

Avignon

City Guide



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Avignon Overview

Avignon is known as the city of the popes and as a major artistic center in France. The best time to visit Avignon is during July when the Avignon Theatre Festival springs to life. Avignon is located in Southern France on the south bank of the river Rhone. Avignon has a temperate climate.

Statistics:

Location: Department of the Vaucluse, Provence region, southern France
International Dialing code: 33
Time zone: GMT + 1 (GMT + 2 from last Sunday in March to last Sunday in October)
Average temperatures (January): 6°C (43°F)
Average temperatures (July): 25°C (77°F)
Official Language: French

Currency:

The Euro (EUR) is the official currency in Avignon, France. Currency can be exchanged at banks, bureaux de change and some large hotels. Major credit cards are widely accepted.

1.00 GBP = 1.13 EUR
1.00 USD = 0.69 EUR

Note: These currency exchange rates are not updated daily and should be used as a guideline only.

Emergency Contacts:

Police: 17 - free call
Fire service : 18 - free call
Ambulance - SAMU : 15 - free call

Hotels

The hotels in Avignon have been grouped into four different pricing categories:

Category 4 - Over €180
Category 3 - From €140 to €180
Category 2 - From €100 to €130
Category 1 - Up to €100

Restaurants

The restaurants in Avignon have been grouped into four different pricing categories:

Category 4 - Over €100
Category 3 - From €70 to €100
Category 2 - From €40 to €70
Category 1 - Up to €40

Attractions

- Palais des Papes (Palace of the Popes)



- Musée du Petit Palais (Little Palace Museum)



- Pont St Bénézet (St Bénézet Bridge)



NIGHTLIFE

When the Avignon Festival begins, the entire city becomes frenetic, particularly around the Place de l'Horloge, Place du Palais, trendy Rue Carnot and Place des Corps-Saints. Bars, restaurants, and night clubs stay open late; usually well past midnight thanks to France's relaxed licensing laws. To find out more about specific nightlife activity, acquire a copy of the Rendez-Vous, a free monthly publication featuring art and theater events, as well as live music listings.

SHOPPING

Determined to bring home gifts for family or friends? Don't look any further than Avignon's main shopping street, the Rue de la République, home to Monoprix department store, FNAC, and many more boutiques. Chic boutiques line Rue Joseph-Vernet, which runs east off Rue de la République, opposite the main tourist office. Rue St. Agricole is lined with a variety of different boutiques, including designer outlets like the Christian Lacroix Boutique. If your heart is set on food or flowers don't look any further than the outdoor markets at Rempart St. Michel and Place des Carmes. Provincial specialties include olive oil, lavender, brightly printed fabrics, sugared fruits, chocolate and fig or melon jam.

Weather



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Latest Observations
Observed: Wednesday 6th January at 08:00 CET
Observation station: Paris-Orly
(Lat: 48.72 | Lon: 2.38)
9.84 miles / 15.84km from Paris

	White Cloud Temp: -4°C Wind: S 7mph 11km/h Hum: 90%	Press: 1002mB, falling Vis: Moderate
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