

## East Coast USA, Grand Canada, Cancun & Mexico

Depart Cairns 11 September at 5.50AM arrive Brisbane 8.00AM – Virgin

Depart Brisbane 11 September at 11.05AM arrive Los Angeles 7.10AM – Virgin

Depart Los Angeles 11 September at 9.15AM arrive New York 6.07PM – Virgin

Commence the following tour in New York on the 11 September and ending in New York on the 25 September

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New York City

Welcome to the "Big Apple!" Your Tour Director is on hand this afternoon to answer any questions.

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New York City - Boston

This morning, on the included sightseeing tour with a local expert, visit Broadway, the Empire State Building, Greenwich Village, Chinatown, City Hall, Wall Street, and Trinity Church. This afternoon, head for Boston-the "Cradle of American Liberty." Visit its historic landmarks, reflecting the important part it has played in the history of the United States.

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Boston

On your morning guided tour of Boston, see Faneuil Hall, the Old North Church (where Paul Revere was signaled for the departure of British troops to Lexington), the Freedom Trail, and Boston Common. The afternoon is free to explore on your own. This evening, why not dine at a popular downtown restaurant? (CB)

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Boston - Quebec City

Journey through New Hampshire, passing the State Capitol at Concord and on to the scenic White Mountains. Continue to the Canadian border, where you'll notice a change in language and tradition as you enter the French-Canadian province of Quebec. Overnight in historic Quebec City on the banks of the St. Lawrence River. (CB)

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Quebec City

This morning, join your travelling companions on a unique optional excursion to the Erabliere le Chemin du Roy Sugar Shack. Visitors to the sugar cabin will enjoy a typical Quebec breakfast, along with a guided visit and presentation to explain the process of maple extraction. Afterward, return to Quebec City for a guided tour of Canada's only walled city, crowned by the turrets of Chateau Frontenac. Until the British victory of 1759, Old Quebec was the centre of New France; today, it's a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Within the walls reside the Place d'Armes, Laval Seminary, the star-plan Citadelle with grand vistas from its bastions, and ancient Place Royale. See the Old World houses crowding narrow streets in Lower Town and the historic Plains of Abraham, where General Wolfe stormed the slopes. The afternoon is at leisure.

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Quebec City - Montreal

Today, drive to cosmopolitan Montreal, one of Canada's largest cities. Home of Expo '67 and the 1976 Summer Olympics, included guided sightseeing includes St. Joseph's Oratory, the lookout atop Mount Royal, once-walled Old Montreal, Notre Dame Church, the Seminary of St. Sulpice, built by the first missionary settlers, and modern Montreal.

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## Montreal - Ottawa

Drive west to Ottawa, Canada's beautiful capital. Guided city sightseeing includes Parliament Hill with its gothic buildings, the Canadian Mint, the Rideau Canal, the hexagonal National Arts Centre, and stately residences and embassies. With the free afternoon you could visit the Canadian Museum of History, with panoramic views of Parliament Hill across the Ottawa River.

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## Ottawa - Thousand Islands National Park - Toronto

Trace the Rideau Canal south to the amazing Thousand Islands National Park. Enjoy many wooded islands along the St. Lawrence River, sprinkled with beautifully simple to opulent summer homes on your included SCENIC CRUISE.

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## Toronto

Setting Toronto's exciting architectural pace are City Hall; the downtown banking district; Roger's Centre; and stunning CN Tower, more than a third of a mile high. See all this and more on your morning city sightseeing tour. Then, spend the rest of the day exploring the city sights on your own, including Harbourfront, Ontario Place, and Chinatown.

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## Toronto - Niagara Falls

Travel south along the lakeshore and through the rich farmlands and vineyards of Ontario to Niagara Falls. Stop at Table Rock and hear the raging waters. Then, board your SIGHTSEEING BOAT for amazing close-ups at the base of the falls. NOTE: Operation of the Niagara Falls sightseeing cruise is subject to favourable weather conditions. When weather is unfavourable, a walking tour through the scenic tunnels will be substituted.

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## Niagara Falls - Lancaster

Leave Canada and head southeast through the Appalachian Mountains and along a portion of the Susquehanna River into Pennsylvania Dutch farm country. Tonight, join the optional excursion and experience a traditional Amish dinner.

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## Lancaster - Pennsylvania Dutch Country - Washington DC Area

This morning, stop at the AMISH FARM & HOUSE. A Local Guide explains the faith, culture, and way of life of these people for whom tradition forbids the use of electricity or telephones in the home. On to Washington DC for an afternoon arrival.

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## Washington DC Area

The nation's capital is a sightseeing treasure trove, and your half-day tour with a Local Guide visits Arlington National Cemetery to see the graves of American heroes, including those of John F. Kennedy and his brother Robert. Afterward, the Lincoln and Washington Monuments, National WWII Memorial, and photo stops at Capitol Hill, the White House, and other well-known sights. Your Tour Director will also suggest a number of independent activities that explore different facets of this splendid city.

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## Washington DC Area - Philadelphia

Travel north this morning to Philadelphia for included sightseeing focusing on the important buildings of this historic city, the "Birthplace of the Nation."

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## Philadelphia - New York City

This morning leave for New York City via Newark International Airport for those with homebound flights. Please schedule flights after 6 pm. For guests with flights out of Kennedy or LaGuardia airports, transfers are not included; we suggest booking flights after 7 pm. The trip ends in Manhattan in the late afternoon for guests on the New York city extension.

Accommodation: Manhattan at Times Square IN: 25 September OUT: 27 September

Depart New York 27 September at 9.05AM arrive Cancun 12.07PM – Delta

Accommodation: Grand Oasis Cancun IN: 27 September OUT: 02 October

Depart Cancun 02 October at 11.27AM arrive Mexico 1.55PM – Delta

Accommodation: Hampton Inn and Suites IN: 02 October OUT: 05 October

Depart Mexico 05 October at 4.30PM arrive Los Angeles 6.40PM – Delta

Depart Los Angeles 05 October at 10.30PM arrive Sydney 07 October at 7.35AM – Delta

Depart Sydney 07 October at 2.10PM arrive Cairns 4.25PM – Virgin

Cost per person \$7,482\*pp and includes the following:

- Airfares
- Airport taxes
- 15-day tour including sightseeing as per itinerary and 2 breakfasts
- 2 nights accommodation in New York
- 5 nights accommodation in Cancun including all meals and beverages
- 3 nights accommodation in Mexico including breakfast