

# Trip description

# D-Day bike tour from Bayeux to Caen

\*\*\*\* TRIP FULLY BOOKED FROM JUNE 1SRT TO JUNE 11TH 2024 \*\*\*\*

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

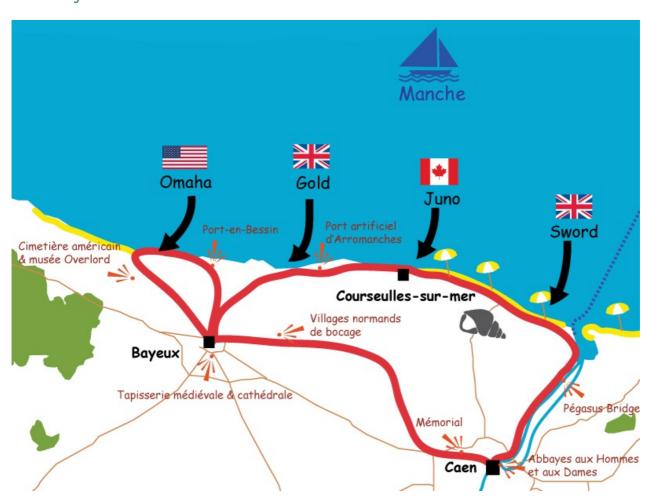


Type of stay
31
itinerant trip



Destination	France
Location	Normandie
Duration	4 days
Difficulty Level	Easy
Validity	from April to November
Minimum age	12 years
Reference	N0401

## 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.

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. Get onto your bike and enjoy "La Vélomaritime"!

#### Day 1

#### 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 2

## Bayeux - Courseulles-sur-Mer

Bike 38km



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** 



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



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



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 zhen you spend the night in these friendly and family-run hotels.







\* Example of the type of accommodation



## **Category B**

You'll get a good night's sleep when you stay in these 3/4-star hotels or Bed and Breakfasts. All properties have been selected for their cleanliness, style and friendliness of the staff. A hearty breakfast is included!







\* Example of the type of accommodation

## 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 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:

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.

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## Price description

Category A Double room fare	<b>399 €</b> /pers
3 nights in 2* and 3* hotels 3 breakfasts 4-day rental of a fully-equipped bike (saddle bags, locks,toolkit) the pick-up and drop-off of your bike the access to our mobile app including the roadbook and the practical and tourist information 7/7 hotline	
High season (*)	40 €/pers
D-Day Extra	160 €/pers
Half pension: 2 diners	66 €/pers
Single occupancy extra	60 €/night
Extra night in Bayeux	90 €/pers
Category B Double room fare	<b>479</b> €/pers
3 nights in 3* and 4* hotels 3 breakfasts 4-day rental of a fully-equipped bike (packs, helmets, locks) the pick-up and drop-off of your bike the access to our mobile app including the roadbook and the practical and tourist information 7/7 hotline	
High season (*)	60 €/pers
D-Day extra	160 €/pers
Half pension: 2 diners	74 €/pers
Single occupancy extra	100 €/night
Extra night in Bayeux	125 €/pers
Options	
Extra for the rental of an electric bike (4 days)	75 €/pers
Discount if you ride your own bicycle	-85 €/pers
Extra for solo traveller Extra for luggage transport (1 pers) Extra for luggage transport (basis 2-3 pers)	40 €/pers 160 €/pers 80 €/pers
Extra for luggage transport (basis >4 pers)	58 €/pers

#### (\*) High season:

- from 07.04 to 01.06 and from 12.06 to 30.09

D-Day Extra:

- from 01.06 to 11.06

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)