

UTHRO Presents... **Bayeux**
France Culinary Delight
From Paris to Normandy



Colleville-sur-Mer

Day 7 of our France Culinary Delights: Paris to Normandy will find us on the Beaches of Normandy. We will be spending the whole day with our Vantage tour guide. We will be driven to the coastal village of Colleville-sur-Mer and the American Cemetery and Memorial, burial site of nearly 100,000 soldiers.



Point-du-Hoc cliffs



La Point-du-Hoc map

Then, it's on to the Pointe du Hoc, site of the German battery that was destroyed by U.S. Rangers who scaled the sea cliff in a daring attack. We will continue on to Omaha Beach where U.S. Army infantry prevailed in the face of fierce resistance. After a wonderful lunch in a local French restaurant, we have our choice of tours.



Scene from Bayeux tapestry



Caen Peace Memorial Museum

You may go to the town of Bayeux for an English-language audit tour of the remarkable Bayeux Tapestry which is a 230-foot embroidered cloth depicting events leading up to the 1066 Norman Conquest of England. Or, take an excursion to the thought-provoking Caen Peace Memorial which is a site dedicated to lasting peace that has what many consider the best World War II museum in France. All is included in your Vantage tour package.



As I cannot begin to do justice to the experiences and the sacrifices of our troops on the Beaches of Normandy, I am attaching a series of 3 articles written by Ernie Pyle whom some consider history's greatest war correspondent. These articles were re-published, with permission from Scripps Howard Foundation, in my hometown newspaper on the 75th anniversary of D-Day. My Mom, knowing that I would be visiting Normandy in 2020, cut them out of the newspaper and saved them for me. I wanted

to share them with you. So, place your box of tissues nearby and read the poignant first hand accounts of journalist Ernie Pyle.



After our long day of remembrance, Vantage will treat us to a tasting of local vintages with our maître d' during a wine hour preceding dinner. I look forward to our enlighten dinner conversation following a day filled with the sorrows and triumphs of "The Greatest Generation."