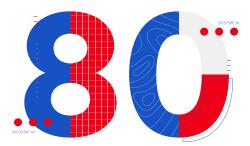




D-Day 80: Juno and the Road to Liberation

9 or 11 days | Amsterdam | Vimy | Normandy | Paris

Explore the history of the World Wars in Europe as you travel from Amsterdam to Paris and come to understand how each city was impacted by conflict. Learn about Canada's developing national identity through visits to Vimy Ridge, Dieppe, and Juno Beach. Reflect on the allied invasion of Normandy at the official ceremonies commemorating the 80th anniversary of D-Day.



Lessons come to life

On June 6, 1944, allied Canadian, British, and American forces made history as 156,000 soldiers landed on five beaches along 80 kilometres of the heavily fortified coast of France's Normandy region. This was the largest amphibious military assault in history and marks the beginning of the Allied invasion of Western Europe.

In 2024, join Canadian youth and educators from across the country who will explore Canada's past on our Historic Event Tours. EF's exclusive educational partnerships and deep local access ensure that you're truly part of the action during these once-in-a-lifetime events. You'll gain a new perspective on history and your place in it as you connect with the local community, participate in ceremonies, and rediscover a significant moment that helped shape history.



What to expect on a **Historic Event Tour**

Active participation

From once-in-a-lifetime commemoration ceremonies to exclusive EF-led programming, our tours are designed to prompt participants to think critically about the past and develop an informed understanding of its impact on the present and future.

Connections

Whether it's researching the life of a local soldier, honouring a hometown Regiment, or connecting with international students before your tour, there are endless opportunities to engage with the community at home and abroad.

Safety is our top priority

By working closely with Veterans Affairs Canada, the Canadian National Vimy Memorial, the Juno Beach Centre, and local authorities, we're putting top health and safety protocols into place for the events at D-Day 80.

Building perspective

By exploring significant sites, visiting the graves of Canadian soldiers, or taking part in special ceremonies, travellers develop a richer understanding of historic events and how they impact the present.

Reflection

Your Tour Director will help facilitate meaningful individual and group reflection through activities designed to engage travellers. Every itinerary is customizable to create a personalized and profound experience for your group.



For years, EF has proudly partnered with the Juno Beach Centre to bring exclusive historical programming to life on our tours.

Itinerary

May 31–June 8 or 10, 2024

Days 1-2: Amsterdam

Fly overnight to Amsterdam and meet your Tour Director at the airport. Take a guided walking tour of the city and learn about its rich history.

Day 3: Amsterdam

Continue sightseeing in Amsterdam and explore the city's iconic bridges and canals on foot. Visit the Anne Frank House and climb the stairs into the secret annex where Anne Frank and her family hid for two years from Nazi persecution.

Day 4: Bruges | Vimy region

Travel to picture-perfect Bruges, known for its meandering canals and Gothic architecture, and take a Tour Director-led walk through the town. Enjoy dinner in Ypres and, in the evening, head over to Menin Gate to participate in the Last Post Ceremony.

Day 5: Vimy region

Visit the battlefields of Vimy Ridge. Stand by the towering Vimy Memorial, built so we will always remember soldiers' sacrifices and have a place to pay our respects. Wind your way through the tunnels used to transport men and materials during battle and the trenches where Canadian soldiers positioned themselves for fighting. Then, visit the Wellington Quarry.

Day 6: Dieppe | Normandy region

Travel to Normandy and visit Dieppe with your Tour Director. Stop at the Dieppe Canadian War Cemetery to honour those who lost their lives during the Dieppe Raid in August 1942.

Day 7: Normandy region

A huge milestone in world history, join fellow Canadians for the official ceremonies commemorating the 80th anniversary of D-Day. Learn about the importance of this day, which marked the beginning of the end of the Second World War.

Head to the Bény-sur-Mer Canadian War Cemetery, where you'll find the graves of over 2,000 Canadian soldiers, many of whom fell during the initial attack on Juno Beach. Explore the Juno Beach Centre, then travel to Paris. Take a walking tour of the City of Light and enjoy a Seine River Cruise.

Day 9-11: Return home or add extension

Au revoir! Travel to the airport and depart for home, or continue sightseeing in Paris for two more days. Take a walking tour of the Montmartre neighbourhood, explore the Louvre Museum, and opt to visit the Palace of Versailles. Enjoy extra free time in the city before heading home, prepared to carry on the legacy of past generations.

Itinerary is subject to change.

Space is limited. Please ask your Group Leader for your tour number and visit eftours.ca, or call 1-800-263-2806.



Day 8: Normandy region | Paris

Program price includes:

Full-time Tour Director

Trained in facilitating experiential learning

Sightseeing

1 sightseeing tour led by a licensed local guide (2 with extension); 2 sightseeing tours led by your Tour Director; 2 walking tours

Entrances

Official ceremonies commemorating the 80th anniversary of D-Day; Anne Frank House; National Vimy Memorial; Vimy tunnels and trenches; Dieppe Canadian War Cemetery; Bény-sur-Mer Canadian War Cemetery; Juno Beach Centre; Seine River Cruise; with extension: The Louvre

EF-exclusive programming

Enhanced itineraries created in partnership with the Juno Beach Centre; customized tour options

All of the details are covered

Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motor coach; overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms; European breakfast and dinner daily

"As a history trip, there could be no better learning experience than what the students saw. The organization and planning were well done, and EF worked hard to make sure the students understood why they were there."

- Fred B., Educator

The world leader in international education

For over 50 years, EF has been working toward one global mission: Opening the World Through Education. Your Group Leader has partnered with EF because of our unmatched worldwide presence, our focus on affordability, and our commitment to providing experiences that teach critical thinking, independence, collaboration, and global competence.

Safe

We're committed to putting top health and safety protocols into place on tour. With 500 schools and offices in over 50 countries, local EF staff can react quickly and in person wherever you travel.

Accessible

We're dedicated to providing the lowest pricing. That means more students can see the curriculum come to life and understand what it means to be Canadian in a global context, no matter their background.

Insightful

We believe in experiential learning at the most important sites. Your Tour Director is with you at every step, providing their own perspective and local tips.

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