

# D-DAY NORMANDY 70<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY TOUR

## June 2 - June 12, 2014

**Tour Escort John Hetherington**

History Teacher and Battlefield Guide, North Bay, Ontario

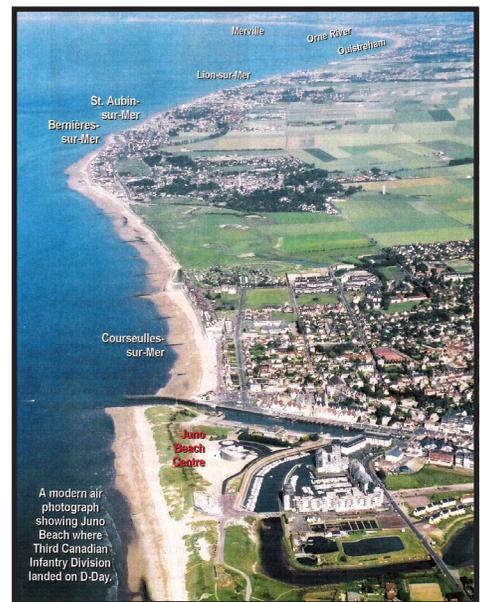


### Welcome Tour Participants....

Verstraete Travel & Cruises and John Hetherington, History Teacher, North Bay, Ontario invite you to join him on this special D-Day Normandy 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tour. John has been teaching history in North Bay since 1987 and has a special interest in military history exploring the WW1 and WW2

battlefields of Europe. John has led many tour groups to the battlefield sites in France, Belgium and Holland. He now invites you to join him for this once in a lifetime opportunity to be in Normandy on June 6, 2014 when the landings at Juno Beach will be commemorated. This tour will start in Paris and then travel to Normandy for the special events held at the Juno Beach Centre.

The tour will visit Dieppe, Beaumont Hamel, the Vimy Memorial, and the Menin gate. On the last day the tour will travel to Amsterdam and enjoy a visit to that city along with a canal cruise. You are invited to join John on this historic trip of a lifetime.



For additional details contact John Hetherington at [historyguy62@hotmail.com](mailto:historyguy62@hotmail.com) or phone 705-497-3992

## ITINERARY & TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

### Monday, June 02:

Evening departure from Toronto, overnight flight to Paris, France.

### Tuesday, June 03:

Arrive Paris and board the coach. Enjoy a guided tour of Paris followed by lunch (instead of dinner). Check in at hotel and rest of the day is "free" to enjoy Paris.

### Wednesday, June 04:

After breakfast travel to Normandy. Sightseeing Normandy Beaches area. Check into hotel for 4 night stay.

### Thursday, June 05:

Local sightseeing and touring of sites important to D Day landings.

### Friday, June 06:

In Normandy: D-Day 70th Anniversary commemorations at the Juno Beach Centre.

### Saturday, June 07:

In Normandy: Continuation of D-Day 70th events and visit special commemorative sites.

### Sunday, June 08:

After breakfast depart for Dieppe. Visit beaches and the Canadian war cemetery. Overnight in Dieppe.

### Monday, June 09:

After breakfast depart for Vimy Memorial. Continue to Ypres. Evening

participation at the Menin Gate Last Post ceremony.

### Tuesday, June 10:

The day will be spent visiting the main sites of WW1 Including Essex Farm Cemetery where John McRae wrote "In Flanders Fields".

### Wednesday, June 11:

Travel to Amsterdam, explore the city, enjoy a canal cruise, farewell dinner and overnight.

### Thursday, June 12:

Transfer to Amsterdam Schiphol Airport for the return flight to Toronto

D-Day Normandy 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Our time in Normandy will be finalized when the official schedules of the commemorations become available. All efforts will be made to visit the most important ceremonies, sites and memorials. Details will be made available with final travel documents. We reserve the right to adjust the tour itinerary accordingly.

**Price: \$3150<sup>pp</sup> (double occupancy) Single supplement \$895.00**

#### Price Includes

- Round trip airfare from Toronto.
- Hotel accommodations.
- Daily breakfast and dinner.
- All ground transportation by luxury touring coach (washroom equipped).
- Portorage at the hotels.

#### Price does NOT Include:

- Airport taxes, security fees, fuel surcharges (\$525<sup>pp</sup>)
- Travel insurance.
- Beverages and items of a personal nature, lunches, entrance fees, tips to driver and guides etc.



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## 2014 GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

### BOOKING PROCEDURE:

Please complete and sign the booking form. Send it (along with deposit) directly to: Verstraete Travel 14845 Yonge Street, Suite 300, Aurora, Ontario L4G 6H8  
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### DEPOSIT:

**\$750.00 per person. The deposit is non-refundable and due at time of booking.**

Your insurance premium is also due at this time.

### FORM OF PAYMENT:

*Cheque*- payable to: Verstraete Travel & Cruises,

*Credit Card*- provide card details on booking form. There is a \$85pp surcharge for payment by credit card.

### PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Deposit is due at time of booking with your selected insurance premium,

#### Final Payment Due:

March 15, 2014

### BOOKING DEADLINE:

All reservations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Since we are limiting the number of participants, we recommend that you book as soon as possible.

### INSURANCE:

**We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation or all-inclusive insurance.** The rates are outlined on the Booking Form.

### PASSPORTS:

It is your responsibility to make sure that you have a **valid passport**. It must be valid for at least 6 months after your departure date. Canadian passport holders do not need a visa. If you are travelling with a non-Canadian passport it is your responsibility to inform our staff so that they can advise you of entry requirements.

### PRICING:

All prices are based on minimum group size, current exchange rates and supplier quotations. In the event that significant changes take place due to circumstances beyond our control, we reserve the right to adjust the prices.

### CANCELLATION:

If you have to cancel, you must inform Verstraete Travel in writing. The cancellation penalty is based on the date your cancellation is received. Cancellation penalties are shown in the chart below:

- Deposit is non-refundable.
- 6 months - 2 months prior to departure - 50%,
- 2 months or less prior to departure - 100%

### FINAL ITINERARY & TRAVEL DETAILS:

It is anticipated that all the final details will be included in the travel documents and distributed 21 days before departure. Due to the nature of the tour program we reserve the right to make changes and substitutions wherever necessary.

### REFUNDS:

Refund requests must be received in writing within 60 days of the date of the cause of cancellation. Please allow four to six weeks for processing.

### UNUSED TOUR ARRANGEMENTS:

Portions of tour arrangements, or any other service or feature of the package which are not used are neither refundable nor exchangeable.

### RESPONSIBILITY:

Verstraete Travel, hereinafter called the "Operator" and/or its agents and suppliers of services, assume no responsibility for injury, death, damages, loss or delay incurred by any person in connection with the tour, or by reason of any event beyond the control of the Operator, or loss occasioned by neglect, default, strike, war, hostility, civil disturbance or resulting directly, or indirectly, from acts of God. The Operator reserves the right to withdraw any or all packages at any time should conditions warrant, to refuse to accept or retain any person as a participant, to alter or cancel the itinerary whenever the Operator deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience, or safety of the members of the tours. Verstraete Travel reserves the right to make any and all changes at anytime, as they deem necessary.

### MINIMUM GROUP SIZE: 36

**FUEL SURCHARGES:** Due to volatility and high oil prices, airlines can implement fuel surcharges at any time without notice. Should this occur, these surcharges will be passed on to you.



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