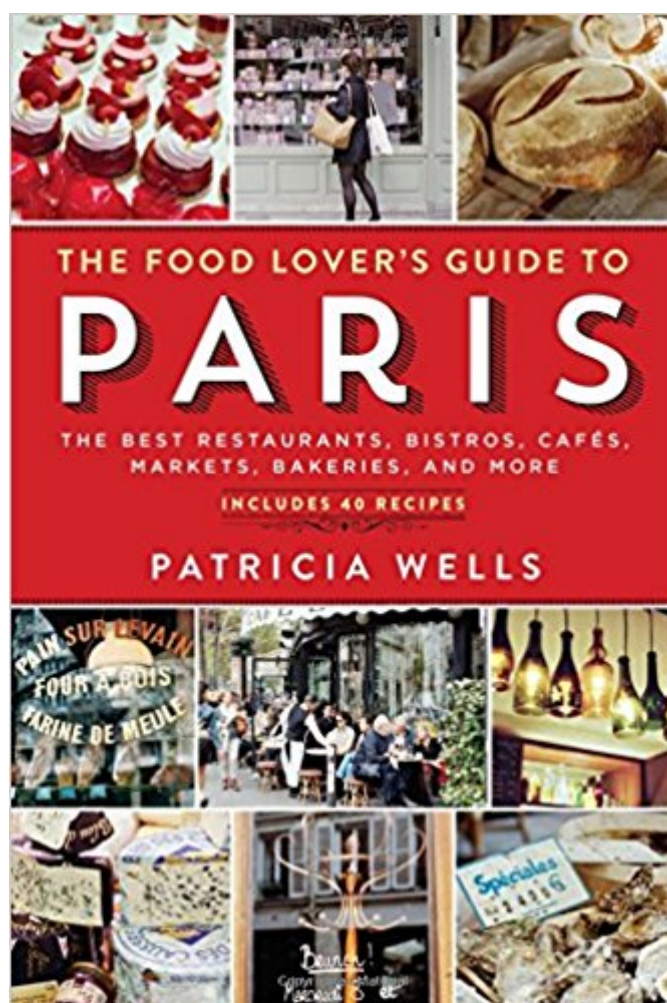


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The Food Lover's Guide To Paris: The Best Restaurants, Bistros, Caf  s, Markets, Bakeries, And More



Synopsis

The book that cracks the code, from the incomparable Patricia Wells. An acclaimed authority on French cuisine, Ms. Wells has spent more than 30 years in Paris, many as former restaurant critic for The International Herald Tribune. Now her revered Food Lover's Guide to Paris is back in a completely revised, brand-new edition. In 457 entries • 345 new to this edition, plus 112 revisited and reviewed classics • The Food Lover's Guide to Paris offers an elegantly written go-to guide to the very best restaurants, cafés, wine bars, and bistros in Paris, as well as where to find the flakiest croissants, earthiest charcuteries, sublimest cheese, most ethereal macarons, and impeccable outdoor markets. The genius of the book is Ms. Wells's meritocratic spirit. Whether you're looking for a before-you-die Michelin three-star experience (Guy Savoy, perhaps, or Restaurant Alain Ducasse au Plaza Athénée) or wanting to sample the new bistronomy (Bistrot Paul Bert, Le Comptoir du Relais) or craving something simple and perfect (L'As du Fallafel, or Breizh Café for crêpes), Patricia Wells tells you exactly where to go and why you should go there. You no longer have to rely on the iffy reviews of Yelp or Trip Advisor. Included are 40 recipes from some of her favorite chefs and purveyors and, of course, all the practical information: addresses, websites, email, hours, closest métro stop, specialties, and more.

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Customer Reviews

Let's face it. Finding the best of the fabled cuisine in Paris can be difficult for us Americans. We're thrown off by the language, the numerous terms for eateries, and the French themselves, who love to pretend they don't speak English. That's why Patricia Wells's updated guide, now in its fourth

edition, is a hit. With detailed information on 450 restaurants, Wells takes readers by the hand and demystifies the culture so well known for its luscious food and demanding gourmands. Sidebars abound: she dissects breads, foie gras, and oysters--and even gives the cultural background on why the French may drink wine in the morning (to kill worms, of course), as well as discussing the pros and cons of eating the rinds of cheeses. Also listed are the best bakeries, caf  s, and specialty shops, as well as 50 recipes to try at home. If there is a criticism to be made of this sturdy and informative book, it's of the writing of this International Herald Tribune critic, which is sometimes riddled with stock descriptions and clich  s. Yet readers are likely to forgive her this occasional foible, as Wells's interesting details and enthusiasm are enough to send devout Italophiles, even, to Paris--where they can sink their teeth into those crusty baguettes. --Melissa Rossi --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

The Food Lover's Classic Brought Completely Up to Date. An inveterate explorer of all things culinary, Patricia Wells brings us the very best of Paris: not only unforgettable evenings in her foolproof selection of restaurants, bistros, and cafes, but the places to find the flakiest croissants, earthiest charcuteries, sublimest cheeses, most knowledgeable wine merchants, gleaming pots and pans, and the holy grail of breads, pain Poilane. Whether the urge is a simple one, like satisfying a midafternoon sweet tooth on the rule de Buci (try Jean-Pierre Carton for its puckery tarte citron or deep, rich tarte au chocolat), or grander - deciding between hallowed Taillevent or the poetic, audacious Pierre Gagnaire - Ms. Well's guidance is infallible. She tells us what is new and wonderful (more than 50 restaurants and 100 specialty food shops have been added to this edition) and what is gloriously familiar and still to be treasured. She even manages to coax recipes from her favorite chefs - 50 are included in the book.

"The Food Lover's Guide to Paris" by Patricia Wells is a completely revised edition of her popular Parisian restaurant guide. The new guide reviews the best restaurants, bistros, cafes, markets, bakeries and includes some recipes as well. If I were going to Paris, this book would be going with me. Each section begins with a brief overview of what to anticipate within that grouping and then details the recommended restaurant/bistro/cafe by Arrondissement. Some details include: the type of cuisine, address, phone #, closest Metro stations, days open and closed, prices, specialties and atmosphere (with suggestions on what to wear). I wish, I'd had this book back in October 2012, during a two week stay in Paris.

I have been a big fan of Patricia Wells' recipe books for a very long time, especially her bistro cookbook. So, I was excited to see that she had put her intimate knowledge of the where, how, and insider info. of food in Paris into a book to share what she has learned over many years there. We can only be there for short times every few years, so this book will be a very valuable resource for us. We always rent an apartment and do much of our own cooking when in Paris so I will make extensive use of her lists of markets, bakeries, butchers, etc. Her writing is, as always, clear and to the point. I have and will continue to recommend it to others.

Impossible to find anything too many categories. For example how would anyone know that "Fish la Boissonnerie" is listed not under restaurants, but under wine bars. At least the author should have listed all the various categories of each district in that districts. This particularly hard with the book versions

Updated and full of detailed information on restaurants, bistros, cafes, The best pastry shops and food emporiums, as well as places to buy cooking equipment. Get the inside scoop on where to find the best ice cream in Paris. The well-known and known-only-to-insiders spots are lovingly described, so visitors will not miss out on the very best Paris has to offer, As an armchair travel guide, I am transported to the neighborhoods of Paris in a most delicious way,

We used this guide for our trip to Paris last year. Love that it is organized by neighborhood and type of restaurant/market. Such a treat to read and explore. If you buy the Kindle version, you will receive very useful periodic updates.

Great resource for my upcoming ten days hanging out in Paris coming up in April. I've already heavily bookmarked it. So happy to find a section titled "Shop Organic". Looking forward to trying some of the recipes.

Gave this as a surprise to my niece who will be living in Paris, France for the next 2 years. She loves it.....is trying lots of suggestions for places to eat and buy desserts.....also is having fun trying lots of the recipes. Hasn't found one that she didn't love and have success with.

I have no problem with the content. The book lacks any form of index makes using it very tedious to the point of being unusable

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