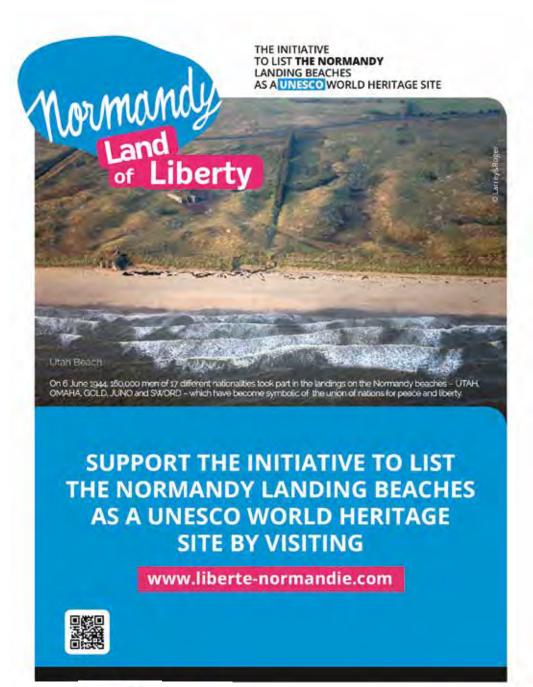






Visitor's Guide 2017 to the D-Day Landing Beaches and the Battle of Normandy











Destination D-DAY

On June 6th 1944 and during the long summer which followed, men from the world over came to fight in Normandy to defeat Nazism and to re-establish Freedom.

Normandy will bear the scars of this moment in history for ever. Every year we remember and pay tribute to the veterans from America, Britain, Canada, Belgium, Denmark, Holland, Norway, Poland, Australia, France and to their brothers in arms, to those many heroes who lost their lives here during that summer of 1944, and are at rest in the cemeteries to be found throughout the area. It is often forgotten that the people of Normandy also paid a heavy price in those terrible battles.

This 2017 edition, which is designed as a practical guide to help you plan your visit, invites you to discover or rediscover the main memorial sites, the cemeteries, the key sites to visit and the museums of destination D-Day, important places imbued with the core values of Reconciliation, Peace and Freedom. At these key sites significant efforts are always being made to ensure that your visit is a special moment for you, your children and your grandchildren.

Welcome to Normandy!





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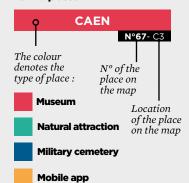
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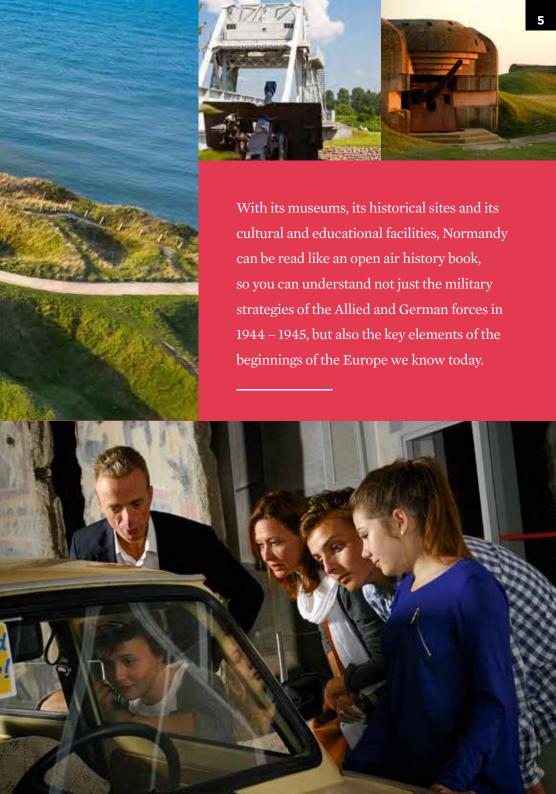


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History lives and breathes every day in Normandy





Sharing common emotions



Places where memory lives on







Contemplation, hope, awe, fraternity, gratitude, reconciliation... Normandy's military cemeteries and sites like Pointe du Hoc are steeped in a range of living emotions for you to share on site through the accounts of veterans as well as with local people – on the occasion of the June 6th celebrations for example.



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They excelled themselves for Freedom





how the impossible became a reality



The ingenuity of men for the cause of Peace



As the theatre of a battle which mobilised about fifteen countries, Normandy is also where the impossible became a reality.

From the D-Day Landings on June 6th 1944 through to the Liberation, along with the creation of the artificial port of Arromanches, discover the amazing feats of this unprecedented technical operation, born of the ingenuity and technical prowess of the Allied engineers.





a wide range of landscapes and places to visit



So many different places to explore



he town of Dieppe fell into the hands of the Germans on June 10th 1940.

"We will return" were the words of Winston Churchill in June 1940, when his troops escaped from Dunkirk and returned to English soil, so the idea of a landing on the French coast was not new. Germany being the enemy to defeat as a priority, industrial production was diverted towards the war effort: barges, artillery, planes and so on. These were manufactured on the other side of the Atlantic. and then stocked in different camps across southern England. Photographs of the Normandy coast were taken on an almost daily basis by planes and submarines. Much vital information (about German defences and/or the movement of troops) was also transmitted by resistance fighters sometimes risking their lives.

The objective of the raid of 1942 was to destroy German military installations and to capture the archives of the German

HQ if possible. It was Admiral Mountbatten as Head of combined operations who decided to launch an attack on Dieppe to test German military defences with a view to a future major invasion. It was also designed to relieve Soviet troops by opening a second front to the West, as well as calming the impatience of Canadian troops who had been based in England for two years.

At the beginning of July 1942 operation Jubilee, then still known as operation Rutter, was set for July 4th. Poor weather obliged the allied forces to delay until mid-August. The plan for operation Jubilee was that at 5.20^{am} on August 19th at the time when the troops would land on the beach, the two main gun batteries and defence positions on either side of the port would be put out of action. However this was not the case. At 9.35am those officers still alive were obliged to order a retreat. The Germans took lots of photos of the beaches littered with dead bodies, debris, and wrecks, and ran headlines on the failure of the Anglo-Canadian landings.





4963 Canadians, 1075 British and 50 American Rangers attempted to take the port of Dieppe on August 19th 1942. The assault quickly turned into a disaster as the German army seemed invincible. Not one of the targets was met, and the Anglo-Canadians were massacred. The air raid which was supposed to support the raid on the ground was also a failure. However valuable information was brought back to England for the preparation of the real Landings. In particular the importance of prior air strikes, of dropping paratroopers, and the need to send in special tanks and support artillery with the first wave of landings, and finally the choice of sandy beaches rather than those of shingle... The death toll was appalling: Dieppe beach was drenched in Canadian blood, 1050 died and 2000 Canadian and British soldiers were taken prisoner.

As for the Germans, after such a crushing Allied failure their soldiers felt invincible and they believed that the Atlantic Wall was impenetrable. The Germans remained convinced that the attack would doubtless take place against a major port such as Calais or Le Havre. Furthermore, the failure of the operation was exploited by Nazi propaganda to demonstrate the invincibility of the Atlantic Wall.

In the history of the Second World War, Dieppe would remain the theatre of operations with the highest losses in just a few hours, but at the same time the operation yielded a large amount of information for the Allies' intelligence services. Jubilee was the first major reconnaissance expedition carried out by Allied troops, particularly Canadian, and was destined to test German defences along the French coast.

While the American and British were relentlessly manufacturing assault craft and Mulberry harbour parts, from the spring of 1944, Allied planes started a systematic bombardment of road and rail infrastructure in northwest France.

The fateful day for the invasion was fixed for the beginning of June – the 5th, or failing that the 6th or 7th – these days in early June meeting crucial conditions, consisting of a dawn assault in the middle of a rising tide, following a night with a full moon for parachutists. The codename for this great landing operation was also chosen: Operation Overlord.





Le Val Ygot

N°01 - E2

In the Eawy forest at Val-Ygot the launch base for Vl^s built in 1943 on an 8 acre site includes 13 buildings (hangars, workshops and the launch ramp). This memorial place from The Second World War is open all year and freely accessible.

Explanatory panels give essential information to visitors. Guided tours are also available upon request.

OPENING TIMES

Open all year

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Freely accessible.

Free guided tours from the 1st Sunday of April to September; groups every day by prior appointment at 3€ per person.

Duration 1 1/2 hrs.



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BÉNERVILLE-SUR-MER

N°02 - C3

Mont Canisy gun batteries

At an altitude of 110 m, Mont Canisy dominates the Bay of the Seine and the port of Le Havre. This strategic position caused it to be used first as a French Naval artillery battery in 1940, then as a German battery, composed of six French 155mm guns housed in silos. Two British cruisers, the Warspite and the Ramillies, together with Allied planes, were tasked with neutralising the gun batteries on the Côte Fleurie, including the one on Mont Canisv. The Germans abandoned it without a fight during the night of 21st to 22nd August 1944.

A large network of underground galleries (250 metres long, 15 metres beneath the surface) can be visited thanks to a team of volunteers who conduct guided tours.

OPENING TIMES

Open for free all year round.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Parking available

You are recommended to bring a torch Free guided tours from April to October at 2.30pm (duration: 2 hours) [FR/GB]

> Tour of the surface workings and underground galleries April: Mondays 3rd and 10th May: Mondays 1st and 8th July: Mondays 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st August: Mondays 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th

October: Monday 23rd Meet on the square at the 'Belvédère' Gates open at 2pm

> Tours as in the programme available in Tourist Offices and year-round for groups only on reservation



CONTACT

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DIEPPE

N°03 - E2

Memorial of the 19th August 1942

At dawn on August 19th 1942 an Allied armada headed towards Dieppe as part of Operation Jubilee, a raid on a huge scale. It involved nearly 6000 men, mainly Canadian, over a quarter of whom would lose their lives. The Jubilee Association and the town of Dieppe have been paying tribute to these men since 2002 at the Memorial of August 19th 1942. Visits here take an hour and a half and include a 40 minute long film from the INA archives, and a collection of documents, photos, uniforms and weapons. At the end of your visit you may also buy a cartoon about the raid at the Memorial shop.

The Memorial is situated in the old municipal theatre of Dieppe, built in 1826 by the town of Dieppe for the Duchess of Berry.

OPENING TIMES

> from March 24th to May 27th Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays from 2pm to 6.00pm

> from May 28th to September 24th daily from 2pm to 6.30pm – except Tuesdays > from September 29th to November 12th

Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays from 2pm to 6.00pm

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Tour of about 11/2 hours including a 40 minute (INA archive) video film and displays of documents, photos, uniforms and weapons. Adults: 3,50€

Children (under 15): Free



CONTACT

Mémorial du 19 Août 1942

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The Blockhouses of Cape Fagnet

Built on the orders of the German army, the blockhouses of Cape Fagnet are reminders of the Atlantic Wall erected from 1942. Through a diorama the visitor finds out about the scope of the protective measures put in place along the coast around Fécamp. A visit of two of these reinforced concrete constructions gives a better understanding of the role of this important watch post.

The second part of the tour allows you to visit the "German military hospital" via a small path. We know virtually nothing about this place dug out of the rock. Several witnesses saw beds and medicines here at the Liberation, but there is no written record of its use.

OPENING TIMES

From May to September: check programme In July and August: every Wednesday and Saturday at 3pm

TOURS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults: 5€ or 3€ Children free

Free for under 18s



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FORGES-LES-EAUX

N°05 - E2

The Resistance and Deportation Museum

 $40^{km}/25$ miles from Rouen, 50km/30 miles from Beauvais and 80km/50 miles from Amiens, the Resistance and Deportation museum at Forges-les-Eaux offers a retrospective of the dark years of the Second World War through documents, uniforms and sundry objects displayed on two floors. France and its empire in the war, the Allies, military operations; Germany and Nazism, collaboration; Deportation and the Resistance, from De Gaulle's call to arms of June 18th 1940 through to the Liberation.

Designed with education always in mind the museum is particularly oriented towards older schoolchildren and students.

OPENING TIMES

Open every day from 2pm to 6pm (Tours for groups can be arranged in the morning by advance booking, Contact us)

TOURS AND ENTRANCE FEES

5 € per person for individuals 4 € per person for groups of over 10 paying visitors 2 € for school groups



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www.musee-resistance-deportation-forgesleseaux.fr



HONFLEUR

N°06 - D3

The Station **Blockhouse**

One of the last vestiges of The Second World War in Honfleur stands close to the Carnot Basin. Thanks to efforts of the town council and the Honfleur 1939 -1945 Association, since 2014 it has become a place of commemoration where memories can be shared. In a blockhouse of 3,500 square feet you will find more than 50 period uniforms, documents and photographs, a 45 minute film with eve witness accounts of the Liberation, and a tribute to the three FFI (resistance) police officers arrested here and shot on August 24th 1944.

OPENING TIMES

From 3rd June to 27th August 2017: 2.30-6.30pm

TOURS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Volunteer member to conduct tours from 5€ / Private tours upon request





CONTACT

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LE TRÉPORT

N°07 - E1

)Kahl Bürg

In the midst of the chalk cliffs of the Alabaster Coast and just a few kilometres from the site of the Dieppe landings, Kahl-Bürg is situated 60 metres above sea level, about 20 metres below the ground, and is 270 metres long. Of about thirty rooms, you can visit three observation posts, a battle position still armed with its 75mm gun, as well as a German army command post. (245 and 348 ID).

The place is imbued with the suffering of the prisoners, mainly Ukrainian women. who built it. Its architecture of vaulted brick corridors is unique in the Atlantic Wall.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Visits are free.

The facility, which remains in its original state, is not unfortunately accessible to the handicapped.

Visit duration: 1 hour Bring warm clothes and walking shoes (constant temperature of 11°)



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MANNEVILLE-SUR-RISLE

N°08 - D3

The Resistance and Deportation Museum

Opened in 1979, the Resistance and Deportation museum is a showcase for the fruit of the research carried out by the association of the same name. Founded in 1972 its aim was to collect documents and objects relating to this period in France's history in the department of Eure. The museum particularly puts the spotlight on the activity of the most active resistance network in Upper Normandy, the Surcouf Maquis.

OPENING TIMES

Open Sundays and public holidays from April 2nd to October 1st 2017 from 2pm to 6pm

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Free Entrance



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N°09 - D2

The Alabaster **Memorial Tour**

This is a place steeped in history, its strategic position making it a key element in the Atlantic Wall. The networks of bunkers assured the defence of the seafront and the estuary of Veulettes sur Mer by the army of occupation, as well as being a state-of-the-art air defence. The path is therefore punctuated by bunkers, which are visible through the old trenches which have been partially rebuilt, three of which have been converted into interpretative areas on the following themes:

- The history of the German military base at Paluel
- The Atlantic Wall and life under occupation for the local populace - The place of memory

Signs translated into English and German.

With a stunning view of the Durdent estuary, the beach of Veulettes sur Mer and the cliffs of the Catelier, Pont Rouge offers you a unique heritage tour combining an exploration of biodiversity and relics of the Second World War.

OPENING TIMES AND TOURS

Open access year round Walking path of less than 1km including a section accessible to the disabled.

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N°10 - D2

The Bruneval Memorial

During the night of February 27th to 28th 1942, Operation Biting, also known as the Bruneval raid, was a success: a British commando detachment succeeded in getting hold of the main parts of a German radar (whose technology was then unknown to the Allies) whilst making out that it had been destroyed. Situated on the site of the German defences which secured the access to the beach, the Bruneval Memorial was unveiled by Kenneth Holden, one of the last surviving veterans of the raid. A project of the Bruneval 42 association it was designed by the architect Bruno Saas and built by the town of Saint-Jouin-Bruneval.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Free access all year



CONTACT

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CHAMPIGNY-LA-FUTELAYE

N°11 - E4

German military cemetery

This German military cemetery contains the graves of German soldiers who died in the departments of Eure, Orne, Seine-Maritime, Eure-et-Loir, and in the former department of Seine-et-Oise. 19 809 German soldiers rest here in 17 differently sized squares of lawn. It was inaugurated on September 12th 1964.

HAUTOT-SUR-MER

N°12 - E2 Dieppe Canadian War Cemetery **Commonwealth** Cemetery

Allied combatants who died on the beaches of Dieppe during The Second World War are interred in this cemetery maintained by The Commonwealth War Graves Commission. About thirty British soldiers were buried here in 1940. After the raid of August 19th 1942 the Germans buried the Canadian and English casualties here. The cemetery was made permanent in 1949 with 955 graves of soldiers from Canada, the UK, New Zealand, Australia, Poland and a sole Indian. All of the gravestones are arranged back to back in symmetrical rows.

hronologically, there were three definable phases to the operation on June 6th 1944: the air landings (which were centred on Utah Beach in the west and Sword Beach in the east), the air and naval bombardments of the Atlantic Wall, and the seaborne

air and naval bombardments of the Atlantic Wall, and the seaborne landings on the five beaches (Utah, Omaha, Gold, Juno and Sword) and at Pointe du Hoc.

So it was that by the early hours of the 6th June, the first airborne troops had already set foot on the soil of Normandy: the British in the east, and the Americans in the west.

The American parachutists of the 82nd and 101st Airborne Divisions were tasked with capturing Sainte-

Mère-Église and securing the beachhead at Utah Beach. At 4 am, Sainte-Mère-Église was stormed.

At first light, the sea from the mouth of the Seine to the Cherbourg Peninsula was completely covered with ships. Thousands of craft carrying men, vehicles and equipment, pushed their way towards the coast, while at the same time Allied aircraft bombarded the fortifications along the Channel coast, and naval guns opened fire. Men headed towards the coast on the greatest endeavour of their lives. Utah Beach was rapidly taken without too many losses. The German defences were soon overcome, and breaches opened up to allow troops and heavy equipment to advance.



Utah Beach D-Day Landing Museum



Built on the very spot where American troops landed on June 6th 1944, the D-Day Landing museum recounts the events of D-Day in ten sequences, from its planning right through to its success.

On an in depth chronological tour you can get really involved in the history of the Landings and discover a rich collection of objects, vehicles, and equipment. Star of the museum is an authentic American Marauder B26 bomber which is displayed in a specially designed hangar. By watching the film "Victory Beach" you can relive the epic effort of the American soldiers in this decisive battle, which was the biggest amphibious operation in military history. Hearing the moving accounts of the veterans, you will get a real idea of their sacrifice which made Europe free once more.



Utah Beach

OPENING TIMES

From October 1st to May 30th

10am to 6pm

From June 1st to September 30th

9.30am to 7pm

Ticket office closes one hour before museum closes

Annual closure from December 1st – 25th inclusive and January 1st

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adultes:8€ Fnfants 7-15 ans: 4€

Groups of adults (min 20 people): Unaccompanied visit: 6 € Guided tour (booking required): 7.50€ Complete guided tour of Utah Beach site (booking required): 10€

Groups of schoolchildren (min 20 people):

Unaccompanied visit: 3.50 € Guided tour (booking required): 5€ Complete guided tour of Utah Beach site (booking required): 7.50€

Free: Children under 7 yrs old, People accompanying the disabled







Musée du Débarquement Utah Beach

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Airborne Museum

The Airborne Museum lets you experience the invasion alongside the American paratroopers of the 82nd and 101st Airborne Divisions with spectacular and realistic displays. You'll find an amazing collection of historical objects, as well as a real glider and a C-47 aircraft, both of which took part in the D-Day operations.

In the new "Operation Neptune" building get ready to experience the parachute drops of June 6th 1944! Board a night flight in a real C-47 aircraft and drop into the square of Sainte-Mère-Eglise in the midst of the fighting and take part in the operations which followed.

- Airborne Reality App: A personalised version of your visit just as if you were really there
- Visit a new exhibition until November 30th 2017: "The Battle of The Ardennes, Bastogne, winter 1944'

OPENING TIMES

From May to August: 9am to 7pm April to September: 9.30am to 6.30pm October to March 10am - 6pm Closed in December and January except during school holidays

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Individuals

Adults: 8.50 € Children (6 to 16 yrs):5€

Family

(2 adults and 2 children minimum) Adult:8€

Children (6 to 16 yrs): 4€

Group of adults (15 pers. minimum)

Unquided visit: 6 €

Guided tour (20 people or more.):8€

Groups of children (15 pers. minimum)

Unquided visit: 4 €

Guided tour (20 people or more.): 5,50 €











Airborne Museum

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D-DAY experience

According to General Eisenhower, the area around Saint-Côme-du-Mont and Carentan was the most crucial for the Normandy landings.

The American paratroopers of the 101st Airborne Division were the first to arrive in Normandy. Their mission was to take Saint-Côme-du-Mont, the control of which was primordial as a junction point between the landing beaches. The German paratroopers had also understood the strategic importance of the place and they planned to push the Americans back to the sea from here. Located in the heart of the American sector of the landings, the two museums of the Historic Centre represent a unique historical archive: firstly 'D-Day Experience', which explores the American side of the landings and secondly, 'Dead Man's Corner' museum exploring the German side.

Don't just learn about history, experience it! An interactive immersive experience of the D-Day invasion from the viewpoint of airborne troops. D-Day Experience shows the American side and Dead Man's Corner the German side. Take your seat for a virtual briefing in 3D with the Colonel so that you can take part in operations of D-Day in the skin of a paratrooper. Then step aboard a genuine C-47 aircraft for a flight simulation unique in the world. A realistic attraction in the opinion of veterans who have tried it. A modern museum which tells the story of our liberators with a unique approach using a collection of genuine equipment.



The 5 +s of D-DAY EXPERIENCE

- Modern, original and innovative presentations -An interactive experience with 3D (hologram)
- briefing and a reconstructed hangar with a 4-D flight simulator unique in the world.
- -An unrivalled collection of genuine objects
- -A memorial dedicated to our liberators -A historical tour following in the footsteps of the men from the 101st Division



OPENING TIMES

Open every day – a warm welcome From October 1st to March 31st 10 am to 6pm From April 1st to September 30th 9.30am to 7pm Last entry 1 hour before museum closing time Closed on December 24th, 25th and 31st. Also January 1st 2018 (Paratrooper shop open)

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults: 12 € Children (6 - 17 yrs): 9 € Children (under 6) free Family Pass (2 adults + 3 children): 40 € Adult group (over 10 people): 10 € per person Groups of children (over 10 children): 8 € each Unaccompanied visit: 1 1/2 hrs Guided tour (FR-UK) by advance booking









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AZEVILLE

N°16 - B3

) Azeville **Gun Battery**

With an impressive subterranean network and a complete defensive system, the Azeville gun battery was one of the main targets of the Allies on June 6th 1944. It fell on June 9th after intense fighting. Visitors can look round the pillboxes camouflaged as ruined houses, as well as an incredible network of underground tunnels.

The story of the building of the battery, daily life within the German garrison, and its relationship with the inhabitants of the village over nearly three years are related in an exhibition (Fr/Eng), as well as in a film including numerous evewitness accounts, and in a book available in the shop. These are all based on historical research and previously unpublished archive material.

OPENING TIMES

- > April and October: 2pm 6pm
- > May and September:11am-6pm (except May 1st)
- > June, July, August: 10am-7pm Last tickets sold 1 hour before closing time

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults: 6.50 €

Children (7 to 13 yrs): 3 € (14 to 18 yrs): 3.50€ Concessions: 4€ Family ticket 19€ Visit of the site with an audioquide









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American **Assault Barge** L.C.V.P (Higgins Boat)

N°17 - B3

Despite the fact that over 20,000 LCVP assault barges were built, and they were used in the Normandy Landings during the biggest amphibious operation of all time, most have now disappeared. The LCVP no "PA30-4" is the only one of this type to be seaworthy and shown afloat in Europe! As well as its annual exhibition in dock and its participation at different nautical events and commemorative occasions, LCVP no "PA30-4" is regularly used in films and at other events.

OPENING TIMES

Check at Carentan Port, Pontoon D (summer season)



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N°18 - B3

1944 Historic Tour of Carentan

On June 6th 1944 more than 13,000 American paratroopers dropped into a sector forming a triangle including Sainte-Mère-Eglise, Utah Beach and Carentan. One of the missions of the 101st Airborne Division was to take Carentan to establish a link between the landing beaches of Omaha Beach and Utah Beach so as to form a single front.

Follow this route at your own pace in your own vehicle and let us show you the way. At key points on the route panels tell you about the history of the place in question. An entertaining trip out for the whole family. Download the App "Kit'M" onto your smartphone or tablet and preload the content of "Circuit Historique 1944 Carentan". Touch tablets available for hire at The Tourist Office with prior notice.

OPENING TIMES

> January, February, March, October, November, December: Monday to Friday 9.30am -12.30pm and 2pm - 6pm > April, May, June, September: Monday to

Saturday 9.30am - 12.30pm and 2pm - 6pm > July and August: Monday to Saturday 9am -6.30pm - Sundays and public holidays

Annual closure: December 25th and January 1st

VISITS AND FEES

9.30am - 1.30pm

8 € per device (1 device for 2-3 people) 250€ deposit and ID

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Nº19 - B3

Normandy Victory Museum

Situated on the edge of Carentan between Utah and Omaha beaches, the Normandy Victory Museum will take you on a journey through the hedgerows of Normandy's bocage countryside to the iconic places of the Battle of Normandy, from Liberation to Victory. The fruit of 30 years of research, 17 realistic war scenes await you, featuring period photos and films. A unique spot located on the site of an old American airfield's A10 runway.

The +s: Simulators: tanks, strike aircraft, parachute jumps and helicopter. Excursions in armoured vehicles. 40's period bar restaurant open to all. Cinema and conference hall.

OPENING TIMES

Opening in spring 2017. Open daily. Check our website for opening hours.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Individuals:

Adults: 8 € / Children (7 - 16 yrs): 5 € / (under 7): free **Groups:** Schoolchildren: 4 € / Adults: 6 € Free guided tour – free entry for drivers, quides and veterans

- > Trip in armoured vehicle (10 mins): 39€ free entry for 1€ extra.
- > Tanks and second world war equipment simulators 360° simulator: 25€
- >1 entrance + 1 trip in armoured vehicle + 10 mins in a simulator: 50€

Duration of visit: 1 1/2 hrs



CONTACT

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Airship Hangar

An immense cathedral-like structure of iron and concrete, 150 metres long and 30 metres high, the airship hangar at Écausseville is the sole survivor of 12 airship centres built by the French Navy during The First World War to house airships tasked with fighting German submarines. Between 1940 and 1944 the Germans took it over, before abandoning it during the night of June 10th to 11th 1944. The Americans made use of it as a warehouse and maintenance base for several thousand vehicles and tanks until 1947.

The museum presentation has been completely changed to incorporate the history of airships in 3 wars (1914 – 18, 1939 – 45 and the Cold War)

OPENING TIMES

- > April May : Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday 2pm to 6pm
- > June: daily 2pm to 6pm (closed on Fridays)
- > July August: Daily 10am to 6pm
- > September: Daily 2pm to 6pm (closed on Fridays)

Visits out of season by appointment

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults:5€ From 8 to 16 yrs:2€ Free for under 8s.



CONTACT

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N°21 - B2

The Fort of Tatihou

No less than 30 structures were built by the Germans within the defensive walls of fort Vauban on the Island of Tatihou during The Second World War! The casemates, the field gun emplacements, the tobruks, the machine gun posts, the trenchs etc formed a condensed version of the Atlantic Wall. These defensive structures form part of the centuries old history of the island of Tatihou, with 350 years' worth of coastal fortifications overlapping in a single place.

OPENING TIMES

- High season From April 1st to October 8th
- > Ticket office hours: 9am to 12.30pm and 1.15pm to 5.30pm (5pm on weekdays in April)
- > Fort and museum open from 10am to 6pm
- Low season
- > Ticket office hours: 1pm to 4.30pm
- > Fort and museum open from 2pm to 5pm on weekdays and 2pm to 5.30pm at the weekend and on public holidays.
- Weekend of October 14th/15th
- Autumn holidays
- > From October 21st to November 5th Annual closure over the Christmas holidays

VISITS AND CHARGES

Return boat trip, unaccompanied visit of the maritime museum:

Adults: 9€ / Children (4 to 11 yrs old): 3.70€

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Return boat tripAdults: 7€ / Children (4 to 11 yrs old): 3.40€



CONTACT

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SAINT-MARCOUF-DE-L'ISLE

Marcouf 44 **Command Post**

The guided tour of the Command Post of the Crisbecq gun batteries will teach you about the history of the most important German fortification point along the whole stretch of the D-Day landing beaches. It was the only one to be equipped with 210mm guns with a range of over 30km. Shut in his command post, the captain in charge of this strategic point, with a force of 400 men, was in charge of defence for 6 days. With 7 rooms laid out on two levels, it was the only one on the whole of Utah Beach to have an observation post and firing position with a direct view over the sea.

Its history inspired one of the scenes from the film 'The Longest Day'. After a year of restoration works, you can discover a major historical site in conditions which have hardly changed since D-Day

OPENING TIMES

From 15/06 to 10/09:

Sunday to Thursday 10am-6pm

From 15/03 to 15/06 and from 20/09 to 15/12: Saturday and Sunday 11am-5pm Closed from 15/12 to 13/03.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults: 5€ / Children (under 16): free Groups (min 6 pers.): 3.50€



CONTACT

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SAINT-MARCOUF-DE-L'ISLE

N°23 - B3

> Crisbecq **Gun Battery** Museum

Visit the biggest German artillery battery from where the first gun fired at dawn on June 6th 1944. At the battery of Crisbecq you can visit 21 blockhouses, some of which have had their interiors restored, and its exhibition of guns of the period.

Visit with friends or family to plunge into the heart of History for a better understanding of the life of soldiers during the Second World War.

OPENING TIMES

April - October - November

Every day 11am - 6pm

May - June - September

Fvery day 10am - 6pm

July - August Every day 10am - 7pm Closed from November 13th to March 31st inclusive

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Unquided visits only (lasting about 1 hr) Adults: 8 € / Students, military personnel: 7 € Children (aged 6 to 14): 4.50 € / (under 6) free Guided tours in French for groups with prior notice - Last visit 1 hour before closure









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More information at www.ot-baieducotentin.fr



QUINÉVILLE

N°24 - B2

World War II Museum

Walking through 10,000 square feet of exhibition space, the visitor is transported back to life during World War II, with realistic scenes showing the atmosphere of the period as it really was. Wander down a typical street from the 1940's which has been completely reconstructed complete with its shops and houses. Many vehicles and items of the period, including a blockhouse form part of the visit, with a view of the anti-tank wall, which can still be found on the beach of Quinéville.

For the first time ever, you can experience the Second World War at 1/6th scale with many figurines and vehicles. A visit not to be missed just 10 minutes from Sainte-Mère-Éalise.

OPENING TIMES

Opening on April 15th 2017. From April to November daily 10am-7pm. Ticket office closes I hour before closure of the museum.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Unaccompanied visit: Adults 7 € Children (aged 6-12 yrs) 5.50 € Visit Duration: 11/2 hrs







CONTACT

World War II Museum

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SAINTE-MÈRE-ÉGLISE

N°25 - B3

) Farm-Museum of The Cherbourg **Peninsula**

A Norman farm under the Occupation

In this farm converted into a museum, a visit with a touch tablet in your hand allows you to find out how rural life and agricultural labour was organised despite the restrictions and requisitions required by the Occupation.

Guided themed tour available for groups of schoolchildren (secondary level and upwards).

OPENING TIMES

April, May, June, September and during Easter and autumn school holidays:

From Sunday to Friday, 2pm - 6pm July and August: every day 11am - 7pm

Groups year round by prior appointment except from December 15th to January 15th. Closed on May 1st Last ticket sales 1 hour before closure

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults: 5 € Children (3 to 18 yrs): 2 € Concessions: 3 € Family Pass (min 2 adults + 3 children): 14 € Groups of adults (over 15 people): 2.70 € per person School parties: 1.80 € per child Touch tablet rental: 2 €











CONTACT

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SAINTE-MÈRE-ÉGLISE

N°26 - B3

Open air Museum

Come and explore the key sites of the Landings using a GPS or a tablet on a guided tour around Sainte- Mère-Eglise, Utah Beach and Sainte-Marie-du-Mont. Using your own vehicle, go on a tour of 50km (30 miles) interspersed with 11 key sites, a commentary with archive images, videos and evewitness accounts describing the events which took place at these often little known places.

An entertaining excursion for the whole family. Device rented by advance booking. Courtesy of the Open Air Museum "Kit'M" app do the tour with a touch tablet rented from the Tourist Office.

OPENING TIMES

- > January, February, March, October, November and December: 9.30am to 12.30pm and 1.30pm to 5pm, from Monday to Friday. Saturdays during February, November and Christmas school holidays from 10am to 1pm and 2pm to 5pm.
- > April, May, June, September: from Monday to Saturday 9am to 1pm and 2pm to 6pm. Sundays and public holidays 10am to 1.30 pm.
- > July and August: from Monday to Saturday 9am to 6.30pm. Sundays and public holidays 10am to 4pm.
- > Annual closure: December 25th and January 1st

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Individual ticket: 8 €/device (1 for 2-3 people). 250 € deposit per device and ID required









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ORGLANDES

N°27 - B3

German military Cemetery

Located north of the village of Orglandes this cemetery has 10,152 graves. The Volksbund, which maintains German military graves began landscaping and architectural works in 1958. The cemetery was inaugurated on September 20th 1961.

One of the memorials bears the names of 22 soldiers who died on October 25th 1945. These German sappers lost their lives in the explosion of a load of dynamite at Asnières-en-Bessin near Bayeux. Their remains couldn't be individually identified so they were buried in block 27, row 13, grave 420/421.



n the other American beach, the situation was difficult. The beaches of Omaha were a real trap for the troops of the 1st and 29th Infantry Divisions. The first assault wave was brutally cut down, while the second left the beach strewn with the wounded, the dead and broken equipment. Eventually, drawing on the last of their resources, the soldiers managed to climb the cliff-like slope that overlooked the beach, and negotiate the barbed wire. Towards midday, they began to breach the German defences, and so the battle swung in the Allies' favour.

The assault on Omaha Beach encountered numerous difficulties

and almost ended in a real disaster. At the price of heavy losses, the Americans finally emerged victorious, and took possession of the coastal villages.

At the same time, a little further to the west, the 2nd Ranger Battalion was charged with climbing the 30-metre cliff at Pointe du Hoc, assaulting the German battery and destroying its guns. In a few minutes, the best climbers reached the top of the cliff. There they discovered a complete field of ruins created by shells and bombs from Allied naval ships offshore, but no sign of the 155^{mm} artillery, which had been withdrawn by the Germans a short time before. Towards midday Pointe du Hoc was in American hands.



Overlord Museum Omaha Beach



Right by Omaha Beach where American forces landed, and in front of the roundabout to the American cemetery of Colleville-sur-Mer, Overlord Museum retraces the time from the Allied Landings until the liberation of Paris. It relies on a previously unseen collection mainly found in Normandy, gathered over a period of more than 40 years by a survivor of the period and a contributor to the reconstruction of Normandy. From the personal effects of soldiers to the biggest armoured vehicles of the time, the six armies present in Normandy are shown with life-size reconstructions.



10,000 unique items, 35 vehicles: scenes of major operations in the Battle of Normandy are reconstructed with great realism. Sounds tracks and light effects complete the feeling of total immersion in History. See, discover, relive, understand, feel... an unforgettable and emotional experience.

OPENING TIMES

Open every day from February 11th 2017 > February, March, October, November, December 10am to 5.30pm

- > April, May, September 10am to 6.30pm
- > June, July, August 9.30am to 7pm Annual closing December 24th, 25th and 31st And from December 31st to mid-February 2018.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Full rate: 7.80€ Concessions: 5.70€ (with proof of status: children 10 – 18 yrs, students, disabled, military personnel, unemployed)

Group rate

> Adults (20 people): 5€ per person (one free ticket per 20 paying) > Secondary schoolchildren: 4€ per child (one supervisor free per 10 children)

> Primary schoolchildren: 3€ per child (one supervisor free per 10 children)

Free

Upon presentation of proof: children under 10 (individually), journalists, tourist organisations, interpreter guides, employees of national and regional museums, staff from museums in the Historical Area, military personnel in uniform, veterans.













CONTACT

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CRICQUEVILLE-EN-BESSIN

N°29 - B3



Pointe du Hoc

Pointe du Hoc was a strategic point in the German defences on the Normandy coast. The mission to take it was given to the 2nd Ranger battalion. Under the command of Lt. Colonel J.E. Rudder these soldiers achieved the incredible feat of reaching the top in just a few minutes despite the slope being very slippery, the climbing ropes made heavy by seawater, and intense fire from the defenders. In a lunar landscape full of deep craters, the fierce battle which ensued was even bloodier than the climb. And a big surprise awaited the Rangers: they found that huge wooden beams had been placed in the stations instead of artillery guns!

Today the site still bears the traces of the German artillery battery as well as deep scars from the fierce fighting which took place here on June 6th and 7th 1944, which cost the lives of 135 Rangers.

Pointe du Hoc is one of the few places still showing clear signs of the violence of the Landings in Normandy. Severely hit by the fighting it allows you to imagine the extreme conditions in which the Rangers climbed the cliff under the fire from German soldiers lying in ambush at the top.

OPENING TIMES

Free access year round Visitor Centre reception: September 16th to April 14th: 9am to 5pm April 15th to September 15th: 9am to 6pm Closed December 25th and January 1st

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Pointe du Hoc is accessible free of charge year round



CONTACT

Pointe du Hoc

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COLLEVILLE-SUR-MER

Big Red One **Assault** Museum

The first division of American infantry of the US Army is nicknamed The Big Red One because of its insignia consisting of a big red '1'. After Operation Torch in North Africa it fought Rommel's Afrika Korps, then took part in the landing in Sicily. It was also on Omaha Beach on June 6th 1944 where it suffered heavy losses. At the end of the war, in 1945, it had lost over 21,000 men (wounded and prisoners included) or nearly half of its numbers.

OPENING TIMES

Open from March to November

> From 01/03/2016 to 31/05/2016: 10am-midday / 2pm-6pm **Except Tuesdays**

> From 01/06/2016 to 31/08/2016: 10am-7pm

> From 01/09/2016 to 30/11/2016: 10am -midday / 2pm-6pm **Except Tuesdays**

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults:5€ Children: 3.50 € Unquided visits at all times Average Duration 45 minutes Languages spoken: French/English



CONTACT

Big Red One Assault Museum

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GÉFOSSE-FONTENAY

N°31 - B3

Tour of Géfosse-**Fontenay Blockhouse**

Every Sunday morning at 10am the guide Luc Le Gleuher offers a guided tour of the Géfosse-Fontenav blockhouse. Visitors can find out about this perfectly preserved piece of the Atlantic Wall. The price of the visit is left to visitors' discretion.

OPENING TIMES

This place on the coast can be visited every Sunday at 10am

VISITES

Visits possible by appointment



CONTACT

Pour tous renseignements

+33 (0)6 74 72 25 15 Départ tous les dimanches matin au musée station 70 à Osmanville (à proximité de Géfosse)

GRANDCAMP-MAISY

N°32 - B3

Maisy Gun **Battery**

Built after 1942 this German battery was part of a military area of 44 hectares (110 acres). Completely forgotten for sixty years, it was rediscovered in 2006. It covered Utah and Omaha Beaches, On June 9th 1944 the final assault by the 5th and 2nd American Rangers took place under heavy fire for five long hours.

21/2 km / 11/2 miles of trenches, tunnels and other underground constructions. as well as six 155 mm artillery platform emplacements are now open to the public.

OPENING TIMES

Open every day from April to September

- > From 01/04/2016 to 31/05/2016: 10am-4pm > From 01/06/2016 to 31/08/2016: 10am-6pm
- > Until 30/09/2016: 10am-4pm

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults:6€ Children 6-18 yrs:4€ Adult Group (over 10 people):5€ School parties: 4 € Group of over 10 people:5€







CONTACT

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Liberation House

This place dedicated to those who fought in The Second World War, is a tribute to the Resistance, to the 101st Airborne Division, to the Allies and to the families who lived through the dark time of the Landing on Omaha Beach. Come in the evening, absorb the 1940s ambiance and discover this place by candlelight with eyewitness accounts and images evoking the time before the landings, the day of June 6th 1944 and the time after the landings on Omaha Beach.

OPENING TIMES June 1st to August 30th 2017

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

- > Daytime from 5pm to 7pm: free access to outside areas
- > Guided tours on Wednesdays from 5pm to 7pm: by appointment, outside and inside
- > Omaha vigils: private function from 7pm 11.30pm only by appointment

Donations at your discretion to the "Fleurs de La Résistance" association.





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SAINT-LAURENT-SUR-MER

N°34 - B3

Omaha Beach Memorial Museum

On the actual site of Omaha Beach with a floor area of 1200m2 (12,000 sq ft) the museum exhibits uniforms, personal items, arms, vehicles, a landing craft, a Belgian gate, a Tom 155mm long gun, a tank and more. Many scenes and a wealth of photographic documentation will plunge you into the heart of the history of the Landings. At the end of your visit a 25 minute long film with witness accounts from American veterans will clearly explain the landings on Omaha and at Pointe du Hoc. Museum with facilities for children.

OPENING TIMES

Open daily from February 15th to November 15th:

February: 10am-5pm March: 10am-6pm April/May: 9.30am-6.30pm June: 9.30am-7pm July /August: 9.30am-7.30pm September: 9.30am-6.30pm October/ November: 9.30am-6pm

Last entry one hour before closing time

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adult Full rate: 6.90 € Student: 5.50 € (16-25 yrs) Child: 3.90 € (7-15 yrs) Adult Group: 4.50 € Student Group: 3.70 € School Group: 2.90 €

Duration of unguided visit: 1 hr











CONTACT

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The Omaha **D-Day** Museum

The Omaha D-Day museum is primarily the work of an enthusiast by the name of Michel Brissard. After vears of research he decided to exhibit his collection so that as many people as possible could enjoy it, so paying tribute to the soldiers who died in the Battle of Normandy. Located in a period building (an American hospital during the landings), the museum houses a private collection composed of rare objects (such as an Enigma machine, landing craft and German equipment) which have remained in their original state and illustrate technological advances in wartime.

OPENING TIMES

Open daily from April to September

From April 1st to May 30th and from September 1st to 30th: 10.30am-6pm From June 1st to August 31st: 10am-7pm

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adult: 5.70 € Student: 4.70€ Child (8 to 15 yrs): 3.50 € Adult group from 8 people 4€ per person Visit duration: 30/45 mins







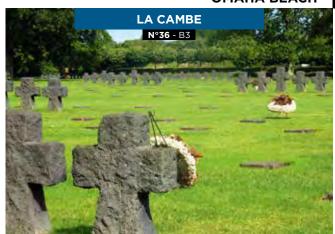




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Musée D-DAY Omaha

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The German military Cemetery of La Cambe



Covering 7 ½ hectares or nearly 19 acres, this is one of six Second World War German military cemeteries in Normandy. The use of this land belonging to the French state was given in perpetuity by the French government to the German nation. Here lie around 21,222 German soldiers who lost their lives in Normandy. A permanent exhibition reminds us of the suffering which wars bring about, and endeavours to promote peace.

A memorial chapel is situated at the entrance. Finally 1,120 Acer globosum maples, planted in the Garden of Peace in front of the cemetery and alongside the access road are also symbols of peace.

German military cemeteries are maintained and managed by the Volksbund Deutsche Kriegsgräberfűrsorge e.V. (The Maintenance of German Military Graves Service), a private non-profit making association under German law whose registered office is in Kassel (Germany).

OPENING TIMES

Open every day

Winter (October 31st until the end of March): 8.30am to 5pm Summer (April 1st until the end of October) 8am to 7pm

Saturdays and Sundays opens at 9am and closes at 5pm or 7pm depending on the season

CONTACT

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Normandy American Cemetery and Visitor Center

Located just above Omaha Beach at Collevillesur-Mer, the Normandy American Cemetery was dedicated in 1956. It honours the American soldiers who died during the Battle of Normandy, and counts amongst 25 permanent cemeteries on foreign soil. A key memorial site, it contains the perfectly aligned headstones of 9,387 soldiers who fell in combat. Completing this moving ensemble is a Garden of the Missing where the names of 1,557 soldiers are engraved, a chapel, a memorial and the Visitor Center, which opened on June 6th 2007, and pays tribute to the values of our liberators. The Visitor Center puts Operation Overlord in its historical context and evokes the competence, courage and spirit of sacrifice of those who fought in the Second World War.

This is a place of commemoration and we therefore ask visitors to behave accordingly, and be both silent and respectful.

OPENING TIMES

Free access all year

From September 16th to April 14th – 9am to 5pm From April 15th to September 15th – 9am to 6pm Closed December 25th and January 1st



VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES Free entrance

CONTACT

Normandy American Cemetery

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fter landing at Gold
Beach, the British
50th Infantry Division
was soon at the gates
of Bayeux, and took
control of the town on the morning
of June 7th. Its objective was also to
seize Arromanches, making ready for
the installation of the future artificial
«Mulberry» Harbour and linking up
with Canadian troops, who had landed
at Juno Beach. This mission would be
accomplished on the evening of the 6th.

The principle of the Mulberries, or artificial harbours, was to land vehicles and supplies very rapidly by using quays protected by a line of concrete caissons, until such time as the continental ports were captured. In 100 days, 220,000 soldiers, 530,000 tonnes of supplies and 39,000 vehicles were landed at "Port Winston". This was of crucial importance because Allied troops needed all their weapon supplies to fend off a German counterattack.





Arromanches 360 circular Cinema



"The 100 Days of Normandy"

Situated on the heights above Arromanches, the Arromanches 360 circular cinema looks over the remains of the artificial Mulberry port built by the Allies. Unique in France, it plunges spectators into the heart of the Battle of Normandy: projected on nine screens previously unreleased archive pictures retrace 100 days of terrible fighting.

This film is a tribute to the combatants of all nations, and to the 20,000 civilians who died during this battle which excited such hope.

"The 100 Days of Normandy": a moving film taking you on a journey to the heart of D-Day. This 19 minute long film recounts the "100 Days of the Battle of Normandy" which led to the rapid liberation of France by exhausting the German army until it was defeated at Falaise pocket. It also tells of the terrible suffering of the civilians in Lower Normandy whose towns and villages were flattened by Allied bombs.

OPENING TIMES

Annual closing: from January 1st to 25th 24/01 to 31/03: 10.10am - 5pm (Closed Monday February 1st)

- > 01/04 to 30/04: 10am 5.30pm
- >01/05 to 02/09: 9.30am 6pm
- > 03/09 to 30/09:10am 6pm > 01/10 to 04/11:10.10am - 5.40pm
- > 03/11 to 31/12 : 10am 5.30pm

Annual closure from 7 to 29/01/18

> 05/11 to 31/12: 10am - 5pm (Closed on Monday and 25th December)

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Full price: 6€ Concessions: 5.50€ Adult groups (20 people min): 5€ Groups of secondary schoolchildren (minimum 15): 3.50€ Groups of primary schoolchildren (minimum 15): 2€

Free for individual children under 10 and war veterans









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The Landings Museum

On June 8th 1944, two days after the liberation of Arromanches, the first Phoenix concrete caissons were submerged at sea to form a breakwater. Less than a week later unloading could begin. In 100 days 220,000 soldiers, 530,000 tonnes of supplies and 39,000 vehicles were unloaded at "Port Winston".

Built on the very site of the British artificial port of which the traces can still be seen a few metres off shore, the museum tells the history of the incredible challenge that the construction and running of this port represented, a key element in the Allied victory in Normandy. Apart from showing how it worked, a collection of some 2,000 objects helps to evoke the atmosphere of the time and pay tribute to the soldiers of the nations which took part in the Landings. An alignment of 30 linear metres of models, a diorama and a film of archive footage help to emphasise the huge logistical and strategic achievement of the Allies. The remains of Port Winston, visible from the museum, show the extraordinary scale of this operation.

- Free explanatory brochures available in 18 languages.
- Diorama available in 6 languages
- Archive film in 9 languages
- •3D Animation with commentary

OPENING TIMES

- > February, November: 10am to 12.30pm -1.30pm to 5pm
- > March, October: 9.30am to 12.30pm -1.30pm to 5.30pm
- > April: 9am to 12.30pm 1.30pm to 6pm
- > May, June, July, August: 9am to 7pm
- > September: 9am to 6pm
- > December 1st to 23rd and 26th to 30th: 10am to 12.30pm - 1.30pm to 5pm Closed in January.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Unguided visit (duration: 11/4 hrs)

Adults:8€ Students/children: 5.90 € Adult in groups: 6.50 € Groups of schoolchildren or students: 4 € Free for: Veterans, children (under 6)...

Guided tour (duration: 11/2 hrs) in French no supplement

Guided tours by advance reservation without supplement for groups [Eng/Ger] Book with Mme Isabelle MARIE











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German Gun Battery of Longues-sur-Mer

The German gun battery of Longues-sur-Mer offers an extraordinary panoramic view over the Landing beaches. The only battery to be listed as a Historic Monument, it notably includes a firing command post and four reinforced concrete pillboxes each housing a long range artillery piece of 150 mm.

Situated in the area between Gold Beach and Omaha Beach at the top of a cliff overlooking the Channel, it played a strategic role during the Landing of Allied forces on June 6th 1944. Subjected to intense bombardment by air and then by sea which prevented it from fully taking part in the action on D-Day, it was taken by British troops on June 7th.

The gun battery at Longues-sur-Mer is the only one today to still be equipped with its guns from the period. Its excellent state of conservation and its well-maintained surroundings make it really worth a visit.

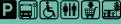
OPENING TIMES

Free access all year. Guided tours at the weekend in April, May, June, September and October and every day in July and August. Times of guided tours: 10.15am, 11.45am,

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

2.15pm and 3.45pm.

Adults:5€ Children (11/17 vrs): 3 € Children under 10 free











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Arromanches 1944 in enhanced reality



From the artificial port of Arromanches to Juno Beach

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COMMES - PORT-EN-BESSIN

) Museum

N°41 - B3

of undersea wrecks

For twenty five years, Jacques Lemonchois has tirelessly scoured the depths off the Landing beaches searching for the remains of the big warships sunk around June 6th 1944. The museum keeps these objects in the state in which they were discovered, and also presents war machines (assault tanks, torpedoes, mines, artillery guns, and mechanical parts).

OPENING TIMES

Weekends in the months of May and October June to September, every day from 10am to 7pm

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults:7€ Children (7 to 16 yrs): 4 €





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VER-SUR-MER

N°42 - C3

America Gold Beach Museum

The America section of the museum tells of the first postal link between the USA and France by air on July 1st 1927 and the conquest of the North Atlantic by the pioneers of aviation in the 20th century. The Gold Beach section is devoted to the history of the Landings, from planning up until the victorious assault of the 50th Infantry Division on June 6th 1944. It pays tribute to the soldiers who brought success to the mission as well as to the Royal Navy and the RAF.

New:

The museum offers screenings of the original film "America" shot in 1927 which visitors can watch (F,GB and D) using a QRCode. Duration 5 mins in B/W.

OPENING TIMES

Winter January 4th to February 1st, March 1st to 31st and November 8th to December 16th 2017, Wednesdays from 10.30am to 1pm and 2pm to 5.30pm, and Saturdays 2pm to 5pm February Holidays from February 4th to 25th 2017 from Tuesday to Saturday inclusive 10.30am to 1pm and 2pm to 5.30pm. Mid-season in April, May, June and September daily except Tuesday 10.30am to 5.30pm.

Summer. In July and August every day 10.30am to 5.30pm.

October daily (except Tuesday and Sunday) 10.30am to 5.30pm.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults: 4.50 € Children: 2 €

Free for veterans and guides

Unaccompanied visit: 40 minutes Guided tour: 11/4 hrs







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RYES - BAZENVILLE

N°43 - C3

Ryes War Cemetery Commonwealth Cemetery

Situated beside the D87 road east of Bayeux, the military cemetery at Ryes, Bazenville has over 600 Commonwealth graves. The first of these were put here just two days after the Allied Landing at Arromanches.



The Commonwealth War Graves
Commission (CWGC) is charged with
the commemoration of around 1700
000 members of Commonwealth forces
who gave their lives during two world
wars. The graves and memorials built
for these men and women from all parts
of the Commonwealth, believers or
onn-believers, are spread throughout 153
countries in the whole world.

Information about commemorations or the position of particular graves is available from our offices (see below) or through the website of the Commission at www.cwgc.org which includes a database, which you can consult online.

OPENING TIMES

Commission cemeteries are freely accessible to the public throughout the year. For commemorative events and particular requests, please contact us.

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anding by the 3rd
Canadian Infantry
Division between Graye
and Saint-Aubin. The
Canadians had to take
the coastal defences in the
Courseulles-Bernières sector,
and then sweep inland to link
up with British troops from
Gold and Sword Beaches. After
heavy losses on the beaches –
Canadian forces suffered 50%
of their losses in the first hour

of the assault – the 3rd Division liberated its coastal sector and encircled the radar station at Douvres-la-Délivrande. Losing no time, they took control of villages inland: Reviers, Saint-Croix and Bény. Of the five landing zones, this one saw the furthest Allied advance by the evening of D-Day. For a month, Canadian forces battled to wrest the road, RN13, Carpiquet and Caen from the enemy.





Juno Beach Centre

Located on the beach where the Canadians landed in June 1944 beside the rest of the Allied forces, the Juno Beach Centre tells of the role which Canada played during the Second World War, particularly in Normandy. After a short introductory film, visitors are invited to find out about this history in five permanent exhibition halls with written documents, photos, audio-visual and sound records, multimedia, maps and other objects as well as a twelve minute film entitled "In their footsteps", a taste of what the Canadians experienced on D-Day and during the Battle of Normandy.

As well as its permanent exhibition, the Juno Beach centre, the only Canadian museum on the Landing beaches, offers a special exhibition for younger visitors and activities for school groups. It is also possible to take part in a guided tour of Juno Park and its remains of the Atlantic Wall including the bunkers in front of the museum, led by a young Canadian. New for 2017: "Puzzles with histories" a web app for family visits to the temporary exhibition "From Vimy to Juno"

OPENING TIMES

February, November, December: 10am – 5pm March and October: 10am - 6pm April to September: 9.30am - 7pm Closed in January and on Christmas Day

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Self-quided tour of the Juno Beach Centre (Duration: $1^{1}/_{2}$ hrs recommended)

Adults:7€ Students, children 8 and over: 5.50 € Groups of adults: 5.50 € School groups: 4 € Family Pass: 21 €

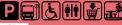
Unguided visit of Juno Beach Centre and guided tour of Juno Park (duration: 45 minutes)

Adults:11 € Children 8 and over :9 € Groups of adults: 9 € School groups: 5.50 € Family Pass: 33 €

Free for 2nd world war veterans and their widows, children 8 and over

Educational activities for a supplement of 1.50€ - Only for school groups of 8 to 18 year olds (duration: 45 minutes)

Every day with advance booking Picnic room by reservation











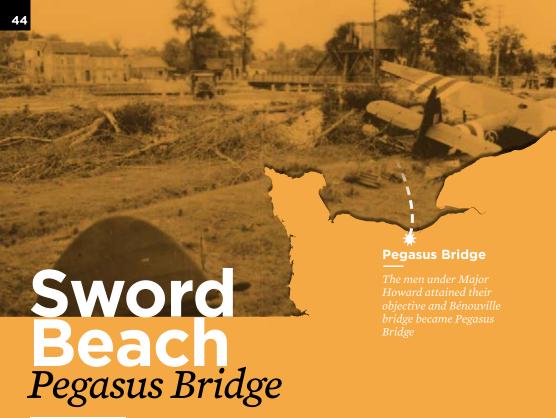
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BÉNY-SUR-MER - REVIERS N°45 - C3

The Canadian military cemetery at Bény-sur-Mer is situated close to the village of Reviers, 18km east

Bény-sur-mer Canadian War Cemetery **Commonwealth** Cemetery

of Bayeux on the D35. Over 2000 men are buried here. Many of them belonged to the 3rd Canadian Division, which took a major part in the Landings and the march on Caen.



n June 5th, a little
before 11 pm, British
gliders were launched
towards Bénouville
bridge. In the space of
a few minutes, the men under Major
Howard attained their objective and
Bénouville bridge became Pegasus
Bridge. The bridge at Ranville, a little
further east, was also stormed. At the
same time, the parachutists of the 6th
Airborne Division overcame the gun
battery at Merville.

The landing of troops by sea took place at Hermanville and Colleville. From there, the commandos – including the 177 green berets of the N° 4 Commando – were ordered to take Ouistreham from behind. Afterwards, they advanced towards the bridges at Ranville and Bénouville to give their support to the paratroopers.

On the afternoon of June 6th, Hitler gave the order to move several armoured divisions towards Normandy. However, by now it was too late: the die was cast.

On June 6th, at midnight, more than 150,000 Allied soldiers were in Normandy, including 23,000 paratroopers, and 20,000 vehicles of all types. 12,000 men had been killed, wounded or taken prisoner.





The Pegasus Memorial



Situated to the east of the D-Day landing beaches, the Pegasus Memorial tells of the different missions that the British 6th Airborne Division had to accomplish during the night of June 5th to 6th 1944. These soldiers were the first to set foot on the soil of Normandy during Operation Overlord. One of their exploits was the capture of the bridge at Bénouville, more commonly known as Pegasus Bridge. At the Memorial, professional guides bring the dawn of June 6th back to life.

The objects on show in the museum come in large part from donations made by British veterans.

OPENING TIMES

- > from 01/02/2017 to 31/03/2017:
- daily from 10am to 5pm
- > from 01/04/2017 to 30/09/2017:
- daily from 9.30am to 6.30pm
- > from 01/10/2017 to 15/12/2017: daily from 10am to 5pm

Closed from December 16th 2017 to January 31st 2018

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adult: 7.50€

Child or student: 5€ Adult groups: 5.50€ School groups: 4.50€











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Merville Gun Battery Museum

A primary objective of D-Day and a redoubtable part of the German army's defences, the Merville gun battery, situated between Ouistreham and Cabourg, is one of the most iconic sites of the invasion. Bombed on several occasions without effect, it was neutralised by the 9th battalion of British paratroopers after a murderous assault during the night of June 5th to 6th.

An educational tour of this historic site and a temporary exhibition will tell you all about the battery's history, and you can experience something unique, just as if you were there that night. Sound effects, smoke, lights and smells will briefly plunge you into the hell of the bombardment and neutralisation of the Merville gun battery.

Come and find out about the great story of the "SNAFU Special" Dakota the only C47 to be listed as an Ancient Monument.

OPENING TIMES

- > From March 15th to September 30th 9.30am to 6.30pm
- > From October 1st to November 15th 10am to 5pm Annual closing from November 16th to March 14th

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adult: 6.50€ Child: 3.50€ Reduced rate: 5.50€ (students, military personnel, handicapped, war veterans, jobseekers) Adult groups: 5€ School groups: 3€









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COLLEVILLE-MONTGOMERY

N°48 - C3

Hillman Strongpoint

This German position from the Second World War was the coastal defence command post for the 736th Regiment of Grenadiers and 716th German Infantry Division. Twenty blockhouses – of which ten are open for visiting – are scattered over an area of 24 hectares (59 acres).

OPENING TIMES

July, August and September:

Guided tour on Tuesday at 3pm July and August: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday the Memorial and its museum open from 10am to midday and 2.30pm to 6.30pm. Open year-round for groups by appointment

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Free, but donations accepted Guided tours July-August and September on Tuesdays at 3pm



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DOUVRES-LA-DÉLIVRANDE

N°49 - C3

)1944 Radar Museum

Discover what life was like for German soldiers inside wartime bunkers during the Occupation in Normandy. The only radar station on the D-Day landing beaches, the 1944 Radar Museum occupies the former German lookout post. Two bunkers of the period have been reconstructed so that you can learn about the Atlantic Wall, the history of radar and daily life of the German soldiers.

OPENING TIMES

Open from May 27th to September 7th:

10am-6pm, ticket office closes at 5.15pm Closed on Mondays.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Unguided tour of about 45 mins.

Full rate: 5.50€ Concessions: 5€ Adult groups: 4.50€ School groups: 3.10€ Children under 10: free



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British and French veterans, and traces the history of French fighters, who - thanks to the tenacity of Commandant Philippe Kieffer - were able to join the British commandos and join them in a number of missions. In particular, it recounts their training at Achnacarry camp in Scotland, and their participation in the D-Day landings at Coleville sur Orne during the liberation of Ouistreham, and the Battle of Normandy. All the objects on show are authentic, the majority of the equipment and uniforms being gifts from families and relatives.

In addition to the tour, a 26-minute video composed of papers and period films shows the commandos at Achnacarry camp and during the D-Day landings.

OPENING TIMES

Museum open daily from April 1st 2017 to October 15th 2017 inclusive, from 10.30am to 1pm and 1.30pm to 6.30pm.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Self-guided tour, duration: 1 hour (FR/GB) Adults: 5€ Students, children: 3€

Adult groups: 4€ School groups: 3€

Free for WW2 veterans, children (under 10)



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OUISTREHAM

N°51 - C3

Atlantic Wall Museum The Bunker

The Atlantic Wall Museum is located inside the former German Army HQ that controlled the gun batteries overlooking the estuary of the River Orne. All the internal rooms of the Great Bunker have been restored down to the smallest details: engine room, flanking pillboxes, pharmacy, infirmary, armoury, ammunition store, radio transmissions room, switchboard, observation post and more.

An exhibition also describes the construction of the Atlantic Wall, the greatest building project of the 20th century, which mobilised two million labourers over a period of three years.

OPENING TIMES

Open daily from 07/02 to 05/01: 10am-6pm and from 01/04 to 30/09: 9am-7pm

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults: 7.50€ Children: 5.50€ (6-12 years



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Soldat Léon **Ouistreham 1944**

Immerse yourself in the world of Soldat Léon: using your tablet or smartphone, you can be at the heart of the events on June 6th 1944, in the company of Léon Gautier, one of Commandant Kieffer's 177 French troops, who made the landing that morning. Soldat Léon will be alongside you in the capture of Ouistreham's casino, just as if you were there...

Available free at







DOUVRES-LA-DÉLIVRANDE

N°52 - C3

La Délivrande War Cemeterv **Commonwealth** Cemetery

Situated north of Caen on the D7, the military cemetery of Douvres-La-Délivrande is the last resting place of nearly 1,000 victims of war. The graves in this cemetery date from D-Day, and the landings on Sword Beach, particularly in the Oboe and Peter sectors. Other casualties were brought here at a later date, from the battlefields between the coast and Caen.

HERMANVILLE-SUR-MER

N°53 - C3

Hermanville War Cemetery **Commonwealth** Cemetery

With more than 1,000 graves, Hermanville-sur-Mer military cemetery is located north of Caen, on the D60. The nearby village of Hermanville-sur-Mer is close to Sword Beach, and was occupied on June 6th by the men of the 1st Battalion South Lancashire Regiment. Later the same day, the Shropshire Light Infantry, backed up by the armoured units of the Staffordshire Yeomanry, managed to capture and hold Biéville-Beuville, four kilometres south of Hermanville-sur-Mer. Many of the men buried in this cemetery were killed that day, or during the push towards Caen.

RANVILLE

N°54 - C3

Ranville War Cemetery **Commonwealth** Cemetery

The name Ranville is forever linked with the 6th Airborne Division, which captured the Caen canal bridge during the first hours of D-Day. Nearly 2,300 Commonwealth soldiers are buried in Ranville's military cemetery and in the graveyard of the neighbouring church. The easiest access to these two sites is by the D513 leaving Caen, then heading left towards Hérouville. The cemetery is located one kilometre after leaving Ranville, on the rue des Airbornes. The famous Pegasus Bridge, as well as its museum, are situated to the west of the village.



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6th General de Gaulle
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of the atternoon of June 6th General de Gaulle said: "The supreme battle is underway. It is, of course, the Battle of France and the Battle for France. For the sons of France, wherever they are, and whoever they are, the simple and sacred duty is to fight the enemy by all means at their disposal."

"In company with our brave Allies and brothers-in-arms on all other Fronts, you will bring about the destruction of the German war machine, the elimination of Nazi tyranny over the oppressed peoples of Europe, and security for ourselves in a free world." General Eisenhower, June 6th 1944

British troops entered Bayeux without difficulty on the morning of June 7th. There, too, was Maurice Schumann, the spokesman of Free France (one of the voices of the BBC, he landed on June 6th at Asnelles). Without needing to fight, the troops captured the coastal battery of Longues-sur-Mer, and took its garrison prisoner.

On June 14th 1944, de Gaulle was on board the torpedo boat La Combattante. He landed on the beach between Courseulles and Graye and made his way to Bayeux to meet the local populace. He was acclaimed by the crowd.



Bayeux War Cemetery

The Bayeux Memorial is situated in the southwest outskirts of the town, on the D5/Boulevard Fabian Ware (named after the founder of the CWGC). The Memorial carries the names of more than 1,800 soldiers who died during the Battle of Normandy and for whom no graves have been found. The inscription on the pediment of the Memorial refers to the conquest of England by the Normans, 900 years earlier:

'NOS A GULIELMO VICTI VICTORIS PATRIAM LIBERAVIMUS'

("Once conquered by William, today we liberate the Conqueror's native land")

The military cemetery at Bayeux faces the Memorial. Although Bayeux saw little fighting, it was the first French town of any size to be liberated by the Allies. With more than 4,000 war graves (including 25 Polish, 7 Russian, 2 Italian, 2 Czech and 3 French), Bayeux is the largest Commonwealth military cemetery from the Second World War in France. The bodies of soldiers buried here came from the surroundings and from nearby hospitals.

OPENING TIMES

The Commission's cemeteries are open to the public all year round. For commemorative events and private requests, please consult us.

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) Memorial Museum of

Museum of the Battle of Normandy

Situated close to the British Military Cemetery at Bayeux, the Memorial Museum is the only one in the region to be devoted entirely to the Battle of Normandy. It explains the key stages in the conflict and shows the fighting that took place on Norman soil after the D-Day landings, from June 7th to August 29th 1944.

OPENING TIMES

> From 01/02 to 30/04 and from 1/10 to 31/12: 10am-12.30pm and 2pm to 6pm

> From 1/05 to 30/09: 9.30am-6.30pm Annual closing Christmas Day and New Year's Day

Last admission 1 hour before the museum closes.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Full rate: 7.50€ Concessions: 5.50€ Group rate: 5.50€ Schoolchildren/students: 4€

Children under 10, veterans: free







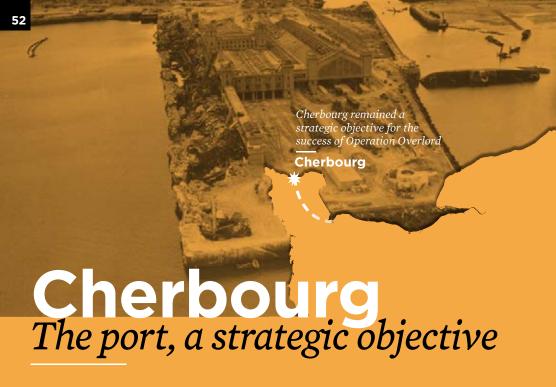


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n February 1944, Generals
Eisenhower and Montgomery
decided that the landings would
take place in an area 80 km
(50 miles) long – rather than
40 km (25 miles) – extending from
Colleville to Varreville and including
the Cherbourg Peninsula, so that the
port of Cherbourg could be captured
as quickly as possible.

Cherbourg was a strategic objective for the success of Operation Overlord. In a short space of time, the port had to be able to handle troop ships from the United States, as well as munitions and machinery needed for the conquest of Europe.

The Americans needed to capture

Cherbourg under the orders of General Bradley. On June 21st they surrounded the town. On the 25th, they had advanced into the streets. On the 26th, Fort du Roule was taken. General Bradley responded to the inhabitants who welcomed him: "It is a pleasure to be able to say to the French people: here is the first large town that is returned to you."

On the other hand the port, sabotaged by the Germans, was in a sad state: a pile of ruins. Not to be discouraged, the soldiers set to the task of making it a working port once more. So It was that from the middle of July, the port of Cherbourg welcomed the first Liberty Ships arriving from the United States.



CHERBOURG-EN-COTENTIN

N°57 - A2

The Roule gun battery

An outing in the form of a subterranean walk, exploring the fortifications dug during the Second World War in the heart of the Montagne du Roule in Cherbourg-Octeville. The underground chambers were equipped with guns used to protect Cherbourg's artificial harbour. The site was listed as a Historic Monument in 1995 and has a very special atmosphere.

You will be provided with a caving helmet and lamp, and given a fully guided tour.



OPENING TIMES

Normal opening times WITHOUT reservation

- > May-September: daily tour at 2.30pm > June: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday,
- Sunday 1 tour at 2.30pm; Wednesday and Saturday tours at 2.30pm and 4pm > July-August: daily tours at 2.30pm, 4pm and 5.30pm.

Special open days WITHOUT reservation

- > May: Museum Night, tours at 2.30pm, 4pm and 10pm
- > June 26th: For the commemoration of the capture of the Roule gun battery by the American Army in 1944, tours at 2.30pm, 4pm and 10pm
- > July 16th: evening event, tour at 10pm
- August 16th: evening event, tour at 10pm
 September for Heritage Open Days tours at 10am, 11.30am, 2.30pm, 4pm, 5.30pm, 7pm and 10pm

Special openings UPON reservation

As well as the opening hours without reservation (above), the gun battery is open by reservation year-round, 24 hours a day

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults: 6€ Children (under 18): 5€ Guided tours last about an hour

Free for volunteers who help to keep the place going.



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of The Liberation At the top of the Montagne du Rou

At the top of the Montagne du Roule, the museum of the Liberation is housed in a Second Empire fort. Its strategic position overlooking the port made it key to the defence of Cherbourg. Hence the expression: "Whoever holds Roule holds Cherbourg". Once taken by the Germans, subterranean passages were dug into the rock. On June 26th 1944 the fort was retaken by the Americans. Cherbourg was the first port to be liberated in mainland France, as well as the biggest in the world, for several months.

Amuse yourself at the museum during the holidays! During the school holidays, the museums service has activities suitable for children over 3 years old.
For information: 02 33 23 39 55

OPENING TIMES

Open from February 1st to December 31st

Tuesday to Friday 10am to 12.30pm and 2pm to 6pm; Saturdays and Sundays 1pm to 6pm

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Full rate: 4€ / Children free Adult groups 2.50€ Unaccompanied visit: 2 hrs Guided tour: 11/2 hrs

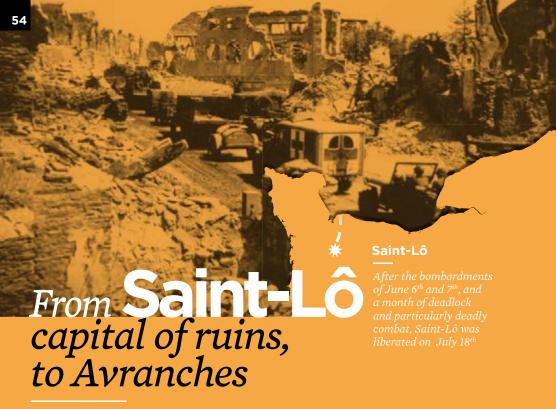
Free on Wednesdays



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he capture of Saint-Lô was entrusted to the Americans, who encountered great difficulties in taking the town, an important road and rail junction. After the bombardments of June 6th and 7th, and a month of deadlock and particularly deadly combat, the "capital of ruins" was liberated on July 18th.

The battle of Saint-Lô was one of the most significant episodes in the 'battle of the hedgerows', just before Operation Cobra. In the centre of the Cherbourg Peninsula, the war of the hedgerows turned into a real trench warfare. Operation Cobra was the codename given to the American offensive undertaken at the end of July 1944 in the Cherbourg Peninsula in order to open up the way to Brittany and to break through the lines of German defence.

On the evening of July 30th American troops took Avranches. General Patton with the American armoured divisions and the 2nd French armoured division of Leclerc, just landed at Utah Beach, could then start to break through massively towards the south. Instead of retreating however, the German troops launched a counter-attack in the area of Mortain with the aim of cutting through the American lines. But this was doomed to failure from the very beginning, mainly due to the almost complete lack of air cover.



AVRANCHES

N°59 - B5

The Art and History museum of Avranches

In the heart of the old town, the outbuildings of the old episcopal palace, later transformed into a prison during the French revolution, today house the collections of the museum.

Your visit ends with rooms dedicated to the Second World War, especially the Operation Cobra offensive at Avranches

OPENING TIMES

Every day from June 1st to September 30th Wednesday to Sunday 10am to 12.30pm and 2pm to 6pm

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Free

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FOLLIGNY

N°60 - B4

>Py Park at Folligny

Py Park is located close to the railway station at Folligny. During the Second World War, the station was the target of numerous deadly and devastating bombardments. After the bombardment of June 17th 1940, the station was rebuilt, fortified and occupied by the German Army to allow the control of goods traffic. Today, several concrete remnants remain and two restored underground rooms contain panels retracing wartime events in Folligny and its surroundings.

OPENING TIMES

Open April 1st to October 31st

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES



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MARIGNY

N°61 - B3

Cobra **Marigny Memorial**

With its three exhibition rooms, the Memorial recounts the story of Operation Cobra, the name given to the American offensive carried out in the Cherbourg Peninsula at the end of July 1944, in order to open up the way to Brittany. Also included is a space dedicated to the dark years (1939-1945), and also a homage to the "poilus" or French soldiers of the First World War. In all, the Memorial displays more than 950 photos and documents, as well as 130 period objects.

OPENING TIMES

April-May and September:

2.30pm to 6.30pm on Sundays

June-July-August:

2.30pm to 6.30pm on Saturdays and Sundays

ENTRANCE FEES

Free entry

Groups: year-round, with reservation

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MORTAIN-BOCAGE

N°62 - B5

The Saint Michel Chapel

Perched on its rock promontory 323 metres high, it offers a panoramic view as far as Maine and Brittany. You can even see the Mont Saint-Michel on a clear day. A place of tragedy during the battle of August 1944 when many soldiers lost their lives here for our freedom, nowadays it is a place of remembrance with its memorial and one of three French depictions of General Eisenhower's coat of arms.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Open year round (for groups) upon request at The Tourist Office



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PONTAUBAULT

N°63 - B5

) François **Mutschler** Collection

The François Mutschler Collection contains an array of objects from the Second World War, as well as postcards from the beginning of the 20th century and photographs from 1944, and a scale model of the bridge at Pontaubault.

OPENING TIMES

Open on Tuesday and Thursday every 2 weeks starting from Tuesday January 6th:

- > Tuesdays from 2pm to 4.30pm
- > Thursdays from 2.30pm to 5pm

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Free entry

Unquided visits at all times Guided tours on request



CONTACT

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SAINT-LÔ

N°64 - B3

Chapelle de la Madeleine **US memorial**

Now restored, this old leper colony in Saint-Lô houses a Memorial to the US 29th and 35th Divisions that liberated the city.

OPENING TIMES

Open at weekends in July-August from 2.30pm to 6.30pm Open year round upon request at the Tourist Office (for groups)

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

www.saint-lo-agglo.fr

Free entry



CONTACT

Chapelle de La Madeleine - Mémorial US

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SAINT-LÔ

The Fine Arts Museum

Situated on the square of the Champ de Mars, the museum of fine arts and history exhibits very fine and wide collections, offering a vast panorama of painting from the 17th century to the present day. A new exhibition area of over 3,000 square feet is devoted to the rich history of Saint-Lo since Neolithic times until its post-war reconstruction.

OPENING TIMES

Tuesday to Sunday from 1.30pm to 6.30pm Ticket office closes at 6pm

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Permanent exhibition: 4.50 € Temporary exhibition: from 2 to 4 € Entire museum: 5.50 € Free for children under 12

CONTACT

Musée des Beaux-Arts

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HUISNES-SUR-MER

N°66 - B5

German military cemetery

cemetery at Mont-de-Huisnes is the sole German mausoleum in Normandy, and indeed in the whole of France. 11,956 soldiers who died in the course of the Second World War are buried here, along with 64 children and infants. The mausoleum is a circular building, 47 metres across, constructed on two levels. In the centre of the interior courtyard is a large cross. The mausoleum was inaugurated on September 14th 1963. It offers a magnificent panorama over the Mont Saint-Michel.



N°68 - B5

German military cemetery

Inaugurated on September 20th 1961, this cemetery contains 11,169 tombs of German soldiers who died in combat. It is divided into five long rectangles of graves surrounded by a slope on all sides. Groups of crosses are dispersed throughout. From 1957 onwards, the remains of soldiers formerly buried in numerous small cemeteries were transferred here.

MARIGNY/LA CHAP. EN JUGER

N°67 - B3

American military cemetery

"In Proud Remembrance of the Achievements of Her Sons and in Humble Tribute to their Sacrifices This Memorial has been erected by the United States of America." The cemetery, the Chapel with its Memorial Room and the Wall of the Disappeared, stand in memory of the 4,410 soldiers who rest here.





t dawn on June 6th, the bombing of towns in Normandy began. The entire centre of Caen was destroyed. The Allies' objective was to destroy the towns so as to obliterate all communications and to slow German reinforcements. On the morning of June 7th about ten of Lower Normandy's towns including Caen, Lisieux, Coutances, Saint-Lô and Vire had been wiped off the map.

Caen and its airfield at Carpiquet were keenly sought by the airmen of the RAF.

During June the town became a major strategic objective to the distress of its population which fled the bombardments. It wasn't until the morning of July 9th, a month after the D-Day Landings that Caen was finally liberated by the Canadians arriving from Saint-Germain-la-Blanche-Herbe. The British entered from the east and moved through the ruins.

But the Germans still held the right bank of the river and it wasn't until July 19th that the last quarters of the town, such as Vaucelles, were liberated.





The Caen Memorial

From the origins of the Second World War to the end of the Cold War, museum exhibits recount the terrible history of the 20th century.

Caen, bombed during the summer of 1944 and martyred city of the Liberation, deserved homage on a scale equal to its suffering. This was done, but in a spirit of reconciliation. It is this spirit, the guiding principle of the Memorial that guides the visitor through the different stages of the museum, to the heart of 20th century history.

The new film entitled "The Battle of Normandy: 100 days which changed the world" is 19 minutes of history and pure emotion. The Battle of Normandy as you've never seen it before!

New exhibition space: Resistance and collaboration



Guided minivan tours of the D-Day Landing beaches all year round and by bus in summer (4 to 5 hrs) Information and Bookings: www.memorial-caen.fr +33 (0)2 31 06 06 45 Payment by card at time of booking

OPENING TIMES

- > From January 24th to February 3rd: 9.30am to 6pm (closed Monday January 30th)
- > From February 4th to November 4th 9am to 7pm
- > November 5th to December 31st: 9.30am to 6pm

Closed Christmas Day and New Years Day Annual closure from January 7th to 29th 2018 inclusive

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults: 19.80€ Children (10 to 18 years): 17€ Family pass (2 adults + children

Family pass (2 adults + children aged 10 – 25): 51€ Adult groups (from 20 people): 14.50€ School groups (from 15 people): Secondary 7.50€ / Primary 5€

Students: 17€ on production of student card

Children under 10, veterans: free





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CAEN

N°70 - C3

Digital tour of Caen

Caen, summer 44: civilians in the battle

Between June 6th and July 19th 1944 the inhabitants of Caen, caught in the crossfire of the Battle of Normandy, had to be organised in order to survive. Discover how they ensured their food supply, and how they set up emergency services and medical treatment.

A digital tour of the town, divided into 12 stages, lets you to find out how thousands of people in Caen lived at the time. Take your smartphone and download the itinerary for free from the digital station in Saint-Georges church at Caen castle (application " IStoryPath"). Then go to each point in the tour to find out exactly how the inhabitants survived. You can follow this tour as you wish, but we do recommend that you finish with stage 12, the liberation of Caen.

"Caen summer 44" is a bilingual tour accessible via Smartphone using QR Codes and NFC tags.

OPENING TIMES

Freely accessible

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Anybody with a smartphone

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ST-MARTIN-DES-BESACES

N°71 - B4

The Bocage **Breakout** Museum

Nine kilometres from the route to the Vire Gorges, a 45-minute guided visit (in French or in English) brings to life the astonishing adventure of the combatants in the Bocage, with the help of eight exhibition areas and a huge diorama. Telling the story of their destiny makes this a moving visit.

Also on show: the engine of the P51 Mustang plane, found at Saint-Martin-Don. Bailey Bridge of Pont-Farcy.

OPENING TIMES

From 01/04 to 30/09: 11am-5pm Closed on Tuesdays

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adult: 6€

Child: 2€

Adult group rate: 4€ (20 people minimum) School group rate: 2€ (20 people minimum) Languages spoken: French - English









CONTACT

Musée de la Percée du Bocage

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TILLY-SUR-SEULLES

Museum of the **Battle of Tilly**sur-Seulles

Housed in a 12th-century chapel, this museum brings to life the combat that took place at Tilly-sur-Seulles and in the surrounding area during the three weeks following the D-Day landings. The 30th British Army Corps confronted two divisions of the elite 1st SS Panzerkorps, resulting in an unusually violent conflict that severely damaged the village of Tilly-sur-Seulles, which was taken and retaken twenty-three times in the space of nearly a month.

Eyewitness accounts, photographs and wartime objects punctuate the tour, and show the suffering faced by the civilian population during the Liberation of Normandy. June 4th 2017 > 9th Battle of Normandy book fair around the Museum of the battle. Free entry.

OPENING TIMES

From May 1st to October 1st:

10am to midday – 2pm to 6pm, weekends and public holidays only.

Annual closure: January, February, March, April, October, November, December,

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Self-guided tour (duration: 45 minutes)

- > Flat rate: 4€
- > Free: Second World War veterans, children (under 12 years)

Guided tour (duration 1-2 hours) [FR/GB]

All year, upon reservation only, for groups of 10 persons minimum

> Flat rate: 6€

Battlefield excursions (duration: 2 hours approx) [FR/GB]

- > All year, upon reservation only
- > Flat rate: 7€



CONTACT

Musée de la Bataille de Tilly-sur-Seulles

Chapelle Notre-Dame-du-Val, rue du 18 juin 1944 14250 TILLY-SUR-SEULLES - +33 (0)6 07 59 46 02 association@tilly1944.com - www.museetilly.free.fr www.tillv1944.com

BANNEVILLE-LA-CAMPAGNE

N°73 - C3

Banneville-la-Campagne War Cemetery Commonwealth cemetery

Situated about ten kilometres east of Caen on the D675, Banneville-la-Campagne Military Cemetery contains the graves of more than 2,000 Commonwealth soldiers. Most were buried here between the second week in July and the end of August 1944, which coincided with the battle to retake Caen, the battle of the Falaise Pocket and the Allied advance on the opposite side of the Seine.

BROUAY

Brouay War Cemetery Commonwealth cemetery

Situated beside the N13, halfway between Bayeux and Caen, Brouay Military Cemetery is the final resting place of almost 400 Commonwealth soldiers. For most, their burial followed the violent combat that took place in the region between June and July 1944, when Allied forces attempted to encircle Caen from the south.

CAMBES-EN-PLAINE

Cambes-en-Plaine War Cemetery Commonwealth cemetery

Situated 7 kilometres northwest of Caen, on the rue du Mesnil Ricard, over 200 Commonwealth victims of the war are buried here. More than half of them formed part of the South Staffordshire and North Staffordshire Regiments, and fell in combat on July 8th and 9th, during the final assault on Caen. A large part of the town was liberated on July 10th.

CHOUAIN-JÉRUSALEM

Jerusalem
War Cemetery
Commonwealth cemetery

Situated 9 kilometres southeast of Bayeux, on the D6, Chouain-Jérusalem Military Cemetery is one of the smallest Commonwealth military cemeteries in the world. The majority of its 47 tombs date from July 10th 1944, when the sector was the scene of fierce fighting just after the liberation of Bayeux.

FONTENAY-LE-PESNEL

Fontenay-le-Pesnel War Cemetery Commonwealth cemetery

This cemetery, situated 16 kilometres to the west of Caen on the D139, contains the graves of more than 400 Commonwealth soldiers. A large number of these men were killed during the battle to the west of Caen during June and July 1944. Many men from the South Staffordshire, East Lancashire and Royal Warwickshire Regiments, as well as the Durham Light Infantry, have their final resting place here.

HOTTOT-LES-BAGUES

Hottot-les-Bagues War Cemetery Commonwealth cemetery

Hottot-les-Bagues Military Cemetery is situated 14 kilometres southeast of Bayeux on the D6. It is the last resting place of more than 1,000 Commonwealth victims of the war. A large number of them fell during the violent combat in this sector, between June and the beginning of July 1944.

SECQUEVILLE-EN-BESSIN

Secquevilleen-Bessin War Cemetery Commonwealth cemetery

Located between Bayeux and Caen alongside the D217, Secqueville-en-Bessin is the last resting place of nearly 100 Commonwealth troops. This battlefield cemetery contains the graves of soldiers who fell during the advance on Caen, which took place at the beginning of July 1944.

SAINT-DÉSIR-DE-LISIEUX

St. Desir
War Cemetery
Commonwealth cemetery

The most easterly Commonwealth military cemetery in Normandy, the military cemetery of Saint-Désir is located beside the D159 to the west of Lisieux. Many of the Commonwealth war dead buried here were killed towards the end of the Normandy campaign, whilst pursuing German forces towards the Seine.

SAINT-MANVIEU - CHEUX

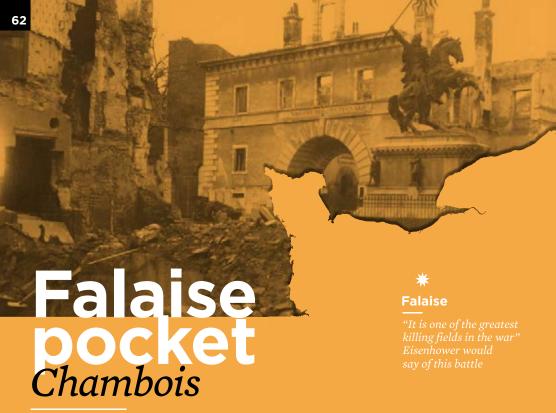
St. Manvieu
War Cemetery
Commonwealth cemetery

The military cemetery of Saint-Manvieu, Cheux, is situated on the D9 to the west of Caen. It contains more than 1,600 Commonwealth military graves due to the intense fighting in the region between Tilly-sur-Seulles and Caen from mid-June to the end of July 1944.

TILLY-SUR-SEULLES

Tilly-sur-Seulles War Cemetery Commonwealth cemetery

The military cemetery at Tilly-sur-Seulles is situated to the southeast of Bayeux, alongside the D6. This cemetery contains almost 1,000 Commonwealth soldiers' graves. Principally from the 49th and 5th Divisions, as well as the 7th Armoured Division they fell in the fierce fighting in the sector just after the D-Day landings.



ust as there were three phases to the invasion (by air, sea and bombardments by sea and air), there were also three phases in the Battle of Normandy. The month of June was devoted to the taking of Cherbourg. In July, Caen and Saint-Lô were liberated and troops advanced on Avranches. The month of August would see the end of the battle with the encircling of the 5th and 7th German armies in "Falaise Pocket".

When the Canadians took Falaise on August 17th they still needed to

close the pocket with the help of the Poles from the 1st armoured division and the Americans to the east of Argentan. At Chambois there was a veritable "corridor of death". On August 21st the German defeat in Normandy was sealed. "It is one of the greatest killing fields in the war" Eisenhower would say about this pocket.

So it was that the Battle of Normandy ended, after very bloody battles on each side. Now Paris and the rest of Europe remained to be liberated...



Mont-Ormel Memorial



In August 1944, 9 Allied divisions encircled 100,000 Germans in Falaise-Chambois pocket. The Battle of Normandy was coming to an end. Situated exactly where the fighting took place, between Argentan and Vimoutiers, the Mont-Ormel Memorial offers outstanding views over the Dives valley.

The battle of Falaise-Chambois pocket (18-22 August 1944) was the last gory stage in the Battle of Normandy, where soldiers from Poland, Canada, Great Britain, America and France distinguished themselves in the face of simultaneous and desperate attacks by the encircled German troops. This memorial site pays homage to the great strategists and fighters in a battle that Montgomery described as "the beginning of the end of the war".



map, and relics of the fighting all add to the

to October 31st

daily from 10am to 5pm

From May 1st to August 31st daily from 9.30am to 6pm

From November 1st to March 31st

Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 5pm

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Audio-guided visit (duration: 1 hour) FFR/GB/D/PL1

Adults: 5.50€ Students, children (+12 years): 3.50€ Children (6 to 12 years): 2.50€ Former combatants: 4€ Adult groups: 4€ School groups: 2.50€

WW2 veterans and attendants; free

For bus tour groups, in addition to the tour of the museum, a guided tour of the battlefield (duration: 11/2hours) [FR]

Year round by reservation only For rates, contact Montormel Memorial

Free excursions on the battlefield (duration: 3 hours) [FR]

Free, but advance reservation required at











Mémorial de Mont-Ormel

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Memorial Tour

1939 - 1945: Bagnoles de l'Orne held a very unusual status as a Red Cross town during this period. Indeed places like the spa and the Hotel du Parc would be requisitioned to be used as military hospitals. The town would also serve as a support station for the 7th German army which used the forest of Andaines as a place to stock munitions. By taking this memorial circular tour (of 1.5 or 3 km) a forgotten chapter from the Second World War will be revealed to you.

What will you find? The bombing damage and weapon stores in the National forest of Andaines, the camouflage used for servicemen and their vehicles, the barracks for prisoners of war....

OPENING TIMES AND VISITS

Open access all year. Free

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BERJOU

The Liberation of Beriou Museum

Situated on the heights at Berjou, near Condé-sur-Noireau, the Liberation Museum retraces the fighting of August 15th, 16th and 17th 1944 around Noireau, drawing on numerous objects found on the battlefield, together with explanations from a guide. The penultimate battle before the closure of the Falaise pocket, the liberation of Berjou was a grim episode, involving desperate fighting by the Germans seeking to defend their position around the community. The museum pays homage to the British soldiers of the 43rd (Wessex) Infantry Division and the 8th Brigade of Sherwood Rangers Yeomanry who distinguished themselves here.

New: "Berjou, August '44" themed circuit with 6 information desks.

OPENING TIMES

Open on Sundays from May 7th to September 24th from 2pm to 5.30pm

Visits possible outside normal opening period

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Free





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L'AIGLE

N°86 - D4

)June 1944 Museum. L'Aigle

This museum plunges visitors into the events that marked the Second World War, from General de Gaulle's broadcast on June 18th 1940 to the defeat of the Germans during the battle of Falaise pocket. The museum tour takes in eleven reconstructed scenes complete with waxwork figures, and authentic voice recordings of key figures in the events, as well as a 120-square-foot strategic map of the Battle of Normandy.

Inaugurated in 1953 in the outbuildings of the château de L'Aigle by Madame la Maréchale Leclerc de Hauteclocque, the June 1944 Museum was the first "talking museum" in France.

OPENING TIMES

Open from April 1st to October 1st: Tuesday -Wednesday - Saturday - Sunday from 2pm to 6pm

Closed from January to March and from October to December.

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Audio-guided visit

(duration: 30 to 40 minutes) [FR/GB/NL]:

Adults: 3.60€

Students, children, armed forces personnel, jobseekers: 1.80€

Adult groups: 2.70€ School groups: 1.80€

WW2 veterans and assistants: free







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BRETTEVILLE-SUR-LAIZE

N°87 - C4

Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery Commonwealth cemetery

The Canadian military cemetery at Bretteville-sur-Laize is situated 14 kilometres south of Caen, along the N158. It contains the graves of nearly 3,000 men who died in combat, the majority of whom were Canadians. Most of them fell at the end of the Battle of Normandy, during the capture of Caen and the push south in the race towards the Seine.

ST-NICOLAS-DES-BOIS

N°88 - C5

National Necropolis of **Les Gateys**

This national necropolis is situated in the Escouves forest where the fiercest tank battles took place in August 1944. It contains the remains of 19 soldiers from the 2nd Armoured Division who died in the fighting to liberate the Orne department. This division commanded by General Philippe Leclerc de Hauteclocque landed in the sector of Utah Beach on August 1st 1944. Its participation in the liberation of the country was of great symbolic importance. It took part in the intense battles who led to the encirclement of German troops in the Falaise-Chambois pocket before taking part in the liberation of Paris. Latin crosses, and headstones marked with the Islamic crescent or the Star of David are in keeping with the spirit of union and fraternity in the 2nd Armoured Division. Unlimited access.



N°89 - C4

Polish military

cemetery

Situated on the RN 158 between Caen and Falaise (Urville exit), this cemetery contains the graves of 615 Polish soldiers and officers. A small number of them - pilots or resistance fighters - were killed in 1940 during the Battle of France, or during the Occupation. The large majority belonged to the 1st Polish Armoured Division under General Maczek, who paid a heavy price during the fighting at the Falaise-Chambois pocket. This Polish military cemetery is one of seven foreign military cemeteries maintained by the French state. It is also the only Polish cemetery from the Second World War in France.



uring the summer of 1944, the people of Normandy found themselves caught in the midst of a gigantic battle. During the month of July, when the fighting was at its worst, over two million soldiers were in the fray (twice as many as the number of inhabitants of Calvados and Manche). Civilian victims were numerous; to escape the bombs, people took refuge in cellars, quarries and trenches. Some decided to flee along roads which had become dangerous due to aerial strafing.

The battle of Normandy lasted nearly three months, a lot longer than Allied strategies had allowed for. The liberation of communities took place only slowly and progressively. Then at last the people of Normandy encountered the liberating soldiers for whom they had waited so long.

But the fighting and bombing had created too many ruins and cost too many lives for them to celebrate their liberation without reserve. The liberators were welcomed everywhere by the local population and the Allies tasted cider and calvados, whilst the locals could savour the taste of chocolate and tobacco once more.

Due to the length of the Battle of Normandy many communities far from the coast had to wait a long time for the arrival of the troops.

The department of Manche was only completely liberated on August 15th.

On August 21st department of Orne was also liberated. In Calvados, the last place to be freed was Honfleur on August 25th. The towns of Vernon and Rouen were liberated at the end of August, Dieppe on September 1st 1944 and Le Havre on the 12th.



The Memorial for Civilians in the War



A new museum dedicated to the life and survival of civilians during the Second World War

You'll hear the extraordinary eyewitness accounts of survivors, see a collection of amazing objects from daily life and view previously unseen archive material gathered from the vaults of Caen Memorial and the inhabitants of Falaise and the surrounding area.

An awesome film will plunge you into the heart of the living hell of the Second World War bombardments.

Touch tablets are sited throughout the museum to provide a new interactive experience.

OPENING May 9th 2016

OPENING TIMES

From 4/02 to 7/07: 10am to 5.30pm From 8/07 to 02/09: 10am to 6pm From 3/09 to 05/11: 10am to 5.30pm Annual closure from 6/11 to 9/02/2018

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults 7.50€
Children 6.50€
Family pass 18€
Adult groups 6€
School parties 4.50€
Primary schoolchildren 2.50€







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At the end of August 1944 the order for a general retreat was given to German forces. Tens of thousands of German soldiers then attempted to flee the advance of the Allies, but found themselves blocked by the Seine.

The aim of this museum is to commemorate those tragic hours of fighting followed by the hours of relief at liberation. With scenes incorporating thousands of period objects like uniforms and weapons, with accounts by soldiers, civilians, and eyewitnesses of the fighting, you can come to understand the history of the last battles in the Battle of Normandy.

OPENING TIMES

Open from May 1st to September 30th: 10am to midday / 2pm to 5pm Wednesday to Sunday

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adults 5€
Children (6 to 18 yrs old) 3€
Group (over 8 people) 4€
School parties 3€
Students 3€
Unaccompanied visit: 30 mins /
Guided tour: Ihr

Free for veterans and group leaders





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TOSNY

N°92 - E3

) Museum of the Second World War

This private museum of around 10,000 square feet brings together a collection made over more than 40 years by its owner. During the visit, you can see a V1 bomb, a German Goliath (a radio-controlled destruction device with caterpillar tracks), French guns, telephones and country radar telephones, around 30 manikins in uniform showing the seven main participants in the war, photographs, posters and period newspapers...

OPENING TIMES

 April – May – September: weekends and public holidays only from 2.30pm to 7pm
 June – July – August: daily except Tuesday from 2.30pm to 7pm

VISITS AND ENTRANCE FEES

Adult: 6 € Child (aged 10 to16 yrs): 1.50 € Group: 5 € (by appointment)



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SAINT-CHARLES-DE-PERCY

N°93 - B4

St-Charles-de-Percy War Cemetery Commonwealth cemetery

Situated along the D290^A, the Saint-Charles-de-Percy Military Cemetery is the southernmost military cemetery in Normandy. Most of the men buried here were killed at the end of July and the beginning of August 1944, during the major push from Caumont-l'Eventé towards Vire. Just over 800 dead from the Commonwealth are interred here.



German military cemetery

The German military cemetery at Saint-Désir-de-Lisieux contains the bodies of 3,735 victims of war who fell during the violent fighting along the River Toques, between its mouth and Lisieux and Orbec. Construction started in 1957-1958, and the cemetery was inaugurated on September 20th 1961.



Excursions and guided tours



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The programme of events for the 73rd anniversary of D-Day

SUNDAY MAY 21ST ADULTS 17€ / UNDER 12: 10€ CONCERT BY THE FRENCH ARMY CHOIR

BAYFUX - CATHEDRAL - 4 30PM

To mark the 73rd anniversary of the Allied landings, the D-Day Committee is organising an event which is both festive and cultural with a concert given by the French army choir (choir of the Republican Guard) Info: 02 31 92 00 26

FRIDAY JUNE 2ND HISTORIC PARACHUTE DROPS

CARENTAN - 2 30PM

Parachute drops by men in period clothing from C-47 aircraft along 'Purple Heart Lane', on the Saint-Côme-du-Mont Road at Carentan. Catering on site.

Info: 07 33 47 74 00

FRIDAY JUNE 2ND LIBERATION EVENING

SAINTF-MARIF-DU-MONT

Liberation evening with 1940's music Info: 02 33 71 56 54

FROM JUNE 2ND - 6TH INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL "OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR" NORMANDY 2017

UTAH BFACH, SAINTF-MARIF-DU-MONT - D-Day Museum

Opening ceremony, film screenings and receptions over 5 evenings at the D-Day Landings museum. Interviews with the actors, directors and producers, and Second World War veterans, awards ceremony. Honorary President: Kyle Chandler. Info: www.wwiifoundation.org/filmfest

SATURDAY JUNE 3RD SAINTE-MÈRE-ÉGLISE ON AMERICAN TIME

SAINTE-MÈRE-ÉGLISE – FROM MIDDAY TO 11PM

10AM – MIDDAY: Exhibition of military vehicles in front of the museum. 2PM – 5PM: concerts of American military music on the church square. 5pm parade of military vehicles with American military music in the town. 7pm: Liberation banquet in the covered market in the company of veterans and paratroopers who will take part in the big parachute drop on Sunday June 4th. Bookings: Tourist Office – 02 33 21 00 33 or ot.sme@ccbdc.fr 8.30pm to 10.45pm concerts (dance, folk music, jazz bluegrass). Info: 03 33 41 31 18

SATURDAY JUNE 3RD GUIDED WALK ALONG THE MEMORIAL PATH - 9KM

HIESVILLE - 3 PM

A guided historical walk entitled "The night when the Eagles cried" in the footsteps of the paratroopers of the 101st Airborne Division. Meet in the village car park. Souvenir booklet 3€. Registration at the tourist office compulsory. Don't miss the quiz and the replication of the markers of a drop-zone. Info: 02 33 21 00 33

SATURDAY JUNE 3RD

ADULTS 7€ / CHILDREN (8 TO 18 YRS OLD) 5.50€ NIGHT VISIT OF THE JUNO BEACH CENTRE

COURSEULLES-SUR-MER - JUNO BEACH CENTRE - FROM 7PM TO 10PM

On the occasion of the 73rd anniversary of D-Day, the Juno Beach Centre, the Canadian museum of the D-Day landing beaches will exceptionally remain open until 10pm .

Info: 02 31 37 32 17



SATURDAY JUNE 3RD UTAH BEACH CELEBRATES ITS LIBERATION

LITAH REACH SAINTE-MARIE-DU-MONT FROM 7PM TO 11PM

7pm – 10pm (last entry at 9pm): late opening at The Utah Beach Landings Museum. 8pm – 10.30pm picnic and concert by the group 'Mary and the Bugs'. 11pm release of lanterns. Info: 02 33 71 53 35

JUNE 3RD TO 5TH EXHIBITION AND PARADE OF MILITARY VEHICLES

SAINTF-MÈRF-ÉGLISE – FROM 10AM TO MIDDAY

Exhibition of military vehicles in Place Chennevière (in front of the Airborne museum)
Info: 02 33 41 41 35

SUNDAY JUNE 4TH Sainte-Mère-Église Celebrates its liberation

SAINTE-MÈRE-ÉGLISE - CHURCH SQUARE - ALL DAY LONG

10am - Midday: Exhibition of military vehicles in front of the museum. 2.30pm – 3.30pm Musical comedy by the troop "La Langue fourchue du papillon". 4pm Concert by "Washboard Company" ('New Orleans' jazz, Latin music)... 5.45pm: Arrival of troops from La Fière with a parade of vehicles. Reception and speech by the mayor with review of the troops... 8.30 – 9.30pm 40s to 50s radio talent competition, amateur singers, local groups are invited to perform with professional technical assistance (songs or musical pieces from the 40s and 50s). Prize awarded by the public with clapometer. 9.45 – 11.15pm Concert by 'Minor Swing' (an acoustic quartet of gypsy swing). 11.30pm fireworks and light show.

Info: 02 33 41 31 18

SUNDAY JUNE 4TH Parade of Bagpipe Players and Massed Band

COURSEULLES-SUR-MER – BERNIERES-SUR-MER SAINT-AUBIN-SUR-MFR AND LUC-SUR-MFR

AFTERNOON: Parade of bagpipe players on the seawalls and gathering at the end of the day in front of the Juno Beach Centre at Courseulles-sur-Mer

Info: 02 31 97 33 25 - 02 31 97 30 41

TUESDAY JUNE 6th CONCERT FOR PEACE

SAINTF-MÈRF-ÉGLISE – 8 30PM

Concert for peace at the church. Info: 02 33 41 31 18

JUNE 9TH TO 11TH RUNNERS FOR FREEDOM, A RUNNING FESTIVAL FOR ALL

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RECONSTRUCTIONS OF MILITARY CAMPS

JUNE 2ND TO 5TH "CAMP GERONIMO" MILITARY CAMP OF AMERICAN PARATROOPERS

SAINTE-MÈRE-EGLISE FROM 9AM TO 7PM – Airborne Museum

All day long every day at the camp. "The American paratrooper" Demonstration with equipment and weapons. Explanations of command strategies: survey of the drop zone using a 3D model, the sand table. First Aid post in a combat zone with medical evacuation (ambulances). Reconstruction of a "soldier's quarters": military shop to improve the daily life of soldiers. Reconstruction of a reconnaissance unit in action (with tanks, machine guns, light vehicles and weapons). Reconstruction and demonstration of military cooking. Explanation of the different types of rations. Exhibition of equipment and vehicles. Saturday 3" June – late opening until midnight. From Ilpm to 11.30pm activities involving scouts, night-time demonstration with equipment and weaponry.

Info: 02 33 41 41 35

JUNE 2ND TO 5TH "CAMD ADIZONA" DECO

"CAMP ARIZONA", RECONSTRUCTION OF ALLIED AND CIVILIAN MILITARY CAMPS

CARFNTAN 9AM

Camp life. Exhibition and parade of vehicles. Friday 2nd June at 9pm: 1940s dance with 'Stage Door Canteen'. Authentic reconstruction of a wartime entertainment venue for servicemen with the best 1940s music. Saturday 3rd June at 9pm: Concert by 'Blue Tears Trio', return to the 1950s! Info: 06 34 03 46 45

EXHIBITIONS

FROM JANUARY TO NOVEMBER ADULTS: 8€ / CHILDREN: 4€ "CES HOMMES-LÀ" (THOSE MEN OVER THERE) PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION BY ADELINE KEIL

UTAH BEACH - SAINTE-MARIE-DU-MONT

Photographs taken on a human scale show veterans from the different divisions of Utah Beach. Transported into the eyes of these heroes, the visitor is taken back to hot things felt in June 1944. Entrance to the exhibition is included in the ticket price for the museum

Info: 02 33 71 53 35





DDFNdy's programme of events is being constantly updated. Information is therefore subject to change before the events take place.





The Region Normandy is working with partners in order to get the D-Day Landing Beaches added to the UNESCO list of World Heritage sites.

The partners involved in this venture are deeply convinced that the D-Day Landing Beaches have attained universal significance, and that they bear witness today to symbolic values that deserve to be transmitted to future generations: a fight for freedom, the desire to build a lasting peace and reconciliation between nations formerly at war.

In recent months, the work around this application has gathered pace: the D-Day Landing Beaches are now included in the French indicative list - the first key step before filing an application to UNESCO - and they received the full support of the President of the French Republic on the occasion of the ceremonies of June 6th 2014.

the D-Day Landing Beaches include the entire Channel coast where landing operations took place on June 6th 1944 - a continuous strip of coast of about 80 km, from Ravenoville, in the west, to Ouistreham, in the east. More specifically, the proposal includes the Landing

Beaches themselves, according to their code names, Utah Beach, Omaha Beach, Gold Beach, Juno Beach and Sword Beach, as well as additional sites: Pointe du Hoc, the gun battery at Longues-sur-Mer and the Winston Churchill artificial harbour at Arromanchesles-Bains.

These places bear lasting witness to the D-Day Landings, and to exceptional symbolic values: freedom; and the complementary values of peace and reconciliation that are possible between nations formerly at war.

The international commitment to these shared values is still expressed here today, as was shown by the solemn commemorations of the 70th Anniversary of the Landings and the Battle of Normandy, with around 18 Heads of State and Government and the French President in attendance, watched by about a billion television viewers.

You, too, can express your attachment to the values symbolised by the D-Day Landing Beaches at www.liberte-normandie.com



Liberation Route Europe is an international memorial route linking the main places through which Allied forces passed in 1944 and 1945, from Southern England via France, Belgium and Holland to Berlin. The route also continues to the town of Gdansk where a democratic revolution took place nearly two generations later. This project is supported by The Liberation Route Europe Foundation.

With this project, our aim is to approach the history of the Second World War from a European point of view by bringing together different historical perspectives, and by combining new opportunities for tourism, as well as educational initiatives, whilst working with our international partners.

To find out more visit our website: **www.liberationroute.com**, or via our *Liberation Route Europe* App or social networks.

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Because our freedom is not an everlasting gift, let's defend it!



https://liberationroute.fr/app



The Normandy World War II International Film Festival will take place at Sainte-Marie-du-Mont and Bayeux from June 2nd to 6th 2017. A special event, open to the general public, will be staged on June 2nd at The Utah Beach Landings Museum in tribute to George Klein, a Ranger from Pointe-du-Hoc and D-Day veteran.

Also present on June 2nd will be the actors from the series 'Band of Brothers', the producers and makers of the films and Second World War veterans. There will be a dinner and a round table with the veterans, the actors and producers from the series 'Band of Brothers', as well as those involved in staging the festival.

The aim of the festival is to show the best new feature films, documentaries and shorts on the theme of the Second World War to a wide public audience.

The films will be screened in Bayeux on June 3rd and 4th at the **Méliès cinema**.

Tickets for all the events can be bought online at www.wwiifoundation.org/events/filmfest



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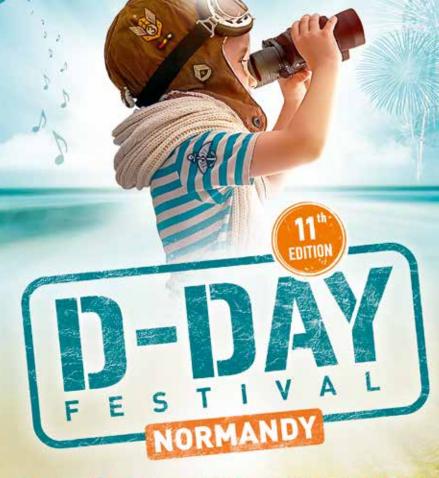
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