



RAMC ASSOCIATION BATTLEFIELD STUDY
80th ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY AND THE NORMANDY INVASION
MONDAY 2nd – FRIDAY 6th SEPTEMBER 2024

Registered No 1129091



The RAMC Association is to conduct a battlefield study of D-Day and the invasion of Normandy concentrating on the medical aspects of the campaign in the British and Canadian sectors.

This **five-day** study, held in conjunction with Leger Holidays, will centre at Bayeux.

Your guides will be Brigadier Alistair Macmillan and Pete Starling.

There will be a central pick up point of the Union Jack Club in London and a second pick up point close to the ferry port at Portsmouth ([Exact Location TBC](#)). Then we will cross the channel on a day crossing via Portsmouth to Le Havre. Accommodation will be in the Ibis Bayeux, Port en Bessin on a bed and breakfast and packed lunch basis.

Our **three days on the ground** will include the parachute and glider landings at Pegasus Bridge and Merville including visits to the museums; the British and Canadian beaches; Arromanches and the Mulberry harbours and Courcelles and Ranchy. At each location your guides will enhance your visit by detailing aspects of the actions that took place at each location, how the medical services developed prior to D-Day and how they adapted and coped as the days progressed. You will hear about surgery, blood transfusion, the role of the Beach Dressing Station and Casualty Clearing Station in the early days; how casualties were evacuated by sea and the early days of air evacuation. Included are visits to some of the magnificent military museums located in the Normandy area.

On our last day in the area you will visit Ranchy and then Bayeux Commonwealth War Grave Commission (CWGC) Cemetery where a short service of commemoration and wreath laying will take place. Then, after lunch, you may visit the magnificent Bayeux Tapestry and wander the beautiful town of Bayeux.

On day five we will travel back to England on a day crossing to Portsmouth and then to the Union Jack Club in London for dispersal.

The cost to applicants is shown below. While it is stressed that the cost is being **substantially** subsidised by the RAMC Association, this subsidy applies to any member or veteran of the Army Medical Services. Spouses / partners are also included.

Applications will be dealt with on a “first come, first served” basis – so to be certain of a place, book early!

Cost Area	Leger Invoiced Cost	Subsidised Cost	RAMC Association Subsidy	Payment
5 Day Tour (per person sharing a twin / double room)	£549	£250	55%	Applicants are invited to pay in full, but a minimum non-refundable 50% deposit of each individual's costs is required to secure a booking. Full payments must be made by Fri 28 Jun 24 where a deposit has been made. Deposits will be forfeited unless full payment is received by COP on Wed 3 Jul 24.
Single Room Supplement	£209	£209	Nil	

What's Included?

- *Coach travel in an Executive Coach
- *Services of experienced drivers / coach assistants.
- *Channel crossings as specified.
- *Hotel accommodation – Hotel Ibis Bayeux Port en Bassin 4 nights on a Bed & Breakfast and packed lunch basis.
- *Entrance to all museums and places of interest.
- *Included itinerary as shown above.

What Costs Extra?

- *Evening meals
- *Gratuities to your drivers/coach assistants/guide etc.
- *Insurance – Medical / Holiday Insurance is an essential part of your booking process and you should ensure you are fully covered by your insurance policy. Details of insurance will be required when booking.

Interested? Then contact the RAMC Association National Secretary natsecretary@ramcassociation.org.uk for a booking form and payment details, if not on the internet contact your Branch Secretary for help.

