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Paris in 2 Days from Edinburgh

Ryanair, French Theory, Louvre, Tuileries, Arc de Triomphe, Eiffel Tower and real costs.

2 days	About £120 pp	Ryanair	2 days
TRIP	BUDGET	DURATION	GUIDE

What this guide includes

Actual or planned costs, a readable day-by-day itinerary, practical food and accommodation notes, and public transport station pairs where available.

Important: Historical costs are budgeting references. Verify current prices, route numbers, opening times and entry rules before travel.

Budget and transport

Expense	Cost per person
Ryanair Edinburgh ↔ Paris Beauvais return flight	£43
French Theory — half of £70 room for two	£35
Beauvais-area train connection into Paris	£12
Paris day transport pass	£10
Louvre Museum — pre-booked online	£8
Souvenirs	£6
Food + instant coffee	Brought from home
Bus from Paris back to Beauvais Airport	€7
Recorded spend	£114 + €7

Bus, train, tram and ferry route card

Mode	Service	Board at	Get down at	Approx. fare	Note
Train	RER B	Charles de Gaulle Airport	Châtelet–Les Halles or Gare du Nord	Airport ticket about €13	Choose the interchange closest to the accommodation; airport route depends on the flight airport.
Metro	Line 1	Central Line 1 station	Palais Royal–Musée du Louvre	Metro-Train-RER ticket about €2.50	For the Louvre and Tuileries.
Metro	Line 1	Palais Royal–Musée du Louvre	Charles de Gaulle–Étoile	About €2.50	For the Arc de Triomphe.
Metro	Line 6	Charles de Gaulle–Étoile	Trocadéro	About €2.50	For the classic Eiffel Tower viewpoint.

Checked October 2026: confirm live schedules and disruptions in the official operator planner.

Day-by-day itinerary and practical notes

Our real 2-day Paris budget itinerary from Edinburgh, with exact costs for flights, hotel, transport, the Louvre and souvenirs — plus the choices that kept the trip around £120 per person.

Prices are historical rather than live quotations. Use them as a budgeting reference and verify current fares, entry fees and booking conditions before travelling.

Can you do Paris for two days on a budget?

Yes. Our actual trip cost was about £120 per person. That covered return flights from Edinburgh, one hotel night, local transport, Louvre entry and souvenirs. We kept the total low by travelling with small bags, walking between nearby sights and bringing some food and instant coffee from home.

This is a first-hand historical budget, not a promise of today’s price. Use it as a planning benchmark, then check live fares and accommodation before booking.

Paris is often treated as an expensive weekend destination, but our trip was built around a very cheap flight, one well-located overnight stay, a city transport pass, lots of walking and food brought from home. We still saw the places that mattered to us rather than trying to squeeze in every paid attraction.

Can you do Paris for about £120 per person?

Yes. Our completed two-day trip cost £114 plus €7 per person. That covered return flights from Edinburgh, one shared hotel night, airport and city transport, the Louvre and souvenirs. We walked between several central sights and brought food from home.

Our real Paris budget

How to replicate this trip

Our prices are historical, so the goal is not to find the exact same £43 flight or £70 room. The better approach is to recreate the same cost structure: cheap transport, one well-located night, one or two paid highlights, lots of walking and tight control over food spending.

Paris Beauvais can produce very low fares, but add the airport transfer before deciding whether the route is genuinely cheap.

We stayed at French Theory in the Latin Quarter. A central location helped us walk more and keep the trip compact.

We paid for the Louvre, viewed the Eiffel Tower from outside and benefited from special-event free entry at the Arc de Triomphe.

Compare Paris tickets with Tiqets

Check current admission options, inclusions and cancellation terms before adding a paid attraction to your budget.

Compare the Paris Go City pass

Compare the pass price with the individual admission costs for only the attractions you genuinely plan to visit.

Before you travel

Reconfirm every fare, stop, timetable, visa or entry requirement, baggage rule and food-import restriction with the responsible provider.