



## Ontario & Quebec August 29 - September 7, 2020

### Day 1 (Saturday, August 29) -

Upon arrival in Toronto, meet your tour guide and travel two hours southeast to Niagara Falls. The Falls are comprised of three waterfalls at the southern end of the Niagara Gorge, between Ontario and New York. They were formed when glaciers receded at the end of the last ice age and water from the newly formed Great Lakes carved a path through the Niagara Escarpment en route to the Atlantic Ocean. The largest is Horseshoe Falls, which straddles the international border between Canada and the US. Enjoy dinner and overnight in your hotel.

*(Overnight Niagara Falls)*



### Day 2 (Sunday, August 30) -

After breakfast, spend the morning touring Niagara Falls. Learn about the history and beauty with an IMAX film "Niagara: Miracles, Myths & Magic" and take the famous Maid of the Mist cruise on the amazing falls. Spend the afternoon exploring the area. Take a journey behind the falls and stand on the 13-story high observation deck and feel the thunderous vibration of Horseshoe Falls, or visit the Niagara Parks Botanical

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Garden and tour the butterfly conservatory with over 2,000 butterflies. Enjoy the “Oh Canada, EH” dinner show and overnight at your hotel.

*(Overnight Niagara Falls)*

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### **Day 3 (Monday, August 31) -**

Depart the hotel after breakfast for a day in Niagara-on-the-Lake. Known to the locals as NOTL, this stunning village is bordered on both sides by waterfront with arbor-framed streets among lush boulevard gardens. Spend the day wandering through the Heritage District, known for its antique shops and bistros. NOTL is also known for its spectacular wineries. Spend the morning touring one along with a tasting. After lunch, take an afternoon tour of a local greenhouse, where a myriad of flowers and plants are grown. Another option is to enjoy the afternoon with a performance of a play at the Shaw Festival, a world-class theater located in Niagara wine country. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight stay.

*(Overnight Niagara Falls)*

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### **Day 4 (Tuesday, September 1) -**

Start the morning with a drive down the lakeshore through Toronto on your way to Kingston. Discover the gorgeous Toronto skyline. After a local lunch, visit a Kingston

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area farm. The farm in Hay Bay focuses on poultry and soil management. Tour the farm and learn how the owners use the land to its full extent. Spend the evening with dinner on your own and overnight at your hotel.

*(Overnight Kingston)*

**(B,L)**



### **Day 5 (Wednesday, September 2) -**

Following breakfast, visit one of Kingston's most extraordinary places, 1000 Islands. Take a cruise along the peaceful border between northern New York and southeastern Ontario. These waters were once patrolled by pirates and Prohibition bootleggers. View the historic lighthouses, castles and maritime museums that make this such a popular destination. After your cruise and lunch, tour a local working cattle farm. This company focuses on sustainability and land management. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight stay.

*(Overnight Kingston)*

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### **Day 6 (Thursday, September 3) -**

After breakfast at your hotel, depart Kingston and travel two hours north to Ottawa. Ottawa is the capital city of Canada and has a population of over one million. Take a step-on, step-off tour, visiting sites Parliament Hill, the National Gallery of Canada, and the park-lined Rideau Canal. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant or cafe. Spend the afternoon visiting an urban garden, Just Food is a non-profit organization that involves community members, staff and funders in order to promote sustainability and healthful food in the Ottawa area. Continue to explore the city for the afternoon. Depart Ottawa for a two hour drive to Montreal. Enjoy dinner and overnight in your hotel.  
*(Overnight Montreal)*

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## Day 7 (Friday, September 4) -

Following breakfast, embark on a farm visit to Montreal's West Island. Despite the name, the "West Island" isn't actually an island, it's an informal name for the western tip of the island of Montreal. In this part of the city, there are several organic sustainable farms that promote the importance of eating locally. Visit a farm 20 minutes outside Montreal where they promote family farming and family activities, such as fruit picking, tractor rides and animals. Stop in for a visit and lunch while in the West Island at the Marche de l'Ouest (West Island Farmers Market), where you can sample locally grown foods and shop with the local vendors. Continue your afternoon touring Montreal on a step-on, step-off tour. Tour the Vieux-Montreal (Old Montreal) with cobblestoned streets lined with galleries, boutiques and buildings dating back to the 17th century, as well as the Basilique Notre-Dame de Montreal, the historic Gothic Revival cathedral built between 1672 and 1683. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight stay.

*(Overnight Montreal)*

**(B)**



## Day 8 (Saturday, September 5) -

Depart Montreal for a three hour journey northeast to Quebec City. Spend the day touring the capital of the Canadian province of Quebec. Quebec City sits on the Saint Lawrence River in Canada's mostly French-speaking province. Dating back to 1608, it has a fortified colonial core, Vieux-Quebec and Place Royal, with stone

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buildings and narrow streets. Start your visit by the river, where Samuel de Champlain established the first French settlement in 1608, walk to Petit-Champlain Street, the oldest commercial avenue in the U.S. and Canada, and have coffee on Place-Royale before you climb the hill to the Musée de l'Amérique Francophone. The museum, set in the Séminaire de Québec, which housed the first university in Canada, celebrates French culture. Right next door, explore the Cathedral-Basilica of Notre-Dame de Québec, the most important Catholic Church in the province. Don't miss climbing on Québec's old walls. These ramparts are the only ones of their kind still standing north of Mexico. Return to Montreal for dinner and overnight stay.

*(Overnight Montreal)*

**(B,L)**



### **Day 9 (Sunday, September 6) -**

Following breakfast, travel to the Brome Fair, approximately 90 minutes from Montreal for a day in the country “at the fair.” The Brome County Agricultural Society is located in the tiny village of Brome, Quebec. The Brome Fair is an annual fall agricultural fair and exhibition which takes place every Labor Day weekend. The tiny village of Brome, population 250, swells to over 40,000 people over the four days of the fair. The Fair is the largest rural agricultural show and exposition in Quebec. “Brome Fair” is the place to be for many faithful rural and urban visitors. See cattle, horse, goat, sheep and poultry exhibits as well as agricultural, handicraft, horticultural, and commercial exhibits. Return to Montreal for a farewell dinner and overnight stay.

*(Overnight Montreal)*

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**Day 10 (Monday, September 7) -**

Following breakfast at your hotel, travel to the Montreal airport for your departure flight back home.

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**Per person based on double occupancy \$2,975**

***Single Supplement - \$550***

**Payment Schedule:**

February 15, 2020- \$475 non refundable deposit due

June 15, 2020 - \$2,500 final balance due

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**Included:**

*Accommodations*

*Bus Transportation*

*Guide*

*Technical Visits*

*Entrance fees that are included are noted in the above itinerary*

*Meals as indicated in the itinerary*

*B= Breakfast*

*L= Lunch*

*D= Dinner*

**Not Included:**

*International airfares (US>Toronto, Montreal>US)*

*Gratuities for guides/drivers*

*Cost of valid U.S. passport*

*Extra soft drinks during meals*

*Alcoholic beverages*

*Travel insurance coverage (highly recommended)*

*Airline seat upgrades*

*Excess baggage fees*

*Souvenirs*

*Leisure activities on free days*

*Hotel charges for incidentals, including telephone calls, pay per view movies, mini bars, and snack trays, personal laundry, room service, and hotel penalties for smoking in hotel rooms.*

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