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# WANDER to WONDER

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**The world will never starve for wonder, but only for want of wonder.  
G.K. Chesterson**

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## editor's note

*Welcome to the 34th edition of WANDER to WONDER*

This edition of Wander to Wonder focuses on the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France.

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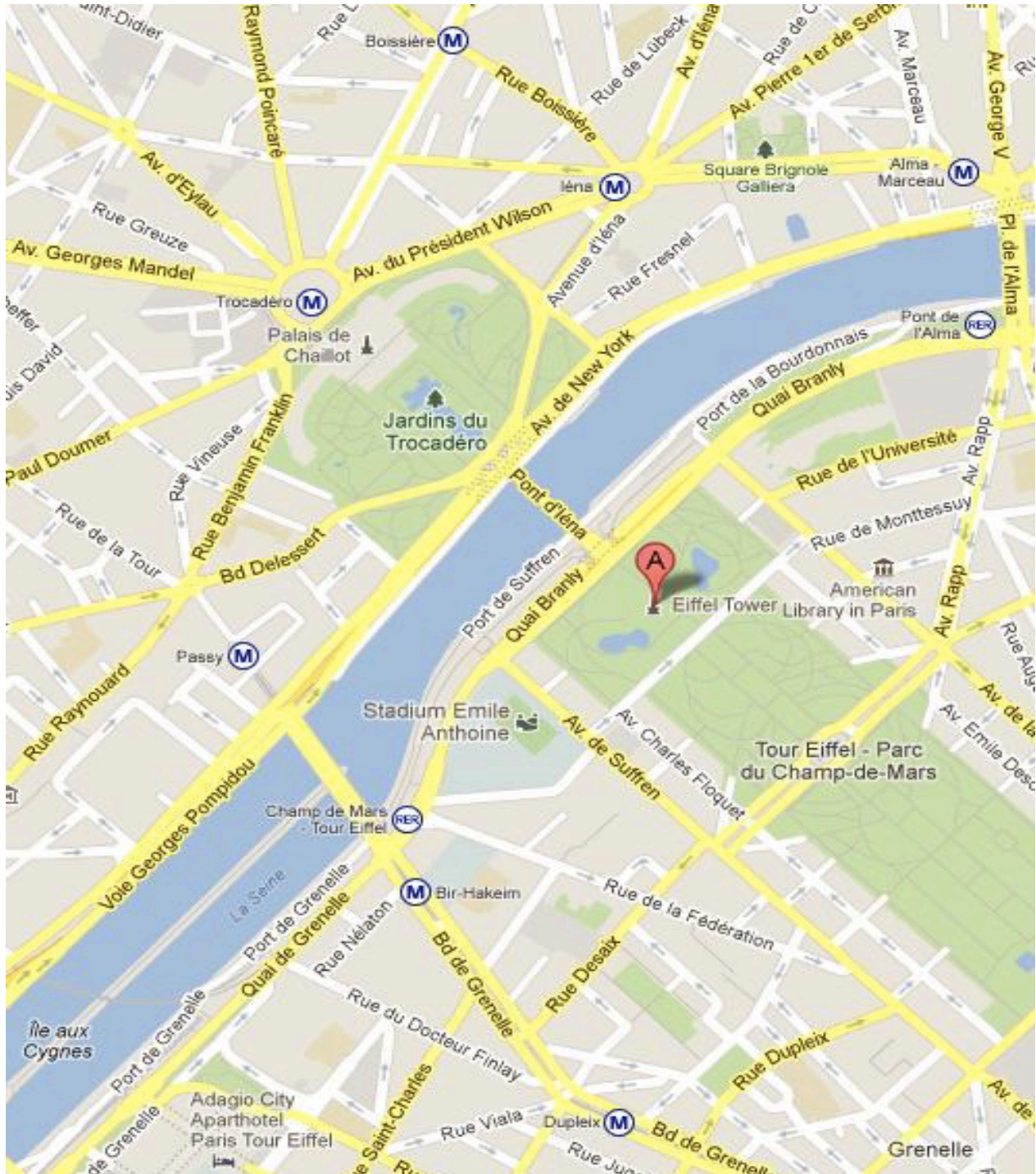
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## map – paris





## map – 7<sup>th</sup> arrondissement





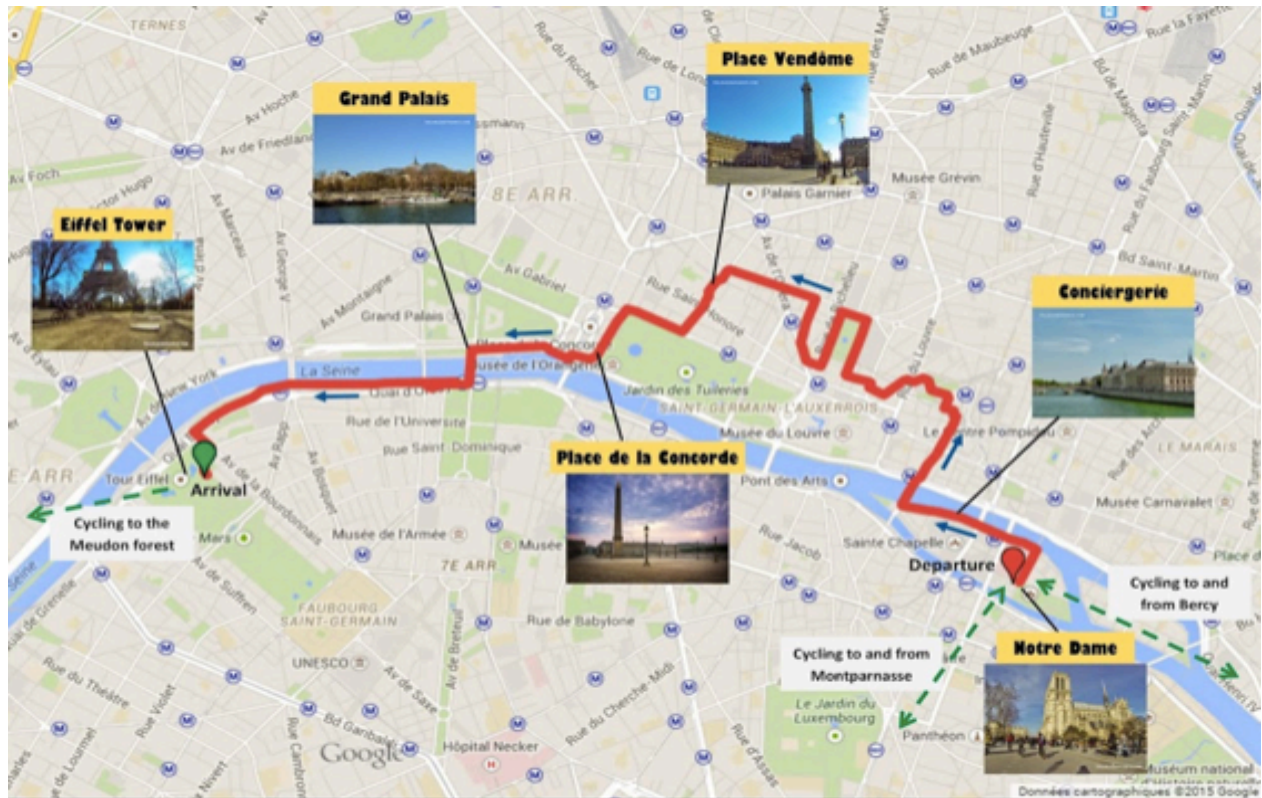
## location

The Eiffel Tower is a 324-metre-high, wrought-iron lattice construction located in Paris, at the northwestern end of the Champ-de-Mars Park along the Seine River in the 7th arrondissement. Its official address is 5 Avenue Anatole-France.

Its height – equivalent to an 81 storey building – and iconic design and shape make it easily recognizable and visible from almost everywhere in the city of Paris.



## cycling route







## eiffel tower

Built by Gustave Eiffel and collaborators for the Paris world exposition of 1889, it was originally named "the 300-metre Tower." This monument has become the symbol of the French capital, and a prominent tourist site.

Before the fire on 15 April 2019, the Notre-Dame de Paris Cathedral was the most visited site in Paris – a free attraction. The Eiffel Tower is a fee-paying tourist site, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> most visited site in Paris (after the fee-paying Louvre). The Eiffel Tower remains the most visited paying monument in the world.







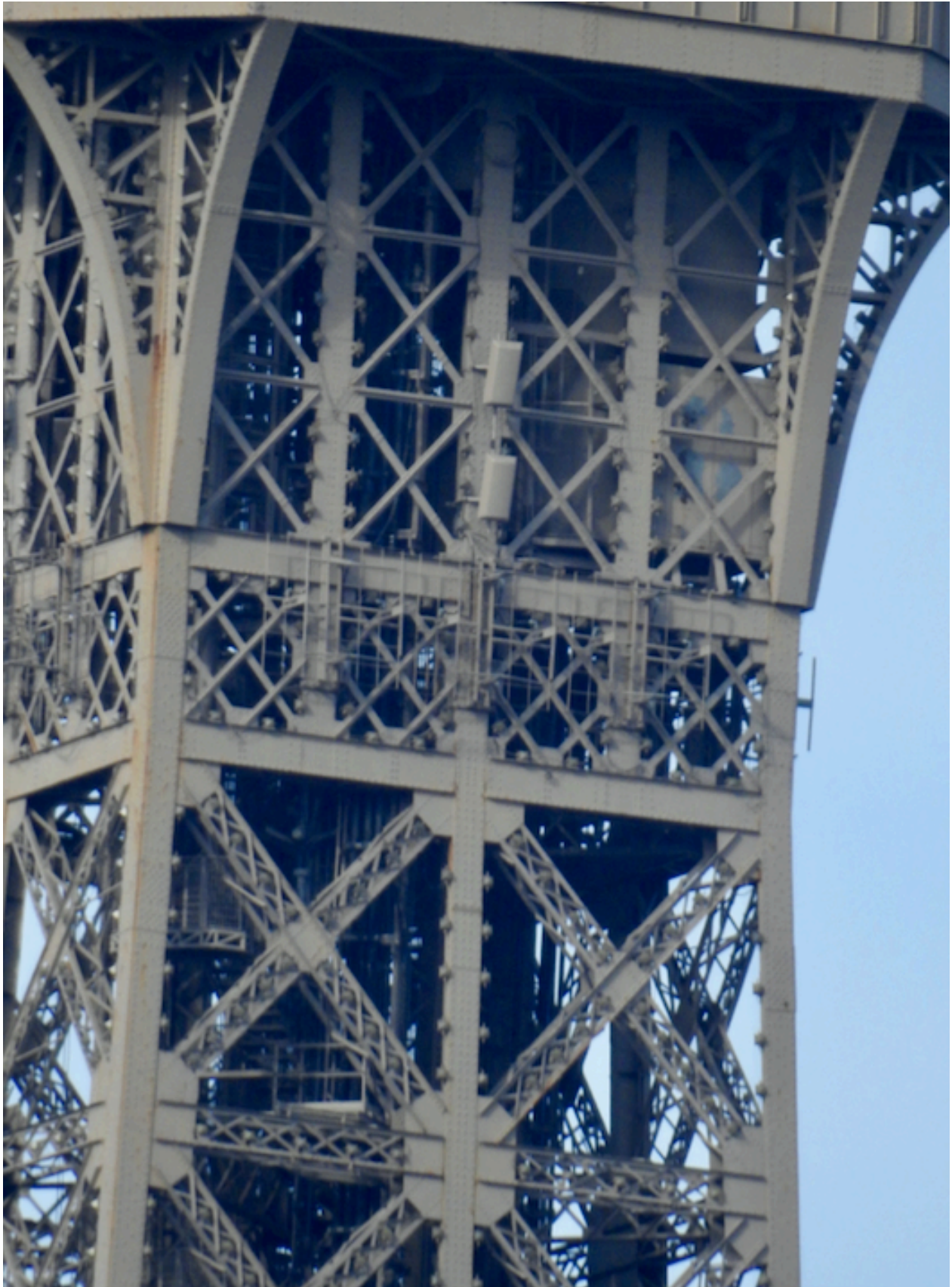
## architect eiffel

Alexandre Gustave Eiffel (1832-1923), a civil engineer, started his career building bridges. He is best known though for the Eiffel Tower and his contribution to the construction of the Statue of Liberty in New York. Born in Dijon, France, into the Bonickhausen family from Germany, his parents changed their surname to Eiffel, in reference to the Eifel mountains. Gustave Eiffel studied in Paris.

Maurice Koechlin and Emile Nouguier designed the Tower, and the land contract was signed on 8 January 1887. Construction commenced on 28 January 1887 and finished in March 1889. The Eiffel Tower is the tallest structure in Paris, at 324 metres (1,063 feet). Its base is 125 metres (410 feet) on each side. It has 3 levels – viewing platforms – for visitors. There are restaurants on the first and second levels. The third (top) level is the highest observation deck in Europe at 276 metres (906 feet) above ground.



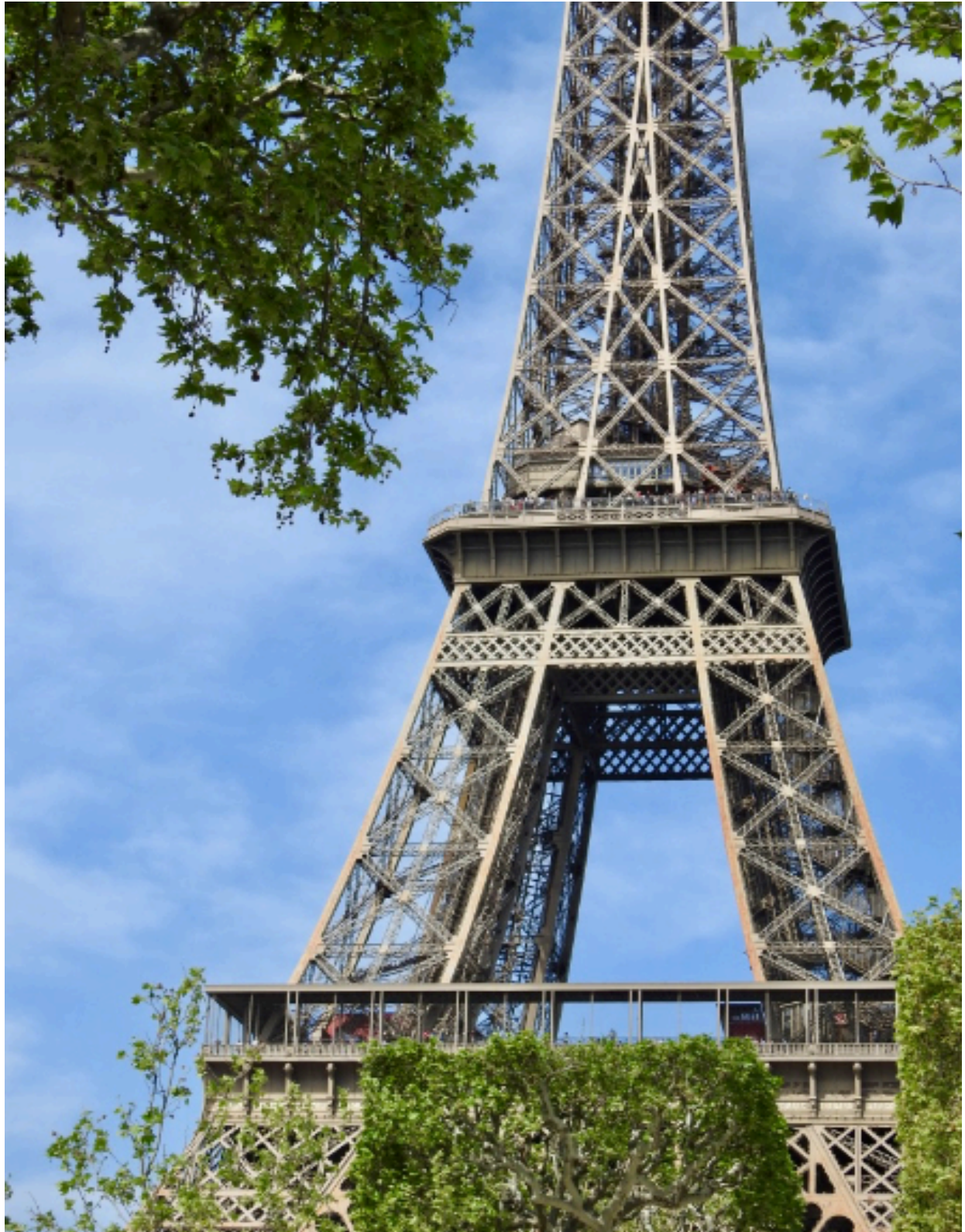










































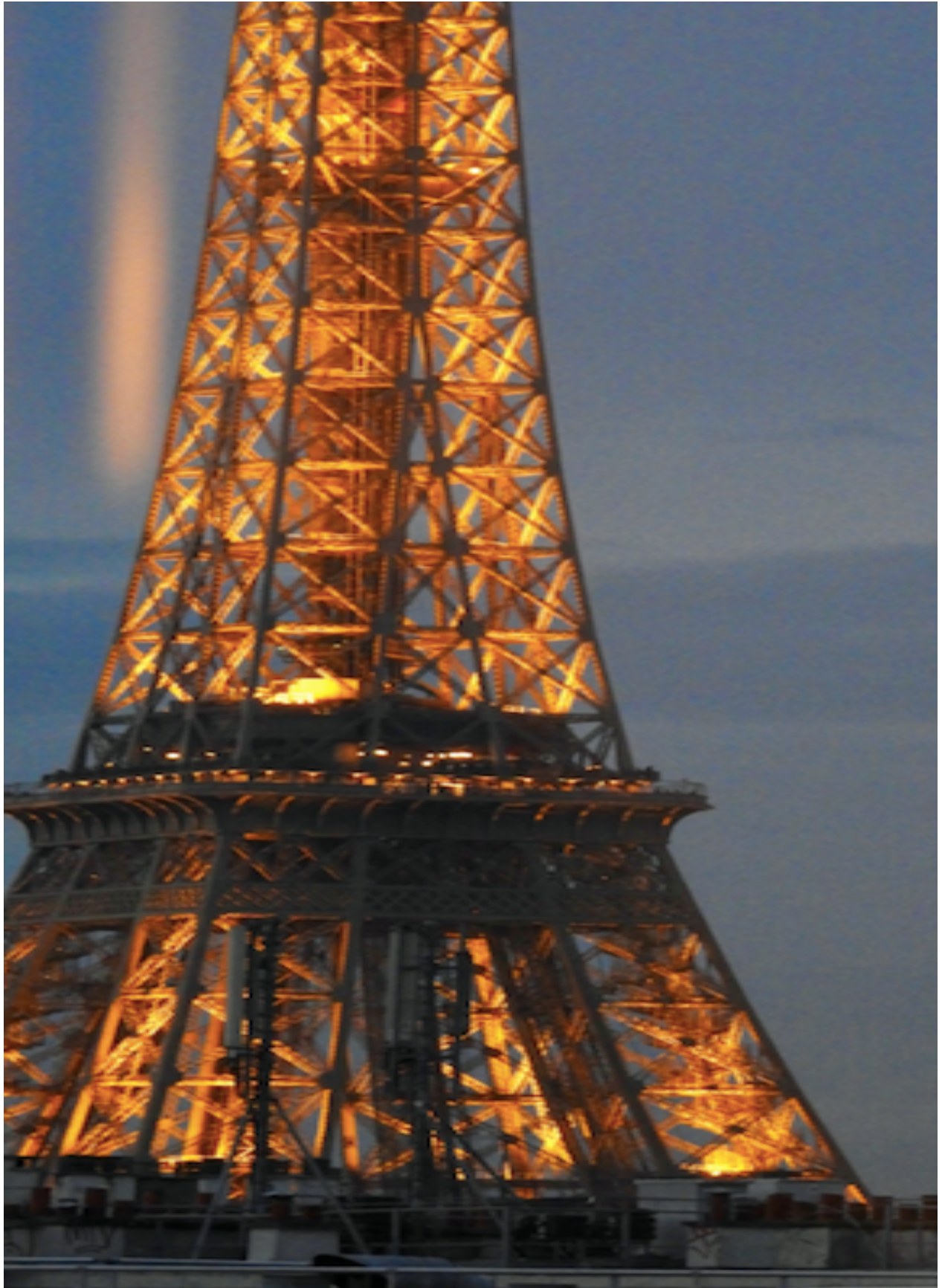


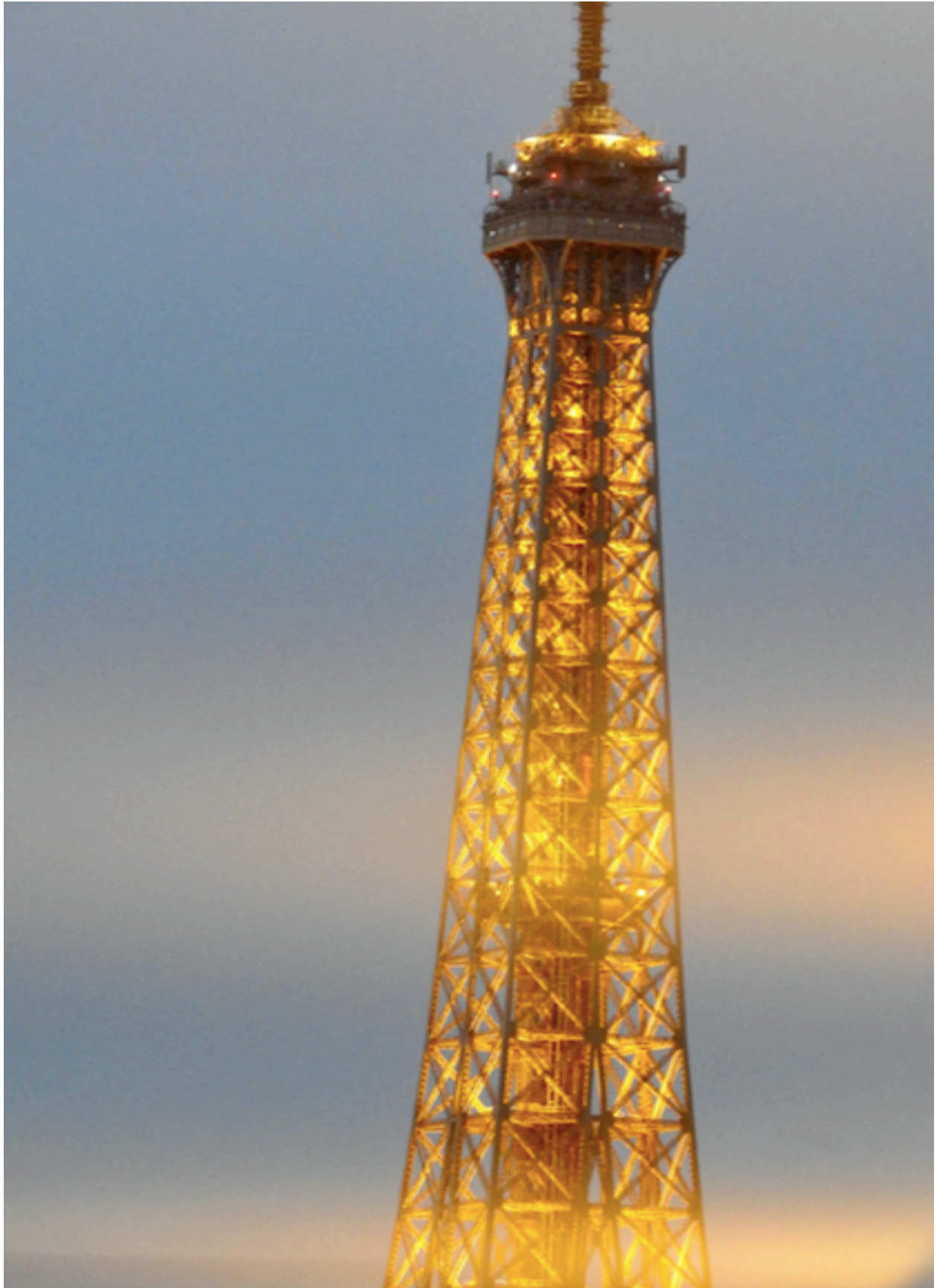




















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