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Strasbourg is the capital city of the Alsace-Champagne-Ardenne-Lorraine region in northeastern France.

It's also the formal seat of the European Parliament and sits near the German border, with culture and architecture blending German and French influences.

Its Gothic Cathédrale Notre-Dame features daily shows from its astronomical clock and sweeping views of the Rhine River from partway up its 142m spire.