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There is something inexplicably romantic about Paris. Captured in song, art and film over the decades, who could resist the chance to live the dream in an enchanting penthouse apartment with a view of the capital city's neighbouring rooftops? Now you can, at the Hôtel du Ministère's new suite, aptly named *La Tête dans les Étoiles* – 'head among the stars'.

The hotel, designed by interior architect and designer François Champsaur back in 2011, is on something of a growth spurt. Opened in 2011, it expanded with 18 new rooms to its original 24, in an adjacent building linked by a bright and colourful boulevard room. The new street-side wing is crowned with a top-floor skylight, while the courtyard-side wing

features a regal Eiffel Tower-style structural façade.

To this corner *La Tête dans les Étoiles*, made up of two ensuite bedrooms, a living room with a cosy fireplace, laundry room and a full kitchen-dining area. The large glass windows give way to a sublime view of the skyline from both the kitchen and the living room, creating a contemporary setting in the historical heart of the city.

It is a fitting addition to Hôtel du Ministère's offer of unique duplexes and singular rooms with glass ceilings. All of them romantic spaces with an industrial Eiffel Tower aesthetic, they are bathed in starlight streaming through skylights, with warm beech wood nests integrated with the original hotel panelling.

Above  
*La Tête dans les Étoiles* provides views of the skyline from both the kitchen and the living room.

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Every day from 8 o'clock to midnight, the breakfast room transforms into the 'Honey Bar', offering afternoon tea, pre- or after-dinner drinks in a space that embodies Mondrian's passion for colour and sleek lines.