Welcome

Marseille, a city that is proud, a city that is of the people, and a city that is truly Olympic. After welcoming the world for the arrival of the Olympic flame on May 8 and 9, our city is getting ready to open its arms once again to welcome visitors for what promises to be an extraordinary summer. By hosting the sailing events, we’ll be showcasing our coastline and sharing it with all those who are passionate about water sports. As for the football matches, they will be an opportunity to bring our legendary Vélodrome stadium to life to the rhythm of the Olympic spirit and its universal values. We are proud to have made Marseille one of the great centres for the Olympic and Paralympic Games in France. We’ve worked hard to ensure we rise to the challenge of once again hosting a major global event, just as we did last year for the visit of Pope Francis and earlier this year with the historic tour de force we organised to welcome the Olympic flame in May. The Olympic Games will be an opportunity for Marseille. An opportunity to get together, to meet new people, and to enjoy an exceptional summer. The vibrant, shared energy of our city will be at its very best, and we’ve designed an Olympic programme that blends perfectly with Marseille’s summer cultural programme – a wide-ranging, festive, and free summer programme – so that every day is a new adventure.

You’ll find all the details in this guide.

Benoît PAYAN
Mayor of Marseille

Marseille will once again be the centre of the world’s attention. Although the opening ceremony of the 2024 Olympic Games will take place on July 26 in Paris, it’s in Marseille that the events of this 33rd Olympiad will officially begin! On May 8, Marseille dazzled the world with its spectacular welcome of the Olympic flame to France, and starting on July 24, Marseille will once again be making history. For the time of the Olympic sailing events, Marseille will offer hundreds of millions of viewers its finest jewel: its coastline, the most beautiful in the world.

While we are proud to welcome the world’s top sailors to our city, we are above all delighted to offer the people of Marseille a unique competition that they will all be able to watch and savour. As a balcony overlooking the sea, the magnificent Corniche coastal road will provide the best possible vantage point to enjoy the fabulous choreography of sailing vessels.

Together with the Mayor of Marseille, Benoît Payan, we have chosen to make the nautical centre an open, environmentally friendly facility. As soon as the Olympic events are over, the venue will become an open marina, where residents, associations and sailing professionals will be able to enjoy water sports in a truly unique setting.

And that’s not all! Marseille is also hosting ten matches of the men’s and women’s Olympic football tournaments, including two French team matches, two quarterfinals, and two semifinals.

All the conditions are in place to make this a historic two weeks for Marseille and for our country. After four years of hard work, we’re finally there! Together, we will once again make Marseille shine in the eyes of the world.

Samia GHALI
Deputy Mayor for Major Events for the City of Marseille
The Olympic Games in Marseille at a glance

Marseille is the sole venue for the Olympic sailing events and is one of the seven venues selected to host men’s and women’s football matches for the 2024 Olympic Games.
Olympic sailing events
From July 28 to August 8 2024
Marseille Marina

There are 12 days of sailing competitions featuring ten Olympic events, including two mixed events and six sailing categories that can be watched from the Corniche or the Prado beaches. (See map on page 5.)

- Women’s and men’s windsurfing, iQFoil class (new board, never before used at the Olympic Games).
- One-person dinghy (event formerly called the Laser category) for women (ILCA 6 - Laser Radial) and men (ILCA 7 - Laser Radial).
- “Forty-niner”, “49er”, or skiff, men’s and women’s competitions: another type of sailing vessel with sleek lines and wings that can be manoeuvred by two people, this event has become highly popular since it was included at the Sydney Olympics in 2000.
- Kite Foil (Formula Kite), men’s and women’s competitions: kiteboarding is being introduced as an official event at the 2024 Olympics.
- Nacra 17: catamaran with a double hydro foil, mixed event.
- 470: mixed two-person dinghy (new Olympic event).

Tickets for the Olympic sailing events are available for purchase on the official Paris 2024 resale site: https://ticket-resale.paris2024.org/?language=en
Single tickets from €24, no reserved seating, no grandstand in the Marseille Marina.

**LA CORNICHE - BETWEEN CHEMIN DU VALLON DE L’ORIOL AND CHEMIN DU ROUCAS BLANC**
Olympic Football matches
From July 24 to August 6 2024
Marseille Stadium

Marseille will host ten matches, including two quarterfinals and two semifinals (an equal number of men’s and women’s matches).

The men’s Olympic football tournament features 16 teams and 288 athletes. The women’s tournament has 11 teams and 199 athletes. The men’s teams mainly consist of players under the age of 23 (only three older players are allowed). The women’s competition features national teams with no age limit and is the equivalent of a world championship. Marseille is fortunate enough to welcome the United States women’s team, which has won four gold medals in the last seven Olympic Games. The USA will play two group matches in Marseille and, depending on the results, maybe a knockout stage game, too. It’s sure to be a great spectacle!

Tickets are available for Olympic football matches on the official Paris 2024 ticketing website: https://tickets.paris2024.org
Single tickets from €24 for all group matches (except France, from €30). Special offer: €60 for 4 tickets.

CALENDAR OF OLYMPIC FOOTBALL EVENTS IN MARSEILLE

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To enjoy the games together

Enjoy a diverse range of activities from July 24 to August 11, 2024.

Online registration at: www.marseille.fr/jeux-2024 (in French)
CULTURAL OLYMPIAD

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Exhibitions, screenings, shows, interactive workshops... The programme starts in the summer, runs during the Olympic Games, and continues through to September!

Free and accessible for everyone

https://www.marseille.fr/sports-loisirs/jeux-olympiques-et-paralympiques/programmation-olympiade-culturelle (in French)

ACTIVITIES AND INTRODUCTION TO SPORTS/PARASPORTS FOR EVERYONE

• Every day from 10h to 20h, introductory sessions for all kinds of Olympic and local sports: beach soccer, breakdancing, rock climbing, BMX, (para)badminton, wheelchair basketball, water activities, aqua-fitness workshops (ages 4 and up), swimming lessons (ages 6 and up), and even pétanque!

• Every day from 18h to 20h, come to the Ephemeral Garden for introductory sessions in yoga, gentle fitness, tai chi, pilates, Qi gong...

• Monday to Friday, 10h to 16h30, fun and educational workshops for children: game library, arts and crafts activities, and environmental education.

By reservation only (online or on site), limited capacity.
For details of timetables and registration, visit marseille.fr/jeux-2024/club2024 (in French)

EXHIBITIONS IN THE EphemerAL GARDEN

Sportilège
Christian Rizk & Julie Audic
The exhibition features 40 works that were created with an innovative intensive photography approach that resembles painting. The athlete photographed with this technique is no longer identifiable by nationality, gender, or skin colour; these details fade away with the shutter speed, and the notion of competition gives way to gestures and momentum.

#JESUISLÉGITIME
Sport & the people of Marseille
This photography exhibition showcases portraits of sportswomen, allowing them to share their stories and reveal how they built their careers.

Free entry.

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Giant-screen broadcasts or rebroadcasts of Olympic events (rugby, handball, swimming, fencing, track & field finals, etc.), stand-up comedy, karaoke, DJ sets, concerts, themed evenings (urban culture, Marseille life, etc.), and celebrations with Olympic medallists... Let’s enjoy the Olympic Games together under the stars and overlooking the beautiful bay of Marseille!
PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Take the Line 2 (M2) metro to the Rond-Point du Prado stop and then the 19 or 83 bus to get to Club 2024. The metro will open at 5h30 and close at 00h30 every day for the duration of the Olympic Games. Buses 19 and 83 will run more frequently from July 24 to August 8.

HOW TO GET TO CLUB 2024?

- Park-and-ride
  During the Olympic Games, the city’s park-and-ride facilities will be open to everyone:
  www.rtm.fr/parking-relais

- Green transport options
  From July 24 to August 11, the City of Marseille is providing free guarded parking for private bicycles and scooters near the two Olympic venues. Each of parking area has 200 spaces. Limited capacity. Online booking recommended (site in French):
  www.cyclope.cool/stationnement/epreuves-olympiques-de-2024-a-marseille

  Practical information:
  - Parking near the Marina: Allée Borely every day from 9h to 23h from July 24 to August 11.
  - Parking near the Marseille Stadium: Rond-Point du Prado on match days from 13h to midnight (July 24, 25, 27, 28, 30 & 31 and August 2, 3, 5 & 6).

- Access for people with reduced mobility (PRM), wheelchair users (PFR), and people with disabilities (PSH) to the Olympic venues and CLUB 2024
  The Marseille Marina, the Marseille Stadium, and CLUB 2024 are fully accessible (PRM, PFR & PSH).

- Free parking for people dropping off wheelchair users:
  STADIUM: the entire P5 car park can be accessed via the Impasse de la Ola
  MARINA & CLUB 2024: P3 parking - Marseille Huveaune - EFFIA
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MARSEILLES WELCOMES
THE OLYMPIC FLAME
The information in this document is subject to change.

Find the latest programme of festivities, all the details you need to help you organise your visit (traffic, parking), and answers to all your questions at:

www.marseille.fr/jeux-2024