

1st HUSSARS NORMANDY TOUR 2011

Tour Dates: June 03 - 13

LIVE THE VICTORY – REMEMBER THE SACRIFICE

Welcome Tour Participants....

Verstraete Travel & Cruises in cooperation with Veterans and members of the 1st Hussars invite our veterans, their families, friends and interested Canadians to return to Europe with us this year. We'll visit Paris then on to Bayeux and spend a few days in Normandy. We'll attend remembrance services with our good friends from Le Mesnil Patry, participate in the June 6th services at Juno Beach and travel to Cruelly for a very special ceremony. Lt. Bill McCormick was



the 1st Hussar Troop Leader, leader of the only allied force that met their D-Day objective and the town of Cruelly is honouring him by naming the Town Square after him. On to Arras, Ypres, Arnhem, and Amsterdam with visits to Holten and Groesbeck Canadian Cemeteries and end our trip in beautiful Amsterdam. Members of the Regiment, past and present, will act as tour guides as we visit the battlefields that were so important to the 1st Hussars.

TOUR ITINERARY & PROGRAM

Friday, June 03

Travel by coach from Sarnia and London to Toronto Pearson International Airport. Overnight flight to Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport. Dinner and breakfast served onboard.

Saturday, June 04

Arrive at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport. Board the coach for a tour of Paris including lunch. The balance of the day is free to explore Paris independently. Overnight in Paris.

Sunday, June 05

Travel by coach to Normandy. The hotel is located just east of Bayeux. Stay for 3 nights. (B/D)

Monday, June 06

D Day celebrations at Juno Beach Centre and Courseulles sur Mer. We will visit the beaches where the 1st Hussars Sabre Squadron is actually landed and members of the group (Mike and Nan Green) will provide a dialogue

of each of the Squadron's landing activities. (B/D)

Tuesday, June 07

Attend the Town Square dedication at Cruelly and visit the surrounding towns and area that are significant to the Regiment. (B/D)

N.B The activities described above for June 05, 06, 07 are sufficiently flexible to enable changes as desired by our friends at Cruelly and Le Mesnil-Patry.

Wednesday, June 08

Travel to Dieppe and then on to Beaumont Hamel, both very significant historical sites for Canadians. Beaumont Hamel is the battlefield where the Newfoundland Regiment was decimated on July 01 and is the best preserved battlefield of WW 1. Spend the night in Arras. (B,D)

Thursday, June 09

Visit Vimy Ridge and continue to Ypres.

We will tour the Canadian WWI battlefield and memorial sites in the Ypres Salient. Evening participation in the Last Post Ceremony at the famous Menin Gate (20:00 hrs). Overnight in Ypres. (B/D)

Friday, June 10

A leisurely bus trip to Arnhem area where we spend 2 nights. (B/D)

Saturday, June 11

Tour important sites and places in the area including a visit to the Canadian War Cemetery in Holten. (B/D)

Sunday, June 12

Travel to Amsterdam and enjoy this most famous Dutch city, including a canal cruise. Farewell dinner and overnight. (B/D)

Monday, June 13

Transfer to Amsterdam Schiphol Airport for the afternoon flight back to Toronto. Transfer by bus from Toronto back to London and Sarnia. (D)



Price: \$2575^{pp} (double occupancy) Single supplement \$625.00^{pp}

Price Includes:

- Round trip airfare from Toronto to Paris and return from Amsterdam to Toronto
- Hotel accommodations.
- Daily breakfast and dinner.
- All ground transportation by luxury touring coach (washroom equipped).

Price does NOT Include:

- Airport taxes, security fees, fuel surcharges (\$335pp)
- Travel insurance.
- Beverages and items of a personal nature,

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2011 GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

BOOKING PROCEDURE:

Please complete and sign the booking form. Send it (along with deposit) directly to: Verstraete Travel 14845 Yonge Street, Suite 300, Aurora, Ontario L4G 6H8
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DEPOSIT:

\$600.00 per person. The deposit is non-refundable and due at time of booking.

Your insurance premium is also due at this time.

FORM OF PAYMENT:

Cheque- payable to: Verstraete Travel & Cruises,

Credit Card- provide card details on booking form. There is a \$75pp surcharge for payment by credit card.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Deposit is due at time of booking with your selected insurance premium,
Final Payment Due: April 13, 2011

BOOKING DEADLINE:

All reservations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Since we are limiting the number of participants, we recommend that you book as soon as possible.

INSURANCE:

We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation or all-inclusive insurance. The rates are outlined on the Booking Form.

PASSPORTS:

It is your responsibility to make sure that you have a **valid passport**. It must be valid for at least 6 months after your departure date. Canadian passport holders do not need a visa. If you are travelling with a non-Canadian passport it is your responsibility to inform our staff so that they can advise you of entry requirements.

PRICING:

All prices are based on minimum group size, current exchange rates and supplier quotations. In the event that significant changes take place due to circumstances beyond our control, we reserve the right to adjust the prices.

CANCELLATION:

If you have to cancel, you must inform Verstraete Travel in writing. The cancellation penalty is based on the date your cancellation is received. Cancellation penalties are shown in the chart below:

- Deposit is non-refundable.
- 6 months - 2 months prior to departure - 50%,
- 2 months or less prior to departure - 100%

FINAL ITINERARY & TRAVEL DETAILS:

It is anticipated that all the final details will be included in the travel documents and distributed 21 days before departure. Due to the nature of the tour program we reserve the right to make changes and substitutions wherever necessary.

REFUNDS:

Refund requests must be received in writing within 60 days of the date of the cause of cancellation. Please allow four to six weeks for processing.

UNUSED TOUR ARRANGEMENTS:

Portions of tour arrangements, or any other service or feature of the package which are not used are neither refundable nor exchangeable.

RESPONSIBILITY:

Verstraete Travel, hereinafter called the "Operator" and/or its agents and suppliers of services, assume no responsibility for injury, death, damages, loss or delay incurred by any person in connection with the tour, or by reason of any event beyond the control of the Operator, or loss occasioned by neglect, default, strike, war, hostility, civil disturbance or resulting directly, or indirectly, from acts of God. The Operator reserves the right to withdraw any or all packages at any time should conditions warrant, to refuse to accept or retain any person as a participant, to alter or cancel the itinerary whenever the Operator deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience, or safety of the members of the tours. Verstraete Travel reserves the right to make any and all changes at anytime, as they deem necessary.

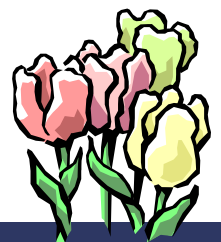
FUEL SURCHARGES: Due to volatility and high oil prices, airlines can implement fuel surcharges at any time without notice. Should this occur, these surcharges will be passed on to you.



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