



World War I

Battlefields

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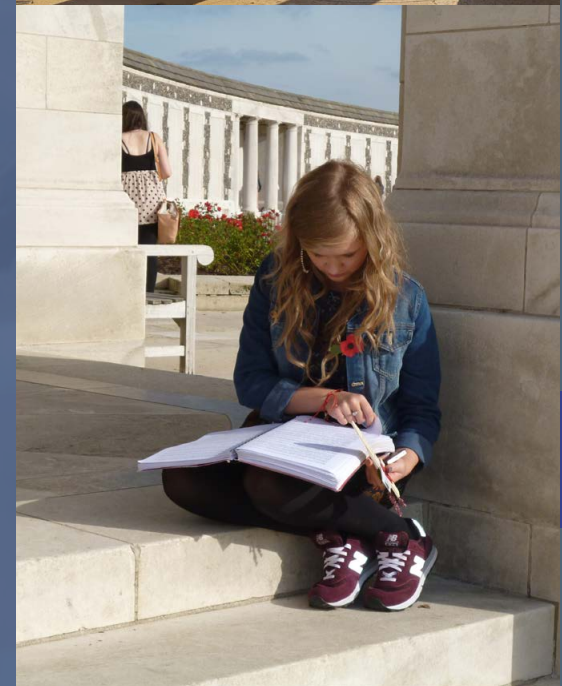
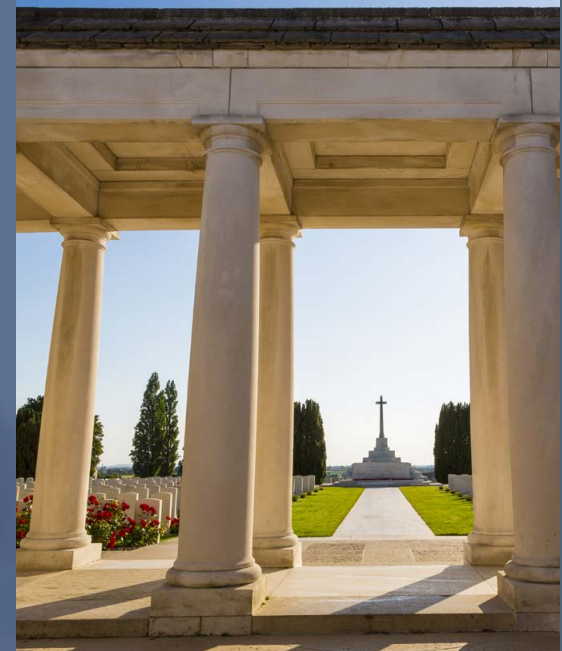
Visit. Understand. Never forget.

Experience the living conditions in the trenches and the destructive power, waste and futility of war by touring the battlefields of the Ypres Salient and the Somme.

Experience the events of the 1916 Battle of the Somme by following the Circuit of Remembrance, attend the Last Post Ceremony at the Menin Gate, explore the interactive In Flanders Fields Museum in Ypres and visit the British Dugout Experience and German trench system at the Passchendaele Museum.

Your students may explore many other places of interest in order to discover more about this devastating conflict.

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Day 1

Morning

Depart early morning to travel to Dover

Short sea crossing to Calais

Afternoon

Arrive in Ypres mid afternoon

Arrive in Ypres mid-afternoon for a visit to In Flanders Fields Museum. Located in the historic Cloth Hall, the museum offers an immersive experience, utilising advanced multimedia exhibits and unique sound fragments of the life at the front. Visitors journey through the lives of those affected by the conflict, exploring personal stories, artifacts, and historical contexts.

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Evening

Check into accommodation

Followed by evening meal



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Day 2

Morning

Breakfast in the hotel

Full day

Full day in Ypres with possible visits to include:

Passchendaele Museum in Zonnebeke

The museum is dedicated to the remembrance of the iconic Battle of Passchendaele, which took place during World War I in 1917 and showcases a wide range of exhibits including photographs, artifacts, and personal stories, providing insights into the experiences of soldiers and civilians during the war.

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Tyne Cot & Langemark Cemeteries

Tyne Cot Cemetery is the largest Commonwealth war cemetery in the world, commemorating soldiers who fought in World War I. Langemark Cemetery holds the remains of over 25,000 soldiers.

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Hooge Crater Museum

Established in 1994, the museum features a vast collection of artifacts, including weapons, uniforms, and personal items of the brave men who fought and fell. It highlights the role of trench warfare, showcasing reconstructed trench sections, and provides valuable historical context about the impact of the war on the local region.

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Hill 62-Sanctuary Wood & Hill 60

Hill 62-Sanctuary Wood was a strategic position during the trench warfare of the conflict. The site features preserved trench systems, memorials, and a museum. Hill 60 was the scene of intense warfare during the Second Battle of Ypres in 1915. The hill, named for its elevation of 60 meters, is preserved as a war memorial, honouring the soldiers who fought and sacrificed their lives.

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Evening

Evening meal followed by Last Post Ceremony at the Menin Gate

The Last Post Ceremony takes place each night at 8pm. It is a poignant tribute to the fallen soldiers, honouring their bravery and sacrifice.

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Day 3

Morning

Breakfast in the accommodation

Full day

Visit to the Somme area with possible visits to include:

Wellington Quarry

Located in Arras this historic underground site served as a crucial strategic location during World War I. Between 1916 and 1917, it housed thousands of soldiers who lived and worked in its tunnels, preparing for the Battle of Arras. The well-preserved tunnels feature exhibits with artifacts, photographs, and personal stories.

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Musee Somme 1916

The museum features an extensive collection, including uniforms, weaponry, and personal items, as well as photographs and documents that provide powerful narratives of bravery and suffering. Interactive displays recreate scenes from the battlefield, helping visitors to engage more deeply with the history.

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Vimy Ridge Memorial

The memorial features two towering pylons and striking statues that symbolise the mourning of lost soldiers and commemorates the Canadian soldiers who fought and died during the Battle of Vimy Ridge in April 1917. The Vimy Visitors Centre enhances the experience with exhibits and multimedia presentations.

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Beaumont Hamel

A poignant battlefield and home to the Newfoundland Memorial Park, which commemorates the fallen soldiers. The park features preserved trenches, memorials, and an informative visitor centre.

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Ulster Tower & Thiepval Memorial

Take in the stunning panoramic views from the Tower, explore the grounds which include plaques, gardens and the nearby Thiepval Memorial, honouring the missing of the Somme.

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Evening

Return to accommodation for dinner

OR

Full day

Full day visit to Bellewaerde Theme Park

Combine thrills with nature! 60 acres, featuring a variety of attractions including roller coasters, water rides, beautiful gardens and themed areas. The park is also home to a variety of animal species, including exotic birds, farm animals, and local wildlife.

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Evening

Ten Pin Bowling

Evening meal in Ypres followed by Ten Pin Bowling at Atlantis Bowling, which features modern bowling lanes, arcade games & billiards before returning late to the accommodation.



Day 4

Morning

Breakfast, check out of hotel and visit Leonidas Chocolate shop

Morning visit to Leonidas Chocolate shop in Ypres for a chance to sample and purchase the finest of Belgian chocolate.

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Afternoon

Travel to Calais

Short sea crossing to Dover

Evening

Return to school



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Peace Village

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HOTEL INFORMATION

Consisting of four units, each with its own name and colour and ten rooms per block. Each block consists of two staff rooms and eight pupil rooms for a total of 40 people per block. There are 24 en-suite modern duplex rooms with comfortable interiors, accommodating 4 to 6 persons per room. A further eight rooms are wheelchair accessible, in addition to 8 twin staff rooms. The hostel has a bar, games room and offers on-site activities such as a football, netball and basketball.

LOCATION

Situated in rural Messines. 10 minutes from Ypres, 90 minutes from Calais & Dunkirk and 30 minutes from Lille

BEDROOMS

Groups are required to make up their own beds on arrival and strip them on departure

FEATURES

Bar, games room, on-site activities



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Old Abbey Hotel

Hotel Oude Abdij, Noordstraat 3, B-8647, Lo-Reninge

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HOTEL INFORMATION

The Old Abbey Hotel, a former abbey and brewery, is set in magnificent surroundings where the unique 18th century Dovecots of the Augustine monks still remain. The hotel has 60 well-appointed bedrooms that can sleep up to 6 comfortably. Breakfast, packed lunch and dinner are available and prepared with fresh, local produce. Free Wi-Fi is available in the communal spaces at the ground floor. The hotel is situated in a lovely part of the country with a rich historical value, only 20km / 25 minutes from Ypres and the WWI sites.

LOCATION

20km North-West of Ypres

BEDROOMS

All rooms have a bath or shower, TV and telephone

FEATURES

Coach parking, games area (table tennis, pool table, table football) projector & large screen, large garden/patio



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