



**Fields of Fire Tours  
and Merit Travel Canada**  
presents

**78<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Victory Tour**  
**28 Apr – 7 May, 2023**  
**Signals in the Liberation of the Netherlands**



- Attend the Canadian ceremony at Wageningen on Liberation Day.
- Visit important Canadian battlefields in the Netherlands
- Pay tribute to Canada's war dead of the Victory Campaign
- Visit the Dutch Army Signals Museum
- Visit monuments, museums, and Commonwealth War Cemeteries
- Led by experienced military historians and veterans.

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## 78th Anniversary of Victory Tour

**Day 1 – 28 April** ...Depart Canada for Amsterdam.

**Day 2 – 29 April** ...We arrive in Amsterdam, meet our bus and then drive to our hotel. In the afternoon we will visit the Airborne Museum in Arnhem to examine this epic battle. We will check into our hotel for the next eight nights:  
**Mercure Hotel Nijmegen**

**Day 3 – 30 Apr** ... We will hit the battlefields today when we look at the largest Canadian directed operation of the war: Op Veritable. We will end the day with a visit to Groesbeek Cemetery and the nearby Liberation Museum

**Day 4 – 1 May** ... Today we will be back on the battlefields as we tour the sites of Operation Blockbuster and the Hochwald.

**Day 5 – 2 May** ... Today we will visit the Dutch signals museum in Amersfoort as well as the site where the April '45 truce that allowed food to be delivered to the starving Dutch population was negotiated in Achterveld. The day will wrap up with a dedication ceremony in the Dutch Signals barracks at Stroe.

**Day 6 – 3 May** ... Today we will look at the contribution of the RCAF to victory by visiting Deelen Airfield where the Luftwaffe and RCAF were based and discussing the final German air offensive: Op Bodenplatte.

**Day 7 – 4 May** .... Today is the Dutch Remembrance Day and we will attend the Canadian memorial ceremony at Holten Canadian War Cemetery

**Day 8 – 5 May** ... This is the big day for ceremonies: Liberation Day. We will join the crowds of people in Wageningen for the Canadian commemoration and parade. Some of our group may march in the parade

**Day 9 – 6 May** ... Several options today, including a free day in the Nijmegen area, or a daytrip to Amsterdam by train or bus, where the resistance museum and the art galleries are highly recommended. Our last night in Nijmegen.

**Day 10 – 7 May** ... We will depart early to get our flights back to Canada from Amsterdam airport. Anyone staying on in Europe can make easy connections from the airport.

### Tour Price (Land Only)

CAD \$3600 – (per person, Double occupancy)  
(single supplement: \$800 – limited availability)

Airfare can be added if desired and will vary according to point of departure

**\$500 per person non-refundable deposit required by 30 September 2022**

**Balance of payment required 26 January 2023**

#### Price includes:

- all breakfasts and a bagged lunch daily (no lunch 8 May)
- all travel by coach bus
- accommodation as shown in the itinerary
- opening reception and final dinner
- services of historian/guides

#### Not Included:

- return airfare from Canada to Amsterdam
- travel insurance
- train trip to Amsterdam on free day
- dinners & lunch on 8 May
- items of a personal nature such as beverages

Note: limited single room availability – “first come, first served”

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