



## Norm Christie's Battlefield Tour

**Norm Christie's Battlefield Tours** are personalized journeys to the old Canadian Battlefields of the First and Second World Wars. They are more of a Pilgrimage than a tour, as Norm, using his expertise, adds and alters each tour to accommodate the personal interests of each Pilgrim. The focus is on remembering and honouring the sacrifice and courage of Canadians who earned tremendous respect and a reputation for efficiency and victory. The tours are made up of Canadians from across the country and are usually 50% women.

**This tour is restricted to 25 persons maximum.** Special requests are always a unique part of Norm's tours, and they will be accommodated whenever possible. The itinerary will include the Canadian battlefields of Ypres, Passchendaele, Mount Sorrel, Vimy, Arras, Cambrai, The Somme, Breskens Pocket, Channel Wall, D-Day, Falaise, with visits to the extra special museums associated with the battles; and, as always, Shrapnel Balling and much, much more.

**SEPTEMBER 15-26, 2018 - LAND ONLY**

# \$4199

Single Supplement  
add \$1199

**Deposit of \$750 per person.**  
Final Payment due: May 9, 2018

Per person, based on double occupancy.  
Pricing is **LAND ONLY** and includes all taxes, surcharges. Please ask about affordable and convenient airfares.

\*This price is based on 25 people. If the tour is under this amount there may be an increase in the cost due to the exchange rate.

### Norm Christie

is the acclaimed host of several documentary series including: Searching for Vimy's Lost Heroes, The Great War Tour, The Wounded, King & Empire, King & Country, In Korea, and Battlefield Mysteries. He has traveled the world following in the footsteps of Canada's soldiers, from Sicily to France, to Spain, Hong Kong, Japan and Korea. In addition Norm has written 24 books on the Canadians in the First and Second World Wars, including the 10 volume series, For King & Empire, on which the tv series was based.

Norm Christie was Chief Records officer of the CWGC in the UK, and their Admin Officer in France for 5 years. He has been taking tours to the old battlefields for 30 years. Norm is recognized as Canada's #1 expert on the battlefields and the cemeteries of the two World Wars.

For additional information on Norm Christie's 2018 tours, please visit [www.battlefields.ca](http://www.battlefields.ca)



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## Norm Christie's Battlefield Tour September 15 to 26, 2018

### Tour Includes:

- Transportation throughout by coach
- Eleven nights accommodation as follows: Ypres (4), Arras (3), Bayeux (3), Paris (1). All rooms with private bathroom
- Buffet breakfast daily, 1 welcome dinner at Novotel Ypres & 1 lunch (Avril Williams Somme Guesthouse)
- Comprehensive program of sightseeing and visits
- Admission fees included:
  - In Flanders Fields Museum
  - La Coupole V2 Bunker
  - German Todt Battery (Atlantic Wall Museum)
  - Battle of Normandy Memorial Museum
  - Memorial Museum
  - Juno Beach Centre
  - Vimy Memorial & Tunnels (free)
- All taxes/fees and standard service charges for included meals and tour features (at current level)

### NOT INCLUDED:

Gratuities to coach drivers/guides, portage, meals not specified, alcoholic beverages/soft drinks, laundry/valet services, room service and items of a personal nature.

# Battlefield Tour Itinerary

**Day 1:** (B,D)  
**Arrive CDG Airport.** Meet with Norm Christie. Board tour coach & drive to Ieper (Ypres) Belgium.  
**Albion Hotel: Check-in.**  
Dinner at Hotel Welcome & get acquainted.

**Day 2: Ypres** (B)  
After breakfast tour battlefields around Ypres; Second Ypres (Brooding Soldier), Mount Sorrel (Hill 62), Passchendaele (Crest Farm), In Flanders Fields Museum, Langemark German cemetery, Tyne Cot Cemetery, etc. Visit Menin Gate for Last Post Ceremony.

**Day 3: Ypres** (B)  
After breakfast visit site towards Channel Coast including; John McCrae Bunker, Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, V1 Launching site, V1/V2 Museum, John McCrae's grave, Calais Canadian Cemetery, Todt Battery and Atlantic Wall Museum.

**Day 4: Ypres** (B)  
After breakfast visit Adegheem Canadian Cemetery, Canada Museum, Breskens Pocket (The Scheldt), optional visit to Bruges.

**Day 5:** (B)  
Depart Ypres. After breakfast driving south to Arras, visits include: Messines Ridge, Fromelles, Neuve Chapelle Indian Memorial, Pheasant Wood Cemetery, Aubers Ridge and Hill 70.  
Holiday Inn Express Arras: Check in.

**Day 6: Arras** (B)  
After breakfast visit to Vimy Battlefield, Vimy Memorial, Grange Tunnel, St. Eloi, Notre Dame de Lorette.

**Day 7: Arras** (B,L)  
Visit the Somme Battlefield; Beaumont-Hamel, Courcellette, Albert, Regina Trench, Thiepval, Lochnager Crater; lunch at Avril Williams in Auchonvillers.

**Day 8: Arras** (B)  
Depart Arras for Normandy with visits to Dieppe Beaches, Pourville, and drive to Bayeux.  
Novotel Bayeux: Check-in.

**Day 9: Bayeux** (B)  
After breakfast visit the Canadian Battlefields of Normandy Landings; Courselles, Arromanches, Juno Beach, Bernieres, Abbe Ardenne, etc.

**Day 10: Bayeux** (B)  
More Normandy visits including the US Cemetery at St Laurent, La Cambe, La Cambes German Cemetery, Point du Hoc; balance of day for personal visits in Bayeux (The Bayeux Tapestry, etc.).

**Day 11:** (B)  
Depart Bayeux for Paris via Falaise and Vimoutiers; visits include; Bretteville Cemetery, death of Michael Wittman, BCR Memorial, Mont Ormel, Currie VC site, and Vimoutiers Tiger tank.  
Best Western Roissy: Check in.

**Day 12:** (B)  
Transfer to airport. Return to Canada, or optional extra nights in Paris.

**B= Breakfast L=Lunch D=Dinner**

Itinerary and hotels are subject to change

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