



American Battle Monuments Commission – World War One Sites

Paris #3 and #4 Routes of interest – Routes of Interest - Paris #3 - Arc de Triomphe at the Etoile to Place des États-Unis Monuments.

Walking, and Metro or Driving

Note: The Place des États-Unis contains several tributes to Americans fighting for, and with France in World War One. There is a Statue of Washington and Lafayette, and a Memorial to American Volunteers. President Wilson lived at No.11 during the Versailles Peace Conference. The site was named at the request of an American Ambassador in the 19th Century. It is also called Thomas Jefferson Square.

1. At the Arc de Triomphe facing down the Champs-Élysées take the 3rd street to the right, Avenue Kléber with the south facing side of the arch behind you.
2. Pedestrians use appropriate means to cross the Etoile.
3. Proceed down Avenue Kléber.
4. At the third intersection turn hard left into Rue Belloy.
5. At the 2nd intersection is Places Des États-Unis.

Routes of Interest - Paris #4 - From the Place de L'Opera - The AEF on Leave in Paris.

Note: These are two institutions over a century old that were frequented by officers and men of the American Expeditionary Force (AEF). The Café de la Paix is an old establishment, highly decorated bar and restaurant, it has been opened here in 1862. This was more the haunt of A.E.F. officers, and society types, happy to be seen at the outdoor tables.

Harry's New York Bar, purchased by an American in 1911 and furnished in New York style. It was a typically American bar, but in the middle of Paris. American expatriates, who later joined the Volunteer Ambulance Corps and Lafayette Escadrille, were frequent patrons. AEF officers and men frequented the site as did later American expatriate luminaries.

Both institutions are high profile modern establishments serving food and drink.

1. On the Place de L'Opera, the Café de la Paix is on the west side between Rue Auber, and the Boulevard des Capucines. It has green awnings with gold lettering over sidewalk tables.
2. From the corner of the Café de la Paix cross the Boulevard des Capucines.
3. Pass a white stone building with arched windows.
4. Turn right on rue de la Paix.
5. Go one short block and turn left into Rue Daunou.
6. The Bar is on the right at No.5 Rue Daunou, a wood and glass front.