

75th Anniversary Tour of D-Day

*Featuring France & England
Memorials of World War II*

October 11-20, 2019



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History comes alive on this nostalgic, emotional and powerful tour of England & France including the Normandy Beaches.

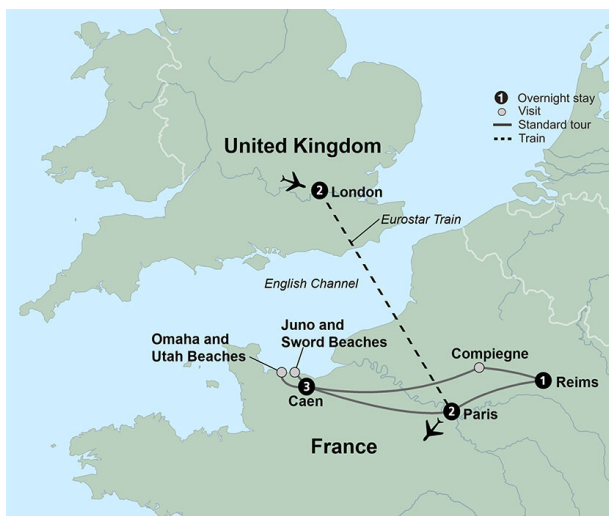
**BOOK NOW!
THIS TOUR WILL
SELL OUT.**

\$4,999.00

Per person based on double occupancy. A deposit of \$500.00 per person is due at time of booking. Final payment is August 1, 2019.

On June 6, 1944, otherwise known as D-Day, Allied troops landed on the beaches of Normandy and gained a foothold in the fight against Nazi Germany.

On this tour, you'll also see the German artillery bunkers and visit the D-Day Museum, the first museum built to commemorate D-Day. In Arromanches, see the remains of the Mulberry Harbor, a temporary harbor built to quickly offload men and cargo, and the Arromanches 360 Circular Cinema, which uses archived images to tell the story of the Battle of Normandy. In Sainte-Mère-Église, visit the Airborne Museum, dedicated to the American paratroopers. You'll visit the Canadian Cemetery and at the Juno Beach Center, the exhibition, the bunker, and the Memorial to the Canadians. The first American troops landed on Utah Beach. Here, you'll visit the memorials, as well as the museum which chronicles the history of the landing. Next is Pointe du Hoc, where US Army Rangers assaulted its cliffs. Omaha Beach is where the highest number of casualties occurred. Here, visit the nearby American Military Cemetery & Memorial. Finally, you'll visit the Memorial Pegasus Museum, dedicated to the 6th British Airborne Division.



Featured Highlights:

- London & Paris
WWII Themed City Tours
- Churchill War Rooms
- Eurostar Train
- Pegasus Bridge
- Caen
- Arromanche-les-Baines
- Juno Beach
- Sword Beach
- Bayeux Cemetery & Memorial
- Caen Memorial Peace Museum
- Normandy American Cemetery
- Omaha Beach
- Utah Beach
- Pointe du Hoc
- Airborne Museum
- Memorial of Internment Deportation
- Reims
- Musée de la Reddition



Included In Price:

- Round Trip Transfers Bloomington/Chicago
- Air from Chicago
- Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges
- 8 Breakfasts
- 1 Lunch
- 3 Dinners
- Hotel Transfers

Not Included In Price:

- Cancellation Waiver and Insurance for \$398.00

THE EYES OF THE WORLD
ARE UPON YOU... I HAVE
FULL CONFIDENCE IN YOUR
COURAGE, DEVOTION TO
DUTY, AND SKILL IN BATTLE.

GENERAL DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER
SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER



HERE RESTS IN HONORED GLORY
A COMRADE IN ARMS
KNOWN BUT TO GOD

Detailed Tour Itinerary:

Day 1 – 11 Oct (Fri) – DEPART FROM HOME

Make your way from the USA to London.

Day 2 – 12 Oct (Sat) – ARRIVE LONDON, ENGLAND

Welcome to London! Your group will be transferred to your hotel. This evening your Tour Director will meet you for a unique welcome to England and a chance to combine a traditional London pub experience with a relaxed, night-time RIVER CRUISE, viewing some of the capital's most beautiful illuminated sights. Enjoy a three-course dinner with several local menu choices, including fish and chips and steak and ale pie at an historic London pub in the City of London. Following dinner you will enjoy scenic views from the comfort of your private cruiser. Highlights include Tower Bridge, St. Paul's and the Houses of Parliament, with commentary from your guide as you cruise along the River Thames.

(Dinner)

Day 3 – 13 Oct (Sun) – LONDON

After a hearty English breakfast, sightseeing with a Local Guide includes all the famous landmarks: the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben beside the Thames River, Westminster Abbey, Whitehall's mounted horse guards and the Prime Minister's Downing Street, Piccadilly Circus, and Buckingham Palace. Visit the CHURCHILL MUSEUM AND CABINET WAR ROOMS. Dedicated to the life of the "greatest Briton," the Churchill Museum examines Sir Winston Churchill's life, leadership, and legacy, while the Cabinet War Rooms reveal the secret underground headquarters that drove Britain's war effort. Listen to audio of Churchill's inspiring wartime speeches, and explore the maze of rooms where Churchill and his aides strategized—rooms that remain exactly as they were when they were last used in 1945. ***(Breakfast)***

Day 4 – 14 Oct (Mon) – LONDON – PARIS, FRANCE – CAEN

Board the high-speed EUROSTAR TRAIN for an exciting ride to Paris, then a pleasant drive to Ranville, where you will see the original Pegasus Bridge. Your home for the next 3 nights is Caen. ***(Breakfast, Dinner)***

Continued Tour Itinerary:

Day 5 – 15 Oct (Tue) – CAEN. EXCURSION TO THE LANDING BEACHES

Today, start with a visit to the CANADIAN CEMETERY in Bénny-sur-Mer. Drive to SWORD BEACH and JUNO BEACH CENTER, visit the exhibition, the bunker, and the Memorial to the Canadians. Next is Arromanches, where you will watch the movie at the ARROMANCHES 360 CIRCULAR CINEMA. Then on to BAYEUX WAR CEMETARY, before returning to Caen visit the MEMORIAL MUSEUM FOR PEACE with its exhibits, films, and gardens. ***(Breakfast)***

Day 6 – 16 Oct (Wed) – CAEN. EXCURSION TO THE LANDING BEACHES

This morning, drive to the NORMANDY AMERICAN CEMETERY and visit the grounds and the visitor's center. You will visit OMAHA BEACH, POINTE DU HOC; Ranger's Assault and UTAH BEACH to see the MEMORIALS and the MUSEUM. Then, in Sainte-Mère-Église, visit the AIRBORNE MUSEUM, next to the church where John Steele's parachute got caught in one of the steeples, as filmed in the movie The Longest Day. Return to Caen. ***(Breakfast)***

Day 7 – 17 Oct (Thu) – CAEN – COMPIEGNE – REIMS

Today you will drive to Compiègne to visit the MEMORIAL OF INTERNMENT AND DEPORTATION before arriving in Reims, the city of champagne, and enjoy a highlight of a CHAMPAGNE EXPERIENCE with sabrage (saber). Also recognized by UNESCO, France's Champagne region is celebrated for its specialized artisan activity that has become an agro-industrial enterprise. Next, visit the impressive NOTRE DAME DE REIMS CATHEDRAL, where the Kings of France were crowned. Considered one of the most beautiful examples of gothic art, the 800-year-old cathedral was one of the first monuments registered as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. ***(Breakfast)***

Day 8 – 18 Oct (Fri) – REIMS – PARIS

After breakfast, you will visit MUSEE DE LA REDDITION, where the German surrender was signed. A maze of tunnels and caves dating back to Roman times exists under the city of Reims, and these are used to this day for the aging of the champagne. A fascinating visit to a CHAMPAGNE CELLAR teaches you all about how this sparkling wine is made. You will arrive in Paris where you will have the rest of the day at leisure. Your Tour Director will have a list of optional sightseeing for you to experience. ***(Breakfast, Lunch)***

More Itinerary Details:

Day 9 – 19 Oct (Sat) – PARIS

Paris - capital of romance and the most beautiful city in the world! This morning discover the sites that were occupied by the Nazi, the Resistance in the city and the liberation of Paris. Drive by the Avenue Kléber where the Hotel Majestic was the "Abwehr" headquarters of the German military intelligence. The Arc the Triomphe that on June 14th 1940 the Nazi hung the Nazi flag and organized a military parade with a marching band on the Champs Elysées. Walk in the center by the Hotel de la Marine occupied by German navy, the Jeu de Paume Museum and the Hotel Meurice where the German commandant of Paris and his staff moved into. The walking tour will continue till the Tuileries Garden up to the Hotel Regina and Palais Royal. The wonder of Paris at night truly comes to life on this incredible farewell dinner and river cruise excursion. Begin with an unforgettable farewell dinner overlooking the city at the legendary Restaurant Le 58 Tour Eiffel, located on the first floor of the iconic Eiffel Tower. ***(Breakfast, Dinner)***

Note: Dinner at Le 58 Tour Eiffel restaurant is subject to availability

Day 10 – 20 Oct (Sun) – DEPART PARIS

After breakfast, your tour will end with your group departure to the airport. ***(Breakfast)***

Terms & Conditions

The rate is \$4,999.00 per person based on double occupancy. A deposit of \$500.00 per person is required. Final payment is August 1, 2019. A cancellation fee of \$500.00 will be assessed for any reservations canceled between September 25, 2018 and July 31, 2019. Cancellations made after August 1, 2019 will result in complete forfeiture of monies paid.

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Please print names *exactly* as they appear on your passport. Passports must be in effect for six months beyond the tour's return date, Apr. 20, 2020.

PASSENGER 1: _____

Passport #: _____ Passport Expiration: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Known Traveler # if Applicable: _____

PASSENGER 2: _____

Passport #: _____ Passport Expiration: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Known Traveler # if Applicable: _____

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☐ Yes, please add Travel Insurance to my package for an additional \$398.00.

☐ **No, I do not want Travel Protection. PLEASE SIGN IF YOU HAVE ELECTED NOT TO PURCHASE INSURANCE.** Direct Travel has recommended that I purchase travel protection insurance. I have been made aware of the cancellation fees associated with my trip, and I understand that if any unforeseen circumstance (including medical emergencies) should occur and I do not have insurance, I would not be covered.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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