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France (7 London)

Queries/TO DOs:

JH:

Orbitz air seats

Test Visa CC & DC pins

Tom Mon 11:30 am

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Cedarwoods Lori -- Parking

London:

France:

TI (Tourist Information) phone 3265 + name of city\

Look for sign : Accueil in airports et popular sights

Cities: Office de Tourisme et Bureau de Tourisme

Small Towns: Syndicat d'initiative or Information Touristique

YHA/HI 301-495-1240 GEORGE S EATON; Member #: 060-4086640; (Previous number: 8-060-4086640) Expiry Date: 05/31/2007

Flights:

Orbitz record locator:

888-8951535

Airline ticket number(s):

Northwest record locator:

NPRMB8

KLM record locator:

IGCFCU

Delta Air Lines record locator:

QQKPFO

Ticket type requested: **electronic (e-ticket)**

Access America INS: 877-593-4989 www.accessamerica.com
\$54

\$Basic @

Rail Pass:

Rick Steve's, PO Box 2009

Edmonds, WA 98020-2009 USA

Tel: 425/771-8303 x rail 214 (Amy)

Fax: 425/771-0833 10 days tot @ \$447

Pur Ord #: 10266695/10266762 Cust Ord. #: 1-2J0J92 5/11/06, Code: 8R729QS

Railo Pass:

Misc:

Reservations:

WRITE: 1) Date: day/mo/yr; 2) Train # ____; 3) DP time __; 4) AR time __; # of Res 1
Must reserve if marked w/ "R" (Internet schedules use "Reservation Compulsory" while optional is "Please Reserve." reservation fee"

Validate pass B4 1st RR trip

WRITE: START date – END date

Don't remove pass from cover

Phone Info:

From USA: 011-61-3 (drop 0 in 03) last 8 digits(011-61-3-6424-4304

France rail schedules (from RS')

Tips for using it are here:

<http://www.ricksteves.com/rail/trainschedules.htm#tips>

Itinerary:

JACKSON HOLE:

2901CC778S-5633DC577C

JH > London: \$1051 LGW 16 hr/17 hr

LV JH: 5/24 7:39 am

AR London: 5/25 9:00 am

ENGLAND:

MISC STES:

London Eye: until 10:00 pm or 11:00 pm

Glass Egg

Millennium Bridg

Globe (E South Bank near Millennium Bridge)

Modern Tate RTT (E South Bank near Millennium Bidge)

Imperial War MUS (E South Bank near Millennium
of Waterloo ST; S of Globe & Modern Tate)

Bridge, SE

DR. Johnson's house

London by Night Tour buses : leave Victoria St @ 7:30 & 9:30 pm

South Bank WALK:

West End:

MUS of London
Victoria & Albert MUS
Natural History MUS
Science MUS w IMAX

Portsmouth –

St lazare

London:

Museum of London
Shakespear's Globe
Westminster Cathedral

Grand Canal

London: 5/25 Th – 6/1 Th (7)

(1 - 5/25 Th)

Arrive LHR @ 9:00am

Tube > :

ACC: St Christopher's Southwork Ref #: 503-4575941

<http://www.hostelworld.com/findabed.php/ChosenCountry.England/ChosenCity.London>

FROM HEATHROW Take the Piccadilly line to Green Park change on to the Eastbound Jubilee Line to London Bridge. Take the Borough High St Exit escalators to Street level, and turn left, we are less than a 5min walk away.

Oxford St YHA (Near Soho)

ITINERARY:

Walk from YHA or take tube to Covent Garden & tube/walk backwards: (Soho/ Covent Gardens area)

London Transport MUS
Somerset House (Hermitage Room)
Covent Garden Piazza (biggest market)
Chinatown (Gerrard & Lisle St)

(2 – 5/26 Fri)

ACC: Oxford St YHA (Near Soho)

ITINERARY:

9:00 am Brit MUS (Open > 10PM)

TUBE: Oxford Circus > Holborn
Main entrance on Great Russell

Russell Sq

Spitalfields (Best street market)

TUBE: Liverpool Street

(3 – 5/27 Sat)

ITINERARY:

(4 – 5/28 Sun)

ACC: Golder's Green YHA

ITINERARY:

Hyde Park, St James, Green Park : biking ??????

Hyde park ranters

London Zoo
Camden Lock, Spitalfields, Greenwich & Petticoat Lane

(5 – 5/29 Mon)

ITINERARY:

8:00 am Tower of London: Open at 9:30am

TOUR

Chapel of St. John

Waterloo Barracks

Bloody Tower

After lunch: *Westminster tour walking S from Trafalgar SQ :

Tube: Charing Cross

#10 Down St

Cenotaph

Churchill & Cabinet War rooms

Parliament (L&R)

Westminster Abbey (S of bridge)

Coronations Chair

Henry VII chapel

Views from Westminster Bridge

TUBE: Westminster > Waterloo ST

S Bank (X Westminster Bridge > London Eye

GOTO Waterloo St & check out Europass specs.

RETURN to YHA

Temple Church

Old Bailey (Central Criminal Crt)

St Paul's:

(7 – 6/1 Tue) London > Paris

LV Lon. (Waterloo ST) 6/1 5:34 am

If Still at St Chri's: DIRECS to Waterloo: FROM WATERLOO Take Jubilee line two stops to London Bridge, Take the Borough High St Exit escalators to Street level, and turn left we are less than a 5min walk.

Eurostar #9078

AR Paris (Nord du Gare St) 6/1 9:23 am

(TOT Time: 2:49 + 1 hr time difference)

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FRANCE:

Other Misc Places :

Limoges

Tours

Potential City Visits:

Lyon > Annecy (expensive tourist like); Grenoble; Vienne (Roman);

Paris:

Eiffel Tower

Louvre

Walk the Champs Elysee > Arc de Triomphe

Montmartre

Boat the Siene

Notre Dame

Day Trips:

Versailles

Rouen

Chartres

Fontainbleu

Caen:

London – (France) Paris: 6/1

(1a) 6/1 TH Chunnel train to Paris

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Normandy 1: (Bayeux)

(2) 6/2 F Paris > Caen > Bayeux

Paris > Bayeux (St Lazare

LV Paris:

Train: 1 day trip SNCF – Gare St. Lazare

Th-Sat Rouen > Paris > Bayeux (Normandy Beaches

Voyages-sncf.com” sched. Does not seem to allow RES w/France Rail Pass

ACC:

Centre d'accueil Municipal, 02-31-92-28-53

(5) 2nd day Bayeu Tapestry, Mont St Michel church, Sleep on Mont St. Michel

CAUTION: Free travel on the RER Line B between Paris Charles de Gaulle airport and

Paris-Nord station requires the use of one day of the

pass **but it is worthwhile if you are passing through Paris in transit.** The France Railpass is valid on the whole RER Line C.

(R's 2 days)

Sites:

Caen: WWII War Memorial (20% Eurorail Pass), Arromanches, American Cemetary, Pointe du Hoc,

BUS ?:

Normandy 2: (Mont St. Michel)

() 6/___ (Mont St. Michel) (early or late)

TRAIN : Caen > Pontorson

BUS: Pontorson >< Mont St Michel

ACC: Centre Duguesclin PH & FAX 02 33 60 18 65 aj@ville-pontorson.fr ;
www.fuaj.org; 9 mi from MSM; YHI/HL Member #: 060-4086640

Loire Valley: (base Amboise) Rick: MAX 2 chateaux a day

(6-8) Pontorson > Loire valley chateaux > Amboise

(R's 2 days)

Train: SNCF

Best Chateau: Langeais Chat. (Lagn – gais)

1st day: Amboise:

Local: Chateau Amboise

Day's end: tour Cateau du Clos'Luce

Le Clos Luce

2nd Day: DT > Chat Chenonceau (Chen on sew)

3rd Day DT-RR > Blois :

TOUR > Chat. Chambord (Leonardo's stairway) & Chat Chivery

Anyway > Dordogne via Chartres (sch - art)?

Dordogne region (base in Sarlat or Beynac)

(9-10) Amboise > Dordogne region > Dordogone village???

Train: SNCF

(R's 2 days)(3 days???)

Best Caves open to public:

Grotte de Font de Gaume

Grotte du Pech Merle

Site: Lascaux II

En route : stop @ Oradour-sur-Glane (Nazi)

(1 1/2hr from Sarlat)

1st Day: Sarlat

Morning: If Sat / Wed > market

Afternoon: Canoe the Dordogne

IF NOT MKT, then reverse

Evening: Beynac et Cazenac : Castelnaud

2nd Day: Sarlat

Conical Tower (Lantern of the Dead)

3rd Beynac

Chateau de Beynac

(11) Languedoc region (Albi / Carcassonne)

Dordogne >(Languedoc region) Carcassonne

(R's 1 day)

(2 days ???)

1st **Albi** or En route:
Local Architecture
Fortress / Cathedral
Toulouse-Lautrec MUS
N/D: Carcassonne
2nd **Carcassonne**
Local:

Castle walls ???

() **Provence:** (base in **Arles**) **MAYBE**

Languedoc > Provence: Arles

(R's 2- day)

Sites:

Rick's Hotel Regence & Van Gogh restaurant on square

Arles Sat mkt

Papal palaces ???

Broken bridge

Rhone Valley: Roman Aqueduct "Pont du Gard"

Orange: Roman: Triumphal Arch, **Roman Theater**,

Day trips: Les baux, Aix en Provence

En route: Stop @ Pont du Gard aqueduct; Les Baux –ancient host town??)

1st D/N: Arles

Best Sat or W for mkt

amptitheatre

Sites: Ancient History Museum, Musee de l'Ales ; de la Province Antiques;

Cryptoportiques de Forum (Baroque church); St. Trophime Church, Closters; Classical Theater; Roman Arena, Reattu Musee (Picasso) ;benign bullfights

2nd D/N: Les Baux – Live & Dead city

3rd D 1/2 day)Avignon then

Paris: (4 nites)

Colmar > Paris

Misc:

Mris Museum Pass 20% cheaper in Paris @ museums or mmetro shops

Trans:

Best Subway /Bus value is 10 Metro tickets for \$13

Sights:

Side trips:

Versaille side trip

RER to Versaille \$7 RT

Paris - JH: \$1051 LGW Del 16 hr/17 hr

Paris – Rouen

Hostel/Pension (Metrobus)

Sites:

Museums closed Tue

Joan d'Arc burned; Notre Dame

PARIS > JH: 6-29-06 Air France #28

DP: DeGaulle Air France #28 10:15 am

AR: Jackson Delta #3792 8:16PM

DONE:

How to Validate and Use Your Pass:

5. On Flexipasses, before boarding the first train or ship of the day, you must enter the date in ink, in the appropriate calendar box on your pass. Failure to comply

Reservations for Seats, Sleepers and Couchettes:

Tickets are sold with reservations included. Seat reservations purchased as passholder fares should be made in advance.

Rail Protection Plan:

If your pass is lost or stolen while traveling in Europe, the rail networks will not cover you-but we will. Our plan will compensate you for the unused portion of your lost/stolen rail pass/ticket or the value of the replacement rail pass/tickets, whichever is lower. The plan ranges from \$10 to \$17 depending on the pass. The exact amount is shown in each specific pass price list. The plan must be purchased at the same time you purchase your rail pass/tickets. To add the Protection Plan to your pass/ticket, you may do so when adding a pass/ticket to your Shopping Cart.

Rail Europe's Rail Protection Plan is available with all rail passes/tickets issued through Rail Europe including: Eurail Passes, Eurail Selectpass, National, Regional, Rail 'n Drive and BritRail Passes. Tourpasses are not covered under the Rail Protection Plan.

Under the Rail Protection Plan, if your pass is lost or stolen while traveling in Europe, upon your return to North America you will be reimbursed for the unused portion of their original Rail Pass/ticket or the value of the replacement rail pass/ticket(s), whichever is lower. Please read the actual description of coverage below for this program as well as the instructions for filing a claim. The Rail Protection Plan fee is not refundable.

Description of Coverage:

Agreements: The provider of this program will by payment, reimburse the pass/ticket holder(s) named on the Rail Pass/ticket issued by Rail Europe for theft or accidental loss of Rail Pass/ticket, subject to Exclusions, Conditions and Limitations contained below.

Loss: Loss means the theft or accidental loss of the Rail Pass while traveling in Europe.

Effective period: Effective Period means the period from 12:01 am on the date of issue of the Pass by Rail Europe to 11:59 PM on the last day the Rail Pass is valid.

Program Agreements apply only to loss sustained during the effective period of this form.

Exclusions: This program does not apply to any loss caused by:

- (a) Delay or detention or confiscation by Customs Officers or Officials or Police or other Security Officers.
- (b) Rail Pass not in your actual possession at the time of loss.
- (c) War, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or military or usurped power.
- (d) Any dishonest, fraudulent or criminal act by the Passholder.
- (e) Damage due to wear and tear, gradual deterioration, vermin or inherent vice.

Limits of liability: The limit of the Program Providers Liability shall be the value of the unused portion of the pass/ticket (s) purchased through REG or the value of the replacement pass/ticket (s), whichever is lower.

The loss date shall be the date on which the pass holder first became aware of the loss of the Rail Pass /ticket or the date 24 hours prior to the reporting of the loss to the police, whichever is later.

Conditions:

- (a) Rail Protection program is strictly limited to the loss or theft occurring in Europe.
- (b) The pass holder must file a police report within 24 hours of the loss.
- (c) The pass holder must purchase either a replacement railpass or train tickets. In the case of loss/theft of premier train/train tickets, the ticket holder must purchase ticket/s for the same city pairs. (Air and bus tickets do not apply.)
- (d) Notice of any claim must be given to Rail Europe within 30 days of your return from Europe. Submit a written report with the claim that includes the pass/ticket holder's name, the date of validation, a copy of the police report and your airline tickets (US/CAN-Europe).
- (e) All original receipts showing amounts paid for Rail Pass/ticket issued by Rail Europe, including the original replacement pass/ train ticket(s) must be submitted to validate claim.

SKIP) Nice > (Alps) Chamonix

1st N: sleep Chamonix

2nd D/N: Lift > Aiguille du Midi & beyond (if weather clear)

3rd day Morning in Alps

SKIP) Chamonix > (Burgundy) Beaune for wine tasting

1st N: sleep Beaune

SKIP) Beaune > Colmar

1st N: Colmar

2nd D/N Colmar & Wine Rd villages