



RAINBOW EDUCATIONAL TOURS

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Proposed itinerary for-: France and Spain 13 Days/ 11 Nights

Day One-:

Saturday April 16, 2011

Leave from **Calgary** international airport at night for your flight via wide-bodied jet for **Paris**, France. Enjoy in-flight meals and services.

Day Two -:

Sunday April 17, 2011

You will arrive at the Charles de Gaulle airport where the **Rainbow Educational Tours Representative** in Paris will meet you, and then you will continue to Caen.. Dinner and continental Breakfast are included throughout the tour.

Day Three- :

Monday April 18, 2011

This morning after breakfast you will visit Bey-sur-Mer the Canadian War Cemetery near Riviers then to Juno Beach Memorial Centre past Gold Beach,, Arromanches-Mulberry Harbour return to Caen and visit the Museum for Peace, dinner and overnight.

Day Four-:

Tuesday April 19, 2011

This morning after breakfast you will depart Caen visit Ardenne Abbey then to Pegasus Bridge and then cross Normandy Bridge to Dieppe to visit the museum and Canadian cemetery and over night Dieppe

Day Five-:

Wednesday April 20, 2011

This morning after breakfast you will depart to Amiens for the Cathedral and Memorial to the allied Forces stop in Dury visit the memorial continue to Albert then to the Newfoundland Memorial Park at Beaumont Hamel overnight Arras

Day Six-:

Thursday April 21, 2011

Located just outside of this small town lies the twelve thousand tonne marble monument atop **Vimy Ridge** commemorating Canada's significant victory during World War I. Bilingual Canadian guides offer a haunting tour of the networks of tunnels and trenches that housed German and Canadian troops during the battle. At the museum students may learn more about the battle and the monument at Vimy. Then you will continue to the **Palace of Versailles**, the monumental chateau of **Louis XIV**, the '**Sun King**'. You will visit the Private Apartments of the King and Queen including the perfectly-restored boudoir of **Marie Antoinette** and the beautiful **Galerie des Glaces** also known as the **Hall of Mirrors**. Great state occasions were held in this room stretching 70 m (233 ft) along the west façade. Here in 1919 the **Treaty of Versailles** was ratified, ending World War I. Spend time exploring the vast beautiful gardens and fountains. (Entrance included). Then continue to Paris for dinner and overnight.

Day Seven-:

Friday April 22, 2011

This morning after breakfast you will be picked up by your guide and coach for sightseeing which will take you around the major monuments of Paris. The **Tour Eiffel**, (get your cameras ready at the **Palais de Chaillot** photo stop), the **Arc de Triomphe**, the **Madeleine**, the sumptuous **Opera Garnier**, the **Ile de la Cite** with **Notre Dame** and its **Sainte Chapelle** and many other sights.. Take an evening stroll in the **Place de La Concorde** for your first glimpse or the floodlit monuments of Paris, notably the **Arc de Triomphe** at the head of the long **Champs Elysees**, the fountains and obelisk of **Concorde**. As you gaze around the spacious place it is hard to imagine the guillotine set up here during the French Revolution and the many heads that rolled. After lunch you will continue to the **Louvre** where you will have a guided visit of the **Palais du Louvre** where you will see Leonardo Da Vinci's **Mona Lisa**, the **Venus de Milo**, the **Raft of the Medusa** by Thèodore Gèricault, and several other famous works of art. Dinner will be in a local restaurant this evening.. Then, head for the **Eiffel Tower** where you will take the elevator up (entrance included to the 3rd level) for an excellent view of the 'City of Lights' by night. Return to your hotel by metro for overnight.

Day Eight-:

Saturday April 23, 2011

After breakfast you will travel by Metro to visit the **Tomb of Napoleon at Les Invalides**. Then, you have entrance included to the **Musée de l'Armée** which houses items from the middle ages through the Second World War; it is one of the world's richest army museums. One of the most interesting collections includes Napoleon's personal weapons, flag, sword, medals, uniform and his horse and dog are on display in the museum. Now you will take the Metro to Pierre Lachaise cemetery where Jim Morrison from the Doors is buried and then continue to Montmartre. You will have dinner before boarding the overnight train to Madrid.

Day Nine-:

Sunday April 24, 2011

You will be met by your Madrid guide and then a half day Artistic city tour with an English speaking local guide and visit of the Royal Palace and the Prado Museum with entrance included. Then you will go to your hotel check in and then you will be given an orientation of the city by your escort. Dinner and overnight Madrid.

Day Ten-:

Monday April 25, 2011

You will have a full day tour to **Avila** and **Segovia** with an English speaking guide. In Avila you will see the **11 century "Walls"** and visit the **Gothic Cathedral and Saint Theresa's church**. In **Segovia** you will see the **Roman Aqueduct** and visit the **Gothic Cathedral** and the **Alcazar Palace/Fortress**. Dinner and accommodations at Hotel.

Day Eleven-:

Tuesday April 26, 2011

Today you will have a full day tour to **Escorial & Valley of the Fallen** and **Segovia**. Your tour includes the **Royal Monastery of El Escorial**, declared a World Heritage Site and the **Valley of the Fallen**, an imposing monument built as a memorial for those who died during the Spanish Civil War. You will return to Madrid for dinner and overnight.

Day Twelve-:

Wednesday April 27, 2011

Buffet Breakfast and then you will have a half day tour to **Toledo** and visit the **Cathedral, the church of Santo Tome and El Greco Museum**. You will return to Madrid and then there will be some free time for some shopping. You will have dinner at a local restaurant. After dinner you will go to a **Flamenco show and overnight Madrid**.

Day Thirteen-:

Thursday April 28, 2011

This morning after breakfast you will be transferred to the airport for your flight home to Canada.

Included in the Cost of the Tour:

- Airfare Calgary/ Paris / Madrid/Calgary via scheduled airlines such as Air Canada or Lufthansa
- All transportation as stated in the day-to-day itinerary
- Continental Breakfast and dinners daily
- 10 nights Tourist Class Accommodation in Triple bedded rooms
- Services of the RAINBOW escort for entire tour
- 1 overnight train in couchettes
- Entrances and guided sightseeing tours as outlined in the day-to-day itinerary
- Services of the RAINBOW educational consultant before departure
- Comprehensive Insurance: Excess Medical, Trip Cancellation and Baggage
- Airport Tax (\$365.00)**
- Entrance to the third level of the Eiffel Tower
- Entrance to Versailles
- Entrance to the Louvre
- Entrance to Napoleon's Tomb
- Entrance to Musee de l' Armee
- Entrance to Memorial pour la Paix Caen
- Entrance to Juno Beach Centre Courseulles-sur-mer
- Entrance to the Dieppe Museum
- Entrance to the Royal Place
- Entrance to the Cathedral in Avila
- Entrance to the Cathedral and Alcazar in Segovia
- Entrance to El Escorial and Valley of the Fallen
- Entrance to Cathedral Toledo and Santo Tome Church
- Flamenco Show

Not Included:

- Expenses of a personal nature
- Passport and Visa Fees (if necessary)
- Extra Beverages with meals
- Optional tours, excursions and activities
- Single supplements for any single hotel room accommodation required
- Any New Fuel surcharges imposed by airlines or any new taxes by airlines**
- This costing was done at the rate of 1.38 to the Euro any shift up or down of more than .05 will reflect in a price change!**

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