

Food shopping glossary

Boucherie: Butcher shop. A shop in which meat and poultry are sold.

Boulangerie: Bakery. A shop that produces and sells bread, cookies, cakes, pastries and pies.

Boutique: A small shop that focuses on selling a particular product range and associated items, such as ready-to-wear, wine, haberdashery, etc.

Charcuterie: A shop that focuses on selling prepared meat products primarily from pork, such as bacon, ham, sausages and *terrines*.

Epicerie: A corner grocery store that sells staple food and other basic products such as toothpaste and toilet paper at a higher price level. They are usually open longer hours, on Sundays and public holidays.

Fromagerie: A shop that focuses on selling different types of cheese.

Grande distribution: Supermarket (*supermarché*) and hypermarket (*hypermarché*) industry. These shops sell food and non-food items. Their products are generally cheaper from the products sold by independent businesses. The shops vary in size:

- Supérette: A small store in the city in which basic products are sold,
- Les grandes et moyennes surfaces: Large and medium-sized shops, commonly known as hypermarkets (*hypermarché*) and supermarkets (*supermarché*). Hypermarkets are usually located outside of towns and cities and are bigger, whereas it's more common to find supermarkets in the city that are smaller than hypermarkets. These shops offer a wide variety of food and items of common and daily use, such as household products, cosmetic products, toiletries, light bulbs, electric battery, etc. These shops often have specialised shelf space reserved for meat, cheese, fish, *charcuterie* and bakery products. For example, **the main hypermarkets in France** are E. Leclerc, Auchan, Cora, Géant Casino, etc. **The main supermarkets in France** are Carrefour, Franprix, Monoprix, Leader Price, etc.

Poissonnerie: Fish store. A shop where raw fish and seafood are sold.

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