

A place of residence for French kings from the 15th to the 19th centuries, its destiny is inextricably linked to the history of France. Numerous literary figures and artists were invited here, like Leonardo da Vinci whose tomb is preserved at the château. This royal château is thus the expression of French-style luxury. From its balconies, its roofs and its terraced gardens, visitors can take in the Loire landscape and delight in what the kings enjoyed. After free time for lunch, we'll continue to our hotel in ORLEANS.

### Wednesday 29 NANCY – 1 night

After breakfast we'll continue our journey to NANCY. This is one of the major economical cities of the Lorraine region. Parts of the historical city center are listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



The guided city tour will take us to the most famous places. Place Stanislas, the town square was built by Stanislas, Duke of Lorraine and former King of Poland in the 18th century. The Old City, including the St-Epvre basilique and square with many cafés and restaurants and other interesting sites.

### Thursday 30 NÜRNBERG - 1 night

AM depart to NÜRNBERG. PM visit to the Zeppelin Field on the immense Nazi Party Rally Grounds. After touring the Luitpold



Parade Ground and the superb Documentation Center, we will visit the Palace of Justice, site of the 1946 War Crimes Trials. Rest of the day at leisure.

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### Friday, May 1 - Wednesday 6 PLZEN - 6 nights Spectacular 6 day Pilsen Celebrations

Liberation Festival - program according to city schedule.  
The daily program will be known by the end of March.

#### Thursday 7

After breakfast, your tour ends this morning, leaving you with pleasant memories of a wonderful vacation. \* Subject to change

#### Thursday 7

#### PRAGUE - 2 nights

Before noon transfer to Prague. WALK THROUGH PRAGUE'S ROYAL ROAD. Today we will follow in the footsteps of kings along this 400 year-old route, and view what their royal eyes looked upon. Nowadays the street is lined with souvenir shops, cafés and restaurants. Evening is reserved for our most popular DINNER PARTY



with FOLKLORE PROGRAM full of MUSIC - DANCE and lots of FUN!

#### Friday 8

Enjoy a free day to further explore the sights of PRAGUE such as Prague Castle. Perhaps you may indulge in the last minute shopping for some wonderful bargains including the world famous Bohemian crystal, the garnet jewelry, souvenirs and many handcrafts. There is music available everywhere and you may enjoy a concert.



#### Saturday 9

After breakfast, your tour ends this morning, leaving you with pleasant memories of a wonderful vacation. Transfer to Václav Havel Airport.

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### TOUR RESERVATION DETAILS - limited seats available

Land price per person double occupancy for:

**April 24 - May 7: ONLY: \$3,475**

**April 24 - May 9: ONLY: \$3,770**

For single supplement add: \$720 / \$840

**Any U.S. Veteran & Member of the 16th ADA will  
Save \$100 per person from the price above**

**Book by: Jan. 10, 2020 Past due by: Jan. 24, 2020**

Airline ticket arrangements available upon request at time of booking

## "Traces to Victory"

### 75th Anniversary Tour 2020

The 75th Anniversary of the End of WWII and liberation Pilsen by the U.S. Army in 1945

### Spectacular 6 day Pilsen Celebrations

14 or 16 days tour to choose from:

April 24 - May 7 or until May 9, 2020

**Tour starts from: Brussels / Belgium  
and continues to Normandy / France,  
Germany and to PILSEN and PRAGUE  
in the Czech Republic.**



General George S. Patton  
"Blood & Guts"

**1945  
2020**



**For more Information and Registration  
on this tour, please contact Peter at:**

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• This tour was designed by the request of the 16th Armored Division/Association  
<https://www.facebook.com/16thADA>  
 The city Pilsen / Plzeň was liberated on May 6, 1945 by the U.S. 16th Armored Division and the 2nd and 97th Infantry Divisions.

### Cities & Landmarks visiting:

• Brussels • Dunkirk / War museum • Calais / Bunker museum • Caen • Saint-Mere-Eglise / Normandy landings • Le Mans • Chateau Amboise • Orleans • Nancy • Nürnberg • Plzeň and • Prague

### OVERNIGHT hotels with private facilities in:

• CALAIS • CAEN • ORLEANS • NANCY  
 • NÜRNBERG • PLZEN • PRAGUE

### TOUR INCLUDES:

• Land transfers by comfortable motor coach  
 • Daily breakfasts; lunches or dinners as per itinerary  
 • All scheduled sightseeing & entrance fees, local taxes, music, parties & entertainment  
 • Escorted from US by Czech native  
 • Professional, local English speaking Tour guides  
 • "Travel Book" and maps of the Czech Republic and Prague plus information you need to know before you go & during the tour

### NOT INCLUDED:

• Airfare (please ask us, we can assist)  
 • Travel Insurance (please ask us, we can assist)  
 • Porterage and gratuities for local tour guides and driver • Personal expenses • Meals & beverages not mentioned in tour program  
 • Anything not mentioned in the inclusions

# **"Traces to Victory"** **75th Anniversary Tour 2020**

Choose from 14 days: April 24 - May 7, 2020  
 or 16 days: April 24 - May 9, 2020

Itinerary\* "TRAVEL BOOK" with daily program > detailed schedule information will be mailed to you approx. 1 month prior to departure.

## **Friday, April 24**



Depart your hometown and take an overnight flight across the Atlantic. Enjoy in-flight entertainment and meal service as you travel to start your vacation.

## **Saturday 25 CALAIS - 1 night**

The tour starts today after your arrival to BRUSSELS / Belgium airport. Transfer to CALAIS / France with stop in DUNKIRK. Visit the Dunkirk War Museum. From May 26 to June 4, 1940, Dunkirk was the theatre of the largest evacuation effort in military history: 338 000 Allied soldiers were evacuated on a flotilla of more than 800 ships. Discover the incredible story of Operation Dynamo with our exclusive "Dynamo Tour", a trip in time which pays the tribute to all the allied forces involved in the operation and who created "The Dunkirk Spirit", a symbol of hope and resistance. Photographs, maps and military equipment help visitors understand this historic event. Later PM arrival to our hotel in CALAIS. Welcome dinner.



## **Sunday 26 CAEN - 2 nights**

You may attend the morning Church services in the city. Before noon, depart to CAEN. PM, guided city tour followed by a free time.



## **Monday 27**

AM we'll continue our tour of the "Operation Overlord" area. It will take us into the American theater of operations. Driving west our first stop of the day will be in STE



MERE EGLISE. It was here that the west flank of the landing beaches had to be secured early in the morning of June 6, 1944. Here we will visit the Airborne Museum dedicated to the 101st Division "Screaming Eagles" and the 82nd Division "All American". We will also visit the church to view the beautiful stained glass windows also dedicated to these two divisions. A parachute still dangles precariously from the steeple with an effigy of an 82nd airborne trooper, John Steele, who was entangled there after the drop. Free time for lunch. After leaving St. Mere Eglise, our tour will continue into STE MARIE du MONT and drop down onto Utah Beach. Here we will have time to view the memorial before continuing over to Omaha Beach & Pointe du Hoc. On arrival at Omaha beach we will have time to reflect on the bloody slaughter of many young Americans that died here. After visiting Omaha beach we will climb the bluffs to overlook the beachhead area and visit St. Laurent-sur-Mer American Military Cemetery.

## **Tuesday 28 ORLEANS- 1 night**

AM depart Caen to ORLEANS. On the way we'll make a short stop in LE MANS and then continue to visit the Chateau Amboise.

