



## **American Battle Monuments Commission – World War One Sites**

### **Routes of Interest - Paris #5 Les Invalides Historic Site and Museum**

**For Walking, and Metro or Driving.**

**Hours: April through October: Monday to Sunday, 10 am to 6 pm**

**November through March: Monday to Sunday, 10 am to 5 pm**

**Note: Les Invalides is a national institution in the 7th Arrondissement of Paris. It includes the tombeau, the tomb of Napoleon, a national military museum, and it is still a residence and treatment facility for veterans. It is a very significant site for American military history of World War One. General Pershing made multiple official and ceremonial visits to the site. Several historic parades celebrating the arrival of American troops began at Les Invalides. The cour d'honneur courtyard is was the site of many significant ceremonies. New American units were presented with their unit flags, their colors, here. Individuals and whole units received decorations and honors for valor from the Allied powers. The museum at Les Invalides includes significant World War One exhibitions, and other world class military history and historic military hardware. The complex was established under King Louis the 14th.**

1. Take the Paris Metro to the Varenne Metro stop on the 13 Line.
2. Les Invalides is on the west side of the Boulevard des Invalides.
3. Go north on Boulevard des Invalides.
4. Turn left on Rue de Grenelle.
5. Enter the grounds at the gate on Rue de Grenelle.
6. Walk up through the central entrance into the cour d'honneur.
7. There will be maps and directions to the ticket office for the tombeau, Museum, and chapel.
8. Ask, and be aware that there may be World War One related events during the centennial.