WALK 14 | Parc Montsouris

Start – Metro Station, Alésia, Line 4

Approximate Length: 3.2 km

After exiting the Metro station, go east on Rue d’Alésia to Place des Droits de l’Enfant. At the intersection of Rue de la Tombe Issoire is a Wallace Fountain.

**Fountain**

77 Rue de la Tombe Issoire, 14th Arr.

This fountain is in a large open area with easy access and high visibility at the intersection of Rue d’Alésia and Rue de la Tombe Issoire. It is surrounded by a vibrant residential area.

Go south on Rue de la Tombe Issoire. After a long walk and just before Place Jules Hénaffe you will see the fenced entrance to a city of Paris water reservoir operated by Eau de Paris. Look through the gate and there is a Wallace Fountain.

**Fountain**

Réservoirs de Montsouris, 115 Rue de Tombe Issoire, 14th Arr.
This fountain stands behind a locked gate in the courtyard of the Résevoir de Montsouris, a water storage facility operated by Eau de Paris. It is carefully positioned in the middle of a flower bed and stands as a monument to Richard Wallace and the city of Paris and their cooperative effort to bring clean drinking water to the population. This is the only Wallace Fountain in this guide with no public access.

At the street corner is Place Jules Hénaffe. Turn left and walk along the reservoir a short distance to the end of the Place where there is a working Wallace Fountain for public use.

**Fountain**
**Place Jules Hénaffe, 14th Arr.**

This fountain is at one end of Avenue Reille and is near the hospital **Institut Mutualiste Montsouris**, one of eight hospitals in the district.

Now, walk east along Avenue Reille, which borders the reservoir, to Avenue René Coty. There you will find another Wallace Fountain.

**Fontaine**
**63 Avenue René Coty, 14th Arr.**

This fountain is very visible and is across the street from the entrance to the large public park, **Parc Montsouris**. A lamp post shares the location and it has a typical three-sided clock with faces visible from all angles.

Continue walking east on Avenue Reille. Or, if you wish, enter the park and enjoy the grounds or perhaps have a picnic.

Then exit the park, via allées de la Vanne or du Lac, at the northeast corner of the park onto Avenue Reille.

On Avenue Reille, head north and east to Place Coluche. Then, take Rue de Tolbiac to Rue de l’Espérance. Turn left onto this street and...
take it to Rue de la Butte aux Cailles where the last fountain of this walk is located.

**Fountain**

38 Rue de la Butte aux Cailles, 13th Arr.

This quiet little square is a logical place for a Wallace Fountain. It is in a charming area with lots of cafes, bars and bistros. It is a good place to stop for a drink or something to eat.

To end the walk, take Rue de la Butte aux Cailles east to Rue Bobillot, then left or north on Bobillot to Place d’Italie and the Metro.

**End – Metro Station, Place d’Italie**

Lines 5, 6, 7

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Take the Challenge to find all the fountains and automatically become a Friend of the Fountains. Document the time and date you found each fountain on the Chart available to download from the website.

In addition to dispensing water, these fountains continue to remind humans to be kind and generous to one another and to cooperate with others for the common good. That is what Sir Richard Wallace intended, and that is what we should do to thank him.