



Entertainment

W Riviera Comedy Club • 06.71.49.79.12

Popular with ex-pats and tourists alike, the Riviera Comedy club run by Olly and Amy is a superb night out and one that our team hates to miss. There are usually three quality acts, often big names, flown over from the main comedy circuit in London. Show dates vary so it is best to find up to date information by visiting their website www.therivieracomedyclub.com. The Nice show takes place at Ma Nolans Portside bar at Rue Emmaneul Philbert. If you can't make the show in Nice, there are also shows in Antibes, Monaco and Cannes.



W The Casino Ruhl & Casino Palais de Méditerranée

Monaco might have the reputation, but not the monopoly on the playboy lifestyle. If you want a taste of the place without the travel and high prices, head to Nice's own casinos on the Promenade des Anglais. You will need a passport and smart clothes to get you in. Once in though, you can enjoy the cabaret, play the machines, and sip cocktails until dawn.

W The Cinema - English language cinema showings

There are two cinemas in Nice which have version originale showings. Look for "VO" on the billboard. The **Mercury** at 16 Place Garibaldi is just off the Old Town and the **Rialto** at 4 Rue de Rivoli is near to the Hotel Negresco. Showings start around 8pm. They are only a few weeks behind the UK new releases. To look up times on the Internet go to www.cote.azur.fr.

W The Théâtre National de Nice • 04.93.13.79.60

The esteemed Théâtre de Nice has a well-deserved reputation. The information desk located opposite the Musée d'Art Moderne et d'Art Contemporain near Place Garibaldi, is open each afternoon until 7pm, except Sundays and Mondays. Ticket prices vary and you can pay anything between €10 to €50 for a ticket. To see listings go to www.tnn.fr.

W The Opéra de Nice • 04.92.17.40.00

Located at 4 rue St-François-de-Paule, tickets can be difficult to come by with prices over €100 for the best seats. To avoid disappointment, it's best to book tickets as soon as you can. The box office is open from 10am to 6pm daily except Sundays.

W The Acropolis Exhibition Centre • 04.93.92.83.00

As well as hosting a wide variety of shows and concerts, there are also exhibitions and trade shows that may be of interest. You can find out more on their website www.nice-acropolis.com or at the information desk. The Acropolis is at 1 Esplanade du President Kennedy.

Palais Nikaïa • 08.92.39.08.00

This stadium, and its adjoining park, at Route de Grenoble hosts some big name acts, most recently U2 and Madonna. If you want to see what's on, or buy tickets, go to FNAC or Virgin on Jean Médicin high street. To see the forthcoming line-up go to www.nikaia.fr.

Nice enjoys a lively bar and club scene for all ages. Most of the nightlife centres around the Cours Saleya and Old Town and many bars will offer happy hours until 9pm, many with live music of varying quality. There are of course many other bars and nightclubs around town too.

Everyone wants to soak up the atmosphere of the Cours Saleya and enjoy the pavement terraces outside. Our favourite two are **Blast American Bar and Restaurant (E5)** and **Akathor (E5)**. Blast is the more up-market of the two with an open-air cocktail bar, fresh modern décor and well maintained washrooms, not to mention their extensive Tex-Mex style food, including their legendary pancakes and great terrace with lounge furniture. Akathor is more spit and sawdust, but the outside terrace somehow has us migrating there in the height of summer. Both bars have live music, sometimes it's good, sometimes not, but both are always atmospheric.

If you head away from the Cours Saleya, you will find the **Snug and Cellar Irish bar (F5)** on Rue Droite/Rue Rossetti. Our guests often tell us they have spent many a night there during their stay with us. The very friendly and efficient staff, a generous happy hour from 8pm to 10pm, and the gastro-pub style food on offer are probably the main reasons the Snug is the favourite haunt of most of our team and many of our regular guests and owners.

There are several Irish bars in Nice. The Snug and Cellar remains our favourite but there are other good ones. **Ma Nolan's (E5 & I5)** on the Cours Saleya and Rue Emmanuel Philibert is possibly the most slick of them all and where to go for live sporting events and a weekly pub quiz, as well as to enjoy outside terraces. We also like the very friendly **Paddy's Irish Pub (F5)** on Rue Droite.

If you are looking for jazz with class, head to **Shapko Bar (F5)** at 5 Rue Rossetti, **Cave Wilson (E3)** at 16 Rue Gubernatis or **The Wine Room (E5)** at 1 Descente du Marché. We are also fans of the champagne bar, **L'Effervescence (F5)**, tucked away behind Place Centrale in the Old Town at 10 Rue de la Loge.

Finally, if you want to dance on tables (yes, really) and have a wild night out, the place to be is **Wayne's (E5)** on Rue de la Préfecture, an institution in Nice and where you need to be if you're a party animal. Some of our younger guests have found this bar to be the only place to be on a Friday and Saturday night.

The trendy new hotspot in Nice is **Gossip Bar (H4)**, 7 rue Bonaparte. With an in-house DJ Wednesday to Saturday, this is the perfect place to unwind and catch up on all the Gossip!

There are several more wine bars that serve good complimentary food alongside their tipples. Customers can also just browse and buy their wines by the bottle



or case. The most well known and the ones offering exceptional bottles at reasonable prices are **La Part des Anges (E3)** at 17 Rue Gubernatis and **Vinivore (H3)** at 32 Avenue de la République. A favourite of ours is **La Cave de l'Origine (A4)** at 3 rue Dalpoggio where you can sip wine and oysters as well as the more usual charcuterie plates. Our local favourite for wine and food is the very small and reasonably priced **Palao Bistro (F3)** on the corner of Rue Giofreddo and Rue Defly.

For hazy summer nights, it is hard to beat the beach bar such as the **Beau Rivage Beach Club (B5)** or the **Hi Beach (A5)** where you can sip wine or cocktails and listen to the lap of the waves. Chilled rosé is a must in Nice, particularly in summer. If you are feeling plush, sipping cocktails at the top floor bar of **Le Méridien Hotel (B5)** or the **Grand Hotel Aston (C5)** can be a real holiday treat, even if the service is often a little lacking.

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