

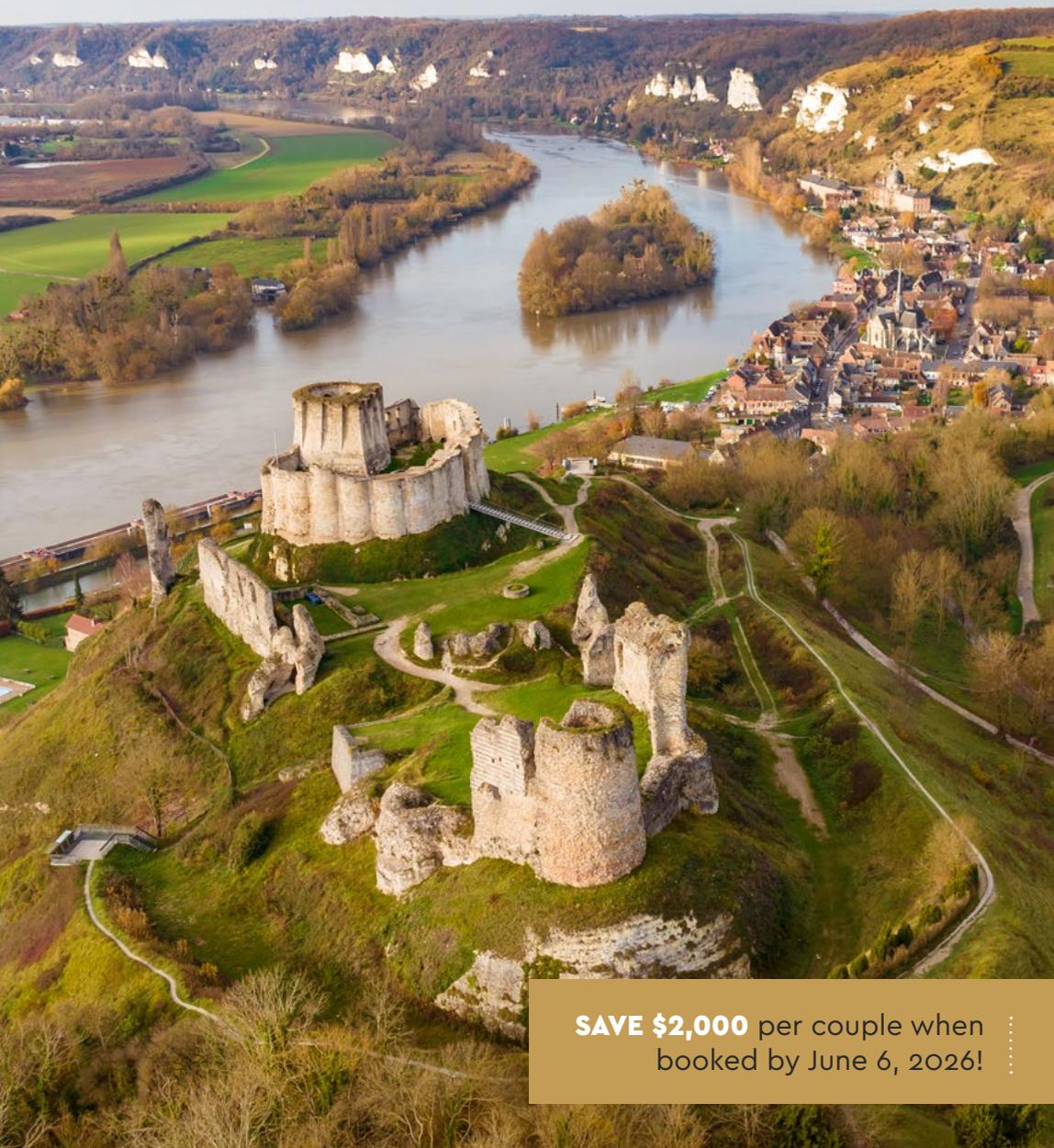
WWII

THE NATIONAL
WWII MUSEUM
TRAVEL

DISCOVER THE STORY OF THE D-DAY INVASION
with a 4-night château experience in Normandy paired with a
luxury 4-night Seine cruise aboard Uniworld's SS *Joie de Vivre*

NORMANDY AND THE SEINE RIVER

**PARIS • ARROMANCHES • NORMANDY BEACHES • ROUEN
DIEPPE • LES ANDELYS • LA ROCHE-GUYON • GIVERNY**



SAVE \$2,000 per couple when
booked by June 6, 2026!



STEPHEN J. WATSON

Featuring an exclusive lecture series and comprehensive touring, this unique educational program combines learning and sightseeing with a whole new level of luxury.

Dear World Traveler,

The National WWII Museum has long honored our mission to preserve the history of World War II through exhibitions, educational programs, and battlefield tours. It is with great excitement that I invite you to join the Museum's Educational Travel Program for a unique custom itinerary cruising the Seine River to the heart of Normandy, delving into the stories of D-Day and the Battle of Normandy along the French coast, and exploring the rich culture of the Normandy countryside.

Aboard the exclusively chartered Uniworld SS *Joie de Vivre* and at a 5-star château in Normandy, you will be joined by renowned historians, authors, and experts on World War II. Throughout the journey, these special guests will bring interesting historical insights to the places you will visit through a custom lecture series. Accompanied by local battlefield guides and with access to the digital archives of The National WWII Museum, this is truly the most educational and luxurious way to dive deeper into your exploration of the rich cultural and military history of the region of Normandy.

We are thrilled to offer two Normandy and Seine River tour options:

- 1 Paris to Normandy:** Sail on the Seine from Paris and conclude in the Normandy countryside, with included coach transfer back to Paris
- 2 Normandy to Paris:** Start your journey on the beaches of Normandy then sail back to Paris

Guests may also choose to relive the joys of the long-awaited liberation of the "City of Light" during an optional two-night pre- or post-tour program in Paris.

Even if you have visited France before, I encourage you to join us on this poignant, unforgettable journey. The exclusive charter and château accommodations provide a backdrop that unites curious lifelong learners seeking meaningful educational experiences. The rich itinerary creates a fulfilling and engaging atmosphere during the entire journey. We are honored to share and remember the stories of the heroes to whom we owe so much.

Sincerely,

Stephen J. Watson
President & CEO, The National WWII Museum

COVER PHOTO: AERIAL VIEW OF CHÂTEAU GAILLARD OVERLOOKING LES ANDELYS VILLAGE ON THE SEINE RIVER, NORMANDY.



AN AMERICAN SERVICEMEMBER STANDS AT THE BASE OF THE EIFFEL TOWER, OCTOBER 1945. THE NATIONAL WWII MUSEUM, 2013.311.023



Rated the top attraction in New Orleans and among the best museums in the world, The National WWII Museum explores the story of the American experience in World War II through immersive exhibits, multimedia experiences, educational resources, and an expansive collection of artifacts and personal accounts. The Museum's New Orleans campus provides vivid insight into *the war that changed the world*, but nothing can tell its story more dramatically than a visit to the sites where victory was fought for and won.

As part of the nation's preeminent institution for preserving and sharing WWII history, the Museum's Travel Program is dedicated to providing the highest quality educational content by creating custom-curated itineraries, arranging the finest boutique hotel accommodations, procuring comprehensive local culinary experiences in the countries we visit, and touring aboard premium motor coaches and cruise ships. Experience a journey in first-class comfort to the beaches, bridges, cities, and villages where crucial battles took place and history-defining decisions were made.

Traveling with The National WWII Museum offers a unique and enriching experience that goes beyond typical group tour itineraries—it provides a meaningful journey that honors the past while inspiring future generations.

MUSEUM MISSION

The National WWII Museum tells the story of the American experience in *the war that changed the world*—why it was fought, how it was won, and what it means today—so that all generations will understand the price of freedom and be inspired by what they learn.



US FREEDOM PAVILION: THE BOEING CENTER



EXPERT BATTLEFIELD GUIDE EXPLAINS THE BATTLE OF LA FIÈRE TO TOUR GUESTS

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TRAVEL WITH THE AUTHORITY ON WWII EDUCATION:

▶ EXPERT-LED EXPERIENCES

Our tours are guided by a combination of expert historians, local guides, and Museum staff members who provide in-depth insights, drawing from our immense collections of artifacts, oral histories, and personal accounts from WWII veterans that you won't find on other tours.

▶ IMMERSIVE LEARNING

Each tour is designed to offer a deep dive into World War II, engaging lifelong learners of all backgrounds—from those with a vast knowledge of history to others just beginning to explore the events that shaped our world.

▶ ENGAGING COMMUNITY

Our tours have created a community of passionate history enthusiasts who often have personal links to those who fought and won the war. Our itineraries include opportunities to foster meaningful connections with other travelers who share an interest in understanding the past.

▶ SUPPORTING OUR MISSION

By traveling with us, you contribute to the preservation of WWII history and support educational initiatives that honor the sacrifices made during the war.

▶ LUXURY ACCOMMODATIONS AND FINE DINING

Our team supports the local economies of the places we visit, staying in hand-selected boutique hotel accommodations and providing dining experiences that showcase locally sourced ingredients.



FEATURED HISTORIAN MICHAEL NEIBERG POSES WITH TOUR STAFF AT CHATEAU D'AUDRIEU



The City of Rouen in Ruins, 1944



Liberation of Paris



Rangers at Pointe du Hoc



Field Marshal Erwin Rommel



Landing on Omaha Beach,
June 6, 1944



The Dieppe Raid, August 19, 1942



Rouen, France



Giverny



Ranger Memorial at Pointe Du Hoc



La Roche-Guyon, Rommel's
Headquarters in 1944



Omaha Beach



Dieppe

1 PARIS TO NORMANDY

A VOYAGE ALONG THE SEINE TO THE BEACHES OF NORMANDY

OCTOBER 25 – NOVEMBER 2, 2026 *Limited Availability!*

MARCH 20–28, 2027

OPTIONAL TWO-NIGHT PRE-TOUR: Liberation of Paris

DAY 1 • ARRIVE IN PARIS / TRANSFER TO THE SS JOIE DE VIVRE

Arrive at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG) / Transfer to SS Joie de Vivre / Explore Paris independently this afternoon or enjoy public areas of SS Joie de Vivre / Captain's Welcome Reception and Dinner • Accommodations: SS Joie de Vivre (R, D)

DAY 2 • LES ANDELYS / LA ROCHE-GUYON

Visit two 12th-century châteaux with inspiring views and epic histories • Château Gaillard / Château de La Roche-Guyon • Accommodations: SS Joie de Vivre (B, L, R, D)

DAY 3 • GIVERNY

Wander through Claude Monet's house and gardens • Enjoy the vibrant flower gardens, the famous Japanese bridge, and the water lily pond that inspired many of Monet's paintings • Accommodations: SS Joie de Vivre (B, R, D)

DAY 4 • DIEPPE AND ROUEN

Honor those who fought during Operation Jubilee • Half-day tour in coastal village of Dieppe / Walking tour of Rouen • Accommodations: SS Joie de Vivre (B, R, D)

DAY 5 • DISEMBARKATION / BAYEUX

Explore the medieval treasures of the Normandy region • Disembark SS Joie de Vivre / Optional guided tour of Bayeux Cathedral / Free time in Bayeux / Check in to château • Accommodations: Château d'Audrieu or Château La Chenevière (B, R, D)

DAY 6 • BRITISH SECTORS

Stand where British airborne troops fired the first shots of the invasion • Pegasus Bridge / Driving tour of Gold, Juno, and Sword Beaches / Explore Arromanches and Mulberry harbor / Longues-sur-Mer • Accommodations: Château d'Audrieu or Château La Chenevière (B, R, D)

DAY 7 • US AIRBORNE

Discover priceless stories of the D-Day paratroopers • La Fièrè Bridge / Brécourt Manor / Sainte-Mère-Église / Airborne Museum / Utah Beach and Museum • Accommodations: Château d'Audrieu or Château La Chenevière (B, L, R, D)

DAY 8 • OMAHA SECTOR

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DAY 9 • FLIGHTS HOME FROM PARIS

After breakfast, transfer to Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG) for your independently scheduled flight home • (B)

2 NORMANDY TO PARIS

THE BATTLE OF NORMANDY AND SEINE RIVER CRUISE TO PARIS

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OPTIONAL TWO-NIGHT POST-TOUR: Liberation of Paris



THE BRITISH SECTOR

No matter which itinerary you choose, your touring of Normandy (Starting on Day 2 or Day 6), begins where the first shots of the invasion were fired by British glider troops at the crucial Pegasus Bridge. Guests learn about Major John Howard and his men of the “Ox and Bucks” and how they were able to secure and hold the bridge. Drive along the British and Canadian sectors while hearing stories of the landings that took place to the east of the American assaults. Midday, arrive at Arromanches. Explore this quaint village and enjoy lunch on your own. This afternoon, view the remains of a Mulberry harbor and gain insight into this great feat of engineering and ingenuity. Next, a trip up the commanding bluff culminates in a visit to the German gun battery at Longues-sur-Mer. This evening, join the group for dinner at the château.

Accommodations: Château d’Audrieu or Château La Chenevière (B, R, D)

PHOTO ABOVE: MODERN-DAY PEGASUS BRIDGE OVER THE CAEN CANAL. PHOTO RIGHT (TOP): HISTORIAN SAUL DAVID STANDS WHERE THE FIRST SHOTS OF THE INVASION WERE FIRED BY BRITISH TROOPS AT THE CRUCIAL PEGASUS BRIDGE. PHOTO RIGHT (MIDDLE): REMNANTS OF THE MULBERRY HARBOR AT ARROMANCHES. PHOTO RIGHT (BOTTOM): LONGUES-SUR-MER GERMAN BATTERY.



STAND WHERE HISTORY WAS MADE THE CHURCH AT SAINTE-MÈRE-ÉGLISE

On the night of June 5–6, 1944, during the parachute drop of Airborne troops in the area of Sainte-Mère-Église, Private John Steele was hit in the foot by a burst of flak. He could not control his parachute and landed on the steeple of the church around 1:00 a.m. Steele tried to free himself from his parachute for more than two hours while the battle raged on in the church square below. Finally, two German soldiers freed him, took him prisoner, and cared for his wounded foot. He escaped and joined the Allied lines three days later before being transferred to a hospital in England. For his actions and his injuries, Steele was awarded the Bronze Star medal for bravery and a Purple Heart for wounds in combat. This action was featured in the movie *The Longest Day*, and, to this day, a “dummy” paratrooper hangs from the church steeple commemorating this event.

US AIRBORNE: SAINTE-MÈRE-ÉGLISE & UTAH BEACH

Visit La Fièvre Bridge, the scene of heavy fighting from June 6–8, 1944. Seizing this strategic causeway resulted in over 250 American casualties. Next, visit the town of Sainte-Mère-Église, where paratroopers landed during the predawn hours of D-Day. Dropping into the town square, the men of the 82nd Airborne Division fought tenaciously against the German defenders for control of this vital crossroads. Tour highlights include a visit to Musée Airborne and to the famous church. In the afternoon, visit Utah Beach, one of the two American landing beaches, which consisted of four crucial causeways that allowed for the invasion forces to advance off the beach and through the flooded fields. Hear the story of General Theodore Roosevelt Jr., and visit the Utah Beach Landing Museum, which features a restored B-26 Marauder and detailed re-creations of the German beach defenses. End the touring day with a stop at Brécourt Manor, the scene of the assault led by Dick Winters famously depicted in the HBO miniseries *Band of Brothers*.

Accommodations: *Château d'Audrieu or Château La Chenevière (B, L, R, D)*

PHOTO LEFT: TOUR GROUP AT THE FAMOUS CHURCH IN SAINTE-MÈRE-ÉGLISE.
PHOTO BELOW: ADRIEN RECOURA AND JOHN MCMANUS TELL THE STORIES OF THE LANDINGS AT UTAH BEACH ON D-DAY.



POINTE DU HOC / OMAHA BEACH / NORMANDY AMERICAN CEMETERY

The morning tour begins at Pointe du Hoc*, where the 2nd Ranger Battalion scaled the cliffs to neutralize the fortified German position. The next stop is “Bloody Omaha” Beach, where US forces overcame the odds to etch a heroic chapter in history. Visits to the coastal towns of Saint-Laurent-sur-Mer and Vierville-sur-Mer provide a close-up view of the intricate German defense system on Omaha and give a sense of the overwhelming odds American soldiers faced on June 6, 1944. After lunch, visit the Normandy American Cemetery to pay respects to the 9,389 Americans buried in the ground they helped liberate. This evening, take part in a special “Farewell to Normandy” dinner at the château with the group.

Accommodations: Château d’Audrieu or Château La Chenevière (B, L, R, D)

**American Battle Monuments Commission has announced major site restoration at Pointe du Hoc Ranger Monument. For the most up to date details on progress, visit www.abmc.gov*



AERIAL VIEW OF NORMANDY AMERICAN CEMETERY AND MEMORIAL OVERLOOKING OMAHA BEACH.

TRANSFER DAY

Paris to Normandy Guests: DISEMBARK THE SS JOIE DE VIVRE / BAYEUX

Disembark SS *Joie de Vivre* in Rouen and transfer to Normandy. Spend the afternoon exploring the picturesque town of Bayeux and enjoy lunch on your own. With plenty of free time to shop and discover the medieval treasures of this quaint village, an optional guided tour of the Bayeux Cathedral is offered. Check in to your 5-star château this evening, then attend a welcome reception and dinner.

Accommodations: Château d'Audrieu or Château La Chenevière (B, R, D)

Normandy to Paris Guests: BAYEUX / BOARD THE SS JOIE DE VIVRE

Spend the last morning in coastal Normandy exploring the picturesque town of Bayeux. With plenty of free time to shop and discover the medieval treasures of this quaint village, an optional guided tour of the Bayeux Cathedral is offered. After lunch at your leisure, head to Rouen to embark on the luxurious SS *Joie de Vivre*.

Accommodations: SS Joie de Vivre (B, R, D)



BAYEUX CATHEDRAL



GUESTS DINING IN BAYEUX

ROUEN / DIEPPE

On the northern coast of France lies the fishing community of Dieppe. It was here in August 1942 that the ill-fated Allied raid, consisting mostly of Canadian forces, offered invaluable lessons for D-Day nearly two years later. Marvel at the smooth stones, called shale, that make up the beach. Traction is difficult while walking on them, so one can imagine the difficulty of landing and advancing while under fire. The boardwalk behind the beach contains tributes to the units and men who came ashore in hopes of seizing and holding the town. A keen eye will be able to spot the German emplacements on the cliffs above Dieppe. After lunch and free time in this charming seaside town, return to Rouen. Described by Victor Hugo as “the city with a hundred bell towers,” Rouen was the scene of the Eighth Air Force’s first bombing mission over Europe in 1942, just two days before the Dieppe Raid. Take part in a walking tour of the town center or return to the ship to relax before dinner this evening.

Accommodations: SS Joie de Vivre (B, R, D)



LA ROCHE-GUYON / LES ANDELYS

La Roche-Guyon is the famous 12th-century château on the Seine where German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel established his headquarters. At La Roche-Guyon, “The Desert Fox” planned and prepared the tough defenses that the Allies encountered on D-Day, as well as the German maneuvers during the campaign that followed. After lunch aboard the ship, dock at Les Andelys, and visit Château Gaillard, Richard the Lionheart’s 12th-century stronghold, offering inspiring views of the Seine River.

Accommodations: SS Joie de Vivre (B, L, R, D)



GIVERNY

Explore Claude Monet’s home and gardens at Giverny, immortalized through his impressionist art. Badly damaged during World War II, Giverny has been painstakingly restored to its former magnificence. After a tour of Giverny and lunch on your own in the area, return to the ship for an afternoon and evening at leisure. Alternately, spend free time independently exploring the areas near port Mantes-la-Jolie. *Accommodations: SS Joie de Vivre (B, L, R, D)*

PHOTO LEFT: WALKING TOUR IN ROUEN. PHOTO TOP: A TOUR GUEST AT CHÂTEAU GAILLARD, LES ANDELYS. PHOTO BOTTOM: CLAUDE MONET’S HOME AND GARDENS AT GIVERNY.

OPTIONAL TWO-NIGHT EXTENSION

**FOR PARIS TO NORMANDY GUESTS:
LIBERATION OF PARIS PRE-TOUR**

October 23–25, 2026, with Historian Michael Neiberg, PhD
\$2,599 per person based on double occupancy | \$2,999 single occupancy
Airport transfers are included.

March 18–20, 2027, with Historian Jonathan Boff, PhD
\$2,999 per person based on double occupancy | \$3,299 single occupancy
Airport transfers are included.

DAY ONE:

Arrive at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG) / Afternoon touring of Trocadero and the Eiffel Tower / Vel' d'Hiv monument and Children's Memorial Garden / Welcome Reception and Lecture | *Accommodations: Prince de Galles, Paris (R)*

DAY TWO:

Mont-Valérien and Suresnes American Cemetery / Group lunch / Paris Liberation Museum | *Accommodations: Prince de Galles, Paris (B, L)*

DAY THREE:

Gardens to Notre Dame / Jewish Deportation Memorial / Lunch on own / Embark SS *Joie de Vivre* for start of main tour program | *(B)*

PHOTO LEFT: TOUR GROUP IN PARIS; PHOTO BELOW: MONT-VALÉRIEN



**FOR NORMANDY TO PARIS GUESTS:
LIBERATION OF PARIS POST-TOUR**

November 2–4, with Historian Michael Neiberg, PhD
\$2,599 per person based on double occupancy | \$2,999 single occupancy
Airport transfers are included.

March 28–30, 2027, with Historian Jonathan Boff, PhD
\$2,999 per person based on double occupancy | \$3,299 single occupancy
Airport transfers are included.

DAY ONE:

Disembark SS *Joie de Vivre* / Morning touring of Trocadero and the Eiffel Tower / Vel' d'Hiv monument and Children's Memorial Garden / Jewish Deportation Memorial / Lunch on own / Resistance walking tour from Notre Dame to the Luxembourg Gardens *Accommodations: Prince de Galles, Paris (B)*

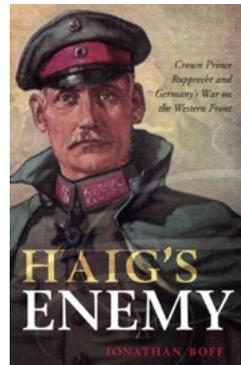
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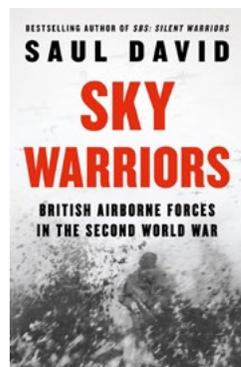
Transfer to Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG) for independent flights *(B)*

Through engaging lectures, insightful conversations, and personal connections, our historians add depth to our carefully curated itineraries. Historians vary by tour. Visit the webpage or contact the Travel Team to confirm featured historians for your specific departure.



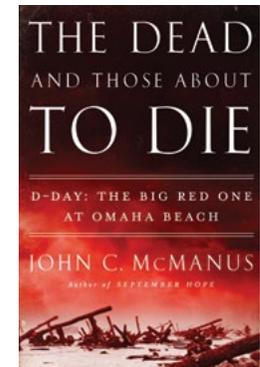
JONATHAN BOFF, PHD

Jonathan Boff, PhD, is a Senior Lecturer in the Department of History at the University of Birmingham, where he teaches courses relating to war from Homer to Helmand. He specializes in particular in World War I. His publications include *Winning and Losing on the Western Front: The British Third Army and the Defeat of Germany in 1918* (Cambridge University Press, 2012) and *Haig's Enemy: Crown Prince Rupprecht and Germany's War on the Western Front* (Oxford University Press, 2018). He has undertaken consultancy projects for the British Army and the BBC and serves on the Councils of the National Army Museum and the Army Records Society.



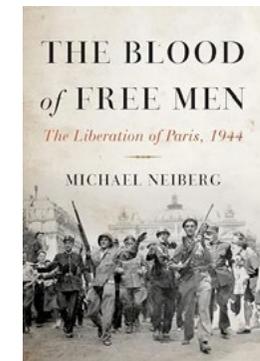
SAUL DAVID, PHD

Saul David is an award-winning military historian, author, and broadcaster. He earned his PhD from the University of Glasgow and is currently a Professorial Research Fellow at the University of Buckingham and a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society. His many books include *The Force: The Legendary Special Ops Unit and WWII's Mission Impossible*; as well as *Sunday Times* Top 10 bestsellers *Sky Warriors: British Airborne Forces in the Second World War* and *SBS: Silent Warriors*. His book *Operation Thunderbolt: Flight 139 and the Raid on Entebbe Airport* was named a 2015 Amazon History Book of the Year and later adapted into the movie *Entebbe*. He is currently working on a history of the Battle for Europe, 1944–1945. He has presented and appeared in history programs for major TV and streaming channels, and co-hosts the popular *Battleground* podcast with Patrick Bishop.



JOHN C. MCMANUS, PHD

John C. McManus, PhD, is Curators' Distinguished Professor of US Military History at Missouri University of Science and Technology and one of the world's leading historians of World War II. He has written 12 books, most of which cover some aspect of the American combat experience in World War II, including *The Americans at D-Day*; *The Americans at Normandy*; *September Hope: The American Side of a Bridge Too Far*; *Alamo in the Ardennes*; and *The Dead and Those About to Die: D-Day: The Big Red One at Omaha Beach*. McManus has made hundreds of appearances as an expert commentator for radio and television outlets as well as in numerous major documentaries for PBS, The History Channel, Netflix, the Smithsonian Network, Discovery Channel, National Geographic, and others.



MICHAEL NEIBERG, PHD

Michael Neiberg is the Professor of History and Chair of War Studies in the Department of National Security and Strategy at the US Army War College. His published work specializes on the First and Second World Wars in global context. *The Wall Street Journal* named his *Dance of the Furies: Europe and the Outbreak of World War I* one of the five best books ever written about that war. He is also the author of *The Blood of Free Men: The Liberation of Paris, 1944* and *Potsdam: The End of World War II and the Remaking of Europe*, both published by Basic Books. He is now at work on a history of US involvement in the Middle East from 1942 to 1950.

Our local guides provide a dimension of unmatched expertise, sharing details from their native region of Normandy and personal connections to the history that unfolded there. Guides vary by departure.



CORINNE JOIMEL

Corinne Joimel was born in Caen and raised in Normandy throughout her childhood. Her early professional career included jobs at Lavenham in England, the Caen Tourist Office for 14 years and the Falaise Tourist office for five years. Since 1999 she has been a licensed Guide Interpreter in the French and English languages, and has more than 30 years of experience in Normandy tourism. She enjoys sharing her Norman heritage with all who visit the region. In addition to her work with The National WWII Museum as a battlefield guide and tour manager, Corinne hosts cultural tours all over Normandy to places like Caen, Bayeux, Honfleur, and Mont Saint-Michel as well as exploring wilderness travel through hiking tours and birdwatching around the beaches of Normandy.



PIERRE-SAMUEL NATANSON

Pierre-Samuel Natanson was born in Cherbourg and grew up in Normandy, nurtured by the stories of his grandparents scattered throughout Europe. Early in childhood, Pierre visited the sites of the battle of Normandy, and grew a passion for WWII history. He went on to study military history at King's College London and Caen University. He started leading tours for the Caen Memorial Museum in 2012, then began leading tours for a small guiding company, where he gained more experience and knowledge of both the history and the geography of Normandy. Pierre offers a rich, enlightening, and friendly experience through one of the hardest battles ever fought in human history. Pierre has led dozens of tours for the Museum, including the 70th, 75th, and 80th anniversary of D-Day cruises, allowing for collaboration with a number of leading WWII historians and scholars.



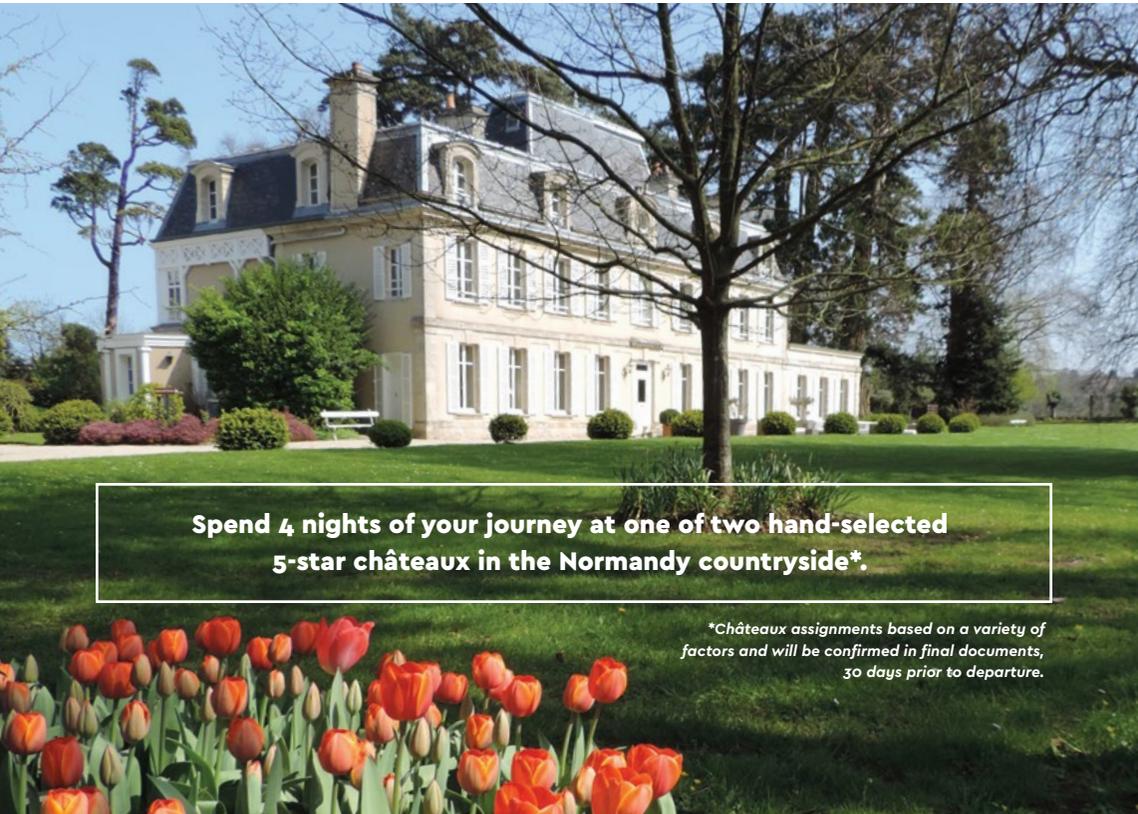
MÉLANIE MOREAU

Born and raised in Normandy, Mélanie Moreau grew up surrounded by the historic sites and commemorations of the D-Day landings and the Battle of Normandy. Her passion for WWII history began at the age of 12 after watching *Band of Brothers*, which inspired her father to explore these locations in depth with her. Today, as a professional guide, she specializes in bringing history to life through the personal stories of the men and women whose courage and sacrifice made the liberation of Europe possible. She is committed to offering visitors an authentic, respectful, and deeply engaging experience of Normandy's WWII heritage.



ADRIEN RECOURA

Adrien Recoura was born and raised in Saint-Lô in Normandy. He has been working as a licensed guide since 2012, and started guiding with The National WWII Museum four years ago. His love for history and passion for the Normandy region are reasons he feels compelled to share his knowledge on the topic. He enjoys meeting people from all over the world. Adrien's grandparents were deeply involved in the war, as civilians, resistance fighters, and prisoners of war.



Spend 4 nights of your journey at one of two hand-selected 5-star châteaux in the Normandy countryside*.

**Châteaux assignments based on a variety of factors and will be confirmed in final documents, 30 days prior to departure.*



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Château La Chenevière

Château La Chenevière is a 5-star hotel renovated from an 18th-century mansion and farm. The château was occupied by the Germans during World War II and then the Americans after the D-Day landings. It was fully restored in 1988 to become the lush hotel-restaurant that it is today. La Chenevière boasts 28 spacious and comfortable rooms that reflect the elegance and romance of its design. The decor of each room has an individual design, with a perfect blend of modern comforts and traditional luxury.

Room amenities include complimentary Wi-Fi, fully stocked mini bar, hair dryer, bathrobe and slippers, and courtesy l'Occitane toiletries.



For more information on Château La Chenevière, please visit lacheneviere.com, or scan the QR code with your smartphone



Château D'Audrieu

Château D'Audrieu, a 5-star hotel situated between Caen and Bayeux in Calvados, is ideally located in the heart of Normandy's countryside. During World War II, the German army set up their headquarters here. On June 8, 1944, 45 members of the 3rd Canadian Infantry Division and two British soldiers were killed in the orchards, forests, and clearings around the château. This 18th-century residence is listed as a Historical Monument and joined the prestigious Relais & Châteaux Association in 1977. Twenty-nine elegant rooms with garden views feature satellite TV, Wi-Fi access, and minibars. Suites offer original Louis XV and XVI furniture, or art deco styling. Le Séran restaurant serves high-end cuisine. The property also includes a bar, period-style lounges, and a charming breakfast room.



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GRAND SUITE

The SS *Joie De Vivre*

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SHIP FEATURES & AMENITIES

- :: Salon de Toulouse with full-service bar
- :: Le Bistrot
- :: Le Restaurant Pigalle
- :: Claude's/Club L'Esprit with full-service bar
- :: Deck de Montmartre
- :: Heated enclosed swimming pool
- :: Well-equipped fitness center & spa
- :: Laundry
- :: Elevator
- :: 24-hour specialty coffee and tea station
- :: Free internet & Wi-Fi access

SS *JOIE DE VIVRE* SUITES

In addition to the amenities listed below, all suites onboard also enjoy in-suite butler service, daily fruit and cookie plate, evening snacks, Nespresso coffee machine and fine teas, and a fully stocked mini-bar including bottled water. Other amenities include wine on arrival, shoeshine, and free laundry service.

GRAND SUITE (410 SQ. FT.)

- :: French balcony
- :: Spacious separate living room
- :: Separate rain shower and tub
- :: Secluded toilet and bidet area
- :: Handcrafted Savolr® Beds of England
- :: Built-in closet
- :: Hair dryer
- :: Safe
- :: Individual thermostat
- :: Flat-screen TV with infotainment center and satellite

GRAND SUITE BATHROOM



SUITE (260 SQ. FT.)

- :: French balcony
- :: Handcrafted Savolr® Beds of England
- :: Built-in closet
- :: Hair dryer
- :: Safe
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SUITE



SS JOIE DE VIVRE STATEROOMS



DELUXE FRENCH BALCONY (194 SQ. FT.)

- :: French balcony
- :: Marble bath with Asprey bath and body products
- :: Plush towels and towel warmer
- :: Cozy bathrobes and slippers
- :: Handcrafted Savolr® Beds of England
- :: Built-in closet
- :: Hair dryer
- :: Safe
- :: Individual thermostat
- :: Flat-screen TV with infotainment center and satellite
- :: Bottled water



FRENCH BALCONY (194 SQ. FT.)

- :: French balcony
- :: Marble bath with Asprey bath and body products
- :: Plush towels and towel warmer
- :: Cozy bathrobes and slippers
- :: Handcrafted Savolr® Beds of England
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CLASSIC (162-180 SQ. FT.)

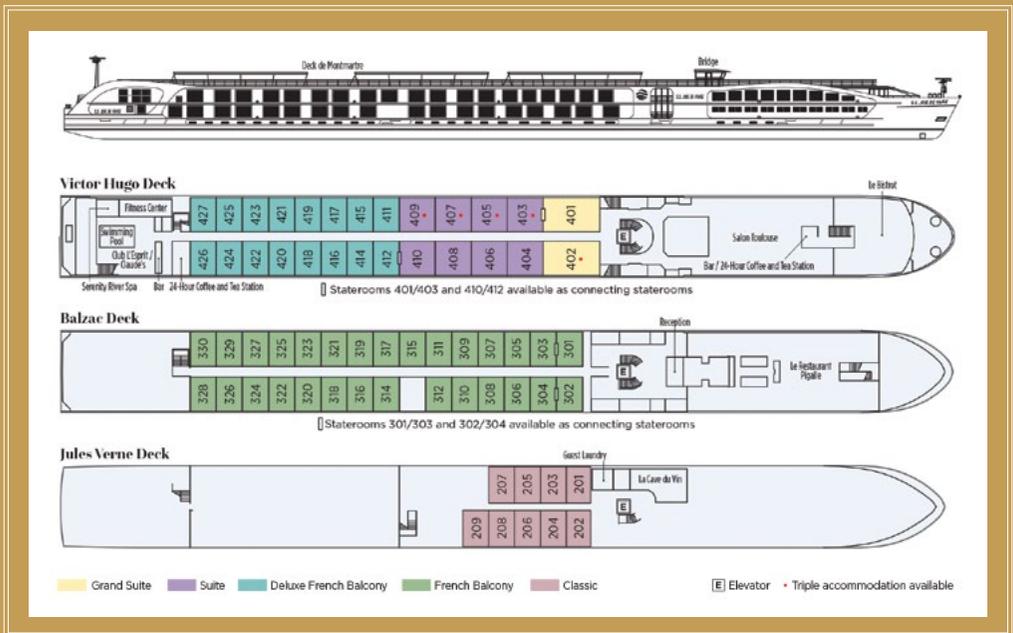
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2026 PRICING PER PERSON (Save up to \$2,000 per couple when booked by June 6, 2026)

ROOM	REGULAR PRICE (Double)	EARLY BOOKING*	REGULAR PRICE (Single)	EARLY BOOKING*
Grand Suite - Victor Hugo Deck	\$15,599	\$14,599	-	-
Suite - Victor Hugo Deck	\$13,599	\$12,599	-	-
Deluxe French Balcony - Victor Hugo Deck	\$12,599	\$11,599	-	-
French Balcony - Balzac Deck	\$10,999	\$9,999	\$11,999	\$10,999
Classic - Jules Verne Deck	\$8,899	\$7,899	-	-

*\$399 per person taxes and fees are additional.

2027 PRICING PER PERSON (Save up to \$2,000 per couple when booked by June 6, 2026)

ROOM	REGULAR PRICE (Double)	EARLY BOOKING*	REGULAR PRICE (Single)	EARLY BOOKING*
Grand Suite - Victor Hugo Deck	\$17,999	\$16,999	-	-
Suite - Victor Hugo Deck	\$15,599	\$14,599	-	-
Deluxe French Balcony - Victor Hugo Deck	\$13,599	\$12,599	-	-
French Balcony - Balzac Deck	\$12,599	\$11,599	\$14,599	\$13,599
Classic - Jules Verne Deck	\$9,899	\$8,899	-	-

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Guests who book a suite aboard SS *Joie de Vivre* will receive a suite at either the Château D'Audrieu or Château La Chenevière. Guests booking in the French Balcony category may have the option to upgrade to a suite at their château if desired, for an additional fee. All other levels of accommodation will receive Standard/Classic or Deluxe rooms as assigned by the château.

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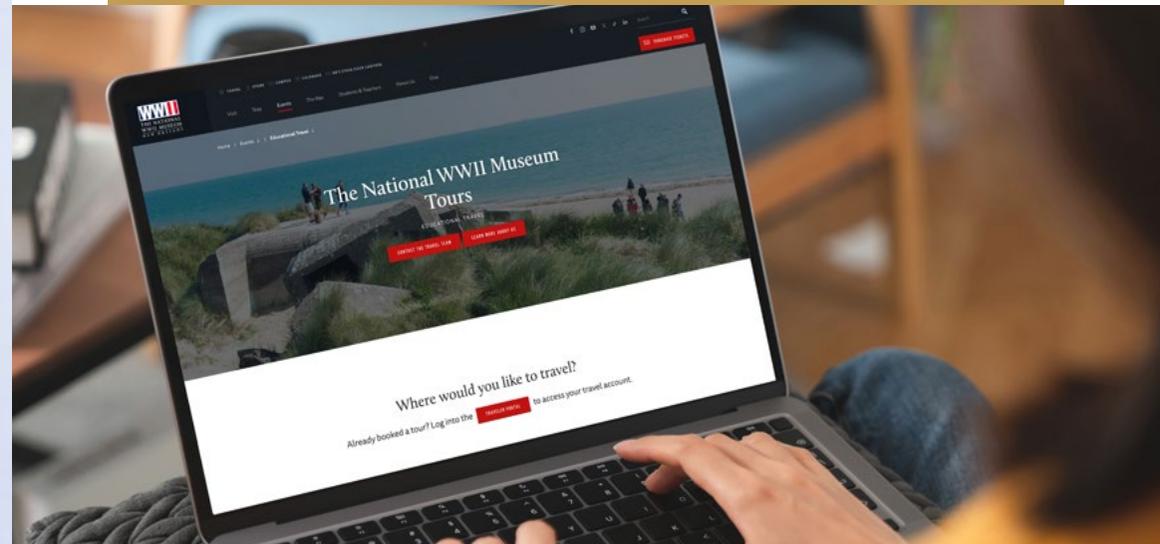
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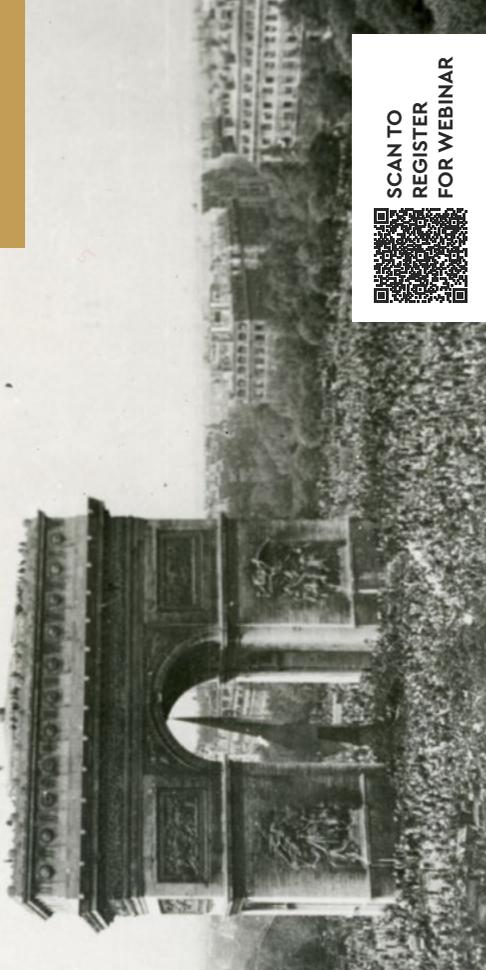
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