

HOW TO GET TO 52 CLICHY IN ONE PIECE

My Address : 52 rue de Clichy 75009 PARIS Building E, top floor (5th floor).

My mobile / cell number is : 00 33 6 66 01 75 44 **Please come to 5th floor to collect your keys even if you will be staying in the apartment (3rd floor left side door).**

At the grey door on the roadside use the **digicode 9845** Walk straight ahead towards the gardens and to your left, after building C, is the door marked E. Scroll the ARROW to find Rosemary Allan from the 8 names. Then press the BELL. It will connect to my phone and I can then open the door. Take the elevator to the 5th floor. Once here you will get a key with a 'badge' so you won't need to repeat this.

WHAT TICKET TO BUY: For all public transport you have 2 choices :

- 1) Buy individual travel journeys (central zones 1-2). A ticket is a full A-Z journey on the Paris metro system, or 1 full bus trip, no matter how many changes. If you're arriving by Eurostar you can still buy the 'carnet' of 10 paper tickets from the Eurostar buffet car / shop as the Gare du Nord lines can be super long. Otherwise line up at the station and buy the plastic Navigo Easy card which costs €2 and the salesperson will fill it with any amount of individual journeys you want. 10 journeys costs €17,35. This is for people who walk lots but want to take a metro 'home' because you're exhausted or are here over the weekend / 3 days etc.
- 2) Buy a weekly **Navigo Découverte Card** for unlimited travel in zones 1-5 and is an amazing deal at €30.75pp as it includes taking the train from an airport into Paris (€12pp), going to Versailles (€5 pp) or Disneyland (€5 pp). The complication is it runs from Monday for a WEEK and can be bought until Thursday midnight but not on Fridays to stop weekend travelers buying it. However even on Thursday it may still be worth it if you decide to take either the bus or the train into Paris from the airport or it's dark or bad weather etc. You NEED a passport style photo for the card (or a **photocopy** of your ID which you should have several copies with you anyway).

I've Navigo Easy/Decouverte cards for you if you arrive without using public transport.

TAXIS : Whether you are at the airport (fixed fares by law) or a train station (€15 max) PLEASE don't accept a taxi that isn't in the line (it's "buyer beware" to talk to them). Some tout drivers are waiting in the airport will suggest you go to the front where they will collect you. The price will suddenly become €80/€100, at least.

BUSES : You can rarely buy a bus ticket on the bus. Use a paper ticket/Navigo/ French android phone

ARRIVING FROM ROISSY CHARLES DE GAULLE AIRPORT :

- 1) A taxi is a fixed price : €56 (30 minutes if not in morning rush hour.) During rush hour take it to avoid public transport crowds.
- 2) The airport 'Roissy bus' goes from terminals 2 B-D and arrives at Opéra. (45 minutes. Cost €15pp or Navigo Découverte). It's only **10 minutes** to walk round to the back of the Opera on Rue Scribe to Rue Mogador to Rue de Clichy **OR** take the N° 68 bus to stop 'Liege' using your Navigo as buses don't take cash.
- 3) The RER B train (blue B sign - 35 minute journey +/-€12 or Navigo Découverte). Take any train going "to Paris" as all stop at Gare du Nord. You'll use your ticket several times within the Gare de Nord station and for your onward METRO journey (See GDN).

ARRIVING FROM ORLY AIRPORT:

- 1) A taxi is a fixed price : €44 and takes 45 minutes if not rush hour – a bargain so look no further if more than 1 of you.
- 2) metro line 14 to St Lazare and walk to me – sooooo simple until then

GARE DU NORD (GDN) train metro and bus station :

If you have a single RER B ticket 'To Paris', not the Navigo, then the metro from GDN to me is included but NOT the bus!! Welcome to France and how to make everything more complicated than necessary...

- 1) Metro Line 4 - (direction Porte de Clignancourt) for 1 stop to Barbès Rochechouart (a 'lively' station so watch your bags and wallets), then change onto line 2 (direction Porte Dauphine) to Place de Clichy (ticket / carnet / Navigo).
- 2) Bus N° 54 – in front of the train station (best option if you have luggage), get off at Place de Clichy.
- 3) Taxi – a few minutes journey, costs +/-€10 & even tho the taxi queue can be horrendous, stay in line, **don't** go with a Tout.
- 4) Walk : takes 30 minutes maximum but just around the station it's not the nicest area.

Closest Metros and Bus stops : How to get to me from inside Paris :

- 1) Place de Clichy on lines 2 & 13 (2 minutes to me). Take any exit that does NOT say Caulincourt. You arrive at ground level on a large 'place' with lots of road options! Go downhill on rue de Clichy between the BNP bank & the closed restaurant, Tabla Pizza to N° 52. Don't go on the boulevard or Avenue de Clichy!!!
- 2) Liège on line 13 (Liège has no escalator and **83 steps**) : (4 minutes to me excluding steps!) It's on a crossroads. Walk forward on rue de Liège (with the traffic) until you get to the T junction with rue de Clichy (1 block). Walk uphill for about 50m.
- 3) Trinité on line 12 : (3 minutes to me). When looking at the Church, take the road to the left of it going uphill, this is rue de Clichy.
- 4) St Lazare using metros 3, 9, 12, 13 or 14 : (5 minutes) Line 14 is wheelchair-friendly so you can take the elevators to street level. Otherwise take the exit INTO the train station (through the multi-level shopping centre) and exit the train station on right hand side on to rue d'Amsterdam. Walk uphill for 4 minutes and turn into rue Jules Lefebvre (4th right). 52 Clichy is at the T-junction.
- 5). Buses N° 21, 68, will drop you at the door - get off at the stop called 'Liège'. Buses N° 30, 54, 80 & 95 will drop you off at Place de Clichy.

Car park link : 20 rue de Rome 75008 (under St Lazare train station).

<https://www.onepark.fr/parkings/5849-parking-public-centre-commercial-saint-lazare-couvert?> Half price of other car parks. Unlimited in/outs. Organise to drop your bags before parking if you want. In Paris you need a **Green certificate**, which you can download even minutes before arriving.

PICKPOCKETS ETC at the Airports and Gare du Nord

I cannot stress enough that when you land at the airport you are over-tired and easy prey for pickpockets. Recently several guests have had money taken out of wallets, wallets stolen, watches and phones stolen either at the airport in elevators when suddenly a group of teenage girls will join you to relieve you of your belongings. Alternatively on the RER train in from the airport, large guys standing near the doors of the trains will take your wallets or phones. It's getting ridiculous.

If you take a legal taxi you walk straight out of baggage claim in wide corridors (avoiding the taxi touts) and into the taxi line. If you take an Uber you are hanging around waiting and probably going underground to their parked car and if you take the RER train you are in elevators and wandering along long corridors underground dragging all your luggage behind you.

If you can afford it, take a legal taxi to 52 Clichy. Do whatever you want for the return journey as by then you will know how to spot them and, in any case, you are now not their target.

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