

FALL EUROPEAN TOUR

WWI/WWII BELGIUM & FRANCE

LIGNY-LIEGE-WATERLOO-YPRES-MONS-FLANDERS-DUNKIRK

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MILITARY HISTORICAL TOURS is proud to offer a Familiarization (FAM) Tour of our new Napoleonic & World War I Tour plus Dunkirk & the saving of the British Army. It is another in our series of historic educational & entertaining tours to the battlefields of the world. You will travel with a highly experienced staff of Battlefield Tour Leaders and Historians who will strive to make your trip the most enjoyable experience possible.

Our adventure starts in Brussels, with a highlighted tour of the Royal Museum of the Armed Forces near the Royal Palace. The museum's collection originally consisted of approximately 900 WWI pieces. The collection was later heavily enriched by legacies, gifts and exchanges including an armored vehicle section, a medieval weapons collection, an impressive aviation wing plus WWII & Naval displays.

Nowadays, the museum displays uniforms, weapons, vehicles and military equipment of all ages and all countries. That is just a taste of the FAM sites.

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Daily Itinerary

Day 1: Departure: Fly from the US in the afternoon/early evening to arrive in Brussels the next morning.

Day 2: Brussels: After arrival, we have early check in to the Thon Hotel Bristol Stephanie. Depart for an early lunch (Meli Delicatessen) on the way to the Royal Museum of the Armed Forces. Then we visit the amazing Autoworld with over a thousand+ vehicles. We finish the day at the Grand Place for dinner & some superior chocolate shopping.



Thon Hotel Bristol Stephanie



Tour Price: \$ 2,895

Based on double Occupancy

Single Supplement: \$ 595

Tour Price Includes:

Deluxe Hotel Accommodations

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Air-conditioned deluxe bus

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Meals as indicated in the itinerary

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Historical Trip information packet, containing maps & other Tour information

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Admission fees to all sites, museums and special attractions listed

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Services of experienced Tour Leaders and local guides



MHT will book your air if you request after booking !



ROYAL MUSEUM of the ARMED FORCES

Day 3: Ligny & Liege: Depart to visit the Ligny Battlefield & museum. Nestled between Charleroi & Namur is a peaceful village. Little would you guess Napoleon led & won a great battle at this 17th-century farm. The Ligny 1815 Museum took up residence

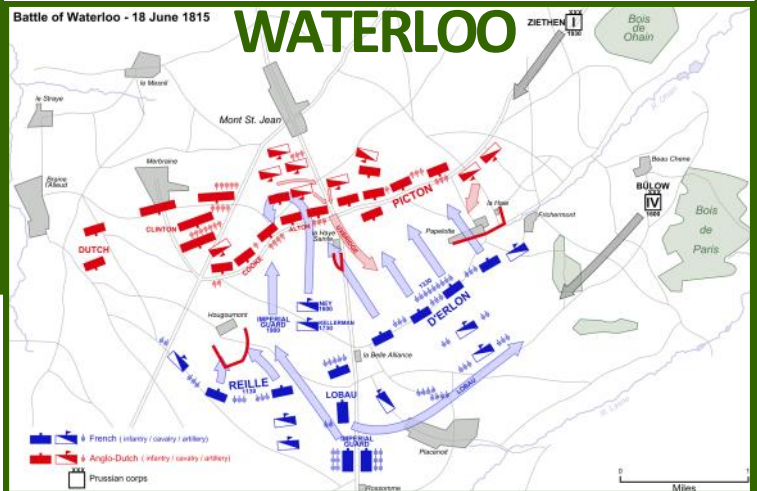


BATTLE OF LIGNY

in this 17th-century farmhouse that served as an infirmary on the night of the battle. It is located right in the heart of the battlefield, where 150,000 Frenchmen & Prussians fought. We then head from Ligny to Liege with a stop at the Grand Curtius Museum, containing the second largest collection of antique weapons on display in Europe.)

Day 4: Waterloo: After breakfast, we depart for the Waterloo Battlefield. We stop at the Neuhaus Chocolate factory that has been creating the famous candies for over 100 years, ever since Jean Neuhaus Jr. invented the Belgian praline in 1912 enroute. Tour the epic battlefield & see it from the Lion's

Mound Commemorative statue standing on the spot where the Prince of Orange was wounded during the fight. Next we head for Mons & St Symphorien Military Cemetery the WWI site of 513 Germans & English. Next visit to Mons Memorial Museum. After-



WATERLOO

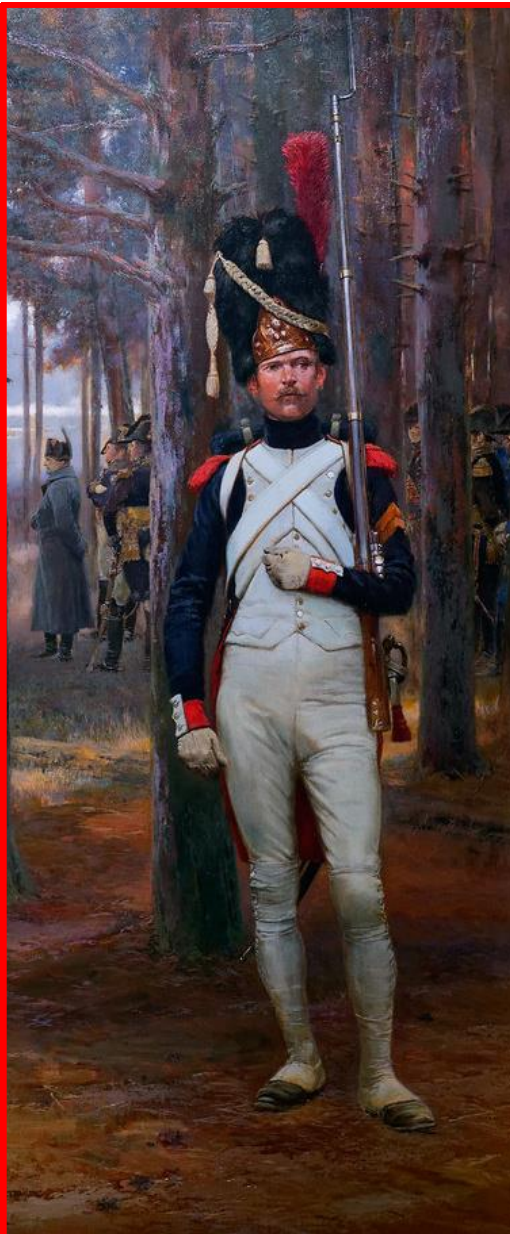
wards check into the Ibis Mons Center.

Day 5 & 6: WWI Flanders Field & Ypres: After breakfast, we start our in depth WWI exploration starting with the ABMC's Flanders Fields American Cemetery with 368 US Doughboys who fought there in WWI. From there proceed to Ypres which hosted three battle 1914, '15 & '17. In Ypres we will see the Menin Gate Memorial, In Flanders Field Museum (lunch), Sanctuary Cemetery & Museum, the Black Watch Monument, & time permitting the John McCrae site, Hill 60, and Last Post Cemetery.

Day 7: Dunkirk & Bruges: After breakfast an early departure for the miracle escape from the beaches of Dunkirk & a visit Museum Dunkerque. We finish with a visit to the Commonwealth War Graves Memorial. We



LONE TREE CEMETERY



proceed to Bruges for lunch & visit the Torture Museum & the Basilica of the Holy Blood. We head back to Brussels for a Farewell Dinner & overnight.

DUNKIRK



Day 8: Departure: After breakfast, we head to the airport for our return to the US.

LION'S MOUND



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