

Taste of History in Bruges & Ypres - Belgium
May 13-16
3 nights / 4 days
Approximate Cost \$833 Double / \$976 Single

Day 1 - Arrival

Upon arrival, the group will be met and transferred to their hotel in Roeselare.

Overnight: Mercure Roeselare, Roeselare (D)

Day 2 - Bruges

This morning we travel to the historic town of Bruges, renowned UNESCO World Heritage Site and full of beautiful buildings, churches and canals. To get a real taste of Bruges, we enjoy a 1 hour guided tour at the Bourgogne des Flandres Brewery, where we learn more about one of Belgium's most famous exports. We experience the different aspects of the brewing process, meet the brewer in the attic and enjoy a tasting in the alehouse at the end. We spend the rest of our day at leisure – enjoy a horse-drawn carriage ride around the historic streets, visit one of the many chocolate shops or see the town from a different perspective, on a relaxing canal cruise.

Overnight: Mercure Roeselare, Roeselare (B, D)

Day 3 - Ypres

Today we make the short journey to Ypres, where we enjoy a 2-hour walking tasting tour. We sample tasty wares along the way whilst being regaled with stories and interesting facts about this medieval city from our entertaining guide. We then have time to explore at leisure - visit the excellent and moving Flanders Field Museum before enjoying lunch in the main square with its many cafés and restaurants. In the afternoon, we travel to Zonnebeke, where we visit the large UK and Commonwealth Cemetery at Tyne Cot followed by the nearby Passchendaele Memorial Museum. Complete with reconstructed trenches, the museum tells the story of the First World War, and the Battle of Passchendaele in particular, in a poignant and vivid way

Overnight: Mercure Roeselare, Roeselare (B, D)

Day 4 - Departure

After breakfast, the group will be transferred from their hotel to Brussels Airport

Overnight: N/A (B)