



Trip description

Normandy bike tour from D-Day beaches to charming harbours

Cycling from Bayeux to the quaint harbour of Honfleur along D-Day beaches, Caen, Deauville and other charming coastal cities and villages

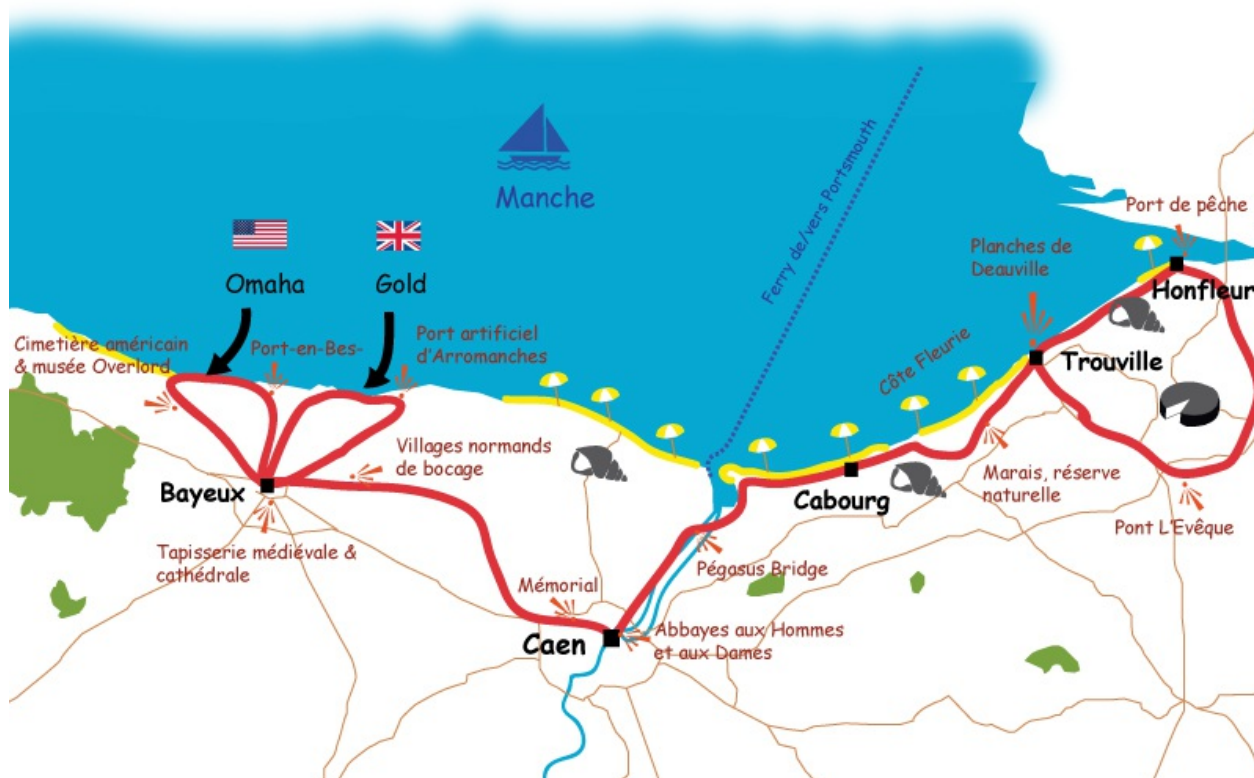


Destination	France
Location	Normandie
Duration	8 days
Difficulty Level	Easy
Validity	From April to November
Minimum age	14 years
Reference	N0801

Type of stay
itinerant trip



Itinerary



This bike tour leads along one of the most beautiful coasts of France. The tour starts in Bayeux, world-known for its medieval tapestry, but also at the heart of the landing beaches of WW II. From here you will discover Omaha beach, but also Arromanches and Gold beach and pay homage to the fallen soldiers at the American Cemetery overlooking the English Channel. You will ride along apple orchards, dairy farms and the beautiful coast into quaint fishing villages.

Day 1

Arrival in Bayeux

Bayeux is at the center of the Landing beaches. Discover this charming medieval town dominated by its magnificent Gothic cathedral. Stroll through the narrow medieval streets and admire the half-timbered houses. Do not miss the eleventh century tapestry representing the conquest of England by William the Conqueror.

Day 2

Day-tour to Omaha Beach

Bike
50km

The day's route begins from Bayeux, going to the Overlord Museum and the American Cemetery. You'll bike on quiet roads through traditional villages with half-timbered houses. The homes are surrounded by forests and cattle grazing on pasture.

Take time to pay respect to the almost 10,000 American soldiers who sacrificed their lives for freedom. The bike route then continues along the coast to the picturesque small fishing port of Port-en-Bessin. After strolling around the harbor, follow the path back to Bayeux.

Day 3

Day-trip to the artificial harbour of Arromanches

Bike
29km

Altitude
±70m

Bike through the Normandy countryside until you reach the port of Arromanches. You'll hear stories and be filled with emotion as you visit the D-Day museum and watch a movie showing the 100 days of the landing. The bike path back to Bayeux takes you past bomb craters, gun posts and bunkers. Arriving in Bayeux, take time to visit the Bayeux Tapestry. The tapestry stretches 291 feet by 20 inches and depicts the Norman invasion of England in the 11th century.

Day 4

Bayeux - Caen

Bike
40km

Altitude
±75m

You leave Bayeux on small countryroads in the typical bocage Normandy hinterland saluting cows, sheep and horses. You cross quaint, small villages like Creully where you can admire the park of the castle overlooking the valley. You arrive at the memorial of Caen, which is definitely worth a long stop to discover this excellent museum.

Day 5

Caen - Cabourg

Bike
28km

Altitude
±15m

From Caen you leave leisurely the city along the canal. You cross the canal on Pegasus Bridge where the British army won a major victory in 1944 and continue along the Orne river until the delta and the sea. Observation platforms allow you to stop at leisure to observe the fauna and the flora. You continue along the coast well-known thanks to its beauty and called the "flowered coast" (côte fleurie) along the large sandy beaches until the small seaside town of Cabourg.

Day 6

Cabourg - Honfleur

You leave Cabourg to reach the small seaside town of Houlgate and Villiers-sur-Mer. You

Bike
40km

Altitude
±300m

cross a green space where you may be able to observe storks before joining Deauville. Stroll on the famous boardwalk, look at a horse race and stop at the casino before continuing along the coast to the charming port of Honfleur.

Day 7

Honfleur - Trouville / Deauville

Bike
48km

Altitude
±230m

You leave the pretty harbor of Honfleur for the quaint hinterland and its typical Norman countryside with its valleys, many cows and small flowered half-timbered farms. You reach the charming village of Pont l'Evêque, famous for its cheese before returning to Deauville and Trouville.

Day 8

Départure from Trouville

You can decide to extend your stay or start your home travel.

Accommodation

Category A

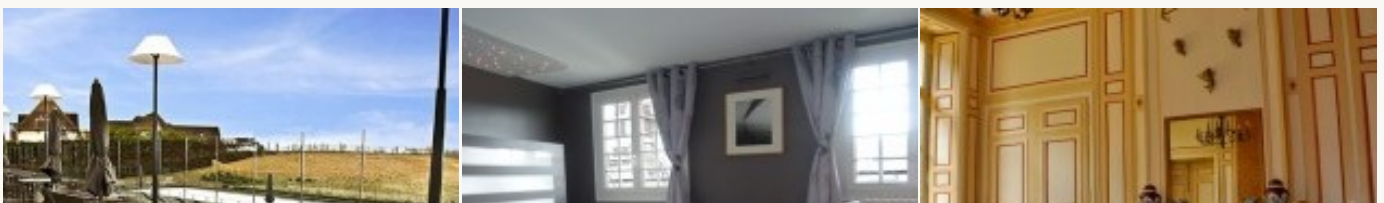
You'll enjoy staying in these clean and cozy 2-3 Star hotels that give you a pleasant rest after your day of biking. Breakfast is included when you spend the night in these friendly and family-run hotels.



** Example of the type of accommodation*

Category B

You stay in hotels with ***/** standards selected for their style and quality. Breakfast is included.





* Example of the type of accommodation

Practical information

To get to departure point:

By plane: flight to Caen, then train to Bayeux.

By train: direct train from Paris Saint-Lazare. The duration of the trip is around 2h10. To plan your trip, www.raileurope.com.

Parking

If you drive to Bayeux, you can park your car for free in the street. The exact location will be given in your travel documents.

To get back to starting point (Trouville-Bayeux) :

Regional trains take you back to your starting point from Trouville-Deauville if you wish (from 1h30 to 2h30 depending on the time schedules). They are accessible without booking in advance and bicycles are free. You have to buy your ticket on spot (full rate €20/adult). There are several trains per day.

We can also organise a transfer in a private vehicle on demand.

Meeting time:

The first day is an arrival day without cycling. You arrive whenever you want depending on from where you come. Please note that rooms are usually available in the middle of the afternoon depending on your accommodation. We thank you to advise us if you plan to arrive late.

Price description

Category A

Double room fare

€ 1169 /pers

7 nights in **/**** hotels

7 breakfasts

6-day rental of a fully-equipped bike

the luggage transport

the delivery and return of the bikes

the access to our mobile app including the roadbook and the practical and tourist information

7/7 hotline

Extra for a single room

€ 50 /night

Extra night in Bayeux

€ 90 /pers

Extra night in Trouville/Deauville

€ 70 /pers

Half board option: 2 diners

€ 70 /pers

Solo traveller extra

€ 300

High season*

€ 60 /pers

D-day extra*

€ 490 /pers

Category B

Double room fare

€ 1389 /pers

7 nights in ***/**** hotels

7 breakfasts

6-day rental of a fully-equipped bike

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Extra for a single room	€ 94 /night
Extra night in Bayeux	€ 125 /pers
Extra night in Trouville/Deauville	€ 105 /pers
Half board option: 2 diners	€ 75 /pers
Solo traveller extra	€ 310
High season	€ 80 /pers
D-Day extra	€ 490 /pers

Options

Discount if you ride your own bike	€ -130 /pers
Extra for an electric bike	€ 110 /pers

Children discount (in the same room as 2 full rate participants):

0-4 years: -70%

5-11 years: -50%

12-17 years: -30%

***High Season**

from 07/04 to 01/06 and 12/06 to 30/09

D-Day Extra

from 01/06 to 11/06

The package doesn't include:

the journey to the tour location

the drinks

the meals which are not included

the entrance fee to sites

insurances (optional)

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