### WALK 9 | Batignolles

Start – Metro Station, Monceau, Line 2

Approximate Length: 3 km





= Underground Metro Station= Option

After exiting the Metro, enter **Parc Monceau**. Take a stroll through the grounds or enjoy a

picnic on one of the many park benches. This is a charming and well-used public park where you will find mostly Parisians and only a few tourists. It is a



lovely place to start a walk.

Leave the park on the east side at Avenue Velasquez, taking it to Boulevard Malesherbes. Turn left at Boulevard Malesherbes, cross Boulevard de Courcelles, and continue a short way to Rue de la Terrasse, the first street on the right. Turn right onto Rue de la Terrasse, cross Avenue Villiers and continue.

Turn left on Rue de Tocqueville. Follow Rue de Tocqueville to Rue Legendre. Turn right and after a few steps you will be at Place de Lévis. There you will find the first Wallace Fountain of this walk.

Fountain @ Place de Lévis, 17<sup>th</sup> Arr.



This fountain stands prominently in a charming rectangular public place surrounded by shops and interesting buildings from the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century. Many of the building



exteriors in the area are a mix of brick and carved stone.

Take Rue Legendre straight ahead. Cross

the railroad tracks and proceed to Place du Docteur Félix Lobligeois. Turn left and walk through the square. On your right will be a small church, **Ste. Marie du Batignolles**. Near the end you will find the fountain.

# Fountain Gamma Place du Docteur Félix Lobligeois, 17<sup>th</sup> Arr.



At the end of this lovely public square, with cafes and restaurants on one side and a small church on the other, stands a Wallace Fountain. Three rows of trees and twosided benches lining the

center of the place make it a welcoming rest stop.

Directly across the street from the fountain is the entrance to a large public park named **Square des Batignolles**. Established in 1862, the park is typical of the era. It is a civilized, manmade attempt to bring manicured nature into the urban environment. There is nothing natural about the green space. It has fake boulders, a small, man-made waterfall, and a stream that runs through the park and ends at a large pond, which is a home for ducks. Still, with its flower beds, green grass, shade trees and running brook, it is a lovely, peaceful place to spend time. There is a petit model Wallace fountain with a spigot at the park entrance. Explore the park if you have time.



To continue, retrace your steps through Place Lobligeois until you are in front of the church. If you have an interest, take a moment to look inside. Then, go straight ahead on Rue des Batignolles until you arrive at Place Richard Barrett. Here is another Wallace Fountain.

#### Fountain 🚳

Place Richard Baret, Rue Mariotte, 17th Arr.

The square on which this fountain stands is pleasant and well located. It is across the street from the **City Hall for the 17<sup>th</sup> arrondissement**, the only district city hall



in Paris housed in a rather ugly, modern building constructed in the 1970s.

Continue walking straight ahead on Rue des Batignolles, veer to the right onto Rue du Mont Dore. Cross Boulevard des Batignolles to Rue Clapeyron. Follow it to Place de Dublin where you will find the next fountain.

## Fountain <a> </a> Place Dublin, Rue Saint Petersbourg, 8<sup>th</sup> Arr.



Place Dublin is a tiny triangular plot of land at the intersection of four streets. The paved plot usually serves as a parking spot for motorcycles. The trees planted in the square add greenery. The

Wallace Fountain is closest to Rue de Saint Petersbourg.

Now take Rue de Saint Petersbourg north to Place Clichy. Then go left at Boulevard des Batignolles and walk a short way. There in the median is the last fountain of this walk.

### Fountain Boulevard des Batignolles, 17<sup>th</sup> Arr.

Boulevard des Batignolles is a grand boulevard with a walking median lined with trees. The boulevard begins at Place Clichy where four arrondissements, the 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, meet at



a single point. The Wallace Fountain stands on the boulevard several yards from a huge traffic circle with a monument in the center.



The bronze statue in the traffic circle is dedicated to **Bon-Adrien Jeannot de Moncey** and executed by the sculptor **Amédée Doublemard**. The statue honors the man who rallied students and volunteers to fight against invading Russians at the barrier Clichy. They successfully held off the invaders until an armistice was declared on March 30, 1814. The 14-meter monument makes an impressive statement in the lively Place Clichy.

Return to Place de Clichy and you will see the Metro station on the north side of the traffic circle.

End – Metro Station, Place de Clichy Lines 2,13 Post a comment about **Walk 9** and share a discovery or selfie on your social media.

**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.

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