

# PARIS ILLUMINATED

## La Ville Lumière – The City of Light

Peter Hendrie

Paris, with its wide avenues and neo-classical façades, stands today as a leading business and cultural centre, its influence on design, media, fashion, science and the arts all contributing to its status as one of the world's major cities.

Its buildings, from the Louvre to the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame to the Arc de Triomphe, Sacre-Coeur to the Madeleine, are among the most iconic on the planet. And yet familiar as they are in daylight, at night they take on a different and at times wholly unexpected character. Rivers of light pour from their doorways, cascades of colour tumble from their windows, boulevards are transformed into shining seas of movement. Facets of the city which are obscure in the daytime gain a pin-sharp brightness after dark. And a city renowned for being the 'City of Love' becomes even more romantic bathed in the glow of a million man-made stars.

Shot in stupendous panoramic format, award-winning photographer Peter Hendrie has captured a glorious vision of this diamond of cities, shining with a unique brilliance. He reveals aspects of Paris too often hidden in the light of common day and shows that what can be overlooked before twilight gains a staggering beauty after dark. The City of Lights truly illuminated.



### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Peter Hendrie** has worked in the hospitality industry for nearly thirty years, but has pursued a twin-track career as a photographer of international reputation and the author of three previous books. In 2006 he won the Iconic Category in the prestigious Travel Photographer of the Year competition, with a selection of images of Paris at night.

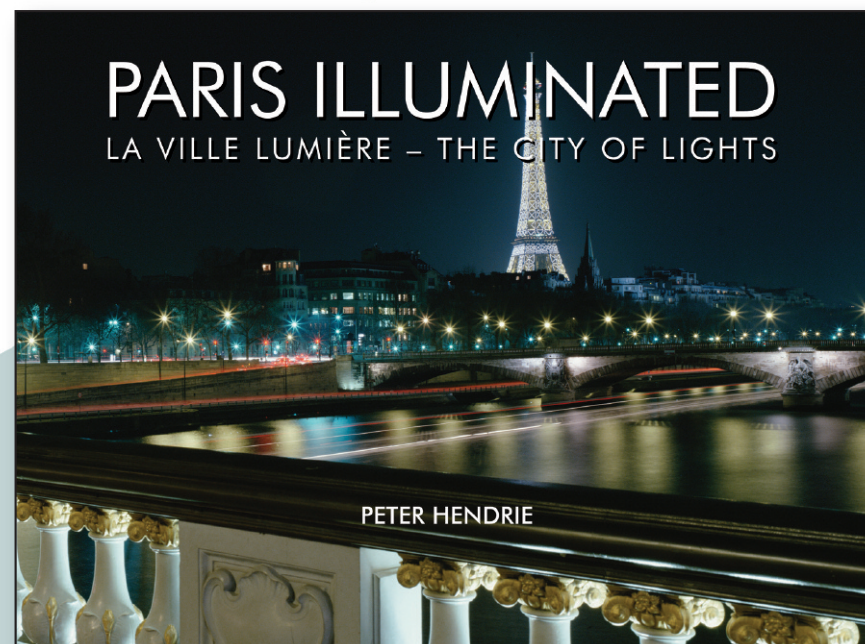
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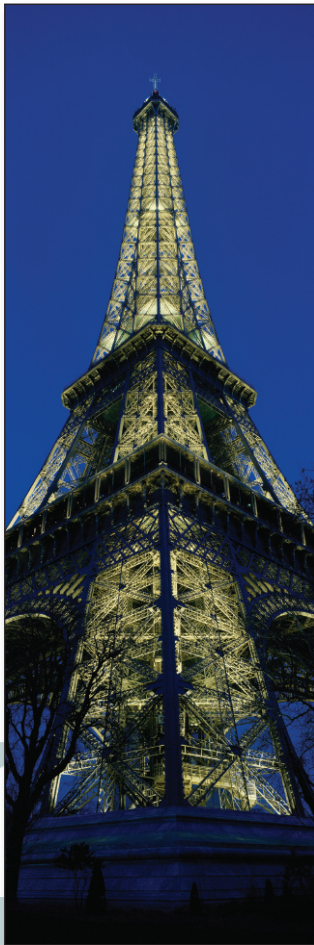
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Top: La Conciergerie.

Above: Place Vendôme.

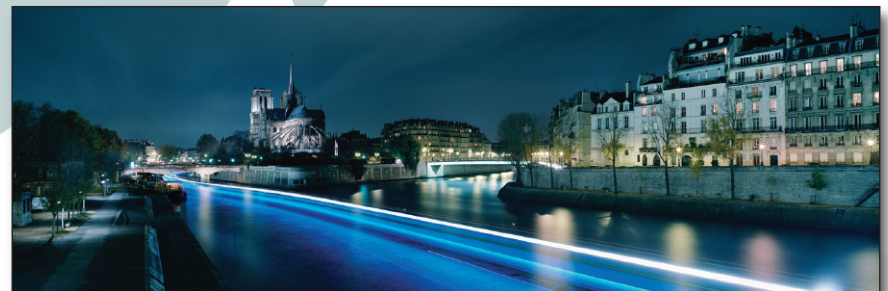
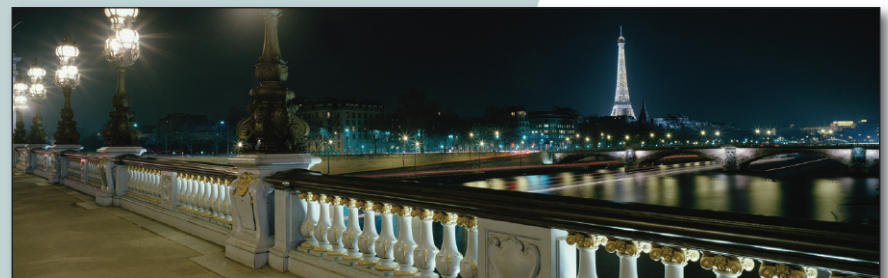
Left: Eiffel Tower.

Right from top:  
City Panorama. As night falls Paris  
comes to life, hence its nickname  
"City of Lights".

La Pyramide.

Pont Alexandre III. Probably Paris's  
most beautiful bridge, connecting  
Les Invalides on the Left Bank, to  
the Grand Palais on the Right.

La Cathédrale Notre Dame.  
This famous cathedral dominates  
the skyline on the Ile de la Cité,  
flanked on either side by the Seine.



La Place Dauphine.  
A square more like a  
village location than  
the centre of Paris.  
Situated on the tip of the Cité.

Example of a double-page spread.