

*Bonjour!*  
(*'Hello and good morning/afternoon' in French*)



# *54th International Military Pilgrimage* **Lourdes, France**



Basilica



Lourdes Village

**Explore historical Lourdes with  
2 overnights, 2 breakfasts,  
2 lunches and 2 dinners!**

- **Visit the world's largest underground church!**
- **Participate in Candlelight Processions**
- **Attend a special Mass for U.S. Pilgrims**

**Book Early!**  
**€329**

*Only*  
**May 10-14**

*Join RTT Travel  
for this great  
once-a-year event!*

# Lourdes, France

Join thousands in prayers for peace on the International Military Pilgrimage.

At the foot of the French Pyrenees mountains, nestled between the mountain and the Gave de Pau River is Lourdes, one of the most important pilgrimage sites in the world. Lourdes is the birthplace of St. Bernadette Soubirous, to whom Our Lady appeared in 1858 near the Grotto of Massabeille. The Military Pilgrimage to Lourdes includes visits to the sanctuary and to the Basilica of St. Pius X, the world's largest underground church. Drink from the spring where the Virgin directed Bernadette. It is located at the base of the Grotto, flowing uninterrupted since 1858. Wash in the baths where hundreds of miraculous cures have occurred. Contemplate Christ's Passion as you pray the unique three-dimensional Stations of the Cross. Participate in nightly candlelight processions as requested by Our Lady.

Lourdes today welcomes over 5 million visitors annually from over 150 countries and is an attractive and animated town. Musical concerts are part of the weekend animation and contribute to the overall atmosphere of peace. Explore the town's rich historical and natural heritage and be submerged in the atmosphere that reigned during the apparitions and the spirit of brotherhood that is still present today.

Experience a spiritual journey, and come home rededicated to your faith.

## TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

- Round trip transportation in luxury coach with WC, AC and reclining seats
- 2 overnights in a 3\* hotel, breakfast and dinner
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner at your hotel
- Services of an experienced RTT guide

## NOT INCLUDED:

- Meals not mentioned
- Beverages at Lunch and Dinner
- Single room surcharge: €59, limited availability!
- Insurance, several packages available through RTT
- Tips and articles of a personal nature
- Pilgrimage pin (purchase upon arrival, exact cash only): 7 years and older - €12

## CHILDREN:

- 2-10 years of age, when sharing a room with 2 full-paying adults (limit 1 child per room): €269
- Under 24 months (bus seat only, no bed/meals provided): €159 (Not recommended for children under 5 years of age due to long bus ride.)
- German law requires all child passengers, regardless of size or age, to have a seat on a bus and use an approved safety seat provided by the customer. Infants are required to have their own seat.

## CURRENCY:

- Euros & credit cards. No personal checks can be cashed during the tour, so please plan accordingly.

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## Limited Availability! Book Early!

**DAY 1:** Evening departure from the KMC.

**DAY 2:** Meal (not included) and rest stops en route relieve the bus journey. Your RTT guide will be available for information regarding the pilgrimage schedule. Arrival early afternoon in Lourdes for hotel check in and orientation. Purchase your Pilgrimage "pins" through the RTT guide while on the bus for unfettered access to all the Military Pilgrimage events. Mass for the U.S. pilgrims and the International Opening Ceremony will usually be held before dinner (at your hotel, included). A music festival follows, with concerts at various locations in Lourdes, and then Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

**DAY 3:** After breakfast (included) in your hotel, attend an English-language Mass, and take part in a group photo for U.S. pilgrims. Stations of the Cross and a Reconciliation Service will also be offered today. In the late afternoon, the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction takes place. After dinner (at your hotel, included), participate in the Marian Procession and private prayer in the St. Bernadette Church.

**DAY 4:** After breakfast (included) at your hotel, check out of your hotel room before attending the International Mass in the Basilica of Pius X. Return to the hotel one last time for your lunch (included) and begin the return to point of origin in the KMC.

**DAY 5:** Arrive at about 3 a.m. at point of origin in the KMC.

## DEPARTURE POINT & TIME: *Direct travel, no transfers!*

- Ramstein Air Base Main Chapel parking lot: 7:30 p.m.  
Please park toward the center of the lot.

## DOCUMENTS:

- U.S. tourist passports or military travel orders. See your chaplain for special orders and leave/permissive TDY associated with a religious pilgrimage. Other nationalities are required to check with the French embassy for proper travel documents.

## CANCELLATION FEES: (per person)

- From the day of booking until 35 days prior to departure: 25% of the tour price
- From 34 days until 20 days prior to departure: 50% of tour price
- From 19 days to 1 business day prior to departure: 80% of the tour price
- Later, no refund is possible. No refund for no shows!

## IMPORTANT NOTE:

- Active duty military are requested to attend all formal pilgrimage events in uniform.
- Full payment is required no later than 1 month prior to departure.
- Not recommended for children under 5 years of age due to long bus ride.
- LIMITED AVAILABILITY! BOOK EARLY!

*Book your tour by PHONE or INTERNET  
from wherever you are -  
Have your CREDIT CARD handy!*



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