



## GUEST COMMENTS

*Comments submitted to online independent guestbook site.*

*Below the chrono per flat:*

### **1. LESCOT: penthouse 1 bedroom (Marais/Les Halles)**

Dear Paul,

This flat was heavenly. The location is perfect! You cannot be more central in Paris, while the building is quiet and secure.

Also we felt "on top of the world" with such pretty views on Paris sights and square below. We were very comfortable also thanks to luxuries like a modern bathroom, internet, flat-screen tv-dvd etc. We won't hesitate to recommend your flat to anyone. Hopefully back in the near future.

*-Tim Murphy, New York*

I had a wonderful time staying in this very roomy and attractive flat for a week - it is a great combination of old world charm, such as the exposed brickwork and the view of the rooftops of Paris and Sacre Coeur, and modern conveniences, such as the elevator and air conditioning. The latter was particularly helpful since I stayed during one of the hottest weeks of the summer and couldn't have slept without it. The location is also excellent, near a major Metro and RER line and walking distance to many stores, bars, restaurants and attractions. I particularly recommend the nearby Fortress of St. Jean Sans Peur, which gives a fascinating insight into Paris' forgotten medieval history as a walled city.

Hosts Paul and Hamid are always happy to provide assistance and suggestions on places to visit and things to do. Anyone staying for more than one or two days will find it far more comfortable than a cramped hotel room.

*-Bruce , Miami, Florida (brucehb@hotmail.com)*

Great location on a pedestrian only street. Next to Metro, RER and walk to Louvre, Notre Dame. Four restaraunts right outside. Roomy, slept a family of four and air conditioned. Paul was very helpful. We will stay here again!! Thanks.

*-Norval Prakash, California (norprakash@aol.com) Tel 925 736 4605*

This is a very comfortable, clean apartment in a convenient location. Right next to a RER station. Up the escalators to Lescot, turn left, and you are there. If you arrive via Orly airport use a cab as Paul recommends. De Gaulle is an easy connection via RER "B" with escalators to get to the street. The apartment is clean and my wife who has a nose sensitive to these things, said it even smelled clean. The bed is comfy.

Many places to choose from for dining. If you are tired there are several just outside the door. On a couple of nights we enjoyed the neighborhood around St. Severin church. Lots of choices and lots of people. We would stay here again.

*-Glenn & phyllis (obytheway@hotmail.com)*

I travel to Paris on business frequently. I have stayed in the flat a couple of times and it has always been expectional. The location is excellent with easy access to all parts of Paris either by foot or by metro. Paulus is a great host and ensures that everything is just right.

*-Mark, Atlanta, GA (taz4dmw@aol.com)*

We just spent 3 days at Paul's Lescot apartment. Nothing but good things to say about it. Great locatioon, quiet and secure. We will stay there again next time in Paris. Very convenient to Charles De Gaulle Airport via RER.

*-Olivier, Maureen&Amelia Onorato, Mystic CT (oyo4max@hotmail.com) Tel-860-536-4404*

## **2. STUART: large studio (Montorgueil)**

Dear Paul

We enjoyed our stay in Paris and want to thank you. You have a beautiful rental unit in a very convenient location. We look forward to seeing you again.

*-Kuni Yoshioka, San Francisco, California*

Hi Paul,

I have met many people along the way who ask me if I enjoyed Paris and I always remember fondly the time at your beautiful studio and your hospitality. Thank you for such a lovely beginning to my holiday.

I will recommend your studio to anyone who asks; and I will come and stay with you again on my next trip to Europe (not sure when that will be but hopefully not to long!)

Thanks again, hope you are both well.

*-Grant Mathews, Perth, Australia (grantmathews1@telstra.com)*

"hello Paul,

I have many great things to say about the studio: first, I did not realize until after the trip how valuable as a mother of a toddler, how valuable being on a pedestrian street is! There is something so special about the white stone tiles to me! and of course I enjoyed all the shopping, atms, and eating so near by. One evening, I left the baby sleeping and went right next door to terrace for drinks and smokes and snacks and left the studio window open in case she woke up and screamed...she did not. I loved the bathroom the best and all the different lighting. We'll be back.

*-Linda Akemine, San Francisco*

Paul,

This was the best vacation of our adult life! The studio and the location next to Rue Montorgueil were the reason. I hope all of your guests get to meet the cheerful bread/croissant girl at the shop where Marie Stuart opens onto the market street, the butcher near the top of the street with the best duck pate on earth, meet the wine guy across from there, have a café at Compass as you watch the world walk by, buy fresh flowers, eat dinner at either of the "Pigz" places and at my favorite, Bourgoigne. We had a wonderful time and appreciate you and Hamid as great hosts. We will definitely be back and always stay your place.

*-Robert & Christina Romero, Dallas, TX (rromero@airmail.net)*

Cher Paul and Hamid,

I am writing belatedly to thank you for your hospitality and the lovely studio apartment we recently rented. The location could not have been better--quiet and private, but a half block from the heart of the hip Montorgueil area. We loved the convenience of having dozens of shops and food purveyors within 3 blocks. I've never had better French bread than from the outdoor stand at the intersection with our street. ...The apartment itself was very suitable for the 2 of us. We could easily put together breakfast, tea or a meal with the little kitchen area. And the remodelled bathroom was terrific--best plumbing I've seen in Europe. As two women we are always safety conscious and felt completely safe in the apartment and immediate area both day and night. [...]

*-Teresa Roberts & Mimi Leahy, Granger, Indiana (Trgranger@aol.com)*

Paul,

Your Marie Stuart studio was a fantastic place to stay. The location was so convenient to public transit and we could walk to so many of the major sights. We loved Montorgueil with all the wonderful shops and great people watching. And being on a pedestrian street was an added pleasure.

The studio itself was very comfortable for the three of us. The bathroom was gorgeous and having internet access made it so convenient for us to stay in touch.

On top of all that, your hospitality and willingness to help made things so much easier. I don't know how we could have retrieved Katie's lost bag without your help. If we return to Paris, we will certainly look you up again.

*-Sue, Scott, & Katie Simkover, Lake Tahoe, CA (suesim@pacbell.net)*

Paul and Hamid,

We didn't get a chance to write in your book, but we enjoyed the apartment a lot! both of you were very gracious and made us comfortable right off the bat! After staying in hotels for the first 2 weeks of our vacation it was nice to settle into a place that was a good substitute for home. It was very comfortable, felt like our new home away from home. The location was terrific with all the shopping and restaurants nearby! The bed was comfortable, the bathroom terrific and the quiet street made it great for sleeping. Although it wasn't as hot as the rest our trip in Europe, it was nice to have the air conditioner for about a half hour during a couple of the evenings just to cool the place off after our day of touring. We would definitely stay with you again and will recommend it to any friends who might be coming your way!

*David and James, San Francisco California, USA (Davidspeyer1@mac.com)*

### **3. 1 and a half bedroom in beautiful Town House (Marais)**

Hello Paul,

We had a wonderful time. This is such a GREAT location. Everything was so comfortable and handy in the apartment. We love Paris so much, we'll be back soon! Thanks for the hospitality.

*-Catherine Ratelle, Las Vegas (Nevada) (SCRATELLE@aol.com)*

This was the BEST apartment! Perfect location with great bakeries, shops, and restaurants practically right outside the door. But just inside the apartment complex was our own private world--beautifully decorated, very quiet and peaceful. The bed was unusually comfortable and there was enough room for 3 adults, and 2 children. Plus... Paul and Hamid were very attentive to our needs and a great resource for what to do in Paris. Our experience couldn't have been better. We'll never stay anywhere else.

*-Sue Maberry, Los Angeles, CA (maberry@otis.edu)*

What a great place! I just got back from a wonderful stay at this apartment and would recommend it to anyone who wants a luxury stay for a great price. The area is great, Paul is a big help and the apartment is very quite.

*-Jane Fiedler, Chicago, IL*

Paris apartments are conventionally advertised as "calm et clair", but are rarely both. Pleasant exception here. Big floor-to-ceiling windows in LR, BR, bath, and office area open to a tranquil interior courtyard. Other unusual features (for France): good bed, goodsized bathroom with big counters and good lighting, washer and dryer that actually wash and dry. Apartment is fitted out with everything you'd expect in a well-appointed hotel suite: good appliances, internet, even a safe, which we managed to lock by mistake but never used since the building is more secure than the Banque de France. Lively area. Reasonable restaurants, lots of young people, gay and straight. Charming and attentive owners. [..]

*-John & Norah Crawford, Tiburon, California (nelliott1@aol.com)*

*-415-435-9347*

Dear Paul,

How CENTRAL to museums and Parisian life can you get? [..] High quality bathroom and bed, many comfort features of the living room. I especially liked the convenience of having all-day connection to high-speed internet and english movie channels to watch. Looking forward to being back soon. *Fred M. O., New York*