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Prince de Galles Paris, France



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Room from **£441** per night

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1 room, 2 adults, 0 children

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Telegraph expert rating

"Art Deco to the core, five-star Prince de Galles is a très belle artistic ode to 1920s Paris. Original floor mosaics in the exotic courtyard garden and rooms fashioned by contemporary French designer Pierre-Yves Rochon sparkle like new. Gastronomic dining is with one of the city's few female Michelin-starred chefs."

Telegraph Review



By Nicola Williams, travel critic

8/10 Location

Right next door to the iconic George V palace hotel (two brothers ran the neighbouring hotels in the 1920s) in the high-end designer 9e arrondissement. The big-name megastores and haute couture fashion boutiques of the Champs-Élysées and avenue Montaigne in the Golden Triangle are a five-minute walk, and the Arc de Triomphe is the closest blockbuster sight. Metro station George V (line 1) is next door.



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Style & character

The Prince of Wales (named after the future Edward VIII before he met American divorcee Wallis Simpson) is part of Starwood Hotels & Resorts' Luxury Collection, but feels firmly Parisian. The hotel opened in 1929 as a showcase of Art Deco, its smart streamlined interiors ditching the frouncy frills of Art Nouveau to create one of Paris' most modern hotels frequented by Winston Churchill, Marlene Dietrich, Laurel and Hardy et al.

Polished and glam, its fully renovated interiors drip with Saint Laurent black marble, fabrics by Pierre Frey and Zimmer + Rohde, breathtaking chandeliers and wall sconces custom-made from 1929 drawings by Maison Delisle. Eye-catching black-and-white prints of photographs shot by Vogue in the 1920s waltz guests through retro French fashion.



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Service & facilities

Impeccable, although the disappointingly functional laundry bag, sewing kit and shoeshine cloth left on the bed at turndown felt far too humdrum for such a pampering address. The basement cocoons a well-equipped fitness room and intimate Wellness Suite for two with private steam room and candle-lit treatments signed off by Parisian masseur extraordinaire Olivier Lecocq; manicures and pedicures are exclusively in-room. Nothing is too much trouble for the multi-staffed concierge desk: theatre tickets, a limousine, taxis, city tours, you name it.

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Rooms

The eight floors ensnare 115 rooms and 44 suites, ranging in size from average to penthouse with 360-degree skyline panorama. Wall mirrors make clever use of space and customised desk, generous fitted cupboards and sleek coffee table are crafted in a deliciously rich and glossy Macassar ebony evocative of 1920s Paris. Pale taupe walls and drapes offset the occasional vivid orange, soft jade or sapphire accent. Every room has a coffee machine and complimentary water; Sony PlayStation and Bose speaker are a feature of suites. Gleaming marble bathrooms sport potted orchid, beautiful wall mosaics and floral-scented Christian Lacroix courtesy products.

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Food & drink

Breakfast is served in gastronomic restaurant La Scène, a bold contemporary space by Belgian designer Bruno Borriane with stark-white marble tables, white leather armchairs and marble open kitchen draped in sparkling glass. The continental buffet includes delicious pastries by star pastry chef Nicolas Pacielle; pricier petit dej menus feature eggs cooked to order and Laurent Perrier champagne.

Michelin-starred female chef Stéphanie Le Quellac blends seasonal southern flavours to exquisite precision in her modern French show kitchen; dinner Monday to Saturday, four to six-course tasting menu €125/£110 and €185/£162). Champagne-fuelled Sunday brunch (€115/£100) is served in both La Scène and casual Les Heures in the bar. English afternoon tea (from €52/£45) entices a ladies-in-posh-hats set and is at its best in summer when the hotel's palm tree-clad patio garden comes into its own – the original floor mosaics here are stunning.

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Value for money

Double rooms from €650 (£569) in low season; and from €850 (£744) in high. Breakfast excluded, costs from €38 (£33). Free Wi-Fi.

Access for guests with disabilities?

Yes, five rooms are adapted for wheelchairs.

Family-friendly?

Double rooms interconnect and parents can purchase a designer rucksack filled with gourmet afternoon snacks (€48/£42) for their chic young travellers.

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