

Beadling SCFrance World Cup Tour 2019

Reims, Paris and Normandy June 10-21, 2019



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Trip summary

Day 1 - Monday June 10	Departure to France.
Day 2 - Tuesday June 11 Reims, Champagne Region	Arrival in France. Transfer to hotel Ibis Centre in Reims. Attendance to World Cup match USA - Thailand.
Day 3 - Wednesday June 12 Reims, Champagne Region	Friendly match vs. Stade de Reims. Visit of Reims.
Day 4 - Thursday June 13 Lésigny, Paris area	Clinic with coach of Women's first division club stade de Reims. Transfer to Paris and sightseeing. Attendance to World Cup match South Africa - China. Check-in at Hotel Abbaye du Golf in Lésigny, Paris area.
Day 5 - Friday June 14 Lésigny, Paris area	Sightseeing in Paris
Day 6 - Saturday June 15 Lésigny, Paris area	Tournament day - French-American Friendship Cup.
Day 7 - Sunday June 16 Lésigny, Paris area	Provins Medieval Festival. Attendance to World Cup match USA - Chile.
Day 8 - Monday June 17 Cabourg, Normandy	Transfer to Hotel Mercure Cabourg in Normandy. Visit of Honfleur. Attendance to World Cup match China - Spain.
Day 9 - Tuesday June 18 Cabourg, Normandy	Excursion to Mont Saint-Michel.
Day 10 - Wednesday June 19 Cabourg, Normandy	Visit of D-Day sights.
Day 11 - Thursday June 20 Rouen	Morning at the beach. Friendly match vs. FC Rouen. Attendance to World Cup match USA - Sweden.
Day 12 - Friday June 21	Return to USA.

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Daily itinerary

Day 1 - Monday June 10

Departure to France

03:10pm: Departure from Pittsburgh on Delta Airlines #1154 to Atlanta. Arrival in Atlanta at 04:55pm.

08:01pm: Departure from Atlanta on overnight flight Air France #689 to Paris.

Day 2 - Tuesday June 11

Arrival in France, transfer to Reims and attendance to USA-Thailand!

10:25am: Arrival at Paris Charles de Gaulle airport. Bus transfer towards Reims, Champagne region.

PM: Lunch at Brasserie Excelsior and free-time to discover the hotel surroundings after check-in at <u>Hotel</u> lbis Reims Centre .

09:00pm: Attendance to World Cup match USA - Thailand in Reims.

PM: Dinner at the stadium, to be decided.

Day 3 - Wednesday June 12

Friendly match and visit of Reims.

10:00am: Reims is the beating heart of France's Champagne industry. Take a tour of Pommery Champagne house and its underground cellars.

PM: Visit the city of Reims and learn more about the city's landmark, the Cathedral of Reims, where the kings of France were coronated. Lunch on own in the Old quarter.

06:00pm: Match vs. Stade de Reims.

PM: Dinner at Brasserie Excelsior. Watch France- Norway on TV.

Day 4 - Thursday June 13

Transfer and sightseeing in Paris.

AM: Clinic with coach of Women's first division club stade de Reims.

AM: Departure by bus to Paris.

PM: Have lunch at Montecarlo restaurant on the world's most famous avenue, the Champs Élysées. Free-time for shopping after lunch.

PM: Boat cruise on the Seine river from Notre Dame to the Eiffel Tower. See the world's most visited monument from the Trocadéro.

09:00pm: Attendance to World Cup match South Africa - China in Paris.

PM: Dinner at the stadium, to be decided.

PM: Late check-in at <u>Hotel Abbaye du Golf</u> in Lésigny.

Day 5 - Friday June 14

Full day visiting Paris.

AM: Visit of the Louvre and have lunch on own near the World Cup Fan Zone in Châtelet les Halles, or at the quaint neighbourhood of Le Marais.

PM: Visit the colourful streets of Montmartre in the Bohemian quarter and the Basilica of Sacré-Coeur overlooking Paris.

PM: Dinner at Hotel Abbaye du Golf.

Day 6 - Saturday June 15

Tournament day!

AM/PM: Participate at the **French-American Friendship Cup** in Évry held throughout the day.

PM: Lunch and dinner taken at the tournament, tbc.

Day 7 - Sunday June 16

Discover Provins and attend USA-Chile!

AM: Morning excursion to the Medieval Festival held in Provins, one of the most well preserved medieval towns in Europe. Lunch at the Festival.

06:00pm: Attendance to World Cup match USA-Chile in Paris.

PM: Dinner at the stadium, to be decided.

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Day 8 - Monday June 17

Transfer to Normandy, visit of Honfleur and attend China-Spain.

AM: Check-out of Hotel Abbaye du Golf and bus transfer to Normandy. Possible training in the morning.

AM: Lunch on own in the charming port of Honfleur. Discover the town's cobbled alleys and half-timbered houses reflecting on the water.

06:00pm: Attendance to World Cup match China - Spain in Le Havre.

PM: Dinner in Le Havre, then check-in at <u>Mercure</u> <u>Cabourg Hotel and Spa</u>.

Day 9 - Monday June 18

Excursion to Mont Saint-Michel.

AM: Training in the morning or free-time to discover the coastal resort town of Cabourg.

AM/PM: Excursion to the third most visited site in France, the Mont Saint-Michel. For centuries one of Europe's major pilgrimage destinations, this holy mount in now a UNESCO World Heritage site, as is its breathtaking bay. Lunch at Mont-Saint Michel.

PM: Dinner in Bayeux on the way back to the Hotel.

Day 10 - Tuesday June 19

Visit of D-Day sights.

AM: Possible training in the morning.

AM/PM: The 50 miles of Atlantic Coast, North of Bayeux, are filled with Museums, monuments and remains in tribute to the courage of the Allies who set foot on Nazioccupied Europe on June 6, 1944. Take a guided tour of the most visited sights! Lunch will be taken during the visit.

PM: Relax at the hotel and have dinner in Cabourg.

Day 11 - Wednesday June 20

Friendly match and attendance to USA-Sweden.

AM/PM: Relax at the long sandy beach in the internationally renowned seaside resort of Deauville

before departing to the match. Lunch on own in Deauville.

PM: Check-in at <u>Hotel Campanile Rouen Mermoz</u> in Rouen.

04:00pm: Match vs. FC Rouen.

PM: Dinner in Le Havre near World Cup stadium. 09:00pm: **Attendance to World Cup match USA** -

Sweden in Le Havre.

Day 12 - Thursday June 21

Return to USA.

10:35am: Return flight Air France #682 from Paris CDG

airport to Atlanta.

02:05pm: Arrival in Atlanta.

04:14pm: Flight Delta Airlines #1462 from Atlanta to

Pittsburgh.

05:57pm: Arrival in Pittsburgh.

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Flight itinerary

Monday June 10

Pittsburgh - 03:10pm Atlanta - 04:55pm Delta Airlines #1154

Atlanta - 08:01pm Paris CDG - 10:25am + 1 day Air France #689



Thursday June 21

Paris CDG - 10:35am Atlanta - 02:05pm Air France #682

Atlanta - 04:14pm Pittsburgh - 05.57 Delta Airlines #1462



Hotels

From June 11 to June 13 (2 nights)

HOTEL IBIS REIMS CENTRE ***
28 Boulevard Joffre, 51100 Reims, France
www.booking.com

Three-star Hotel Ibis Reims Centre is located in Reims, in Champagne region, 1 hour 30 minute drive East of Paris. The Hotel is at a 10 minute walk from the Old part of Reims and the famous Cathedral of Reims, and just 10-minute walk from Women's World Cup stadium.

From June 13 to June 17 (4 nights)

ABBAYE DU GOLF ***
Ferme des Hyverneaux, 77150 Lésigny, France www.booking.com

Three-star Hotel Abbaye du Golf de Lésigny is located in a 12th-century Abbey overlooking the Lésigny Golf Course, 45 minutes south of Paris.

From June 17 to June 20 (3 nights)

MERCURE CABOURG HOTEL AND SPA ****
Avenue Michel d'Ornano, 14390 Cabourg
www.booking.com

Four-star Hotel Mercure is located in the sea resort of Cabourg on the coast of Normandy, less than an hour drive from the main D-Day sights and the WWC host City Le Havre. The hotel is a 5-minute drive from Cabourg beach and promenade.

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From June 20 to June 21 (1 night)

HOTEL CAMPANILE ROUEN MERMOZ *** Avenue Michel d'Ornano, 14390 Cabourg www.booking.com

Three-star Hotel Campanile is located in Rouen near the exit of the A13 highway connecting Le Havre to Paris. Paris CDG airport is an 1 hour 30 minutes drive.

Items to address prior to departure

Passports and check-in at airport.

Make sure your passport is valid at least 6 months after the date you travel back home. Keep your passport in your hotel's safe when you are sure it is not needed. We suggest scanning a copy of your passport and emailing it to yourself in case your passport is lost during your stay. If you decide to check-in at the airport as a group, ask an agent if they can open a group counter, this will help to get the check-in done faster. You can also choose to check-in individually and do not necessarily need to wait for the rest of the group to check-in. Although the group will be seated together and families seated next to each other, seat assignment is automatic for group tickets and cannot be changed online. Only the personnel at the counter can change your seat the moment you check-in at the airport.

World Cup Match tickets

Despite the problem FIFA is facing with seat allocation, we are confident we will be seated as a group and families will be seated next to each other. We will print the tickets and distribute them to you once you arrive in France.

Luggage/Packing

One free checked bag is allowed per passenger - plus one carry-on bag in addition to one small personal item (e.g. a small handbag or laptop bag). There is a 50 lbs limit for each piece of checked baggage. Check the Delta airlines website for specific baggage guidelines. https://www.delta.com/content/www/en_US/traveling-with-us/baggage/before-your-trip/checked.html. Please pack light. You will be responsible for your own luggage and elevators are oftentimes small. Please pack your carry-on to include all necessities, medications, passport etc. Once the bus is packed it will be difficult to retrieve your luggage which will be under the bus during transfer days. You may want to pack your soccer gear in your carry-on in case your luggage is delayed.

Currency exchange and credit cards

If you would like to exchange some Dollars for Euros in cash it is best to exchange currency once you arrive in Europe, but keep in mind it is very pricey to exchange cash and you will get more Euros for your US Dollars from an ATM .Consider paying directly with credit cards as much as possible, you will get the best exchange rate this way. As a general rule you should always opt to pay in local currency with your card. Let your credit card company and/or bank know in advance that you will be traveling abroad or charge transactions may be rejected.

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Phone and Mobile Internet

Call your carrier in advance and ask about international rates and negotiate for reduced rates while you are traveling aboard. You may need to adjust your voice or data plan, temporarily, to avoid costly fees. If you care to purchase a local SIM card, that will provide you with a local number and a 4G/Internet Data plan during your stay, we can help with acquiring one once in Europe. There are number of 4G/Mobile Internet prepaid plans designed for short term stay, all you will need is to bring your ID to the local shop to purchase a plan. Eg; https://boutique.orange.fr/mobile/carte-prepayee-orange-holiday-eng

Power adaptors

If you want to use American devices such as blow dryers, phone chargers, laptops, electric razors, etc. you will need to purchase a plug adapter or power convertor.

Meals

Some meals will be taken "on your own" when out for excursions. This allows everyone to manage their time during visits as best suits them. Some may prefer to grab a sandwich and take in the sights; while others may want to reserve time to experience local food. If you and your family decide to eat elsewhere, and forgo the group meals, please try to let us know in advance and we may be able to refund (In cases meals are taken outside the Hotel).

MISC

- Let us know of any food allergies and special diets you follow we should be aware of.
- The weather is expected to be between 75° and 50° at night.
- The itinerary may change. Please be prepared and be flexible. We will have an itinerary posted daily with the next day's events, departure times etc. The itinerary will generally be posted on a board visible at dinner/breakfast and in the elevators
- We encourage everyone to download the group chat mobile application Whatsapp where the next day itinerary and updates will be posted. A group chat will also be created to share the photos taken during the trip!

