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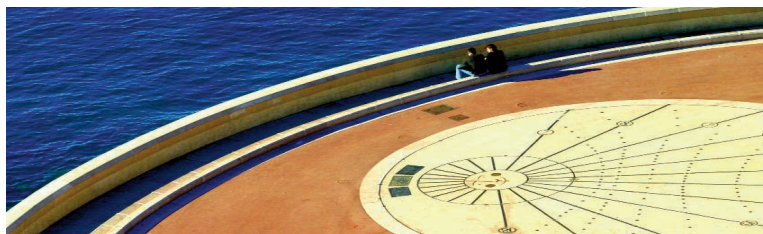
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## NICE IN FIGURES

### NICE, A MULTI-FACETED CITY

As the Côte d'Azur's leading city following closely behind Paris as **France's second largest international tourism hub**, Nice is a modern, bustling city that serves as **the economic heart** of the département. Established on 1 January 2012, the Nice Côte d'Azur Metropolis is made up of 80% mountainous terrain, stretching from the Mediterranean beaches to the ski resorts in Mercantour national park.

**Elegant and hugely popular**, the city's charm lies in its easy-going, idyllic pace of life that stems from the beauty of Nice itself as well as its **exceptional microclimate**. A Mediterranean city overlooking the sea and sheltered from blustering winds by the neighbouring mountains, Nice's mild winters and 300 days of sun per year are legendary, lending the city a quality of light and luminosity that never fails to draw in the greatest of painters and artists.

With its **shops, beaches and vibrant nightlife**, the capital of the Côte d'Azur is a little piece of heaven on earth. A **host of major cultural venues** (museums, National Theatre, Opera, etc.) lie at the heart of Nice's cultural reputation and influence throughout Europe.

- France's **5th largest city**,
- France's **largest Metropolis**: 49 municipalities encompassing **550,200** inhabitants in cities stretching across **14,000 km<sup>2</sup>** from the coast to Mercantour's ski resorts,
- **350,000 inhabitants**, 50% of whom are under the age of 40, in an urban area comprising over **1 million inhabitants**,
- **10 km of coastline**, with beaches making up 7.5 km,
- **300 hectares** (740 acres) of green spaces and 1,500 hectares (3,700 acres) of wooded land across the municipality's 7,192 hectares (17,770 acres).

### THE TOURIST ECONOMY

- Almost **5 million tourists** every year, with 57% coming from abroad,
- 97% of visitors describe themselves as being satisfied or very satisfied with their stay,
- The country's **second largest airport** after Paris, with over 11.5 million passengers
- One visitor out of every 100 to Europe stays in Nice for at least one night,
- 2nd largest convention hub in France after Paris,
- France's **2nd largest cruise port**,
- One of France's leading networks of hotel facilities both in terms of quality and capacity,
- **2nd highest concentration of "Musée de France"** labelled museums, attracting over 800,000 visitors every year,
- France's first city to have been granted a wine-producing AOC [Protected Designation of Origin] label across its municipality.

# TOURISM: THE GATEWAY TO LARGE-SCALE PROJECTS AND THE CITY'S DYNAMISM

**Authentic and buzzing**, Nice is currently undergoing a real cultural, economic, artistic and architectural revolution. The main areas of development have already been defined for the upcoming months and years, with new facilities to be added to boost the Côte d'Azur's MICE tourism offer.

## THE ECO-VALLÉE

**Construction work is to be carried out on the Grand Arénas district**, an area that has the advantage of being located opposite the **Nice Côte d'Azur International Airport**.

Spread over 51 hectares of building land, the district is given over to business and will include accommodation, shops, and a multimodal transport exchange. Nice will also be treated to a new **international Exhibition Centre** within the Eco-Vallée, spread over **75,000 m<sup>2</sup>** and acting as a stage on which to showcase MICE tourism. This facility has been designed to complement the current Acropolis convention centre located in the city centre. The aim is **to host the largest trade fairs and shows**, with a capacity of up to 35,000 participants whose needs in terms of exhibition space continue to rise, and who will also benefit from the hotels currently under construction in the district (with 65,000 m<sup>2</sup> given over to hotels and public facilities).

Additional projects will contribute to further development of the city:

**Tram lines 2 and 3** will ensure increased mobility and access. Line 2 will connect the port district to Nice Côte d'Azur International Airport and the administrative centre in under 30 minutes, while Line 3 will serve the Plaine du Var, including the stadium. An overhaul of the bus network will take place in parallel to these developments in order to make connections between trams and buses smoother and easier.



**Cultural and sporting components have been supplemented with major works**, renovations and the **provision of cultural and sporting infrastructure** where needed. And finally, les abattoirs (former slaughterhouse) are being renovated and transformed into artists' studios, creating a 40,000 m<sup>2</sup> space that is to become the city's new creative hub.

The tone has been set, **with tourism taking the leading role in Nice's future as the city is transformed into a pole of expertise**.



# INFRASTRUCTURES

## NICE-CÔTE D'AZUR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Nice-Côte d'Azur airport is **France's second largest** after the Paris airports combined, with a total of **11.6 million passengers** recorded in 2014. Nice connections to the international network make Nice-Côte d'Azur airport a privileged gateway to southern Europe: **53 airlines fly to 100 destinations** with over 1,250 weekly flights to **33 countries**. In addition, Nice is France's second biggest airport in terms of low-cost flights, following hot on the heels of Parisian airports with 14 budget airlines and 4.2 million passengers. It is also the only airport in the country to offer daily connections to New York and Dubai.

## HOTEL FACILITIES

**Boasting one of France's biggest hotel networks**, Nice is home to **200 hotels and tourism residences**, with a total of around 10,000 rooms, ranging from 1-star hotels to 5-star luxury establishments. Youth hostels, holiday rentals and guest houses also add to an extensive array of different accommodation offers.

NiceRes is an online booking system set up by the Tourism and Convention Bureau, and was the very first of its kind, allowing visitors to book tours, day-trips and excursions in addition to accommodation. *[en.nicetourisme.com](http://en.nicetourisme.com)*

Nice's hospitality sector has experienced **a renewal and revival** over the last decade or so, with the emergence of new establishments from boutique hotels and resolutely innovative concepts such as the Hi Hôtel to renovations of existing hotels combining comfort, design, cutting-edge technology and quality services - all of which have benefited from huge investment. Featuring interior design by mood designer Sandrine Alouf, the 4-star Excelsior is inspired by the concept of a Nice travelogue, while the 4-star Windsor pays tribute to contemporary art, with each room the work of an artist, resulting in a sumptuous illustration of the movement itself.

As **France's second biggest international MICE tourism destination** with one trip out of every five made to Nice for international business purposes, the city is equipped with infrastructure recognised for the quality of its services across approximately thirty hotels (meetings, seminars and conventions to seat between 15 to 500 participants). Many sites are perfectly suited to hosting gala dinners and large-scale events: the port, the Cours Saleya, the Phoenix flower park, some of the museums and the Observatory, among others. *[en.meet-in-nice.com](http://en.meet-in-nice.com)*

## THE ACROPOLIS CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTRE - ISO 14001

The Acropolis International Convention and Exhibition Centre is **Nice's leading light in the development of MICE tourism**. The Convention and Exhibition Centre underwent extensive renovation under the management of architect Jean-Michel Wilmotte.

The complex includes **Acropolis-Conventions** (54,000 m<sup>2</sup>) and **Acropolis-Exhibitions** (17,000 m<sup>2</sup>), making Nice one of the only cities in France with the capacity to host large-scale conventions and exhibitions.



## THE PORT

Along with Cannes, Nice is home to **one of the Côte d'Azur's oldest ports**. Made up of a 10-hectare harbour, **7.5 hectares of platform and around 10 quays**, of which 6 are commercial, **the port is ideally located close to the city's tourist centre** and has developed around key activities such as cruises, yachting, ferry transport to and from Corsica, cement shipping, as well as traditional activities (specialised). The Bassin Lympia Marina is nestled in the heart of the red ochre Place de l'Île de Beauté, one of the city's three listed squares. The international cruise market is currently thriving, with **Nice-Villefranche serving as France's second largest cruise port** with over 467,000 passengers.

## TRANSPORT

### *The "Lignes d'Azur" network*

Lignes d'Azur is the Nice Côte d'Azur public transport network. Thanks to its **100 frequent services**, it serves 45 municipalities in the Metropolis. **The tram** has been designed to improve quality of life for locals, and has changed the face of Nice, particularly with respect to its artistic component. Since it has been up and running, this sustainable mode of transport accounts for **40% of all journeys made**, allowing for great flexibility with respect to times as well as **a single-price, highly appealing fare system**. All city and inter-city public transport tickets are sold at €1.50 each. In addition, 5 **"Parcazur" Park & Ride schemes** are the perfect finishing touch to these facilities, allowing drivers to leave their cars behind and travel into town by tram or bus.



### *The "Vélo Bleu" network and the "Cyclotour"*

The vélos bleus ("blue bikes") are an alternative to driving for journeys within the city, a system established in 2009 in a bid to build awareness of environmental issues and concerns. This **automated bike hire service is accessible via 175 terminals** equipped with 1,750 bikes dotted **every 300 metres and available all year round, 24/7**.

The **"Cyclotour"** is another way of getting around, allowing visitors to explore the city in a new, unique and budget-friendly way. These electric tricycles are driven by "cyclonauts".

The city has put in place a sprawling network of cycle paths, with 125 km completed to date. Extension work is planned.

### *The electric car sharing "Auto Bleue"*

A **tourist detination pioneering in electric car sharing**. With a network of over **60 stations** spread across local towns and cities and nearly **200 fully electric vehicles**, Auto bleue provides a practical and accessible method of transport.

### *Thiers Train Station*

Thiers Train Station and the surrounding district are undergoing vast renovation and urban improvement works. The aim is to make **visitors' experiences more cohesive and enjoyable** by meeting transport development needs. The initiative is one of the SNCF's priority projects. A pedestrian area linking up to tram line 1 is also under way.

# CULTURE AND HERITAGE

On a site already occupied **400,000 years ago**, Nice is truly remarkable in many ways, with its very dense history, extremely diversified architectural heritage, artistic wealth with a vast concentration of museums, Nature omnipresent in the city both by the sea and in the hills, gastronomy similar to the renowned Cretan diet, shopping...

## Culture and Art

### *Old Nice*

Strolling through the shaded streets of Old Nice to get a feel for the city's soul is a world-famous imperative. With its **tangle of narrow streets and brightly coloured façade**, this district reflects the colours and style of Sardinian architecture.

Palais Lascaris (17th century), the Hall of Justice, Palais de la Préfecture (former Palace of the Kings of Sardinia), the former town hall, Palais Communal Masséna, and the former Senate illustrate the **richness and diversity of buildings** in the old town. Religious architecture is well represented with such exceptional structures as Cathédrale Sainte-Réparate and Chapelle de la Miséricorde - a little jewel - typifying the baroque art of Nice with its specificity from the 17th to the 19th centuries.

Old Nice is also a **major area of creativity** in the image of the city, with its wealth of 20th-century artistic representations. Four municipal galleries accompany the multitude of private galleries, as well as shops selling arts and crafts.

### *Heritage*

Nice is characterized by a **great variety of architectural styles** from different periods. Over the centuries, through its tumultuous history, Nice retained the marks of each one...

**Antiquity** brought here the Greeks and Romans, who left such sites as Cimiez with its amphitheatre and baths... traces of Greek presence and mediaeval remains on the Castle Hill and under Place Garibaldi, where archaeological excavations have revealed an exceptional complex retracing 700 years of history.

**Baroque art**, along with the Classic style, is the first to offer a true heritage, a perfect example of this very theatrical architecture.

The most creative period remains, today, the **Belle Époque**, when the hills were occupied by winter visitors, *hivernants*, members of the European aristocracy or bourgeoisie, who gave free rein to their whims and imagination. This resulted in châteaux and palaces nestled in gardens as elaborate as the homes: Château de l'Anglais, baroque with oriental inspiration, the Fine Arts Museum, Château de Valrose, home today of the University's Science Division, one of Europe's finest campuses...

Another jewel of the city, **Saint Nicolas' Russian Orthodox Cathedral**, is testimony to the Tsars' interest in Nice. Built at the foot of the Parc Impérial, one of the finest secondary schools in France today, it is reputedly Western Europe's most splendid Russian Orthodox church, with its wealth of exceptional icons, wood panels and murals.

Of course, **Hôtel Negresco**, a listed historic building and selected by the American press as one of the world's ten finest luxury hotels, as well as the Régina, Grand Hôtel... are the witnesses of this privileged holiday resort, that survive in many parts of the city.



## GASTRONOMY

Nice enjoys highlighting the charm of its difference and specificity. **The cuisine of Nice is unique with Lyon in being known by the name of the city.** The cooking of Nice reflects the art of living and respect for regional products always accompanied by the reputed olive oil and many aromatic plants. The spirit has been preserved in order to guarantee its durability. The Nice Convention and Visitors Bureau has reinforced its approach of labelling, in order to, in all areas, to observe a level of excellence and quality... To this end, a Technical Committee, rules and an evaluation grid were created. [en.nicetourisme.com/nice-cuisine](http://en.nicetourisme.com/nice-cuisine)

### *Selected spécialities*

- **Salade niçoise** is world famous, though sometimes with strange combinations: a mixture of raw vegetables with olive oil, hardboiled egg and anchovy fillets;
- **Pan-bagnat**, literally "moistened bread", is Salade niçoise between two halves of bread rubbed with garlic and soaked in olive oil;
- **Pissaladière**, onion tart with olives and anchovies (pissalà means anchovy paste in Nissart);
- **Socca**, a large crepe of chickpea flour, to be eaten piping hot and generously sprinkled with pepper;
- **Ratatouille**, a flavory mixture of bell peppers, courgettes, aubergines, tomatoes and onions;
- **Beignets de fleurs de courgettes** (courgette blossom fritters), with their light crisp dough;
- **Mesclun**, a mixture of different salad greens grown in Nice;
- **Farcis** (stuffed vegetables), tomatoes, courgettes, bell peppers, each with their own specific stuffing;
- **Stockfish**, salt haddock from Norway is known as *estocafic* in Nice;
- **Tourte de blettes** (chard pie), between two sheets of dough, sweet stuffing of Swiss chard, pine nuts and currants flavoured with pastis (anise liqueur), for a surprising dessert typical of Nice.

### *Olives*

The **cailletier**, a variety of olive tree typical of Nice, yields three products -olives, oil and olive paste- all rewarded with an **AOC (Protected Designation of Origin)** in 2001 under the name **Olive de Nice**. This recognition boosted the development of the 2,000 olive growers with their 400,000 olive trees on 3,000 ha in the Alpes-Maritimes.

[olivedenice-aop.com](http://olivedenice-aop.com)



## Wines from Bellet

Nice is the only French city to have a vineyard in its territory with AOC (*Protected Designation of Origin*) status, granted in 1941. **On the slopes of Bellet, one of the oldest vineyards in France yields truly remarkable white, red and rosé wines whose reputation has long since been carried beyond international borders.**

[vinsdebellet.com](http://vinsdebellet.com)

## Colourful markets

**Cours Saleya** is one of the busiest places in Old Nice. A “must” for tourists, it is above all a favourite meeting point for the local population. The Flower Market is held there every day, except Monday, with its plants and flowers, many from greenhouses in the hills of Nice. The subtle fragrance is dominated by mimosa in winter. The Fruit and Vegetable Market was **selected by the *Conseil National des Arts Culinaires* as one of the most exceptional markets in France.** On Mondays, a market for antiques replaces the foodstuffs. Arts and crafts draw crowd to the Cours every night from June to September.



## SPORT AND NATURE

On the basis of these strengths and the **award of “European City of Sport” status in 2011**, the Nice Côte d’Azur Metropolitan Area has for many years expressed its determination to place sport as **one of its priority areas for development**, through support for sports centres, high-level sportsmen and women and Nice’s many clubs, the creation of modern, innovative facilities and the introduction of a sports event policy... After 200 years of excellence, Nice has embarked on a new cycle, a new strategy, in which sport plays a leading role.

In recent years, Nice Council has embarked on a number of projects aimed at creating or renovating sports infrastructures to provide the Metropolitan Area with structuring sports facilities and thus help to widen its influence and maintain its resident sportsmen and women at the highest level. The flagships structures are the **Alianz Riviera Stadium** -35,000 seats- and the **great aquatic centre**.

Between the **sea and mountains**, Nice offers all the allure of Sport and Nature. By the sea, with **the International Marine Mammal Reserve for fauna** and all **water sports for relaxation**. In the mountains, Nature invites visitors in winter to all the gliding sports under the sun... and in spring, the **Mercantour National Park** features wonderful hiking opportunities to discover marmots, eagles, chamois and even wolves. Unless they prefer to try their skill with a *via ferrata*, rock climbing or canyoning...

Perched villages offer a chance to visit famous perfumeries, as well as pottery and ceramics studios and oil mills, thereby discovering the region’s typical arts and crafts.

**Nice, unique moments.**

# NICE'S ADVANTAGES

## NICERes

Set up by the OTCN [Nice Tourism and Convention Bureau], the **NiceResHôtels booking system** has become a **leading name in the accommodation sector**, providing simple and effective solutions for visitors, particularly those searching for last minute accommodation availability.

Today, the concept has been extended to **booking day-trips, tours and excursions in Nice**.

NiceRes is **accessible online**, and is in perfect synch with the changing attitudes of visitors, who are increasingly likely to plan their trip once they reach their destination. [en.nicetourisme.com](http://en.nicetourisme.com)

## FRENCH RIVIERA PASS

*Visit more, spend less...*

This pass offers visitors the opportunity to experience the Nice Côte d'Azur Metropolis and its surrounding area to the full, combining the vast majority of must-see sites with access to Nice's most stunning locations, such as the "Nice, le Grand Tour" tourist bus as well as entry to numerous sites and guided tours of both museums and the city itself. Cardholders can also enjoy offers and deals from a number of carefully selected service providers (shops, leisure activities, restaurants).



Available in three versions (24h, 48h or 72h), the pass also features an extra add-on option that includes a city transport package. Keeping up-to-date with new technologies and client attitudes, the French Riviera Pass has joined forces with the "Digital City" projects run by the Nice Côte d'Azur Metropolis, and is moving towards NFC (Near Field Communication), to kick off in the summer 2014 season. [en.nicetourisme.com/the-french-riviera-pass](http://en.nicetourisme.com/the-french-riviera-pass)

## EXPLORING NICE



### *Greeters*

**Greeters are locals who are passionate about their city** and who want to help visitors explore it via tours that feature their own personal twist. In June 2013, the Nice Tourism and Convention Bureau launched the "**Nice Greeters**" scheme in order to **develop participative tourism** in the area. This **free service relies on the work of volunteers**.

Over the course of a 2-hour walk, all 40 greeters provide visitors with a unique and **original perspective on the city**, sharing their experience and insider knowledge along the way. Themes, shops, markets, cuisine and neighbourhoods take a back seat as the focus lies on **human experience, communication and exchange**. Since the scheme was set up, over 200 visitors have called on the services of the city's greeters.

**Practical info:** Bookings online, appointments to be made within a 7-day period. Greeters are selected based on availability, languages spoken and the chosen theme.

[en.nicetourisme.com/nice-greeters](http://en.nicetourisme.com/nice-greeters)

### *Guided tour of Old Nice*

The **birthplace of Nice** is representative of the city's soul and history. A bustling area by both day and night, visitors will enjoy wandering down its narrow **cobbled streets, popping into its various markets and Baroque churches...**

The walk lasts two and a half hours and is a concise introduction to Nice from the Hellenistic period to the present day via the height of the Belle Epoque and the Baroque period. Tours take place every Saturday with commentary in French and English. Departure: 9.30 am at the Tourism and Convention Bureau.

**Practical information:** see reception desks at the Tourism Bureau for information and compulsory booking.

**Prices:** €12 for adults, €6 for kids under 10 and free for kids under 5.



### *L'Art dans la Ville, Guided tour by night*

Fridays at 7:00pm (only groups)

Designed by fourteen world-renowned artists, the artworks along Line A of the Nice-Côte d'Azur tramway form a genuine outdoor museum of contemporary art. Some of these works give a special stamp to the urban landscape at night thanks to their play on light. This tour is accompanied by qualified guides who have met the artists to ask about their work. Initiated in November 2007, the tour is organized every Friday evening at 7pm, in both French and English.

**Practical info:** [creative.riviera@free.fr](mailto:creative.riviera@free.fr) - Maximum number of participants: 30

**Information and reservation (required)** Each tour lasts approximately 2½ hours.



# NICE, THE NATURAL EXCELLENCE

For the last 200 years, Nice is a reference destination regarding tourism. More than ever, the will of the CVB is to join this way, and first of all, the search for the excellence and the quality. All the business sectors are concerned. The promise made for the visitor of a safe, attractive and authentic destination has to come true beyond the expectation.

So, by creating or by subscribing to labels, the Office wished to offer a real legibility on the assets of the city and for the dedicated clientele. This choice of labels allows a better structuring of the offer and a permanent control of the quality.

## THE CITY'S LABELS

### *The "Famille +" label*

This label provides a list of **specialised quality offers** dedicated to family clients, offering a **personalised experience for families and events and activities suitable for all ages**. It features support materials such as educational booklets, colouring books, card games and a guide available in French and English from the Tourism and Convention Bureau as well as online at [en.nicetourisme.com/family-friendly-nice](http://en.nicetourisme.com/family-friendly-nice).



### *The "Nice Irisée naturellement" label*

Nice is **the first city in France to have been granted the "Gay Comfort" label** established by Travel Out Now and awarded by the IGLTA (International Gay and Lesbian Association), of which the Tourism and Convention Bureau is a member. A jam-packed line-up (beaches, museums, night life, colourful events, etc.) and gay-friendly establishments are listed in the guide, available from the reception desks at the Tourism and Convention Bureau and online at [en.nicetourisme.com/gay-friendly-nice](http://en.nicetourisme.com/gay-friendly-nice).



### *The "Cuisine nissarde" label*

This label aims to **promote authentic Nice cuisine as well as its history and unique recipes**. In doing so, it ensures visitors enjoy certified quality Nice cuisine served at restaurants that have been awarded the label.

For more information, see [en.nicetourisme.com/nice-cuisine](http://en.nicetourisme.com/nice-cuisine).



### *The "ville vélotouristique" label*

Nice was awarded the **"Ville vélotouristique"** label in 2012 for the roll-out of its impressive network of cycle paths and facilities within the city. The **"Discover Nice by Bike"** brochure is available from the Tourism and Convention Bureau, featuring a 6 km biking circuit through town and reminders of a few basic rules to follow to ensure all of the city's inhabitants and visitors live side by side in harmony.



# NICE CELEBRATIONS

Of the 2,000 cultural, festive and sporting events held each year in Nice, Carnival is the most important on the French Riviera in winter.

## SEPTEMBER

- *Saint Bartholomew's Feast* - San Bertoumieu - is a consecration for local products held in autumn.  
[www.nice.fr](http://www.nice.fr)

## NOVEMBER

- *5th MANCA Festival*, an international contemporary music festival is organized by the Centre National de Création Musicale in Nice: a must for musical creation!  
[www.cirm-manca.org](http://www.cirm-manca.org)

- *7th Alpes-Maritimes Marathon Nice/Cannes*

This event is held in an unique circuit on the Cote d'Azur with sea and palm trees for background.  
[www.marathono6.com](http://www.marathono6.com)

## DECEMBER

- The «*Village de Noël*», a Christmas village with chalets, skating rink and magic forest, livens up the heart of the city in the last three weeks of December.  
[www.nicetourisme.com](http://www.nicetourisme.com)



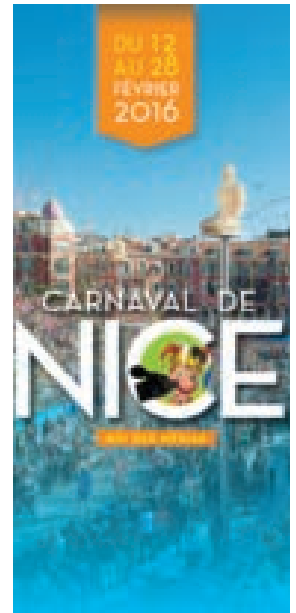
## FEBRUARY

### - *Carnival* -12th February to 28th March 2016

Since the end of the 19th century, this popular fete has acquired international renown for the quality of its services, the daring of its choices and the originality of its entertainment. The symbol of wild imagination and burlesque, each year, around Mardi-Gras, Carnival attracts hundreds of thousands of tourists from all over the world.

**In 2016, Carnival will be "King of Medias" from 12th February to 28th March.**

For a fortnight, all the city's neighbourhoods will come alive. The highlights are Carnival Parades, Parades of Lights and the famous Batailles de Fleurs or Flower Parades. The parades, whether burlesque or poetic, are characterized by floats made of pasteboard or decked with flowers and accompanied by street players and musicians.



Since 1996, the Convention & Visitors Bureau of Nice has been organizing these festivities with even greater diversity and dynamism and the support of regional socio-professionals. Over 1,500 people are mobilized for each parade accompanying His Majesty King Carnival, whose short-lived reign has a different theme each year. [nicescarnaval.com/en](http://nicescarnaval.com/en)

## MARCH

### - *Paris-Nice international cycling race* - Mid-March

Final stage in the famous cycling race, with finish on Promenade des Anglais.  
[www.letour.fr](http://www.letour.fr)

## APRIL

- *Festin des Cougourdons* (Gourd festival), held in Cimiez, celebrates the Annunciation and the return of spring. [www.nice.fr](http://www.nice.fr)

### - *23th International Semi-Marathon* - end of April

Each year, this event welcomes runners on the famous Promenade des Anglais.  
[www.nicesemimarathon.com](http://www.nicesemimarathon.com)

## MAY

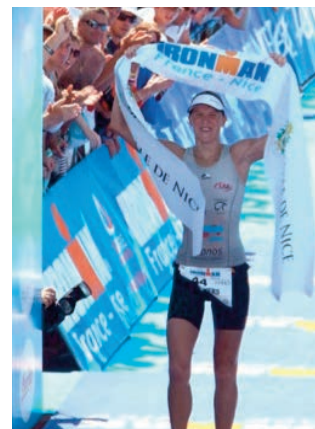
- The "**May**" **Festival** greets the renewal of Nature with folk dances and typical local dishes and games - Sundays and holidays in May. [www.nice.fr](http://www.nice.fr)

## JUNE

- **Festival du Livre** /Jardin Albert 1er- 3 days in mid-June  
The key event for bookworms on Promenade des Anglais. [www.lefestivaldulivredenice.com](http://www.lefestivaldulivredenice.com)

- **Ironman France - Nice Triathlon** - end of June  
The French Triathlon across Baie des Anges, through the hinterland of Nice and on Promenade des Anglais. [www.ironmanfrance.com](http://www.ironmanfrance.com)

- **St John's Celebration** in the little port of Carras and **St Peter's Celebration** at the Port of Nice.  
[www.nice.fr](http://www.nice.fr)



## JULY

- **Nice Jazz Festival**  
Concerts held from 7pm to midnight in the Albert 1er gardens with the most prestigious musicians performing on 2 podiums. The event is accompanied by an alternative festival in the city's neighbourhoods.  
[www.nicejazzfestival.fr](http://www.nicejazzfestival.fr)



- **Concerts du cloître** / Académie internationale d'été - July and August  
Classical music concerts in the exceptional setting of the cloisters of the monastery of Cimiez; here, the greatest virtuosos meet the most promising young artists. [concerts.hexagone.net](http://concerts.hexagone.net)

- **Nice Music Live by the Nice Jazz Festival**- third week of July  
A pop rock music festival with national and international artists - Théâtre de Verdure  
[www.nice.fr](http://www.nice.fr)

- **Fireworks**- 14th July et 15th August  
On 14 th July and 15th August, the fireworks will take place over the Baie des Anges, at 10pm.  
[www.nicetourisme.com](http://www.nicetourisme.com)

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