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Historical tour

July 2 – July 8, 2016

A journey in the footsteps of the deep friendship between French and American

An exceptional adventure that encounters descendants of illustrious figures of the American Revolution as well as heroes of the Battle of Normandy.

We invite you to explore the centuries-old friendship between France and the United States with a series of exceptional visits and meetings. Two exclusive invitations will be the heart of our six-day tour:

- On the Third of July as **personal guests of the descendants of the Count de Rochambeau**, leader of the French Expeditionary Force to the American colonies;
- On the Fourth of July, **a private invitation to the gala dinner celebrating the 240th anniversary of Independence aboard the Hermione**, majestic replica of the famous vessel that took Lafayette to the American colonies in 1780.

Your escort and the organizer of this circuit is Olivier Rérolle, grandson of Général François Sevez, official witness to the German Instrument of Surrender on 7th May 1945, in the presence of General Bedell-Smith.



Saturday July 2

Afternoon: from Paris, departure to Vendôme.

Dinner and Night at Hôtel Le Saint Georges *** in Vendôme.

Sunday July 3

Morning: Private visit of the **Château de Rochambeau** with the Count's descendants. Manor house that belonged to Marshal Rochambeau who became famous during the US War of Independence, especially at the Battle of Yorktown.

Aperitif with the family in the Salons and *lunch* at Restaurant Hôtel du Pont, Thoré la Rochette.

Afternoon: Exceptional local events celebrating the Independence with military uniforms, on the château grounds. Soldiers bivouac, parade and military exercises. Presence of the Friends of Rochambeau in 18th-century dress.

Dinner at Moulin du Loir, and *Night* at Hôtel Le Saint Georges *** in Vendôme.



Monday July 4

Morning: **Château de la Rouërie** visit with the owner, Diego Barbier de Chalais, and discovery of the Marquis de la Rouërie, the chateau's owner at the time of the American and French revolutions. The marquis also known as "Colonel Armand", was a hero of the American war of Independence and also one of the best friend of George Washington. Monsieur de Chalais will also explain the Battle of Yorktown, with models that reconstitutes the battle, and will receive us for *déjeuner* at the château, served in 18th century "*habit de laquais à la française*".

Afternoon: departure for Saint-Malo, where the famous replica of the **Hermione** is docked.

Guided tour of St Malo rebuilt by the Americans after the 2nd World War and through the eyes of Anthony Doerr's best-seller All the light we cannot see awarded by the Pulitzer Prize for fiction in 2015.



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Gala dinner privé on board of the Hermione, with crew and many historical re-enactors costumed, and with the sound of shows and performances as well numerous activities organised for the event.

Night at Hôtel Chateaubriand ***, Saint Malo.

Tuesday July 5

Morning: guided walking tour and discovery of the medieval **Mont Saint Michel**, "Wonder of the western world", situated in the middle of a bay, with its parish church consecrated in 708 to St-Pierre, the patron of fishermen and houses dating from 15th and 16th century.

Lunch at the famous *La Mère Poulard* Café-Restaurant.

Afternoon: guided visit of the **Abbey of Mont Saint Michel**, one of the first UNESCO World Heritage sites, built by Benedictine monks in the 10th century.

End of the afternoon, departure for the **Château de Canisy**, visit of the chateau and a historical overview of its story during World War II by the owner: **Count Denis de Kergorlay**, Son of American Revolution and President of the French Heritage Society.

Dinner at the chateau, with Count and Countess de Kergorlay.

Night at **Château de Canisy**.



Wednesday July 6

Morning: Guided visit to Graignes, Sainte Mère Eglise, Utah Beach and the monument to the Division Leclerc and the Utah Beach museum.

Lunch at restaurant *L'Estaminet*.

Afternoon: Guided visit to the **Manoir de Brécourt** -- where Steven Spielberg filmed « Band of Brothers » -- then a walk in the footsteps of **American medics** Bob Wright and Kenneth Moore.

Aperitif at Canisy with the **projection in preview of the trailer of a documentary movie "in the footsteps of Bud Owens"**, tracing SSgt. Owens from *La Coulonche* in Normandy, where his B-17 bomber crashed on 4 July 1943, to the mountains of Andorra where he gave his life on the 25th of October 1943.

Dinner honored by the presence of Geert van den Bogaert, producer and **Louis Hatet**, main actor of the movie as the young great-grandson of André Rougeyron, the French Resistance fighter who saved Bud after the crash.

Night at **Château de Canisy**.



Thursday July 7

Morning: Following an introduction of the beautiful town of Bayeux, one of the very few towns that was not damaged at the battle of Normandy, our guide will invite us to discover one of the most spectacular D-Day sites at Pointe du Hoc. In this place, US Army Rangers scaled a 100ft high cliff to destroy a German gun battery on the D-Day.

Lunch at restaurant *La Sapinière* (Omaha Beach).

Afternoon: We will then head to the most iconic of all D-Day beaches, **Omaha Beach** before ending the day at the Normandy American Cemetery at Colleville-sur-Mer.

Dinner and *Night* at **Château de Canisy**.



Friday July 8

Morning: Guided visit of the **Château de Balleroy** owned since 1970 by **Malcolm S. Forbes**, famous American entrepreneur, G.I. in 1944 in Normandy, and sponsor of French heritage, who fully restored and refurbished the chateau. Built in 1631 by the celebrated architect F.Mansart, Balleroy and its surrounding buildings are one of the first urban plans that inspired other chateaux, including Versailles.

Lunch at **Château de Balleroy**.

Afternoon: Visit and drink at the **Château de La Fontaine Etoupefour**, with its owner, Count Henri du Laz. The story of the battle of Hill 112 that left the 16th-century chateau in ruins: they are almost alone in not having been swept away. Henri du Laz remembers the war. The interpreter's grandparents were killed in it. The visit gives a sense of what the German army was like at the end of the war and how the conflict affected civilians.

End of the afternoon: return to Paris, **the tour ends with champagne in Olivier Rérolle's 18th-century salon**, under his great-grandparents' chandelier.

Dinner suggestion: *La Fontaine de Mars*, across the street. (Optional, but booking required).



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OPTIONAL

- . Friday, July 8, dinner
- . Saturday July 9 and Sunday July 10; visits to:
 - The temporary exhibit at Versailles on manuscripts of the War of Independence
 - Royal Dinner at the Petit Trianon, with a music stroll through the first ladies' Versailles
 - Lafayette's grave at the Picpus cemetery
 - Foundation Monet in Giverny

We also propose a variety of visits to Paris and the metropolitan region: please ask us.

CONDITIONS & FEES

Deadline for registration and full payment: June, 12th 2016

Double room (2 persons - 1 double bed):	4 650 € / per participant
→ Private room, supplement:	+ 990 € / per participant

The tour is based on a minimum of 8 participants and a maximum of 14.

This price is guaranteed for a number of participants between **12 and 14 persons**.

Between 8 and 12 persons, eventual supplement of **450 €/person** will be asked by June, 12th 2016.

Payment in € by wire transfer or credit card (VISA or MASTERCARD) – AMEX on request (with supplement)

Fees include

- Transport by minibus luxury Mercedes Sprinter (or equivalent).
 - Leather reclining seats with arms, folding shelves and footrest.*
 - VIP area with 4 seats around central table and 220-volt plug for computer and mobile.*
 - Air conditioning, fridge, GPS, two 10-inch colour screens for DVDs, radio CD + microphone. Free WI-FI.*
 - Accommodations from July 2 evening to July 9 morning, depending on the place, a 3-star hotels, a bed & breakfasts in the chateau (all breakfasts included)
 - All lunches, dinners, including the VIP invitations, cocktail receptions and private receptions.
 - Cultural support in the sites visited by historian guides selected by us.
 - Entrance fees in the sites mentioned in the program.
- Should the hotel or restaurant mentioned have to change, an equivalent of similar category is substituted.

Fees do not include

- Accommodation in Paris (before and after the tour)
- Extra drinks or personal expenses
- Baggage handling
- Tips
- Optional: cancellation insurance, luggage insurance and interruption of the stay
- Support and repatriation

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