

# Resources to **Connect** with Ethnically Diverse Communities



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# INTRODUCTION

Students of color are venturing abroad in greater numbers, and using video to tell their stories. For students with questions about the experience of diverse communities abroad, the videos posted by their peers can serve as an entertaining and informative resource.

Compiled in this guide are clips from videographers of diverse backgrounds, who share their perspective on Europe's top capitals. We started with the sites of CIEE's Global Institutes in Europe - Berlin, Copenhagen, London, Madrid, Paris, and Rome - as the continent remains the top destination for study abroad participants.



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2-dpoCjsCOY&feature=youtu.be.](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2-dpoCjsCOY&feature=youtu.be)



Click here to watch samples of our Top 10 favorite YouTube personalities.

In addition to videos, this guide also lists resources for any student eager to connect with diverse communities once they're abroad in the aforementioned cities. Examples include the Chinese Students Association in London, capoeira classes in Rome, Cuban music in Copenhagen, and hair salons in Berlin.

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# BERLIN





## VIDEOS

### How to Be Cool in Berlin: Damon & Jo



Charismatic duo studying abroad share their travel tips for Berlin.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o9cr6MeI9lw>

### Jasmine's Diaries: Living in Germany as a Foreigner



Two students (from Colombia and Taiwan) studying abroad in Germany interview each other about their experiences.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MK5JUNsPTYs>

### Being Black in Germany - Kera Ariyel



Ariyel's popular series about her life in Germany offers a hilarious take on strangers that stare, the challenge to find decent cosmetics, and other important matters.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eqVWn1eEQTM>

## German Rap Reaction



Also worth a listen, if not for the reactions, for the clips of popular German hip hop artists.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q5m7UL4nuVw&t=1s>

## The Queen of Berlin's Underground Hip-Hop Dance Culture



Profile of hip hop dance teacher in Berlin.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AhFelwliAIQ>

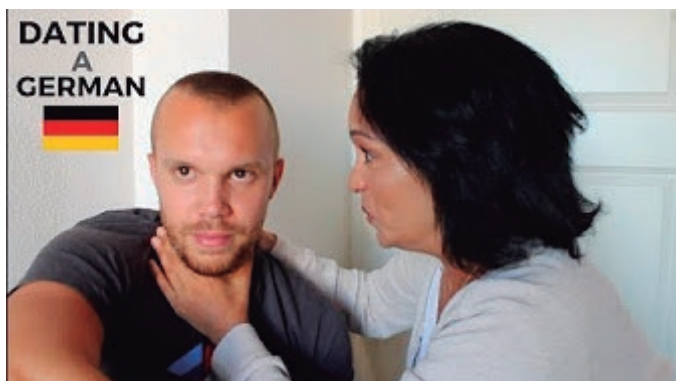
## How Do The Germans View Americans?



Quick interviews with Berliners about common stereotypes of Americans. Get ready to be made fun of.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G1-XHWLgtIA>

## German Boyfriend vs. American Girlfriend – Hayley Alexis



Hayley, an American studying abroad, and her German boyfriend Mike, share the cultural differences that can lead to misunderstandings, but are also lots of fun.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=To-37-4g6ks>



Since Living in German, I've Learned It's Ok To...is also adorable!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i4Aqq0tkML4&t=1s>

## Being Black in Germany - Hadnet Tesfai



Interviews with famous Black Germans – this episode features Hadnet Tefsai, former MTV presenter.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h5W4SCI405E>

## Viet Germany Area - Berlin's Dong Xuan Center



Kyle Le's videos of his travels are a delight. This one is a field trip to the Vietnamese section of Berlin.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TfrbEJQ2XIM>

## Morgan State in Berlin



Interviews with students from Morgan State University interning in Berlin.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9uEp1Er9Jmw&t=5s>

## Afro Germany - Being Black and German | DW Documentary



Documentary on being Black in Germany, featuring rapper Samy Deluxe, pro footballer Gerald Asamoah and Theodor Michael, who lived as a Black man in the Third Reich.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pcfPVj5qR1E>



# COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS



## Angloinfo Berlin

List of international community clubs and expat associations in Berlin (i.e. Berlin Film Folks and Women's Wheel). Find details for a variety of social gatherings with internationally minded people.

<https://www.angloinfo.com/berlin/directory/berlin-expat-clubs-associations-245>



## Berlin.de

Tourist website for Berlin. The Events and Festivals section is a good one.

<https://www.berlin.de/en/>



## How Germany Ticks

Insights into everyday life in Germany. You'll be well versed on plenty of topics for those conversations with locals!

<https://www.deutschland.de/en/topic/life>



## Afro European Sisters Network

Black women in Europe Facebook group.

<https://www.facebook.com/Afro-European-Sisters-Network-112233385459365/>



### Haus der Kulturen der Welt

Germany's national center for the presentation and discussion of international contemporary arts, with a special focus on non-European cultures and societies.

<https://www.hkw.de/en/>



### Start Berlin

Student entrepreneurship club, affiliated with all Berlin-based universities. Offers opportunities to engage with representatives from all aspects of Berlin's thriving entrepreneurial ecosystem.

<http://www.start-berlin.com/>



### African Beauty Bazaar

Hair care products and salon.

<http://www.africanbeauty-bazaar-berlin.de/>



### The Black Berlin Group

“Regardless of where you are from and how you came to be here let us unite, share, uplift, and support each other. We welcome all faiths, genders, sexualities, bodies, and minds.”

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1729067104034344/>



### Berlin Asian Film Network

“Our mission is to fight against underrepresentation and unreflected stereotypical representation of Asians.” Film screenings and open pitches every week.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/berlinasianfilmnetwork/about/>



### ISD

The ISD is a political association whose mission is to represent the interests of Black people in Germany, to promote a Black consciousness, to counter racism and to facilitate the further networking of Black people and their organizations and projects.

<http://isdonline.de/>



### Afro Fashion Week

In addition to Afro Fashion Week, this group also organizes Natural Hair Week and other events in Berlin.

<https://www.facebook.com/afrofashionweekberlin/>



### Cocoon Hair Shop

Hair supply store.

<https://www.facebook.com/Cocoon-Hairshop-Berlin-291378917567258/>

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### Black Central Europe

The mission of Black Central Europe is to further knowledge about the Black Diaspora in German-speaking Central Europe in order to challenge racialized presumptions about history. They offer relevant teaching and research resources.

<https://blackcentraleurope.com>

### Black in Germany: What to Expect

Article about the Black experience in Germany along with more links to websites and blogs.

<http://www.young-germany.de/topic/live/black-in-germany-what-to-expect>

### Extra Foreign: A Chinese-American in Berlin.

Insightful piece from a Cornell student studying in Berlin.

<http://blogs.cornell.edu/cuaxl362/2016/02/21/extra-foreign-a-chinese-american-in-berlin/>

### Explore Berlin Like A Pro With This Muslim-Friendly Travel Guide

Lists spots for first time visitors to check out.

<https://www.havehalalwilltravel.com/blog/explore-berlin-like-a-pro-with-this-muslim-friendly-travel-guide/>

### Diversity Abroad's Guide to Germany

Lists scholarships, blogs, and program options

<https://www.diversityabroad.com/study-abroad-europe/germany>

### Afro Hair Care in Europe

Guide for 12 European cities, including Berlin.

<https://afrocosmopolitan.com/afro-hair-care-in-europe-a-guide-to-12-cities/>

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## VIDEOS

### First Impressions of Copenhagen, Denmark



Courtney O's first impressions of Copenhagen as a study abroad participant.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JpcLOZ-KRLw>

### Why Did I Choose Denmark to Study?



Graduate student shares why she chose Denmark to pursue her graduate degree.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eP4spp13X58&t=1s>

### I Speak Danish.



Who says it's too hard to learn Danish? An American expat shows us how it's done.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mzay3uUsnEo>

## Denmark...I Came For One Thing #53



Charley Cheer explores the vegan options available in Denmark.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8UTWiBp7ohU>



Don't Drink That! is another fun post from Charley Cheer

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BOqScCFiE1I>

## American in a Danish Grocery Store! | Copenhagen Budget Groceries



Shardenodyzoff tries to figure out what's on offer in a Danish grocery store.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sShhRC7qnwM>

## Being Asian in Denmark and Europe



Ethenia's perspective on life as a Japanese student in Denmark.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7MrJUKuaXeA>

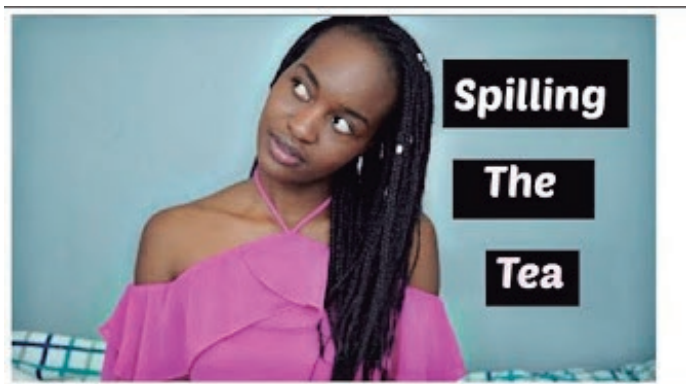
## Being Asian in Denmark and Europe



A Nigerian student's take on studying in Copenhagen.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YVxf17x5-Js>

## The Struggles Of Being Black In Denmark | Martha's Empire



Same topic, different perspective.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3sPGKN60hNQ>



## Day in the Life - Copenhagen, Denmark



Jonathan Irizarry somehow manages to avoid pedestrians as he bikes around Copenhagen, and stumbles across a demonstration along the way.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tzw8sZqyZaw>

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

### World Culture Centre



The World Culture Centre provides a creative platform for various inter-cultural and social activities. Check out their events page for multi-cultural festivals, lectures, exhibitions, concerts, debates, and screenings.

[https://www.facebook.com/pg/VerdensKulturCentret/about/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/VerdensKulturCentret/about/?ref=page_internal)

### World Dance Academy



Classes in Afro-Cuban dance, rumba, and salsa.

<https://worlddance.academy/>

## Afro-Empowerment Center



Community building for Afro Danes and other People of African Descent living in Denmark.

<http://aec-denmark.dk/eng/>

## Inter Nations



Global networking community for expats. For example, one can search for events and a guide for expats living in Copenhagen from Columbia, China, Chile, etc....

<https://www.internations.org/denmark-expats>

## Afro Hair and Body Shop



Hair salon .

<https://www.facebook.com/afrohairwork/>

## ALICE cph



Performance space featuring global roots, jazz/improv, electronic music, and sonic experiments.

[https://www.facebook.com/pg/alicecphcom/about/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/alicecphcom/about/?ref=page_internal)

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### **My Experiences in Copenhagen: Finding Beauty in Adversity**

Spelman student relays challenges of studying abroad in Copenhagen.

<http://blackbeyondborders.com/passing-the-torch/2016/4/6/my-experiences-in-copenhagen-finding-beauty-in-adversity>

### **Diversity, Racism, and Creating a Safe Space in Denmark**

Chinese-American student shares her take on the state of diversity in Denmark.

<http://sansserifdanishes.tumblr.com/post/108768785885/diversity-racism-and-creating-a-safe-space-in>

### **6 Things I Wish I Knew Before Studying Abroad as an African American**

Elon student shares some tips.

<https://www.thelocal.dk/20160413/6-things-you-should-know-asmexicos-president-visits-denmark>

### **Moving Beyond “the Danish Identity”: The Role of Ethnic Minorities in Forging a More Inclusive Society**

Research from the Humanity in Action organization on the perception of ethnic minorities in Denmark.

<https://www.humanityinaction.org/knowledgebase/381-moving-beyond-the-danish-identity-the-role-of-ethnic-minorities-in-forging-a-more-inclusive-society>

# LONDON





## VIDEOS

### Gilman Scholar Elizabeth's Favorite Things About London



Gilman Scholarship recipient Elizabeth Camarillo Gutierrez, serves as a Gilman Global Experience correspondent during her spring semester in London. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=311&v=hx9axZfe4G8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=311&v=hx9axZfe4G8)

### Things I Miss About London



K. Choi, who studied abroad in London, lists what she misses most about the city. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=68Zc8ek8Mjl>

### What Are the American Stereotypes? London



Yafa interviews Brits about the stereotypes they hold about Americans. Not for sensitive souls but hilarious. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tR\\_QiqxDxyl&t=325s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tR_QiqxDxyl&t=325s)

## American in London: Dating, What to Expect



Dawn Wilson shares her perspective on dating in the UK, addressing issues such as interracial couples, and who pays on the first date.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2NvsGQscmKI>

## Where Are All the British Asians?



Nicole Chan shares her thoughts on growing up as a British born Chinese, and the lack of Asian representation in the media.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IAWN91KIDD8>

## African Americans Vs Black English People



Jubril Agoro talks about the differences between African American and Black British culture, (and how the Brits love his American accent)!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DtEACiKWqWA>

## Being Black British vs African American



Two Black British women now living in Miami share their thoughts about African Americans.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pUetmClGdM>

## The British Chinese



Student documentary featuring interviews with young people of Asian descent in Glasgow, exploring how they deal with issues of identity and belonging.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-GNrlqLHJYE>

## London Slang Translated!



Who says we speak the same language? Fatma schools us on London slang.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1M9j8GGeLIY>

## London Travel Vlog



Couple from Melbourne show us their favorite sights (and food) in London.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NFUDHosWTzw>

## London. A Walk Trough The Street Food Stalls and the Vintage Shops of Brick Lane



A trip to London is not complete without a visit to Brick Lane – one of London’s most vibrant and multicultural neighborhoods.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R\\_6Gm91F4E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R_6Gm91F4E)

## An American in London



Mer gives her take on chips vs. crisps, the Royal Family, and other discoveries on her expat journey.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=00dRsKGN9nE&t=4s>



## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS



List of student clubs that you can join at the University of Westminster, our partner university in London (i.e. the Hispanic Society, the Chinese Scholars and Students Association, the African and Caribbean Society, etc...)

<https://www.uwsu.com/societies/>

### Goldsmiths Student Union



List of student clubs at Goldsmith's, another partner university

<https://www.goldsmithssu.org/activities/societies/list/>

### African Caribbean Society at UCL



Student club at UCL, another partner university.

<https://www.ucluacs.co.uk/>

### Latinos in London



Latin music, arts and events website.

<http://www.latinosinlondon.com/index.php>

### Latino Life



Latin clubs, music, theater, dance, arts, etc..

<http://www.latinolife.co.uk/>

## Desblitz



South Asian culture magazine providing a unique experience of News, Gossip and Gupshup all with a Desi twist!

<https://www.desiblitz.com/>

## Volunteer Match



Matching service for those who want to volunteer in the community.

<https://www.volunteermatch.org/>

## Black Cultural Archives



BCA is the only national repository of Black history and culture in the UK. Located in Brixton, they have exhibitions and events throughout the year.

<https://blackculturalarchives.org/>

## Reggaeoke



Reggae themed karaoke spot.

<http://www.reggaeoke.co.uk/>

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### How I Met Nettie Washington Douglass Abroad

CIEE's Frederick Douglass Scholar, Peire Wilson, relays the story of how he met the descendant of Frederick Douglass and Booker T. Washington, and other highlights of his summer in London.

<https://www.ciee.org/go-abroad/college-study-abroad/blog/how-i-met-nettie-washington-douglass-abroad>

### 6 Ridiculous Questions I Got While Studying Abroad as a Latina

Latina's experience studying abroad in London.

<https://www.goabroad.com/articles/study-abroad/why-isnt-your-name-maria-and-other-weird-study-abroad-questions>

### Guide to Black London

Short list of resources for everything from hair, food, clubs, etc. for people of color.

<https://www.weareblackandabroad.com/travelersnotes/2017/4/the-guide-to-black-london>

### We Go Too-London Guide

Quick guide with currency, transportation, black owned businesses and more.

<http://wegotooworld.com/portfolio/england-2/>

### Diversity Abroad's Guide to the UK

Includes a country guide and information on scholarships.

<https://www.diversityabroad.com/study-abroad-europe/united-kingdom>

### Brexit: What's Race Got To Do With It?

Article on how race relations influenced the BREXIT vote.

<https://www.npr.org/sections/codeswitch/2016/06/25/483362200/brexit-whats-race-got-to-do-with-it>

### Latin American Londoners: Becoming More Visible

Article on Latin American communities in London.

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/davehillblog/2016/jul/09/latin-american-londoners-becoming-visible>

### The Voice

Online version of Britain's leading Black and Asian news source.

<http://www.voice-online.co.uk/>

### Afro Hair and Beauty

Beauty supply store in South London.

<http://www.afrohairandbeauty.com/>

# MADRID





## VIDEOS

### Asian Girl's Journey to Spain



Tiffany Kuo shows us the highlights of her semester abroad in Madrid: her host mom's cooking, bullfights, and joining the glee club.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FgwilVEXyec>

### Arlette Abroad



Arlette Hawkin's marvelous blog is about her semester abroad in Seville, but includes helpful info for anyone going to Spain. Topics covered include a solo trip to Madrid, her homestay family, and making friends with locals.

<https://arletting.wordpress.com/arlette-abroad/>

### The Differences Between Spain and USA |



Chanelle Adams compares notes with Spanish Youtuber Beatriz, covering topics such as food, culture, and dating.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rx-NtqoY0uc>

## Black In Spain | Part 1



Student shares her perspective on being Black in Spain, and her surprise at the warm reception.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cJ7pAAng4sl&feature=youtu.be>

## Being Black in Spain



Same topic, different perspective. Vlogger 38KT Gold describes the multiculturalism she's experienced in Madrid.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9-aZIXdPOPg>

## Latinos in Spain Fight for Their Political Life



News report on the political capital of Latinos in Madrid.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DMEc6ilk\\_rg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DMEc6ilk_rg)

## Foreign Exchange Student in Spain - A Day in the Life

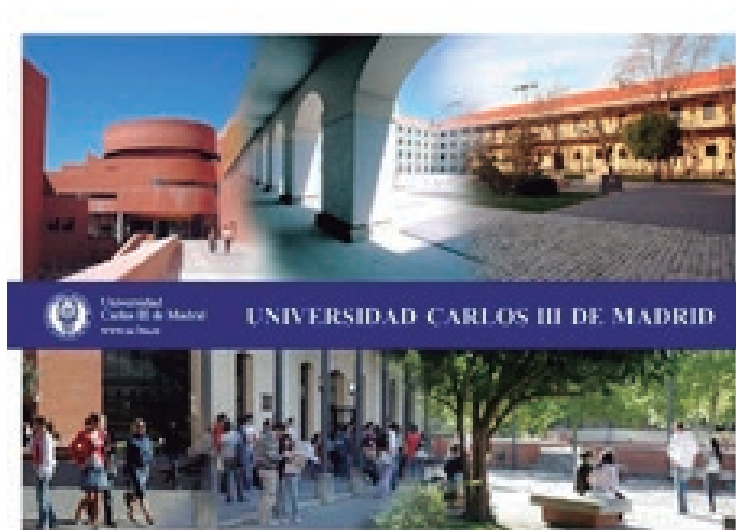


High school exchange student shares his experience studying abroad in Spain.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4vu7qeO6sKg>

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

### Chinese Student Association at UC3m



Association of Chinese students at CIEE's partner university, Carlos III University of Madrid. the Carlos III University of Madrid.

Email: [aecuc3m@gmail.com](mailto:aecuc3m@gmail.com). Phone: 91 624 92 71

### Es Japon



Japanese cultural events and info in Madrid.

<http://www.esjapon.com/>

## Las Morenas de Espana



Connect with Las Morenas for their Black Girl Magic Brunches and other events.

<https://www.lasmorenasdeespana.com/events/>

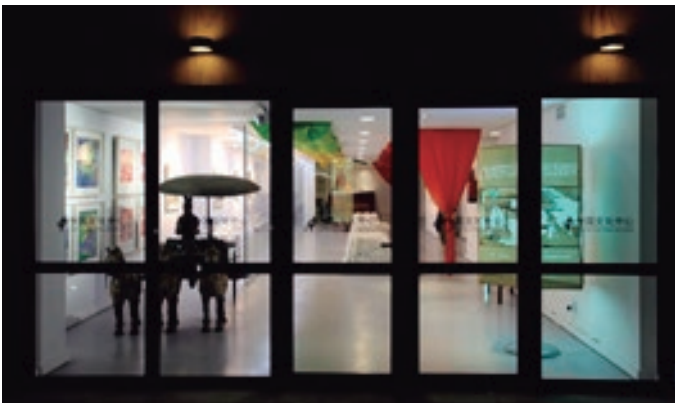
## Casa Asia



Casa Asia was created “to discuss civic, political, social, cultural, economic and environmental issues, supporting activities and projects that contribute to a better knowledge between Asian and Spanish societies”.

<https://www.casaasia.eu/>

## Centro Cultural de China en Madrid



Local events and information for those interested in Chinese culture.

<https://ccchinamadrid.org/>

## Casa de America



Casa de America is a public consortium, the purpose of which is to strengthen bonds between Spain and Latin America. They hold seminars, conferences, exhibitions, master classes, film screenings, discussions, and workshops.

<http://www.casamerica.es/>



## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### Sos Racismo

Organization committed to raising awareness about racism and prejudice in Spain

<https://sosracismo.eu/>

### Black in Spain, an Exotic Beauty

Article on the exoticism of being a person of color in Spain.

<http://www.lasmorenasdeespana.com/blog/black-in-spain-an-exotic-beauty>

### Diversity Abroad's Guide to Spain

Information about scholarships, program options, and videos from alums of study abroad programs.

<https://www.diversityabroad.com/study-abroad-europe/spain>

### Madrid, a Beacon of Tolerance and Diversity

Article listing gay friendly and multicultural neighborhoods in Madrid.

[https://www.esmadrid.com/en/madrid-beacon-of-tolerance-diversity?utm\\_referrer=https://www.google.com/](https://www.esmadrid.com/en/madrid-beacon-of-tolerance-diversity?utm_referrer=https://www.google.com/)

### Solo in Spain

Black blogger teaching in Spain shares her solo travels and experiences.

<http://soloinspain.com/>

### Afros y Paella

This blogger moved to Spain to teach English and shares her experience on a more personal/spiritual/emotional level.

<http://afrosypaella.com/>

### Encounters of Another Color

New York Times reporter shares her tale of her junior year abroad in Madrid in the 80s.

<http://www.nytimes.com/1987/04/12/travel/encounters-of-another-color.html?pagewanted=all&src=pm>

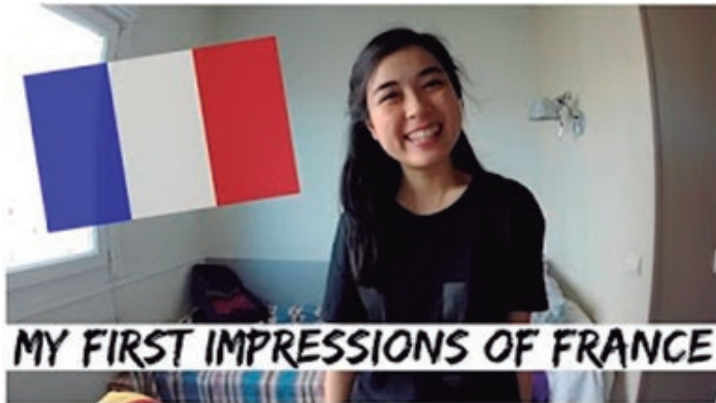
# PARIS





## VIDEOS

### An American's First Impressions of France



Study abroad participant shares her first impressions; in French and English with subtitles.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y6n0aB0Dz3E>

### Ten Tips for Studying Abroad in Paris



The fabulous duo Damon and Jo have loads of handy tips, such as where to find inexpensive bookstores, and parties to get out of that American bubble.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IIT3GvXAYNO>

### Studying Abroad in Paris – Khadi's Story



Profile of a volunteer opportunity at CIEE Paris to tutor students from diverse backgrounds.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ReZEBE5UrKU>

## Discovering Paris Asian Neighborhoods



The third part of a series of special reports exploring Paris's cultural diversity. They visit the city's Asian neighborhoods, where evidence of a strong historical bond between France and the Far East is on display.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=InVHOiYKbWA>

## Viet Kieu Phap in Paris Experience



Kyle Lo, who's just delightful, seeks out the Vietnamese community in Paris.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v4qssfLoI2c>

## American Students in Paris



French reporter interviews students from Brooklyn College and other schools studying abroad in Paris.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dVvWqIM8Wy8>

## What We Like (and don't like) About Living In Paris



These young expats discuss what they love about living in Paris, and what drives them crazy.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IHTxr6I5CXQ>

## Visiting Paris 10 Insider's Tips



Ten practical tips from a local Parisian.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cDPMYTtlXJc&t=209s>

## Black in USA vs France



Joel Cotton's perspective includes feeling safer in Paris, and an appreciation for French windows!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MWD7UuMBLH0>

## Sights and Sounds of Paris's Little Africa



Paris' Goutte D'Or neighborhood, or "Little Africa," hosts a large population of immigrants from North and West Africa. NBC News does a brief report.

<https://www.nbcnews.com/video/traveling-noir-sights-sounds-of-pariss-little-africa-neighborhood-452491843553?v=b>

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

### CIEE Blog Post: Little Africa



CIEE Paris alum, Darnell Sharperson, takes us on a tour of Little Africa.

<https://www.ciee.org/users/ddsharperson>

### Paris Asiatique



Guided tour of Chinese, Japanese and Indian neighborhoods in Paris (in French).

<https://www.parisasiatique.com/visite-guideed-du-quartier-chinois-quartier-japonais-quartier-indien-paris/>

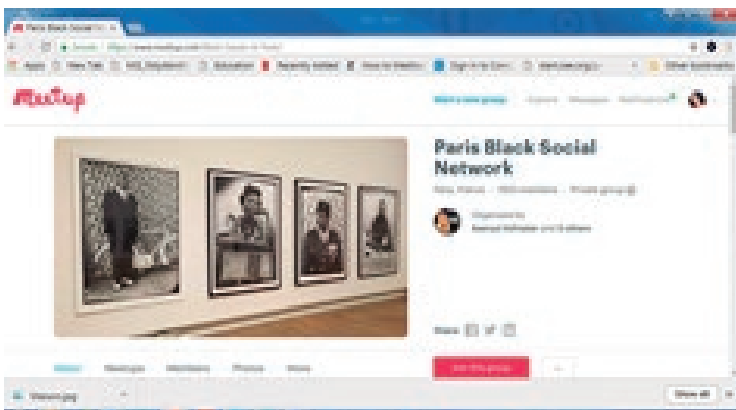
## Maison Noir American



MNA “is committed to fostering friendship and a deeper sense of community between diverse French, African American & Afro-Francophone cultures by reclaiming, embracing, and sharing commonalities of the African Diaspora.” Check out their events page.

<https://www.facebook.com/maisonna/>

## Paris Black Social Network



Meet up group for African-Americans, Afro-Europeans, Afro-Caribbeans, Afro-Latinos, Africans, and anyone else.

<https://www.meetup.com/Black-Expats-in-Paris/>

## Paris Black Pride



Facebook group that organizes Paris Black pride parade and other events throughout the year.

<https://www.facebook.com/parisblackpride/>

## Paris Chinatown



Brief introduction to Paris's 13th arrondissement.  
[http://www.chinatownology.com/chinatown\\_paris\\_13\\_arrondissement.html](http://www.chinatownology.com/chinatown_paris_13_arrondissement.html)

## Association Amicale des Ressortissants Japonais en France



AARJF is one of the largest Japanese associations in Paris, supporting Japanese who have newly arrived to France adapt to their new home.  
<https://nihonjinkai.net/>

## La Vie Locale



Expat blogs about fun things to do and see in Paris.  
<http://lavielocale.com/about/>

Her Naturalistas Hair Care Guide is a particularly good post:

<http://lavielocale.com/2016/04/13/naturalistas-survival-guide-in-paris/>



## Mama Jackson



Soul food restaurant

<https://www.facebook.com/mamajacksonsoulfood/>

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### Is Paris Still a Haven for Black Americans?

The City of Light once drew thousands of black expats across the Atlantic, but does it still have the same appeal?

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/travel/paris-still-haven-black-americans-180955082/>

### Diversity Abroad

Diversity Abroad's guide to France.

<https://www.diversityabroad.com/study-abroad-europe/france>

### What It's Like to Be Asian in France

Chinese American student shares her perspective on living in France.

<https://academoiselle.wordpress.com/2013/03/20/what-its-like-to-be-asian-in-france/>

### My Surreal Experience as a Black American Woman Living in Paris

Black expat's experience in Paris.

<http://www.elle.com/life-love/a33046/what-its-like-to-be-a-black-american-woman-in-paris/>

### 48 Things You Never Learned About Black People In Paris

Then and now, the history of black people in Paris is a rich one.

[https://www.buzzfeed.com/jenniferpadjemi/things-to-know-about-black-people-in-paris?utm\\_term=.ntwlJjkmP#.dirJ3rPml](https://www.buzzfeed.com/jenniferpadjemi/things-to-know-about-black-people-in-paris?utm_term=.ntwlJjkmP#.dirJ3rPml)

### Ultimate Black Girls Travel Guide to Paris

Essence magazine's guide with some cool things to do and eat.

<https://www.essence.com/lifestyle/travel/ultimate-black-girls-travel-guide-to-paris#1311521>

### Being Black and Studying Abroad

North Carolina A&T student compares her experiences on CIEE's programs in London, Paris, and Cape Town.

<http://www.ncatregister.com/2018/04/being-black-and-studying-abroad/>

### African American Tours

CNN report on African American history tours in Paris.

<http://www.cnn.com/travel/article/paris-african-american-history-tours/index.html>

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## VIDEOS

### Black in Rome



Student interviews young Black Romans about their experiences growing up in Italy.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jh-iacoMGAw>

### Asian in Rome



How Ying Lai bounces around to several of Rome's attractions.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P3qJkw1LwMQ>

### The Black Expat: Quest for a Black Barber



While studying abroad in Italy, Justin documents the hunt for finding the right barber while in Rome.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oFtiTDKMoa8&t=9s>

## 20 Euros in Rome vs 20 Euros in Paris



Damon and Jo show us just how much fun you can have with only 20 Euros in your pocket.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vl6TapDCWI8>

## Afro Americans vs. Afro Italians



American vlogger Tia Taylor has several vlogs about life in Italy. In this post she and her Italian guest compare Afro Italian to Afro American culture.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EOjehLONvZw&feature=youtu.be>

## Black Girls in Rome, Portraits and Narratives



Black women of varying ages discuss their experiences in Rome,

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AznUheI2LqQ>

## Asian Boy Swaps Life with Greta Menchi from Rome



Jared heads to Rome from Malaysia, and undergoes three challenges set by Greta Menchi.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=drvSKx7Lcl0>

## Living in Rome: What It's Really Like



Naturally Kenya covers the basics of what it's like to live in Rome.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8jiXv-ybksA>

## Studying Engineering – Italy vs USA



Naturally Kenya's piece on studying Engineering in the U.S. vs. Italy is another helpful post.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qdb-lmwHNPO>

## Rome Sweet Home (Mg) - My Exchange Year in Italy



Thai exchange student's year in Italy.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1xwXTnsOQDA>

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

### Multicultural Rome



This blog post profiles various multicultural activities in Rome, i.e. attending an African Mass or exploring Little London.

<https://www.blocal-travel.com/italy/central-italy/lazio-italy/rome-italy/southern-rome/rome-ostienne/multicultural-rome/>

### Roma Multietnica



Provides information and updates on multicultural organizations and events in Rome, such as film festivals, restaurants, concerts, and community associations.

<http://www.romamultietnica.it/english.html>

## Cadência de Bimba



Capoeira school.

<http://www.capoeiraregionalroma.it/wordpress/>

## American International Club of Rome



They host cultural events such as museum tours, concerts, trivia nights, bowling parties, cocktail parties, black-tie dinners at exclusive locations throughout Rome, and, their famous First Friday Happy Hours.

<https://www.aicrome.org/>

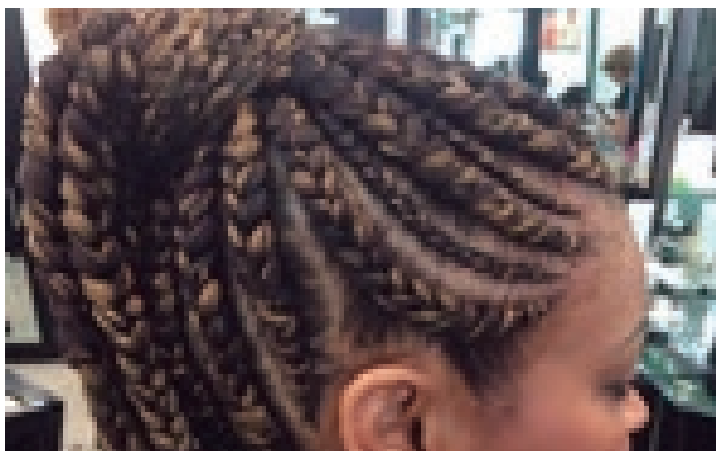
## The Italian Institute of Oriental Studies



One "of the most important centers in Italy for the study of Chinese, Indian and other Asian cultures and languages." Their library has an extensive collection in multiple languages.

<https://web.uniroma1.it/diso/en>

## Astri Hair Salon



Hair salon for braids and extensions.

<https://www.facebook.com/astriparrucchiere/>

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### What's It Like Being Black In Italy?

Writer Kai Lutterodt speaks to Fred Kuwornu about his new film, Blaxploitalian: 100 years of Blackness in the Italian Cinema

<http://www.voice-online.co.uk/article/whats-it-being-black-italy>

### Interview with Ernesto: A Mexican Living in Italy

Interview with expat from Mexico working in Rome's financial industry.

<http://www.expattarrivals.com/article/interview-with-ernesto-a-mexican-living-in-italy>

### What It's Like to Be Asian in France

Chinese American student shares her perspective on living in France.

<https://acdemoiselle.wordpress.com/2013/03/20/what-its-like-to-be-asian-in-france/>

### Nappytalia

Italian language blog on all things natural hair. Created by and for Black Italians.

<http://www.nappytalia.it/afro-italian-nappy-girls/>

### Thai Expat In Italy - Expat Interview With Mee

Interview with expat from Thailand who's lived in Italy for over a decade.

<https://www.expatsblog.com/articles/1285/thai-expat-in-italy-expat-interview-mee>

### On Being An Asian Living In Italy

Korean-American students discusses her adjustment to living in Italy.

<https://www.theodysseyonline.com/asian-living-italy>

### Diversity Abroad Guide to Italy

Information on scholarships and a diversity guide to Italy.

<https://www.diversityabroad.com/study-abroad-europe/italy#>

### Afro Italian Souls

Lifestyle and entertainment blog.

<http://www.afroitaliansouls.it/afroitalian-souls-about-us/>

### The Afro-Italian Voice of Johanne Affricot

Profile of Afro Italian artist

<https://www.theblackexpat.com/johanne-affricot/>



## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### Racial concerns for minorities in Italy

A “traveler's guide to race matters in Italy and a frank rundown of what to expect if you're black, Asian, Arab, Indian, or otherwise not visibly of European descent.”

[http://www.reidsitaly.com/planning/safety/racial\\_concerns.html](http://www.reidsitaly.com/planning/safety/racial_concerns.html)

### Broom With a View

Article on how migrants from Africa are performing a needed service in Rome.

<https://slate.com/business/2018/04/rome-is-broke-and-dirty-african-migrants-are-cleaning-it-up.html>

### Afro Hair Care in Europe

Guide for 12 European cities, including Rome.

<https://afrocosmopolitan.com/afro-hair-care-in-europe-a-guide-to-12-cities/>



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