

**FEATURING D-DAY
75TH ANNIVERSARY
TOUR TO NORMANDY**

SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 5, 2019



We will visit the
regions of
Champagne,
Normandy and the
Loire Valley with a
finish in Paris.

HOTELS

HAND SELECTED FOR THIS TOUR

Chateau de Fere



September 25 - 27 (Two Nights)
Deluxe Room Category
Breakfast and Dinner Included

On the Road of Coronations, in 1206, Comte Robert II of Dreux, grand-son of the King of France Louis VI, acquired the land Fere, and there erected a fortress. In 1539, Anne de Montmorency turns the Fortress into a Luxury Castle and built in 1560 a Viaduct of Pur Style Renaissance replacing the medieval bridge.

The castle was dismantled in 1779 to sell the furniture and materials component. The building was converted into a Castle Modern in 1863. This was one of the first castles that have been converted into a hotel in 1956.

This quiet countryside hotel will be our first stop as we explore the Champagne Region.

Hotel Villa Lara



September 27 - 30 (Three Nights)
Deluxe Room Category
Breakfast Included

Our 5 star Luxury Boutique Hotel with a chic but casual atmosphere is located in the heart of the Bayeux historic center, facing the Cathedral, steps from the famed Tapestry and very close to the D-Day landing beaches. Bayeux, the first town liberated in June 1944, will be the perfect location for our touring in Normandy.

Chateau d' Artigny



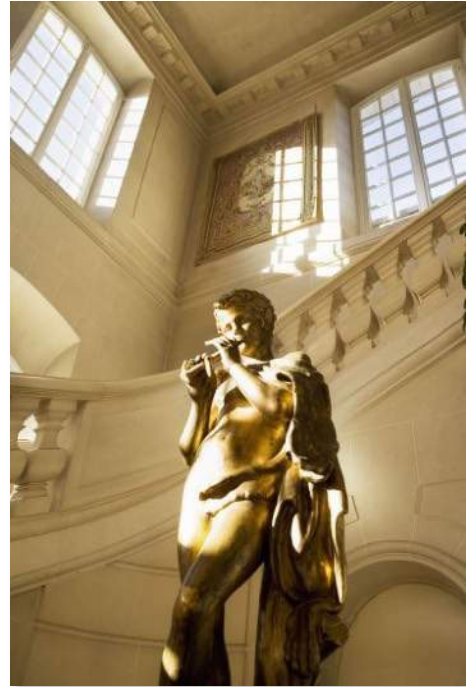
*September 30 - October 3
(Three Nights)*

*Superior Room Category
Breakfast and Dinner Included*

The white stones of the majestic Artigny Castle, the dream Belle Époque castle of François Coty, the famous perfumer, may be seen from a distance as they rise above the Indre Valley. Twenty-five hectares of park containing a French garden, marble statues, woodwork and trompe l'oeil frescos. No expense was spared in the creation of this beautiful residence, now an elegant castle hotel located south of Tours. A restful spot to call home while touring the lovely chateaux of the Loire Valley.



Hotel Alfred Sommer



*October 3 - 5 (Two Nights)
Superior Room Category
Breakfast Included*

In 1860, Alfred Sommer and his father, who were entrepreneurial sugar refiners, had built their "hotel particulier" in la Madeleine district. They wanted to settle their family and to entertain, in a mansion corresponding to the prosperity of their business. Well preserved, Alfred Sommer's "hotel particulier" has now been transformed by one of the descendants of the family into a luxurious hotel which keeps the soul of the family mansion.

From the entrance porch, you step into the intimacy of a 19th century mansion with a peaceful courtyard and garden. You will feel welcomed as a family guest.

Daily Itinerary

Tuesday, Sep 24 - Departure Day

Depart from USA to Paris. Individual departures made by clients.

Wednesday, Sep 25 - Arrival Day

Arrival to Paris CDG (Charles De Gaulle) Airport. Please arrange your flight to arrive at the Paris CDG Airport by 10:00 AM. We will meet as a group at the Sheraton Hotel located inside Airport Terminal 2. Details Forthcoming.

The French countryside is dotted with quaint villages and breathtaking landscapes. It's the type of region that you don't know what you're missing out on, until you get your first glimpse.

On the way to the hotel, we will make a stop for lunch and arrive at Chateau de Fere to coordinate with our check in time so you can rest and freshen up from your travels. There are also several outdoor areas to comfortably relax with lovely views of the fortress ruins.

A private dining room decorated with 17th-century wood panelling, parquet flooring, frescoes paying homage to the fables of Jean de la Fontaine and a majestic period fireplace is reserved this evening for our welcome dinner.

Bienvenue en France!



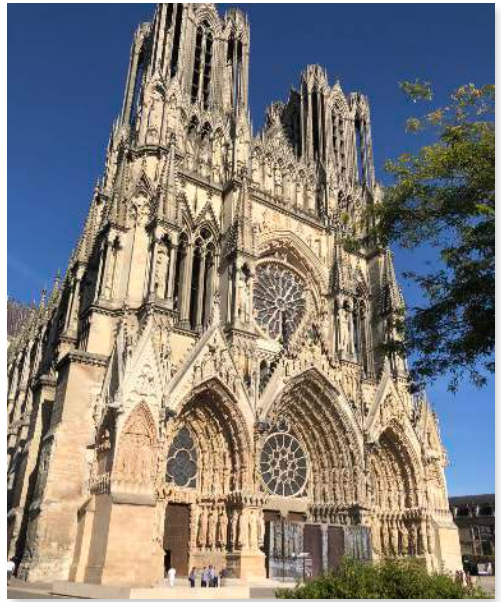
Thursday, Sep 26- Reims, Epernay

We depart this morning for Reims. There will be a morning city tour which also includes the Cathedral (a UNESCO world heritage site). It played a significant role in French history for over 800 years as this is where the kings of France were crowned.

We'll have time to enjoy lunch at one of the many outdoor cafes.

After lunch, we take a short drive on the Route de la Champagne to see the rolling hills filled with endless vineyards. We'll stop in Epernay for a visit to Mercier Cellars.

Dinner is included at the Chateau de Fere.



Friday, Sep 27- Giverny, Bayeux

This morning we move on to Normandy. Our first stop will be in [Claude Monet's village of Giverny](#). There we will visit both his home and gardens.

Claude Monet lived for forty-three years, from 1883 to 1926, in his house in Giverny. With a passion for gardening as well as for colors, he conceived both his flower garden and water garden as true works of art. Walking through his house and gardens, you can still feel the atmosphere which reigned at the home of the Master of Impressionism and marvel at the floral compositions and water lily pond, his greatest sources of inspiration.

After the visit, you will have some time to have lunch at leisure in the village. Then, we will drive to [Bayeux](#) for a three night stay.

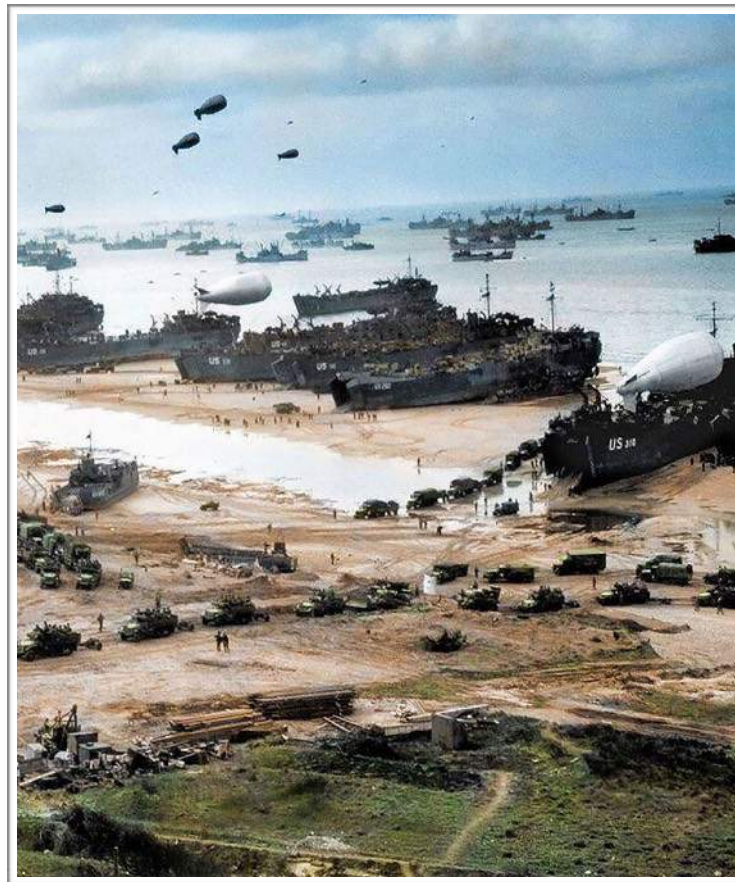


Saturday, Sep 28 - Normandy D-Day Tour

D-DAY 75TH ANNIVERSARY NORMANDY TOUR

On June 6 in 1944, 135,000 men and 20,000 vehicles were brought onto the shores of Normandy via five landing beaches during the night. You will see the Normandy invasion with a private guided tour and discover: the D-Day landing beaches, airborne sectors, D-day battlefields and D-day museums.

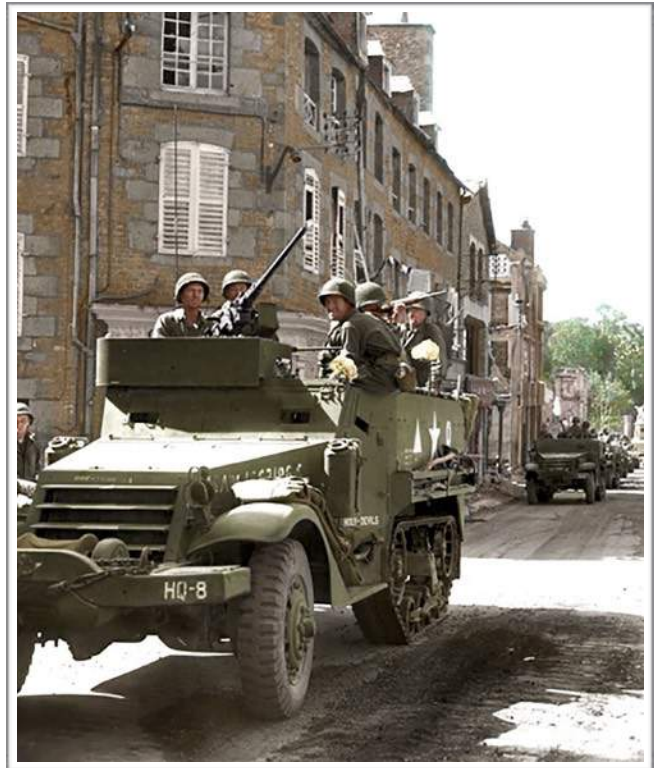
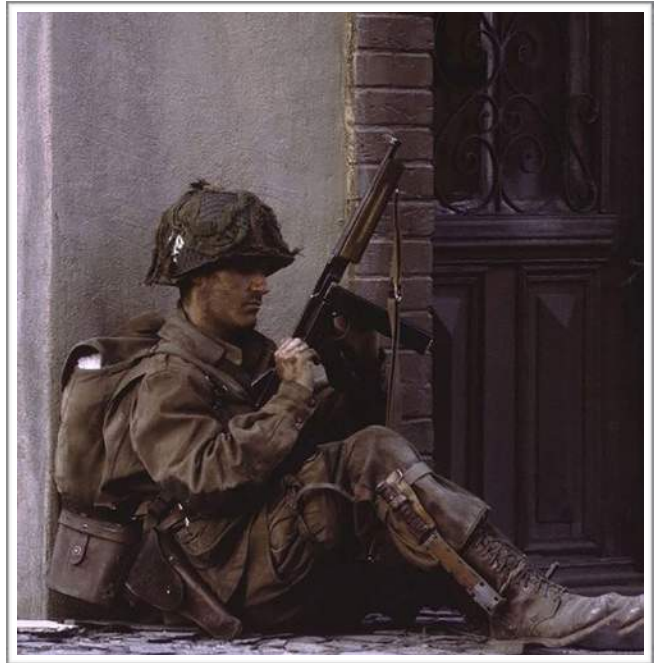
This tour will take you to sectors where the American V Corps and VII Corps landings occurred at Omaha and Utah beaches. You will follow the steps of the famous 1st, 29th, and 4th American Infantry Divisions and the other units that linked up with them. You will also be taken to the drop zones of the 82nd and 101st Airborne Units that landed in the early morning hours of the D-Day Invasion on June 6, 1944. The American Cemetery of Colleville along with several other notable sights will also be on the tour itinerary.



Sunday, Sep 29- Two Options Available

Option 1: D-Day 75th Anniversary Normandy Tour - Cont'd

This 101st Airborne Tour is an exceptional tour and will be of great interest to those who saw Steven Spielberg's famous mini-series, Band of Brothers. This tour will enable you to link the movie locations with the real places of the paratroop landings onto Normandy. Many sites on this tour are inaccessible to most other tour companies, and remain secluded from entry. However, due to the generosity of various land owners and our personal relationship with them, you will have the privilege of seeing places like Brecourt Manor, and many other places where Lt. Winters and members of Easy Company stayed during the first nights of the Invasion.



Sunday, Sep 29

Option 2: Normandy Cider and Cheese Tour

For my foodies, a visit to Normandy isn't complete without savoring a fresh glass of cider made with apples from the region's abundant orchards and tasting the local Camembert cheese. Of course, a ride through the Normandy countryside is always a treat within itself.

We'll have a relaxing day to enjoy our tastings. Lunch will also be included in Camembert for this option. You'll be back in Bayeux mid afternoon to enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.



Monday, Sep 30- Loire Valley

We depart for the Loire Valley this morning. We will stop in Vouvray for an included picnic in a private vineyard and then proceed to our hotel to experience living in a french chateau!

The Loire Valley is one of the most beautiful and interesting regions of France with numerous historic castles and towns to explore during our visit here. Many of these date from the 15th to 17th centuries when the region was much loved by many of the French Kings and noblemen, who competed to build ever more elaborate and luxurious chateaux.

Tonight, we will enjoy dinner in the private dining room of Mr. Cody. An elegant experience to start our stay in the Loire Valley.



VISITING THE FRENCH CHATEAUX

LOIRE VALLEY

Tuesday, Oct 1: Chateau and Garden Visits

[Chateau de Chenonceau](#) is the most visited and photographed chateau in the Loire Valley. It is well furnished with Renaissance furniture, a good collection of 16th and 17th century tapestries and a great number of masterpieces. The gardens are absolutely stunning.

[Chateau Cheverny](#) is one of the best preserved castles in all of France. It has the most decorated rooms of any of our visits to Loire valley castles and the quality of the decorations is impressive. The Cheverny kennels that will be included on our tour were created in 1850 to house more than 100 hound dogs used for hunting.

[Chateau Chambord](#) is the most impressive of the castles of the Loire. What particularly distinguishes this castle, already very impressive by itself, are the wondrous spires, chimneys and pinnacles that arise on many of the roofs and terraces.

Dinner included at your leisure this evening at the hotel.

Wednesday, Oct 2- Two Options Available

Option 1: Chateau and Garden Visits

[Chateau of Villandry](#) is the last of the great chateaux of the Loire built during the Renaissance. The sober elegance of its architecture combined with the charm of its outstanding gardens make this one of the jewels of the Loire Valley.

[Chateau Azay le Rideau](#) is one of the loveliest and most visited chateau of the Loire Valley. It was built during the reign of François I in the Renaissance style by Gilles Berthelot on the site of a former small fortified castle, its turreted façade is reflected in the still waters of the river making time itself appear to stand still. Inside the chateau, all the rooms are furnished, which is not true of all the chateaux of the Loire Valley, in a variety of period styles making the visit even more pleasurable.

Option 2: Golf de Touraine

Please Note- Green fee, cart and club rental not included in tour rate

This 18 hole golf course in the heart of the Loire Valley Chateau country, was designed by an English architect Michael Fenn in 1971 assisted by one of its members Gerard Crouzat-Reynes, ex-President of the National Sports Commission of the French Golf Federation. The main features are its technical difficulty and the quality of the upkeep of the golf course. Through the undulating and tree lined fairways, are to be found several entirely natural water hazards. It's noted for their beautifully kept fairways manicured over the years, with its small and rapid greens.



Thursday, Oct 3- Paris

We will say “Au revoir” to the countryside chateau and press on to our final destination. Always a highlight to any trip to France, Paris will be the perfect place for our grand finale. You will be warmly welcomed to the hotel with light refreshments upon arrival. This mansion, kept in the Sommer Family for several generations, has kept the building's authenticity and charm while turning it into a landmark hotel of Parisian elegance.

The rest of the day is yours to enjoy at your own leisure. If you would like reservations for museums, restaurants, Eiffel Tower or any other activity, please let me know in advance and I will be happy to arrange for you.



Friday, Oct 4- Paris

You are welcome to join a walking tour this morning with our guide Emmy that features the highlights of the Right Bank. We will finish our tour near the entrance of the Louvre. This will place you in the center of Paris with many options to complete your afternoon and evening touring at your leisure.



Saturday, Oct 5- Departure Day

Individual Departures for USA.

The hotel concierge can arrange for your taxi to the airport. Please arrive in ample time to meet your flight departure. I can arrange for additional nights to extend your stay in Paris if needed.



Terms and Conditions

SEPTEMBER 24- OCTOBER 5, 2019

FRENCH COUNTRYSIDE TOUR

Cost of Tour: 3585 Euro

per person double occupancy

*additional fee of 1656 Euro for single occupancy supplement

*additional fee of 3% for credit card payment

These are land only prices. You will be responsible to purchase your airline ticket.

Why not set a US dollar price now? Due to the possible fluctuation of the dollar between now and when the payment is due, the tour price must be set with the Euro. A statement will be mailed to you 10 days in advance of payment due with estimated current exchange rate.

Booking Your Flights

You will need to book a round trip flight. Depart USA on **Tuesday, Sep 24** and Arrive into Paris CDG on **Wednesday, Sep 25**. Depart Paris on **Saturday, Oct 5**

Included in the Tour

- Hotel accommodation including breakfast, all service charges, taxes and tip
- Hotel porters in & out who handle your luggage
- Private English speaking certified guide for the entire trip
- All transportation as mentioned in the program by private motor coach with air-conditioning, toilet, including tolls, taxes, parking fees, driver's expenses
- Please take note this tour includes these meals:
 - All Breakfast
 - Two Lunches
 - Five Dinners

Please Note: Dinner beverages are not included at Hotel Chateau de Fere only (must be purchased on spot)

Tasting and Lunch for Optional Normandy Cider and Cheese Tour

- All guiding and entrance fees as listed in the daily itinerary
- Sightseeing as per stated itinerary
- All tips to hotel staff, guide and driver
- Whisper Headsets

Not included in Tour Price

- Airfare. This is a land only tour price. Tour participants are responsible to purchase airline tickets.
- Meals that are not stated as included in the itinerary.
- Golf, spa treatments or any other activities to be booked not included in itinerary.
- Any activities such as shopping, admissions, concerts, or museum visits not included in the above list of covered expenses.
- Any charges incurred for special individual services or incidentals will be paid by the tour participant to the hotel.
- Any transportation for the activities the client might choose during leisure time and not specifically included in the tour.

Deposit and Payment Deadlines

- A deposit of **\$800** per person is required to hold space along with signed copy of the Terms and Conditions Form (last page of this document) and Application Form ([click here](#)). This deposit will be applied to the full price of the tour.
- Payment can be made by check payable to:
Take Me To Europe, LLC, 3103 Poplar Place, Sugar Land, TX 77479
- Please note that you have the option to pay by credit card with Pay Pal but there will be an additional 3% charge as the price quoted for the tour is a cash only price.

Please note the tour will be filled in order the deposits are received. There will be 15 double rooms available.

After the deposit is made, your remaining balance will be divided into two payments:

- ☒ First payment due by March 24, 2019
- ☒ Second payment due by June 24, 2019

Cancellation and Refund Policy

*From time of deposit until 101 days prior to departure date: a \$175 penalty will be charge for cancellation.

*Cancellations 100-71 days prior to departure date: 25% of package rate retained by Take Me to Europe, LLC

*Cancellations 70-46 days prior to departure date: 50% of package rate retained by Take Me to Europe, LLC

*Cancellations 45-16 days prior to departure date: 75% of package rate retained by Take Me to Europe, LLC

*Cancellations 15 days or less before departure date or no-show: 100% of package rate retained by Take Me to Europe

*No refunds will be made to tour participants for unused package services once travel arrangements begin.

*If Take Me to Europe, LLC for any reason whatsoever cancels the trip, all partial and/or full payments will be refunded in full without any further obligation on their part.

Safety and Responsibility

Please be aware that during your participation in tours operated by Take Me to Europe, LLC, certain risks and dangers may arise beyond our control including travel by boat, train, automobile, aircraft, subway, bus or other means of transportation; the forces of nature; political unrest; and accident or illness in areas without means of rapid evacuation or medical facilities. Take Me to Europe, LLC will not be liable regarding provision of medical care or the adequacy of any care rendered. It is understood that Take Me to Europe, LLC will use its best efforts to ensure that adequate measures are taken.

Please note that handicapped facilities do not always exist in Europe and Israel, therefore passengers must be able to negotiate steps and be able to walk several miles each touring day without assistance or difficulty.

It is each tour participant's responsibility to obtain the required travel documents. U.S. citizens are required to have a valid passport for travel outside the US. **The U.S. State Department requires that your passport be valid 6 months from the date of your return.** Also recommended is registration with the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program](#).

Verify with your health insurance provider of coverage available while abroad. Take Me to Europe, LLC strongly recommends that you purchase travel insurance that will provide a peace of mind with your travel investment.

Take Me to Europe, LLC is responsible to you in making arrangements for the services offered in the package itinerary. The carriers, hotels and other suppliers providing package services are independent contractors and are not principals, agents, employees, partners, or joint ventures of Take Me to Europe, LLC. The tour participant agrees that Take Me to Europe, LLC shall not be liable for any damage, loss (including personal injury, death, and property loss) or expense occasioned by any act or omission of any supplier providing package services, or any insurer or insurance administrator or any other person.

If the services included in the tour cannot be supplied or there are changes in an itinerary for reasons beyond the control of Take Me to Europe, LLC, Take Me to Europe, LLC will arrange for the provisions of comparable services, when possible.

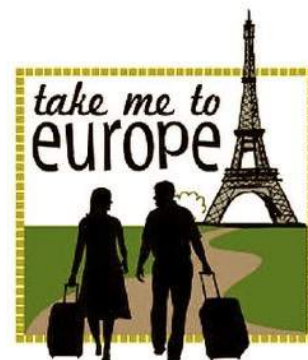
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I have read and agree to the Terms and Conditions of this Tour



Signature of Participant #1 _____

Signature of Participant #2 _____

Date of Contract _____

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