Bayeux: Pore over battle-torn history portrayed in the Bayeux Tapestry and experience the D-Day landing beaches. 1½ hrs to Mont St-Michel.

Rouen: Explore Rouen's medieval town, Gothic cathedral and buzzing bistros and bars. 2 hrs to Bayeux.

Carnac: Get off the beaten track with wild Breton coastline, historic towns and mystical prehistoric relics. 2½ hrs to Carnac.

Mont St-Michel: Marvel at sea-splashed Mont St-Michel and go back in time in the abbey.

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