



Rainbow Division Veterans Foundation World War One Centennial Battle History Trip to France

July 20 - 30, 2018





Join the Rainbow Division Veterans Foundation on a once-in-a-lifetime trip to France to celebrate the 42nd "Rainbow" Division's World War One Battle History !

This ten-day history excursion is open to friends, family and former members of the Rainbow Division.

PRICE: \$2700.00 Per Person Double Occupancy/\$3400.00 Single Occupancy* (Discounts available for early registration)

*Price includes hotel, in country transportation, some meals, plus tour guide. It does not include airfare

While in France, you will:

- Participate in the Official U.S. World War One Centennial Ceremony at Oise-Aisne American Cemetery
- Enjoy the Rainbow Division Memorial (Croix Rouge Farm) ceremony and concert
- Take guided tours of important American battlefields at Champagne, Argonne and Chateau-Thierry
- Visit unique World War One museums, monuments and U.S. cemeteries
- But of course there's time for champagne tours and visiting the cathedral city of Reims, not to mention a free day in Paris, "The City of Light"



This trip is being organized through Fitness Travel France, Inc., a veteran-owned agency with years of experience providing European military history tours.

Our professional guide, Brig. (Ret) John Smales, will lead you on an unforgettable journey of discovery – see where the Rainbow Division made history during World War One.

You'll enjoy comfortable lodging in scenic, historic French cities, travel by modern motor coach (bus), and some meals included.

For more information on this amazing history tour, contact Fitness Travel France, Inc., at 1-888-539-5520, or by email: lil@fitnesstravelfrance.com

Details:

- Space is limited to the first 50 people who sign up.
- Discount Price: \$2500.00 Per Person (PP) (Double Occupancy) \$3200.00 (Single Occupancy) with 50% Deposit of \$1250.00 PP (D/O) \$1600.00 (S/O) by October 1, 2017.
- Base Price: \$2700.00 PP (D/O) or \$3400.00 (S/O) Deposit schedule:
 - ✓ Oct 1, 2017: \$1000.00 PP (d/o) or \$1400.00 (s/o)
 - ✓ Nov 1, 2017: \$1350.00 PP (d/o) or \$1700.00 (s/o)
 - ✓ Dec 1, 2017: \$1500.00 PP (d/o) or \$1900.00 (s/o)
- Balance of payment is due May 15, 2018.
- Once 50 travelers have paid their deposit, those who wish to participate will be placed on a waiting list. If someone else withdraws, those on the waiting list will be added to the trip manifest in the order in which their deposit was received.
- A Registration Form, Waiver/Release, and Terms & Conditions are attached. You must print, sign, and return the registration form and waiver/release along with payment to Fitness Travel France, Fitness Travel France, 2801 Centerville Road PMB 5873 Wilmington, DE 19808. Acceptable forms of payment include PayPal or personal check. You may include credit card information with registration, but this is not recommended.
- You will need to make your own air travel arrangements.
- All travelers must arrive in France before 11:00 AM (Paris time) on Saturday, July 21 2018. (Most international flights from the U.S. leave the evening before).
- The motor coach departs promptly at 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, July 21, 2018. All participants will need to assemble at the Ibis Hotel at Charles deGaulle International Airport in Paris (shuttle train available) before Noon on July 21st.
- The tour ends on Monday, July 30, 2018. You may schedule your flight home from Paris on that day.
- This is an active tour for active people. While many destinations are handicap-accessible, we expect to walk up to one mile every day and climb stairs. The July heat in France can affect those with some medical conditions if uncertain about your ability to keep up, call Pat Chaisson at 518-641-2731.
- See the Terms and Conditions for other considerations such as travel insurance, passport requirements, and our cancelation policy. For other questions, contact Fitness Travel France, 2801 Centerville Road PMB 5873 Wilmington, DE 19808 or by phone: 1-888-539-5520. Email: lil@fitnesstravelfrance.com



PROPOSED ITINERARY RAINBOW DIVISION VETERANS FOUNDATION 2018 FRANCE TRIP AS OF 28 July 2017

20 JUL 2018: DAY ONE – Depart CONUS, Spend overnight traveling to France.

21 JUL 2018: DAY TWO – Arrive France, meet at Rally Point (conference room in IBIS hotel at Charles De Gaulle Airport), board bus, drive to The Great War Museum in Meaux, visit museum then move to Verdun. Spend overnight in Verdun. (No meals provided today. Light snack at the meeting point. Museum entry paid.)

22 JUL 2018: DAY THREE – Visit Verdun sites (Verdun Memorial Museum, Fleury village, Fort Douaumont, Douaumont Ossuary). Spend overnight in Verdun. (Breakfast and lunch provided. Museum entries paid.)

23 JUL 2018: DAY FOUR – Drive to Sommepy, visit Sommepy American Monument and Ossuary of Navarin. Spend overnight in Verdun. (Breakfast and sack lunch provided.)

24 JUL 2018: DAY FIVE – Drive to Montfaucon American Memorial, then Romagne for lunch on your own and tour of '14-'18 museum. Move to Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery. Spend overnight in Verdun. (Breakfast provided.)

25 JUL 2018: DAY SIX – Drive to the St. Mihiel region. Visit Montsec American Monument and St. Mihiel American Cemetery. Drive to Reims. Spend overnight in Reims. (Breakfast and sack lunch provided.)

26 JUL 2018: DAY SEVEN – Drive to Rheims. Morning tour of Cathedral. Afternoon tour of Champagne caves. Spend overnight in Rheims. (Breakfast included. Cathedral tour and champagne tour included.)

27 JUL 2018: DAY EIGHT – Drive to Chateau Thierry. Visit Chateau Thierry American Monument and newly-opened visitor center. Tour American Protestant Church in town, then move to Aisne-Marne American Cemetery. Possible side-trip to Belleau Wood (site of major USMC battle). Spend overnight in Chateau Thierry. (Breakfast and group dinner included.)

28 JUL 2018: DAY NINE – Move to Oise-Aisne American Cemetery for World War One ceremony. Afterwards, move to Fere-et-Tardenois for Croix Rouge Farm (42nd Division Memorial) and celebration. Move to Paris, spend overnight in Paris. (Breakfast provided.)

29 JUL 2018: DAY TEN – Day off in Paris for personal exploration, shopping, etc. Spend overnight in Paris. (Breakfast provided.)

30 JUL 2018: DAY ELEVEN – Depart. (Ground transportation to airport not included.)

Notes: Motor coach ground transportation included from 21 - 28 July. Historian accompanies the group from 21 - 28 July. Includes nine nights' accommodation in twin rooms (single supplement will apply), twelve meals as stated, museum entries as stated. Rental car will accompany from 21-28 July.