

Euros 2016

France



France (Group A)

Dimitri Payet finished the season as West Ham's top scorer with 12 goals. There was no place in the France squad for Real Madrid forward Karim Benzema, but West Ham's Dimitri Payet and Leicester's N'golo Kante made the 23.

Goalkeepers: Benoit Costil (Rennes), Hugo Lloris (Tottenham Hotspur), Steve Mandanda (Marseille).

Defenders: Lucas Digne (Roma), Patrice Evra (Juventus), Christophe Jallet (Lyon), Laurent Koscielny (Arsenal), Eliaquim Mangala (Manchester City), Samuel Umtiti (Lyon), Bacary Sagna (Manchester City), Adil Rami (Sevilla)

Midfielders: Yohan Cabaye (Crystal Palace), Morgan Schneiderlin (Manchester United), N'Golo Kante (Leicester City), Blaise Matuidi (Paris St-Germain), Paul Pogba (Juventus), Moussa Sissoko (Newcastle United).

Forwards: Kingsley Coman (Bayern Munich), Andre-Pierre Gignac (Tigres), Olivier Giroud (Arsenal), Antoine Griezmann (Atletico Madrid), Anthony Martial (Manchester United), Dimitri Payet (West Ham United)



Interesting percentages:

Protestants make up **3 percent** of the population, the Jewish and Buddhist faiths each represent **1 percent**, and those of the Sikh faith less than **1 percent**. The 2007 CIA World Factbook lists the religion of France as: Roman Catholic 83–88%, Protestant 2%, Jewish 1%, Muslim 5%–10%, unaffiliated 4%.

Country's MOTTO

The French national motto influenced the First Article of the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights:

All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood.



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Saint of FRANCE:

According to Christian tradition, *Saint Denis* (also called Dionysius, Dennis, or Denys) is a Christian martyr and saint. In the third century, he was Bishop of Paris. He was martyred, with his companions Rusticus and Eleutherius, in connection with the Decian persecution of Christians, shortly after 250 AD.

Denis is said to have picked his head up after being decapitated, walked ten kilometres (six miles), while preaching a sermon of repentance the entire way. He is venerated in the Roman Catholic Church as patron of Paris, France, and as one of the Fourteen Holy Helpers.

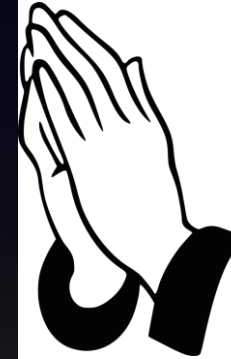
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LA PRIÈRE POUR LA PROTECTION
La lumière de Dieu nous entoure;
L'amour de Dieu nous enveloppe;
La puissance de Dieu nous protège;
La présence de Dieu veille sur nous.
Où que nous soyons, Dieu est là.

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION
The light of God surrounds us;
The love of God enfolds us;
The power of God protects us;
The presence of God watches over us;
Wherever we are, God is!

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British Values

Liberty- France seems to share the value of 'liberty' just as Britain does; it is seen in the National Motto of France alongside 'equality' and 'fraternity' (brotherhood). 'Liberty consists of being able to do anything that does not harm others'.



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Lord, we place these people and situations before you and ask you to help. In the name of the Father, and of the Son and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

