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Components

- Historical context
- Chronology of events
- Operational overview
- Opposing commanders
- Leadership
- Quality of troops
- Terrain & weather conditions
- Plans & forces available
- Weapons & tactics
- Unit organisation
- Communications
- Key moments
- Significant locations

Meal Arrangements

- Meal arrangements on board the ferry & at your accommodation will be in accordance with group your requirements
- B&B, half-board or full-board meal options available

Battlefield Notes

- Notes provide an overview of each battle or campaign
- It includes narrative detail & analysis drawn from primary & secondary sources.
- Information on each location visited is supported by maps & diagrams.

Guides

- We can provide our own tour guides with a military &/or academic background
- You also have the option to use your own guide or one drawn from the Guild of Battlefield Guides.

Flanders & the Ypres Salient

Four Days via Hull

Day One: Outward Travel

Local pick-up & travel to Hull for overnight crossing to Zeebrugge with en-suite cabin accommodation. On-board meal arrangements as chosen by group

Day Two: Ypres

Disembark in Zeebrugge & travel to the Ypres area to visit:

Hooge
Gheluvelt
Langemark German Cemetery
Pilckem Ridge
Lunchtime in Ypres
Essex Farm Cemetery & Dug-Outs
The Menin Road & Hellfire Corner
Passchendaele Memorial Museum *or*
In Flanders Fields Museum
Check-in at accommodation
Free time in Ypres
20.00: Last Post at the Menin Gate
Return to accommodation. Evening meal arrangements as chosen by the group

Day Three: Messines & Passchendaele

09.00: Depart after breakfast to visit:
Spanbroekmolen "Pool of Peace"
Bayernwald Trenches
Lunch-time in Ypres
Dochy Farm Cemetery
Passchendaele Ridge
Tyne Cot Cemetery & Visitor Centre
Travel to Zeebrugge for overnight ferry to Hull with en-suite cabins. On-board meal arrangements as chosen by group

Day Four: Return

Disembark in Hull
Return to drop-off point

Background to War

The Alliance System in Europe
The causes of the First World War
Schlieffen Plan & "Race to the Sea"

From Mobility to Stalemate

Creation of the Ypres Salient
How the war came to Ypres
Importance of the high ground
First battle of Ypres
The role of the BEF in 1914
Stalemate & gas warfare

Medics in the First World War
Supplies & logistics
Museum visit: trenches, dug-outs & artefacts

Remembrance

Attrition

Haig's Flanders Offensive
Mine warfare at Messines
The German defences at Messines

Tactics in 1917
Assault on the Flanders I Line
German defences & Flanders I Line

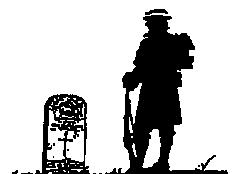
Pick-up & drop-off times are dependent upon the group's proximity to Hull

Precise times will be indicated on Final Tour Details

This itinerary is suggested only. We are happy to tailor the above to suit your particular requirements



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