



PROGRAM - FRENCH SIDE

1 Buffet d'Eau

Baroque music

→ 12:20pm - 12:40pm (20min) • 2:00pm - 2:30pm (30min)
3:30pm - 3:50pm (20min) • 4:20pm - 4:50pm (30min)

2 Petite Étoile | 5 Bourgeois quarter | 6 The King's tent

Discover, throughout the day, life at the Noble Court and the daily life of the French Bourgeoisie in the 18th century.

→ Continuous: 11:00am - 6:00pm

3 Traditional crafts square

Discover traditional crafts and old trades.

→ Continuous: 11:00am - 6:00pm

4 Grand Carré

Dance demonstrations

→ 11:00am - 11:30am (30min) • 12:20pm - 1:30pm (1hr 10min)
1:50pm - 3:00pm (1hr 10min) • 3:30pm - 3:50pm (20min)
4:10pm - 5:45pm (1hr 35min)

Fencing

→ 11:30am - 11:50am (20min) • 1:30pm - 1:50pm (20min)
3:50pm - 4:10pm (20min)

Popular civilian music

→ 11:50am - 12:20pm (30min) • 3:00pm - 3:30pm (30min)

9 Étoile de la Reine - Allée de la Reine

Cavalry demonstration → 11:50am - 12:20pm (30min)

Military music → 12:20pm - 12:40pm (20min) • 4:20pm - 4:40pm (20min)

Artillery: educational demonstrations → 1:00pm - 1:30pm (30min)

Popular civilian music → 1:30pm - 2:00pm (30min)

Artillery demonstration → 3:00pm - 3:30pm (30min)

Soldier's drill school → 3:30pm - 3:50pm (20min)

Camp life - Treaty negotiation between Native Americans and the British army
→ 3:50pm - 4:20pm (30min)



BATTLEFIELD

Opening of the battlefield gates: 1:30pm

Battle → 2:00pm

Closing of the battlefield gates: 3:30pm

Opening of the battlefield gates: 4:30pm

Battle → 5:00pm

Château de Versailles Spectacles warmly thanks all participating associations and their members for their presence and contribution to this celebratory weekend. Special thanks go to Nicolas Brossard, as well as Angélique Guillard and Nicolas Fermeaux of the Maison Civile et Militaire Murat, for their invaluable work in organizing and coordinating the event.



THE NIGHT FOUNTAINS SHOW

Independence Day



EXTEND YOUR AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE EXPERIENCE WITH THE JULY 4TH FOUNTAIN NIGHT SHOW

On July 4th, in celebration of the 250th anniversary of American Independence, an aerial display combining drones and pyrotechnics will light up the skies above Versailles, showcasing the colors of the American flag.

Tickets on sale: www.chateauversailles-spectacles.fr

CHÂTEAU DE VERSAILLES GARDENS OF THE GRAND TRIANON



AMERICA & VERSAILLES

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500 REENACTORS
IN PERIOD COSTUME

SATURDAY
JULY 4, 2026

For one exceptional weekend, the Palace of Versailles commemorates the 250th anniversary of American Independence with a grand historical festival designed for the whole family.

Following the troop review on the Parade Ground of the Trianon Estate, step into the largest historical reenactment encampment ever presented in the Gardens of Trianon. Explore King Louis XVI's royal quarter, the American insurgents' camp, and the British forces' encampment.

Throughout your visit, meet 500 passionate reenactors who bring this fascinating period back to life. Uniforms, equipment, daily activities, and camp scenes have been recreated with remarkable attention to detail, offering an authentic immersive experience.

Military displays, cavalry demonstrations, traditional crafts, and period skills bring this exceptional weekend to life. Scottish reels, Boston dances, and concerts of 18th-century music invite visitors of all ages on a true journey through time.

The highlight of the event, The Great Battle, recreates the decisive confrontation at Yorktown in a spectacular performance featuring American insurgents, their French allies, and British troops.

Encampments, reenactments, music, and entertainment: experience history brought to life in the heart of the Palace of Versailles.

PROGRAM - AMERICAN SIDE

American & British encampment

Camp life → Continuous: 11:00am - 4:45pm

7 Grande Étoile - American Headquarters

Diplomatic treaty → 11:30am - 11:50am (20min)

American encampment

7 Grande Étoile - American Headquarters

British encampment

8 Étoile de la Reine - British Headquarters

The armies prepare for battle!

Attend troop assemblies, military announcements, and regiment movements before the day's major battle reenactments.

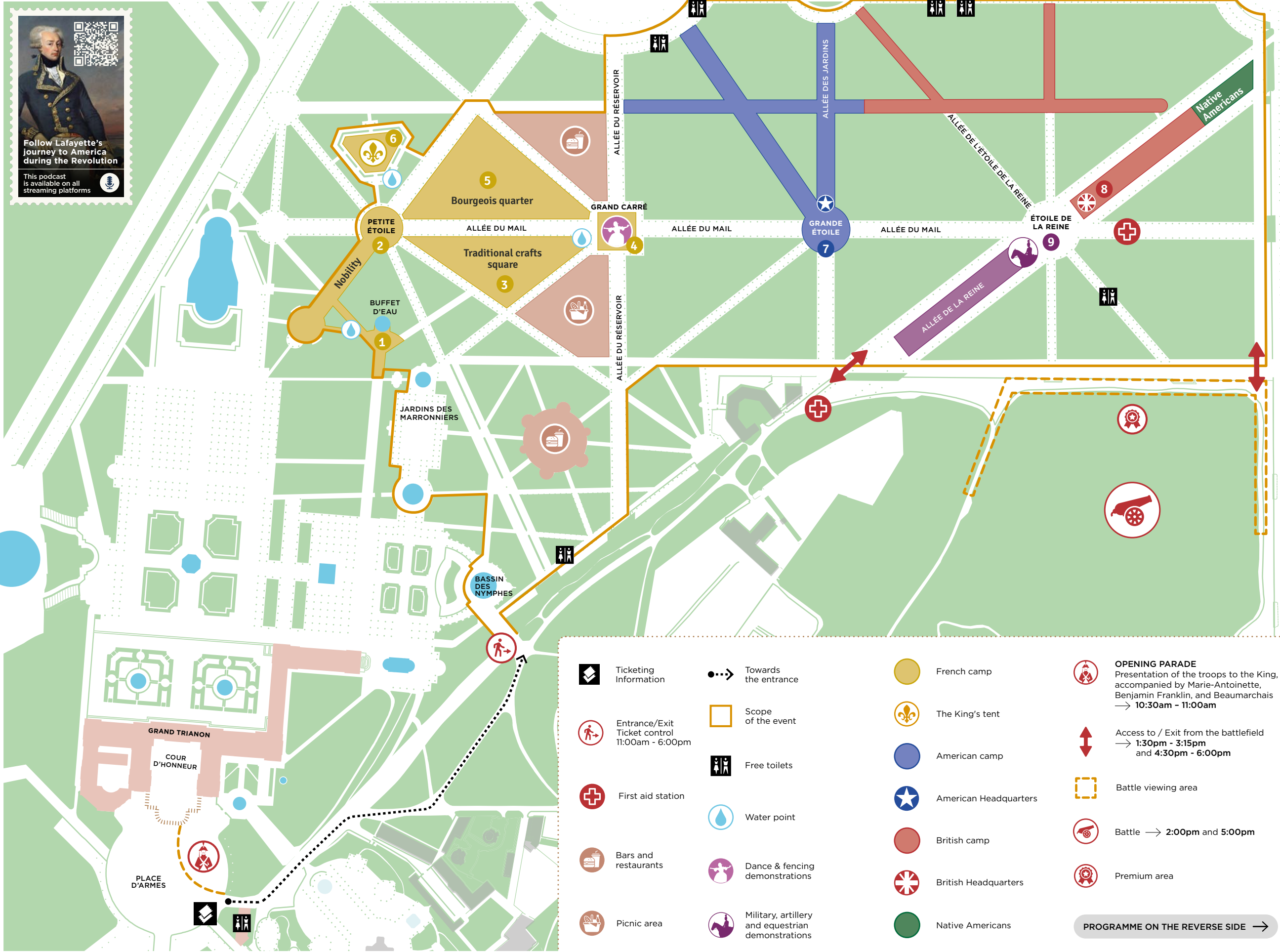
→ 1:45pm - 2:15pm (30min)

→ 4:45pm - 5:15pm (30min)



Follow Lafayette's journey to America during the Revolution

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|  | Ticketing Information |  | Towards the entrance |  | French camp |  | OPENING PARADE
Presentation of the troops to the King, accompanied by Marie-Antoinette, Benjamin Franklin, and Beaumarchais
→ 10:30am - 11:00am |
|  | Entrance/Exit
Ticket control
11:00am - 6:00pm |  | Scope of the event |  | The King's tent |  | Access to / Exit from the battlefield
→ 1:30pm - 3:15pm
and 4:30pm - 6:00pm |
|  | First aid station |  | Free toilets |  | American camp |  | Battle viewing area |
|  | Bars and restaurants |  | Water point |  | American Headquarters |  | Battle → 2:00pm and 5:00pm |
|  | Picnic area |  | Dance & fencing demonstrations |  | British camp |  | Premium area |
| | |  | Military, artillery and equestrian demonstrations |  | British Headquarters | | |
| | | | |  | Native Americans | | |

PROGRAMME ON THE REVERSE SIDE →