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# Normandy

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# A World of Discovery

The story of travel involves more than a ticket and a passport. It should weave together discovery, education and humanity, the best elements of any compelling tale. Your personal travel story begins with our commitment to delivering authentic experiences with local people.

The incomparable value of your journey lies in the personalized care you receive from your Travel Director and the knowledge you gain from expert guides and lecturers who call this area home.

By eliminating logistical worries, your multilingual Travel Director allows you to immerse yourself comfortably in your surroundings. This high-caliber professional makes you feel safe and important by creating a convivial, welcoming atmosphere.

The other important characters in this story are the guides and lecturers whose regional expertise shines in their insider perspective and commentary.

Open a new chapter in your travels in the beguiling region of Normandy. From the sweeping, cliff-lined coast to the lush, rolling countryside, discover proud Norman traditions, dramatic history, culinary delicacies and alluring natural beauty.

Above: *Mont-Saint-Michel* | Cover photo: *Honfleur*

## Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Marvel at stunning **Mont-Saint-Michel** rising majestically over the tidal waters.
- ▶ Contemplate the extraordinary bravery of the Allied landing forces as you walk along the **beaches of Normandy**.
- ▶ Feel as though you've stepped into a work of art in **Monet's garden in Giverny**.
- ▶ Explore the impact of World War II at the **Caen Memorial Museum**.
- ▶ Delight in the wonderful local color and delicious cuisine along **Honfleur's picturesque harbor**.
- ▶ Study the intricately embroidered details of the famed **Bayeux Tapestry**.
- ▶ Sip **Calvados**, the region's celebrated cider brandy, on an estate.



## Dear K-State Alumni and Friends,

Journey with us to beautiful Normandy, a northern region of France that has factored significantly in the political, religious, cultural and gastronomic development of Western civilization. While based in the scenic port town of Honfleur, you'll explore the historic D-Day beaches and related sites as well as other standouts of the region, including stunning Mont-Saint-Michel, Claude Monet's home and studio in Giverny and the medieval riches of Rouen. Along the way, you'll also indulge in some of Normandy's most delectable culinary specialties.

Your itinerary has been carefully crafted to include enriching cultural excursions, preferred access to popular attractions and an engaging educational component. These fascinating lectures by expert speakers will provide meaningful context for what you encounter during your travels. You'll also delight in the fellowship of traveling with a small group, plus forge your own path during ample free time.

There's much to explore and discover together in this captivating region! Make plans to be a part of the adventure by reserving your space today.

Sincerely,

*Terin Walters*

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Assistant Vice President of Development and Communications

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Arromanches

### Day 1 | In Transit

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Depart your gateway city for Paris, France. 🚗

### Day 2 | Paris, France | Honfleur

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Upon arrival, transfer 🚗 to Honfleur, and check in to the Mercure Honfleur Hotel.

This evening, meet your fellow travelers at a Welcome Reception in the hotel, then enjoy a Welcome Dinner at a restaurant in town.

### Day 3 | Honfleur

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**Discovery: Historic Honfleur.** Get to know this quintessential French port town that has captivated artists for centuries. Soak up the maritime ambience of its picture-perfect, 17th-century Vieux Bassin, or old harbor, located where the Seine River meets the English Channel. Stroll along the colorful harbor and narrow side streets to see landmarks like the wooden Church of Sainte-Catherine crafted by 15th-century shipbuilders.

Enjoy a delicious lunch at a local restaurant.

**Free Time:** Explore Honfleur at your leisure.

### Day 4 | Arromanches | Omaha Beach | Normandy American Cemetery | Pointe du Hoc

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**Enrichment: D-Day and the Battle of Normandy.** Understand the critical role that Normandy played during this crucial period of the Allied war effort.

**Discovery: D-Day and the Battle of Normandy.** In Arromanches, see the site of one of the offshore mulberry harbors and tour

the museum. A remarkable feat of engineering, these artificial floating harbors cleverly enabled the Allies to funnel enormous resources into France to wage war against Hitler.

Break for lunch in Arromanches.

Then, as you walk along Omaha Beach and see the memorial, contemplate the extraordinary bravery of the Allied landing forces, who valiantly advanced under devastating fire across the heavily fortified shoreline to overcome German troops.

In Colleville-sur-Mer, pay a poignant visit to the Normandy American Cemetery set on a beautiful bluff overlooking Omaha Beach, which contains 9,385 graves of Americans who died in the invasion and subsequent battles, as well as a tranquil memorial garden honoring those missing in action.

Finally, visit Pointe du Hoc, where U.S. Rangers courageously scaled 100-foot cliffs to destroy German artillery. Learn about this treacherous mission from your guide and examine a German defensive emplacement.

### Day 5 | Giverny | Rouen

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**Discovery: Giverny and Rouen.** Raised in Normandy, Claude Monet lived in his cheerful, green-shuttered home in Giverny from 1883 to 1926. Admire the enchanting gardens that endlessly inspired him and visit the studio where he painted his “Water Lilies” series. Continue to the Musée des Impressionismes Giverny, dedicated to impressionism’s history. After viewing the museum’s collection, enjoy lunch on your own. Depart Giverny for Rouen, renowned for

## Normandy & D-Day

“You are about to embark upon the Great Crusade, toward which we have striven these many months. The eyes of the world are upon you. The hopes and prayers of liberty-loving people everywhere march with you.”

With General Dwight D. Eisenhower’s inspiring message, one of history’s largest and most complex military invasions was launched on June 6, 1944. More than 155,000 Allied forces arrived by air and sea and faced fierce resistance. The cost was high, with the Allies sustaining thousands of casualties, but they gradually succeeded in securing the beaches and later advanced inland to liberate Paris. D-Day will be remembered forever as the pivotal moment of World War II when the tide began to turn against Nazi Germany.



its medieval architecture. See the magnificent Rouen Cathedral, which Monet famously captured in different lights; the wealth of half-timbered houses; and the ornate astronomical clock known as Le Gros Horloge. Hear the haunting story of Joan of Arc, who was martyred in the town square in 1431.

This evening, dine with your fellow travelers at a quaint restaurant in Honfleur.

### Day 6 | Mont-Saint-Michel

**Discovery: Le Mont-Saint-Michel.** With one glimpse of Mont-Saint-Michel’s silhouette rising above the surrounding flat sands, you’ll know why this UNESCO World Heritage site is considered a wonder of the Western world. On a guided tour, explore this fascinating granite island that has served as a fortress, monastery and prison, and visit the serene

abbey and church that have drawn pilgrims for centuries. If you’d like, walk along the ramparts to admire the panoramic vistas.

### Day 7 | Honfleur

**Free Time:** The day is yours to plan! Visit nearby museums, stroll along the sea walls or take in the local scene from a waterfront café.

**Enrichment: *The French Resistance.***

Delve into the origins of the Resistance, its leaders and the heroic efforts of the French patriots who fought to liberate their country.

### Day 8 | Caen | Bayeux

**Discovery: Le Mémorial de Caen.** Visit the award-winning Caen Memorial Museum and gain intriguing insights about World War II, D-Day and the Battle of Normandy through its engrossing exhibits, photos and videos.

*Above left: Normandy American Cemetery | Below: Honfleur*



## INCLUDED FEATURES

### Accommodations {with baggage handling}

- 7 nights in Honfleur, France, at the first-class Mercure Honfleur Hotel.

### Extensive Meal Program

- 7 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 3 dinners; including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.
- Opportunities to sample authentic cuisine and local flavors.

### Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **AHI Travel Assurance** plan that covers Accident and Sickness Medical Expense, Trip Delay and Emergency Evacuation for U.S. residents.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history:
  - See Honfleur's historic landmarks.
  - Visit D-Day sites and the Normandy American Cemetery.
  - Delight in Monet's home in Giverny and the medieval splendor of Rouen.
  - Explore the breathtaking tidal island, Mont-Saint-Michel.
  - Study the thought-provoking exhibits at the Caen Memorial Museum.
  - Sample Calvados, the acclaimed Norman brandy, on an estate.
  - Follow the epic story depicted on the Bayeux Tapestry.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** Striving for a positive, purposeful impact on the destinations we visit: preserving the environment, supporting local communities and giving back to the places we travel.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.

Below: Calvados estate visit



## UNESCO World Heritage

### Mont-Saint-Michel and its Bay

### **AHI Connects: Calvados.**

Normandy's famous apple cider brandy is among the world's finest brandies. Visit an estate that distills Calvados from the apples grown on its 42 acres of orchards and learn about the production process. Sip a glass of smooth Calvados and relax over lunch.



**Discovery: Bayeux.** View the 11th-century Bayeux Tapestry, a finely stitched historic artifact nearly 230 feet long, embroidered with more than 50 scenes related to the Norman conquest of England and the Battle of Hastings in 1066. Later, admire the Gothic details of Bayeux's Notre Dame cathedral.

Celebrate your time in Normandy at tonight's Farewell Reception and Dinner.

### Day 9 | In Transit

After breakfast, transfer  to the Paris airport for the return flight to your gateway city. 

**Note:** *Itinerary may change due to local conditions.*

 *Flights and*  *transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.*

## A Note About Activity Levels

We want you to have a comfortable and enjoyable experience. That's why we have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program's physical expectations. Depending on the excursion, more leisurely alternatives may be available. Please call or visit our website to review the itinerary for full details about our activity levels.

### Excursions on this program require:

- ▶ walking on cobblestones, unpaved paths and/or uneven surfaces
- ▶ getting on/off motor coaches



## AHI Travel Expertise

From your reservation to your return home, we're here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

### *Before you go:*

- ▶ **Travel Consultants** | These experts stand ready to answer your questions about activities, meals, accommodations and more as they guide you through the reservation process.
- ▶ **Passenger Service Representative** | After reserving your spot, enjoy personalized assistance from this specialist, your one point of contact who helps with everything from arranging flights to booking elective activities to fulfilling special requests.
- ▶ **Travel Information** | Before your journey, our team closely monitors travel conditions, shares pre-departure details and provides information and enrichment about your destination.

### *Once you arrive:*

Our top-notch, dedicated team takes your adventure to the next level! Share a laugh, learn where to find the best café and enjoy their unique perspectives on the local scene.

- ▶ **Travel Director** | Our multilingual Travel Director manages all the details so that you can simply relax and soak up the ambience. In the care of this seasoned travel professional who is attuned to your personal safety, you'll enjoy a seamless, unforgettable travel experience.
- ▶ **Expert Guides** | Who better to show you around than the people who live there? We've specially selected informed, enthusiastic local guides who understand the needs of our educated and curious travelers. Warm and genuine, they're ready to share their passion for their country with you.
- ▶ **Lecturers** | Coming from all walks of life, our entertaining local lecturers open your eyes to history, culture and current events. The breadth of their knowledge deepens your appreciation for the region and its heritage.

## Mercure Honfleur Hotel | Honfleur



Our travel experts have carefully selected this first-class property for its prime location in the heart of lovely Honfleur near the old harbor. It is ideally situated for exploring the region's renowned landmarks while providing opportunities to immerse yourself in local life. Of utmost importance is the superior quality of the services, amenities and accommodations, allowing you to enjoy your stay fully.



# Normandy ~ Honfleur

Trip #:12-26182W

Call our travel experts at **800-941-5457** to reserve your place!

**Please have the information outlined below available to share with our AHI Travel Experts.**

**If you prefer,** you may also complete this Reservation Request and submit it to our office. Once this request is received in our office, an AHI Travel Expert will contact you within one business day to discuss deposit payment. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed.

**Send to** K-State Alumni Association  
c/o AHI Travel  
International Tower-Suite 600  
8550 W. Bryn Mawr Avenue, Chicago, IL 60631

**I/we would like to request \_\_\_\_\_ place(s).**

Deposit amount is \$600 per person.

**Full Legal Name** (*exactly as it appears on passport*)

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Sharing with \_\_\_\_\_  
Name (Reservation Request sent separately)

## Single Accommodations

I prefer single accommodations (supplement waived, limited availability).

## Flights

Yes, I/we are requesting the round-trip AHI FlexAir to Paris, France,  
to depart from: \_\_\_\_\_  
Departure City

I/we are interested in upgrading my/our international flight to the following:

First Class  Business Class  Premium Economy

No thanks! I/we will book my/our own air travel and transfers.

Reservations are subject to availability and processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations to be paid in full by **July 5, 2021** (75 days prior to departure). Reservations received after this date must be accompanied by payment in full. Final payment may be made by personal check, MasterCard, Visa, Discover or Amex. Make checks payable to AHI Travel.

**Please note: Program-specific terms and conditions are available on our website on the trip page. You can also request a copy from our travel experts.**

**Any payment to AHI Travel constitutes your acceptance of the terms and conditions set out therein, including but not limited to the cancellation terms.**



## PROGRAM DATES

**Air Program dates:** September 18-26, 2021

**Land Program dates:** September 19-26, 2021

## LAND PROGRAM

Full Price	Special Savings	Special Price*
\$3,645	\$250	\$3,395

\*Special Price valid if booked by the date found on the address panel.

VAT is an additional \$295 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

**Single supplement waived for solo travelers!** This offer is limited, capacity-controlled and tends to sell out quickly.

### Let us arrange your flights!

#### AHI FlexAir

Our experts are ready to assist you in booking flights. Our personalized air program offers the following advantages:

- ▶ **price guarantee** to protect you from fuel surcharge increases after ticket purchase.
- ▶ arrival and departure **transfers** on group dates.
- ▶ **flexibility** to change or cancel your reservations without penalty up to 60 days before departure on most flights.
- ▶ **assistance** in the event of schedule changes or delays.

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### TRAVEL WITH CONFIDENCE

For more than half a century, our dedicated team has helped travelers explore the world safely and securely.

#### To offer you added peace-of-mind, we've fine-tuned all facets of your travel experience:

- ✓ **Included AHI Travel Assurance** covers travel- and health-related contingencies. Available for U.S. residents only.
- ✓ Increased booking flexibility and relaxed cancellation penalties.
- ✓ **Home support staff and ground team** communicating 24/7 to ensure a seamless and safe journey.
- ✓ Travel Directors specially trained to the highest standard in accordance with AHI's health and safety protocols.
- ✓ A global network of partners rigorously following new procedures and protocols.
- ✓ **Enhanced sanitization practices** for river ships, hotels, trains and motor coaches.
- ✓ Tour operations modified for smaller groups and greater physical distancing.
- ✓ Hand sanitizer available for guest use.



Bayeux Cathedral



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Omaha Beach

# Normandy's beauty, history and rich culture await you on this wonderful journey!

**AHI Travel's** mission is to deliver inspirational educational and cultural travel programs that delight travelers.

**With AHI you can rely on:**

- Experienced Travel Directors who attend to every detail of your journey.
- An exceptional travel value.
- Unique access to local sites.
- Flexibility and customization.
- Safety and security.



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