

A 10-day Churchill-inspired tour to Great Britain and France

May 30 to June 9, 2019: 10 Nights - 30 Persons

The Sir Winston Churchill Society of Calgary is pleased to announce a spring 2019 Churchill-inspired tour that will visit some of Great Britain's most historic Winston Churchill and Second World War Two sites. The 2019 tour includes six days in Great Britain and four days in France where the Churchill Society has already booked hotel rooms in Normandy to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the D-Day landings.



This is a once-in-a-lifetime tour organized by the Sir Winston Churchill Society of Calgary and the London-based Tours International, with free time for personal sightseeing and shopping, tour participants will visit:

The Chartwell family home, the Churchill War Rooms including the original Cabinet War Rooms, which now includes the interactive Churchill Museum; a private visit to Harrow School, the boarding school for boys founded in 1572 under a Royal Charter granted by Elizabeth I, and where Churchill attended as a child; St. Paul's Cathedral, where Sir Winston Churchill's funeral was held, which dates from the late 17th century, and which was designed by Sir Christopher Wren; Bletchley Park the central site of the United Kingdom's Government secure code-breaking activities; Blenheim Palace, which is Winston Churchill's birthplace and principal residence of the Dukes of Marlborough. Bladon Church Cemetery and the Portsmouth D-Day Museum.

The French component includes **sailing to and from France, and four days where** tour participants will **visit Normandy and attend multiple 75th D-Day anniversary commemorations**. It includes commemoration at the 6th Airborne Division (of which the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion was a part) sector, a re-enactment of a parachute insertion from 30 Dakotas aircraft and June 6th commemorations at **Juno Beach**.

Participants will also visit, and overnight in Paris with a city sightseeing tour including the Place Vendôme, the Place de l'Opéra Garnier, the Musée du Louvre, the Hôtel de Ville, Notre Dame de Paris Cathedral, the Panthéon, the Musée d'Orsay, the Place de la Concorde, the Champs Elysées, the Arc de Triomphe, Eiffel Tower and Les Invalides in Paris. The French portion of the tour will end with an excursion to Dieppe including the Dieppe Canadian War Cemetery, and where you will hear a detailed review of 'The Raid', and associated activities by Canadian and Western Canadian Regiments; which included the Calgary Regiment (or the Calgary Tanks, now the King's Own Calgary Regiment).

All-inclusive tour*

This tour is all-inclusive and includes four-star accommodation for ten nights in London, Paris and Normandy for the 75th anniversary for D-Day commemorations. Given the price of hotel rooms in London and Paris, the four-star accommodation alone is great value for the money. The tour price also includes motor coaches, guides, admission to all sites arranged by Tours International, multiple breakfasts, lunches, dinners and ferry transportation across the English Channel.

Tour prices in Canadian dollars*

- \$5,600 per person based on double-occupancy; early-bird discount price of \$5,200 per person if paid in full by November 15th 2018 based on double-occupancy.
- \$7,300 per person based on single-occupancy; early-bird discount price of \$6,900 per person if paid in full by November 15th 2018 based on single-occupancy.

How to book: Note that space is limited to 30 participants

Sir Winston Churchill Society of Calgary members (and one guest) have the first chance to participate in this once-in-a lifetime tour. Participation is limited to 30 participants, and bookings are strictly on a payment-first basis. (*Note that four spaces can accommodate single-occupancy only with 26 spaces available for dual-occupancy participants.*) To secure your space on the tour, please do the following:

Send your cheque before November 15, 2018 to obtain the early bird rates

- For the early-bird rate for **dual occupancy**, pay 20% down by cheque by **November 15th 2018**, (\$1,040 per person with \$4,160 per person due by **February 29, 2019** \$5,200 in total).
- For the early-bird rate for **sole occupancy**, pay 20% down by cheque by **November 15th 2018**, (\$1,380 per person with \$5,520 due by **February 29, 2019** \$6,900 in total).

Regular tour price applies AFTER November 15, 2018

- <u>For dual occupancy</u>, pay 20% down by cheque \$1,120 per person with \$4,480 per person due by **February 29, 2019** (\$5,600 in total).
- For sole occupancy, pay 20% down by cheque \$1,460 per person with \$5,840 due by **February 29, 2019** (\$7,300 in total).

Note that 20% down payments are non-refundable except at the discretion of the board. To secure your booking, please do two things:

- 1. Make out a cheque out to "The Sir Winston Churchill Society of Calgary" with the \$ amount chosen from the above options.
- 2. Please fill out the forms on page 6.
- 3. Have each tour participant sign the legal contract for the tour on page 8. <u>Tour applications will not be considered complete without a signed legal contract by each participant.</u>
- 4. Mail to Sir Winston Churchill Society of Calgary c/o #5, 2208-20 Ave N.W. Calgary, AB, T2M 1J2. *Please note tour participation is based on the order in which full applications (cheques and signed contracts) are received.
- 5. ALTERNATES: If the tour is full but you still wish to participate, you may still send a 20% deposit. <u>Alternates</u> (only) will be fully refunded their deposit if no tour space opens up.

^{*}Airfare to and from London is the responsibility of tour participants as is health and travel insurance.

Full Agenda for Great Britain and France:

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Day 1 - Thu 30 May

Flight arrival into London's Heathrow airport (time TBD). Met by your Tours International representative and transferred by coach to central London. Orientation city tour. Lunch. Transferred to your hotel. Rest of the day at leisure to rest after your inter-continental flight and the time change.

Dinner and overnight Millennium Gloucester Hotel.

Day 2 - Fri 31 May

Breakfast. Visit Churchill War Rooms and discover the original Cabinet War Rooms, the underground headquarters that sheltered Churchill and his wartime government during the Blitz. Explore the historic rooms that once buzzed with strategies, secrets and visit the interactive Churchill Museum. Private visit of Harrow School (*subject to availability*). On 17 April 1888, Churchill went to Harrow School, an independent boarding school for boys founded in 1572 under a Royal Charter granted by Elizabeth I. Visit the venue of Sir Winston Churchill's funeral St Paul's Cathedral, dating from the late 17th century, was designed by Sir Christopher Wren. *Overnight Millennium Gloucester Hotel.*

Day 3 - Sat 01 Jun

Breakfast. Day at leisure for personal sightseeing and shopping. *Overnight Millennium Gloucester Hotel.*

Day 4 - Sun 02 Jun

Breakfast. Visit Chartwell. The Churchill family loved Chartwell. It was a home and a place that truly inspired Sir Winston. The house is still much as it was when the family lived here - pictures, books and personal mementoes evoking the career and wide-ranging interests of this influential family. The studio is home to the largest single collection of Churchill's paintings. Afternoon and evening at leisure.

Overnight Millennium Gloucester Hotel.

Day 5 - Mon 03 Jun

Breakfast. Morning visit to Bletchley Park, the central site of the United Kingdom's Government Code and Cypher School (GC&CS), which during the Second World War regularly penetrated the German Enigma and Lorenz secure ciphers. Lunch. Visit Blenheim Palace, Winston Churchill's birthplace and principal residence of the Dukes of Marlborough and Bladon Church cemetery, where Churchill is buried.

Overnight Millennium Gloucester Hotel.

Day 6 - Tue 04 Jun

Breakfast. Portsmouth D-Day Museum. The D-Day Story is the liberation of Europe from Nazi Germany occupation during the Second World War. The story is told using the personal possessions and words of the people who actually took part. Lunch. Afternoon sailing to France. Dinner on board. Arrive Normandy. Transfer to your Normandy hotel. *Overnight Hotel du Golf, Deauville.*

Day 7 - Wed 05 Jun

Breakfast. Full day in the 6th Airborne Division (1st Canadian Parachute Battalion) sector. 75th Anniversary Commemorations (full details will not be known until January 2019). The initial stages of operation Overlord insofar as the 1st. Canadian Parachute Battalion was concerned, were divided into three tasks. The protection of the left flank of the 9th Parachute Battalion in its approach march and attack on the Merville battery. The blowing of two bridges over the River Dives. Neutralization of enemy positions at Varraville. Visit the Memorial Pegasus Bridge Museum. Subject to weather; we will watch a parachute drop / insertion from about 25 to 30 Dakota aircraft. Not seen since WWII. Lunch and dinner included.

Overnight Hotel du Golf, Deauville.

Day 8 - Thu 06 Jun

Breakfast. Attend the Commemorations on JUNO Beach (*full details will not be known until January 2019*). The Allied offensive in north-western Europe began with the Normandy landings of 6th June 1944. Juno Beach was one of five assault beaches on D-Day, and was assigned to the 3rd Canadian Division and the 2nd Canadian Armoured Brigade. Visit the Juno Beach Centre. Boxed lunch. Visit Beny-sur-Mer Canadian War Cemetery and Memorial to Cameron Highlanders of Ottawa.

Dinner and overnight. Hotel du Golf, Deauville.

Note: Commemorative ceremonies at the Juno Beach Centre. For safety reasons, and because of the site restriction, the attendance on June 6th will likely be a limited capacity and an additional restricted registration process will probably be put in place. We hope to have further details about this process and other general information available to share in the next couple of months.

Day 9 - Fri 07 Jun

Breakfast. Drive to the French capital Paris and enjoy a city sightseeing tour. The tour passes before the great and symbolic tourist locations in the city: the Place Vendôme, the Place de l'Opéra Garnier, the Musée du Louvre, the Hôtel de Ville, Notre Dame de Paris cathedral, the Panthéon, the Musée d'Orsay, the Place de la Concorde, the Champs Elysées, the Arc de Triomphe, Eiffel Tower and Les Invalides in Paris. Rest day at leisure.

Overnight Novotel Paris Centre Tour Eiffel.

Day 10 - Sat 08 Jun

Breakfast. Drive to Dieppe with boxed lunch en route. Hear about 'The Raid' and the actions of the Canadian Regiments, including the Calgary Regiment, that took part. Dieppe Canadian War Cemetery. Early evening ferry from Dieppe. Dinner on board before your arrival in Newhaven, England.

Overnight London airport hotel.

Day 11 - Sun 09 Jun

Breakfast. Transfer to Heathrow airport (time TBD) for your return flight.

Tour prices include

• ACCOMMODATION for 10 nights in 4-star hotels. All rooms with private facilities. Breakfast is included

30 May 2019 for 5 nights Millennium Gloucester in Superior Rooms

www.millenniumhotels.com/en/london/millennium-gloucester-hotel-london-kensington

04 June 2019 for 3 nights Golf Hotel, Deauville, Normandy in Superior Rooms

www.hotelsbarriere.com/en/deauville/l-hotel-du-golf.html

07 June 2019 for 1 night Novotel Paris Centre Tour Eiffel hotel

www.novotel-paris-toureiffel.com/

08 June 2019 for 1 night Heathrow Airport hotel

- FOUR DINNERS 3 course (without drinks) & coffee
- **FIVE LUNCHES** 2 course (without drinks) & coffee
- TWO BOXED LUNCHES
- GUIDE

Blue badge guide – Days 1,2, 4 & 5 Battlefield tour guide - Day 06 to 10

- MOTOR COACH with air conditioning and panoramic windows
- ENTRANCE FEES to the following attractions

Bletchley Park

Blenheim Palace

Chartwell

Churchill Museum and Cabinet War Rooms

Harrow School (subject to availability)

St Pauls Cathedral

Portsmouth D-Day Museum

Memorial Pegasus

Juno Visitor Centre

FERRY

Portsmouth to Normandy with reclining seats and 3 course meal with wine or beer Dieppe to Newhaven with 3 course meal with wine or beer

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(Canadian \$)

TOUR OPTION CHOSEN (check <u>one</u>)
EARLY BIRD BY NOVEMBER 15, 2018
DUAL OCCUPANCY (\$5,200 each). I have enclosed a cheque for \$1,040* for each person (\$2,080 in total) and will pay the remainder (\$8,320 by Feb. 28, 2019).
SINGLE OCCUPANCY (\$6,900 each). I have enclosed a cheque for \$1,380* and will pay the remainder (\$5,520 by Feb. 28, 2019).
REGULAR OPTION: NOVEMBER 16, 2018 to FEBRUARY 28, 2019
DUAL OCCUPANCY (\$5,600 each). I have enclosed a cheque for \$1,120* for each person (\$2,240 in total) and will pay the remainder (\$8,960 by Feb. 28, 2019).
SINGLE OCCUPANCY (\$7,300 each). I have enclosed a cheque for \$1,460* and will pay the remainder (\$5,840 by Feb. 28, 2019).
Note that all cheques should be made out to The Sir Winston Churchill Society of Calgary and mailed <u>with</u> the signed contract below to:
Sir Winston Churchill Society of Calgary, c/o
#5, 2208-20 Ave NW,
Calgary, Alberta, T2M 1J2
Note that the 20% deposit is non-refundable.
For any questions, please contact:
Mr. Gordon Lang at gordon.lang@gblinc.ca or 403 249-1820
(Note Mr. Lang will be out of the country between September 25 to November 12.)

or

President Mark Milke at mmilke@telus.net or 403-510-6270

Application contract and release of liability

Re: Application to Join Sir Winston Churchill Society Tour of the UK and Normandy ("Tour")

Thank you ("**Applicant(s)**") for your interest in the Tour.

The Winston Churchill Society of Calgary ("**Society**") is pleased to accept your application to join the Tour, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- 1. The Tour fee payable for each Applicant(s), based upon double occupancy, shall be \$CD 5,200, if a non-refundable deposit of \$CD 1,040 is paid to the Society by November 15, 2018 and the remainder is paid to the Society by February 28, 2019;
- 2. The Tour fee payable for each Applicant(s), based upon double occupancy, shall be \$CD 5,600, if a non-refundable deposit of \$CD 1,120 is paid to the Society after November 15, 2018 and the remainder is paid to the Society by February 28, 2019;
- 3. There shall be an additional fee of \$CD 1,700 for single occupancy, with another twenty percent (\$CD 340) due, as a non-refundable deposit, upon acceptance of application, with the remainder due by February 28, 2019;
- 4. All deposits are immediately non-refundable, and shall be treated as donations to the Society in the event the Applicant(s) cancels their participation in the Tour;
- 5. Alternates those Applicant(s) who pay after the tour roster is full shall make payments in accordance with the above schedule (1,2, or 3), but will receive a full refund of their 20% deposit if no place becomes available.
- 6. After February 28, 2019, the Tour fees shall be non-refundable with the exception of Alternates;
- 7. In the event of injury or death after February 28, 2019, an Applicant(s) may apply in writing for a refund of eighty percent of their Tour fees, and the Society may; at its discretion, refund all or part of such amount;
- 8. The Society makes no representations with respect to the scheduling of the Tour each day or with respect to the services provided and will not be responsible for any deficiencies;
- 9. Airfare and transportation to and from the Applicant(s)' airport of departure are not included in the Tour and shall remain the responsibility of each Applicant(s);
- 10. Health insurance, and all other travel related insurance is the sole responsibility of the Applicant(s) and the Society shall accept no responsibility or liability for any accidents or harm suffered by any individual participating in the Tour;
- 11. The Society is a charity; and is serving as a facilitator for those desiring to participate in the Tour, and is not responsible for the failure of Tour operators, hotels, transportation or guides delivering services as part of the Tour;
- 12. The execution of this letter by the Applicant(s) shall constitute a full and complete release of the Society from any and all claims the undersigned participant has or may have in connection with the Tour and the Applicant(s) hereby assumes all risks associated with the Tour;
- 13. The Applicant(s) agrees to release, discharge, indemnify, and hold harmless the Society from any, and all claims, actions or damages suffered, of any nature or kind, in connection with the Tour.

Your signature at the end of this letter constitutes your agreement to the foregoing.

FIRST APPLICANT:	SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL SOCIETY OF CALGARY
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Address	Date
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