

Fortress Europe

FROM ONLY

£40

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Prices are representative per person on a minimum of 40 paying members travelling low season.

An excursion providing the opportunity to visit the many fascinating sites in Nord-Pas de Calais that demonstrate the extent of the fortification and armaments in place during World War II.

Itinerary

Depart school very early for a breakfast-time ferry crossing or Eurotunnel to Calais. Arrive in the Nord-Pas de Calais coastal region before lunchtime for sightseeing in the area. Depart early evening, returning by ferry/

Eurotunnel. Arrive back at school in the late evening. The amount of time available in the Nord-Pas de Calais area is limited to approximately seven hours, but could be less dependent upon the location of your school.



Included in this tour

- Return coach travel from your school
- Return ferry crossing or Eurotunnel
- Use of your coach throughout the excursion
- All road tolls, taxes, and driver's expenses
- Free staff places at the ratio of 1:10
- Museum reservation service
- Student information notes (Battlefield trips only)
- 24hr emergency on call service

Prices are representative per person on a minimum of 40 paying passengers on a Sunday to Thursday departure from Suffolk, Norfolk, Essex, Kent, London, Surrey or Cambridgeshire.

| Low season | Mid season | High season |
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| £40 | £45 | £49 |

Study visits

World War II Museum Ambleuse

This museum pays homage to all the veterans of the Second World War, and features the chronological history from the invasion of Poland in 1939 to the bombing of Hiroshima in 1945.

Atlantic Wall near Ostend

This is a unique historical site containing nearly 60 constructions dating from both World Wars, interconnected by 2 kilometres of trenches and galleries.

Calais War Museum

The museum is situated in the giant Mako bunker, former headquarters of the German Navy and describes what happened in and around the town, from the battles of May 1940 to the liberation in September 1944.



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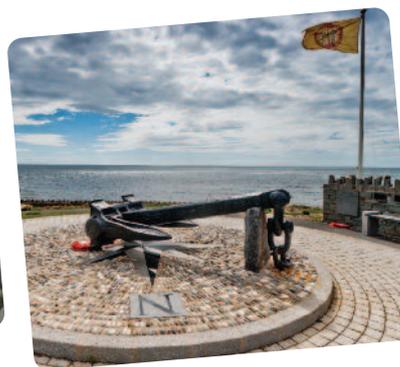
This is one of the seven huge bunkers that were built to protect the 380mm guns. The walls and roof of the bunker are over 3 metres thick and were completed in January 1942.

Mimoyecques

This former V3 site based south west of Calais now houses a fascinating museum where an audio commentary enhances visitor interpretation. The V3 weapon was intended to attack London and for this reason was called 'The London Gun'

Dunkirk

Visits available in Dunkirk include Le Fort de Leffrinckoucke, the British Museum and the Memorial du Souvenir Museum that evokes the battle for Dunkirk and Operation DYNAMO of May and June 1940.



La Coupole History Centre of War and Rockets

The concrete dome looming out of the forest conceals the underground works deep in the hillside that house the World War II German rocket base near St. Omer. Inside the Dome, you'll see where they would have assembled the V2 rockets, added fuel, and armed them with explosive warheads.

Eperlecques

This enormous bunker was constructed by the Germans in 1943 to accommodate V2 reception and storage; preparation of rockets for launch in a sheltered and controlled manner; on site production of liquid oxygen; and launch control with two firing pads.

Other visit options

It may be possible to include one or more of the following places on the Opal Coast: Boulogne, Nausicaa Sea Life Centre, Becasuc Sweet Factory, Le Touquet and Aqualud, St. Omer, Montreuil, Agincourt, Sire Decrey Cheese Farm, Chocolaterie de Beussent, Boulangerie Maillard.