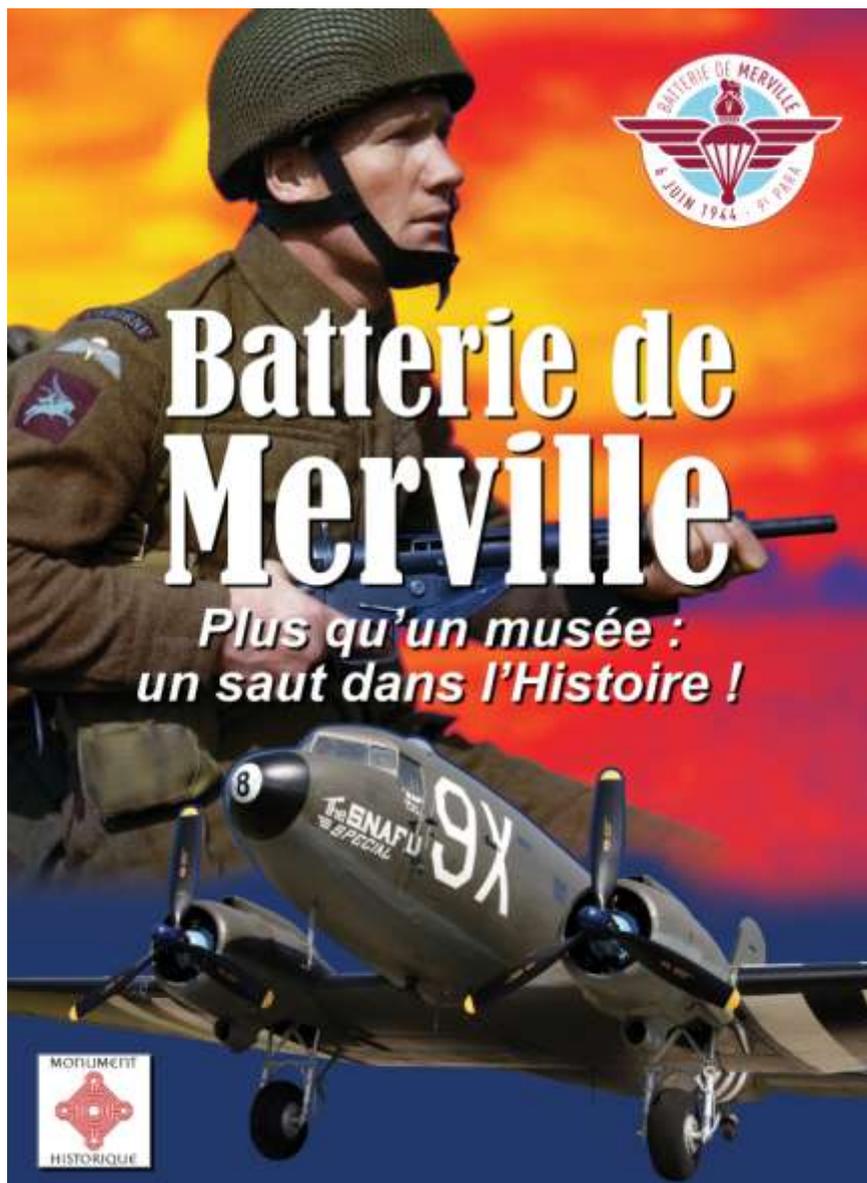


# SITE AND MUSEUM



*Before going into the welcome area and entering the site, take a moment to look at the two presentation tables on your right, and answer the following questions :*



*The Merville Battery belonged to an important defence system called “The Atlantic Wall”.*

*1- What was ‘The Atlantic Wall’ and what was its role during World War II?*

*2- What is a battery?*

*3- - What was its role?*

*Go closer to the aeroplane and read the information on the signs:*



*4- What is the name of this aeroplane?*

*5- Where was it made?*

*6- What was it used for?*

*Take a look at the orientation table situated over casemate n°2:*



7- What was the codename used by the Allies for Ouistreham beach?

8- Which Battalion attacked the Merville Battery?

9- What was the nationality of the soldiers in this Battalion?

*Now you may enter casemate n°2. It has been turned into a museum. Look at the display cases and watch the film:*

10- How was the Battalion that took over the Merville Battery trained for the assault?



11- How did the Colonel responsible for the Battalion check that his men had remained silent during the training, this keeping the operation a secret?

12- How many soldiers took part in the attack on the Merville Battery?

13- On which day and at what time did this attack take place?

À 4h30 le 6 juin 1944.

*Continue towards casemate n°3. Read the signs that you see as you follow the path:*



14- Why did the weapons used by the Reich come from

15- Where was the munitions supply?

16- What is a 'gargouze'?

17- What are barracks?

18- What was the role of the Flak?



19- Why was it that the HQ bunker was said to be blind?

*Go into casemate n°3:*



20- What happened here on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June 1944?

*The badge bears the motto: **Honi soit qui mal y pense***

21- What happened here on the 7th of June 1944 ?

*Go from casemate n°3 into casemate n°4:*

22- Who liberated Merville and when?

23- What is the emblem on the berets?



24- What was the Piron Brigade?

25- What was the code name for the operation led by Allied troops on the 17<sup>th</sup> of August 1944?

*Continue to casemate n°11. pause in front of the commemorative plaque on the ground:*

**There is a text written in three different languages**

26- *Which ones?*

27- *To whom it is dedicated?*

*Go into this casemate. Read the information written on the signs:*

28- *What was the nationality of the soldiers in this casemate?*



29- *What were they waiting for before firing?*

30- *Where were the men who were giving them their orders?*

31- *What was his name?*

32- *Who built the Atlantic Wall fortifications?*



33- *Which materials were used to build it?*

34- What was the range of the canon installed in this casemate?

*As you leave, take a look at the statue opposite you:*



35- *Who is the person represented by this statue?*



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