

## Rooftop Vista Guest Comments

Martin - CA, USA  
26 June 2004

-Thanks again for helping to make our Paris vacation as good as it was. We found the apartment compact but charming, with all the modern facilities that one could wish, in a lively, beautiful and diverse neighbourhood. Everything was in order and Jonathan was there to meet us and orient us, which was most helpful.

Robert & Gail - Ireland  
18 September 2005

-Got back safely yesterday had a great time thanks very much. Apartment was lovely and very central. My wife really liked Ittai's CD would it be possible for me to buy it as it would be a great memory from Paris. Many thanks for everything

Alison & Rob - UK  
12 February 2005

-A lovely break in a lovely apartment- what more can you ask of the location! 'Auberge de la Reine Blanche' has wonderful food- we can whole heartedly recommend it.

Helen & Richard - UK  
17 February 2005

-We had an excellent holiday in a perfect location! There are some really good butchers and fishmongers on the other side of Abbesses station and the boulangerie opposite is excellent. Montmartre Cemetery is definitely worth the short walk!

Sarah - Germany  
10 March 2005

-We had an absolutely wonderful time in Montmartre and in this apartment! Nothing could surpass the view!

The pizzeria on the corner has excellent service- the waiter just might end up dancing for you and they are very good with children. The two boulangeries close by have delicious pastries and friendly staff. It's hard to believe anyone could have had an unpleasant experience with Parisians after a stay in this neighbourhood.

PS: Gail was very helpful. She made sure to call and warn us of an impending metro strike which could have potentially devastated our travel plans. This was very considerate- a continuation of the sort of service we received throughout planning our trip.

The Carter - Durham, England  
17 March 2005

-So pleased we chose this apartment! The views are stunning and everything you could want is at hand. The boulangerie on the opposite corner has great croissants and the fruit tarts are unbelievable. The restaurant around the corner, 'Le Relais Gascon', is recommended, but go with an empty stomach!

Meghan & Allen, Sonoma - CA & St Louis, MO, USA  
20 March 2005

-This place is PerfectlyParis! We loved it here and want to come back again soon. There is a tasty place called 'La Restaurant' that is superb and not expensive at all. We had a wonderful trip and hope everyone else has such a great Paris experience.

Linda - Munich, Germany  
26 March 2005

-We stayed in the apartment in the end of March beginning of April 2005. And we loved it. The views are to die for, the kitchen is very well equipped, everything you need and then some more. A few minor things need to be repaired but I am sure they will be. We would love to come back and would like to stay at the same apartment. We really enjoyed ourselves.

The Pearces - Western Australia  
8 April 2005

-The views were fantastic, looking out at Sacre Coeur. The apartment had everything you could need and Montmartre was very beautiful. We had a great time and a great Paris experience.

Olivia - San Francisco, CA, USA  
20 May 2005

-I can't imagine anything lovelier than a visit to Paris while staying in this apartment. The views, the light and air, the tranquillity- it is really perfect. I'm impressed, too, with the way everything has been thought through. I did quite a lot of cooking and found everything I needed- and all of it attractive as well as sensible. Gail has been wonderful! 'PerfectlyParis' it really is!

Sile - Dublin, Ireland  
28 May 2005

-As ever, a wonderful stay in one of your apartments! Many thanks for everything, Gail- I'm sure I'll see you again soon.

The de C Veale Family - Sussex, England  
12 June 2005

-PERFECT!

- Small but perfect apartment
- Perfect location
- Perfect weather
- Perfect views over Paris/Sacre Coeur

The Gadsby Family - Henley-on-Thames, UK  
16 June 2005

-What a lovely apartment, stunning views, food and all amenities on our doorstep. The area has a cosy neighbourhood feel and we would love to return.

Thank you for equipping the apartment so well and answering all our queries Gail.

Lee-Ann & Susan - Indiana, USA  
21 June 2005

-An absolutely perfect Parisian experience! You feel like you're sitting on top of the world from up here as you look out over Montmartre and down into Paris.

A suggestion: throw all the windows open at night and let the crisp, lovely air in! You'll sleep like a baby!

'Au Pied de Montmartre', a restaurant down and across from the boulangeries has traditional French food at incredible prices.

The sofa bed is remarkably comfortable and we found everything we needed for our lovely stay here.

Sylvie, Dirk, Emile & Eric - Toronto, ON, Canada  
20 July 2005

-Where should we start? Perfect apt for us- comfortable and well equipped. It had all that we needed. Location was perfect and the views unbelievable. It was the perfect place for us although we wish that our stay was longer. We will have to come back to our home in Paris.

Ann & Maggie - CA, USA  
31 July 2005

-A very special time in Paris made even more so by this fabulous apartment, great view, fun neighbourhood... When we come back to Paris we hope to stay here again!

Jared & Vanessa - AZ, USA  
7 September 2005

-Merci tres beaucoup! What a wonderful way to spend our honeymoon! The apartment was perfect and the location was wonderful. I can't think of any other way to enjoy Paris. Thank you!

Joe & Chuck - Lexington, SC, USA  
22 September 2005

-We loved the apartment! We loved Montmartre! We love the city! We'll dream of it until we return next year- see you then.

The Samsons - Emeryville, CA, USA  
10 October 2005

-Thank you! Our home away from home in Montmartre. Very comfortable and convenient. What a memorable stay we've had. We look forward to coming back to Paris.

Suzanne & Paul - Edinburgh, Scotland  
27 October 2005

-We had a fantastic time. It's a pity it was so short. The apartment was perfect & a lovely location. We recommend the Grill a few doors up. Hope to come back soon.

Stu & Claudia - Bend, OR, USA  
21 November 2005

-A truly wonderful place to celebrate a birthday, an anniversary & the first negative PET scan of what I pray will be the results of the next nine. That way we have even more reasons to come back here. Not that one really needs a reason.

Lily & Margaret - Israel  
30 November 2005

-Thank you so much for your kind generosity during our stay in your lovely Rooftop Vista. We had a wonderful stay in Montmartre and enjoyed coming "home" everyday to the warmth and lovely view.

Emma & Nick - Sydney, Australia  
6 January 2006

-Thanks for making our time in Paris great. We absolutely loved the apartment, the view and the area. We could even see ourselves living here! Anyway, thanks again for giving us a fantastic place whilst we were in Paris and we hope we'll be back again one day.

Lauren, Robert, Sophie & Phoebe - Vaucluse, France  
20 February 2006

-Thanks for making this available for us. What a great location! Having staples (coffee, tea, salad dressing makings) available was hugely helpful. We'll send friends! The Cambodian restaurant on rue de Yvonne le Tac (turn right at corner; it's on the left) was especially fresh, tasty and well-priced.

John & Glo - San Francisco, CA, USA  
25 February 2006

-This Montmartre area has given us a wonderful chance to untangle our minds from the complexities of modern life. This is our sixth or seventh visit to Paris and the best. It is also our third winter trip.

The beauty of this place, the people, the language, the culture, the art, the sounds, the sights, the magic, the love. One's soul is sated.

We had sun on the rooftops, we had rain on the rooftops, we had snow on the rooftops.

Once again hearing, reading, speaking a language one loves, a language one has been taught since childhood, is also a grand experience. And, in addition to all of the fancy notions above, it was great fun!

Bob & Wendy - Oxford, UK  
5 March 2006

-Thank you Gail for another perfect apartment in Paris. Thank you also to Marzena who made us very welcome when we arrived. Whilst here, try the delicious food at 'Charcuterie Thillerot' on the corner of rue Lepic. Also, the boulangerie in rue Yvonne le Tac (1<sup>st</sup> right out of the apartment) is very good. Be sure to try some of the walks in the guide books, you'll see parts of Paris that the tourist buses cannot reach. We are looking forward to our return to Paris next year.

Elizabeth -Scotland  
18 March 2006

-Our four days in this flat have been perfect for our every need. What we did not expect, however, is just how peaceful the flat is, how very relaxing to stay in, cook and talk and of course drink in the wonderful views! A memorable stay- many thanks!

Michael & Lora - Portland, OR, USA  
13 April 2006

-We have had a fantastique stay at the Rooftop Vista. The apartment is very comfortable, cozy and well-equipped. We enjoyed cooking some of our own meals with provisions purchased from a multitude of local shops and stores. We spent many days just wandering the neighbourhood of Montmartre. Occasionally hopping a metro to other areas of Paris, we always looked forward to coming "home", sharing a bottle of wine and watching the neighbourhood scurry around us. I loved sitting on the roof with a glass of wine and a cigar and just clearing my mind.

Thank you Gail and Marzena for making our stay in Paris comfortable, easy and memorable.

Pierre & Mariel - Toronto, ON, Canada  
22 May 2006

-We fully agree with all of the many positive comments made by those who stayed here before us. We are frequent visitors to Paris and this is by far the best accommodation we have had: the view is unbeatable and it is remarkably quiet. What is particularly interesting is that the owner, Ittai Rosenbaum, is an artist, following in the Montmartre tradition (though his style is totally different). Note the works above the bed and behind the television. He obviously has a strong interest in architecture. The living room one has a touch of fantasy (note the stilts...) and the one over the bed suggests an approaching threat. As you go

through the CDs, you will note that Ittai is also a musician and you can listen to several of his compositions. It has been a pleasure to spend 3 weeks in this tastefully decorated, comfortable apartment. Merci et à la prochaine!

Christine & Frank - Australia  
7 June 2006

-Thank you again Gail for all of your help. Our week at Rooftop Vista has been a fantastic finale for our holiday. We have enjoyed being able to come "home" and relax, take off our worn out shoes, enjoy a glass of wine, some brie and paté, and the super view of the Sacre Coeur. We've also enjoyed the 'rooftop vista' - all of the neat chimney stacks, the neighbours relaxing on their staircase, the haze of the early morning light. The neighbourhood is very interesting and the bread from the corner bakery is fabulous. The wine and vegetables at Ed's are very cheap but Champion's ok too.

Anyway, thanks again to Gail and to Marzena for her warm welcome when we arrived. Hope to see you again sooner rather than later.

Emily & George - MA, USA  
19 June 2006

-With a daughter who has lived in Paris for 2 ½ years, we've stayed in 5 or 6 apartments- 2 in this arrondissement- and this has been the most comfortable and pleasant. We like the neighbourhood, the bakery, the shops and the fact that most people who live here are not tourists. The elevator and the air conditioning made it extra nice! What a great view! Everything worked well- getting in, finding things and it's clean and comfortable.

Mich & Alastair - Maldon, UK  
21 June 2006

-The apartment was perfect- can't think of a better place to be than having breakfast with the sun pouring in. And the Montmartre you fear is a tourist trap turns out to be like a friendly village. Café meringue chocolat ice cream from a shop-front stall on rue Lepic is bliss but the stall is not always there. Beware solstice night (June 21- Fete de la Musique)- the rock n roll goes on very late. Great stay- thank you Gail.

Annik & John - Ottawa, ON, Canada  
27 June 2006

-A thrill to be here in France when the World Cup is going on. "Allez les Bleus" is charming even at 3AM after a win over Brazil! To hear the cheers on the street when a goal is scored- quite a neighbourhood and we loved every minute. The bakery across the street is great- a stop after a morning run for croissants became a habit. We also recommend the Thai restaurant on rue Lepic. Nous recommanderons le 89, rue des Martyrs à nos amis lorsqu'ils viendront faire un séjour à Paris. Merci Gail et Ittai.

Fabulous Forrest Family - Vancouver, WA, USA  
18 July 2006

-Leaving after a weeklong visit- our family's first time in Paris. How lucky we were to have such a nice place to stay! So lovely and utterly comfortable with a killer view, nice neighbourhood and great public transportation access. Thanks Ittai, Gail and Emily for providing us with a great apartment.

Caroline & Paula - Vancouver, BC, Canada  
6 August 2006

-How lucky visitors are to be in this apartment. It grows on you. The neighborhood is fun and other recommendations in this book held true for us regarding places to shop, eat, etc. Emily who checked us in is excellent. We think Gail and Emily run a superbly organized rental service. Many famous Paris

landmarks are visible from the kitchen window. Cheese, wine and yogurt are wonderful here, even from cheap Ed's! We leave with regret.

Lynn & Debra - Southern California  
20 August 2006

-Our two week visit to "Rooftop Vista" comes to a close in just a day and a half. I too came to think of this place as "home". I am here with my sister and after each day of sightseeing (always a full day) it was great to arrive here to this comfortable, charming apartment. We would recommend a few of our favorites: The Relais Gascon – up rue des Abbesses halfway up on the right is great! The bakery just past the Relais Gascon was very good. Have fun picking out the apartment from Sacre Coeur! It can be done! Maxim's restaurant tour has an awesome collection of art nouveau items and furnishings (rue Royale). Evening concert at St. Chapelle is worth the price (see Pariscope magazine). Don't miss Père Lachaise Cemetery. Enjoy all!

Celina & Sebastian - Darwin, Australia  
4 September 2006

-An expression of our satisfaction with the Rooftop Vista flat : I have drawn a picture of my dog dressed up like a sheep. Nobody can possibly beat Barney dressed as a sheep! Greetings from Darwin, Australia.

Anna & Michael - Christchurch, New Zealand  
14 September 2006

-After 23 hours of flying we were extremely happy with our "Rooftop Vista". The views are amazing and the location of the apartment would be very hard to beat. We have seen the sights, pounded the pavements and used the metro to get around, cafes and restaurants, there is something for everyone. Thank you Perfectly Paris for making our stay in Paris perfect! Au revoir.

Cindy & Ron - Salem, OR, USA  
18 September 2006

-Gail, Emily, and Ittai: Thank you for the most wonderful visit to Paris we could ever have imagined! We love the cafes, the boulangeries, patisseries, fromageries, the walks, the views!! When we booked we had no idea that the most beautiful "rooftop vista" view would be from Sacre Coeur. Every day we would look out and the view would be different – the clouds, the light, but always so beautiful. The location is so perfect, walking up, walking down, the metro. We especially enjoyed the outdoor cafes – what wonderful ambience and food! The apartment has been so comfortable and nice to come "home" to after each day's exploring. We will of course be back as we have fallen in love with Paris and the Montmartre area in particular. Thank you so much for this charming accommodation and hospitality.

Thank you also to Gail and Emily for advice and assistance. You answered all of our questions that made this trip possible!

Lisa & Tim - Australia  
24 September 2006

-Emily and Gail: Thank you for a great stay. We have had the best time on our honeymoon here in Paris and we will definitely be back!

Michael & Adrien - Western Australia  
7 October 2006

-We loved staying in this part of Paris. Walking down the windy streets and lapping up the sights and smells of all the cafes. Navigating the metro (even after we caught the motor show, the new Audi wouldn't fit in the suitcase!). The gourmet section of Galeries LaFayette is also not to be missed. We are heading further south now but would love to be back in this delightful 'rooftop vista' once again in years to come.

Louise - Cardiff, Wales, UK  
9 October 2006

-This has been a fleeting first trip to Paris and I've crammed a lot into a couple of days, so this apartment has been a welcome refuge: quiet, comfortable and the views are superlative. Will definitely recommend Perfectly Paris. Thank you so much for making my stay so enjoyable.

Reiarts - Uxbridge, Canada  
October 2006

-We were here for a month and it passed like a week. It is a small village, Montmartre...not a city! Speaking our French with the people we met made them all seem friendlier and more helpful...they will even correct you. The metro will take you within 2 blocks of any place in the city. We highly recommend Musée Branly...it is a unique experience. The beauty of Rooftop Vista is the view...with the Sacre Coeur always looking over you. Compact, yet efficient little kitchen, nice neighbors, great bed, what else would one need? Just to sit down and look out the window with a glass of wine is awesome!

Ramsess & Sandra - Los Angeles, CA, USA  
14 November 2006

-My, my how Montmartre has changed in almost 100 years and yet it still has the feeling of a simple, uncluttered life for us. Being able to find unbelievable food, whether at a boulangerie, patisserie, fromagerie, or restaurant within steps of our Rooftop Vista is not of this century! Same goes for the accessibility of all of Paris via the metro virtually at our feet and the Sacre Coeur with her very special charm day and night gave us a glimpse of what Heaven must be like!

Danica, Danisha & Darren - Singapore  
8 December, 2006

-The house is comfortable for us. In fact, the first thing we did when we reached it was to sleep. There's a great view from all the windows. The bread from the bakery on the opposite corner is great! Especially the croissants. Strolling on the streets, traveling by the metro, all these let us mingle with the people and see what Paris is really about. Oh and Nataliya was friendly giving us the tour of the house. Thanks!

Jasmin, Sergio & Maribel  
13 December 2006

-Merci beaucoup Nataliya and Gail! We had a wonderful stay at your beautiful apartment!

Gerard & Margaret - UK  
12 January 2007

-Thanks Gail for another successful weekend. Le Durer Restaurant around the corner is the best. Nice couple running it, food is fabulous. Great way to spend your anniversary (30<sup>th</sup>). The accommodation was perfect as usual and the bed is far too comfortable. Hope to see you again.

Matt - Melbourne, AU  
2 April 2007

-Well, what can a first time in Paris add to the fantastic words already written in this book? Only that everyone with a spare afternoon should spend it at La Fourmi at the end of rue des Martyrs - a very Parisian way to spend some time! Big thanks to Gail and Nataliya at Perfectly Paris for all their assistance over the past few days. Next time I'm here, I'd like to think that Rooftop Vista will be available.

Arun & Lakshmi - Lansdale, PA, USA  
9 April 2007

Thank you for the wonderful apartment we had a lovely stay in Paris. Enjoyed the neighborhood, the lovely restaurants and the boulangerie recommended by you! We are looking forward to coming back to Paris and staying at Rooftop Vista again.

Nancy, Tom & Kelly – Seattle, WA, USA  
14 April 2007

-There is really nothing to add except we loved it too! The evening walks in the neighborhood in the beautiful weather were incroyable. We loved the great access via metro to everywhere we wanted to go – especially the Pompidou Center, Musee d'Orsay and the L'Orangerie. The jazzy musicians playing by the metro were great and we went to see them again at Club K – free music while enjoying dinner outside. The only thing bad about Rooftop Vista is leaving it!

Mariza & Murrough – Bisbane & Dublin via London  
24 April 2007

-This is our sixth time in Paris together and it's been the most special yet. This beautiful apartment with its stunning views has played no small part in that. Many thanks for making everything so smooth and we look forward to coming back here again.

P.S. The wine was a lovely touch.

K.S. Storey – Saudi Arabia  
3 May 2007

-What a fantastic view! This is our first time in Paris, so we have no comparison; but I can't imagine accommodations more cozy and lovely. This apartment was perfect for us. It is close to the bars and the metro, as well as settled in the heart of historic Montmartre. The nice wine upon arrival was a welcomed and pleasant surprise. Our first visit to Paris was truly great and this apartment gave us the feeling and the comfort of home.

Fred & Pat- NC, USA  
6 June 2007

-Pat and Fred were here – “same time next year scenario...” We loved the apartment, the view, and the neighborhood! And each other. Thanks Gail and Nataliya.

“I love Paris – why oh why do I love Paris? Because my love is here.”

The Jones – Conway, Arkansas  
18 June 2007

-We had a wonderful stay at Rooftop Vista. We loved the views of the city and of Sacre Coeur, especially at night (very late this time of year). We enjoyed the feel of the neighborhood and being in a spot that did not feel touristy. We followed the recommendation earlier in this book and had a very nice dinner at Le Durer. Thank you for providing a lovely setting for us to meet up with our daughter who is spending a summer of her college here in Orleans.

Gitte K  
2 July 2007

-Dearest Gail and Nataliya! Thank you for a wonderful stay in this apartment which has become my Paris home from now on! I shall we back next year, count on that! To guests: remember to watch TV2 “Telematin” each morning: there are weather forecasts at 6:30, 6:50, 7:20, 7:50, 8:20, 8:50. There is a very good internet café on place des Abbesses; small but cheap and efficient. 5 hours for 10 euros and you can “stamp it out” as you want.

Miriam, Fred & Sonia Alexander and Dominica Mercurio  
Monterey, CA, USA  
6 July 2007

-This apartment was so great, near enough to anything that you'd need to have but not in the middle of the big city. It was peaceful and exciting. Even though it was for only 4 nights, we felt as though we were at home. The bed in the bedroom is in the most comfortable we've experienced on our month long European trip. The French TV is entertaining, especially if you don't speak French, so make sure you watch it. We left some pasta and cheese so make yourself some pasta. We left some dish soap, too, so you can clean up after yourself. The Louvre is amazing, but don't plan your visit for a Tuesday, it's closed.

Marion & Steve – Vancouver, BC, Canada  
9 July 2007

-What a lovely apartment! This was a great place to return to after enjoying the city... a space worthy of matching the beauty outside its doors. Our 4<sup>th</sup> visit to Paris, but first here, we found the space to be wonderful, bed brilliant and kitchen surprisingly well organized for those who love to cook. Thanks!

David & Ursula – Scotland & Peru  
14 July 2007

-A great place from which to enjoy the city. We'll definitely be back.

Rob – Langley, BC, Canada  
21 July 2007

-Our 3<sup>rd</sup> visit to Paris and what a great little place! Took advantage of the carte orange and got around a lot. So much so close here in Montmartre. Ate at both Le Durer around the corner and Le Basilic (better inside). It a Monet/Impressionist fan, don't miss Musée Marmottan – Claude Monet (Metro La Murette) great neighborhood, too. Of course we loved the views and the breezes. Looking forward to our next visit – oh yes – today was the 1<sup>st</sup> day of Paris Plage – worth checking out (until August 19<sup>th</sup>). Loved the espresso machine.

The Roberts – Ottawa, Canada  
26 July 2007

-We had a wonderful time in Paris. The second time (the first time being 20 years ago) has certainly been the best. Sleeping with the windows open is certainly a great idea to get fresh air at night. Thanks Gail for all of your good advice. We will definitely be back to Paris (before another 20 years expires). Dinner at Il Duca was a real treat, highly recommended. Also a visit to Chateau de Versailles was fabulous booking a tour is highly recommended as you will get in much easier. Thanks for everything.

The Wroe Family – Manchester, UK  
4 August 2007

-We had a great time Paris! Very tired feet. Two day bus hopper ticket is a must for seeing all the major sights of Paris. Thank you Gail for all your help and advice. Invaluable!

Jane, Pete & Jess - UK  
17 August 2007

-We enjoyed your apartment very much, location and comfort, excellent. Table in the kitchen is too wobbly, but not enough to spoil our stay. P.S. The Japanese restaurant, Naoko, nearby is excellent value for your money and really nice food and service.

Tim, Sarah & Honor – Suffolk, England  
25 August 2007

-This is the best trip to Paris yet! The apartment was a major factor in this. We wanted for nothing except more energy. Thank you for all your help Gail, I'm sure we will be back in the future.

Roberta, Tim & Anthony Morris – Adelaide, South Australia  
22 September 2007

-What a quaint apartment with a fantastic view- Sacre Coeur, rooftops, chimney pots and down rue des Martyrs. Stroll along rue Lepic and rue des Abbesses for wonderful food shops. A great place to have a base in Paris!

Alan & Angela – Sydney, Australia  
29 September 2007

-Our second apartment with Gail and PerfectlyParis. We are happy to recommend PP to anyone visiting Paris. Loved it here with the great views, weather wasn't kind but we were very cozy in this apartment. Merci Gail!

Carlos & Patricia – New York, USA  
11 October 2007

-We have finally reached our final hours in our Parisian vacation, and I am reluctant to go quietly. This has been our first European vacation and we had a great time. It felt surreal to walk in the streets of Montmartre. I felt as if I had stepped into the many pictures of Paris that I had seen prior to my arrival. The food was wonderful, the people were great and I had a great experience. We felt that Rooftop Vista was a perfect home away from home. It had more than I expected and I felt very comfortable. We had the most magnificent views of Sacre Coeur and it is very romantic to sit by the window at night watching its glow, while drinking some wine next to the one you love. I will certainly come back.

Gail, you are great and I appreciate all your help and advice. We will talk about soon.

Roz & Peter – Australia  
21 November 2007

-Great apartment. Great location. Couldn't ask for more.

Michael, Desiree & Anthony de Courcy – Auckland, New Zealand  
8 December 2007

-Magnifique! La vue, la cuisine et la village! We had a wonderful week's stay, thank you. It was one of the highlights of our grand sabbatique: 7 months in France. We thought 'le Basilic' (33 rue Lepic) was outstanding – great food and good value for money. The walking tour of Montmartre (as described in Gail's booklet) was marvelous – 10:30 Wednesday, starting at Abbesses metro. Peter was our guide, clearly he loved the job. We found that by walking, where possible, rather than using the metro, we developed a good sense of Paris layout. We hope you enjoy the apartment and Montmartre as much as we did!!

P.S. If the lift won't move off the 6<sup>th</sup> floor, once you are in and have pushed the "0" button, do a little jump and the doors will full close and voila!

Jane & Emma – Lancashire – England  
29 December 2007

-We were 4. We had a wonderful time here at Rooftop Vista. A superb spot from which to explore all of Paris in all its variety. The immediate area is a lovely mix of street culture and bourgeois gentrification. The bar 'Le Carillon' just a few doors down is welcoming, 'scruffy' and has a great mix of people including

Charles-Antoine the tramp/poet who is not as scary as he may at first seem. We recommend 'Le Lapin Agile' nightclub on rue des Saules as an example of what entertainment was like 100 years ago. We did midnight mass at Sacré Coeur on Christmas Eve – recommend for the pure theatre of it.

Sue & John Ureda – South Carolina, USA  
3 January 2008

-Paris has been wonderful. We loved the apartment – wonderful in terms of comfort and location. We loved Montmartre! Some wonderful restaurants: La Braisière (54 rue Cardinet): New Years Eve 9 courses, expensive and wonderful (in Frommers). Songe (Ile St. Louis) : wonderful late lunch. Mai Thai (in the Marais) : awesome Thai lunch. Epicerie Fine (34, rue Montmartre): another great lunch. Great food, great sites, loved Paris. Thank you Nataliya for being so understanding our first day! We were very jet lagged!

Gerard & Margaret Ritchie – England  
16 January 2008

-Thank you once again for helping us to enjoy our anniversary. Montmartre is a wonderful spot and is helping us to decide on finally moving to "La Belle France".

Tamsin – UK  
4 February 2008

-Had a beautiful stay in the beautiful apartment – will definitely be using PerfectlyParis again! Fantastic location; who can argue with waking up next to the Sacré Coeur!

Kelly Durham & Dave Whitney – Atlanta, Georgia, US  
5 March 2008

-It's the end of our trip to Paris and I don't want to leave! Spent most of our time wandering the streets of Montmartre. Don't miss the cemeteries – particularly Pere Lachaise and Montmartre, and be sure to get a fresh baguette from Coquelicot in the evening. Oh, and if you have time, visit the Musée de Montmartre for a bit of neighborhood history – it's very charming (although Dave was bored by it).

Carol & Gene – Tipp City, Ohio, USA  
12 March 2008

-Our daughter and son in law having visited many wonderful countries in Europe for a month in 2007, felt it was time for my husband and I to have this added adventure to our travel list, as well. She and her husband enjoyed Paris in 2007 and felt we would, also. This is truly right, I and my husband "Love Paris". The apartment vista was as perfect a setting as anyone could want what a lovely place to stay here our first and not our last in Paris. Love the boulangerie, cafés, quaint shops and wonderful people living here. I felt it gave us the feel of the Paris we all love and hope to experience when we visited.

Tammy & Zach – Houston, TX, USA  
14 March 2008

-This was my husband and I's second trip to Paris (within 1 year!). I loved this apartment! It has made us never want to stay at a hotel again. We enjoyed becoming a local. Whenever we travel we want to experience a typical day. This was Perfect. Gail and Preston were wonderful, professional, timely, seamless. We enjoyed the Italian food below us on the corner. It doesn't look as elegant and romantic as other places, but the food was great. Some wonderful shopping throughout the neighborhood. We did find the metro stop Pigalle was more user friendly than Abbesses. We came with my parents and they were thrilled to be here! We hope to visit again and stay here!

Erik & Sonya Luchauer – Knoxville, TN, USA  
20 March 2008

-Our first trip to Paris has been amazing. This apartment was just perfect – exactly what we needed. After long days of walking (and climbing stairs!) it was so nice to come home to this cozy rooftop vista. Loved the view. Make sure to walk up to the Sacré Coeur at night for beautiful views of the city lights. We met some lovely people and have had the best experience we could have hoped for. (Well, I guess the weather could have been better – it's been cold and rainy). Even so, it's been amazing. Thank you Gail and Preston for your kind service – so helpful! We hope to be back. Our recommendations: best baguette and bowl of coffee: Coquelicot. Dinner: Café Havannah (Mediterranean) I think it was in the Latin Quarter. The Orsay – best museum. Have a lovely stay, thanks again.

Antoinette & Samantha – Portland, OR, USA  
28 March 2008

-We are sitting at the dining table one last time drinking tea from the pretty tea service and eating yet another wonderful French pastry. These have been some of my favorite times in the apartment. It has served as such a delightful retreat from the hectic pace of sightseeing. I could not be more grateful for the exquisite views. It is well worth the early wake up to see the sun rise over the rooftops. The apartment has every convenience – we greatly appreciated the Wireless internet that allowed us to send photos and news home. Gail was great when we blew a fuse with our chargers and the overall experience was sublime from the apartment to the city itself

Bruce & Lawana Hinton & Debbie Oliver – South Carolina, USA  
6 March 2008

-We have thoroughly enjoyed our visit to Paris. Staying in your flat has us spoiled. We've been coming to Paris for 20 years, now we know a better way to visit. The cafés, shops and streets are wonderful. Of course, the views are breathtaking. Sacré Coeur is my favorite cathedral in Paris. Everything is very convenient in the flat and area. The salads at Le Basilic are great. The walking tour of Montmartre is worth every step. Suggest taking the bus tour if first time in Paris. A wonderful time was had by all.

The Harrisons – Calgary, Canada  
10 April 2008

-Thank you for a cozy respite from our explorations of this amazing city! What a great place to call home – for a short while – too short a while. We loved it!

Mary & Ken Jelly – Ontario  
16 May 2008

-We loved the apartment. The views were awesome and the breeze through them was much appreciated as there has been a heat wave here during our entire stay. Thanks for everything.

Crystal & Stephen Morris – Ottawa, Ontario, Canada  
30 May 2008

-A magnificent start to our honeymoon and month in Europe. We have felt Montmartre and the Rooftop Vista to be our home since the day we arrived. The personal welcome, bottle of Champagne to celebrate our recent wedding, spectacular views, relaxing songs of the birds, musicians at local restaurants and convenience of everything nearby has made the start of our trip relaxing and comfortable.

We have enjoyed Montmartre for many reasons, but our favourites include:

-Bistro l'Epicurien on rue Lepic – highly recommended for a full meal.  
-Coquelicot – although there are many boulangiers in the area (we tried 8) this is by far - with the freshest baguette traditionnelle – the best.

- Le Temps des Cerises – by far the best and most reasonably priced place to buy art in Montmartre. There are a variety of styles and delicious café while you wait.
- Delicious crepes (my favourite meal of the trip) located on rue Lepic as it merges into Abbesses.

Tips for Paris:

- Eiffel Tower at night done at the end of your trip to get a bird's eye view of the places you have seen.
- Take the metro – it can get you everywhere.
- Ice cream at Berthillon on l'Île de St. Louis
- Chocolate chaud at Cocoa et Chocolat on l'Île de St. Louis – pure melted chocolate in a cup
- An interesting underground adventure at the catacombs
- Renting bikes (Fat Tire Bike Tours) on Sunday when streets by the Seine and many throughout Paris are closed
- A breathtaking, relaxing visit to Jardin de Luxembourg
- Walking throughout Le Marais – and falafels at L'As du Fallafel.

We hope that those to follow are able to create as many memories as we have. A perfect beginning to our lives together. Thank you PerfectlyParis!

Jason & Linda – Guelph & Mississauga, Canada  
30 May 2008

-Enjoy, slowly, walk, embrace and never forget you're in Paris. Every district's so different, but you'll think of Montmartre as home. None are to be missed. Wine, bread, cheese in the shadow of the Eiffel Tower or anywhere for that matter is a must. Take the metro, the bus, bike, boat and feet (hope you brought great shoes!). Museums are incredible. "The Thinker" at Musée Rodin is not to be missed. We found the museum pass very worthwhile. Of course a cruise on the Seine is a must. So much to see and it's all so worth it. Thank you so much for a trip a lifetime and a perfect way to celebrate turning "40" and celebrate our love.

Jennifer & Peggy Field & Emily Benson (age 9) – Cleveland, OH, USA  
11 June 2008

-We had a great time here. There are five extra children's metro tickets, there is a salon across the street, the Sacré Coeur was worth walking to and is a beautiful sight from here. We filled the sugar bowl and left some groceries in the fridge. The bed is really comfy. Hope you enjoy your stay as much as we did.

Tim & Signe Wendt – Destin, Florida, USA  
13 July 2008

-One of my favorite experiences was a market tour/cooking class with Eric at Cooknwithclass [www.cooknwithclass.com](http://www.cooknwithclass.com). He was very informative and fun! Also if you do Versailles, get the passport at the RER station and save yourself hours in line. The catacombs were very interesting but not for the fainthearted. The Rick Steves tour book has great tours of Pere Lachaise and Bus 69 was interesting. We had wonderful North African food at Le Targui 01.42.55.16.85. Have fun! Happy Bastille Day!

Linda & Earl Backman – Boulder, CO, USA  
20 July 2008

-What a wondrous experience here in Montmartre. We simply loved the feel of a village here. Gail and Preston you are wonderful people who allow non-Parisians to have the most comfortable time. The moon out the window last night made me speechless. It's hard to go wrong with any restaurant – we'll return.

Kayler & Lauren – Seattle, WA, USA  
3 August 2008

-This apartment and surrounding neighborhood were absolutely wonderful! Our first night we decided to stay in and cook our own meal and enjoy the views after shopping at a couple of grocery stores a few blocks down, an activity we strongly recommend! We enjoyed: walking up to Sacré Coeur at night. The

area around Montmartre (touristy but a fun walk). Sleeping in – let yourself relax. Bike tour of the city. Find an open air market (each district is required to have two per week!) and take time to sit at a café and observe. We had a great time in Paris and wish we could have stayed in this apartment longer! Also, play the CD of French music in the CD player. Thanks Gail and Preston!

Lindsay & Chris – Florida  
6 September 2008

-What a wonderful honeymoon. Today was our last day and we both had our hair done “French” at Franck Provost on Lepic. The past week we have been all over Paris. The metro is very good; make sure you buy orange tickets if you plan to stay for more than three days. We are very happy with the apartment. This is my first time out of the States and my wife tells me this is a very good apartment, and I agree. Tonight we ran into some American college students on the metro. The French don’t shout at each other like we do. Yes, Americans are loud! Anyway, we had a great time. Thanks for Gail and Preston (for showing us the apartment). And thanks to Gail for the Champagne. Versailles is a must do! Beautiful. Also, the Musée d’Orsay has wonderful works by Van Gogh, Degas, Manet, Renoir, etc. Take the funicular to Sacré Coeur, much easier than the stairs. Try not to be overwhelmed by the Louvre, it is huge. Go to the Musée Erotica (sex history museum) in Pigalle if time. Try bread from Coquelicot on Abbesses. There’s great butter in the fridge Have fun! Go see the Eiffel Tower at night!

Ian & Trish Maroney – Adelaide, South Australia  
23 September 2008

-Arrived late – weary in Montmartre to discover a wonderful little apartment with fabulous views. We read a number of journal visitor comments and took note of the many suggestions, over the days, we tried some and discovered many ourselves. We adore our accommodation and it’s close by village feel, and thank you Gail for its amenities and the pleasant surprise of the bottle of Bordeaux Superieur waiting for us on arrival. Parisians have a city to be very proud of with its history, churches, museums, underground along with fabulous food. We also recommend the patisserie/boulangerie on the corner to the night when exiting the building. To all who may visit after us, do not miss the Sacré Coeur and its views along with the numerous other normal tourist venues; it is a marvelous city, friendly and helpful. Gail, thank you once again for a wonderful home for the last seven days. We would love to return one day but until then, au revoir and bonne chance.

Maureen & Nadine – Canada  
23 September 2008

-After walking the Chemin de St. Jacques for 9 days from Le Puy en Velay to Conques (197 km), we were ready for some r&r! Unfortunately, our trip was cut short by a day so we didn’t get to eat, shop and sightsee as much as we would have liked. Loved the area with all it has to offer and did the walking tour. Very impressed with the apartment and its awesome views. Everything you need to make it feel like home. Next year we will walk again on the Chemin and just may return for a longer stay.

Susan, Kamal, Daisy & Matilda – Canberra, Australia via Solomon Islands  
11 October 2008

-Thanks for a great two weeks in this lovely apartment. We stayed long enough to establish a local and enjoyed the food and boissons. Montmartre is a terrific base but anywhere was convenient to get to. Highlights were the food fair last night around Sacré Coeur, and the baked goodies every morning. Two weeks wasn’t long enough so we’ll be back sometime in the future, with or without the kids (Daisy and Matilde really loved staying here and discovering Paris).

Delia & Owen Mace – Adelaide, Australia  
17 October 2008

-Once again, PerfectlyParis is perfectly Paris. What a wonderful and delightful discovery of the village of Montmartre. The “Paris Walks” was great and highly recommended for discovering the village. Love the

baguette d'Antin from the boulangerie at about 12 rue des Abbesses. Sunday in Montmartre – a wonderful scene of people just enjoying themselves.

Tracey Schofield – Perth, Western Australia  
23 October 2008

-Tres beau, magnificent, brilliant and perfect – it's the only way – an apartment through PerfectlyParis in Montmartre. From beginning to end – thank you for the opportunity to discover Montmartre in comfort and style – until next time, merci beaucoup.

Alison – Sydney, Australia  
17 November 2008

-Dear Gail and team, I have loved my cosy apartment with its views of Sacré Coeur and the lights of Paris. Apartment from Paris and all its beauty and history, this cosy home away from home has its own wonderful original artwork by Ittai. Thank you, I have enjoyed your talent enormously. Also, the personal touches of the apartment such as the lovely soap and a well stocked kitchen! Kind regards.

Robyn & Terry – Perth, WA, Australia  
29 November 2008

-Thank you for the experience of exploring Montmartre day and night. The apartment is fantastic and I will be recommending it to my friends. Many good restaurants but would recommend the Japanese on rue des Abbesses around the corner.

Lucy & Steve – England  
6 December 2008

-Our aim in Paris was simple: celebrate the recovery from recent illness and sightsee a little. We got more than we expected in so many ways! Rooftop Vista is, as everyone has said, a home from home and we have felt so comfortable here, several evenings we couldn't drag ourselves from our cosy retreat! Gail was so helpful every step of the way and Preston gave a faultless and friendly introduction – for once I was speechless, he answered every possible question! The apartment couldn't be in a better location, the streets around are perfect to explore and the shops are distracting – in a good way! We second Coquelicot for bread and pastries. Thanks Gail, Preston and of course Ittai for allowing us the use of your lovely apartment. We wish it were ours! Here's to next time and the million and one things we already have on our to do/must see list!

Kathy & Brandon – Oakland, CA, USA  
1 January 2009

-Happy New Year! Our time here in Paris was wonderful and staying here in this charming place made Paris even more special. The apartment was well equipped with everything we needed. The view of Sacré Coeur at night was beautiful. The neighbors we ran into were very friendly. We were close to the metro, restaurants, cafes, boulangeries, and shops. We could definitely return and recommend it to others. Thank you Gail for answering all of our questions prior to our visit. Thank you Preston for meeting us here and showing us the place.

Rick, Dawn & Collin – West Australia  
10 January 2009

-Our 3<sup>rd</sup> visit to Paris, our best location for accommodation so far. Easy to go out at night. Recommend Le Sancerre Bar (sit at the bar for cheap drinks). Also, bar/café at bottom left side is good. Best time for best art gallery (Musée d'Orsay) Thursday night – not busy. Don't bother with the Mona Lisa at the Louvre – too many people taking too many photos. Hard to leave this lovely apartment sometimes. Thanks to Preston for meeting us walking up the street as we were two hours late! Next time we make the trip from Oz, we'll be calling you Gail! All the best.

Joanne  
4 February 2009

-Had a wonderful time here at the Rooftop Vista. Such a beautiful area and lovely time of here. We couldn't draw the Sacré Coeur either but we can quote Adam Ant, "Young Parisians are so French, they're all like Patty Smith."

Mike and Sue – Preston, Lancashire, UK  
12 March 2009

-We loved the apartment, we loved Montmartre. We have had a great time exploring and got a feel for Paris. Thank you for your welcome, Preston – (home from home!), the apartment had everything we need, plus excellent views. We enjoyed listening to the singing at Sacre Coeur at 9.30 PM at the church itself. We would like to return in so much here to see and do.

Maria and Hans – Vienna, Austria  
22 March 2009

-The first visit to Paris -everything was wonderful! We're not the kind of tourists who want to see "everything" within a few days – strolling through the city watching, breathing in and trying to get as much from the typical atmosphere as possible. (Of course we did a lot of sightseeing, too). If we come back, there should be no other place to "live" than Montmartre! The apartment was really nice and everything you need is here. While I am writing these lines, I can here the bells of Sacre Coeur. What a wonderful Sunday morning. Thanks so much "PerfectlyParis".

Heidi and Freddy – Houston, TX, USA  
25 March 2009

-Wonderful stay in Paris – Rooftop Vista is worth every sacrifice of space once you look out the window and see the awesome view – even more spectacular at night. Everything is so close by. Thanks Gail and Preston, you guys are awesome. We will do this again.

Charlie and Jean – Los Angeles, USA  
25 March 2009

-Heidi expressed my thoughts. But, being more task oriented I have a suggestion: at first opportunity, get a "Paris Tourist" map at a metro information booth. It shows many exciting places to visit and how to get there. In 5 days we did an amazing amount of sightseeing and learning. Enjoy the neighborhood.

Marcia and Albert – MD, USA  
14 April 2009

-We had a wonderful time and plan to visit once more. Place was quaint and homey. Love the fact that our week was spent with beautiful people.

Laura and Niall – London, UK  
4 May 2009

-This is a lovely apartment and perfectly located for some of Paris's most beautiful sights. Recommend Le Relais Gascon just around the corner on Rue des Abbesses for a good evening meal. I wish we would could have stayed longer, but we will definitely be back. Thanks Gail and Preston for answering all our questions and making our stay so easy.

Deb and Sean – Melbourne, Australia  
15 May 2009

-We are so pleased we made the decision to stay in Montmartre for our week in Paris, and even more so than we used "PerfectlyParis". Gail has been so helpful and Preston was a welcome friendly face when we

arrived! The apartment is gorgeous, the location amazing and we would definitely come here again. Thank you.

Shannon and Adam – Virginia, USA  
28 May 2009

-This apartment feels so much like home for us that it's both sad to leave but okay at the same time because I know we'll be staying in it again. Watching 'Lost' with the windows open or sitting by the windows at night with a glass of wine...any of it, all of it, it was simply sublime.

Christy, Drew, Nathan – Canada  
2 June 2009

-We loved Montmartre. This was the perfect location for us. Only a short walk to everywhere you want to be. We took the metro down to Concorde station, got out and walked through the park to the Louvre – our son (3 years) loved the carousel, and especially enjoyed pushing his own yacht across the pond. We then walked up to the Pond des Arts, over the Seine, up and to the Pont Neuf, to walk back to the Ile de la Cite. Lovely! Gail, we “Goolged” how to use the espresso machine – maybe a printout would be handy for future “newbees”! The boulangerie on the corner (across) has lovely mini croissants. At the bottom of the hill (des Martyrs) near Pigalle, almost right beside McDonalds, we enjoyed the cafe au lait for only 1.50 Euros. We hate to leave but will be back as soon as possible.

Marj and Lizzy – USA  
5 June 2009

-My daughter Lizzy and I loved the apartment – amazing views and light. Thank you for having everything so well arranged and easy. It worked out perfectly and we hope to return.

Linda, Andrew and Michelle – USA  
18 July 2009

-Our thanks to the Rosenbaums for the use of this very special place, and to Gail and Preston for their efforts. We had a wonderful time. My son from the Peace Corps in Ukraine, my future daughter in law from Chicago, IL and me from Detroit, MI all converged to spent a magical week in Montmartre. The boulangerie across the street was not open during our stay, but one was close by (a right out the door, right at the corner, and up ½ block and you'll find the Post Office (which has ATMs by the way). A hint from those of us who learned the hard way – if you just want a drink, or dessert, only use the tables outside a brasserie or restaurant. If you go inside, each person is expected to order a meal. We had this experience on our arrival at the corner pizza place while waiting to get into this lovely Rooftop Vista.

Tim, Erin, Michael and Emily – Peace River, Alberta, Canada  
23 July 2009

-We enjoyed our stay here and wished we could have stayed longer. We had really hot weather which was a nice change from our usual summer weather in Northern Alberta, Canada. We also like the boulagerie up the road (although the kids thought the pain au chocolat had more chocolate inside when they had them Quebec City in Canada!), but they suffered through it! The bureau de change up the road (rue Yvonne le Tac) gave the best rates on our Canadian dollars. We wish we would have found it sooner! We didn't have any negative experiences and would love to come again. Well, it's off to rainy England, to visit some more with my husband's family.

Carljen and Martin – Belair, South Australia  
31 July 2009

-A wonderful spot, thank you Owen and Delva Mace for recommending. We used our metro visitor tickets and tried to see as much of the sights as possible. Tour Eiffel was a favourite – especially at night. We enjoyed the local restaurants – often better value than the bars and cafes. And the local shops had some sweet accessories (bijoux...). The sale at the store next door means I will return to Australia with a stylish

reminder of my time here. Spotting the Mercedes McLaren out front at the Ritz was a highlight for Martin - see the photos on our Facebook sight. Sunny days and long, balmy evenings meant we could get the most from our daily journeys but we still didn't see everything on the list that Owen prepared for us. A great apartment with terrific views – we hope to return.

Donna, Andrew, Coral and Amber – Shropshire, England  
25 August 2009

-Thanks for such a warm and helpful welcome. We found this charming apartment to be in a perfect location to explore Paris. The museum pass is good but watch out some of the smaller galleries don't accept it. The 'Paris Visit' for a family is great to hop on and off the metro. We will miss Paris and of course the wonderful views.

Richard and Carolyn – Arizona, USA  
21 September 2009

-What a wonderful place! Rooftop Vista is truly PerfectlyParis! We can't say enough good things about our 24 days here. The views of Sacre Coeur, Central Paris, and all the Rooftop pots changing with their shadows is like living inside artworks of Montmartre! Montmartre is the most interesting and alive area of Paris, all you have to do is open your window and drink it all in. Yet if you want the noise to go away, just close the windows. The floor plan is perfect for a couple. Because of the views it feels much larger. If one wants to sleep, the other stay up, you can close off sections so not to bother the other. Thank you Gail for forming PerfectlyParis. Thanks Emily for showing us how everything works. And thank you Mr. Rosenbaum for letting others stay in your awesome apartment! I'm sure we'll return!

Kay and Tony – Bedford, UK  
17 October 2009

-Another brilliant two weeks in Paris, and the best views. This apartment is ideal and we would like to come back. Thank you Preston for your help.

Alex and Anna- NYC/Brooklyn, USA  
24 October 2009

-We had a wonderful week in Paris. Thank you to the apt, the neighborhood, the metro and the people.

Nick and Clare – London, UK  
29 October 2009

-Very comfortable flat, great views and a relaxed and enjoyable location.

Mac and Beverly MacDonald – Ottawa, Canada  
18 November 2009

-A wonderful trip – very different from the student trips of 1968 followed by many trips during the 1970s – 1990s on our own and with young children. So enjoyed being a part of a real neighborhood and having the luxury of being grounded in such a lovely home away from home after a day of exploring the city. We shall return.

P.S. To all the Australians that enjoyed this space: we enjoy our February/March with you as our daughter and son-in-law live there.