



# Carcassonne

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Hilltop town in the south of France, Carcassonne lies at the crossing of two major routes: from the Atlantic to the Mediterranean coast and from the heart of France to Spain, both used since antiquity. The medieval fortified Cité is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. No wonder Carcassonne is home to a unique historical and cultural past. If you add the local traditional dishes, the hospitality of its inhabitants, and some of the best vineyards in the south of France, your stay holds promise of being a most memorable one.

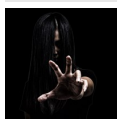


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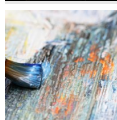
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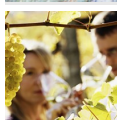
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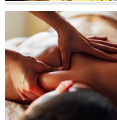
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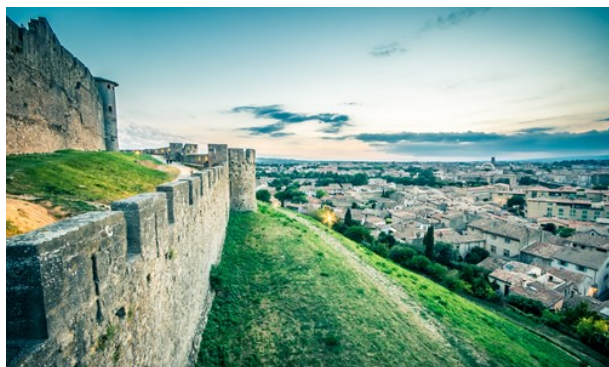


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## THE CITY



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Carcassonne has been influenced by over 2,000 years of conquests, crusades, and the prosperous period of Catharism's religion. Before its restoration, the Cité was an abandoned place in an outlying area in a town made wealthy by the wine trade and the clothes manufacturing industry.

Today, Carcassonne offers a unique historical and architectural asset. In the absence of any heavy industry, tourism is undoubtedly the city's strength both because of its geographic position and its exceptional heritage. The medieval walled town, the "Cité," lies on the right bank of river Aude, and is still home to a population of around 120, with a large number of shops and craftsmen. On the left bank, the modern city Bastide Saint Louis has kept its historical roots. You will be amazed by its outstanding variety of architectural styles, including buildings dating from the 14th to the 18th century, such as the Saint Michel Cathedral.

## DO & SEE



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The mix of modernity and historical wealth offer a very rich cultural life. Within a unique scenery and authenticity, the city has managed to provide all amenities for both tourists and business travellers. If you have time, the whole region has much more to show, like going on a "péniche" (or barge) on Canal du Midi or explore the huge vineyards. A closer look at the medieval fortress is of course something that should not be missed as well as the gothic-styled Saint-Michel Cathedral or why not see a concert outdoor at the Théâtre Jean Deschamps? You will for sure find plenty of exciting sites to explore when travelling to this historical and cultural city.

### Cité de Carcassonne



This impressive UNESCO world heritage medieval fortress is unique in Europe for its beauty and size and walking along its 3 kilometres of ramparts is a must. There is no entrance fee, unless you would like to take a tour on the small train which means a small fee.

The site was added to the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites in 1997.

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Address: La Cité, Carcassonne

### Basilica Saint Nazaire



The “Jewel of the Cité” (11th-14th centuries) is a prime example of Norman and Gothic architecture existing comfortably side by side. It is home to the

tomb of Bishop Pierre de Rochefort (14th century) and one of the oldest and most important organs of South of France. This national monument offers masses every Sunday at 11 am.

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Address: Place Saint-Nazaire, Carcassonne

### Château Comtal



Originally the dwelling of powerful feudal lords, the The Château Comtal (Count's Castle) has undergone many changes over the centuries. This

very well looked after and repaired 12th century Medieval castle is part of Cité de Carcassonne (the medieval city). Learn more about its history by taking an informative audio tour. The castle also houses a small museum with historical painting, statues and relics.

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Address: 1, rue Viollet le Duc, Carcassonne

### Bastide Saint Louis



The Bastide Saint Louis is the heart of Carcassonne, built in 1260, to a checkerboard layout around the Place Carnot and its colourful market.

Wandering in rich southern French charm, you will see beautiful religious buildings like Church Saint Vincent, private mansions as well as restful parks and gardens. Among top attractions is the Gothic-styled Saint-Michel Cathedral, which features a wealth of objects of worship and art work.

Photo: Andy Poole / Shutterstock.com

Address: Place Carnot, Carcassonne

### Canal du Midi



Nearby Bastide Saint Louis, you can continue your visit along the famous Canal du Midi that is suitable for its fine trekking, but there are

also several boat trips to choose from. The canal was built in the 17th century and together with some other waters it connects the Atlantic to the Mediterranean. Canal du Midi is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Carcassonne Croisière offers plenty of fun and relaxing boat trips:

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Address: Port de Carcassonne, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 680 475 433

Internet: [www.carcassonne-navigationcroisiere.com](http://www.carcassonne-navigationcroisiere.com)

Email: [lougabaret.canaldumidi@wanadoo.fr](mailto:lougabaret.canaldumidi@wanadoo.fr)

More Info: Carcassonne Croisière is located nearby Carcassonne SNCF train station

### Vineyards



and well worth a visit.

If you have time, Carcassonne and the surrounding region are home to some of the best French vineyards. This is a real pride of the city

O'Veineyards is located just 10 minutes' taxi ride from the train station and is a good example of a winery-vineyard where you can learn how they make their wine and where the wine samples are generous. You can also add dining and even an overnight stay on this wine tour.

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Address: 885 Avenue de la Montagne Noire, Villemoustaussou

Phone: +33 630 189 910

Internet: [www.ovineyards.com](http://www.ovineyards.com)

Email: [ryan@ovineyards.com](mailto:ryan@ovineyards.com)

### Musée des Beaux-Arts



This art gallery, located in the former courthouse, has a wide collection of European paintings and art objects from the 17th century until today.

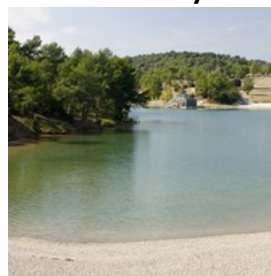
English speaking staff are there to answer your questions.

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Address: 1 rue de Verdun, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 77 73 70

### Lac de la Cavayere



Just a few minutes from the city, you find this lake that offers several outdoor activities. You can walk around the lake and watch the wide

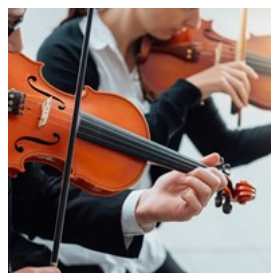
variety of landscape conditions. There are sandy beaches to relax on, playgrounds for the children, fishing spots and different sport activities such as horseback riding, water sports and beach volleyball. This place is fun for the whole family.

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Address: Lac de la Cavayere, Carcassonne

Public Transport: Line 7 goes from Carcassonne to the lake.

### Théâtre Jean Deschamps



Théâtre Jean Deschamps is an outdoor theatre in the area of the medieval city. It was built in the beginning of the 20th century and is designed

to cater for tragedies, operas and lyric dramas. A large festival is held in July every year to celebrate the theatre as well as concerts and other shows. See website below for a more detailed show program.

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Address: Théâtre Jean Deschamps, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 0 468 115 915

Internet: [www.festivaldecarcassonne.fr](http://www.festivaldecarcassonne.fr)

Email: [pacbilletterie@mairie-carcassonne.fr](mailto:pacbilletterie@mairie-carcassonne.fr)



### Mayronnes Sculpture Trail



This 5 kilometre long sculpture trail is located approximately 35 kilometres from Carcassonne, up in the Corbieres hills in a

beautiful green nature. To walk the whole trail and watch all the sculptures takes about 2,5 hours so this is a day trip from the city. Not only sculptures to look at when walking this trail, but also amazing views across the mountains.

Photo: Pressmaster / Shutterstock.com

Address: Ferme de Carrus, Mayronnes

Opening hours: More info see website below.

Phone: +33 4 68 43 12 37

Internet: [www.sentiersculpturel.com](http://www.sentiersculpturel.com)

Email: [sentiersculpturel@gmail.com](mailto:sentiersculpturel@gmail.com)

### Acrobranche O2 Aventure



In the area of Lac de La Cavayere you can find this acrobatic park. There are different trails of different levels with monkey bridges, wall climbing, Tarzan jumps and much more. For parents or anyone who is not fond of heights and adrenalin kicks of this sort there are also picnic areas to watch the spectacle from.

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Address: Lac de La Cavayere, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 25 33 83

Internet: [www.o2aventure.com](http://www.o2aventure.com)

### Centre Culturel De La Memoire Combattante



This small museum is located very close to the medieval city walls. Its exhibition with photos, recollections, uniforms and memorabilia focus on

the French military history and it has a section that shows the local area during World War II. There is also a small library featuring journals and books that deals with this topic.

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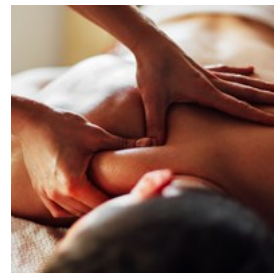
Address: 102 Rue Trivalle, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 72 40 16

Internet: [www.centre-de-la-memoire-combattante.webnode.fr](http://www.centre-de-la-memoire-combattante.webnode.fr)

Email: [memoirecombattante@sfr.fr](mailto:memoirecombattante@sfr.fr)

### Spa Carita



After a day of walking around the medieval city, a visit to Spa Carita will treat your sore feet. In the Hôtel du Château, close to La Cité, you find

this place of relaxation. There is a swimming pool, jacuzzi, a steam room and rooms for treatments such as massage etc.

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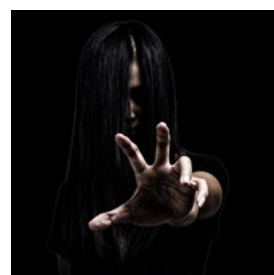
Address: 2 Rue Camille Saint-Saens, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 11 96 76

Internet: [www.hotelduchateau.net](http://www.hotelduchateau.net)

Email: [contact@hotelduchateau.net](mailto:contact@hotelduchateau.net)

### La Maison Hantee



This haunted house is good fun for everyone that likes being scared. Ghosts, dark rooms and scary noises will get your heart beating faster. After

entering this building all you will wish for, is to

get out from it as fast as possible.

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Address: 9 Rue du Grand Puits, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 6 03 84 13 86

## DINING



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The Aude region offers an incredible variety of wines to be accompanied by special traditional dishes. Traditional local food is usually heavy, such as the Cassoulet, the famous specialty – a mixture of haricots and duck and pork. There are over fifty restaurants within the Cité walls, with great views all around. Those who love Mediterranean food will also find heaps of everything to fulfil their appetite. Expect great food!

### Auberge de Dame Carcas



Auberge De Dame Carcas is a great venue to taste traditional regional dishes. You can try the home made Cassoulet with leg of duck, grilled piglet with honey sauce, and panned foie gras with red fruits.

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Address: 3, place du Château, La cité, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 468 712 323

Internet: [www.damecarcas.com](http://www.damecarcas.com)

### Auberge des Ducs d'Oc



This inn is situated on a quaint castle square, true to its medieval heritage, with stone walls and wooden beams. Auberge des Ducs d'Oc is open all

year round for dinner and lunch with French specialities such as duck breast and foie gras.

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Address: 6, place du Château de la Cité, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 468 479 190

Internet: [www.auberge-des-ducs-doc.fr](http://www.auberge-des-ducs-doc.fr)

Email: [contact@auberge-des-ducs-doc.fr](mailto:contact@auberge-des-ducs-doc.fr)

### Auberge des Lices



Recommended by the locals, this restaurant is located in a narrow street, off the beaten path and housed in an elegant and medieval building.

The menu provides the typical cassoulet, but also other dishes such as the 'parillada' which is made with fresh fish and is definitely worth a try.

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Address: 3 Rue Raymond Roger Trencavel, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 468 723 407

Internet: [www.blasco.fr](http://www.blasco.fr)

### Au Jardin de la Tour



This restaurant does not look like much to the world from the outside, but after you have passed through the door and the bar, a beautiful garden

appears. Au Jardin de la Tour has lovely outside tables and a menu containing both regional and Mediterranean food.

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Address: 11 Rue de la Porte d'Aude, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 468 257 124

Internet: [www.restaurant-aujardindelatour-carcassonne.fr](http://www.restaurant-aujardindelatour-carcassonne.fr)

Email: [lejardindelatour@club-internet.fr](mailto:lejardindelatour@club-internet.fr)

### Chez Fred



Located just a short walk from Canal du Midi, opposite the train station, Chez Fred serves sophisticated, traditional Mediterranean food as

well as French cuisine. The great buzz, efficient staff and the freshly prepared food are some of the reasons people are coming back for more.

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Address: 31 Boulevard Omer Sarraut, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 468 720 223

Internet: [www.chez-fred.fr](http://www.chez-fred.fr)

Email: [contact@chez-fred.fr](mailto:contact@chez-fred.fr)

### O'Veineyards



The area of Carcassonne is famous for its fine wines and for a culinary experience combined with high quality wine tasting, O'Veineyards is

the place to go. This warm and friendly venue is called "A home away from home" and Liz and Joe will greet you with their best home-made French food with influences of a Vietnamese-New Caledonian heritage.

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Address: 885 Avenue de la Montagne Noire, Villemoustaussou, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 6 30 18 99 10

Internet: [www.ovineyards.com](http://www.ovineyards.com)

Email: [ovineyards@gmail.com](mailto:ovineyards@gmail.com)

### Restaurant La Marquiere



Restaurant La Marquiere has a superb location in the medieval city, hidden away from the main street. Here you can enjoy French fine dining

and the food is cooked to perfection by the skilful chefs and the generous sized portions are served by the attentive staff. During summer months and sunny days, the patio with a relaxed ambiance is open where to relish your mouth-watering food.

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Address: 13 rue St Jean, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 468 715 200

Internet: [www.lamarquiere.com](http://www.lamarquiere.com)

Email: [resa@lamarquiere.com](mailto:resa@lamarquiere.com)

### Le Jardin de l'Estagnol



This gem is hidden in an industrial area of the city but is well visited by locals. The interior of the dining room feels Spanish and in the summer

months you can sit in the surprisingly beautiful courtyard. The food served here is traditional French and is truly a gastronomic delight.

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Address: 1 rue Benjamin Franklin, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 47 33 17

Internet: [www.jardindelestagnol.com](http://www.jardindelestagnol.com)

Email: [estagnol@orange.fr](mailto:estagnol@orange.fr)

More Info: ZA de l'Estagnol



### L'Escargot

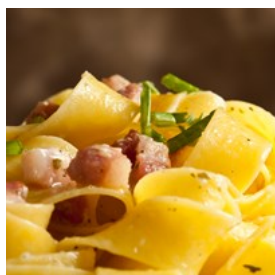


If you have not tried the typical French dish "L'Escargot" (snails), this is a good restaurant for your premiere. At L'Escargot, you order

French "tapas" and you and your company share several small French dishes, so if you happen to not like the delicacy, it will not end with you having to leave the restaurant hungry.

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Address: 7 Rue Viollet le Duc, Carcassonne  
Phone: +33 4 68 47 12 55  
Internet: [www.restaurant-lescargot.com](http://www.restaurant-lescargot.com)

### Restaurant Bourdasso



Located about 20 minutes' drive outside Carcassonne, Bourdasso is an excellent family-run Italian restaurant housed in a beautifully restored old building with a relaxed country atmosphere. The food is cooked to perfection with top quality ingredients and from the wine list you can choose a lovely Italian wine to compliment your dinner.

Photo: Francesco83 / Shutterstock.com  
Address: Bourdasso, Pradelles-en-Val  
Opening hours: Wed-Sat 7:30pm-9pm, Sun 12:30-2pm, 7:30pm-9pm  
Phone: +33 4 68 78 08 31  
Internet: [www.bourdasso.com](http://www.bourdasso.com)  
Email: [bourdasso@hotmail.com](mailto:bourdasso@hotmail.com)

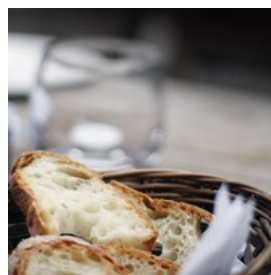
### La Jonque



If craving for Asian food, then La Jonque is a great choose to head for. This little hidden gem serves top notch Chinese food and for sure well worth a visit. Make sure to book a table since this is a busy small restaurant with not that many tables.

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Address: 37 rue de la Liberté, Carcassonne  
Phone: +33 4 68 25 28 59  
Email: [la.jonque88@gmail.com](mailto:la.jonque88@gmail.com)

### Au Four St. Louis



Situated right in the centre, Au Four St. Louis offers their guests French cuisine that comes straight from the heart and made with fresh ingredients. The attentive and prompt service, the cosy ambiance and of course the delicious food are some of the reasons why tourists as well as the locals are coming back for more.

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Address: 4, rue St. Louis, Carcassonne  
Phone: +33 4 68 25 85 72  
Internet: [www.aufoursaintlouis.com](http://www.aufoursaintlouis.com)  
Email: [contact@aufoursaintlouis.com](mailto:contact@aufoursaintlouis.com)

### La Maison de La Blanquette



French food is on the menu at this reasonably priced restaurant and everything is served by the friendly staff. La Maison de La Blanquette is beautifully located on a busy square and offers an outdoor seating area where you can enjoy your scrumptious meal while watching the world



go by.

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Address: 2, Place Marcou, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 468 716 609

Internet: [www.restaurant-maisondelablanquette.fr](http://www.restaurant-maisondelablanquette.fr)

Email: [contact@maisondelablanquette.fr](mailto:contact@maisondelablanquette.fr)

### Restaurant L'Arganier



Tucked away in an alley on the main road, L'Arganier is a good option if you would like to have a break from the French food. Here they offer Moroccan food with lots of flavours without being too hot. The lamb tagine with perfectly cooked couscous is something that should not be missed!

Photo: stockcreations / shutterstock.com

Address: 1 rue du 11 Novembre, Trèbes

Phone: +33 4 68 78 46 82

### Restaurant Le Passage



At this pleasantly busy restaurant with a bustling atmosphere they specialize in tapas. Restaurant Le Passage attracts a good mixture of

tourists and locals with its excellent local wines and tasty food with Spanish flavours. Don't miss out to book your table in the lovely courtyard, a true hidden gem that is beautifully shaded with olive trees.

Photo: merc67 / Shutterstock.com

Address: 15 rue Trivalle, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 10 64 90

Internet: [www.gites-cite-carcassonne.com](http://www.gites-cite-carcassonne.com)

Email: [lepassage15@orange.fr](mailto:lepassage15@orange.fr)

## CAFES



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The coffee culture in France is pretty impressive, most people start their day with an espresso shot and finish their lunch with a coffee. They also indulge in various types of coffee during the day. Of course, Carcassonne is no exception and you can find a large number of brasseries and coffee shops spread out all over town.

### Crêperie le Blé Noir



At this extremely popular venue you will find excellent crêpes, both sweet and salty ones. They are deliciously served with fruit,

chocolate or what your heart desires. When here expect outstanding service and the prices are reasonable as well.

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Address: 15, Rue de Verdun, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 72 34 80

### Le Marcou



Le Marcou is located in the beautiful Medieval Cité and is very busy place. This is a popular cafe among tourists who come to enjoy ice cream,

tea and cocktails or simply a good coffee.

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Address: 12 place Marcou, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 468 473 748

### Le Chaudron Cathare



Simple cafe with a breakfast and lunch menu, Le Chaudron Cathare serves great paninis, sandwiches, soups, snacks and savoury pancakes, waffles as well as a wide variety of ice creams. There is a shaded courtyard where you can cool down on a very hot day while enjoying your food and drink.

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Address: 8 Rue du plô, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 77 84 10

### Le Petit Moka



Le Petit Moka is a charming venue with a good location near the river Aude and offers a wide range of coffee and tea for a reasonable

price. Great for a break between tours in the Cité and Bastide Saint Louis.

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Address: 4 Place Carnot, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 468 256 887

### La Petite Cuillère



Whether you are craving for salty or sweet, La Petite Cuillère for sure offers a great mix of food and desserts. Pies, salads, soups, bagels,

sandwiches, cakes, smoothies, pastries and yogurts are all on the menu, just waiting for you to pick.

Photo: Quanthem / Shutterstock.com

Address: 11 rue Trivalle, Carcassonne

Opening hours: Monday - Saturday: 7.15 am - 6 pm, Sunday: closed

Phone: +33 9 67 48 03 30

Email: sas.petitecuillere@gmail.com

### L'apar Thé



Located inside the La Galerie Géant Salvaza, L'apar Thé offers a warm and modern setting where you can discover a world of great variety of

coffee and tea. A combined shop and cafe, the store offers a wide selection of coffee, tea, crockery and gift ideas. This is a great place where to refuel between all the shopping.

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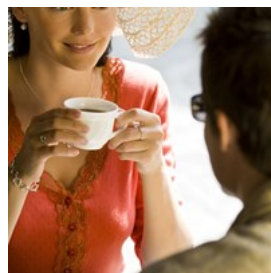
Address: Boulevard Henry Bouffet, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 47 26 08

Internet: [www.lapar-the.fr](http://www.lapar-the.fr)

More Info: Located at La Galerie - Géant Salvaza

### Café Saillan



Head for Café Saillan, in the centre of the city, close to the market, for breakfast, lunch or just for a coffee or a cold drink. This welcoming

cafe is visited by many regulars but also by people who are just passing by. Sit down and have a relaxing moment on the outside terrace and watch the world go by while enjoying your meal and coffee.

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Address: 31, rue Albert Tomey, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 72 37 40

### Méery Cake



The name says it all, if you have a sweet tooth then this is the place to head for. Méery Cake is a beautiful shop with a large variety of lovely

cakes and cupcakes with all sorts of yummy flavours. If this was not enough, they have a great assortment of sweets available and displayed in large glass jars. You can either stay in or take away, but if you do stay in, they have free WiFi so take the opportunity and get connected with your friends.

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Address: 13 rue barbes, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 9 83 60 56 02

### Ô Trois Cinq Sept



With a perfect location on the town square, you will find this popular place.

The menu here is simple and offers bagels with your choice of toppings,

salads, pasta dishes including desserts like donuts, cupcakes, cheese cakes, crepes, fruit salads and more.

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Address: 13 place carnot, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 7 82 17 72 26

## BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Carcassonne at night is simply magical, the walls and monuments are highlighted with golden lights. On your way to a bar or a discotheque, walking through this open-air museum is something you won't forget. Carcassonne is a small city, but as one of the top French tourism destinations, there is a wide range of trendy places to sample. Many people start the evening with an aperitif after a long day of visiting the medieval sites, and then go on to some great nightspots. Latino bars and clubs are very popular.

### Brasserie du Dôme



Brasserie du Dôme is a popular venue to start with an aperitif in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere. The home-made sangria is

famous, and it is a great place to watch concerts! If you are feeling hungry, they serve French food.

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Address: 35 rue des Trois Couronnes, Bastide Saint Louis, Carcassonne

Opening hours: Mon-Tue 6:30am-3pm, Wed 6:30am-10:30pm, Thu-Sat 6:30am-10pm

Phone: +33 4 68 25 03 48



### O'Sheridan's



This is a typical Irish pub serving a wide range of beers accompanied by great live music. O'Sheridan's Pub is a place for those who miss

the British style pubs and Guinness! If you like singing, don't miss out the karaoke nights.

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Address: 13 rue Victor Hugo, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 9 83 42 61 34

### The Celt



If you want to visit another traditional Irish pub you are welcome to The Celt. Each night you can enjoy an activity here, how about The Celt

Darts Challenge on Mondays or sports on Tuesday and Wednesdays? Also providing live entertainment on Thursdays from September to May.

Photo: Vladimir Koletic / Shutterstock.com

Address: 5 rue Armagnac, Carcassonne

Opening hours: Monday - Friday: 4 pm - 2 am, Saturday -

Sunday: 2 pm - 2 am

Phone: +33 4 68 10 96 44

Internet: [www.theceltpub.com](http://www.theceltpub.com)

Email: [theceltpub@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:theceltpub@yahoo.co.uk)

### La Métairie



At La Métairie, you can enjoy a glass of wine accompanied by a fabulous panoramic view of Carcassonne. This is a great place to hang out

with friends or that special someone.

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Address: 3 Chemin de Montlegun, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 04 68 26 80 38

### Bloc G



Bloc G is a hotel and is located in the medieval part of Carcassonne. Its modern and charming wine bar attracts a mixed clientele. Here you can

enjoy delicious food and carefully selected wine from the oldest vineyards in the world. If the weather permits, enjoy your drink on the terrace.

Photo: Markus Mainka / Shutterstock.com

Address: 112 Rue Barbacane, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 47 58 20

Internet: [www.bloc-g.com](http://www.bloc-g.com)

### Le Verre d'un



Discover and enjoy some fine wines with friends or your loved ones at Le Verre d'un. The interesting wine selection is varied and cater all

budgets and it all can be enjoyed inside or on the terrace. If you would like to try wine tasting, then make sure to check the program on the website or book a private tasting.

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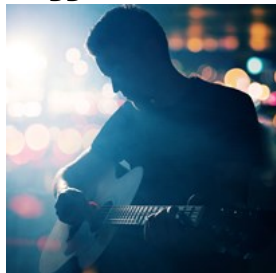
Address: 2 Rue de Verdun, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 71 43 99

Internet: [www.leverredun.com](http://www.leverredun.com)

Email: [leverredun.carcassonne@gmail.com](mailto:leverredun.carcassonne@gmail.com)

### Plugg d



Plugg d is a tapas bar where you can relish homemade tapas accompanied with a good wine. The decor is perfectly combined with contemporary, industrial and rustic style with a big bar and custom made bar tables. When the evening falls, the lights get dimmed and Dj puts the record on to get the vibe going. Also hosting live entertainment.

Photo: donatas1205 / Shutterstock.com

Address: 2 Boulevard Paul Sabatier, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 9 83 96 70 70

Email: info@plugg-d.com

### Le Bar à Vins de la Cité



Situated off the main tourist street, you will find this buzzing little hideaway. Le bar à vins is a lovely tapas bar with causal music, friendly service and with a relaxed ambiance, making it a great place to visit after a day of sightseeing. The menu provides a good range of beers and wines and it all can be enjoyed on the shaded courtyard.

Photo: elena moiseeva / Shutterstock.com

Address: 6 rue du Plô, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 47 38 38

Internet: [www.lebaravins.fr](http://www.lebaravins.fr)

### V and B Carcassonne



Opened its doors in 2001, V and B Carcassonne is a store with a beer and wine cellar as well as a tasting area (bar) that offers a huge variety of

beer and wine from France plus other countries. There are over 300 products to be more exactly so you will for sure find some favourites.

Photo: wavebreakmedia / Shutterstock.com

Address: Rue Paul Henri Mouton, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 72 36 10

Internet: [www.vandb.fr](http://www.vandb.fr)

## SHOPPING



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Although Carcassonne is not a shopping destination, the city do offers some unique items to bring back home. Antiques, books, souvenirs, food and wines are the most popular items for travellers to buy when here. Carcassonne has two distinct shopping areas, the modern lower city, Bastide Saint Louis, with a vast array of retailers and bookshops and then there is the walled Cité for more authentic shops and where many of the shops are very much aimed at tourists. There are many small shops and stalls to explore with a large variety of souvenirs as well as carefully crafted items and art in the citadel

When here, you should not miss out the markets where to explore fresh produce and feel the Mediterranean ambience, it is for sure a true pleasure for all of your senses. The covered food market, Les Halles is a good example where to stroll around an explore the food culture in Carcassonne.

Due to the location, in a rich wine-growing region, you will find plenty of shops along the narrow streets that offers a great selection of local and regional wines. You will for sure find some favourites to bring back home.

### Bastide Saint Louis



In the modern lower city, Bastide Saint Louis, there is a popular market for clothing on boulevard Barbès. Nearby, rue Georges Clémenceau and rue de Verdun are the major streets for shopping with a vast array of retailers, bookshops with rare or sold-out editions, shoes, cosmetics and perfume. On Place Carnot, the colourful market, with a mouth-watering selection of local delicacies is definitely worth a visit.

Photo: Andy Mitchell / Flickr(image cropped)  
Address: Bastide Saint Louis, Carcassonne

### Cité



Shopping in the walled Cité is more authentic, although most of the shops are dedicated to tourists. There are a large number of tiny stores, boutiques and craftsmen. All kinds of souvenirs can be bought such as original clothes in wool, old maps, or gift items like antiques and local art or crafts. Knives, swords and other medieval weapons are also found in speciality shops. You will find excellent souvenirs and toys for the kids! There are a couple of good souvenir shops at the junction of rue Cros-Mayrevieille and rue Saint Sernin. For genuine articles, try the "Antiquities," at the bottom of the rue Porte

d'Aude. It is the oldest and most reliable shop for antiques.

Photo: Vicki Burton / Flickr(image cropped)  
Address: Cité, Carcassonne

### Wine



You can buy wine from the neighbouring wineries, at local stores or Place Carnot market. The Minervois (rosé wine) is the most popular in the region.

Shop Vins & Vinos in 38 rue Barbes offers a great selection of local wines.

Photo: Dmitri Ma / Shutterstock.com  
Address: 38 rue Barbes, Carcassonne  
Opening hours: Tuesday - Saturday 10 am - 6 pm, Sunday and Monday by appointment.  
Phone: +33 4 68 10 97 04  
Internet: [www.vinsvinos.com](http://www.vinsvinos.com)  
Email: [vinos@gmail.com](mailto:vinos@gmail.com)

### Jeff de Bruges



The story of Jeff de Bruges' chocolate started in the Belgian town Bruges. If you love chocolate, you might have to give these chocolates a

go. The cute and stylish shop in Carcassonne offers a lot of nice treats and you will certainly not leave the store empty handed.

Photo: Eugenia Lucasenco / Shutterstock.com  
Address: 64-66 rue Georges Clémenceau, Carcassonne  
Phone: +33 4 68 10 43 90  
Internet: [www.jeff-de-bruges.com](http://www.jeff-de-bruges.com)



### Nailloux Fashion Village



Located about 70 kilometres northwest of Carcassonne, the large shopping centre Nailloux Fashion Village offers well-known brands at factory outlet prices. Here you can find brands such as Desigual, Haribo, Nike, Calvin Klein, Mango Samsonite and Guess.

Photo: Syda Productions / Shutterstock.com

Address: Lieu-dit "Le Grill", Nailloux

Public Transport: An hour's drive from Carcassonne

Phone: +33 5 62 13 08 50

Internet: [www.naillouxoutlet.com](http://www.naillouxoutlet.com)

Email: [info@naillouxoutlet.com](mailto:info@naillouxoutlet.com)

### Monoprix



Monoprix is one of the most famous chains in France. Here you can find everything from food, cosmetics and interior design to affordable

clothing.

Photo: lightpoet / Shutterstock.com

Address: 17 Rue Georges Clemenceau, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 25 90 00

Internet: [www.monoprix.fr](http://www.monoprix.fr)

### La Ferme



For all the foodies, when in Carcassonne, La Ferme is an excellent upmarket deli to visit. With over 6,000 gourmet products and gifts to choose from,

you will for sure find something that will suite your taste.

Photo: pieropoma / Shutterstock.com

Address: 55 rue de Verdun, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 25 02 15

Internet: [www.laferme-carcassonne.fr](http://www.laferme-carcassonne.fr)

Email: [epicerie@laferme-carcassonne.fr](mailto:epicerie@laferme-carcassonne.fr)

### Les Halles



Everything you will need when it comes to food, you will find it in this food hall, which is housed in a beautiful building, built in 1768. Stalls offering fresh

produce from the region everything from high quality cheese to fresh vegetables, bakery goods, fruits, meats and fish.

Photo: Goran Bogicevic / Shutterstock.com

Address: Place Eggenfelden, Carcassonne

### Place Carnot



Make a visit to this busy central square in the Bastide Saint Louis where you will find stalls selling fresh produce, fruit, honey, cheese and

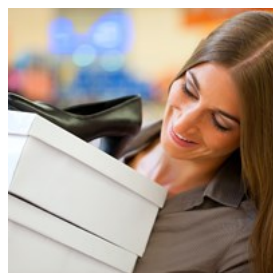
vegetables every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday morning all year long.

Photo: Andy Mitchell / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Place Carnot, Carcassonne

Opening hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday: 8 am 12 pm

### Chaussea



Whatever your style in footwear is, you will for sure find it in Chaussea. Here they offer a wide selection of shoes for men, women and

children. With the latest collection, the staff are happy to help you to find the perfect shoes whether you need sneakers, boots, heels or dress

shoes.

Photo: Kzenon / Shutterstock.com

Address: Lieu dit, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 71 63 15

Internet: [www.chaussea.com](http://www.chaussea.com)

More Info: Parc d'Activités Commerciales

### Sport2000 Carcassonne



Find the biggest brand when it comes to sport at Sport2000 Carcassonne. They have the trendiest brands for both young and old. Beside

sportswear, they have also sport products and equipment and you will definitely find the products you need to practice your favorite sport.

Photo: michaeljung / Shutterstock.com

Address: Zone du Pont Rouge, 450 Rue Magellan, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 72 07 22

Internet: [www.sport2000.fr](http://www.sport2000.fr)

## TOURIST INFORMATION



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### Aéroport de Carcassonne-Salvaza - Airport



Carcassonne is served by an international airport, "Aéroport de Carcassonne-Salvaza", located 2 kilometres west of the city. The cheapest

and fastest way to get into town is the shuttle service. Shuttles run according to flight schedules, departure is every 30 minutes after each flight arrival and take you to the city centre, train station and the Cité. Tickets can be bought on the buss and is valid over the entire urban network for one hour.

If you rather take a taxi, the cost from the airport to Carcassonne town centre is normally cheaper than a taxi to the Cité. Carcassonne Taxis +33 4 68 71 50 50

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Aéroport de Carcassonne-Salvaza, Route de Montréal, Carcassonne

Internet: [www.aeroport-carcassonne.com](http://www.aeroport-carcassonne.com)

### Buses and Shuttles



The "Aglo'Bus" runs an efficient network of public buses and shuttles. Network of 11 bus routes are serving the city and the surrounding areas.

You can purchase tickets on board or at the company hub (Halte Centrale/Parking du Dôme on Square Gambetta). Do not forget to validate your ticket when you enter the vehicle. There are travel cards for longer stays.

There are also tourist train shuttle services, that operates between the medieval city and the Bastide Saint Louis.

Outward route: Chénier - Davilla - Dôme -

Medieval City.

Return route: Medieval City - St Gimer -  
Gambetta - Chénier

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Address: 30, rue Georges Brassens, Carcassonne

Phone: +33 4 68 47 82 22

Internet: [www.carcassonne-agglo.fr](http://www.carcassonne-agglo.fr)

### Bike



A good way to see the city  
and the rural  
surroundings is by  
renting a bike. Just be  
aware that the area is  
hilly. One of the

well-reviewed and centrally located companies  
that provide bike rentals is Alter-ride.

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Address: 16 Rue Courtejaire, Carcassonne

Internet: [www.tourism-carcassonne.co.uk/se-deplacer-se-gar-er-english/rent-a-bike](http://www.tourism-carcassonne.co.uk/se-deplacer-se-gar-er-english/rent-a-bike)

### Taxi



You can either book a taxi  
by phone or go to one of  
the taxi stands which can  
be found outside the  
railway station, in the  
medieval city or in the

town centre.

One taxi company is Allo Carcassonne Taxi and  
they are available 24/7:

Photo: ArrivalGuides

Address: Carcassonne

Phone: +33 468 715 050

Internet: [www.taxis-carcassonne.fr](http://www.taxis-carcassonne.fr)

### Post



Stamps are available  
from kiosks and  
newsagents. Main Post  
Office:

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: 40, rue Jean Bringer, Carcassonne

Opening hours: Closed on Sundays

Phone: +33 468 117 100

Internet: [www.laposte.fr](http://www.laposte.fr)

### Pharmacy



Pharmacies are scattered  
around the city and can  
be recognised by the  
green cross. If you  
encounter any emergency  
situation, the duty

pharmacy's name and phone number are on the  
door. Otherwise, you can call 3237 to get more  
information.

Some of the pharmacies that can be found in  
area are:

Sarcos Pierre

9 Place Carnot, Carcassonne

+33 4 68 11 99 99

Pharmacie Lozano-Grimaldi

81 rue de Verdun, Carcassonne

+33 4 68 25 08 11

[pharma.lozano@wanadoo.fr](mailto:pharma.lozano@wanadoo.fr)

[www.totum.fr](http://www.totum.fr)

For all night pharmacy call +33 4 68 11 26 00

Photo: Gemma Garner

Address: 81 rue de Verdun, Carcassonne

Opening hours: Monday - Friday: 8 am - 12.15 pm, Saturday:



8 am - 12.15 pm

Phone: +33 4 68 25 08 11

Internet: [www.totum.fr](http://www.totum.fr)

Email: [pharma.lozano@wanadoo.fr](mailto:pharma.lozano@wanadoo.fr)

## Telephone

Country code: +33 Area  
code: 468



Photo: Jardson Almeida

## Electricity

220/240 V AC, 50Hz



Photo: Stirling Tschan

## Population

49,600

## Currency

Euro (EUR) €1 = 100 cents

## Opening hours

Most shops are open Monday to Saturday from 9 am-7 pm, but smaller shops may be closed at lunchtime from 12 pm-2 pm. Stores are closed on Sundays and public holidays, except for annual sales events.

## Newspapers

La Dépêche du Midi ([www.ladepeche.fr](http://www.ladepeche.fr))

Le Midi Libre ([www.midilibre.fr](http://www.midilibre.fr))

## Emergency numbers

Emergency: 112

Police: 17

Ambulance: 15

Fire Brigade: 18

## Tourist information

Tourism Office

28 rue de Verdun, Carcassonne

+33 468 10 24 30

Opening hours:

July and August: Mon-Sun 9 am - 7 pm

April, May, June, September and October: Mon-Sat 9 am - 6 pm, Sun 10 am - 1 pm.

October: Mon - Sat 9 am - 6 pm

November - March: Mon - Sat: 9.30 am - 5.30 pm







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| Allée de la Plaine Saint-Nazaire       | D1 D2    | Rue Anatole France        | C1       | Rue du Cimetière Saint Michel | B4 C4    |
| Allée de la Voûte                      | A3       | Rue Andrieu               | C4       | Rue du Four Vicomtal          | D3       |
| Allée des Provinces                    | A1 B1    | Rue André Riffaut         | D2       | Rue du Général Laperrine      | B3 B4    |
| Allée du Parc                          | A3 A4    | Rue Antoine Armagnac      | B2 B3    | Rue du Moutlin de la Seigne   | B1       |
| Allée d'Iéna                           | B2 B3    | Rue Antoine Marty         | C2       | Rue du Quatre Septembre       | B2 C2    |
| Avenue A Mullet                        | C3       | Rue Armand Tiffou         | D3       | Rue Dujardin-Beaumetz         | C3 C4    |
| Avenue Achille Mir                     | D2 D3    | Rue Auguste Delauné       | A2       | Rue d'Alsace                  | C2       |
| Avenue Bertrand Lamourelle             | A2 B2    | Rue Auguste Fourrès       | D3       | Rue d'Isly                    | A3       |
| Avenue Bunau-Varilla                   | A3       | Rue Auguste Rodin         | A2 A3    | Rue d'Isly                    | A3       |
| Avenue des Berges de l'Aude            | A4 B4    | Rue Basse                 | C3 C4    | Rue Edmond Rostand            | B1       |
| Avenue des Berges De L'Aude            | C3 D2    | Rue Buffon                | B2 C1    | Rue Elisée Reclus             | B2       |
| Avenue du Docteur Gout                 | A3       | Rue Camille               | D4       | Rue Emile Zola                | A2 B2    |
| Avenue du General Sarraill             | D2       | Rue Camus                 | A3       | Rue Ernest Renan              | A2 A3    |
| Avenue du Général Leclerc              | D3       | Rue Clément Ader          | A2       | Rue Fernand Merlane           | C4       |
| Avenue du President Franklin Roosevelt | A1 A2    | Rue Coste Reboulh         | C3       | Rue Flandres Dunkerque        | D3       |
| Avenue du President Wilson             | D2 D3    | Rue Crozals               | B2       | Rue Frédéric Soulié           | B1       |
| Avenue Pierre Charles Lespinasse       | A2 B3    | Rue de Belfort            | C2       | Rue Fédou                     | C3       |
| Avenue Pierre Semard                   | A2 B2    | Rue de l'Horte            | C2 D1 D2 | Rue Galilée                   | A1       |
| Boulevard Barbès                       | B3       | Rue de la Barbacane       | C3 D4    | Rue Georges Clémenceau        | B2 C2 C3 |
| Boulevard de la Pierre Blanche         | A1 B1    | Rue de la Fortune         | B3       | Rue Gustave Nadaud            | D3 D4    |
| Boulevard de Varsovie                  | B2 B3    | Rue de la Liberté         | B2 C2    | Rue Gérard Philippe           | A1       |
| Boulevard des Acacias                  | B1       | Rue de la République      | B3 C3    | Rue Henri Fabre               | B2       |
| Boulevard Henri Wallon                 | B1       | Rue de la Tour d'Auvergne | A3 B3    | Rue Hugues Bernard            | C2       |
| Boulevard Irène Frédéric Joliot-Curie  | D2 D3    | Rue de Lorraine           | C2 C3    | Rue Jacquard                  | D3       |
| Boulevard Jean Jaurès                  | C2 C3    | Rue de Madrid             | A3       | Rue Jacqueline Auriol         | A2       |
| Boulevard Léon Blum                    | B1 C1    | Rue de Mazagran           | C3       | Rue Jacques Ourtal            | B3       |
| Boulevard Marcou                       | B3       | Rue de Metz               | B3       | Rue Jean Bringer              | C3       |
| Boulevard Omer Sarraut                 | B2 C2    | Rue de Montpellier        | C2       | Rue Jean Racine               | D3       |
| Boulevard Paul Langevin                | A1       | Rue de Palais             | C2 C3    | Rue Jean Richepin             | B1 B2    |
| Boulevard Paul Sabatier                | C2 D2    | Rue de Port Vieux         | C3       | Rue Jean-Baptiste Perrin      | A1       |
| Chemin des Anglais                     | D4       | Rue de Saint-Hilaire      | C4       | Rue Jean-Jacques Melair       | C1       |
| Impasse Fantasio                       | B1       | Rue de Strasbourg         | C2       | Rue Jean-Sébastien Bach       | A1       |
| Place du Gal de Gaulle                 | B3 C3    | Rue de Séville            | A3       | Rue Joseph Salvat             | B1       |
| Pont Neuf                              | C3       | Rue de Verdun             | B3 C3    | Rue Jules Michelet            | A1 A2    |
| Pont Vieux                             | C3       | Rue Denfert Rochereau     | B2       | Rue Jules Sauzède             | B2 B3    |
| Quai Bellevue                          | C3 C4    | Rue Denis Diderot         | D2 D3    | Rue Lafayette                 | B3 B4    |
| Quai du Païcherou                      | C4       | Rue des 3 Couronnes       | C3       | Rue Laignon                   | B3       |
| Quai Riquet                            | C1 C2    | Rue des Amidonniers       | B3       | Rue Littré                    | B3       |
| Route Minervoise                       | C1 C2 D1 | Rue des Egantiers         | C1 C2    | Rue Louis Blériot             | A1       |
| Rue Achille Langé                      | A3 A4    | Rue des Etudes            | B3       | Rue Léon Bourgeois            | A3 B3    |
| Rue Achille Rouquet                    | D1       | Rue des Genévriers        | D1       | Rue Marin Marais              | A3 A4    |
| Rue Alba                               | B3 B4    | Rue des Genêts            | C1       | Rue Maurice sarraut           | C2       |
| Rue Albert Tomey                       | B2 B3    | Rue des Glycines          | C2       | Rue Michel Maurette           | C4       |
| Rue Alexandre Dumas                    | D3       | Rue des Lauriers          | C1       | Rue Molière                   | D3       |
| Rue Alexandre Guiraud                  | D3       | Rue des Quarte Chemins    | A3       | Rue Parmentier                | C2       |
| Rue Alexandre Soumet                   | A2 B2    | Rue des Rames             | B3 B4    | Rue Pasteur                   | A3 B3    |
| Rue Alfred de Musset                   | B1 B2    | Rue Didier Daurat         | A1       | Rue Paul Lacombe              | D3       |
| Rue Almé Ramond                        | B3 C3    | Rue Docteur Roux          | C1       | Rue Pierre Curie              | A2       |

Rue Alphonse Daudet

A1 Rue du 24 Février 1848

B4 Rue Pierre de Coubertin

A2

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|--------------------|-------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| Rue Pierre Germain | C2 C3 | Rue Trassanel   | C1    | Rue Voltaire    | B3 C3 |
| Rue René Descartes | A1    | Rue Trivalle    | D3 D4 | Square Gambetta | C3    |
| Rue Romain Rolland | A3 A4 | Rue Victor Hugo | B3    |                 |       |