

Connection PARIS DU NORD – PARIS DE LYON

TRAVEL TIME: 60 minutes
COSTS: € 1.60 one-way

Paris du Nord – Paris de Lyon (outward journey)

- To travel to Paris de Lyon you will need to take a RER city trains. Metro tickets (which are also valid on the RER) can be purchased in the Thalys buffet-cars (carriages 4, 14, 24). Price per person, one-way: €1.60. We advise you to purchase your metro ticket on board Thalys, as the ticket desks at Paris Gare du Nord can be really busy and there is no price difference. But, be quick, availability is limited.
- Walk to the end of the platform to the main hall when you arrive at Paris du Nord station.
- Follow the RER (M) signs and take the stairs down.
- Continue to follow the RER signs when you get to the bottom of the stairs. When the signs start indicating line names, follow the RER (D) line (green line).
- Go through the gates (hang on to your metro ticket) and follow the signs RER (D2) (D4) in the direction of Melun, Malesherbes. You will be taking two escalators down.
- Hanging above the platform you will find TV screens which indicate the final destination of the train which is about to arrive. You will also see big signs which indicate all the intermediate stops. On this sign a yellow light lights up to the left of all the station names where the arriving train will stop.
- Take the train to the second stop (travel time approx. 10 minutes): 'Gare de Lyon'. All trains travelling to Melun, Malesherbes will stop at this station.
- Use your metro ticket to open the gates.
- Follow the signs: 'Sortie, Gare SNCF – TGV – Grandes Lignes'. You will have to go up two floors to get to the main hall.
- This station is split in two. In the central hall the trains depart from platforms A to N. These are indicated on the message boards with blue. The platforms 5 to 23 are found all the way to one side of the hall (on the side of platform A). These are indicated on the message boards with yellow. At first only the colour (blue or yellow) will be assigned to departing trains on the message boards and TV screens. The platform number from which your connecting train will depart will be announced 20 minutes before departure.
- As the trains are long, please keep in mind that it may take you five to ten minutes to walk the length of the platform to your carriage.
- Keep your train ticket ready for inspection just before boarding the train.

Paris de Lyon – Paris du Nord (return trip)

- Walk to the end of the platform to the main hall when you arrive at Paris de Lyon station.
- Follow the signs RER.
- When the signs start indicating line names, follow the RER (D) line (green line).
- Go through the gates (hang on to your metro ticket) and follow the signs RER (D1) in the directions of Orry la Ville – Coye. You will be taking two escalators down.
- Hanging above the platform you will find TV screens which indicate the final destination of the train which is about to arrive. You will also see big signs which indicate all the intermediate stops. On this sign a yellow light lights up to the left of all the station names where the arriving train will stop.
- Take the train to the second stop (travel time approx. 10 minutes): 'Gare du Nord'. All trains travelling to Orry la Ville - Coye will stop at this station.
- Use your metro ticket to open the gates.
- Follow the signs 'Grandes Lignes' and 'Thalys' until you get to the main hall.
- Thalys trains usually depart from platforms 7, 8 or 9. The specific platform will be announced 20 minutes before departure on the message board in the main hall and on the TV screens on the platforms.
- As the trains are long, please keep in mind that it may take you five to ten minutes to walk the length of the platform to your carriage.
- Keep your Thalys train ticket ready for inspection just before boarding the train.

More information about Paris Gare de Lyon

Paris Gare de Lyon is the departure and arrival station for:

- TGV trains to the southeast of France and the French Alps
- TGV trains to Lausanne, Bern, Brig and Geneva (Switzerland)
- TGV trains to Torino and Milano (Italy)
- Teoz and other day trains to and from Clermont Ferrand

For more information on the facilities, shops and restaurants at Gare de Lyon:

<http://www.gares-en-mouvement.com/gare.php?gare=frply>

<http://www.artesia.eu/ressources/files/Plan de la gare de Lyon.pdf>

PDF Map of Paris Gare du North:

http://www.railteam.co.uk/media/pdf/station-maps/station-map_paris-nord_en.pdf

PDF Map of Paris Gare de Lyon:

http://www.railteam.co.uk/media/pdf/station-maps/MAP_Paris-Lyon_En.pdf

Minimum time needed to transfer from Paris North to Paris de Lyon = 1 hour!