

# BEAUMONT HAMEL 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY: LONDON, NORTHERN FRANCE & BELGIUM, AND CHAMPAGNE

# Saturday, June 25 - Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Just after dawn on July 1, 1916, over 800 brave young Newfoundlanders advanced from the trenches on the first day of Battle of the Somme. The following day, only 68 of them could stand for roll call. On the preserved battlefield now stands the majestic caribou, the emblem of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, in honour of these men who served.

July 1, 2016 is the 100th Anniversary of Beaumont Hamel and the Battle of the Somme. Join us for an exceptional journey to visit Beaumont Hamel, be a part of the official remembrance ceremony, and explore other sites of Canada's history in Europe, including Vimy Ridge, Ypres, and the Newfoundland memorials in France and Belgium.

**This tour begins and ends in London**, with time to explore the culture and vibrancy of this world-class city. And with three days/nights in **Champagne** for culinary, wine and historical visits, this tour will deliver an exceptional experience for you.

This exclusive tour is limited to 20 people.



### Our tour includes:

- ➤ Three days/two nights in London based in a central hotel, including guided sightseeing and free time.
- Four days/four nights in northern France, including:
  - Visits to Beaumont Hamel
  - Visits to the caribou monuments at Gueudecourt, Monchy-le-Preux, Masnières, and Courtrai
  - Visits to Ypres, Belgium and the Menin Gate ceremony; Vimy Ridge, and Arras, France
- Three days and nights in the Champagne region of France, for historical and culinary visits in the cities of Reims and Epernay.
- One final afternoon and evening in London
- A copy of Frank Gogos's new book "The Royal Newfoundland Regiment in the Great War." This book is an excellent resource in preparing for our tour.





Canada and France joined at Vimy Ridge; "Answering the call" at the Visitors Centre, Beaumont Hamel

### PLANNED ITINERARY

# Day 1 – Saturday, June 25:

**Departure from Canada** 

### Day 2 & 3 - Sun., June 26 & Mon. June 27

London

Morning arrival in London. We check into the Novotel London City South (at London Bridge) for 2 nights.

We will get moving in London with activities tailored to the group. Options include attending the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace; a visit to the Churchill War Rooms, Westminster Abbey, or the Imperial War Museum; riding the London Eye or taking in the art at the Tate or Tate Modern. We also plan a visit to explore the wonderful food at the Borough Market along the banks of the Thames.

# Day 4 - Tuesday, June 28

#### **London to Northern France**

A morning departure from London on the Eurostar and arrival in Lille, France. We will arrive at our hotel in Douai for four nights. Over the next three days, we have a number of visits to memorial sites in France and Belgium. The actual order of visits may be subject to change and will be determined closer to the date.

Upon our arrival in Lille, we plan a late day visit to the Canadian Memorial at Vimy Ridge and dinner in the city of Arras.

### Day 5 – Wednesday, June 29

### Northern France/Belgium

Today we will have a morning departure for the Newfoundland Memorial at Kortrijk, Belgium. We'll spend the afternoon in the beautiful city of Ypres and area (the main historical area in Belgium for First World War explorations) and finish the day by attending the moving "Ceremony to the Fallen" underneath the Menin Gate in Ypres.

# Day 6 - Thursday, June 30

#### **Northern France**

Today, we plan to visit the Newfoundland memorials at Gueudecourt, Monchy-le-Preux, and Masnières. Other visits are possible and free time as well is planned.

# Day 7 - Friday, July 1

# **Beaumont Hamel Ceremony**

Today we will attend the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemoration Ceremony at Beaumont Hamel. The site includes some of the best preserved trenches from the First World War, and an excellent visitors centre. The ceremony starts at 4:00PM. Our other visits and timings this day will be determined by being on site at Beaumont Hamel for the ceremony.

### Day 8 - Saturday, July 2

### Champagne

This morning, we will depart Northern France for the Champagne Region, with a stop at the Albert Commonwealth War Cemetery. We will arrive in Epernay mid-afternoon and check-in to our boutique hotel, the excellent Hostellerie la Briqueterie, a five-star Relais & Chateau property. Home to a Michelin-starred restaurant and a wonderful spa, this will be where we will stay for the next three nights! We'll have free time to settle in before our dinner. www.labriqueterie.fr



Daniella & Pierre of Champagne Fresne Ducret; into the cellars at Moet & Chandon

# Day 9 & 10 -Sunday, July 3 and Monday, July 4

### Champagne

Over the next two days, we will explore the champagnes and food in the historic towns of Reims and Epernay. These two towns are at the heart of Champagne. We will have visits and tastings with different producers, and a chance to explore, including the magnificent Cathedral Notre-Dame de Reims.

## Day 11 - Tuesday, July 5

## Champagne/London

Early morning departure from Epernay for Paris Gare de Nord and the Eurostar to London. Afternoon arrival in London and free time before our final dinner.

### Day 12 - Wednesday, July 6

**Return to Canada** 

Return to Canada or extensions if you are staying.

# Tour Prices and Options, \$CAD:

**\$4995.00**: Land only (flight extra), per person and based on two people sharing a room. We will work with you to provide the best flight options that work for you, including the possibility of direct flights St. John's to London, return. This will be in addition to the tour price above.

**\$1200.00**: The additional hotel room charges for a single person room. Limited availability.

## Included in the price:

- Intimate Group Size 20 people maximum
- 10 nights in excellent hotels
- All transportation by coach and Eurostar
- All breakfasts, and a minimum combination of 8 lunches/dinners in restaurants favoured by locals and international visitors
- · The services of a full-time Tour Leader
- A copy of "The Royal Newfoundland Regiment in the Great War" by Frank Gogos
- Entrances to all organized activities and guided programs
- All tips for your guides and bus driver
- Porterage of one suitcase per person

#### Not included:

- Extra food and beverages not included in meals mentioned above.
- All items of a personal nature:
- Travel Insurance, please contact us for rates

### **About Us:**

**WeGo Tour Experiences** is managed by Greg Owen. An experienced tour provider, Greg and the team have led tours to Beaumont Hamel and other memorial sites on numerous occasions. WeGo provides high-quality, small-group personalized and customized travel experiences for adults and families. This tour is being delivered with our friends at **Pauwels Travel & Tours**. Located in Brantford, Ontario, Pauwels is TICO registered travel agency that has been offering unique travel experiences since 1965. www.pauwelstravel.com

# **APPLICATION FORM**

Please book seat(s) of June 25-July 6, 2016.	on the "Beaumont Hamel	100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary – 12 Day" tour o	of
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### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

### **RESERVATIONS AND DEPOSITS:**

Reservations should be made as early as possible to ensure the departure of your choice. A deposit of \$750.00 is required at the time of registration. Your reservation is confirmed upon receipt of your deposit and application form. No reservations will be accepted without a signed application form.

### REFUND OF UNUSED ARRANGEMENTS:

Because the rates of Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. are based on group participation, no refund can be made for any tour accommodation or tour service or tour feature not taken. If cancellation occurs while the tour is in progress, no refund can be made for the tour portion not taken. We strongly suggest that to allow for any unexpected contingencies, you purchase the all-inclusive insurance.

#### **CANCELLATION POLICY:**

Refund of deposit is made if cancellation is received in writing by Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. more than 90 days prior of the departure date of the tour less a \$500.00 non refundable administrative fee per person. For cancellation received in writing 90 days prior or less the following cancellation charges apply:

90 days to 46 days before departure: 25% of tour cost 45 to 31 days before departure: 50% of tour cost Within 30 days prior to departure: 100% of tour cost

### **RESPONSIBILITY:**

Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. reserves the right without notice, to withdraw any part or all of the tour. Factors such as airline schedule changes, hotel overbookings, inclement weather, etc. may necessitate changes in the itinerary as outlined. There may also be other circumstances in which changes become necessary or advisable. Any savings realized by these changes will be passed on to the passengers, any resultant expenses shall be borne by the passenger. Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. acts only as an agent in securing hotel, transportation and other travel services and in no event shall be held responsible for the failure by any person or company to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. All hotel, transportation and other travel services are provided to tour members subject to all the terms and conditions under which they are offered to the public generally. The acceptance of the initial service to be provided under the tour shall be considered an acceptance by the tour member of those conditions. Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. also reserves the right to decline, to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour, in which case equitable refund will be made at the discretion of the tour operators.

### AIR TRANSPORTATION:

Transatlantic economy flight by scheduled IATA carrier(s), based on an economy class group fare. All fares are subject to specific rules and regulations, to changes and to government approval. Deviations from the group flights are possible but subject to higher rates. Pauwels Travel will research any request for date or routing changes at the time they are requested. Should any individual rate be less than the group fare plus airline and administrative fees, the

lower rate will be offered to the tour participant. Individual airfares are subject to immediate ticketing and the fare plus taxes must be paid at the time the ticket is issued by the participant requesting the change. Should the group airfare be the lowest available rate, an administrative fee of \$50.00 plus any airline charges will apply.