

D-DAY SQUADRON
A PROGRAM OF THE DC-3 SOCIETY
2024 LEGACY TOUR

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A Return
Mission

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2024 LEGACY TOUR

Operator Mission Overview



In 2019, 15 legendary DC-3 type aircraft made a historic North Atlantic crossing to celebrate the 75th anniversary of D-Day, and the 70th Anniversary of the Berlin Airlift. Featured on the international stage and in media across the world, the men and women of the D-Day Squadron touched tens of thousands of lives as they flew to honor the world's Greatest Generation. Today our mission continues, to perpetuate the sights and sounds of "Flying Freedom," and to promote the memory and knowledge of the Greatest Generation and the DC-3's in which they flew, through airworthiness, display and education, facilitated by our incorporation as a DC-3 society.

"Our veterans are our window to the past, and this is a chance for us to continue honoring those who made sacrifices for the freedoms we have today."

SUMMARY: The D-Day Squadron (DDS) and members of the DC-3 Society are facilitating and organizing a large group of World War II vintage aircraft to travel to Europe in 2024 to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the D-Day Invasion of Normandy and the 75th anniversary of the Berlin Airlift. The DDS will set the schedule, organize appearances in Europe and along the way, provide appropriate support, serve as "Mission Control" and a central marketing and branding entity.

MISSION: This effort is dubbed the "2024 Legacy Tour." The intent is to convey the significance of the dates without focusing on one specific event. Since those veterans who served and sacrificed created their legacy for years to come, and we used the opportunity in 2019 to re-liberate France, 2024 will be the opportunity to focus on their LEGACY, paired with the legacy aircraft that was the backbone to multiple war campaigns.

COST: Estimated \$150,000 - \$200,000 per aircraft



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organize the interest of DC-3 operators, enthusiasts and crew while maintaining airworthiness and displays for future generations to represent everything the DC-3 has accomplished in war and peace

Other Detail

- Operators Involved: DC-3 / C-47 Operators in North America
- Expected Total Trip: May 15 – June 15 – might extend longer if more events planned
- Assemble in NE USA for training and cross North Atlantic as a group
- New York (TBD) – Goose Bay – Greenland – Iceland – Scotland – England

Proposed Timeline

- May 15-25: Train and cross North Atlantic
- May 25-31: Days off, buffer for weather / mechanical
- June 1-5: Imperial War Museum, Duxford, multiple events/flyovers, photo flights before crossing
- June 6-11: Normandy
- June 11-14: Berlin Airlift (TBD)
- June 15-21: Lido Italy/Portugal (TBD)
- June 21-28: Return to North America





Spirit of Benovia C-53
Performing a low pass
Commemorative Flyover for
100 years young veteran



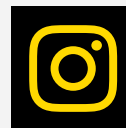
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