## 10TH ARMORED DIVISION ★ 2011 PILGRIMAGE TOUR ★

We recently modified our itinerary to stay overnight in beautiful "Sound of Music" Salzburg. We will now have much more time to experience amazing Salzburg, the Berchtesgaden area and the 'Eagle's Nest." BOOK the tour soon. We need to know who is coming in order to finalize all the special arrangements for our group.

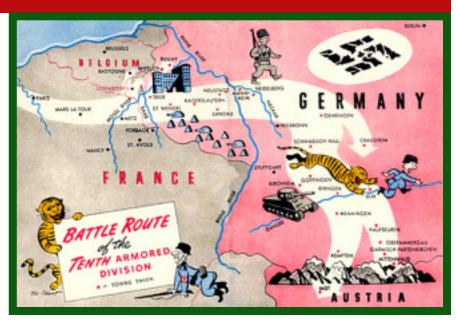
We track and commemorate the Battle Route of the Tenth Armored Division across Europe. This tour is primarily for veterans and their families, but it is also for today's younger generations who want to learn about the World War II military achievements of the Tiger soldiers of the 10th Armored Division.

After our successful 94th Infantry Division Saar-Moselle Triangle tour last year, Duayne Forsberg whose 10th Armored Division uncle was killed in the ferocious battle of the Crailsheim Salient, asked me if a 10th Armored Division pilgrimage tour would be possible. It should cover not only the Saar-Moselle Triangle, but also Mars La Tour, Metz and its fortresses, the Battle of the Bulge, the pursuit to the Rhine, Heilbronn and the Crailsheim Salient and the end of the war in Bavaria and Austria. Duayne very much wanted to honor his Tiger uncle, experience his battle route and commemorate and celebrate the combat achievements of the 10th Armored Division, hopefully in the company of some surviving veterans. That is the tour you see below.

Patrick Hinchy
10th Armored Div. Tour Director

**ITINERARY** 

1. SUN OCT 2 USA - IN AIR
Book your own flight from the
USA to Paris Charles de Gaulle
CDG international airport.



- 2. MON OCT 3 ARRIVAL DAY. PARIS CDG Everyone arrives individually. Our airport hotel is close to your **Paris CDG** arrival terminal. Free day in **Paris**. Arrive earlier if you want more time in Paris.
- 3. TUE OCT 4 PARIS LUXEMBOURG (B, D) Tour Director Patrick Hinchy, one of the most experienced veterans tour directors of Europe, welcomes us and takes us eastwards from **Paris** via the **World War I battlefields** and **Reims** where the Germans surrendered May 8 1945. Then we go via **Mars La Tour** where the Tigers had their baptism of fire, **Fort Driant** and the **Metz** fortress defenses, **Thionville** near where the Tigers advanced across the **Moselle**, and **Luxembourg**.
- 4. WED OCT 5 LUXEMBOURG (B, D)

A full day in the **Battle of the Bulge**. We highlight **Echternach**, **Berdorf** and **Muellerthal** where the Tigers defended the Bulge's southern hinge, **Diekirch** with the best Bulge Museum and **Bastogne**, especially CCB's NE blocking defense between **Noville** and **Bras**. Nearby we'll see the "Band of Brothers" Easy Company monument and foxholes in the woods.

#### 5. THU OCT 6 LUXEMBOURG (B, D)

First we go to **Luxembourg American Cemetery** for our official wreath-laying and "Taps". Then we track the Tigers' northward fighting advance through the **Saar-Moselle Triangle** to capture historic Roman **Trier**. We make a special celebratory stop there.

### 6. FRI OCT 7 LUXEMBOURG - HEIDELBERG (B, D)

We track the advance of the Tigers along the **Mosel** and then to **Kaiserslautern**. They were racing to stop the Germans escaping eastwards across the **Rhine**. We follow the Tigers as they crossed the **Rhine** at **Worms**. Then past **Mannheim** to beautiful **Heidelberg** with sightseeing time.

7. SAT OCT 8 HEIDELBERG - FUESSEN (B, D) We go via **Heilbronn, Oehringen, Schwaebisch Hall** and **Crailsheim** and relive the 17th SS Panzer Grenadier Division's ferociously stubborn defense of the **Neckar-Jagst** crescent. Undoubtedly one of the last major WWII combat actions in Europe. Then we track the Tigers via the cathedral city of **Ulm, Memmingen** and **Kempten** to **Fuessen** picturesquely at the edge of the Alps.

#### 8. SUN OCT 9 FUESSEN (B, D)

We go deep into the Alps where the war ended for the Tigers, visiting visit among other places, top German ski resort **Garmisch-Partenkirchen** with its 1936 Olympic stadium and ski-jump, **Mittenwald** and the famous "Passion Play" village **Oberammergau**.





#### 9. MON OCT 10 FUESSEN - SALZBURG (B)

A day full of World War II history and Alpine scenery. We go to **Imst** in Austria, the most southerly point reached by the Tigers, then past imperial **Innsbruck** through the Alps to Hitler's spectacular Alpine fortress HQ site on the **Obersalzberg**, with **Berchtesgaden** and the **Eagle's Nest**. We stay in "Sound of Music" **Salzburg**.

## 10. TUE OCT 11 SALZBURG - MUNICH (B) After morning sightseeing and free time in **Salzburg**,

we visit **Dachau** Concentration Camp and then go to Bavaria's spectacular capital **Munich**.

#### 11. WED OCT 12 MUNICH (B, D)

Our final day is devoted to **Munich**. A morning city sightseeing tour then free time. In the evening, 'Auf

Wiedersehen' Bavarian style with a traditional **Munich** Beer Garden Farewell Dinner

#### 12. THU OCT 13 MUNICH - USA (B)

Our 10th Armored Division Pilgrimage Tour is finally over but your memories will last forever. We drive out to **Munich Airport** for our individual flights home.

B = Breakfast, D = 3 course dinner.

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Reservation Application

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#### Your MilSpec Tour Includes. .

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**Tour Prices Do Not Include:** TransAtlantic air; airport/ customs/departure taxes, passports, any applicable visa fees, excess baggage charges, optional sightseeing, meals other than those shown in the itineraries, items not on table d'hote menus, laundry, liquor, mineral water, beverages with lunch & dinner, customary, gratuities to Tour Directors, Coach Drivers & local guides, & any other expenses of a personal nature.

**Tour Prices are based** on a minimum of 20 tour participants on the Battle of the Bulge Tour and 10 tour participants on the Normandy tour as shown in the itinerary, and on tariffs and rates (currency & exchange) known at the time of printing; prices are subject to adjustment without notice in event of changes to such rates prior to departure.

**Hotels:** Unless otherwise stated, all tour prices are based on two persons sharing a twin/double room. Applicable single supplements are indicated for those wishing single room accommodations. Single rooms are limited in quantity and are sometimes not of the same size or quality as twin/double rooms. Single room reservations will be accepted with the understanding that we cannot guarantee single rooms will be available on all parts of your tour. We do not recommend triple rooms as they tend to be very crowded; in most cases, triple rooms are a twin room to which a cot has been added. There is no reduction in tour cost for triple rooms.

**Deposits and Final Payments:** A deposit of \$400 per person is required to effect reservations. This deposit forms part of your final payment which is due when billed but not later than 90 days prior to departure. Acceptance on tour is subject to verification of payment in full to MilSpec Tours.

**Baggage:** No responsibility is incurred by MilSpec for loss or damage to baggage or any of the passengers belongings. It is recommended that all passengers purchase baggage insurance.

**Passports and Visas:** A valid passport is required for all tour participants. Visas are not required for this tour program.

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<ul> <li>Trip Cancellation &amp; Interruption</li> </ul>	Up to Tour Cost
• Travel Delay (\$100 maximum per day)	\$500
<ul> <li>Baggage and Travel Documents</li> </ul>	\$1,000
Baggage Delay	\$100
Medical Expense	\$10,000
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