

		THE ARTIST'S PARIS	Sept 29-Oct 5, 2017				
	Friday, Sept 29	Saturday Sept 30	Sunday Oct 1	Monday Oct 2	Tuesday Oct 3	Wednesday Oct 4	Thursday Oct 5
9 - 12	Arrive Paris. Your base in Paris is Hôtel de Sèvres, a cozy, three-star hotel in a vibrant left bank neighborhood. Your room will be ready by noon. Perhaps a coffee, a pastry, and some sketching in a café while you wait.	We'll spend the morning in Montparnasse, the Left Bank neighborhood that was the heart of Paris intellectual and artistic life in the 20s and 30s. First, a sensory treasure hunt at the bustling Marché Edgar Quinet.	In A Moveable Feast, Hemingway called rue Mouffetard a "wonderful narrow crowded market street". We'll explore its food stalls and specialty shops, with time for sketching and a coffee at the lovely Place de la Contrascarpe.	We begin the day at the Louvre where Susan will lead an in-depth lecture on Chardin, Corot and other favorite French painters, with time for sketching.	A morning to take in the Impressionists at Musée D'Orsay, with time for analyzing paintings and drawing activities.	For those leaving Paris, bid à bientôt to your companions, knowing we'll provide encouragement and follow-up to help you stay inspired and connected. For those staying, an optional day trip to Giverny. We'll leave at 7:00 to catch the 8:20 train to Monet's home and gardens, with time to sketch and view the grounds at your own pace.	Final farewells. If you want to stay a bit longer in Paris, you're equipped to explore Paris on your own! We'll suggest some of our favorite places, bien sûr!
12 - 1:30	Lunch on your own in our lively neighborhood. Perhaps a croque-monsieur or a salad composée. We'll suggest the best places to eat and people-watch.	We'll walk through the area's theater district on our way to lunch at a café on rue Daguerre—a lively middle class market street which Agnès Varda captured in her 1975 film Dageurreotypes. Simone de Beauvoir lived nearby, and Calder had a studio on one of the side streets.	Lunch and more talk about art at a charming café in the Luxembourg Gardens.	Lunch at a favorite restaurant in the Marais—a neighborhood known for beautiful parks, spectacular architecture, and great people-watching.	Share your observations, questions and sketchbooks over lunch at the charming museum café.	Lunch overlooking the gardens at the wonderful Musée des Impressionists in Giverny, then a tour of their collection.	
1:30 - 4	At 3:00, meet for a group welcome and introductions over tea and pastries. Bring your sketchbook and your questions — we'll follow teatime with a class.	A special group activity TBA designed around a special neighborhood or a current exhibition.	We'll join the locals and explore corners of the Luxembourg Gardens with our sketchbooks and watercolors.	Susan will direct sketchbook drawing activities, using the lively Place des Vosges as our base.	We'll spend the afternoon somewhere new discovering hidden back streets—and with time for shopping, a café stop, and your sketchbook!		
4 - 8	Spend time as you wish - have dinner with a classmate, try tapas at a neighborhood hangout, or paint in the evening light.	Explore a bit on your own, rest, or sketch.	Free time. Walk along the Seine, visit nearby Notre Dame, sketch, or touch base with your travel companions.	Now's a good time to use your room as a "studio" to add color, collage and text to your sketchbook, using Susan's tips.	Explore on your own, then rest up before a delicious group dinner and sketchbook share.	Return from Giverny by train.	
8 - 10	Early to bed to shake off the jet lag.	Dinner at your own pace - a sandwich and a glass of wine, a salad, or a beautifully prepared 3 course meal. There are great choices in the neighborhood.	Dinner in small groups, to continue conversations started earlier in the day. We'll recommend several delicious restaurants.	Dinner and the evening free. We'll help you choose a good value restaurant, a movie or club, a quiet (or lively) place for a drink, or a neighborhood rendered all the more beautiful by street lamp.	We'll celebrate the week with dinner at La Buisson Ardent - an intimate Art Deco brasserie.	Dinner as you'd like, on your own or with a fellow traveler. We'll suggest restaurants that you'll enjoy.	