

Travelling on public transport



Bus and Metro

The public transport corporation of Paris is the RATP. The RER (train going through Paris to the suburbs) and suburbs train (only leaving from train station) are governed by the national railway corporation (SNCF). The RERs share the network with the RATP and have the same fare inside the city.

If you take public transport regularly, you might consider one of the weekly, monthly or yearly passes that are cheaper than single tickets.



- > [For students who are less than 26 years old.](#)
- > [For others](#)
- > [Cost and useful information regarding transport](#)

It is preferable to buy tickets in books of 10 rather than a single, ask for "un carnet". Metro and Bus network map are available in every metro station.

The [RATP](#) website proposes to establish your detailed route on public transport.

Vélib'

A new bicycle self-service has been put in place in the capital and a few neighbouring suburbs. Tickets to get a bicycle can be made with a credit card from any of the automatic machines by the bicycle stands. You must return your bicycle within 30 minutes to another stand, if not you will be charged extra fee in addition to your rental ticket. Information, fares and how to subscribe to this service on the [Vélib' website](#).

Maps

To consult maps or some detailed route of the city and/or the country, you may consult the websites [Mappy](#) (detailed route) or the [Geoportail](#) (satellite image of the country and precise maps from the Institut National de Géographie).