

Week of Friendship

Discovery of the Hauts de France

From Wednesday, May 20 to Monday, May 25, 2020

Hôtel IBIS TOURCOING CENTRE

1, Rue d'Havré – Centre du Général de Gaulle – 59 200 TOURCOING - France

Wednesday May 20th arrival of the participants

From 16:00, arrival, taking into account rooms,
17.00 free visit of the TOURCOING cathedral.
18h00 reception of the participants by the organizers, followed by a welcome drink,
19:00 Dinner at the hotel

Day 1 - THURSDAY May 21st (Ascension) DUNKIRK – GRAVELINES

Breakfast taken at the hotel
Departure from the hotel and drive to Dunkirk.



In the morning: Guided tour of the permanent exhibition at the Dunkirk Port Museum.
Embark on a journey to discover the history of the port of Dunkirk, visit by boat in the harbor.

Lunch in a restaurant in the city. (+ drinks)

Visit of the construction site Tourville.
Discover the identical reconstruction of a first-class ship "Le Jean Bart" representative of the navy under Louis XIV and trades of yesteryear: carpenter, sculptor, blacksmith,

Visit the fortified city of Gravelines in a passenger boat.

Board the passenger boats. Fauna, Flora, History, follow the quiet meanders of the moat for a historical and picturesque route. Discover the works of Charles Quint and Vauban sailing around the fortifications.

DINNER en route to Bailleul

Return and overnight at the hotel.

Day 2: FRIDAY, May 22 - DISCOVER THE FLANDERS

Breakfast at the hotel

Departure from Roubaix and drive to Flanders.

Welcome to the NoordMeulen Inn for breakfast

(Coffee + faluche with brown sugar)

Departure in a carriage direction Steenvoorde to discover the game of the Flemish ball



Back to the hostel for a typical Flemish lunch

Homemade aperitif - Casseloise Faluche - Flemish

Rooster - Cassonnade tart

Wine and beer at will + coffee

Departure in a carriage towards the mill of Steenmeulen



Classified as a "Historical Monument", the steenmeulen or stone mill in Flemish is the only Dutch-style brick mill still functional in the region. It has three pairs of grinding wheels and one oil. At its foot is a museum that invites a stroll in Flemish country between the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. You can discover many objects, furniture, costumes and tools of time as well as farm machinery in perfect working order. A flour mill shows the evolution of flour manufacturing techniques as the windmills disappear. In the nearby house, automaton and a movie tell the life of a miller

Back to the hostel for a discovery of the Flemish games and tasting of local beer

Return to the hotel

Free DINER city center offers many opportunities to eat



Day 3 - SATURDAY, May 23 - DISCOVERING LILLE



Breakfast at the hotel, Departure for Lille
City tour by scenic bus

Nothing is better than riding the city comfortably in a convertible! Equipped with a guided audiovisual system, the bus offers a panorama of the main monuments of the city, from its origins to the most contemporary neighborhoods.

Lunch at the restaurant in the city center (drinks)

Afternoon, visit on foot of the Old Lille, the old stock market, the big place, the door of Ghent, the cathedral of the Treille,



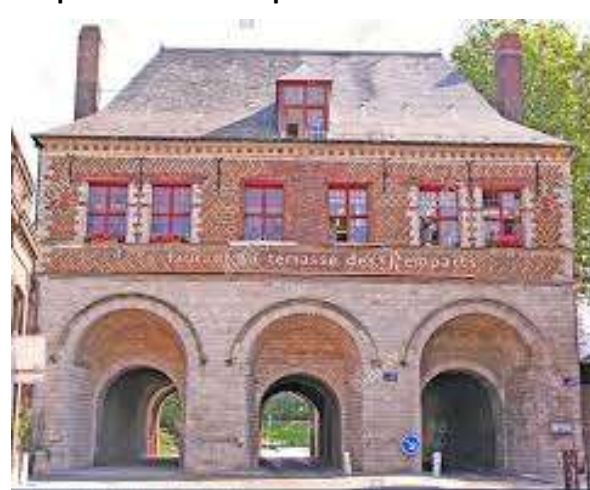
Cathédrale de la Treille et sa porte d'albâtre



porte de Paris ou porte Louis XIV



Rue de la monnaie entrée Hospice Comtesse



porte de Gand



Cour intérieure de la vieille bourse



entrée de la Citadelle



Place Louise de Bettignies



Lille town hall and its belfry



district in old Lille

Dinner show at Chapitô The new Lilloise scene
Night at the hotel

Day 4 - SUNDAY 24 May - ARRAS - LORETTE - VIMY

Memory Day



Breakfast at the hotel "

place d'Arras

Departure for Arras

Wellington quarry tour of Arras

At 20 meters under the cobblestones of Arras, discover the Carrière Wellington, a place full of memory and emotion. Beginning in November 1916, the British prepared the spring offensive of 1917. Their idea of genius: to connect by the tunneling New Zealand medieval chalk quarries of the city, to create a real network of underground barracks, able to accommodate up to 24,000 soldiers.

The temperature in the Carrière Wellington galleries is 11 ° C. Provide a warm clothing.

Lunch at the country relay

Single menu for the whole group (drinks included)

Necropolis Notre-Dame-de-Lorette + Ring of Memory. 1:30



At the top of the hill of Notre-Dame-de-Lorette, still sleep the bodies of

42,000 French soldiers who died during the First World War. It is today the largest French military cemetery. To remember and pay homage to all his sacrificed lives, the Ring of Memory brings together since 2014 the names of nearly 580,000 fallen soldiers on the ground of Nord-Pas-de-Calais between 1914 and 1918.

The cemetery which is arranged around the chapel of Notre-Dame de Lorette and the lantern tower is the biggest military cemetery in France since it gathers about 43000 bodies of soldiers fallen during the battles of Artois. For comparison, in the famous American Cemetery Colleville-sur-Mer, located near one of the landing beaches of June 6, 1944, rest 9388 people.

The Lorette Hill Cemetery forms a rectangle of approximately 13 hectares, measuring 645 meters by 200. It is divided into four parts by two perpendicular alleys, and in the center is the chapel and the lantern tower. device to regularly revive a flame of memory, in the same way as the Arc de Triomphe in Paris.

Under a decree of March 20, 2014 issued by the Minister of Defense and the Minister Delegate for Veterans Affairs, the national cemetery of Notre-Dame de Lorette has become a "Mecca of the national memory of the Ministry of Defense. defense ", in that it is linked to the memory of contemporary conflicts since 1870, that it has a national and emblematic character of an aspect of contemporary conflicts and that it is maintained by the Ministry of Defense or under its responsibility, to perpetuate the memory of contemporary conflicts and to maintain the army-nation link. More specifically, the necropolis is distinguished under the military dead for France alongside their allied arms brothers (1914-1918).



"The poppies symbol of rest, tranquility and consolation"

The bodies of the soldiers that could be identified, numbering about 20,000, were buried individually, their names appearing on a cross. However, very many mortal remains could not be identified and so they were deposited in seven ossuaries arranged, for six of them, in the middle of the tombs and for the seventh, in the crypt of the tower-lantern. A total of 22970 bodies rest in these ossuaries which, in the case of those placed in the cemetery, bear the name of a general or marshal of the Great War.

Visit of Vimy Canadian Memorial Park. 1:30

Accompanied by one of our guides, you will tread the Canadian lands, this visit allows you to understand and relive with emotion a crucial episode of the Great War 14/18



"Consolidated trenches"

Painting of the Battle of Vimy Ridge April 9-12, 1917



The Canadian Vimy Memorial is the most prestigious Canadian landmark in Europe, becoming a Canadian land "a gift from the French nation to the Canadian people" and a symbol of international history, engraved with the names of the victims of the fighting. It was brought to the memory of the 66,000 young Canadians who left their lives here and in France and commemorates the battle of April 9, 1917. (It is sometimes claimed that this land is part of Canada. This is not strictly accurate. the French Government has granted "to the Government of Canada, gracefully and forever, the free use of the land, exempt from any form of tax." Contrary to what happens for an embassy, the place is subject to the laws of the France and the French police are responsible for maintaining law and order.)

The Monument does more than indicate the location of the fights Canadians are more proud of than any other operation in the First World War. It is a tribute to all those who fought for their country during these four years of war and, in particular, to those who gave their lives. On the base of the Monument, are engraved in stone, in French and in English, the following words.

"AT THE VALUE OF ITS SON DURING THE GREAT WAR, AND IN MEMORY OF ITS SIXTY THOUSAND DEAD, THE CANADIAN PEOPLE HAVE RAISED THIS MONUMENT"

Monday, May 25th:

End of the week of friendship "discovery of the Hauts de France"

From 07:00 breakfast at the hotel.

Departure of the participants. End of our service

**NORD IPA was pleased to welcome you
and wish this overview of our region will make you want to come back**

IPA NORD Friendship Week

From Wednesday May 20th at 3:00 pm to Monday May 25th

6 days 5 nights accommodation in hotel breakfast included.

All visits, transport by coach, meals with drinks, benefits included guides are included.

Participation required: 450 € per person accommodated in a double room

Not included: dinner on Friday night is free

Private car parking 25 € for 5 days

Single room + 25 € per night (125 € for the 5 nights)

Reservation 200 € for November 15, 2019

Balance 250 € for April 05, 2020

Reservation form below to return to me

BOOKING BULLETIN for November 15, 2019

**Friendship Week "Discovery of the Hauts de France" Department of NORTH
Arriving on Wednesday, May 20, 2020 - Departure on Monday, May 25, 2020**

Last name and first name :

Address :

Postal Code:

City:

Country:

IPA Member n °:

section:

Number of accompanying persons:

Accompanying identity (es):

Choice room: double or double twin

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single (+25 € per night): yes no

scratch useless mention

Arrival by personal vehicle: yes no

scratch useless mention

Vehicle brand:

color:

Registration number of the vehicle:

Would you like parking for your vehicle? 25 € for 5 days

to pay on the spot

Reservation 200 € per person to pay by transfer to:

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Banque Populaire Nord Lille Fives

IBAN code: FR76 1350 7001 2626 0503 5190 087

BIC Code: CCBPFRPPLIL

Or by check to send with the completed booking form to:

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If arriving by train, which station?

Arriving time?:

Need a reception at the station? Yes or no