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Echoes of Courage – A Signature Vine & Valor Heritage Journey
15-Day Escorted Group Experience | Paris & Normandy | July 13 - 27, 2028

Join us for an extraordinary 15-day escorted journey through the heart of Normandy, France, where history, culture, gastronomy, and remembrance converge in a truly unforgettable "Vine & Valor" experience. Our adventure begins with an overnight flight to Paris. Upon arrival, enjoy a relaxing evening in a premium Paris hotel before embarking on the elegant AmaWaterways *Impressions of the Seine & Paris* river cruise. As we sail through the picturesque French countryside from Paris to Le Havre, you'll discover charming medieval towns, immerse yourself in the rich cultural heritage that defines the Seine River Valley, visit Monet's enchanting home and gardens at Giverny, and walk in the footsteps of Joan of Arc. Along the way, savor the finest flavors of France through carefully selected culinary experiences featuring regional wines, Calvados, artisanal ciders, world-renowned cheeses, and authentic local cuisine. Every port and excursion has been thoughtfully chosen to showcase the history, traditions, and lifestyle of this remarkable region.



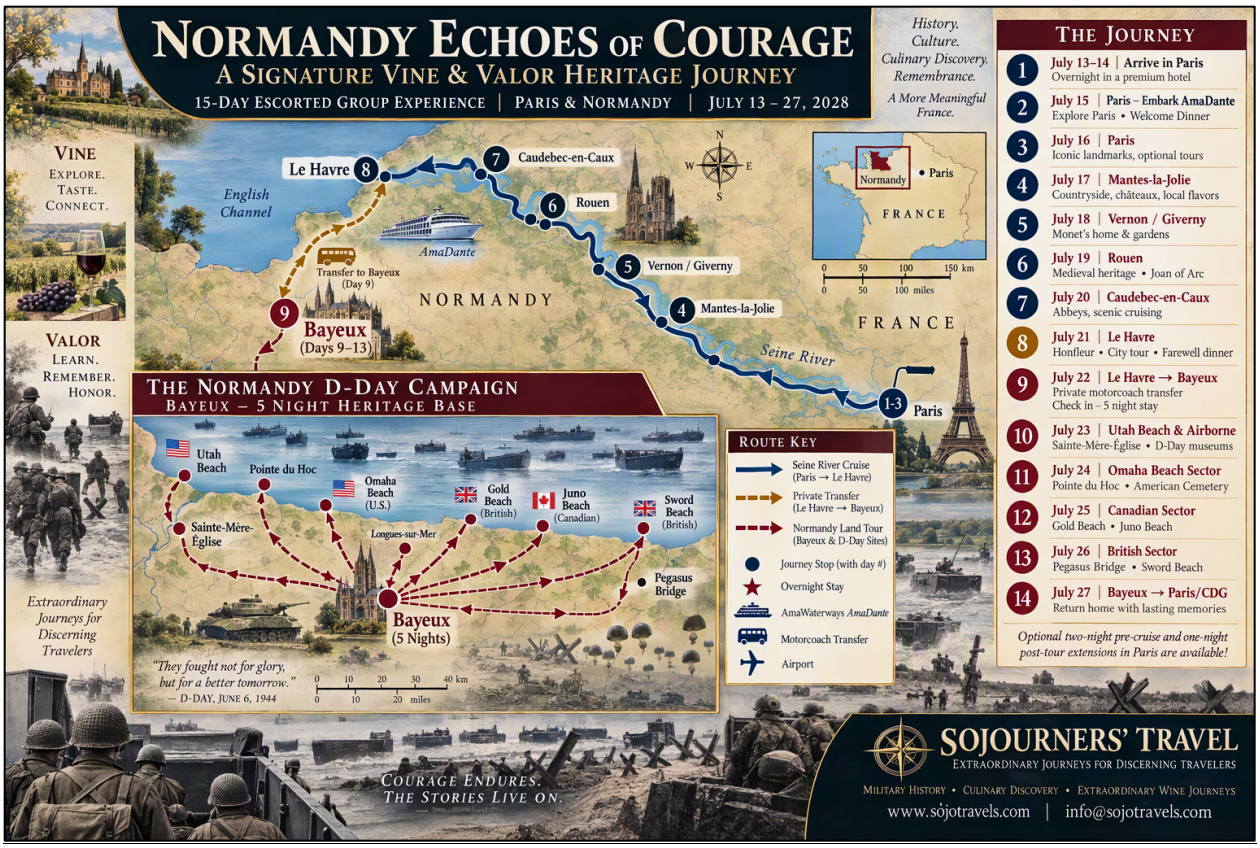
Following our river cruise, the journey takes on a deeper meaning as we begin our exclusive private Normandy D-Day campaign experience. Departing Le Havre aboard upscale private transportation, we will travel to the beautifully preserved medieval city of Bayeux, our home for the next six nights. We will spend the next few days exploring the Normandy D-Day landing beaches with a dedicated local professional guide – from the western Airborne drop zones to Pegasus Bridge on the eastern flank. This immersive heritage experience goes far beyond a traditional sightseeing tour, providing meaningful historical context and personal connections to the stories that helped shape the modern world.



Our journey concludes with a seamless private morning transfer from Bayeux to Paris' Charles de Gaulle Airport, where we bid farewell to newfound friends and unforgettable memories before returning home. ***For those wishing to extend their adventure in France, optional two-night pre-cruise and one-night post-tour extensions in Paris are available! Special round-trip air packages are also available!!***

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Detailed Itinerary:

Duration	*15 Days / 14 Nights (overnight flight to Paris = one night)*
Arrival / Departure	*Paris – Charles de Gualle Airport (CDG)*
Base Hubs	*Paris (1 Night) | AmaDante (6 Nights) | Bayeux (6 Nights)*
Pacing	*An elegantly paced journey that balances immersive exploration with ample time to relax and savor each destination.*

- ***Day 1 (Thursday - overnight flight; arrive Friday): Fly to Paris (13-14 July 2028)***
  - *Transit with Hosts to Paris Hotel; Pre-position Before Cruise; Relax at a Sidewalk Café*

- ***Day 2 (Saturday): Paris – River Cruise Embarkation (15 July; Ship – AmaDante)***
  - *Check-in / Settle-in; Explore ship*
  - *Explore Paris City Sites (self-paced)*
  - *On-board Welcome Cocktail & Dinner*

- ***Day 3 (Sunday): Paris (16 July 2028)***
  Available Excursions (subject to change):
  - *Iconic Paris Landmarks City Tour (an exploration of the French capital's crown jewels – Eifel Tower, Arc de Triomphe, Champs-Élysées, and explore the vibrant Latin Quarter)*
  - *Bateaux Parisiens Tour (Paris from the water)*

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- *Parisian Guided Bike Tour (experience Paris like a local tracing the edges of the Seine River and historic public squares)*
- *Self-paced Tour to Visit the Sites You are Eager to Experience*

- ***Day 4 (Monday): Mantes-la-Jolie (17 July 2028)***

  Available Excursions (subject to change):
  - *French Countryside Farm, Cider, and Cheese Tasting (an authentic epicurean visit to a traditional working Norman farm to experience authentic regional ciders & cheeses)*
  - *Mantes-la-Jolie Walking Tour & Honey Tasting (guided stroll through the town followed by an artisanal French bee farm to sample distinct local honeys)*
  - *Château d'Anet Renaissance (journey to this elegant 16th-century architectural jewel built by King Henri II)*

- ***Day 5 (Tuesday): Vernon / Giverny (18 July 2028)***

  Available Excursions (subject to change):
  - *Monet's Home & Gardens (visit Claude Monet's iconic house and stroll through the water gardens filled with the famous lilies and Japanese footbridges)*
  - *Château d'Acquigny & Château de la Roche Guyon (experience two of France's most captivating estates, where exquisite gardens, noble history, and timeless elegance unfold)*
  - *Bike Tour Of Giverny (Ride along the Seine from Vernon to Giverny)*

- ***Day 6 (Wednesday): Rouen (19 July 2028)***

  Available Excursions (subject to change):
  - *Medieval Rouen Walking Tour (stroll past half-timbered buildings, the astrological clock, and the Gothic Cathedral, and Old Market Square, concluding where Joan of Arc was martyred)*
  - *Tastes of Normandy (sample regional Norman cheeses, cider & calvados brandy)*
  - *Château de Bonnemare (tour a beautifully preserved renaissance château set amid the Normandy countryside)*
  - *Guided Bike Tour (navigate Rouen's historic waterfront & old quarters)*

- ***Day 7 (Thursday): Caudebec-en-Caux (20 July 2028)***

  Available Excursions (subject to change):
  - *Caen & Château Crèvecœur (journey through the storied streets of Caen & the remarkably preserved Château de Crèvecœur, where Normandy's medieval legacy comes vividly to life)*
  - *Château Etelan (a privately owned estate overlooking the Seine Valley – the château is known for its striking architecture, beautifully maintained grounds, historic interiors)*
  - *Château du Champ de Bataille, Arboretum d'Harcourt & Le Bec Hellouin (discover* the elegance of Normandy through its most magnificent château, enchanting arboretum, and storied abbey village)

- ***Day 8 (Friday): Le Harve (21 July 2028)***

  Available Excursions (subject to change):
  - *Normandy Beaches (introduction – choose between American or British D-Day sectors)*
  - *Honfleur Excursion (17th-century harbor that inspired Monet & other impressionist painters, artists' corner, coastal Normandy)*
  - *Le Harve City Tour or Le Havre Bike Tour*

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- ***Day 9 (Saturday):*** ***Le Harve – Disembarkation (22 July 2028)***
  - *Breakfast Onboard*

Begin Private Post-cruise D-Day Deep Dive Land Adventure

  - *Private Group Transfer From Le Harve to Bayeux*
  - *Group Lunch; Check Into Hotel; Get Settled*
  - *Battle Of Normandy Memorial Museum*

- ***Day 10 (Sunday): Western Flank: Utah Beach & U.S. Airborne Drop Zones (23 July 2028)***
  - *Utah Beach Stroll at Low Tide (general timing of invasion)*
  - *Utah Beach Landing Museum*
  - *Sainte-Mère-Église & U.S. Airborne Museum*
  - *D-Day Experience & Dead Man's Corner*

- ***Day 11 (Monday): Rangers at the Cliffs & Bloody Omaha (24 July 2028)***
  - *Omaha Beach Stroll (general timing of invasion)*
  - *Normandy American Cemetery & Memorial*
  - *The Overlord Museum*
  - *Grandcamp Maisy Battery*
  - *Pointe du Hoc*
  - *Special Calvados Tasting at a 10th-century Farm*

- ***Day 12 (Tuesday): German Defenses & The Canadian Sector (25 July 2028)***
  - *Longues-sur-Mer German Battery*
  - *D-Day Landing Museum*
  - *Gold Beach & Port Winston – Mulberry Harbor*
  - *Juno Beach & Bunkers*

- ***Day 13 (Wednesday): Eastern Flank: The First Bridge & British Sectors (26 July 2028)***
  - *Pegasus Bridge & Café Gondrée*
  - *Sword Beach & The Grand Bunker (Ouistreham)*
  - *Cider & Cheese Pairing at La Dégusterie*
  - *Group Farewell Dinner*

- ***Day 14 (Thursday): Transfer from Bayeux to Paris/CDG; Guests Fly Home (arrive same day) (27 July 2028)***

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