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New Zealand Battlefield Tour: 3 days/2 nights

820 euro per person based on double/twin room 930 euro based on single occupation.

DAY 1: VISIT TO THE BATTLEFIELDS OF THE SOMME.

We visit the **Wellington tunnels in Arras**.

We start our tour discovering battle of the **Somme 1916** and visit: **Bapaume, Grevillers, Flers, Longueval** and **Carterpillar cemetery**, where the unknown New Zealander was exhumed to be taken back to New Zealand. We continue our journey further and visit the sites related to the battle of the **Somme 1918** such as **Havrincourt Bridge, Vertigneul and Le Quesnoy**.

Included pick up in Lille, lunch, entrée fees, accommodation in Ypres in the New Regina

DAY 2: TOURING IN FLANDERS ON THE YPRES SALIENT

We follow the route of the New Zealanders when they took the **Messines Ridge** and visit the different memorials to the **New Zealanders** and their missing.

Hill 60 who are only a few places related to the big explosions of the mines on the 7th June 1917, a successful operation prologue to the 3th battle of Ypres.

We will discover the different phases of the 3th battle of Ypres and we will approach **Passchendaele** Ridge just like the New Zealanders did in October 1917.

We start at **Helfire Corner**, follow the **Menin Road**, **Hooge Crater** and **Clapham Junction**. During our visit to **Polygon Wood** we discover the memorial for the missing New Zealanders.

After **Broodseinde** we reach **Passchendaele Ridge** and visit **Tyne Cot cemetery**, the biggest Commonwealth cemetery of the world, with the memorial to the missing New Zealanders of the battle of Passchendaele.

At the end of the day **Last Post** ceremony at the **Menin Gate**. Possibility to lay a wreath (ask us in advance)

Included breakfast, lunch, entrée fees, accommodation in Ypres in the New Regina

DAY 3: Behind the front Line

We visit Flanders Fields area In Langemark we visit the German cemetery. We visit Lyssenthoek cemetery and the visitor centre to discover how the evacuation of the wounded took place. We visit the grave of Dave Gallaher in Nine Elms cemetery. In Poperinge we visit Talbot House and find out about life of the soldiers when they had rest and recreation. Also what happened to the thousands of civilians. In Armentieres where the New Zealanders had their first experience on the Western Front we visit Cité Bonjean Military Cemetery.

We visit: Houplines, Fleurbaix and Fromelles.

At the end of this tour we take you back to Lille on time to catch your train to your next destination

Included breakfast, lunch, entrée fees, drop of in Lille.