south and a quieter France
November	4/10	Grey, quiet and cheap: a month for Paris and food
December	6/10	Christmas lights, markets and the ski season opening

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When to Go: France

BEST MONTH OVERALL

September

BEST FOR PARIS AND THE REGIONS

June

BEST VALUE

March

THE CONTRARIAN PICK

December

WORST MONTH

November

AVOID IF YOU CAN

The week around 15 August

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