

Normandy Landing Beaches

FROM ONLY
£249

4 Day Normandy Beaches

Price shown based upon a minimum of 40 paying members travelling low season staying at Bon Sejour, Merville

The Allies knew that the only way that the Germans could be defeated in the long term was by a direct assault on the continent itself.

This tour visits some of the key sites associated with the massive challenge, horrors and ultimate success of the D-Day landings on a 50 miles stretch of the Normandy beaches.



Optional visits

Le Memorial de Caen.

This modern museum offers you a spectacular audio-visual presentation, a vast collection of photographs, posters, models and two short films on D-Day and 'The Battle of Normandy'.

Pegasus Memorial Museum.

Dedicated to the British 6th Airborne Division, it tells the story of how they held the eastern flank of the Landing Beaches. It features the first bridge liberated on the French mainland – Pegasus Bridge as well as authentic objects and emotive souvenirs. A model of a glider from that period is also in the museum grounds.

Merville Battery Museum.

The Merville Battery was attacked by Lieutenant Colonel Otway's 9th Battalion Parachute Regiment on D-Day. The museum tells the story of the Parachute operations and the later Commando action. The main displays are in one of the casemates, but you can walk all round the site and enter the others. There is a small gift shop/book shop at the entrance.

Arromanches 360 degree cinema.

The film, The Price of Freedom, is presented on 9 screens in a circular cinema, mixing unreleased footage from archives of war correspondents with present day pictures shot on location.

Plunging you into the heart of the action of the Landings of the Allied Forces in Normandy.

Musée du Débarquement.

The Landings Museum is based in Arromanches in front of the actual artificial harbour (Mulberry B). The museum is devoted to the incredible feat of technology achieved by the British who prefabricated two artificial ports (Mulberry A & Mulberry B) in England and towed them into place at 5mph. The museum has a large scale model of the harbour as well as a video show.

Atlantic Wall Museum, Ouistreham.

Situated inside a Fire Control Bunker at Ouistreham, which overlooked Sword Beach, this museum tells the story behind the Atlantic Wall defences along the Normandy coastline. The museum has recreated what the bunker once looked like inside in 1944, with original equipment, and mannequins in uniforms of the garrison.

Included in this tour

- Full board from dinner on Day 1 to packed lunch on final day
- Coach travel • Short sea channel crossing (Portsmouth to Caen or Cherbourg possible at a supplement) • Sightseeing pre-booked to requirements. Includes entrance charges to Le Memorial Caen, Musée de Débarquement and the Pegasus Memorial Museum
- Comprehensive travel insurance • Study notes for all group members
- Guide books and information pack for group leader

4 Day Normandy Landing Beaches Tour

Day 1

Travel from school to Channel coast for crossing to Calais, and on to your accommodation in Normandy. Time for a brief visit* en route.

Day 2 & 3

Two full days including visits to some of the major places on the Normandy.

Day 4

We depart our accommodation centre after breakfast with time for further visits* en route before returning to Calais, and journey back to school.

*The time available for visits en route is dependant upon the school's distance from the Channel port.



Normandy Beaches & Paris

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5 Day Normandy
Beaches & Paris

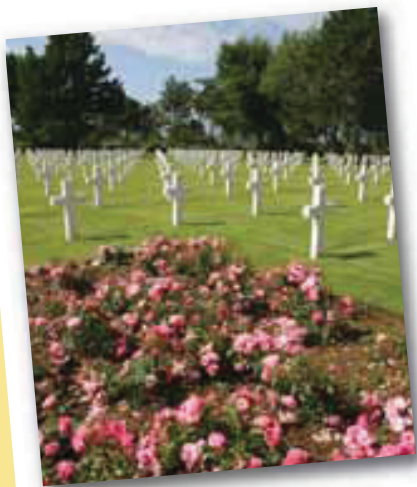
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This popular combination tour includes some excellent visits to the key sites of the Normandy D-Day invasion and gives the opportunity to visit some of the famous landmarks in Paris.

Optional visits

Pointe du Hoc.

Pointe du Hoc was one of the strongholds in the German fortification dominating the sea because of its vertical cliffs. It is topped by a heavy gun battery protected by concrete bunkers and the scene of the heroic exploits of Colonel Rudder's Rangers.



Colleville-sur-Mer.

The American Cemetery at Colleville-sur-Mer is a poignant reminder of the sacrifice that the American people made to help secure the future of Europe. It overlooks Omaha Beach and contains 9,387 perfectly aligned white crosses.

Bayeux.

This was the first French town to be liberated by the allies. Visit the Memorial Museum with its extensive collection of models, weapons, uniforms, dioramas and a cinema showing a film of the allied landings.

Airborne Museum, St. Mère Eglise.

The unusual museum has two buildings, one in the shape of a parachute the other of a delta wing. It contains many air exhibits including aircraft engines, anti-aircraft guns, a tank and also many artefacts provided by American veterans.

Musée Mémorial Omaha.

Located right at the heart of Omaha Beach, this fascinating museum houses a collection of military vehicles, weapons, uniforms and personal effects found on site. There is also a photo exhibition and a film featuring veterans' testimonies documenting the landings at Omaha and Pointe du Hoc.

Centre

Juno Beach.

The Juno Beach Centre is a museum and cultural centre, which presents the war effort made by all Canadians, civilian and military alike, both at home and on the various fronts during the Second World War. Its permanent display consists of seven exhibit rooms, which draws upon documents, photographs, maps, artefacts, audiovisual and audio accounts.



Included in this tour

- Full board from dinner on Day 1 to breakfast on final day (excludes packed lunches on Days 4 and 5)
 - Coach travel
 - Short sea channel crossing
- Sightseeing pre-booked to requirements. Includes entrance charges to Bayeux Memorial Museum, Airborne Museum in St. Mère Eglise, Musée de Débarquement and Paris river trip
 - Comprehensive travel insurance
 - Normandy study notes for all group members
 - Guide books and information pack for group leader

5 Day Normandy Beaches & Paris Tour

Day 1

Travel from school to Channel coast for crossing to Calais, and on to your accommodation in the Normandy area. Time for a brief visit* en route.

Day 2

A full day including visits to some of the major sites on the Normandy Landing Beaches.

Day 3

Further time visiting some of the major places on the Normandy Landing Beaches. Continue to Paris for overnight.

Day 4

A full day sightseeing in and around Paris (see page 8).

Day 15

We depart our accommodation centre after breakfast with time for further visits* en route before returning to Calais, and journey back to school.

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