

Tour Code: WWLP24

Omaha Beach



*London to Paris*

# *WWII History Tour*

SCHEDULED DEPARTURE  
April 27 - May 10, 2024



Cotswolds



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Highclere Castle

**Day 1: Saturday, April 27, 2024 • Depart**

Our journey begins as we board our international flight bound for London, England.

**Day 2: Sunday, April 28, 2024 • Cotswolds/Faringdon**

Upon arrival in London, we clear customs and meet our tour director and motor coach and drive to Faringdon in the Cotswolds, our home for the next three nights. We will stop along the way for lunch. We check into our hotel and have time to relax. Dinner is on our own tonight. **L**

**Day 3: Monday, April 29, 2024 • Cotswolds/Faringdon**

We start early this morning with a tour of Bletchley Park, the principle center for the WWII code breakers. We learn of their importance and the roles they played during World War II. There are many immersive films, interactive displays, museum collections, and reconstructed rooms. This afternoon we visit Blenheim Palace, a World Heritage Site with more than 300 years of history. Blenheim Palace is the birthplace of Winston Churchill and current home to the 12<sup>th</sup> Duke of Marlborough (James Spencer-Churchill) and his family. We may recognize scenes from *Mission Impossible*, *Cinderella*, *Gulliver's Travels*, or *Indiana Jones*, all which were filmed on site. We return to Faringdon for our overnight. **B, D**

**Day 4: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 • Cotswolds/Faringdon**

Our first destination today is Highclere Castle, the site where *Downton Abbey* was filmed. Throughout the Second World War, Highclere Castle was home to children evacuated from London; we will hear more about these children as we progress throughout our tour. We spend several hours touring the castle and the gardens of Lord Carnarvon, the famous archaeologist. He discovered the Tomb of Nefertiti in Egypt and died from the Curse of the Pharos! Later in the afternoon, we walk in the footsteps of Inspector Barnaby in Thame, where many of the *Midsomer Mysteries* were filmed. We take time for tea, of course! We return to Faringdon where dinner is at a local pub. **B, Tea, D**

**Day 5: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 • London**

This morning we take a walking tour of Oxford and include a visit to Christ Church College. We have lunch at Eagle and Child Pub where C.S. Lewis used to meet with fellow "Inklings." Then we make our way to London. Upon arrival in London, a local guide joins us for a tour of the world's most visited city. Highlighting our tour are Big Ben and Parliament, Trafalgar Square with the Lord Nelson Column, Westminster Abbey, and, of course, Piccadilly Circus. We overnight at Clermont Charing Cross or a similar 4\* hotel in Charing Cross. **B, L**

**Day 6: Thursday, May 2, 2024 • London**

Our morning begins with a local guide and WWII expert. We visit the British Imperial War Museum and then later take a Westminster Walking Tour that includes Churchill's War Rooms, Westminster

Hawker Hurricane over the white cliffs of Dover



Abbey, and Buckingham Palace (outside visit only, as the King is in residence). We have free time this afternoon to explore on our own. **B**

**Day 7: Friday, May 3, 2024 • London**

This morning we drive to Windsor, located on the opposite bank of the river Thames to Eton. While Eton is famous for its centuries-old school and antique shops, Windsor is best known for its Castle, Britain's oldest royal residence. Originally built of wood, it was built in 1070 by William the Conqueror. The Round Tower was built in the 11th century when the palace guarded the western approaches to London. We visit the State Apartments, The Round Tower and St George's Chapel. Later we stroll through Eton with a local guide and become familiar with the architecture, the town and Eton's eminent college, a school favored by aristocracy and the elite. Tonight, we use the tube and have dinner and a show on the West End. **B, D**

**Day 8: Saturday, May 4, 2024 • London**

We take a day excursion today to learn more about Winston Churchill. We stop in Kent to bring the story of Sir Winston Churchill to life by walking in his footsteps at Chartwell House and Gardens, his primary residence during the 20s and 30s and where he remained until his death in 1965. Then we visit Dover Castle and see the famous White Cliffs before returning to London. **B**

**Day 9: Sunday, May 5, 2024 • Bayeux**

We depart London today following in the steps of many of the allied forces to Portsmouth. We leave by ferry for the Normandy area of France. We end our day in Bayeux. **B, D**

**Day 10: Monday, May 6, 2024 • Bayeux**

This morning we visit the Caen Peace Memorial, dedicated not only to the Normandy invasion but also to the international cause of peace. After lunch we set out to explore the sites of the D-Day invasion: the greatest amphibious assault ever attempted and the beginning of the end for Hitler's Third Reich. We visit the German artillery battery and observation post (used in the filming of *The Longest Day*) at Longues-sur-Mer and Arromanches where one of the Mulberry Harbors was constructed and where its remains can still be seen today, just a few hundred yards from the shore. **B, D**

**Day 11: Tuesday, May 7, 2024 • Bayeux**

A busy day is on the agenda today as we continue to explore the sites of the D-Day invasion. Our first stop is St Mere Eglise, considered to be the first town liberated in France on the 6th of June and also depicted in the film *The Longest Day*. At Pointe du Hoc, we view the German fortifications where courageous U.S. Rangers climbed the cliffs against incredible odds and overwhelmed the defenders. From there it is on to Utah Beach, the site of the first allied beach landings on D- Day. Here we start to understand the chaos of war and how American leadership and the GI's initiative

would overcome it. We visit the American Cemetery and Memorial situated on a cliff overlooking Omaha Beach. The cemetery contains the graves of 9,387 American military, most of whom gave their lives during the landings and ensuing operations of World War II. We hear the sound of "Taps" as we remember the sacrifices before returning to our hotel. Dinner is on our own tonight. **B**

**Day 12: Wednesday, May 8, 2024 • Paris**

Today we drive to Paris, the City of Lights. En route we visit the historic fishing port of Honfleur. We visit the famous wooden church of St. Catherine, crafted by local shipbuilders in the second half of the 15th century. Other highlights in Honfleur include the Vieux Basin or old harbor. It's here where the Seine River meets the English Channel. Next, we stop in Rouen for a walking tour of the old town. We see The Church of St Joan of Arc and the boat shaped monument that was built to honor her. It was here where she was burnt at the stake in 1431. We see some amazing gardens around Rouen and marvel at the ancient gothic architecture at the Church of Saint-Maclou. Then we end our day in the City of Lights with dinner at our hotel. **B, D**

**Day 13: Thursday, May 9, 2024 • Paris**

Our day begins with a locally guided tour of Paris including its renowned landmarks: the Arc de Triomphe (through which the German Army *and* our GIs marched), the Eiffel Tower (which Hitler threatened to destroy), Place de la Concorde, and the Champs-Élysées. In addition to the major sites, we walk through the Marais quarter where our guide tells us of the somber days of the Nazi invasion. Our guide also shares stories of the French resistance and about life as a Parisian under German occupied Paris. The afternoon is free to continue our exploration of this historically and culturally rich city. The possibilities are endless. Art lovers with an interest in Impressionism will want to visit the Museums d'Orsay and de l'Orangerie des Tuileries with their works by Van Gogh, Monet, and Cezanne among others. Photographers gain a spectacular city view from the top of the Eiffel Tower. For shoppers there are the famed department stores, Lafayette and Printemps. And for people watchers, a stroll along the banks of the Seine or a seat at a sidewalk café in the Latin Quarter is just the ticket. Tonight, we enjoy a special farewell dinner. **B, D**

**Day 14: Friday, May 10, 2024 • Return**

Our journey draws to a close as we transfer to Charles de Gaulle Airport and board our homebound flight. We return with life-long memories of fascinating cities and villages, scenic landscapes, and a new appreciation for the French people and their culture. Au revoir! **B**

**Abbreviations for Meals**  
**B=Breakfast L=Lunch D=Dinner**

**Tour Price: \$5,799\***

\$100 Early Bird discount if booked by Sept. 30, 2023

Prices are *per person, double occupancy*  
Land package only

Single Supplement \$1,250

*with a minimum of 20 participants*

**Your Tour Includes:**

- **Land Transportation** via private deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- **Accommodations** (double occupancy) in 4\* (or higher) consumer rated hotels
- **Meals** per the itinerary
- **Admission** to all activities indicated in the itinerary, except those listed as optional
- Services of **professional tour manager**
- Local step-on guides for city tours and major attractions, including WWII experts
- **Luggage handling** of one piece per person
- **All taxes and tips** for provided services on land tour, except as noted below

**Your Tour Does Not Include:**

- Airfare from your hometown and related taxes, fees, and fuel charges. However, group air (main economy, comfort, premium, and business classes) will be offered at contractual rates. Costs will be available later this year.
- Meals other than indicated above
- **Beverages**, except with breakfast
- End of tour gratuities for coach driver and tour guide (\$170 per person total is suggested; this may be added to your final payment)
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees. (*Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.*)
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation. (*This insurance is available and recommended.*)

**Please note that all costs are noted in CASH payments. Should you wish to pay by credit card, then you must add 3% to the total costs.**

**Initial Payment:**

A deposit of \$550.00 per person is required at time of booking, of which \$100.00 is non-refundable. The attached forms must also be completed, signed, and submitted.

NOTE: If you wish to extend your time in Paris, then we must know at time of booking. The France hotel room may require an additional payment at that time.

**Additional Payment Due Dates:**

- **No later than April 28, 2023**, an additional deposit of \$300 per person is required to hold the France hotel rooms. (*This is a requirement of French hotels.*)
- Final payment due date (land): January 15, 2024.
- Passengers may be added after January 15, 2024, subject to air and land availability. Generally airlines do not increase the price of a ticket after it has been contracted; however, prior to the issuance of a ticket, airlines may (and regularly do) impose fuel, tax, and/or security surcharges. In the event a surcharge is imposed after Ed-Ventures (tour operator) has received a final payment, Ed-Ventures will send an additional invoice for the surcharge amount. Therefore, early registration is encouraged

**Currency:**

Currency exchange rates fluctuate constantly. In the event of a significant drop in the value of the dollar, we reserve the right to add a currency surcharge to the price of the tour.

**Refund/Cancellation Policy:**

All cancellations must be in writing. The date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due. Refunds are based on the number of days prior to departure date. From the time of deposit to January 15, 2024, a \$100.00 administrative fee (in addition to the non-refundable \$100.00) plus any airfare penalties will be assessed. From Final payment due date to March 18, 2024, a \$500 cancellation penalty (excluding the \$100 non-refundable deposit) plus lost airfare deposits and any unrecoverable deposits to ground suppliers will be assessed. Airline tickets once purchased are nonrefundable. Anyone canceling past March 18, 2024, to departure will receive no refund.

**Purchase of health, baggage, and trip cancellation/interruption insurance is strongly recommended.**

## Terms and Conditions

We reserve the right to cancel this trip due to lack of subscription. In the event of cancellation of the trip in its entirety, a full refund of all deposits will be made to passengers enrolled at the time of cancellation. Tour price is based on the value of the dollar and the cost of airfare and is subject to change without notice. Extensions are usually available but must be requested when booking the tour. Any changes in airfare booking may result in a processing fee. It may be possible, that due to unforeseen events, conditions, or changes in airline schedules, the land portion of the trip may be extended or shortened. Any savings realized by such occurrences will be refunded; however, any extra expenses incurred must be borne by the client. Trip cancellation insurance is available. This low-cost protection can save you money if you are forced to cancel or alter your trip for a medical reason only. You will be mailed trip cancellation insurance information with the brochure or upon receipt of your deposit.

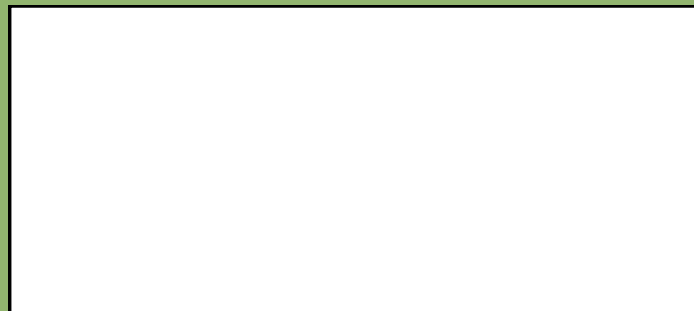
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Due to COVID-19, we reserve the right to adjust the tour in order to follow the guidelines and policies set by the CDC and the local governments.

The airline(s) concerned are not held responsible for any act, omission, or event during the time passengers are not on their planes or conveyances. The passenger's contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchaser of this tour and/or passenger. Any and/or all transportation companies herein mentioned shall not have nor incur any responsibility to any traveler aside from their liability as common carriers. Air and land costs are subject to change without notice. **Air transportation is via special, non refundable airfare. Any additional airfare assessments made by the airlines for any changes whatsoever shall be the responsibility of the client.** Other rules may also apply. Services of any A.R.C. or I.A.T.A. carrier may be used in conjunction with this tour. If there is a change in air prices and/or currency exchange rates, we reserve the right to adjust prices.

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Please register me for:

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- Single Supplement • \$1,250
- Early bird discount \$100 if booked by Sept. 30, 2023

## Passenger Information (1<sup>st</sup> Traveler)

Please record information exactly as it appears on your passport. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport.

**Legal Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Name for name badge): \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport Exp. Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport Authority:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Place of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Gender:**  Male  Female

**Dietary Needs:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Passenger Information (2<sup>nd</sup> Traveler)

Please record information exactly as it appears on your passport. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport.

**Legal Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Name for name badge): \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport #:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Work phone/cell:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sleeping Preference** (circle one): Double bed Twin Beds

**Roommate name:** \_\_\_\_\_ OR **Single supplement:**  Yes  No

## Travel Insurance (7.2% of tour cost; policy must be purchased at time of initial deposit to cover pre-existing medical conditions)

- I wish to purchase Travel Guard insurance and have included the premium with my deposit.
- I wish to decline the travel insurance offered. I understand I am solely responsible for any cancellation penalties and out of pocket expenses occurred should I have an emergency before or during the tour.

## Deposit Payment Information (please check one)

Enclosed is my \$ \_\_\_\_\_ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable). *Make checks payable to Ed-Ventures, Inc.*

Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable) to my Discover/MasterCard/Visa

**Credit Card Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Exp. Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Signature of 1<sup>st</sup> traveler:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of 2<sup>nd</sup> traveler:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



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