

TOUR PRICE:

\$3,595.00 per person based on 30 participants

Lorne Park Secondary School Paris, Bayeux & Tours

May 3-12, 2019

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

- Return Air Transportation from Toronto on Air Transat
- Departure taxes: \$618.00 as of April 27, 2018
- Centrally located hotel accommodation
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Visits and entrance fees to all sites mentioned in itinerary
- Student travel insurance (Medical/Trip Cancellation)
- Gratuities: \$60.00 per person

TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Anything not mentioned in the itinerary or in "Tour Price Includes" section
- Personal expenses, lunches and beverages during dinner
- \$100.00 increase in tour cost if payment made by credit card

*Based on air fares, land tariffs and currency exchange rates as of May 7, 2018 and a minimum of 30 participants. Please note the possibility of increases in airfares and land costs prior to departure. Any increase must be borne by the individual participant.

**Flight Schedules are subject to change.

APPLICATION, PAYMENT & BOOKING CONDITIONS:

1. Please visit www.ghardytours.com and then click the 'Apply Now' page for the full application and terms and conditions.
2. Click on "March Break and School Organized Trip" and enter code: **LPFRANCE-MAY2019**
3. Please mail your three post-dated cheques made payable to 'Georgia Hardy Tours Inc' to our address below. All payments made by credit card will include a \$100.00 processing fee added to your invoice.

It is the responsibility of all participants to ensure that they have a valid passport and that no additional travel documents are necessary. Georgia Hardy Tours Inc. is not responsible for inadequate travel documents. Georgia Hardy Tours reserves the right to make changes in the itinerary when necessary for the convenience and safety of tour participants. Any extra cost in the unlikely event of itinerary changes must be borne by the individual participant.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE (based on 30 students):

Non-Refundable Deposit: \$500.00 due upon registration

Second Payment: \$1,547.50 due by November 18, 2018

Final Payment: \$1,547.50 due by January 20, 2019

PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION:

Payment Schedules are indicated in the body of the email(s) provided with your invoice(s). If at any other time you need a reminder of your payment schedule do not hesitate to ask.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

All requests for cancellation must be submitted in writing to Georgia Hardy Tours Inc. Charges for cancellation will be as follows:

- Deposit plus insurance: non-refundable
- Second Payment date + 1 day: 50% of the tour price is non-refundable
- Final Payment date + 1 day: 100% of the tour price is non-refundable

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FRIDAY MAY 3
TORONTO - PARIS
 Departure this evening on an overnight flight to Paris.



SUNDAY MAY 5
BAYEUX - CAEN - BAYEUX
 This morning travel to nearby Caen, the city of William the Conqueror who in 1066 departed this city and invaded England. While in Caen, tour with a local French guide the fascinating WW2 Underground Galleries and visit the majestic Mémorial Canadien, whose soaring pillars bear Canada's Maple Leaf. Our expert guide will lead us on an exploration of one of the five main D-Day landing sites of the Allied invasion. The Juno Beach Centre, a Canadian war museum and cultural centre that opened in 2003, has many informative and interactive exhibits chronicling Canada's pivotal role in the War effort and D-Day specifically. Visit the Canadian and American cemeteries at Courseulles – Sur – Mer and Omaha Beach to pay tribute to our soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice. Return to Bayeux and have dinner in a local restaurant. Overnight Bayeux.



SATURDAY MAY 4
PARIS - BAYEUX
 Upon arrival, board our private motorcoach and travel to Bayeux, the first town to be liberated by the Allies after the Normandy invasion in WW2. From a Canadian perspective, Normandy played an important part in the historic and linguistic development of Quebec. Significant numbers of immigrants to "New France" in the mid-17th Century originated in Normandy. Today, the French spoken in Quebec shares many similarities with the language spoken in Normandy during this time period. Stop in the historic village of Longues-er-Mer where we will see an artillery battery from World War II constructed by the Wehrmacht (the German armed forces). After checking into our hotel, enjoy a teacher-led walking tour of this historic city to acclimatize ourselves with the area and appreciate the streets lined with 15th-19th century buildings. Tonight we will have dinner in a local restaurant. Overnight in Bayeux.



TUESDAY MAY 7
LOIRE VALLEY
 This morning we will enjoy a visit to two of the most famous Loire châteaux. First, the Château de Chambord, the largest of the Loire Valley châteaux, and a forerunner of Versailles with no fewer than 440 rooms. It was built by King François I from 1519 onward in an effort to display to the rest of Europe his wealth and power and was a showcase of royal prestige rather than a royal residence; it was occupied for a mere 20 years over a period of almost five centuries. The famous double helix staircase is attributed to Leonardo da Vinci, who lived in Amboise as a guest of his patron François I for the last three years of his life. It's because of François I admiration for the Italian scholar that da Vinci's most famous painting the Mona Lisa is the property of France. Lunch will be in Amboise, a charming market town clustered around the base of the Chateau that was once home to the French Royal Court and where Leonard Da Vinci is buried in the adjoining chapel. Afterwards, visit the Château de Chenonceau which stretches across the River Cher in a perfect harmony of water, greenery, and gardens in a stunning natural setting. The palace's mix of Gothic and Renaissance architectural styles is so successful that visitors feel like they are walking into a fairytale. Chenonceau was a gift to King Henry II's official mistress, the home of numerous famous women including Catherine de Medici, and the setting of lavish festivities. The great gallery was converted into a military hospital in WWI and from 1940-1942 the line of demarcation ran right through the middle of it. Return to the hotel before dinner in a local restaurant and an evening stroll. Overnight in Tours.



WEDNESDAY MAY 8
LOIRE VALLEY - CHARTRES - VERSAILLES - PARIS
 Check-out of the hotel and depart for Paris with two stops enroute. Chartres is principally known for its outstanding gothic cathedral and is recognized by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. Afterwards, visit the incomparable Palace of Versailles, universally regarded as one of the masterpieces of French baroque architecture and designed specifically by Louis XIV to "shock and awe" all who saw it. Enjoy a guided tour of the spectacular Louis XIV Grands Appartements and the famous Hall of Mirrors. Walk among the formal gardens where the French nobility whiled away their days prior to the Revolution. Later in the afternoon, continue to Paris, the "City of Light", famous for its history, art and culture. Check into our centrally located hotel and have dinner in a local French brasserie. Overnight in Paris.



THURSDAY MAY 9
PARIS
 This morning's programme will focus on The Louvre, the former royal palace transformed after the Revolution into a public museum, and now home to one of the finest collections of paintings and drawings in the world. A guided tour of the museum will highlight masterpieces from ancient Greece and Rome, paintings by Leonardo da Vinci, Raphael and Rembrandt, and priceless objets d'art. Afterwards, walk through the Tuilleries Gardens, Place de la Concorde and down the Champs Elysées to the Arc de Triomphe. This afternoon you will have free time to discover the city in small groups and practice speaking french. This evening, ascend to the top of the Eiffel Tower at dusk for an incomparable view of Paris's landscapes and landmarks lit up in the evening sky. Dinner tonight will be at a restaurant located close to the Eiffel Tower.

FRIDAY MAY 10
PARIS
 Today we will enjoy a guided walking tour of the Rive Gauche including the beautiful Luxembourg Gardens. Historically Paris' main artery was the rue St. Jacques, which follows the old Gallo-Roman road. Walk along the boulevards St. Michel and St. Germain; pass France's most famous University, the Sorbonne; visit the Pantheon where notable French philosophers and writers are entombed including: Hugo, Voltaire, Zola and Rousseau. In the afternoon, visit the Musée d'Orsay, located in a former Beaux-Arts era railway station that has been restored to universal acclaim and now provides a beautiful setting for Impressionist and Post-Impressionist masterpieces by Van Gogh, Renoir, Monet, Degas and many others. Dinner at a local restaurant, followed by a teacher-led walking tour. Overnight in Paris.



SATURDAY MAY 11
PARIS
 This morning tour the Ile de la Cite and see the Cathedral of Notre Dame, a beautiful example of gothic architecture and the setting for some of France's most momentous occasions, including the coronation of Napoleon as emperor. After lunch, discover Montmartre, an area made famous during the Belle Epoque as an artist's colony; Renoir, Pissaro, Salvador Dali, and Pablo Picasso all had studios in this bohemian neighbourhood. Spend time in the Place du Tertre, a square known for its local artwork and then see the magnificent view of Paris from the iconic landmark Sacre-Coeur Basilica. Enjoy a farewell dinner in a local restaurant in Montmartre. Overnight Paris.



SUNDAY MAY 12
PARIS - TORONTO
 Morning departure to Paris airport for your flight to Toronto.