CHERBOURG, FRANTA

A Walk through Cherbourg

Set out from the pier on foot for a guided **walk** through the center of **Cherbourg** city. Known to the Romans as Coriovallum, Cherbourg lies in a valley that was once settled by the Megalithic peoples of northern France. The present-day shape of the town is almost entirely due to more recent developments, however. Sunk within the arc of a broad and shallow bay, Cherbourg was dangerous...

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Bayeux & the Tapestry

Your first stop today is at **Bayeux**, the former capital of the Bessin and the first French town to be liberated during World War II. Fortunately there was no damage incurred here during the war, and the cathedral still keeps watch over the town. You will have the amazing opportunity to see the **Bayeux Tapestry**—a skillful work of art and a truly unique record of events of the N...

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Cap de la Hague

Situated to the west of Cherbourg, La Hague is known as an island within an island—a place where numerous different landscapes and settings converge: steep cliffs sheltering hidden creeks, sandy beaches, shady green valleys, traditional villages with omnipresent granite houses, schist and sea. Enjoy the **scenic coastal drive** to Gréville-Hague, birthplace of the painter Jean-Fra...

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Classic Mont St Michel

Victor Hugo said that Mont Saint Michel, Brittany's most famous landmark, "…is to the ocean what the Cheops Pyramid is to the desert… a masterpiece of nature and art." You'll drive 60 minutes from Saint Malo to **Mont Saint Michel**—a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**—to see for yourself this spectacular fusion of construction and erosion. Your motor coach will cross ...

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D-Day Landing Beaches

Begin your day with the scenic drive to **Arromanches**, a modest seaside resort that owes its fame to the fantastic Operation Mulberry—an integral part of the Allied Landing in Europe in June 1944. This artificial port was one of the most extraordinary industrial and maritime achievements of the whole war. Visit the **Landing Museum**, which depicts the entire landing operation thr...

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Highlights of Normandy

Enjoy an excursion through the romantic countryside of Normandy and take time to learn more about French rural gastronomy. Depart Cherbourg for the scenic drive to the community of Yvetot-Bocage. You'll visit **La Reine Du LeVicq cider-house**, an experience that will open the

door to the world of Norman beverages—cider, Pommeau and Calvados—lovingly distilled by discerning...

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Sainte Mere Eglise & Utah Beach

Depart from Cherbourg and drive directly to **Sainte-Mère-Eglise**. Located in the middle of the traditional Normandy livestock breeding area, this town infamously entered news headlines in the early hours of the morning of June 6th, 1944, when the American 82nd Airborne Division troops landed here. Sainte-Mère-Eglise was liberated on the very same day. An informative guided **wal...**

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Val de Saire

The name **Val de Saire** evokes wonderful scenic images not only of the delightful Saire Valley, but of the whole northeast of the peninsula. From Cherbourg you will drive to **Barfleur** and straight back to the Middle Ages! This picturesque fishing port and yachting harbor was once the busiest place in Cotentin, and in more recent centuries has been a favorite vacation spot for English...

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