



# Castles, Flowers & Falls

May 14 - 20, 2023





### **Sunday, May 14**

Today we transfer to Sioux Falls where we will check into the **AeroStay Sioux Falls Airport** for one night.

### **Monday, May 15 (Dinner)**

Board our morning flight bound for **Rochester, NY**. Upon arrival we'll transfer to **Auburn, NY** and settle into our rooms at the **Hilton Garden Inn** for three nights. We'll enjoy dinner together at the historic **Springside Inn**.



### **Tuesday, May 16 (Breakfast, Box Lunch, Dinner)**

This morning we set out to enjoy the beauty of the **1000 Islands Region** of New York. On arrival in **Alexandria Bay** we will take a **Two Nations Sightseeing Cruise** on the **St. Lawrence River**. This international tour offers historic and scenic wonders in both the Canadian and American sections of the 1000 Islands. Professional guides unfold a colorful historical tapestry of the river, the islands, and the magnificent homes you'll view along the way. A box lunch will be provided during the cruise. Our group will disembark at **Heart Island** for a self-guided tour of **Boldt Castle**, which was built in the early 1900s as the summer home of George C. Boldt, the millionaire proprietor of the world-famous Waldorf Astoria. Take time to explore the castle and grounds before we depart. **Dinner** will be included this evening at a local restaurant.



### **Wednesday, May 17 (Breakfast, Lunch)**

Today we spend the day exploring the green countryside and small, historic villages of the **Finger Lakes**. Featured in the New York Times #1 bestselling book, *1,000 Places to See Before You Die*, the Finger Lakes region is described by the author as "World-Class Wines and Small-Town American Charm." The eleven long, narrow fingers are lakes that were carved millions of years ago by glaciers. A **local guide** will be with us for the day showing us the highlights of the area and sharing stories about the region's history and its people. We'll visit **Muranda Cheese** for a sampling of many imaginative flavors produced in this area before arriving at our lunch stop, **Belhurst Castle**, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Located on the shores of **Seneca Lake**, Belhurst takes you to a place filled with history, beauty, and breathtaking views. The mosaic-tiled fireplaces and beamed cathedral ceilings of the castle set the stage for an amazing meal. Our tour continues this afternoon with a seated wine tasting at **Arbor Hill Grapery**, one of many boutique wineries that thrive in the area's rich grape-growing soil, followed by a sampling at a local chocolate shop in Canandaigua. We'll have free time this evening to enjoy one of the many restaurants in the lakeside town of **Geneva**.



### **Thursday, May 18 (Breakfast, Lunch)**

This morning we check out of the hotel and depart for **Rochester, NY**. Our first stop will be at the **George Eastman House** for a guided tour of the restored Colonial Revival-style mansion, once home to the founder of the Eastman Kodak Company. The mansion is currently the world's oldest museum dedicated to photography. After the tour you will be able to walk through the formal gardens of the estate. Next, we're off to experience Rochester's **Lilac Festival**. Every May, 22 acres of Highland Park displays more than 500 varieties of lilac bushes, from the deepest purple to the purest white, from lightly scented to irresistibly aromatic. Stroll through the park and take in the beauty and scents of spring. **Elmwood Inn**, a local favorite, is our lunch stop before continuing on to **Niagara Falls, Ontario**. By late afternoon we'll check into the beautiful **Hilton Niagara Falls Hotel** where everyone will have a view of Niagara Falls from their room! The hotel is located in the heart of the resort area. Within an easy walk is the Fallsview Casino, shops, restaurants and the IMAX Theatre, which presents a movie about Niagara Falls. The evening is yours to enjoy as you wish!

### **Friday, May 19 (Breakfast, Dinner)**

We start the day with a delicious breakfast buffet at our hotel, then set out for an exciting day of sightseeing. At the **Table Rock Welcome Center** we'll experience fabulous views and feel the thundering water rushing over the brink of Horseshoe Falls. You'll discover a lush oasis at the **Floral Showhouse**, which houses collections of orchids, succulents, and other tropical plant species. With floral shows that reflect the changing seasons, something new is always in bloom. The intricate designs on the face of the **Floral Clock** are created with up to 16,000 plants that are changed twice each year. Step inside the tower to see the clock mechanism and a photo display of past clock faces. Our journey continues to the charming, historic town of **Niagara-on-the-Lake**. This lovely village has been described as the *prettiest town in Canada*. Blocks and blocks of cafés and boutiques line the flower-filled streets. Have lunch as individually desired or indulge in the elaborate ritual of English Afternoon Tea in the Victorian dining rooms at the Prince of Wales Hotel. Next, we'll take an exciting boat ride on the **Hornblower Niagara**, Canada's most memorable experience! Get "caught in the mist" as we cruise up close to the American and Horseshoe Falls. Don't worry about getting "too" wet, ponchos are provided! Back at the hotel there's time to refresh before our elegant farewell dinner in the revolving restaurant high atop the **Skyline Tower**. Afterwards, enjoy more great views from the tower's observation decks. What a perfect way to end our incredible tour!

### **Saturday, May 20 (Breakfast)**

Breakfast is included at the hotel before we depart and make our way to nearby **Buffalo, NY**. On our flight home we'll be reminiscing about our beautiful and exciting *Castles, Flowers and Falls* trip!



### **Tour cost per person:**

**Double: \$3,185      Single: \$3,379      Triple: \$3,029**

Prices listed are based on the Canadian Dollar as of June 2022.  
Your final invoice may reflect a change based on the exchange rate at  
the time of billing.



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**ROUND TRIP AIRFARE**

**DELUXE MOTOR COACH TRANSPORTATION  
THROUGHOUT THE TOUR**

**SIX NIGHTS HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS  
FIVE BREAKFASTS, THREE LUNCHES AND  
THREE DINNERS**

**ALL ACTIVITIES AND ADMISSIONS AS LISTED**

**BAGGAGE HANDLING**

**ALL TOUR RELATED TAXES AND GRATUITIES**

**SERVICES OF A FIRST DAKOTA TRAVEL  
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TOUR MANAGER**

**NOT INCLUDED:** Airline baggage check fees, optional travel protection plan premium of **\$229** per person in double occupancy, **\$272** per person in single occupancy, and **\$218** per person in triple occupancy.



### **RESERVATIONS**

Please complete a reservation form and mail it with your **\$100 per person deposit plus travel protection premium**, if desired, to:

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**BALANCE DUE: JANUARY 31, 2023**