Cité de l espace - Toulouse

Cité de l'espace in Toulouse is a unique and leading place in Europe in terms of disseminating space and astronomical culture, an interactive venue where everything about the universe can be understood. Take an extraordinary trip to the stars with your family!

Cité de l'espace Opens the Doors to the Infinite and the Extraordinary!

Travel to the edge of the cosmos, admire space treasures and unravel all the secrets of space. With more than 4000 m^2 of exhibitions, its four-hectare gardens, its IMAX® cinema on a giant screen, its two Planetariums... discovering space and the wonders of the Universe has never been easier!

Explore many life-size space objects such as the Apollo Mission lunar module, the Mir Station, the Ariane 5 rocket, animated replicas of Martian Rovers and a full-size Orion Crew Module: an immersive discovery of space!

Take part in new presentations and unusual experiences along with our scientific presenters, who will help you experience space like never before.

BRAND NEW EXHIBITION: “POKÉMON X ESA”

Welcome, Trainers!

Have you ever imagined running into Pikachu in an astronaut suit?

The Pokémon Company International and the European Space Agency (ESA) have teamed up to present a brand-new exhibition on view until April 30, 2027, at Cité de l’espace, where the world of Pokémon meets space exploration.

The common thread of this exhibition? Curiosity. The curiosity that has allowed scientists to push the boundaries of our knowledge of the universe, and the one that made you open your very first Pokédex.

In the exhibition, you will discover ESA’s current and future missions: Jupiter and its icy moons, the International Space Station, the Moon with Artemis, the mysteries of the universe with Euclid, Ariane 6, and Galileo.

So, are you ready to embark, junior astronauts and aspiring trainers?

Until April 30, 2027, trainers visiting Cité de l’espace in Toulouse can play Pokémon GO and enjoy exclusive in-game events! Try to encounter Astronaut Pikachu, complete with an exclusive background!

EPSILON MISSION EXHIBITION – Experience Sophie Adenot's mission on the ISS

With its control centre-like appearance, this new exhibition connects you live to everyday life on the International Space Station (ISS). Immerse yourself in the highlights of Sophie Adenot's εpsilon mission and discover in detail the scientific, technological and educational experiments conducted by the French astronaut on the ISS.

LUNEXPLORER TO LIVE THE EXPERIENCE OF AN ASTRONAUT ON A MISSION TO THE MOON

With LuneXplorer, the new immersive experience unique in Europe, experience a mission to the Moon, like European astronauts and feel the accelerated phases of takeoff and moon landing. Understand all the preparation and procedures of a mission to the Moon. LuneXplorer is a realistic experience of

about forty minutes that is part of the space news of the coming decades with the return of astronauts to and on the Moon, through the Artemis program, a NASA mission with the participation of ESA, the European Space Agency.

What if the astronaut was you this time? Prepare, embark and take off at Cité de l'espace!

MANY ACTIVITIES AND SHOWS FOR YOUNG AND OLD (In French only)

At Cité de l'espace, join the game of discovery with amazing experiences and new presentations!

With the presentation "The Eagle Has Landed" relive the highlights of the first steps on the Moon. Discover the amazing environment of the red planet with the "Mars Lab". Learn about astronaut selection tests with the presentation "How Does ESA Recruit its Astronauts?" And observe the stars even in broad daylight in the Astronomer's Dome!

ANIMATION: "SOPHIE'S DIARY" (in French only):

Relive French astronaut Sophie Adenot's mission aboard the International Space Station! Through videos and highlights from her time in orbit, discover what daily life is like in zero gravity: how do you sleep, wash, and eat in space? What tasks and experiments do astronauts carry out on board? This presentation takes you behind the scenes of life in space and showcases the highlights of this adventure.

THE MARTIAN TERRAIN (in French only):

Come and have a seat in a small corner of the red planet and meet, in their environment, four of the seven explorer robots that are moving or have moved on Mars. From the latest arrivals, a few months ago, to the pioneers of robotic exploration of Mars which arrived decades ago.

Two scientific presenters offer daily presentations during which you will see life-size replicas of the Perseverance (American), Zhurong (Chinese) Martian rovers operate, as well as Ingenuity, the first extraterrestrial helicopter.

You will be able to find out about their mobility, source of energy, means of communication, piloting methods and scientific instruments.

You will also discover how these robots are designed to withstand the extreme environment of Mars and how they have been adapted to withstand very low temperatures, storms and sand as well as to move in the rocky and desert environment of Mars.

Theatres Where You Can Immerse Yourself in the Sky and Space

The IMAX®

Right Now: Deep Sky, The Adventure of the JWST Telescope

Discover the IMAX 2D film: Deep Sky, The Adventure of the JWST Telescope on a giant screen and learn more about the amazing cooperation around this space observatory.

Relive its takeoff on top of Ariane 5 and transform yourself into passengers on a machine travelling through the cosmos and time.

- How the stars are born and die,
- Can other worlds outside our solar system harbour life?

- By what mechanisms were the first galaxies formed?
- These island universes that bring together hundreds of billions of suns.

All these questions, and others, are at the heart of the quest for knowledge of the JWST, the James Webb Space Telescope, or simply the Webb.

THE PLANETARIUM

Right Now: Beyond the Stars!

Explore the Galaxy by travelling faster than light aboard our planetarium. Back on Earth, locate yourself in the starry sky, guided live by a presenter and try to be a co-pilot using your voting box.

FOR THE YOUNGSTERS (From 4 years old)

CITE DES PETITS [KIDS CITY]

Explore the worlds of astronauts and rockets with your family.

In a fun space specially for youngsters, it is the turn of the little ones (from 4 years old) to carry out astronomical experiments: assemble a rocket, pilot a ship or discover a space station. Together, play, repair and learn to become a true astronaut.

THE STELLARIUM

Right Now: Polaris

Solve the mystery of the polar night and travel around the Earth and then to Mars and Saturn to discover the planets.

MANY CULTURAL EVENTS RELATED TO SPACE NEWS

Many broadcasts of space missions commented on live and in French are organised at Cité de l'espace as well as cultural and space news events throughout the year: summer nocturnes, Night of the Stars, conferences, special days, solar challenges and the Robotics Cup etc. ,... All these many events are opportunities to experience the space adventure and its advances. See all events on www.cite-espace.com/a-la-une/

December 16, 2026 – NEW EXHIBITION 'VAISSEAU TERRE'
'Vaisseau Terre' covers 500m^2 on the first floor of the Cité de l'espace Exhibition Pavilion. In October 2026, the exhibition will be revamped, while retaining its main focus on observing and understanding our planet as seen from space. Within 'Spaceship Earth', you will be able to experience, through concrete examples and immersive displays, the use of space in everyday life and the impact of humans on planet Earth.

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Duration of Visit: Allow two days to enjoy the entire Cité de l'espace

Price Information: Free for children under 5 years old
Prices can be checked on the website cite-espace.com. Save time by booking your tickets online.
Site accessible to people with disabilities (Tourism & Handicap Approved).

How to Get There?

BIKE
You can now come by bike using the **VélôToulouse** service. Conventional bicycles and electric bicycles are at your disposal. You can book them via the dedicated application.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT
Bus Linéo 1: get off at the Collège Vernant stop (15-20 minutes walk to Cité de l'espace)
Bus 37: "Cité de l'espace" stop. **Metro line A** to Jolimont or **Metro line B** to Ramonville, then bus line 37, stop Cité de l'espace.
Train:
Several **TER stations** are located near Cité de l'espace: prepare your itinerary

- **Matabiau Station**: Take metro line A to Balma and get off at the Jolimont stop. Take bus line 37 and get off at Cité de l'espace stop.
- **Saint Agne Station**: Take metro line B to Ramonville and get off at the Ramonville terminus. Take bus line 37 to Jolimont and get off at Cité de l'espace stop.

Plane: If you arrive by plane at Toulouse Blagnac airport, you can also take public transport to get to Cité de l'espace.
Air Shuttle: Take the shuttle to the bus station from the airport. Get off at the Jean Jaurès stop then take the L8 bus to Gonin and get off at the Sicard Alaman stop.

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