

The Woodlands United Methodist Church 2018 Tour to Normandy and Paris

\$4989 per person in double occupancy
Single Supplement: \$600
Land Only: \$4266

Thursday, June 7 - Depart USA on Air France flight #639 at 3:40 pm.

Friday, June 8 - Arrive at De Gaulle Roissy Airport at 8:15 am
Meet tour manager and bus driver; load luggage and board bus.
Travel to Giverny for a visit to Monet's gardens.

When Monet and his family settled in Giverny in 1883 the piece of land sloping gently down from the house to the road was planted with an orchard and enclosed by high stone walls. A central alley bordered with pines separated it into two parts. Monet had the pines cut down, keeping only the two yews closest to the house to please Alice. From this Clos Normand of about one hectare, Monet made a garden full of perspectives, symmetries and colors.

Continue to Rouen for dinner and overnight.

Saturday, June 9 - Explore Rouen and nearby Le Havre

Breakfast

Sightseeing tour of Rouen. Partially bus, old town walk.

A stroll through the quaint old streets of Rouen, in Upper Normandy, feels like a walk back in time. History awaits at every turn, from the Middle Ages to the modern era. For believers, the journey leads a few steps closer to heaven. Rouen has more than 50 religious buildings, and many of the churches are gems of Gothic architecture. Most of the top tourist attractions in Rouen lie within the city's pedestrian zone, a charming area of winding medieval lanes and picturesque half-timbered houses.

Highlights include the magnificent cathedral, the renowned Fine Arts Museum, and the remarkable Gros-Horloge clock tower. In Rouen, visitors can retrace the steps of Joan of Arc to see where she went to trial and where she was martyred. Tourists can also witness the destruction suffered during the Second World War. The exquisite facade of the Palais de Justice still has evidence of shell holes from Allied bombings.

Overnight in Rouen. Dinner on your own

Sunday, June 10 - Transfer from Rouen to Caen via Honfleur

Breakfast. Load bags on bus. Check out from hotel.

Tour medieval Honfleur with a guide. Free time in this quaint little place. *Located around the Vieux Bassin, or old harbor in France, Honfleur is a small town that still nestles many attractions to admire. Its harbor side bustles with people and activities rendering an immense charm to the city. There is a long list of things to do in Honfleur that keeps you engaged and bound to the city. Such as walking down one of the most beautiful cable-stayed road bridge in Europe. Apart from that, spending at its picturesque port Le Vieux Bassin is one of the best ways to admire the beauty of Honfleur.*

Dinner & overnight in Caen

Monday, June 11 - Excursion to the Normandy WW2 landing sites

Breakfast. Tour WW2 sites with local guide.

Including Pointe du Hoc: *One of the largest German coastal batteries with six guns. Being of 6-inch caliber and of a range of about 10 miles, these cannons would be a threat to both Omaha and Utah beaches. Because neither the air nor the naval bombardment would be enough to be sure all guns were destroyed before the invasion started, the task was given to finish the job on D-day. Mission seemed impossible: after landing on the small rocky beach, they had to scale the cliff, a sheer wall of about 100 feet (with their rope ladders and grappling hooks) and find and destroy the guns. ... Total casualties resulted very high.*

A stop in Bayeux: *Apart from its outstanding tapestry, a masterpiece of Romanesque art, Bayeux, the capital of Bessin, is depicted by the charm of a medieval and episcopal city. Miraculously the streets and monuments around the cathedral have survived the centuries. Bayeux is also proud of its illustrious past, from William the Conqueror to General de Gaulle, who came here to reassert France's sovereignty in what became a legendary speech*

And the American cemetery in Colleville-sur-Mer : *The Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial in France is located in Colleville-sur-Mer, on the site of the temporary American St. Laurent Cemetery,*

established by the U.S. First Army on June 8, 1944 as the first American cemetery on European soil in World War II.

Overnight in Caen. Dinner on your own.

Tuesday, June 12 - Departure for the Mont St Michel

Breakfast. Load bags on bus. Check out from hotel.

Arrive Mont St Michel for lunch on own. Afternoon visit the Mont St Michel on your own.

Late afternoon, continue to our hotel in Falaise for dinner and overnight.

Wednesday, June 13 From Falaise to Chartres.

Breakfast is served. Load bags on bus. Check out from hotel.

Drive to Chartres for a tour of the city and an afternoon visit of its magnificent Cathedral.

Chartres is a small city approximately an hour south-west of Paris by train. Population is 42,000 although that rises to 100,000 when the surrounding towns are taken into consideration. The main attraction for most visitors to Chartres is the 12th century cathedral, considered by many art historians to be the finest surviving example from the High Gothic period.

Dinner and overnight in Chartres.

Thursday 14/6 From Chartres to Versailles for a visit. Later to Paris.

Breakfast. Bus and local guide for a tour to Versailles Castle

Arrive at Versailles around 11.00am. Visit till 1.00 pm. Continue to central Paris . Brief scenic coach tour. Keep afternoon for possible performance.

Dinner on you own.

Friday 15/6 Morning coach sightseeing tour of the French Capital.

Breakfast. Morning sightseeing

Paris, the capital of France, has an annual 30 million foreign visitors, and so is one of the most visited cities in the world. Paris' sights include monuments and architecture, such as its Arc de Triomphe, Eiffel Tower

and neo-classic Haussmannian boulevards and buildings as well as museums, operas and concert halls. With its many monuments, the city is a symbol of French culture, and since the 2000s attracts nearly three million visitors per year

Visit the Eiffel Tower .

On March 31, 1889, workers riveted the last of more than 18,000 iron pieces into place to complete construction of the Eiffel Tower. To inaugurate the magnificent metallic structure, Alexandre-Gustave Eiffel, the tower's designer, climbed its 1,710 steps and unfurled a French tricolor flag from its pinnacle.

Afternoon visit to the Louvre.

Visit the palace of French kings to admire some of the world's finest art. The Louvre holds many of Western Civilization's most famous masterpieces, including the Mona Lisa by Leonardo da Vinci, and is one of the top things to do in Paris. The museum packs 30,000 artworks into a 60,000-square-meter exhibition space in three sections: the Denon, Richelieu, and Sully wings. Each wing has more than 70 rooms displaying paintings and objects of art, plus there are enormous halls filled with sculptures. It's impossible to see the entire collection in one day or even in a week.

Farewell dinner.

Saturday, June 16 - Transfer to De Gaulle airport for Air France flight #636 which departs Paris at 10:10 am.

Breakfast. Load bags on bus. Check out from hotel. Transfer to De Gaulle Roissy.

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PROGRAM CONDITIONS

INCLUDED IN PRICE OF STANDARD PROGRAM: Round trip airfare, transfers with group to/from airport; shared double room in moderate hotel; two meals daily; English speaking guide; transfer to and entrance fees for sites to be visited.

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE: Tips of \$200 to be collected and distributed by tour operator; Single room charges (see below); Additions or changes to the standard program (see below); individual transfers; laundry, coffee and drinks; excess baggage and items of a personal nature; any increase in taxes and fees that may occur between the printing of this brochure and issuing of airline tickets; medical and trip interruption and cancellation insurance. Price is based on the exchange rate at the time of printing and may be subject to change. Additional charge of \$225 for double occupancy and \$252 for single occupancy to pay by credit card.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE: Deposit of \$500 due with registration. Final payment is due March 5, 2018.

SINGLE ROOMS: When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. Single room supplement is \$600.

ROOMMATES: You will be charged for a single room if you do not have a roommate and/or Omega Travel cannot match you with one.

MEALS: Breakfast daily and dinners as outlined in the itinerary. All other meals are "on your own".

LUGGAGE: Limit of one suitcase and one carry-on per person. Checked bag is not to exceed 50 pounds or 62 inches total.

TRANSFERS: Transport between airport, hotel and piers is included in the standard program. However, those who request changes from standard program are responsible for their own transfers even when coinciding with group transfers.

CHANGES FROM STANDARD PROGRAM: Changes must be requested and approved in writing by Omega Travel. A **minimum** of \$150 will be charged and transfers to/from airports, etc. are not included.

AIRLINE TICKETS: Printed 45 days prior to departure, tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation to/from your European destination will be jet economy class aboard IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, nonamenable tickets for groups of 10 or more passengers flying together for entire itinerary.

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CANCELLATION FEES: From the day of registration to 120 days prior to departure the \$100 non-refundable registration fee is the only charge. Thereafter, the following charges apply: 119-90 days: \$500; 89-60 days: 50% of total cost; 59-45 days: 75% of total cost; 44 days to day of departure: 100% of total cost. All refund claims must be received in writing.

INSURANCE: Omega Travel strongly recommends cancellation and trip insurance to cover the above fees. The cost for insurance for this tour based on double occupancy is \$397 per person, \$472 for single occupancy. This amount covers the comprehensive insurance package including the pre-departure cancellation and the post-departure trip interruption benefits.

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Enrollment in and payment for the tour, constitutes your acceptance of the Program Conditions and Statement of Responsibility.

The program conditions become a binding contract when your enrollment and payment are received and accepted by Omega Travel in The Woodlands, Texas.

Venue for any disputes is Montgomery County,
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the state of Texas.