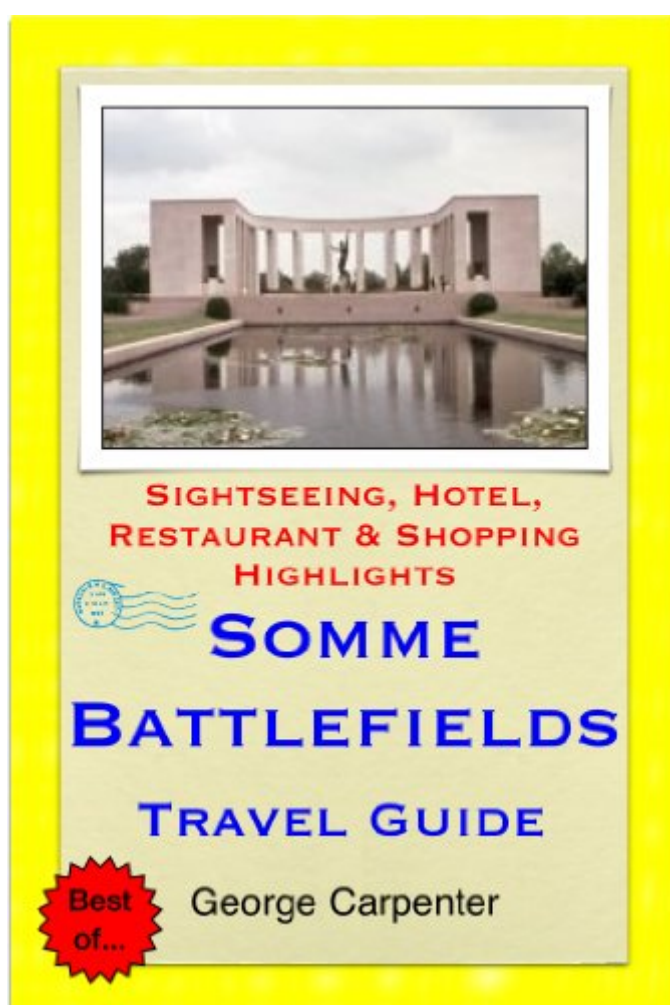


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# Somme Battlefields (Normandy), France Travel Guide - Sightseeing, Hotel, Restaurant & Shopping Highlights (Illustrated)



## Synopsis

The Battle of Somme was one of the biggest battles of World War I commencing on July 1, 1916. The area where there was so much tragedy is now a location where you will find beautiful landscapes in peaceful and reflective surroundings. Your trip to this Picardy Region part of France will be filled with interesting visits to museums, cemeteries, battle sites and monuments. You will see the uniforms the soldiers wore as well as the weapons and ammunition that they used. You will learn what the "war to end all wars" was really like and will see evidence of the many other bloody battles which took place in this territory. On the other hand, you can also enjoy a calming hour or two by the Somme River and at other natural landscapes as well as see one of the most beautiful bays in the world. A visit here isn't just an educational and moving visit to memorials, monuments and museums but a chance to travel to the actual place where it all happened in tribute to the fallen. Many of the villages and towns in this region bear witness to the hell of the First World War. It's important for each of us to recognize what war can do to our society and to remember the tragic losses involved. Although the Battle of Somme happened almost 100 years ago (the anniversary is July 1, 2016), it is an important element of history to understand today.

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