



## Join the Fun Tours

### Memorials of World War II

*featuring the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day Landing*

August 26 — September 04, 2024 • 10 Days • 12 Meals



# Highlights

London & Paris WWII-Focused City Tours, Portsmouth, The D-Day Story Museum, English Channel Crossing, Juno Beach, Caen Peace Memorial Museum, Arromanche-les-Baines, Longues-sur-Mer, Apple Cider Farm Visit, Normandy American Cemetery, Omaha Beach, Pointe du Hoc, Airborne Museum, Utah Beach, Giverny Gardens, Seine River Dinner Cruise

An unforgettable journey of discovery and remembrance awaits you as you travel between London, Normandy and Paris on the 80th Anniversary of D-Day. Explore London's connections to World War II during a city tour focused on The Blitz. Cross the English Channel, retracing the parallel journey nearly 160,000 courageous Allied troops took on June 6th, 1944, as they set out to liberate Europe from the Nazis. Immerse yourself in the history of Normandy's D-Day Landing Beaches and visit the Normandy American Cemetery. Visit Saint-Mère-Église, the first French town liberated from the Nazis and learn about the brave paratroopers who parachuted into Normandy on the night of June 5-6, 1944. Conclude your journey in Paris, the City of Light, with a festive dinner cruise along the Seine River.

## Essential Experiences

Retrace the D-Day preparation efforts at The D-Day Story Museum, dedicated to Operation Overlord.

Navigate the path of the D-Day Landings as you cross the English Channel by ferry.

Set foot on the hallowed grounds of the Normandy landing beaches.

### Local Guides

In order to enhance your experience on tour, two local guides will accompany the group in specific locations. These guides come from the region and have a deep understanding of the people and culture. They are joining the tour to share their knowledge with you. Please refer to your Tour Manager for the cities these guides will join your tour and refer to the gratuities section for tipping recommendations.

### Tour Manager

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## Tour Package - Air & Land Incl

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## Transfers

We offer full-service transfers from start to finish. So, when you arrive at the airport of your destination, arrangements will have been made to transfer you to your first hotel on the tour.

If you purchased our air-inclusive tour package, you will enjoy this service free of charge.

If you purchased your air ticket on your own (our land-only tour package), you may purchase a round-trip transfer for a fee.

Meeting locations and times will be set up to accommodate your transfer arrival and departure schedules, which will be provided to you in your documents packet. If you decide to arrange your own transportation to the hotel, please make sure to check in with your Tour Manager once you arrive.

## Your Tour at a Glance

**Stay** 10 Days  
 9 Nights

**Meals** 12 Meals  
 8 Breakfasts  
4 Dinners

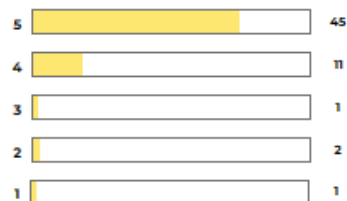
**Activity** 3  
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Rating  60 reviews

## Overall Trip Rating

4.6 *Out of 5*







## Highlights And Inclusions



### Your Tour Includes

- 4 Handpicked Accommodations
- 12 Meals

### Must-See Inclusions:

- Experience the Peace Memorial Museum that vividly documents the causes and consequences of WWII.
- Spend 3 nights in the Normandy region and take a journey back in history to the D-Day landing beaches.

### Cultural Experiences:

- Retrace the D-Day preparation efforts at The D-Day Story Museum, dedicated to Operation Overlord.
- Navigate the path of the D-Day Landings as you cross the English Channel by ferry.
- Set foot on the hallowed grounds of the Normandy landing beaches.

### Culinary Inclusions:

- Enjoy London's culinary renaissance at a dinner featuring gastro-pub cuisine.
- Sample traditional French cider during a visit to an apple orchard in Normandy.
- Admire the "City of Light" as you float down the Seine River on a relaxing dinner cruise.

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DAY  
1

### Aug 26, 2024: Overnight Flight

An unforgettable journey of discovery and remembrance awaits you on the 80th Anniversary of D-Day.

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### Aug 27, 2024: London, England - Tour Begins

Welcome to London. Discover the city's rich historical relationship with World War II. This evening, get a taste of contemporary British fare as you meet your fellow travelers for a dinner highlighting London's culinary renaissance.

 **Included Meals**

Dinner

DAY  
3

### Aug 28, 2024: London

Uncover London's myriad connections to WWII on an expert-guided tour. Step back in time to September 1940, when the city was at the receiving end of the German 'Blitz'. London would be reduced to rubble, but not Londoners, who "Kept Calm and Carried On." View Saint Paul's Cathedral and take in iconic landmarks such as Big Ben, Westminster Abbey and the Houses of Parliament. Retrace Sir Winston Churchill's steps on a walk by the Cenotaph and Downing Street, before returning to your hotel for an evening at leisure.

 **Included Meals**

Breakfast

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4

### Aug 29, 2024: London - Portsmouth

This morning, journey through the English countryside to Portsmouth. This city played a critical role in the preparation efforts for Operation Overlord. Generals Eisenhower and Montgomery chose Portsmouth for their military headquarters and its dockyards now host The D-Day Story Museum, which you will visit this afternoon before checking into your hotel for a 1-night stay.

 **Included Meals**

Breakfast  
Dinner

DAY  
5

### Aug 30, 2024: Portsmouth - English Channel Crossing - Caen, France

In the early hours of the morning,\* board a ferry and cross the English Channel. As you breathe in the salted sea air during your 6-hour sailing, reflect upon the parallel journey nearly 160,000 courageous Allied troops took on June 6th, 1944, as they set out to liberate Europe from the Nazis. Your ferry docks in Ouistreham, which housed one of the largest bunkers of the German 'Atlantic Wall' defense system. A coastal drive takes you by Sword Beach (British landing site) to Juno Beach, where Canadian soldiers sacrificed their lives among a deluge of air attacks, naval bombardments, and land offenses. Arrive in Caen in the early evening and settle into your hotel for a momentous 3-night stay.\*\*

 **Included Meals**

Breakfast  
Dinner

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**Aug 31, 2024: Caen - D-Day Landing Sites**

This morning, explore the Caen Peace Memorial Museum dedicated to providing a comprehensive history of the D-Day landings and Europe's post-war transition. Then, set out for Arromanche-les-Bains to view the remains of the Mulberry Harbor, one of the greatest engineering feats of WWII, allowing the Allies to establish strategic bridgeheads on D-Day. Later this afternoon, stop at the German Artillery battery of Longues-sur-Mer, featured in *The Longest Day*. Then pause at a local farm for a stroll through their apple orchards and a taste of traditional cider.

**🍴 Included Meals**

Breakfast

DAY

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**Sep 01, 2024: Caen - D-Day Landing Sites**

Today, immerse yourself in the history of Normandy's beaches – the site of the largest amphibious invasion in history. Pay your respects to the 9,386 servicemen and women who rest at the Normandy American Cemetery. Visit two U.S. landing zones of the invasion of Normandy: Omaha Beach and this afternoon, Utah Beach. Discover Pointe du Hoc, a strategic German battery that claimed the ultimate sacrifice of 135 brave men from the 2nd and 5th Ranger Battalions and where craters from cataclysmic bombings occupy the landscape to this day. At the Airborne Museum, learn the unique history of paratroopers in Saint-Mère-Église, the first French town liberated from the Nazis. Return to Caen in the early evening.

**🍴 Included Meals**

Breakfast

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**Sep 02, 2024: Caen - Giverny - Paris**

Head south to Paris this morning. Your drive through the rich pasturelands of Normandy takes you to the village of Giverny. Here, let the art scene leave its impression on you with a visit to Monet's countryside home.\*\*\* Stroll through the colorful living work of art that is Monet's garden, where you'll see the source for the artist's inspiration, including the setting for his iconic *Waterlilies*. Then, set off to Paris, the French capital that was under German occupation from 1940 to 1944. In the late afternoon, check into your hotel located in the suburban *La Défense* business district. As your day comes to a close, make the most of an evening at leisure. Or, enjoy an optional dinner at the dynamic Paradis Latin\*\*\*\* for a champagne-flowing, can-can kicking, music-driven night at the cabaret.

**🍴 Included Meals**

Breakfast

DAY

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**Sep 03, 2024: Paris**

A local expert leads you on a journey back to the time of German occupation and the puppet government of Vichy. From the Vel d'Hiv, Hôtel de Ville, Les Invalides, Panthéon, and the Luxembourg Gardens to Le Marais, see the sites that tell the story of the liberation of Paris and what life was like under the Nazis. Tonight, bid *au revoir* to your fellow travelers and to the City of Light while gently floating down the Seine on a dinner cruise.

**🍴 Included Meals**

Breakfast

Dinner

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10

Sep 04, 2024: Paris - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today.

 Included Meals

Breakfast







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## Arrive Earlier

Pre Night: Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton  
From \$150 per night



**Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton**

Nights 1-2



**Portsmouth Marriott Hotel**

Night 3





**Mercure Caen City  
Center-Port de Plaisance**

Nights 4-6



**Renaissance La Defense**

Nights 7-8

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**Overnight Car Parking duration of Tour in Ormond & Viera- shuttle to Airport r/t**



**Guest in THE VILLAGES- Join the Fun will Include Car Parking at Orlando International Airport or Shuttle to Airport from THE VILLAGES**



**Flights roundtrip – let us know if you would like pricing for Extended Seats or First Class, based on availability.**



**Collette Tour with all Inclusions, Tours, Meals above**



**Gratuities paid to Tour Manager & Driver**



**Monitor and assist with Guest Flight for unseen situations!**

## **Allianz** **Travel**

- Protect your Deposit, Payment, Cancellation, Trip Delay, and Situations (accidents) while on your Tour. We offer Individual Travel Policies & Annual Travel Insurance

**Call Stefan- Owner of Join the Fun Tours to Secure your seat.**

**Stefan Shields 386-235-3443**

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**\$5,499 Per Person**

**\$6,499 SOLO**

**With Air and all Inclusions above**

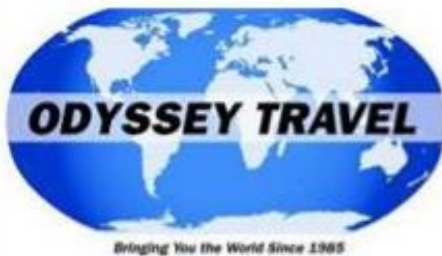


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### Stefan's "Join the Fun"



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