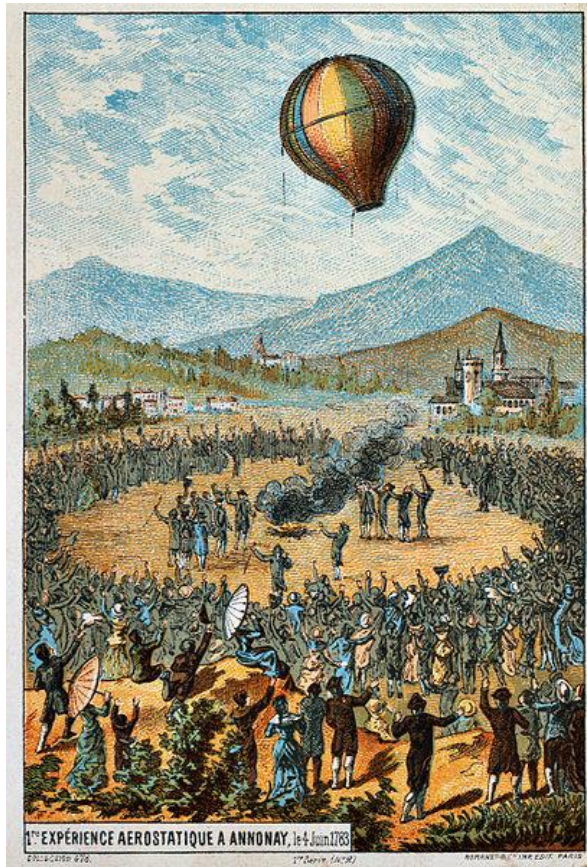


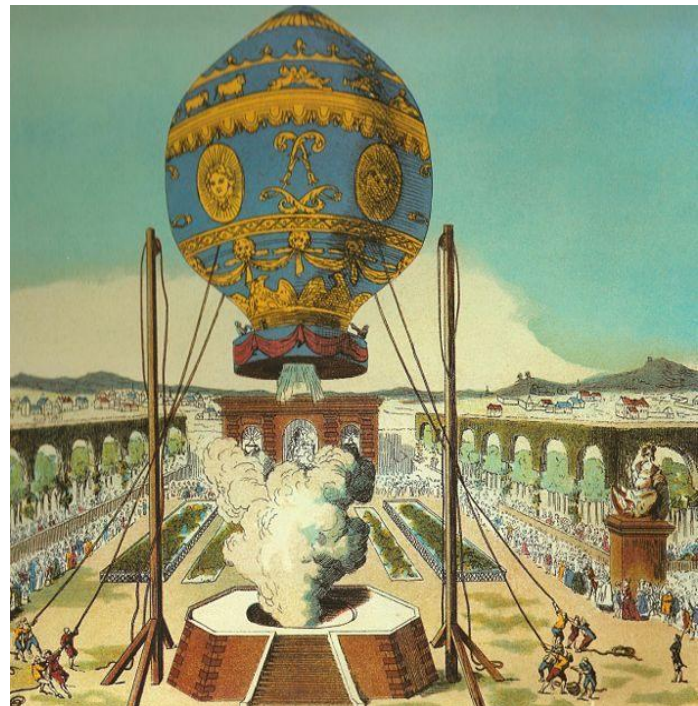
Images of the Montgolfier Brothers and their Hot Air Balloons



June 4, 1783 Montgolfier Balloon flight



September 19, 1783 Montgolfier Balloon flight in Versailles, carrying a sheep, a duck and a rooster



October 15, 1783 The first manned hot air balloon flight



Monument erected to commemorate the first centennial of the first hot air balloon flight in Annonay, France





*Statue honoring Joseph and Etienne
Montgolfier in
Annonay, France*

Commemorative
monument erected by
The American Institute
of Aeronautics and
Astronautics (AIAA)
and the
Association
Aéronautique et
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France (AAAF)



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DEVANT LES DEPVTES
DES ETATS DE VIVARAIS
JOSEPH MONTGOLFIER
ET SON FRERE ETIENNE
D'ANNONAY ONT LANCE
DANS LE CIEL LE PREMIER
GLOBE AEROSTATIQUE

ICI EST NEE LA
NAVIGATION AERIENNE

“On this site, the 6th of June of
1783, in the presence of the
deputies of the State of Vivarais,
Joseph Montgolfier and his
brother Etienne of Annonay,
launched the first aerostatic
balloon to the skies.

Aerial Navigation was born here”



Plaques at the base of the AIAA – AAAF monument

