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Anzac Day- Villers-Bretonneux and the Western Front Trail of Remembrance Tour 2014

Itinerary 14th April – 5th May 2014

14th April
(Monday)

2.30am departure from Brisbane for Singapore
(Emirates Airlines)
8.30am Arrive Singapore

Free Day Singapore

Mariner Bay Sands Hotel
10 Bayfront Avenue, Singapore 018956,
Phone 011 65 6688 8897

15th April
(Tuesday)

Free day Singapore

Bags to stay at Hotel
Enjoy a visit to Chinatown, Bugis street and more that Singapore has to offer.
Also enjoy a swim in the wonderful pool 57 stories above the Singapore surrounds.
And of course –a Singapore Sling at Raffles.
9.00pm Shuttle to airport

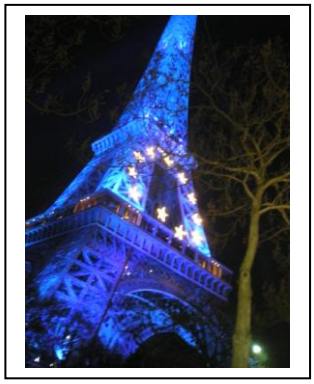
16th April **12.50am Depart Singapore for Dubai**
(Wednesday) **6.00am Arrive Dubai**
8.20am Depart Dubai
16th April **1.30pm Arrive Paris**

16thApril **Arrive Paris Charles de Gaulle International**
Mini Van to Hotel

Hôtel de la Paix

19, rue du Gros Caillou
75007 Paris – France
+33 1 45 51 86 17
contact@hotelparispaix.com

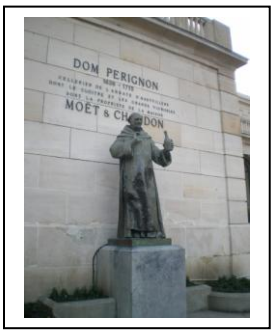
We start our visit to Paris with a small picnic under the Eiffel Tower.
Tonight a dinner in Rue St Cler one of the best market areas in Paris. Only a 5 minute walk from the hotel



17th April **Another day to explore Paris after breakfast in the hotel.**
(Thursday) **We board a tourist bus today for a great view of Paris**
Today Montmartre and the Artist District
Moulin Rouge and Notre Dame.
7.15pm Dinner at the Eiffel Tower and afterwards a Seine River Cruise

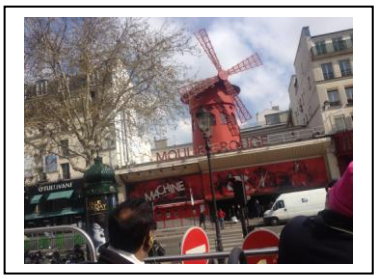
18th April **Today we visit Mont Martre and the Artist area for shopping and sightseeing. Stations of the Cross for Good Friday also occur here. Good Friday is not complete without a visit to the Cathedral of Notre Dame this afternoon where we may glimpse the Crown of Thorns supposedly worn by Christ. Tonight a free night for you to wander the streets or enjoy a quiet dinner.**

19thApril
Saturday **Optional Tour today to Epernay in the heart of wine Country. A Chance to visit the Mumm or Moet Chandon Champagne Houses**
A late trip home…we may even have dinner in Epernay.



20th April
Easter Sunday **Today we are off to Notre Dame for Easter Sunday Mass and a walk then back across the bridges of Paris and the Champs Elysee. Maybe the Tomb of Napoleon.**

21st April
Easter Monday **Last chance to see Paris today at your leisure**
Your choice of activities.
Tonight we farewell Paris with the fabulous Moulon Rouge
We have Dinner Champagne and the show.



22nd April
Tuesday **10.30am Depart byTGV high speed train from Paris Est Station Paris for Amiens**
12.00noon arrive Amiens
Campanile Hotel
Lunch in the town square
Visit the Cathedral and take in wonderful city where Jules Verne was born and grew up.

Dinner tonight at the Hotel

Campanile Hotel Amiens

29/33 RUE PAUL TELLIER 80000 AMIENS
Contact Information: Tel: +33 (0) 3 22 66 08 08
Email: amiens.centre@campanile.fr

23rd April **Morning breakfast at Hotel and then today visit Villers-Brettoneux memorial in the afternoon and**
Wednesday **township and Victoria school . Lunch at the Pub on us.**

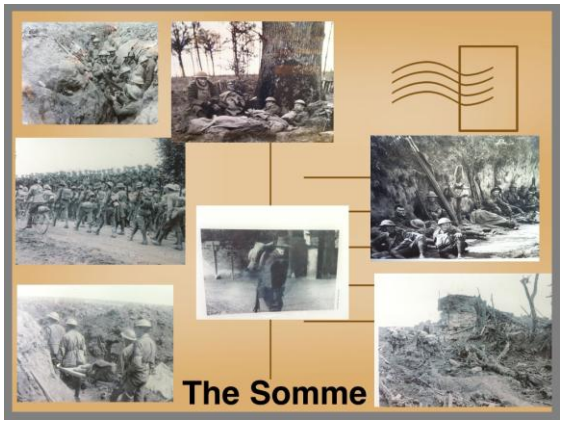
Dinner tonight your choice in Amiens

24th April
Thursday **Today we head for the village of Vignacourt…..Home of the Lost Diggers. We spend the day in the village with the townsfolk and explore what happened there nearly 100 years ago when the Aussie diggers arrived. Visit the Thuillier house and barn where those inspiring photos were taken.**

Anzac Day
25th April
Friday

3.00am departure for dawn service at Villers Bretonneux
Bus supplied by Australian Government and Amiens City
8.00am return to Amiens
10.30am Depart by bus for Bullecourt and ceremony
An inspiring ceremony with the townsfolk.
3.00pm Drive to Ypres deep in Flanders and Salient region

Tonight visit the Menin Gate and the ceremony held there every night.



26th April
Saturday

Albion Hotel Ypres is home for the next few days. Let Ruth and her team introduce you to a very special town

- Albion Hotel
- St. Jacobsstraat 28
- 8900 Ieper, Belgium

Phone 0032 57 200 220

Sleep in and discover the town and its history

It is also market day.
Maybe a chance to visit the Flanders Fields museum.
Tonight we gather for dinner in a local restaurant.

27th April
Sunday

We Join a Battlefield Tour today as we visit Tyne Cot cemetery the largest Military Cemetry in the region. PolygonWood and Paschendale along with a viewing of the trenches recreated outside Ypres. All names etched onto the minds of Australians at this time of the year.
Return to Ypres for a quiet dinner in the village.

28th April
Monday

Today we leave Ypres and head for Lille by private bus transfer where we catch an EasyJet flight for the 1 hour trip to Toulouse in Southern France.
From here a 1 hour drive to the medieval walled city of Carcossone.
In Carcossone we are staying in villas in the new town just outside the UNESCO world heritage walled city.

Le Maison Julliette and Les Palatanes are comfortable places to stay where we can all catch our breaths after a few long days
Visit the village, pick up food and we cook together and drink French wine in one of the most beautiful parts of France.

29th April Tuesday **Today we are free to explore the walled city and all it has to offer**

30th April Wednesday **There is the chance for an optional tour to Lourdes and the memories of Our Lady who appeared to Bernadette or just stay and have fun in Carcassonne.**

1st May **Have a sleep in and wander around to farewell Carcassonne.This afternoon we catch a bus to Toulouse and a flight to Paris at 7.05pm. We overnight at an airport Hotel in Paris.**

2nd May Friday **This morning we make our way to Charles De Gaulle airport at 11.20am we fly out for Dubai.**
We arrive in Dubai at 7.55pm
Pick up a airport and check in to Hyatt
Dubai This hotel is next to the river and Gold Souk markets

Hyatt Regency Dubai
Address: D 85 - Dubai - United Arab Emirates
Phone:+971 4 209 6936

3rd May Saturday **Today we get the chance to rest at this great hotel or visit the gold Souks of Dubai. Tonight we have an Arabian Safari.**

4th May	**Visit the Mall of the Emirates and relax.**
Sunday	**Todaya very special dinner at the Burj - A Dubai Icon.**
	We leave for the airport at around 10.00pm or our 3.05am (5th May) flight via Singapore.
6th May	
Tuesday	**5.15am Arrival in Brisbane**