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Updates focus on the most interesting vendors and most unique and enticing offerings to be found at each locale, including prepared food that can be eaten on the spot. In keeping with growing interest in knowing where food comes from, the authors include profiles and photos of farmers and other artisanal suppliers behind the best food stalls.

One of the biggest changes in the Paris market scene in recent years has been the spike of interest in organic, reflected in the popularity of the Raspail organic market. At one time a fringe offshoot of the regular Raspail market, this Sunday market has fully come into its own. It attracts a large and loyal clientele; of three organic markets in the city, it’s certainly the largest and most widely known. Often it’s referred to as “Le Marché Bio,” and many claim it’s the crème de la crème of all Paris’s markets.

Restaurant listings have been updated, too, with 15 new additions that have been chosen because of their new-generation chefs’ approach to fresh ingredients or their proximity to featured markets. A new section titled If You Have Limited Time directs the visitor to the most interesting markets near his or her accommodations. Another section, Practical Suggestions, addresses common questions such where to get local currency, which map of Paris is the best and most convenient, and business hours for different kinds of shops, stalls, and

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Perhaps the most pleasurable way for anyone to experience Paris is to meander through its charming markets. *Markets of Paris*, 2nd Edition, visits more than one hundred, including open-air food markets, historic covered markets, and the city's legendary flea, antique, craft and ephemera markets. You'll discover a wide variety of unique items, from antique books and botanical prints to regional crafts and flea market finds, as well as gourmet items and the bounty of the French countryside. Organized by arrondissement for easy planning, descriptions help travelers plan where to go, what to expect, and which specialties to seek out while there. This unique guide provides an unforgettable and inspired way to experience the local culture.

About the Author

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