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Call off the search, look no further, get out of Google – Paris Hotels est ici! This book contains a bit of everything because that's what seems to work. For some, anything less than exposed beams, rooftop views and traditional toile de Jouy won't do. For others, a more minimalist, chic look with Champagne breakfast and a view of that tower is more to their tastes. Or perhaps a simple, functional and 'wired' room in a commercial district is the thing. No matter, they're all here:

- Check into the Hôtel du Jeu de Paume, a renovated 'tennis court' with three storeys soaring up to the roof timbers in the most exclusive 17th-century village in Paris, the Île Saint Louis
- Do as Pissarro, Baudelaire, Wagner and Sibelius did and stay Seine-side at the Hôtel du Quai Voltaire
- After a hard day's sightseeing, what better way to spend a late afternoon than sipping a glass of fine Bordeaux by the fire in a stylish Montparnasse hotel?
- Forget April in Paris and take advantage of the cheaper rooms in August – 2,000 tons of imported sand and some potted palms along the banks of the Seine – why bother heading south?

About Alastair Sawday Publishing

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Facts and Figures

Forty of these hotels have rooms for two for €120 or less.

There's a section on Making the most of Paris – markets, bookshops, walks, museums and transport.

Another supremely useful section is of course Shopping – smart department stores, quirky shops, fashionable boutiques.

Quick reference indices highlight places with, for example, a precious green space or a courtyard, full wheelchair facilities or where afternoon tea is served.

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Marais - Bastille - Canal St Martin



Hôtel Duo Axial-Beaubourg

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Framing one of the liveliest people-watching corners in the *Marais*, the glass frontage is exactly as it was in 1918 when Véronique's great-great grandmother ran the hotel; inside, a beamed ceiling and two original columns are all that remain. The large airy lobby divided into three conversation areas around a patio informs the rest: tomato-red loungers, houndstooth covered armchairs, a lime green sofa and bench, a soft cocoa-brown tufted rug, and gargantuan bell-shaped lamps – it's hip, subtle and subdued. Bronze torch-shaped sconces catch the eye but don't intrude; the bar, tended from Thursday through the weekend, leads to the delightful breakfast space. The bedrooms are sound-proofed, functional and stylish; no flowery quilted bedspreads, just downy white duvet covers, a prune or butterscotch bedspread with a satin border – colour on colour – and soft curtains to match. There's dark polished wood for the furniture, good lighting for reading in bed and stand-alone basins for the bathrooms. A happy, unpretentious, stylish hotel. *Fitness machines, flat tv's, and a sauna in the basement.*



A pilgrimage site, the basement of the Bazar de l'Hôtel de Ville (BHV) is to DIY enthusiasts what the Louvre is to art buffs and takes just as long 'to do'.

rooms	58: 13 twins, 34 doubles, 9 singles, 2 suites for 2-4.
price	€170-€300. Singles €115-€155. Suites €320-€480.
meals	Breakfast €14.
metro	Hotel de Ville (1, 11).
RER	Chatelet-Les Halles.
buses	38, 47, 67, 69, 75, 96.
car park	Place de l'Hôtel de Ville.

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