



Peter's Way Tours Inc.

Specializing in Custom Performance Tours and Pilgrimages

Proposed Itinerary Crafted Especially For

Grace Church Choir

Dr. Patrick Allen, Director of Music

"Best of France"

Ten-day Performance Journey

June 20 – 29, 2015

Normandy ☞ Rouen ☞ Giverny ☞ Chartres ☞ Paris

INCLUSIONS:

- **Airlines:** Round-trip jet economy class transportation via Air France: New York/Paris/New York.
- U.S. departure tax; Customs user fee; security tax and all airport departure taxes.
- Meeting and assistance upon departure from New York's JFK International Airport.
- **Accommodations:** Two (2) nights' accommodations in twin rooms with private facilities at the **four star hotel Lucien Barriere in Deauville or the three star hotel Kyriad in Deauville.**
- Meals: Buffet breakfast plus dinner daily in Normandy only.
- **Coach Transportation:** Local modern deluxe motor-coach transportation, upon arrival and available for the entire tour.
- **Tour Management:** One full-time, multi-lingual Tour Manager will be on each motor-coach throughout the entire tour, including arrival and departure transfers. Peter's Way Tour Manager and Overseas office staff are easily available 24 hours daily to render assistance whenever needed.
- **Excursions:** All sightseeing, conducted by licensed, professional, English-speaking guides as outlined in the day by day Tour itinerary.
- Entrance fees to all sights, as per itinerary included.
- Enjoy a cruise on the Seine. See history spanning 1,000 years in one-and-a-half hours, passing 25 bridges and the main illuminated monuments of Paris.
- Portage of one piece of luggage, per person, at hotel in Normandy only.
- **Concert Arrangements:** All performance are professionally provided in superior venues with attention to technical details and effective publicity and expert promotion, printed programs and placed posters.
- **Tour brochures:** Special promotional brochures of your choir journey printed free for distribution by you.
- Peter's Way travel documents, travel wallet, luggage tags, name badge and backpack.
- **Liability Insurance:** Two million dollar Peter's Way Tours Inc. Liability Insurance coverage.

EXCLUSIONS:

- Health, trip cancellation/interruption or baggage insurance. All are strongly recommended. Peter's Way Tours offers a comprehensive policy at additional cost.
- Passport & visa costs, if any.
- **U.S. Passports must be valid for at least six (6) months subsequent to return date.**
- Meals not specified in the program.
- Items of a personal nature (hotel extras, laundry, phone calls, etc.).
- Gratuities to the tour manager/guide and driver and dining rooms.

A Special Invitation to families and friends of

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We are holding confirmed 40 seats via Air France from New York JFK International Airport:

Departure City	Arrival City	Airline/Flight	Departure Date/Time	Arrival Date/Time
New York JFK	Paris CDG	Air France # 007	June 20 - 7:05 pm	June 21 - 8:30 am
Paris CDG	New York JFK	Air France # 010	June 29 - 4:50 pm	June 29 - 7:05 pm

Please note: Flight itinerary subject to change without notice.

- I T I N E R A R Y -

Day 1, June 20, Saturday: Depart USA

Afternoon: Depart New York's JFK International Airport via Air France or American Airlines for your overnight transatlantic flight to Paris.

Dinner, breakfast and beverages will be served aloft. (D,B)

Day 2, June 21, Sunday: Arrive Paris - Normandy

Morning: Arrive at Charles de Gaulle International Airport, go through Passport Control, claim our luggage, and a Peter's Way Tours tour manager/guide will meet us upon our exit from Customs. Our luggage will be transferred to our touring bus and soon, we will be on your way to the French countryside to Normandy. Independent lunch.

Afternoon: **Check-in at the four star hotel Lucien Barriere in Deauville or the three star hotel Kyriad in Deauville.**

Evening: Dinner and overnight at hotel in Deauville/Normandy.



(D)

Day 3, June 22, Monday: Landing Beaches - Bayeux

- Morning:** Breakfast at your hotel.
Begin our day with a visit to the sites of the D-Day Landings, the Allied invasion of Normandy on June 6, 1944. Our first stop will be **Sainte-Mere-Eglise**, where some 13,000 American paratroopers dropped from the skies in the early hours of June 6, 1944 in support of the landings on Omaha Beach. We continue with a **walk on Omaha Beach**, where we will view the **US Monument**. Our day continues to **Mulberry Harbor** at Arromanches, before visiting the **German Battery** at Longues-sur-Mer. Our D-Day sightseeing concludes with time to explore **Pointe du Hoc**, the enemy command post of the entire invasion front, which is filled with monuments and memorials. We will also visit the **American Military Cemetery of St. Laurent**, where over 9,000 Americans who died in the Normandy campaign are buried. Time will be given for prayer and reflection. Independent lunch.
- Afternoon:** Continue to Bayeux, a city rich in Norman history and the first French town to be liberated during the D-Day Invasion, on June 7, 1944. Visit the Gothic **Cathedrale Notre-Dame**, and the **Musée de la Tapisserie de Bayeux**, which houses the spectacular **Bayeux Tapestry**. One of the most famous tapestries in the world, it is actually embroidery on a band of linen, 231 feet long and 20 inches wide. The tapestry depicts some 58 scenes in eight colors, which tells the story of the conquest of England by William the Conqueror.
- Evening:** **15 minutes informal concert at the Cathedral in Bayeux.** Dinner and overnight at hotel in Bayeux. (B,D)



Day 4, June 23, Tuesday: Rouen - Giverny - Paris

- Morning:** Buffet breakfast at hotel.
This morning, we visit the historic town of Rouen. It was here that Rollo, the Viking warrior and first duke of Normandy, converted to Christianity in the 10th century. Four centuries later in 1431, Joan of Arc, the patron saint of France, was tried for heresy and burnt alive at the stake. Rouen, packed with lovely churches and old half-timbered houses, include poignant reminders of Joan of Arc. A dazzling modern church and memorial dedicated to Joan can be seen. Visit the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Rouen, which was often chosen by the French Impressionist painter, Monet, as the facade building in many of his paintings. The Rouen Cathedral boasts a strong musical tradition since the Middle Ages. Its Choir was famous up to the French Revolution for singing from memory. The first major organist was Jean Titelouze, the so-called father of the French organ school, who occupied the post for the titular organist in 1588 – 1633.
- Noon:** **Lunch-Time Concert Presentation at the Cathedrale Notre Dame, presented by Grace Church Choir.** Independent lunch.
- Afternoon:** This afternoon, we continue to Paris, en-route we stop at Giverny. At Giverny we visit the glorious floral Gardens complete with a rainbow of blossoms, weeping willows, a Japanese footbridge and the water lilies that inspired so many French artists.
- Evening:** Continue to Paris for hotel check-in. Overnight at hotel in Paris. (B)



Day 5, June 24, Wednesday: Highlight tour of Paris

- Morning:** Buffet breakfast at hotel.
This morning, our guide will bring alive the remarkable sights of this magnificent and romantic city on the River Seine: the Champs Elysées, Arc de Triomphe, Tomb of Napoleon, Place de la Concorde, the Opéra the Bastille Square and The Place des Vosges, the oldest square in Paris and one of the most beautiful in the world.
Independent lunch.
- Afternoon:** We enjoy a visit the Top of the Eiffel Tower. We will admire panoramic views of Paris. (entrance fees included).
- Evening:** Overnight at hotel in Paris. (B)



Day 6, June 25, Thursday: AM/Notre Dame Cathedral; Sainte Chapelle - PM/Concert at La Madeleine Church

- Morning:** Buffet breakfast at hotel.
After breakfast, we will be transferred to Ile de la Cité, where we will visit the magnificent cathedral, Notre-Dame-de-Paris. Its massive flying buttresses, famous towers, and elegant rose windows will take our breath away. We will have the opportunity to climb to the Bell Towers of the Notre Dame (entrance fees included).
10:00am - Rehearsal.
11:00am - 20 minute informal concert at the Notre Dame Cathedral. (subject to confirmation)
After our performance, walk to the nearby Sainte Chapelle, a masterpiece of flamboyant Gothic architecture built by Saint Louis in the heart of the Palais de la Cité on the Ile de la Cité in Paris. Discover its unique stained-glass windows rendering the air iridescent with light and color, symbols of the Heavenly Jerusalem.
Independent lunch. Return to hotel to freshen-up.
- Afternoon:** **2:30pm - Transfer to the Church of La Madeleine.**
3:00pm - Rehearsal
4:00pm - Concert presentation by Grace Church Choir.
- Evening:** Overnight at hotel in Paris. (B)



Day 7, June 26, Friday: Louvre Museum & Montmartre

- Morning:** Buffet breakfast at hotel.
This morning visit the world famous Louvre Museum, which boasts nearly 60,000 square meters of exhibition space to house its vast collection. The Louvre showcases artifacts, sculptures, paintings and drawings representing eleven millennia of history. In the sculpture wing, you can see the famed *Venus de Milo* and *Winged Victory of Samothrace*. The many galleries of paintings include works from noted masters, such as Rembrandt, Rubens, Raphael, Titian, and others, as well as da Vinci's *Mona Lisa*. But the immense collection inside is not the only reason to see the Louvre. After our visit we continue to tour the fascinating Artist Square and Sacré Coeur Basilica, with its huge bell tower and onion-shaped domes-one of the city's most familiar sights. This gleaming white church rises atop Montmartre, Paris' highest hill at 423 feet.
- Afternoon:** Independent lunch and balance of the day at leisure.
- Evening:** Overnight at hotel in Paris. (B)



Day 8, June 27, Saturday: AM/At Leisure - PM/Chartres

- Morning: Leisurely breakfast at hotel. Morning at leisure.
- Afternoon: This afternoon, we leave Paris on our day excursion to visit Chartres. The Cathedral spires of Chartres can be seen from miles away, seeming to rise out of the wheat fields of the Beauce Plains. At Chartres, we will visit **Chartres Cathedral**, the jewel in the crown of medieval churches in Europe and a testimony in stone to the religious fervor of the Middle Ages. Chartres Cathedral boasts an unrivaled expanse of sculpture, as well as one of Europe's most impressive collections of stained-glass windows.
- Evening: Suggest to include dinner at a restaurant in Chartres?.
- Evening: **8:00pm. Rehearsal at the Notre Dame Cathedral.**
9:00pm. Concert Presentation at the Notre Dame Cathedral, presented by Grace Church Choir.
10:00pm. Enjoy sound and light show, beautiful and colorful light illumine historic buildings, music accompany the dynamic and static light show.
- Evening: Overnight at hotel in Paris. (B)



Day 9, June 28, Sunday: Service at the American Cathedral in Paris - Afternoon/Concert Presentation at St. Sulpice Church - Evening/Cruise on the Seine River

- Morning: Buffer breakfast at hotel.
 This morning, we will be transferred to the American Cathedral of the Holy Trinity for Sunday Morning Service, **presented by Grace Church Choir.**
- Afternoon: Independent lunch. Return to hotel to freshen-up.
2:30pm - Transfer to the Church of St. Sulpice.
3:00pm - Rehearsal
4:00pm - Concert presentation by Grace Church Choir.
- Evening: **Enjoy a cruise on the Seine. See history spanning 1,000 years in one-and-a-half hours, passing 25 bridges and the main illuminated monuments of Paris.**
 Overnight at hotel in Paris. (B)



Day 10, June 29, Monday: Return to the USA

- Morning: Leisurely breakfast at hotel.
 Late morning, you will be transferred to Paris Charles de Gaulle International Airport for your return flight to the USA. Arrive the USA in the afternoon.