

Tour Dates: June 2 - 13, 2015
Tour Length: 11 Days / 10 Nights
Arrival Airport: Paris (CDG)
Departure Airport: Frankfurt (FRA)
Countries: France, Belgium,
Luxembourg and Germany



D-DAY
*and Battle of
the Bulge*
TOUR

World War II Tour to France, Belgium and Rhine River.

This Tour begins at Paris (CDG) Airport and finishes at Frankfurt (FRA) Airport. During our 5 days in Normandy (*other tours try to see everything in two*), we not only visit the American invasion beaches, but also the British and Canadian Beaches as well. On our drive from Paris to the Normandy coast, we make a stop at La Roche Guyon Castle, where Erwin Rommel's D-Day headquarters were located. Hear the incredible story of the four-year preparation and training period for the Allies, which preceded the D-Day invasion. Visit Pegasus Bridge, where the British 6th Airborne Division spearheaded the entire assault forces with a commando-style raid on Benouville. See an original German coastal battery with its original cannons still in place. This Tour now includes a visit to the impressive Radar Museum in Douvres, where you can see an original "Würzburg" Giant, and explore the radar station's preserved bunkers. We will also make our way to Arromanches, to witness the ruins of the former artificial "Mulberry" harbor. We will spend a full day visiting sites at UTAH Beach, including the town of Ste. Mere Eglise, La Fiere Causeway, Sainte Marie-du-Mont, Dead Man's Corner, Carentan and more. At OMAHA Beach, we start by visiting Pointe du Hoc, where the 2nd US Ranger Battalion scaled the 100ft cliffs against all odds. Next, we continue to Verville-sur-Mer, where the 29th Infantry Division suffered horrible casualties on D-Day. We will also visit Normandy American Cemetery, to pay our respects to more than 9,000 war dead buried there.

Visit 'Battle of the Bulge' sites in the Ardennes Forest.

From Normandy, we head along the northern coast to the Pas-de-Calais. We visit the impressive TODT Battery, a museum located in an original bunker dedicated to the history of the Atlantic Wall. Relax in the evening as we stay in an 18th Century Chateau hotel. We continue to the Belgian Ardennes, where we will spend 2 days visiting Battle of the Bulge sites. See Bastogne, where the 101st Airborne Division and other units held the line under continuous German attacks to take the important city. Our Battlefield Tour of the Ardennes also includes the site of the Malmedy Massacre, Poteau / St. Vith, Foy, Trois-Ponts, and much more. Visit the actual spot where General Patton's 4th Armored Division broke through the encirclement around Bastogne, marking a major turning point in the battle. We will have a scenic drive into nearby Luxembourg, where we will visit one of the best World War II museums in the world: The National Museum of Military History at Diekirch. We complete this incredible tour on the Rhine River in Germany. Our last two days are spent enjoying the spectacular scenery from Rheinfels Castle, our 800-year-old castle hotel overlooking the Rhine River. Our last day on tour includes a Rhine River Cruise and Private Wine Tasting!

D-Day & Battle of the Bulge Tour

June 2: IN FLIGHT to Paris Charles De Gaulle Airport (CDG)

June 3: NORMANDY - Operation Overlord and Tour Welcome

Join us today arriving at Charles De Gaulle Paris Airport as we make our way to the Normandy Coast in northern France. We will have a short stop en route for lunch and to visit Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's former headquarters at La Roche Guyon Castle. We then continue to Normandy for hotel check-in at Bayeux. Leisure time either in town or at the hotel before dinner. Special welcome dinner and orientation tonight. Overnight Bayeux. (D)

June 4: SWORD / JUNO / GOLD BEACHES - The Other Sectors

This morning our first stop will be Benouville, on the eastern flank of the Allied invasion beaches. Here we will learn how the British 6th Airborne spearheaded the landings at Pegasus Bridge (SWORD Beach). We will also visit the famous Gondrée Café. We continue west via JUNO Beach to Arramanches (GOLD Beach), for a special film presentation of "The Price of Freedom". Lunch in town including a visit to the D-Day Museum and to see the remains of the greatest engineering feat of the invasion: Project Mulberry, the artificial harbor. This afternoon we will tour the only German Coastal Battery in the Atlantic Wall which still has its original guns in place: Longues sur Mer. Return to Bayeux. Dinner. Overnight Bayeux. (B, D)

June 7: NORMANDY - Free Day

Today the entire day is yours for optional excursions, shopping or just relaxing in town or at our hotel. Optional excursion to the enchanting Mont St. Michel. Dinner on your own. Overnight Bayeux. (B)

June 5: UTAH BEACH - The US Airborne Landings

Today begins with the story of the first American Airborne landings in and around the towns of St. Mere Eglise and St. Marie-du-Mont during the night of June 5-6, 1944. We will trace the path of the American paratroopers at the Airborne Museum. Then it's off to UTAH Beach for a visit to La Fiere to see 82nd Airborne Division drop zones. Transfer to La Madeline, also known as "Roosevelt Beach" for lunch and visit the landings museum. Late afternoon visit to the new museum at Dead Man's Corner. Return to Bayeux. Dinner on your own tonight. Overnight Bayeux. (B)

June 6: OMAHA BEACH - The US Sea Landings

The most American casualties suffered during "The Longest Day" were on the sandy beaches of bloody OMAHA, the left flank of the American landing sector. This morning we will start at Pointe du Hoc; where the rocky cliffs bear witness to the courage of Colonel Rudder's 2nd Ranger Battalion. They faced impossible odds in attacking the heavily defended German battery there. Transfer to Vierville beach and the Normandy American Cemetery at Colleville sur Mer, seen in the epic movie Saving Private Ryan. We continue to the quaint town of Port-en-Bessin for lunch Transfer back to Bayeux for free time (Optional: visit the Bayeux Tapestry) and dinner. Overnight Bayeux. (B, D)

April 16: CALAIS - The Todt Battery

After breakfast and check-out, we leave Normandy for our journey across France. We will make our way north of Paris, having lunch en route. This afternoon we arrive near Calais, and visit the Todt Battery Museum, which includes the only German rail cannon in Europe. Continue to our 18th Century Chateau hotel for check-in and dinner. Overnight Chateau de Cocove. (B, D)

April 17: BASTOGNE - The Besieged City

The result of Hitler's surprise attack in the Ardennes Forest became the largest battle on the Western Front, The Battle of the Bulge. American soldiers in the defense of Bastogne met the ultimate test of courage during the Nazis bloody, mid-winter siege of the city. Today we cross over into Belgium to visit the Bastogne Historical Center and the American Memorial. Check-in at our hotel this afternoon with leisure time in Bastogne. Dinner tonight at our hotel. Overnight Bastogne. (B, D)

April 18: THE ARDENNES - The Battle of the Bulge

This morning our first stop is the quiet crossroads of Baugnez, near Malmédy, to visit the site of the infamous ambush and massacre of American soldiers there. We continue south for a special Battlefield Tour (weather permitting) near the village of Poteau-St.Vith in an authentic preserved WWII Halftrack vehicle. Free time at the newly renovated Poteau '44 Collection Museum and Shop. Transfer back to Bastogne for free time. Dinner on your own tonight. Overnight Bastogne. (B)

April 19: LUXEMBOURG - GERMANY - American War Cemetery

Our last stop in the Ardennes will be the small Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, first to Diekirch for a morning visit to the largest military museum in the world: The National Museum of Military History. Lunch in Diekirch. Afternoon transfer to American Cemetery in Luxembourg City / Hamm to see the final resting place of Gen. George S. Patton, Jr. We'll continue into Germany for late afternoon check-in at our 800-year-old castle hotel on the Rhine River. Dinner. Overnight Rheinfels Castle. (B)

April 20: RHINE RIVER - Tour Conclusion

Free time this morning to relax. Transfer to Boppard for a Rhine River Cruise with lunch at your leisure on board. Arrive in St. Goar and have a private Wine Tasting. Afternoon free time at the castle or in town. Our Farewell Dinner will be held tonight at the castle. Overnight Rheinfels Castle. (B, D)

April 21: IN FLIGHT from Frankfurt Airport (FRA)

Tour Price (per person):	Double Room	Single Room
	USD \$3,695.00	USD \$3,995.00

Reservation Policy:

A completed and signed Tour Reservation Form and a refundable \$400 deposit (*per person*) are required to book Tours. You can book this Tour online, by phone or by mail. Payment in full is due 90 days prior to Tour departure, and must be paid in US Dollars by check. Credit cards are accepted for the deposit only; and cannot be accepted for final payment.

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Tour Reservation Form

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By signing this contract, the participant certifies that he/she has no physical, mental, or other condition or disability that would create a hazard for him/herself or other participants and accepts the terms of this contract. Any litigation arising from the relationship created by this agreement shall be brought in the State of Oregon. I have read the above terms and conditions, and hereby agree in full to the terms of this contract:

Full Legal Name
(as it appears on your Passport)

Please sign and date



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Name (*as it appears on Passport*):

Address:

Day Phone:

Evening Phone:

Email Address:

Date of Birth (optional):

Double Room (Name of Roommate):

Single Room (A Single Room Supplement is required on all tours) Single Room Amount:

I am: Vegetarian Diabetic Pacemaker Other:

I will be bringing medication:

YUK! Please do not serve me: Fish Beef Chicken Pork Other:

I am allergic to the following foods:

Special Requests or Needs:

Please put my deposit on the following Credit Card: Visa MC American Express Discover

Card Number _____ Expiration: _____

Cardholder (*Name as it appears on card*): _____

Billing Address (*if different from address above*):

Security Code: _____ Signature (*as on card*): _____