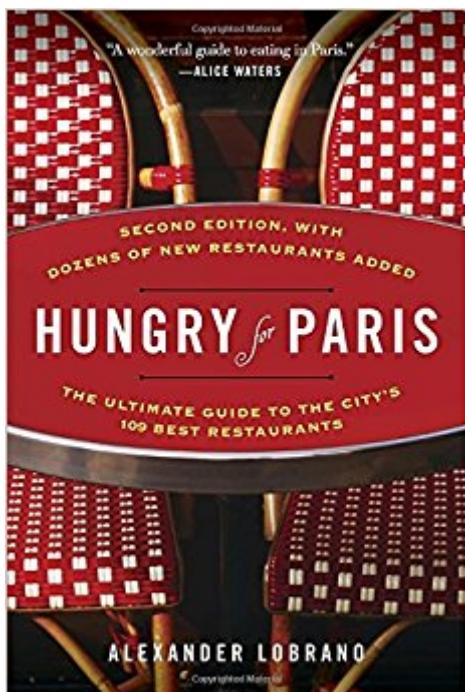


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# Hungry For Paris (second Edition): The Ultimate Guide To The City's 109 Best Restaurants



## Synopsis

If you're passionate about eating well, you couldn't ask for a better travel companion than Alexander Lobrano's charming, friendly, and authoritative *Hungry for Paris*, the fully revised and updated guide to this renowned culinary scene. Having written about Paris for almost every major food and travel magazine since moving there in 1986, Lobrano shares his personal selection of the city's best restaurants, from bistros featuring the hottest young chefs to the secret spots Parisians love. In lively prose that is not only informative but a pleasure to read, Lobrano reveals the ambience, clientele, history, and most delicious dishes of each establishment—alongside helpful maps and beautiful photographs that will surely whet your appetite for Paris. *A Praise for Hungry for Paris* *Hungry for Paris* is required reading and features [Alexander Lobrano's] favorite 109 restaurants reviewed in a fun and witty way. . . . A native of Boston, Lobrano moved to Paris in 1986 and never looked back. He served as the European correspondent for *Gourmet* from 1999 until it closed in 2009 (also known as the greatest job ever that will never be a job again). . . . He also updates his website frequently with restaurant reviews, all letter graded. *Food Republic* "Written with . . . flair and . . . acerbity is the new, second edition of Alexander Lobrano's *Hungry for Paris*, which includes rigorous reviews of what the author considers to be the city's 109 best restaurants [and] a helpful list of famous Parisian restaurants to be avoided." *The Wall Street Journal* "A wonderful guide to eating in Paris." *Alice Waters* "Nobody else has such an intimate knowledge of what is going on in the Paris food world right this minute. Happily, Alexander Lobrano has written it all down in this wonderful book." *Ruth Reichl* "Delightful . . . the sort of guide you read before you go to Paris" *to get in the mood and pick up a few tips, a little style.* *Los Angeles Times* "No one is on the ground" in Paris more than Alec Lobrano. . . . This book will certainly make you hungry for Paris. But even if you aren't in Paris, his tales of French dining will seduce you into feeling like you are here, sitting in your favorite bistro or sharing a carafe of wine with a witty friend at a neighborhood hotspot. *David Lebovitz*, author of *The Sweet Life in Paris* "Hungry for Paris" is like a cozy bistro on a chilly day: It makes you feel welcome. *The Washington Post* "This book will make readers more than merely hungry for the culinary riches of Paris; it will make them ravenous for a dining companion with Monsieur Lobrano's particular warmth, wry charm, and refreshingly pure *joie de vivre*." *Julia Glass* "[Lobrano is] a wonderful man and writer who might know

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Alexander Lobrano grew up in Connecticut before moving to Paris, his home today, in 1986. The winner of several James Beard awards, Lobrano was the European correspondent for *Gourmet* magazine, and is now contributing editor at *Saveur*. He writes regularly on food and travel for *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Guardian*, *Condé Nast Traveler*, *Bon Appétit*, and many other publications in the United States and the United Kingdom.

People say writers who compile books about restaurants and/or review restaurants for publications must get special consideration from restaurant owners, but somehow that notion just doesn’t resonate with Lobrano. Reading these reviews is like sitting down with a friend who gets around more than you do, so you’re eager to hear where his travels have taken him. He dishes when he thinks dishing is the right call. He doesn’t hesitate to say that a restaurant is living on the dying embers of its once bright flame. Lobrano also offers fair warning about prices, types of food, level of service, snooty wait staff, and warm, welcoming places, from bistros to haute cuisine. I’m heading to Paris soon, and feel well-advised as to where to eat - and where to avoid.

Trying to decide the best places to eat in Paris can be a bit overwhelming for a first time visitor like me. The possibilities seem almost infinite. This book does a great job of offering interesting possibilities in each of the city’s arrondissements. The book is well written and comprehensive, with reviews of many different kinds of restaurants, from wine bars and small bistros to haute cuisine. The author is extremely knowledgeable, and I especially appreciated the occasional chapters which gave his advice or experience with eating in Paris. While I don’t normally read books about restaurants, and while I’ll probably never eat at the vast majority of the restaurants, I actually enjoyed reading his reflections on what he considers the most worthwhile restaurants to consider in Paris.

Wonderfully written, this guide gives you in depth information about 100 restaurants in Paris, from simple bistros to top restaurants. It is organized by areas which makes it easy to use, you can also find the info by type of cuisine. A fun read if you plan a trip to Paris,

Deliciously verbose, dishy and personal. Alec's Lobrano's food writing will stir your hunger and your curiosity for the city, past and present. His restaurants picks are excellent and relevant and will take you places that everyday travel guidebooks to Paris never could. A must for anyone who enjoys the real Paris.

One of several dining guides I'm using as I prepare for our trip to Paris. I thoroughly enjoy the chapters on diverse topics (On eating the unspeakable; table for one; etc.). The personal writing style invites me to step into the other world of Paris and not stay within my comfort zone. The indexes will be really useful. Restaurants by style, price, etc. Thank you.

I will be making my first trip to Paris soon. While browsing about online looking for information on all things Parisian, I came across a foodie blog that mentioned the author of this book. After reading the summary, I decided to order it. First of all, it is just fun to read. The descriptions of the restaurants and the owners, the recommendations regarding the food, and the reminiscences of the author are very entertaining. The book is organized by arrondissement which is helpful. Restaurants, bistros and cafes at different price points are included. Contact and location information are also included. I have two reservations made for my trip already. I ordered the book in paperback. It's too large to take with me, so I ordered another copy for my tablet. Merci, Alexander!

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Lobrano's food sensibility and fine writing skills make for very entertaining reading. *HUNGRY IN PARIS* takes you through his very selective list of the best restaurants in Paris--not the trendiest or most expensive or the hottest--just those restaurants that have captured his interest. He's not afraid to give a place a good swift kick (look at what he says about Arpege's pricey wine list or the uninspiring dining room). There are also fine food-related essays on Paris. This book would be an excellent thing to put on your iPad for your next trip to Paris. I wish I had this last year during my stay in this magnificent city. I wish all great eating cities boasted this kind of guide.

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