

The Somme Battlefields of Normandy: A Travel Guide to the Sites of World War I

The Somme Battlefields of Normandy are a must-see for anyone interested in World War I history. The battle, which took place in 1916, was one of the bloodiest in human history. Over 1 million soldiers were killed or wounded in the fighting. Today, the battlefields are a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and they are home to numerous memorials and museums that tell the story of the war.



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Getting There

The Somme Battlefields are located in Normandy, France. The easiest way to get there is by car. The drive from Paris takes about 2 hours. You can

also take a train from Paris to Amiens, and then take a bus to the battlefields.

Where to Stay

There are a number of hotels and guesthouses located near the Somme Battlefields. Some of the most popular options include:

* The Château de Picquigny is a 4-star hotel located in the town of Picquigny. The hotel offers beautiful views of the Somme River, and it is just a short drive from the battlefields. * The Hôtel Les Jardins de Thiepval is a 3-star hotel located in the village of Thiepval. The hotel is surrounded by gardens, and it offers a peaceful and relaxing atmosphere. * The Auberge de la Vallée is a 2-star hotel located in the town of Albert. The hotel is family-run, and it offers a warm and friendly atmosphere.

What to See

There are a number of memorials and museums located on the Somme Battlefields. Some of the most popular include:

* The Thiepval Memorial is the largest British memorial on the Somme Battlefields. It commemorates the over 72,000 British soldiers who died in the battle. * The Lochnagar Crater is a huge crater that was created by a British mine explosion in 1916. It is one of the most iconic landmarks on the Somme Battlefields. * The Ulster Tower is a memorial to the Irish soldiers who fought in the Somme Battlefields. It offers stunning views of the surrounding countryside. * The Beaumont-Hamel Newfoundland Memorial is a memorial to the Newfoundland soldiers who fought in the Somme Battlefields. It is located on a hilltop overlooking the battlefield.

Where to Eat

There are a number of restaurants located near the Somme Battlefields. Some of the most popular options include:

* The Le Café du Centre is a charming restaurant located in the village of Thiepval. The restaurant serves traditional French cuisine, and it is known for its friendly service. * The Le Relais de la Vallée is a family-run restaurant located in the town of Albert. The restaurant serves a variety of dishes, including local specialties. * The Le Bistrot des Poilus is a restaurant located in the town of Péronne. The restaurant serves traditional French cuisine, and it is decorated with military memorabilia.

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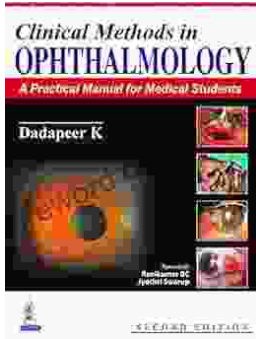
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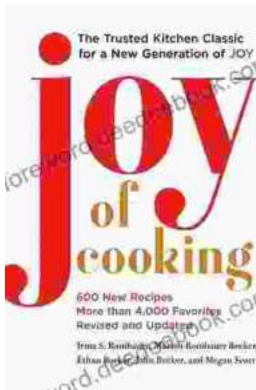
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