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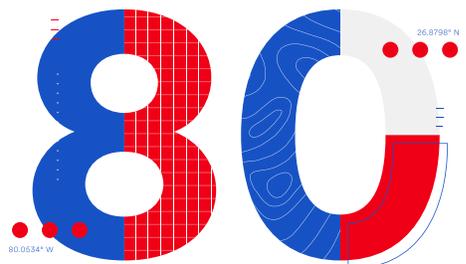
D-DAY 80 | BE A PART OF HISTORY



D-Day 80: London & Paris— The Journey to Juno

10 days | London | Normandy Region | Paris

Follow in the footsteps of Canadian and Allied soldiers in the Second World War as you travel from London, cross the English Channel by boat, and arrive in Normandy. Join fellow Canadians for the official ceremonies commemorating the 80th anniversary of D-Day on Juno Beach, and learn about the context of this important invasion at Bletchley Park and the Churchill War Rooms.



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 9, 2024

Days 1-2: London

Fly overnight to London and meet your Tour Director at the airport. Take a walking tour of the city and see Canada House on Trafalgar Square. Later, explore the Imperial War Museum.

Day 3: London

Enjoy an expertly guided sightseeing tour of London and grab lunch in Covent Garden. At the Churchill War Rooms, discover Great Britain's secret WWII headquarters or visit the HMS Belfast (subject to availability).

Day 4: London

Travel to Bletchley Park, the home of British code breaking and the birthplace of modern information technology. Enjoy EF's custom-designed workshops that investigate the history of codebreaking and its significance in the outcome of the war. Spend free time in London, or opt to ride the famous London Eye and take a Thames River Cruise.

Day 5: London | Normandy region

Travel to Dover and cross the English Channel by ferry to Calais. You're now in France! Head to Normandy and, en route, stop in Dieppe to visit the Dieppe Canadian War Cemetery.

Day 6: Normandy region

Visit the Bény-sur-Mer Canadian War Cemetery, where Canadian soldiers who fell during the initial attack on Juno Beach have been laid to rest. At the Caen Memorial Museum, reflect on concepts of peace and reconciliation with your tour group. Stop at Arromanches-les-Bains and see remnants of the floating Mulberry harbour. Later, spend some time exploring the Beaches of Normandy on your own.

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.

Day 8: Normandy region | Paris

Visit the Juno Beach Centre, where you'll deepen your knowledge of Canada's contribution in the Second World War. Then, travel to Paris. Learn more about the city's rich history during a walking tour and enjoy a Seine River Cruise.

Day 9: Paris

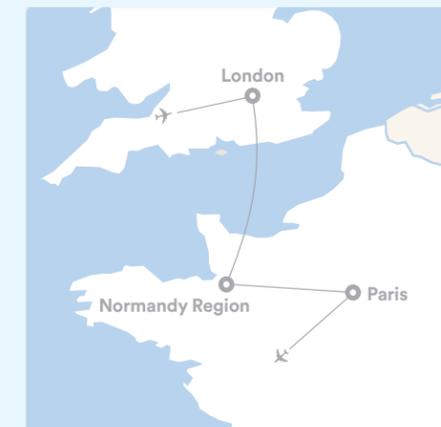
Continue exploring Paris on a guided sightseeing tour, where you'll see iconic spots like the Latin Quarter, Notre Dame Cathedral, and the Louvre. In the afternoon, opt to visit the Palace of Versailles.

Day 10: Depart for home

Au revoir! Travel to the airport and depart for 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.



Program price includes:

Full-time Tour Director

Trained in facilitating experiential learning

Sightseeing

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

Entrances

Official ceremonies commemorating the 80th anniversary of D-Day; Imperial War Museum; Churchill War Rooms; Bletchley Park; Juno Beach Centre; Bény-sur-Mer Canadian War Cemetery; Caen Memorial Museum; Seine River Cruise. Optional: London Eye and Thames River Cruise; Versailles

EF-enhanced 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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