

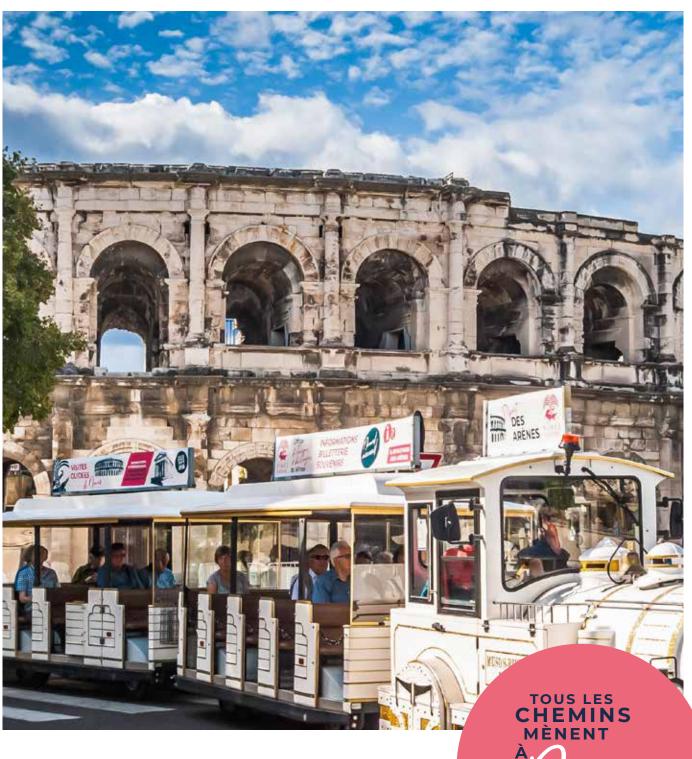
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Nîmes, essentials

Morning

Arrival in Nîmes around 10:00 am.

Discovery of the Museum of Romanity with your

Opened in 2018, and designed by Elizabeth de Portzamparc, this new 9,200 m2 archaeological museum. This structure consisting of 6,708 glass tiles similar to mosaic gives the whole a very light drapery effect that brings to mind a Roman toga.

Facing the Arena, it invites the visitor to live a unique experience for a journey through time and the history of Nîmes, from the 7th century BC to the Middle Ages, with a very innovative museography and an immersive scenography (augmented reality and monumental audiovisual technologies...)

12:30-02:00 pm Lunch in the city centre.

Afternoon

Hear about Nîmes' history comfortably seated on board of our little tourist train, a beautiful commented journey around town and its emblematic monuments and buildings.

It lasts about 45 minutes.



This price includes:

- 1 guide for 3H (from Monday to Saturday)
- 1 entrance to the Musée de la Romanité
- 1 lunch includes 1 starter 1 main course - 1 dessert - 1/4 wine or 1 soda and 1 coffee per person · the tour with the little train





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Nîmes, tea time in the heart of the city

During the afternoon, discover the treasures of Nîmes and have a tea break in an historical place in the city:

Choice 1

Accompanied by your guide, discover the historic center, its main monuments (Les Arènes, Maison Carrée, Tour Magne), its squares, fountains and charming Mediterranean al-

Choice 2

Discover the hidden treasures of the city to which only our guides have access: private mansions!

Enter the courtyards of these prestigious urban residences which reflect the art of living and building in Nîmes from the 16th to 18th centuries, where spectacular staircases will reveal themselves before your eyes.

For your tea break, choose your location:

on a terrace overlooking the square of the

- · Maison Carrée, the most beautiful Roman Temple in existence
- in front of the majestic Roman Amphitheatre
- in a green haven in the heart of the Jardins de la Fontaine
- · in the privacy of one of the charming squares in the historic center.



This price includes:

- 1 guide for 3H (from Monday to Saturday, 2h of visit + 1h of tea
- tea time, on the menu:
- 1 coffee or tea (or soda) or hot cho-
- 1 pastry or pastry shop









For the most curious, we can book your tickets to the monuments (Arena, Square House, Tour Magne).



Nîmes, Poman

From the best-preserved Amphitheatre in the Roman world to the **Tour Magne overlooking the Jardins** de la Fontaine, get to know our emblematic monuments that have survived two millennia.

Morning

Meet up with your guide to visit the main monuments, starting with the Arènes, the Roman Amphitheatre dating from the 1st century A.D.

Going up the Boulevard Victor Hugo, you will discover the Maison Carrée, the main temple of the City dedicated to the son and grandson of the Emperor Augustus; inside this temple, watch the film that traces the history of Nîmes through a Roman family.

Continue your tour through the Jardins de la Fontaine, created in 1745, under Louis XV, sheltering the Temple de Diane in the lower part and at its summit you will discover the Tour Magne, the highest and the most prestigious tower of the Roman city, offering a breathtaking panorama of the city.

Lunch in the city-centre.

Afternoon

Tour of the Musée de la Romanité. Its opening in June 2018 was a major event.

Appreciate its contemporary architecture. The

This price includes:

- 1 guide for 8H max (from Monday to Saturday)
- entrances (Arènes, Maison Carrée et Tour Magne) - Entrances to the Musée de la Romanité
- 1 lunch includes 1 starter 1 main course - 1 dessert - 1/4 wine or 1 soda and 1 coffee per person









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Nîmes, from Antiquity to present

Like Roman buildings and mansions, contemporary architecture is part of the Nîmes lifestyle. Discover how the works of international architects and plastic artists fit into a two-thousand-year-old city.

Morning

Through an urban journey, your guide will show you how Nîmes has always integrated its ancient heritage into everyday life. Decorations, colonnades or arches borrowed from Roman architecture, urban routes and landscapes shaped around its extraordinarily well preserved monuments, make Nîmes a city with an exceptional character.

For Lunch at La Table Du 2, ideally located on the 1st floor of the Museum of Romanity, offering a breathtaking sight of the best-preserved Roman amphitheater in the world. The Chef Franck Putelat is the mastermind behind the gourmet menu.

Afternoon

The works of contemporary artists and architects leave their footprints and renew the city. From the Place d'Assas designed by Martial Raysse to the Carrée d'Art Jean Bousquet, by Norman Foster, not to mention the Musée de la Romanité designed by Elizabeth de Portzamparc, this new-generation archaeological museum with its unique façade covered with glass, subtly suggests Roman mosaics, some of which are



This price includes

- 1 guide for 8H max (from Monday to Saturday)
- 1 lunch includes 1 starter 1 main course - 1 dessert, 1 glass of your choice (wine, beer...) and 1 coffee per person













Nîmes, the water and le Pont du Gard: « the aqueduct of Nimes »

Running water was a distinctive feature of the ancient Roman city. Intended for domestic use and playing a role in places of worship, hydraulic developments combined the useful with the pleasant, channelling and showcasing water.

Morning

This day dedicated to water starts with your guide at the Castellum Divisorium, an extremely rare vestige built in the middle of the 1st century A.D., that served as the point of arrival of water from the Pont du Gard, the roman aqueduct, to Nîmes, with the city's water supply. Then, from the Jardins de la Fontaine to the Musée du Vieux Nîmes, water was of primordial importance in the history of the textile industry.

It is linked to the cotton twill fabric, the ancestor of denim, which Levi-Strauss used to cut his first jeans.

Lunch in te city-centre.

Afternoon



This price includes:

- 1 guide for 8H max (from Monday to Saturday) – entrances to the musee du vieux Nimes entrances to the Pont du Gard
- 1 lunch includes 1 starter 1 main course - 1 dessert - 1/4 wine and 1 coffee per person











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Nîmes, gournet wak

Your guide will accompany you to discover the «gourmet places of the city» through a tour in the historic center of Nîmes.

Through squares and fountains, the Arena and the Maison Carrée, the Museum of Romanity and le Carrée d'Art, the visit will be punctuated by stops in front of the appetizing windows of the city's emblematic shops, offering local specialities that will awaken your taste buds.

Obligatory visit: the Halles de Nîmes!

The gastronomic heart and life of the city, more than 12 locally branded products are on offer throughout the stalls. From the brandade of Nîmes to the picholine olive, from the tapenade to the small Nîmes pâté, without forgetting the Costières de Nîmes wines, the flavours of Nîmes will conquer gourmets!

Cherry on the cake, a gourmet aperitif prepared especially for you by the Halles stalls.



This price includes:

- 1 guide 3H package (Tuesday to Saturday, only in the morning)
- · gourmet aperitif prepared by the
- stalls of Les Halles





25 people



Nîmes, the treasure Hunt

Discover the emblematic places of the city of Nîmes.

In teams of 4 or 5, search for the treasures of Nîmes by solving riddles & clues.

The final will be held in an emblematic place in the historic center. Your guide will then tell you about the rich history of Nîmes.



- This price includes:
- 3H guide (Monday to Saturday)
- · the treasure hunt booklet, gifts







Nîmes, the Little Tourist Train

Comfortably seated aboard our little tourist train, you can listen to the story of Nîmes.

Morning

A guided tour of about 45 minutes. An excellent introduction to discover the history of the city and its main monuments, before exploring the wealth of our heritage.

Lunch in the city-centre.



Available from april to may

this price includes:

• the tour with the little train

• 1 lunch includes 1 starter 1 main course - 1 dessert - 1/4 wine or 1 soda and 1 coffee per person











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italian



Nîmes, guided tour: 2020 rates



Any service exceeding 4 hours in the same day will automatically be considered as a full day and will be charged 366€ (up to 8 hours).

- Rates for groups up to 35 persons. 9€ per extra person, 40 persons max.

Does not concern the visit of the "hôtels particuliers".

- 25% extra charge on sundays & 100% for public holidays
- Extra hour: 60 €
- Guide's lunch to be taken over by the group or paid 18€
- Extra charge for guide's transfer if the visit doesn't start or end in Nîmes
- Cancellations should be sent by mail or e-mail (guides@nimes-tourisme.com)
- No refunds for cancellation within 48 hours before the scheduled tour: the entire service will be due

Languages spoken by tour guides : (no additional fees for foreign languages)







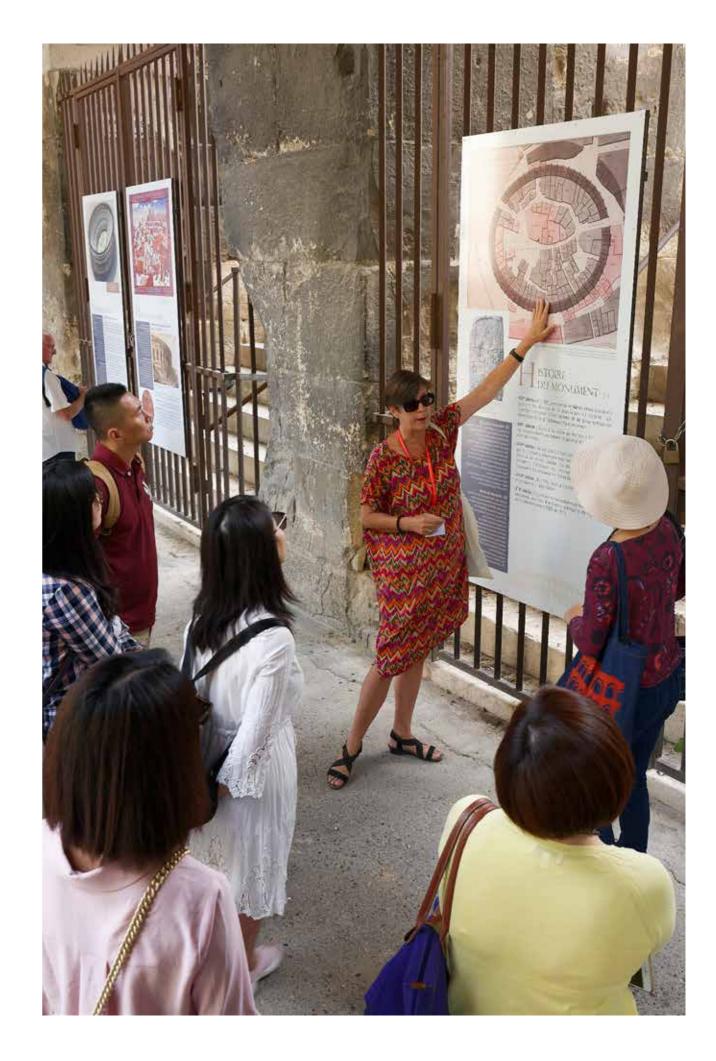




PAYMENT:

Payment before arrival of the group or directly to the guide before the tour.

Payment accepted: bank transfer, international money order, euro cash, visa card at the tourist board.





Nîmes, at the gate of Provence

Provence, with its traditions and colours is part of the soul of Nîmes. This extra day includes a visit to Avignon and views of Van Gogh's landscapes.

Morning

Leave by coach for Avignon.

Capital of Christianity in the Middle Ages, Avignon has maintained the history of its exceptional heritage, a large part of which is inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. Accompanied by our guide, you will visit the Palais des Papes and the Rocher de Doms, then you'll still have time to discover the treasures of the historic city-centre.

Lunch in the city-centre of Avignon.

Afternoon

You have always wanted to visit Baux-de-Provence in the heart of the Alpilles. Our quide will take you to discover its château and its keep, unique testimonies of its medieval history, offering an exceptional panoramic view of Camargue and the City of Arles. Excursion through the heart of the town.



This price includes

- 1 guide for 8H max (from Monday to Saturday)
- entrances to Palais des Papes entrances to the chateau des Baux de Provence
- 1 lunch includes 1 starter 1 main course - 1 dessert - 1/4 wine or 1 soda and 1 coffee per person









Nîmes, la Camarque

When visiting Nîmes, add a trip to the end of the world, where landscapes, sky and sea meet and mingle. Pleasure is guaranteed in the Camargue.

Morning

Leave by coach for Saint-Gilles.

Discover the Abbey and its superb façade whose construction was completed in the 15th century and is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site as part of the Santiago de Compostela Pilgrims'

At the end of the morning, set off for Aigues-Mortes, a fortified city built by Saint-Louis to provide the Kingdom of France with a port on the Mediterranean.

Lunch in the city-centre.

Afternoon

Visit the Tour de Constance, a testimony of resistance for Protestants around the world. Stroll on the ramparts.

Tour the salt marshes of Aigues-Mortes on board the Little Tourist Train.



• 1 guide for 8H max (from Monday to Saturday) - entrances to Abbatiale de Saint Gilles - entrances to the tour de Constance

and Ramparts in Aigues Mortes - 1 tour salt marshes in Aigues Mortes - 1 lunch includes 1 starter 1 main course - 1 dessert - 1/4 wine or 1 soda and 1 coffee









This price includes





Nîmes, daughter of Cevennes

The history of the Cévennes is closely linked to that of Nîmes and the people of Nîmes. The mythical landscapes of the area that is both wild and fashioned by man, never fail to fascinate visitors. It is a marked and astonishing parenthesis between nature and civilisation.

Morning

Set off by coach for Anduze.

During the trip your guide will evoke the Protestant roots of the city of Nîmes and the role of the Cévennes in the history of Protestantism and silkworm farming.

Guided tour and free time in the Prafrance Bambouseraie, a giant bamboo forest of over 34 hectares created over 150 years ago.

Lunch nearby.

Afternoon

Get on board the authentic «Cévennes Steam Train» to discover the beautiful scenery of the Gardon Valley.

At the end of the afternoon, visit the Museum of the Cevenol Valleys, located in an old spinning mill. The well-paced museography offers libraries and curiosity cabinets full of



This price includes

- 1 guide for 8H max (from Monday to Saturday) - entrances to the Bambouseraie de Prafrance
- 1 tour with the stream train
- · entrances to the Musée des Vallée cévenoles - 1 lunch includes 1 starter 1 main course - 1 dessert - 1/4 wine or 1 soda and 1 coffee per person









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Nîmes, between the grapevines and the ofive trees

The Costières de Nîmes vineyards already existed in Roman times and olive trees have always been part of the Nîmes countryside. This day of visits takes you to the very heart of the Mediterranean identity of Nîmes.

Morning

Departure by bus to Saint-Gilles. Discovery of an olive grove of more than 10,000 organic olive trees and tasting.

The climate and soil of a region constitute a biotope that determines the adaptation of vegetation. Each olive growing area offers a dominant variety of olives where it gives the best of itself.... The Picholine has thus chosen its territory in the Nîmes basin.

Nîmes olive oil has been classified as PDO since 2004 and Nîmes olive since 2006.

Lunch nearby.

Afternoon

Set off for a "Costières de Nîmes" wine estate labelled AOC since 1986, of the vineyards of the Rhone Valley.

Tour and tasting.



This price includes: • 1 guide 8 hrs maximum from (Monday to Saturday)-

- 1 lunch includes 1 starter 1 main course - 1 dessert - 1/4 wine and 1 coffee per person
- · wine tastings











Nîmes, City Pass

The Nîmes CITYPASS has been designed to make your visit as easy as possible.

It is a tailor-made offer including all our sites from the Arena to the Musée de la Romanité and the Pont du Gard.

The Nîmes CITYPASS allows you to discover the entire cultural offer and tourist services through a single medium, at a special rate. It is offered for 2-day, 4-day or 7-day periods.

It includes access to the following sites or services:

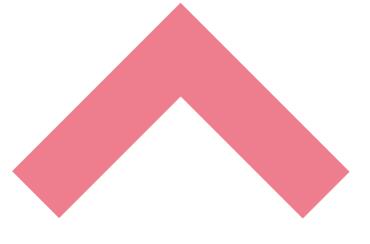
- 3 Roman monuments of Nîmes (Arena, Maison Carrée, Tour Magne),
- Museum of Romanesque,
- Carré d'Art Museum of Contemporary Art
- Fine Arts Museum,
- Museum of Taurine Cultures,
- Museum of Old Nîmes.
- Museum of Natural History,
- A guided visit (offer valid for guided tours of 8€ and according to the calendar) or a journey by little tourist train of Nîmes (excluding during the Férias),
- In its 4 and 7 day versions, access to the Pont du Gard site is also included.

During its validity period, this City Pass gives the right to a single access to each site.





*According to periods and availabilities - more details on nimes-tourisme.com



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Nîmes, Theme visits

Les Hôtels Particuliers

Note the facades and visit the courts of honor of the mansions of the historic center. These prestigious urban homes reflect the art of living and building in Nîmes from the 16th to the 18th century.



Nîmes Sulphurous stories

You will discover the city's ancient places of pleasure and learn about who used to go there! The visit will also reveal the best recipes for ancient aphrodisiacs and other small curiosities... A visit for consenting adults...



Street Art

A new vision of urban art implanted in the heart of the Gambetta and Richelieu neighborhoods, which are boosted thanks to the city's policy and its social actors. In recent years these neighborhoods have been metamorphosed and get new colors. Head in the air, admire the frescoes that are multiplying ... creating a true open-air museum.



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Nîmes, The Great Roman Games

May 1, 2 & 3, 2020

In 2020, the Great Roman Games are celebrating their 10th anniversary! The event is now recognized as the largest historical reconstruction of antiquity in Europe. This year's theme is Julius Caesar, one of the most emblematic characters in the history of Rome.

Arrival by coach on Nimes in the morning and discovery of the city in the heart of the Roman atmosphere.

Activities take place throughout the city: conferences, shows, markets, guided tours, parades, Roman ceremonies and workshops for young and old as well as a large night parade in the city centre.

12:30-2:00 pm: Lunch in a festive atmosphere.

3:30-5:30/6:00 pm: 11th edition of the Great



The price includes · lunch including a starter, 1 main course,1 dessert,1/4 of wine or soda and 1 coffee per person · the show of the great Roman games in category 2







Nîmes, « la boucle Romaine »

Following the Tour of France

During a day and 177 km, live the emotions and experience of the cyclists during the Tour de France 2019.

Day 1

Arrival in Nîmes at the end of the day, get settled at your hotel.

Dinner in your hotel*** which hosted 4 teams from the 2019 Tour de France.

Day 2

Breakfast at your hotel .

10:00 am: Travel on the route used for the 16th stage of the 2019 Tour de France.

12:30-02:00 pm: Lunch break at the Pont du Gard site facing the majestic Roman aqueduct.

02:00 pm: Follow the route through Alès, Uzès, Anduze then back to your hotel Dinner at your hotel and overnight stay.

Day 3



This price includes:

- 2 nights in a 3*** hotel on the outskirts of Nimes in a double room including 2 breakfasts + 2 dinners with drinks and bike parking 1 lunch including drinks on the Pont du Gard site
- · bike rental: contact us



Nîmes', Michelin star chefs

Nîmes offers one of the most beautiful gastronomic experiences in the region, this delicious journey will delight the most discerning gourmet.

Day 1

Settle in to the **5 Star hotel, Maison Albar Hotels L'Imperator** located in the city center. Recently renovated, this urban resort with its many living spaces promises you one of the most mythical stays in the South of France. An invitation to travel accentuated by a 350 m² **«Codage» spa** and an exceptional culinary experience by **Pierre Gagnaire.**

12:30 pm: Lunch at « La Table du 2 », restaurant of the Musée de la Romanité.

Franck Putelat, 2 Star chef, elaborates the menu: from the daily menu to his signature dishes, he revisits the classics of French brasserie food and offers a cuisine renewed every season. Alex Dilling, 2 Star chef in London, signs one of his emblematic dishes, this season.

<u>02:00 pm</u>: Discover the Musée de la Romanité with a guide.

Facing the Arena, it invites the visitor to live a unique experience for a journey through time and the history of Nîmes, from the 7th century BC to the Middle Ages, with a very innovative museography and an immersive scenography.

08:00 pm: Dinner at "Le Duende" restaurant of your 5 Star hotel, Maison Albar Hotels L'Imperator.

Chef Nicolas Fontaine takes control of L'Imperator's kitchens. Disciple of Pierre Gagnaire, he has been collaborating with him for 14 years. It is a real honour for him to become the chef of one of the most beautiful places in his hometown. This new challenge represents the culmination of several years of work and passion.

Day 2

10:00 am: Departure for a guided tour of the private mansions in the city center of Nimes. These prestigious urban residences reflect the art of living and building in Nîmes from the 16th to the 18th century.

<u>12:00 pm</u>: Setting course to Le Pont Du Gard, a roman vestige that used to carry water from the Eure fountain in Uzès towards Nîmes.

Once you are there, an experience that occurs once in a blue moon awaits you: a walkthrough roman wines across the Pont Du Gard. This very wine, timeless, dazzles one with its richness and its aromas.

The tasting will go along with local products such as eggplant caviar or brandade, be followed by a lunch at Les Terrasses: a cuisine that innovates, shakes and questions the established Mediterranean flavors.

Last but not least, some roaming through the local cultural spaces. The on-site museum is the largest multidisciplinary interpretation center in France. Memoire de Garrigues is an open-air 15 hectare museum recounting landscape-defining activities that have existed for 2000 years.

<u>08:00 pm</u>: Choose between two gourmet experiences:

Le Skab, 1 star restaurant, **Alban Barbette** and **Damien Sanchez** welcome you to their gastronomic restaurant SKAB.

Chez Alexandre, a 2-Star restaurant, in the settings of its park, sheltering hundred-year-old trees with Mediterranean essences, over the years Michel Kayser has shaped the restaurant to his own image. He has turned his starred restaurant into a unique place, a reflection of the region and a showroom for local expertise.



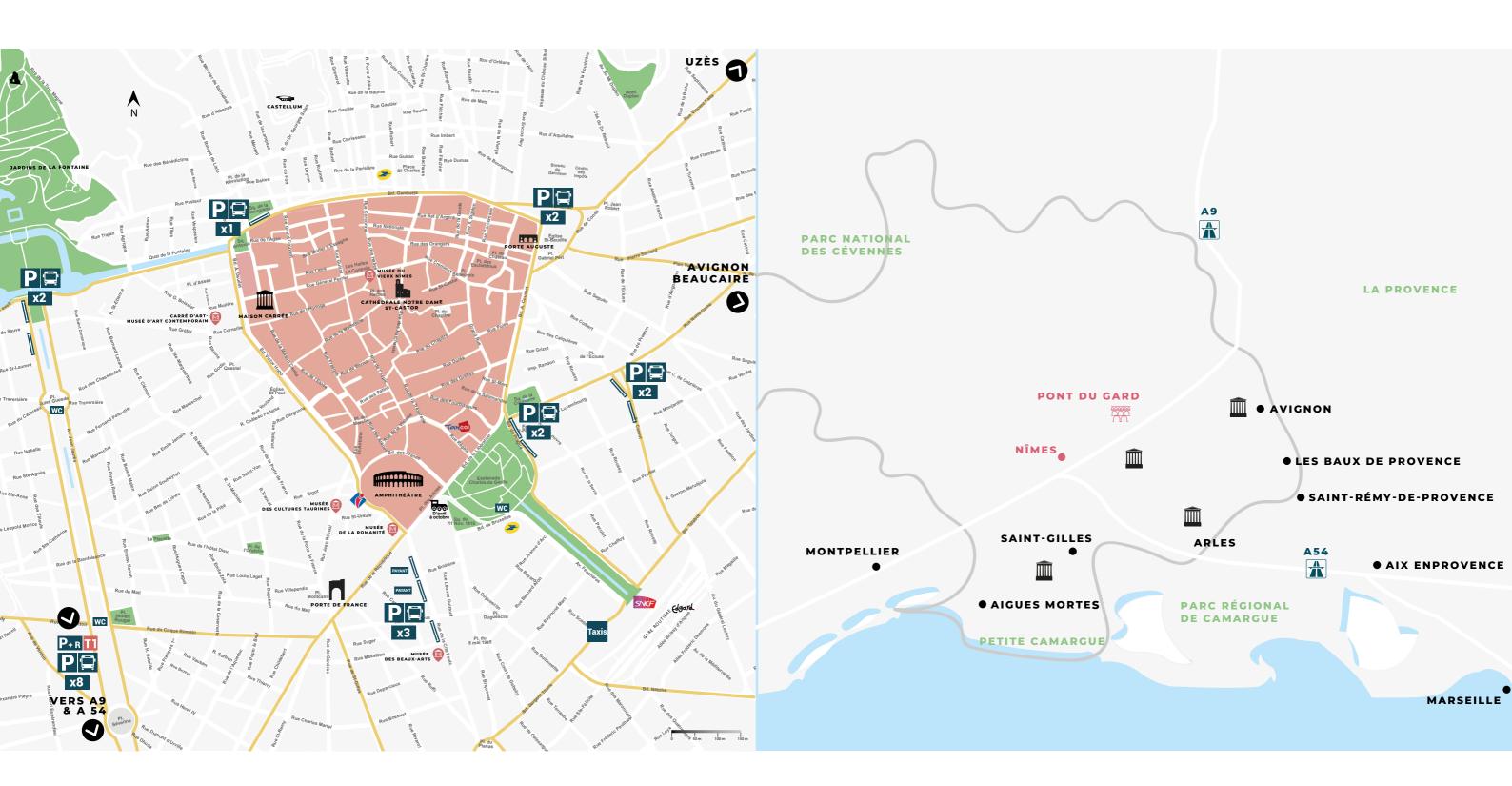


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