

NORMANDY, FRANCE JUNE 6
D-DAY 1944
MEMORIAL PARADE
 AND MUSICAL SALUTE TO THE VETERANS




2022 D-DAY MEMORIAL PARADE COMMEMORATION
 SAMPLE TOUR SCHEDULE – La SALLE HIGH SCHOOL

THURSDAY, JUNE 2: DEPARTURE

- Depart on your overnight flight to France – Be sure to sleep on the plane!

FRIDAY, JUNE 3: ARRIVAL IN FRANCE

- Arrival in Paris, Charles De Gaulle Airport. Retrieve your luggage, clear customs. Meet your full-time tour manager outside of Customs
- Board your private motor coach. Lite refreshments provided. Depart for Normandy (approximately 3-hour drive). You will make a lunch stop en route. Lunch will be at your expense
- Afternoon to visit the **D-Day 360 Museum in Arromanches**. It was on the beach of Arromanches that, during the Invasion of Normandy immediately after D-Day, the Allies established an artificial temporary harbor to allow the unloading of heavy equipment without waiting for the conquest of deep-water ports such as Le Havre or Cherbourg
- Depart for the hotel for check in and overnight – Dinner provided at your hotel



- 5:00 Participate in the **D-Day Memorial Parade** through the village of Sainte-Mère-Église
- 6:30 Depart for the hotel for overnight – Dinner provided



SUNDAY, JUNE 5 – BRITTANY

- European style breakfast provided at the hotel
- Depart for a visit to the **American Cemetery at Brittany and participate in the tribute ceremony**. The American Cemetery in Brittany contains the remains of 4,409 of our war dead, most of who lost their lives in the Normandy and Brittany Campaigns of 1944.
- **11:00 Wreath Laying and Commemoration Ceremony**
- Transfer to **Mont St. Michel** for a tour of this one-of-a-kind medieval town and fortress abbey (Lunch on own at your leisure at Mont St. Michel)
- Depart for the hotel for overnight
- Group dinner provided at the hotel



SATURDAY, JUNE 4: PARADE

- European style breakfast provided at the hotel
- Depart for a visit to Pointe du Hoc. During the American assault of Omaha and Utah beaches on June 6, 1944, these U.S. Army Rangers scaled the 100-foot cliffs and seized the German artillery pieces that could have fired on the American landing troops at Omaha and Utah beaches. At a high cost of life, they successfully defended against determined German counterattacks.
- Transfer to **Utah Beach**. The World War II Utah Beach American Memorial commemorates the achievements of U.S. VII Corps forces that landed and fought in the liberation of the Cotentin Peninsula from June 6, 1944 to July 1, 1944
- Transfer to **Sainte-Mère-Église**, the first town liberated by American paratroopers on D-Day, to tour the town and prepare for the D-Day Memorial Parade
- Performance in the town square as part of the **Musical Salute to Liberation**



MONDAY, JUNE 6 (D-DAY): OMAHA BEACH

- European style breakfast provided at the hotel
- Transfer to the **American Cemetery** at Omaha Beach tribute ceremony. Tour the Cemetery and Visitors Center. The Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial in France is located on the site of the temporary American St. Laurent Cemetery, established by the U.S. First Army on June 8, 1944 and the first American cemetery on European soil in World War II. The cemetery site contains the graves of 9,387 of our military dead, most of whom lost their lives in the D-Day landings and ensuing operations.
- **11:00 Wreath Laying and Commemoration Ceremony**
- Depart for Paris (approximately 4-hour drive) – you will stop for lunch en route to Paris (lunch at your expense)
- Arrival into Paris – have dinner in the Latin Quarter (provided)
- Depart for your Paris area hotel for check in and overnight



TUESDAY, JUNE 7: PARIS

- European style breakfast provided at the hotel
- Morning guided tour of the city. Stops to including **Notre Dame, Champs Elysees, Arch de Triomphe, Opera, and Montmartre, Eiffel Tower**
- Lunch on own
- Conclude the tour at **Montparnasse Tower Observatory** for a beautiful view of Paris
- Afternoon of shopping and sightseeing in Paris
- Dinner provided
- Evening to enjoy Paris at your leisure
- Return to your hotel for overnight



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8: PARIS

- European style breakfast provided at the hotel
- Morning to visit the world-renowned **Louvre Museum**. Highlights include Venus de Milo, Winged Victory, and the Mona Lisa
- Lunch on own
- Afternoon Performance in Paris at the beautiful **Jardin d'Acclimatation**
- Final evening and farewell dinner in Montmartre. Montmartre is primarily known for the white-domed Basilica of the Sacré Cœur on its summit. Many artists had studios or worked in or around Montmartre, including Salvador Dalí, Amedeo Modigliani, Claude Monet, Piet Mondrian, Pablo Picasso, Camille Pissarro and Vincent van Gogh.
- 9:00 Return to the hotel for overnight



THURSDAY, JUNE 9: DISNEYLAND

- European style breakfast provided at the hotel
- Day to enjoy **Disneyland Paris!**
- Final overnight in Paris

FRIDAY, JUNE 10: EUROSTAR TO LONDON

- European style breakfast provided at the hotel
- Transfer to Gare Du Nord train station
- Take the Eurostar Train to London, approximately 3 hours
- Arrival London, St. Pancras station
- **Transfer to Windsor**, the royal residence of Queen Elizabeth II and visit of Windsor Castle.
- Have lunch on own in Windsor
- Transfer to your hotel for dinner and overnight in London



SATURDAY JUNE 11: LONDON

- English style breakfast provided at the hotel
- Board coach and transfer to the Buckingham palace.
- Arrival **Buckingham Palace** - Changing of the Guards / Buckingham Palace / Queen's Guard: F Company Scots Guards.
- Lunch on your own in Buckingham area.
- Enjoy a **guided city tour** of London
- End the tour at the **British Museum** for a visit. See highlights such as the Rosetta stone, the Greek and Egyptian collection.
- Group dinner and overnight in London.



SUNDAY JUNE 12: LONDON

- English style breakfast provided at the hotel
- Morning Visit of **the Tower of London**
- Lunch on your own. - **Borough Market**, London's most renowned food market (and used in the Harry Potter movies), where you will have time to buy your lunch and enjoy views over the Thames River.
- Remainder of the **afternoon at leisure** in Covent Garden, London's famous West End piazza for pedestrians only, known for its street performers.
- Farewell dinner and overnight London



MONDAY JUNE 13: DEPARTURE

- English style breakfast provided at the hotel
- Depart for London Heathrow Airport
- Return flight from London

