# International Choir Festival in Normandy 80th Anniversary of D-Day From June 12 to 17, 2024

All the participating choirs (from France and all over the world) experience and share unforgettable moments of conviviality around a common passion: choral singing.



Come and discover Normandy with its varied landscapes, its architectural, cultural, historical and environmental heritage which makes it one of the most visited regions in France, rich in fascinating history, from the Vikings to the D-Day landings in June 1944. The D-Day landing on 6 June 1944 was a decisive turning point in the Second World War. From the Dieppe Raid in 1942, the liberation of France and Europe began on the Normandy beaches.

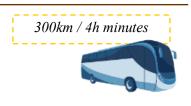
In 2024, Normandy will commemorate and celebrate the 80th anniversary of D-Day and the Battle of Normandy. The whole of Normandy will be called upon to honour the memory of these events and of the men and women who came from all over the world to liberate us.

The Normandy Festival will be part of the programme for this anniversary.

#### Wednesday June 12, 2024 : Arrival

Arrival Paris Airport (Charles de Gaulle)
Transfer by private coach to Normandy
Check-in (hotel Campanile Vire in this example)
Free time

Group dinner and night at the hotel







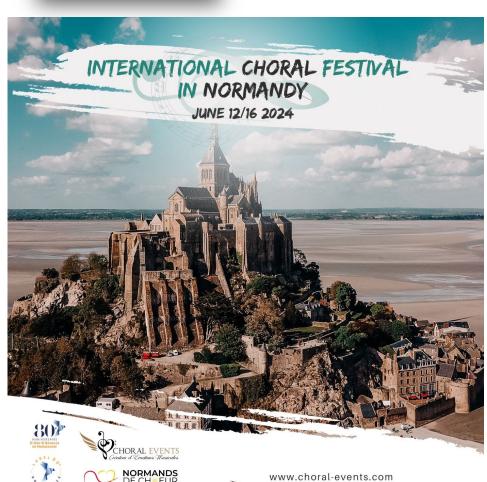
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The festival is organized with the help of our local partner Normands de Choeur









#### Thursday June 13, 2024: Utah Beach

#### Breakfast Transfer for Utah Beach



#### Visit to the D-Day Landing Museum: )

Built on the very spot where American troops landed on 6 June 1944, the museum tells the story of D-Day in ten sequences, from its preparation to its outcome and success. Utah Beach was the first beach to be stormed by the Allies on the morning of 6 June 1944. It was chosen to establish a bridgehead in the Cotentin region in order to capture the town of Cherbourg and its deep water port.

At the end of the day, more than 23,000 American soldiers landed to fight a titanic battle and liberate France.

The Utah Beach Landing Museum preserves the memory of these men. Thanks to a complete chronological tour, plunge into the history of the Landing and discover a collection rich in objects, vehicles, equipment and testimonies.





Lunch on own
Afternoon: Transfer to the American Cemetery in Colleville sur mer
Possibility to sing in the cemetery (see photo below)





In the heart of the Normandy landing beaches, the American cemetery of Colleville sur Mer overlooks Omaha Beach. A must-see during your visit to the Normandy beaches, it contains the graves of 9,387 fallen soldiers, the chapel, the memorial and the garden of the missing.

The visitors' centre pays tribute to these soldiers and their courage in carrying out Operation Overlord and enabling the liberation of Europe.

Transfer back to the hotel

Group Dinner and night at the hotel



#### Friday June 14, 2024: Caen

Breakfast Transfer for Caen Visit of the Memorial of Caen

# 60km / 60 min

#### MEMORIAL DE CAEN - MUSEUM OF THE BATTLE OF NORMANDY

Built on a former bunker that served as a German command post, the Caen Memorial is one of the city's must-see attractions.

Discover this museum that traces the history of the Second World War, the D-Day Landings, the Battle of Normandy and the Cold War.

As soon as you enter the Caen Memorial, you'll be transported back to 1939, in the area devoted to the Second World War. Throughout the tour, period costumes, photos and artefacts are on display, while videos immerse you completely in history... In front of you, a moving photograph and a globe show you the borders dreamed of by Germany in 1943.

Stop off in the room devoted to the D-Day landings to find out all about the Battle of Normandy. Take the opportunity to watch the D-Day film "The Battle of Normandy: 100 days that changed the world". Passing through the Memorial gardens, descend into General Richter's Underground Bunker to relive the last moments of the German commander and his crew.





Optional group lunch on site: 27 € / person

Or lunch on own

Free visit of the city

Transfer to the city of concert

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Group Dinner
Concert –might be shared with a local choir
11.00 p.m Transfer back to the hotel



#### Saturday June 15, 2024 : Mont Saint Michel

Breakfast
Transfer for le Mont Saint Michel
Free time and lunch on own



#### LE MONT SAINT MICHEL - FREE TIME

Mont-Saint-Michel is unique in that it is built on a rocky islet, surrounded by a magnificent bay, the scene of the **highest tides in continental Europe**. The Mont and its bay are classified as a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**. Between Normandy and Brittany, this grandiose site, located 3.5 hours from Paris, is one of the most visited monuments in France.

It was the maritime environment that determined the choice of the monks in the Middle Ages to settle in this precise location and build what was to become one of the most extraordinary buildings in religious architecture. Aubert, bishop of Avranches, is said to have founded a sanctuary on Mont-Tombe in 708, after three successive apparitions of the archangel Saint Michael. Overlooking the immensity of the bay, the abbey of Mont-Saint-Michel is the highlight of the visit. To get there, there is a maze of stairs and medieval alleys where it is good to stroll. The village, protected by ramparts built between the 12th and 14th centuries, is home to charming half-timbered houses.





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#### Sunday June 16, 2024: Coutances

Breakfast
Transfer for Coutances
Free time and lunch on own

Dominated by the towers of its cathedral, the City of Art and History of Coutances has a beautiful religious heritage. Built in the 13th century, the Notre-Dame cathedral is a remarkable example of Norman Gothic art.

Discover its nave, its 13th century stained glass windows and its superb lantern tower, a Gothic masterpiece. Not far from the cathedral, the plant garden is a particularly relaxing place to stroll around.









2.30 PM: friendly acapella in the « Garden of Plants » of Coutances with all the participating choirs



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#### **Rehearsal**

04.00 p.m Gala Concert with all the participating choirs

Group dinners with all the choirs

10.30 p.m Transfer back to the hotel

#### Monday June 17, 2024: Departure

Breakfast Check-out

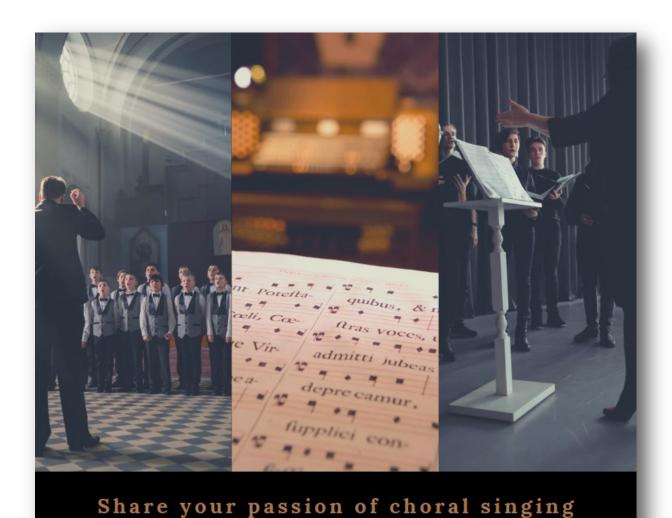
Transfer by private coach to Paris CDG Airport (from Paris Center)

**End of the adventure with Choral Events** 



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This proposal is an example of a tour, subject to change in agreement with the choir.



#### The accommodations: Option 1



### ibis budget Granville \*\*

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Wifi, TV, Buffet Breakfast, Private Bathrooms
Single, double & twin rooms, triple rooms
Bus parking free

The accommodations: Option 2

## **Campahile**













Wifi, TV, Buffet Breakfast, Private Bathrooms

Single, double & twin rooms, triple rooms & Quadruple rooms

Bus parking free

The accommodations: Option 3



Bien 609 commentaires

NOVOTEL

4.2/5 All ●●●● 690 avis









Wifi, TV, Buffet breakfast, Private bathroom
Swimming pool, fitness room
Single rooms, Double rooms & Twins
Free bus parking

NORMANDIE 2024								
Nb of participants	50	40	35	30	25	20	15	Extra
Rates per person in a basis double/twin rooms								Single Room
Hotel 2*	480 €	490 €	500 €	510 €	520 €	540 €	560 €	170 €
Hotel 3*	530 €	540 €	550 €	560 €	570 €	590 €	610€	180 €
Hotel 4*	610€	620 €	630 €	640 €	650 €	670 €	690 €	200 €

#### **Our prices includes:**

- 5 nights—depending on the availability of the hotel at the reservation point
- Half board: 5 breakfast & 5 dinners
- Organization of 3 concerts (Marketing, Communication & Logistic)
- 1 English speaker Tour Manager
- Museum Utah Beach: 1 ticket per person
- Memorial de Caen & Mont Saint Michel: 1 ticket per person
- 1 package offered in demi-twin room for 40 paying people (hotel+food)

#### Individual & Optional (but highly recommended):

- <u>Insurances Package</u>: cancellation/luggage/sickness or injury/early return/death/return/interruption of stay/accident
- **<u>+ Health Protection insurance</u>**: cancellation if positive for and epidemic or pandemic up to 30 days before departure / cancellation if Covid19 contact case within 14 days before departure / medical fees and isolation fees in France if positive to Covid

Price of the full package insurance: 8 % of the amount of the trip

#### Our price does not include:

- Transport from your country, return flight
- Transport in bus in Normandy (rates given separately)
- All lunches
- Personals purchases of food and beverages
- Individual Medical repatriation insurance, to the nearest International Airport of the participant's home:
  - ⇒ 0,95% of the total amount of the trip for EU citizens
  - ⇒ For Non EU Citizens—Quotation on request
- 2024 Membership fees: 50€ for the choir
- Festival Registration fees : 50€ for the choir

Prices established on 01.01.2024 according to the rates and taxes known to date subject to availability. Rates valid until April 15, 2024.



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