

Easy French Translation - How to order coffee in a French café

Hello friends! Welcome to this new episode of Super Easy French! Going to a café is one of the daily choices of many French people. It is therefore understandable that, if you come to France as a French student, it is a must for you!

Here are some expressions that will be useful to you if you too run on coffee.

- Hello Madam,
- Do you want to sit on the terrace or in the dining room?
- At the counter please, I'm in a hurry.
- No problem, go for it!
- Hello!
- Hello Madam, what would make you happy?
- How much is the Viennese coffee?
- It is €5.50.
- Um, okay. More like a cappuccino, then.
- A cappuccino works.
- Did everything go well?
- Yes, it was perfect!
- I could have the bill, please?
- Of course, do you pay by card or cash?
- In cash.
- That will be 4 euros 20.
- Keep the change.

The Waitress: Hello! So... - What can I do for you?

The Client: So... I'd like a coffee, please.

The Waitress: Very good! There you have it, Madam. –

The Client: Thank you! How much will it cost, please?

The Waitress: 1 euro 40, please.

The Client: 1 euro 40, okay. - That's it.

The Waitress: Hello. - Hello Madam. -

The Client: Could I have a café crème, please?

The Waitress: A café crème, with pleasure. I'll do this for you right now. There you are Madam.

The Client: Thank you!

Here are some more useful expressions:

- Hello Madam, hello Sir.
- Good morning, gentlemen, good morning, ladies.
- Good morning, ladies and gentlemen.
- Do you want to sit on the terrace or in the dining room?
- At the counter, please.
- What do I serve you?
- What would make you happy?
- I'll have a coffee, please.

- I'd like a coffee with cream, please.
- An long coffee, please.
- How much is the gourmet coffee (and its desserts)?
- Could I have a glass of water, please?
- How much does gourmet coffee cost?
- That will be 5 euros 50.
- The bill, please.
- Keep the change.
- Are you paying by card or cash?

In France, if you order a coffee, you will be served an espresso. This amount of coffee is usually the cheapest drink on the menu. A café allongé, or simply a long coffee, is an espresso with hot water added, this is usually what people who don't like strong coffee take.

A café crème, or a crème, or a café au lait, is simply a coffee with a shot of hot milk. And if you see a hazelnut coffee on the menu, it's usually an espresso with a very small amount of milk. A Viennese coffee is a coffee topped with Chantilly cream, it's not very healthy, but it's delicious!

A gourmet coffee is a French speciality that is usually ordered for dessert. It is a coffee accompanied by several mini desserts. Here, we have a piece of French toast, a slice of chocolate cake, cottage cheese with red fruit coulis, and a small fruit salad.

The Client: Hello!

The Server: Hello Madam.

The Client: I would like a coffee to take away, please.

The Server: I'm sorry Madam, we don't make takeaway coffees. Only on site, if you want one.

Yes, friends, not all Parisian cafes offer takeaway coffees. Parisians often prefer to sit down to enjoy their coffee, even if only for a few minutes. So if you see people walking around with coffees in hand in Paris, they're probably tourists!

Thank you for watching this episode of Super Easy French. And thank you also to Roland and Mr. Long for allowing us to film at the Café l'Étincelle (Spark) here in the heart of Paris. See you soon!