Trip description

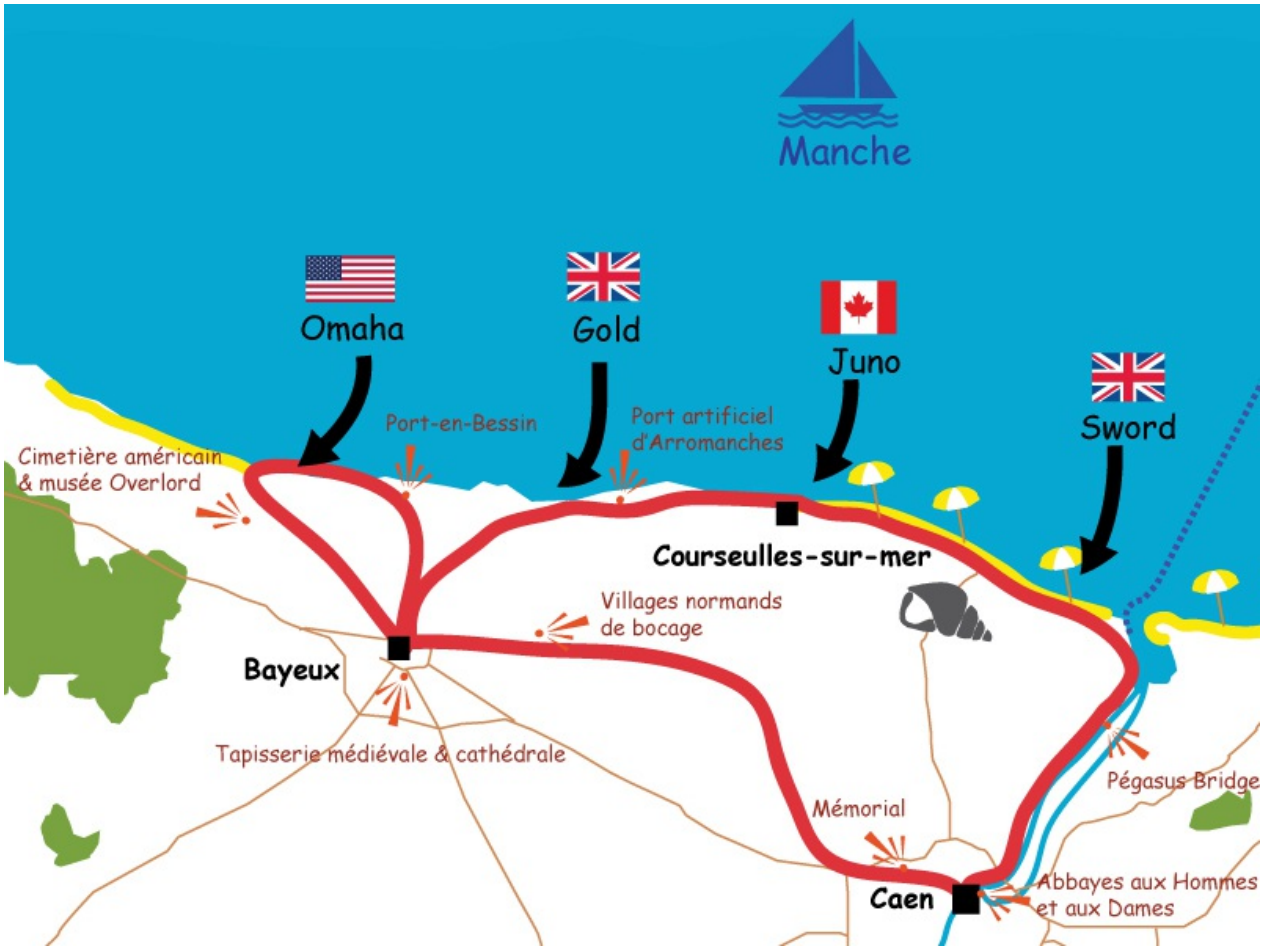
D-Day bike tour from Bayeux to Caen

D-Day landing beaches, Omaha Beach, Arromanches, Sword beach, Gold beach, Juno beach, the Caen memorial, but also the medieval tapestry of Bayeux, the fine sand beaches, the abbeys of Caen and the seaside villages

Destination	France
Location	Normandy
Duration	4 days
Difficulty Level	Easy
Validity	from april to november
Minimum age	12 years
Reference	N0401

Type of stay
itinerant trip

Itinerary



This bike trip immerses you in the turbulent history of Normandy.

You will discover the D-Day landing beaches: the American sector with Omaha beach and the gripping American cemetery of Colleville-sur-mer, the English sector of Gold beach, Sword beach and the artificial port of Arromanches and the Canadian sector in Juno beach. Stop at the fascinating memorial of Caen, which traces very well these turbulent days.

But this bike tour will also introduce you to the magnificent medieval tapestry of Bayeux as well as its Gothic cathedral, the typical small fishing ports, the bocage roads and the long sandy beaches.

Day 1

Day-tour to Omaha beach

Bike 50km | Altitude ±200m

Your bike ride takes you from Bayeux to the Overlord Museum and the American cemetery by small bocage roads through villages with half-timbered houses and along meadows with grazing cattle. After having paid your respect to the about 10 000 Americans soldiers, who sacrified themselves, you continue along the coast to the pretty little fishing port of Port-en-Bessin. Stroll to the harbor before returning to Bayeux.

Day 2

Bayeux - Courseulles-sur-Mer

Bike 38km | Altitude ±100m

From Bayeux you ride through the bocage towards the German batteries of Longues-sur-Mer. Continue along the cliffs to the port of Arromanches where you visit the D-Day Museum and the circular cinema showing the 100 days of the landing. Through the countryside and coastal villages you ride along Sword beach, Gold beach and finally Juno beach in Courseulles-sur-Mer, the Canadian landing beach. You can visit the Juno Beach Center or stroll on the fishing port.

Day 3

Courseulles-sur-Mer - Caen

Bike 35km | Altitude ±30m

From the fishing harbour of Courseulles-sur-Mer you continue along the seaside villages and enjoy the long sandy beaches. You reach the port of Ouistreham where the ferries from England are arriving. Then you ride along the canal to Caen passing the Pegasus Bridge. You discover Caen with its pedestrian zone and its magnificent abbeys.

Day 4

Caen - Bayeux

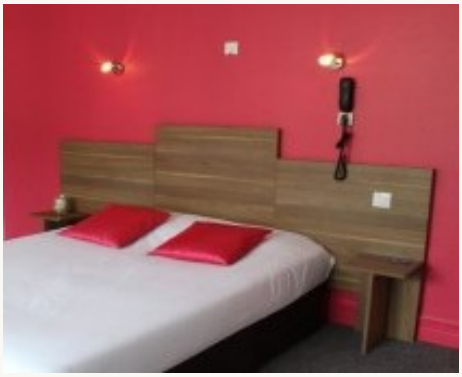
Bike 40km | Altitude ±60m

You leave Caen passing in front of the memorial, which traces very well the dark days of the Second World War. Then you cross Normandy's countryside: bocage roads, cows grazing quietly, half-timbered farms and villages before catching a glimpse of the bell-towers of the cathedral of Bayeux.

Accommodation

Category A

You stay in hotels with **/*** standards offering all the necessary comfort after a day outdoors.
These family hotels welcome you warmly. Breakfast is included.



** Example of the type of accommodation*

Category B

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

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Practical information

To get to departure point:

By plane: flight to Caen and then train to Bayeux.
By train: direct train from Paris Saint-Lazare. The duration of the trip is around 2h50. 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:

Your bike ride leads you back to Bayeux.

If you chose the luggage transport, you will be able to pick up your luggage after 5pm at the pick up location.

Meeting time:

You pick up your bikes in the morning between 9.30am and 12.30pm. We recommend you to arrive at around 10am to enjoy your day fully without rushing and be able to do the visits on the way.

Price description

Category A **319 €**/pers
Double room fare

3 nights in **/*** hotels

3 breakfasts
4-day rental of a fully-equipped bike (saddle bags, locks,toolkit)
a road book with maps and descriptions of the routes
local visitors' taxes
sending charge of the travel documents in France
7/7 hotline

High season (*)	50 €/pers
Single occupancy extra	36 €/night
Extra night in Bayeux	65 €/pers

Category B — **389 €**/pers

Double room fare

3 nights in *** hotels
3 breakfasts
4-day rental of a fully-equipped bike (packs, helmets, locks…)
a road book with maps and descriptions of the routes
local visitors' taxes
sending charge of the travel documents in France
7/7 hotline

High season (*)	60 €/pers
Single occupancy extra	51 €/night
Extra night in Bayeux	100 €/pers

Options

Extra for the rental of an electric bike (4 days)	50 €/pers
Discount if you ride your own bicycle	-70 €/pers
Extra for luggage transport **(basis 2-3 pers)**	80 €/pers
Extra for luggage transport (basis >4 pers)	40 €/pers

(*) **High season :**
• from 01.05 to 30.09.2018

Children discount (in the same room as 2 full rate participants)
0-4 year : -70%
5-11 year : -50%
12-17 year : -30%

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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