

Advance to Victory the final 100 days.
REA WW1 Battlefield Tour 2018
Dates: 2nd August – 7th August
Brief Itinerary



The Hundred Days Offensive was the final period of the First World War, during which the Allies launched a series of offensives against the Central Powers on the Western Front from 8 August to 7 November 1918. Beginning with the Battle of Amiens. The offensive essentially pushed the Germans out of France, forcing them to retreat beyond the Hindenburg Line, and was followed by an armistice. The term "Hundred Days Offensive" does not refer to a specific battle or unified strategy, but rather the rapid series of Allied victories starting with the Battle of Amiens

The brief itinerary is as follows:

- Day 1 - Depart from Sgts Mess, Brompton Barracks at about 11am; travel to Folkestone then train to Calais then onto Belgium for a three-night stay at the Mercure in Arras Centre then moving to the Novatel in Ypres for one night. Breakfast is included.
- Day 2 - The first day of the tour will look at 8th August 1918. We will be in the southern part of the Somme battlefields the start of the final offensive. Total German losses was estimated to be 30,000 men, while the Allies had suffered about 6,500 killed, wounded and missing. The collapse in German morale led Erich Ludendorff to dub it "the Black Day of the German Army.
- Day 3 - The second day We will start with the crossing of the St Quentin canal following with the breaking of the Hindenburg Line and the return to open warfare. The main German defences were anchored on the Hindenburg Line, a series of defensive fortifications stretching from Cerny on the Aisne river to Arras
- Day 4 - The third day we will work our way up to Mons in Belgium where it all started and finished looking at the locations of the first and last shots of WW1. In the afternoon, we will be visiting the Mons Memorial Museum, then travel to Ypres booking into the Novatel for two nights.
- Day 5 - The Ypres region was the backdrop to one of the bloodiest battles in history, 100 years ago. Now the last witness has died too. In Flanders Fields Museum is more than ever the gateway to the First World War in Flanders. The Museum confronts the visitor with the consequences of the Great War. Old and young are faced with life and death in the Ypres front region. The exhibition with touching video projects, unique sound fragments and the most up-to-date

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Return Form**



Branch Member	
Full Name	
Address	
Post Code	
Rank	
Service Number	
Service or Regiment / Unit * Examples: Army, Royal Navy, RE	
Period of Service	From 19 to 19
Approximate date of discharge	
Medals or decorations	

Spouse (if not attending) or next of Kin	
Full Name	
Address (if different)	
Postcode	

Car Details	
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Model	
Registration Number	
Colour	

Passport Detail	Branch Member	Spouse
Number		
Date of Issue		
Expiry Date		
Date of Birth		
Place of Birth		
Nationality		