

# Battlefield Tour

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£419\*

**19 -23 May 2017**



*Fully guided tour  
visiting;  
Ypres, Poperinge,  
Arras, Vimy  
and the Somme*

**2 nights in Mouscron,  
Belgium and  
2 nights in Arras, France**

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\* Approximate cost per person. Based on two people sharing a room.  
Bed & Breakfast accommodation. £120 single supplement



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## **Proposed Itinerary 19-23 May 2017**

**Day 1** – Local departure by coach from **Thame**, and travel to Dover for the ferry crossing to Calais then onwards to Belgium for a two night stay on a Bed and Breakfast basis at the 4 star Best Western Plus Hotel Alize, Mouscron.

**Day 2 – Ypres** - Today we look at the battlefields around Ypres; this was the main British battlefront in World War I where more than 250,000 British and Commonwealth soldiers died. Visits will include: Tyne Cot Memorial and Cemetery, Essex Farm Cemetery, Poperinge, Hooge Crater, Ypres town centre, "In Flanders fField" museum and the Last Post ceremony at the Menin Gate where a wreath will be laid.

It will also include Ferme-Olivier Cemetery to deliver a Thame Remembers Cross.

**Day 3 – The Somme** – Today we look at the Somme – Visits will include: Thiepval Memorial, Auchonvillers, Beaumont Hamel, Lochnager Crater and Fricourt German cemetery.

It will also include Martinpuich and Rocquingny-Equancourt Road cemeteries to deliver Thame Remembers crosses.

A wreath will be laid at Thiepval memorial

Then travel onwards to Arras, France for a two night stay on a Bed and Breakfast basis at the 3 star Holiday Inn Express, Arras Centre.

**Day 4 – Arras and Vimy Ridge** – Today we look at the northern Somme – Visits will include: Vimy Memorial and preserved battlefield, Notre Dame de Lorette French Cemetery and new "Ring of Remembrance" memorial, Wellington Quarry Memorial tunnels of the Battle of Arras.

It will also include Mindel Trench cemetery to deliver a Thame Remembers cross.

**Day 5** – Leave the hotel and stop at a Hypermarket on the way to Calais for the ferry crossing to Dover. Return to **Thame** in time for tea.

Please note, The itinerary is provisional and may need to change to meet local circumstances.

Personal requests. Every effort will be made to include personal visits to cemeteries and memorials in addition to the above schedule.