

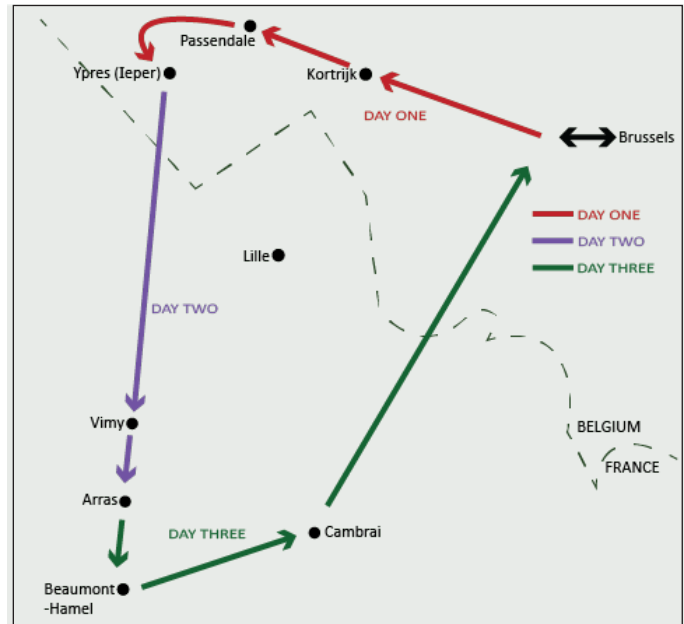


CANADA REMEMBERS GUIDE

WW1 in Three Days from Brussels

From Brussels, visit Passendale and Ypres on day one, then Vimy and Arras on day two, finishing with Beaumont-Hamel and Cambrai-area memorials and military cemeteries on day three.

Bring small decorative Canadian flags to place at headstones in cemeteries and a pen to sign the Visitors Book in the Registry. Pack water and snacks in the car. Maps in this guide are for illustration only and are not to scale. Safe travels!



DAY ONE SELF -GUIDED ITINERARY:

9.00am **#1** Set GPS (92km from Brussels) to **COURTRAI NEWFOUNDLAND MEMORIAL** in Kortrijk. (*Spend 15 min here.*)

10.30am **#2** Set GPS (30km) to **PASSCHENDAELE CANADIAN MEMORIAL** Note: Town is now called **PASSENDALE**. The Road “Canadalaan”, from here to Church, was constructed to commemorate the Canadian battle to win those 700 metres. (*Spend 15 min here.*)

11.15am **#2** Set GPS (1km) to **PASSCHENDAELE NEW BRITISH CEMETERY** There are 654 Canadian burials here. (*Spend 15 min here.*)

11.45am **#3** Set GPS (3km) to **TYNE COT CEMETERY & MEMORIAL WALL** commemorating soldiers with no known graves. (*Spend 1 hour here.*)

1.00pm **#3** Set GPS (2km) to **MEMORIAL MUSEUM PASSCHENDAELE 1917** Exhibits about the Western Front, trench warfare and how poison gas was used against Commonwealth soldiers. (*Spend 1 hour here.*)

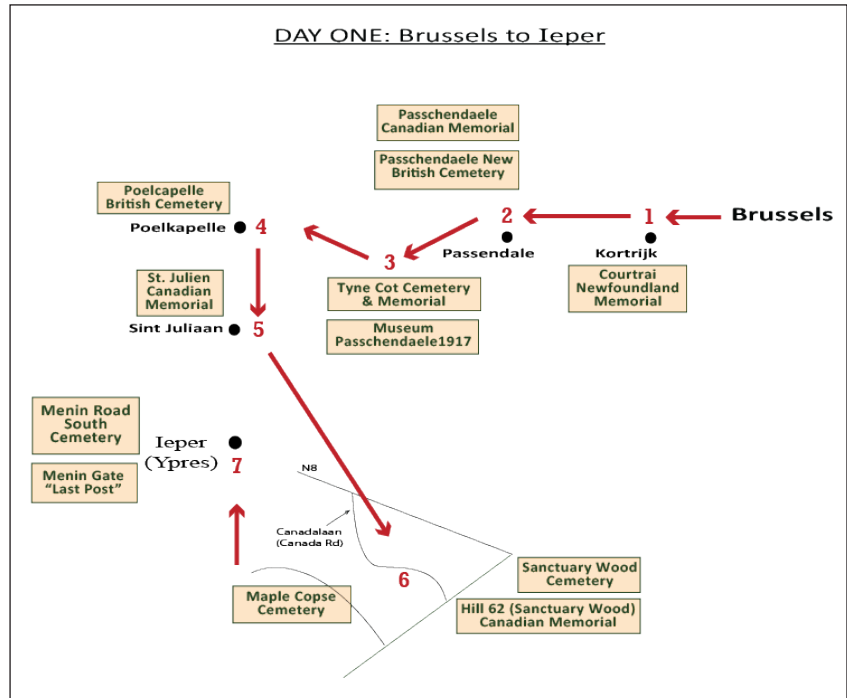


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DAY ONE SELF-GUIDED ITINERARY (CONTINUED):

2.00pm **#4** Set GPS (6km) to **POELCAPELLE BRITISH CEMETERY** *Note: Town is now called POELKAPELLE. There are 535 Canadian burials here. (Spend 15 min here.)*



2.30pm **#5** Set GPS (6km) to **ST. JULIEN CANADIAN MEMORIAL** *(Note: The "Brooding Soldier" is between the towns of Sint-Juliaan and Langemark. Spend 15 min here.)*

3.00pm **#6** Set GPS (7km) to **HILL 62 (SANCTUARY WOOD) CANADIAN MEMORIAL** On Canadalaan (Canada Road), stop first at **SANCTUARY WOOD CEMETERY** (144 Canadian burials here) then *go past the private Hill 62 Museum* to get to the Canadian Hill 62 Memorial at the end of the road. Time permitting, consider stopping also at **MAPLE COPSE CEMETERY**, a small battlefield cemetery with 155 Canadian burials. *(15 min at each)*

5.30pm **#7** Set GPS (4km) to **MENIN ROAD SOUTH MILITARY CEMETERY** a large collective cemetery in Ieper with 149 Canadian burials. *(Spend 15 min here.)*

8.00pm **#7** In Ieper, attend the moving **LAST POST REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY** at the **MENIN GATE** (bugled at 8pm every evening).

Stay overnight in Ieper.





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DAY TWO SELF-GUIDED ITINERARY:

9.00am **#8** Visit **IN FLANDERS FIELD MUSEUM** in **IEPER** (*Spend 1 hour here.*)

10.00am **#9** Set GPS (75km) to **CANADIAN NATIONAL VIMY MEMORIAL** (*Note: north of Arras and west of the town of Vimy*). This stunning 27 metre-high monument is on Vimy Ridge in a large park with trenches and tunnels (tours available), a Visitor Centre and and two cemeteries (*see below*). This park has recently been added to the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites. (*Spend 2 hours here.*)

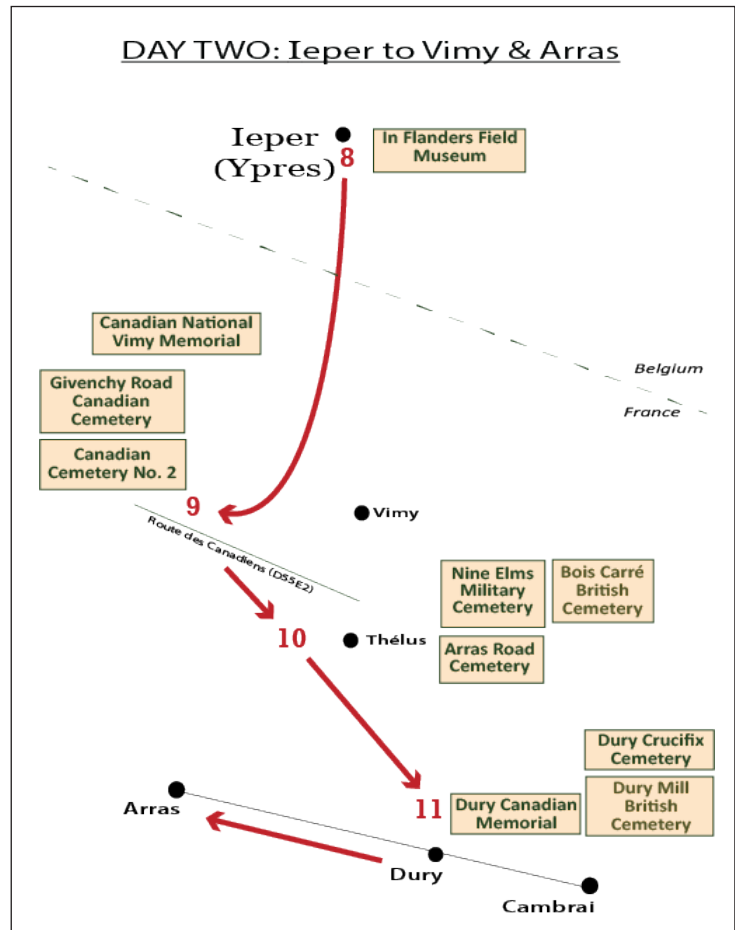
1.00pm **#9** At Vimy, visit **GIVENCHY ROAD CANADIAN CEMETERY** (nearly all of 110 burials are Canadians) and **CANADIAN CEMETERY No.2** (473 Canadian burials). (*Note: Park at cemetery parking lot/ 15 minutes each.*)

2.00pm **#10** Set GPS (8km) to **NINE ELMS MILITARY CEMETERY**. The cemetery is on a tiny service road running parallel to N17 south of Thélus. High proportion of Canadian burials (529 of total 683). **ARRAS ROAD CEMETERY** (111 Canadian burials) is on the same service road. On the eastern edge of Thélus is **BOIS CARRÉ BRITISH CEMETERY** (379 Canadian burials). (*Note: There is another Nine Elms and another Bois Carré, so make sure you use GPS to find the ones near Thélus.*) (15 min at each)

3.00pm **#11** Set GPS (30km) to **DURY CANADIAN MEMORIAL** on the D939 road (SE of Arras). (*Note: all along this road are Canadian Memorials and Commonwealth Cemeteries with Canadian burials.*) (*Spend 15 min here.*)

4.00pm **#11** Set GPS (1km) to **DURY MILL BRITISH CEMETERY** (all but 11 of the 335 burials are Canadian) and, at **DURY CRUCIFIX CEMETERY** (173 of the 2,058 are Canadian). Two **Canadian Victoria Cross** plaques are on the wall about 200m from the latter. (*Spend 15 min at each.*)

Stay overnight in Arras, France.





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DAY THREE SELF-GUIDED ITINERARY:

9.00am **#12** Set GPS (30km) to

BEAUMONT-HAMEL

NEWFOUNDLAND MEMORIAL.

This large park, with a caribou monument, intact trenches, and a Visitor Centre, commemorates the role played by the Dominion of Newfoundland. There are three cemeteries in this park. *(Spend 1-2 hours here.)*

11.30pm **#13** Set GPS (10km) to

SUNKEN ROAD CEMETERY in Contalmaison (148 of 214 total burials are Canadian). On the same road is a tiny battlefield cemetery called **2ND CANADIAN CEMETERY** where all 44 burials are Canadian. *(Spend 15 min at each.)*

12.30pm **#14** Set GPS (2km) to **COURCELETTE CANADIAN BATTLEFIELD MEMORIAL.**

1.00pm **#14** Set GPS (5km) to **COURCELETTE BRITISH CEMETERY**, which is just on the western edge of the town. There are 785 Canadians buried here. *(Spend 15 min here.)*

1.30pm **#15** Set GPS (40km) to **BOURLON WOOD CANADIAN MEMORIAL** in Bourslon.

2.30pm **#15** The memorial is at the end of a cul-de-sac and there is a short (5-10 min walk) path up to the beautiful **BOURLON WOOD CEMETERY** where 226 of 245 total burials are Canadian. *(Note: Set GPS to "walk" to get there from the memorial.) (Approx 30 min.)*

4.00pm **#16** Set GPS (8km) to **CANTIMPRE CANADIAN CEMETERY** in Sailly-lez-Cambrai. All but three of the 225 burials here are Canadian. Time permitting, also visit **CANADA CEMETERY** in Tilloy-lez-Cambrai where all but ten of the 265 burials are Canadian. *(Spend 15 min at each.)*

Return to Brussels (135km).

