



1 COMPAGNIE DES BATEAUX-MOUCHES JETTY
 Located at the foot of the Zouave de l'Alma in Paris, the Company's boats are the only one which have the right to be called "Bateaux-Mouches"! They are named for the Quartier de la Mouche, or the fly's quarter, in Lyon.

2 PLACE DE LA CONCORDE
 This Royal Square was designed in the 18th Century by the architect Gabriel. In 1792, a guillotine was placed on the square, and was used to execute thousands of victims. In 1836, king Louis Philippe placed the obelisk France received as a gift from Egypt at the centre of the square.

3 PALAIS DU LOUVRE
 In the 13th Century, the Louvre was already a fortress, then later became the residence of the kings of France. It was transformed into a museum in 1793. Today it displays more than 35,000 works of art (including the Mona Lisa, the Venus de Milo...) Since 1989, the entrance to the Louvre is through the large glass pyramid designed by the architect Leo Ming Pei.

4 HÔTEL DE VILLE
 The neo-renaissance style Hôtel de Ville was built in the 19th Century, after the previous building was destroyed by fire during the 1871 Commune. Today, it is the Paris city hall.

5 CONCIERGERIE
 Originally the palace of the first kings of France, the Conciergerie was used as a prison during the French Revolution.

6 ÎLE DE LA CITÉ
 The "Cradle" of the city of Paris, where first inhabitants settled in the 3rd Century; the Parisii.

7 NOTRE DAME
 A jewel of gothic architecture, building began in 1163 and was completed in 1350! The cathedral was celebrated by Victor Hugo in his famous novel "Notre Dame de Paris". It was restored in the 19th Century by the architect Viollet le Duc.

8 ÎLE SAINT-LOUIS
 Formerly known as the "île aux vaches", or island of cows, it is home to some very beautiful 16th and 17th Century mansions, mostly built by the architect Le Vau.

9 The PONT NEUF, or "New Bridge", is the oldest stone bridge in Paris. It was inaugurated in 1606. In its centre stands the equestrian statue of king HENRI IV, who was nicknamed the "vert galant" or "old spark" for his numerous female conquests.

10 MUSÉE D'ORSAY
 Façade of the old train station built in 1900. Today it is a museum collecting the masterpieces of the 19th Century, particularly the works of the impressionists.

11 HÔTEL DES INVALIDES
 Recognisable by its re-gilded gold dome, it was originally a hospital for the invalids of war during the reign of Louis XIV. Today it houses Napoleon's tomb, and the Army Museum.

12 EIFFEL TOWER
 Nicknamed the "Iron Lady", the Eiffel Tower was designed by engineer Gustave Eiffel for the World Exposition of 1889. It is a technical wonder: 324 metres high, it weighs 10,000 tonnes.

13 PALAIS DE CHAILLOT
 Built for the World Exposition of 1937, it houses various museums (the Marine Museum, French Monuments Museum, Museum of Mankind...)