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Christmas in France



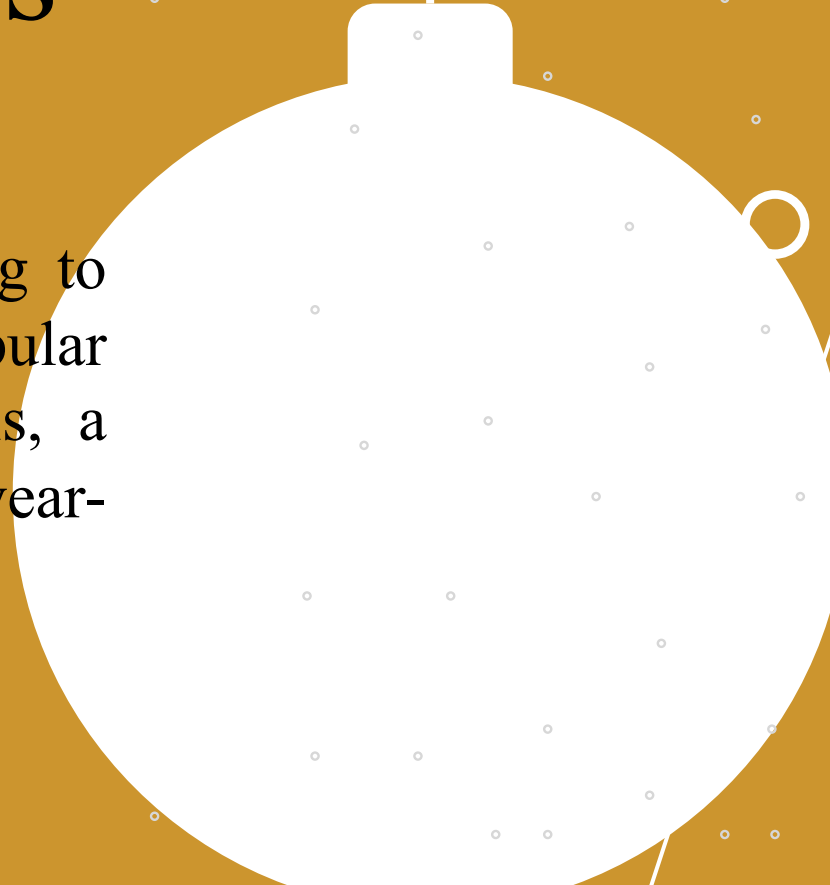
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During this presentation we are going to talk to you about some of the most popular ways to celebrate Christmas in Paris, a place that's already pretty magical year-round.

Tower of Eiffel during Christmas

Place de concorde during Christmas





**THE DISHES THAT MAKE A REAL FRENCH
CHRISTMAS FEAST**



The culinary highlight of the French year is not for most families on Christmas Day, but late on Christmas Eve, and traditionally begins once folks have returned from midnight mass. The feast is called “Le Reveillon”, meaning “awakening” or “wake up”, because it normally goes on until the early hours of the morning.



CAVIAR

Le Reveillon starts as it means to go on and with caviar or smoked salmon on blinis, the traditional apéritif sets the tone for the rest of the mammoth evening/morning.





OYSTERS

While many of us might grimace at the thought of seafood for Christmas dinner, the French and particularly Parisians have a big appetite for it. Oysters don't come cheap, of course, but apparently they are nice and big and juicy around this time of year. Oysters will normally be served up as an appetizer at Le Reveillon to get diners in the mood for, well, more food.

LOBSTER

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French Christmas Bazaars

❖ **Strasbourg** .It was in Strasbourg in 1570 that the very first edition of the oldest Christmas market in Europe took place, then called the "Christkindelsmärik" (market of the Infant Jesus). Since this time, Strasbourg has continued the tradition of a traditional, authentic, warm and generous Alsatian Christmas and these are all the reasons why "Strasbourg, the Capital of Christmas" continues to enjoy repeated success.






Lille

- In the heart of winter, Lille sparkles and glows with joie de vivre! With the wave of a magic wand, the city takes on a festive atmosphere and welcomes people all over the world to a winter wonderland! On Place Rihour, more than 80 chalets teem with gift ideas, nativity figurines, Christmas decorations and festive food.


Mountain biking in the snow

- At first glance, it looks like an ordinary mountain bike. However, there are a few distinct features of snowbikes: a special suspension system, hydraulic brakes and heavily studded tires! Once any initial apprehension has been overcome, the sensation of speed – at up to 95 kph (60 mph) – and controlled skids are intoxicating. This daredevil activity is usually done once the slopes have been closed to skiers, or on specialized trails that are beginning to pop up in several French resorts.





In conclusion no matter where you go
and what you do in Paris you are going to
have a great time and get unique
experiences



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