

# QUEBEC



*The Wilderness, Saguenay Fjord, Montréal and Quebec City*

VIA RAIL CANADA



## A VALID PASSPORT IS REQUIRED FOR THIS TOUR

- This tour features three world class, luxury hotels: the **Fairmont Queen Elizabeth**, **Fairmont Château Frontenac**, and the **Fairmont Le Manoir Richlieu**.
- Cruise aboard the **MS Jacques-Cartier** down the **St. Lawrence River** enroute to Tadoussac where we'll enter the **Saguenay River/Fjord** and continue 80 miles through the glacial valley with gigantic rock walls more than 1000 feet high.
- Enjoy a delicious multi-course dinner aboard the **VIA Rail Canada** train between Toronto and Montréal.
- Embark on a sightseeing tour of **Montréal** where you'll see Notre Dame de Montréal, Old Montréal, the French Quarter and more. Enjoy more than 1000 boutiques, department stores, restaurants, galleries and more, in the underground city.
- Founded in 1608, **Quebec City** is one of the oldest European settlements in North America. You'll enjoy a "Rendezvous with History" tour.
- Travel by train 200 miles through the heart of the rugged **Quebec wilderness** between Jonquière and Montréal.

Days 1-2 ..... En Route to Toronto /  
Montréal

Day 3..... Montréal / Quebec City

Day 4..... Quebec City /  
Pointe-au-Pic

Day 5..... St. Lawrence River /  
Saguenay Fjord

Day 6..... Jonquière / Montréal

Day 7..... En Route to Albany

Day 8..... En Route to Chicago

## TOUR DATE(S):

Tues., Aug. 14 to Tues., Aug. 21

## TOUR PRICE:

### Midwest

**\$2,295 -8 Days**

Per person /double occupancy

Economy Class Tour: Roomette + \$350 p.p./d.o.  
Bedroom + \$695 p.p./d.o.

\$2,890 Single Roomette +\$700

### East

**\$2,195 -8 Days**

Per person /double occupancy

\$2,940 Single

## YOUR TRIP INCLUDES:

- Round-trip transportation by Amtrak, VIA Rail Canada and motorcoach.
- Reclining coach seat with leg rest on Amtrak for two nights.
- First class hotel accommodations for five nights, seven (east).
- Eight meals (Midwest); six (East).
- Delicious multi-course dinner aboard our VIA Rail Canada train.
- Sightseeing tours of Montréal and Quebec.
- Day long cruise on the St. Lawrence River and Saguenay Fjord.
- Baggage handling, taxes and tips.
- Services of a professional America by Rail Tour Director.

AMERICA BY RAIL WILL  
BE HAPPY TO MAKE AR-  
RANGEMENTS FOR YOUR  
CONNECTING TRANSPOR-  
TATION BY RAIL OR AIR.

## Day 1: Depart Chicago

West and Midwest travelers will meet in Chicago Union Station this afternoon. At 8:30 p.m. we'll board the eastbound Lake Shore Limited. Departure is scheduled for 9:30 p.m. Relax in your comfortable coach seat with leg rest. Roomettes and Bedrooms are available for an additional cost.

Eastern and Mid-Atlantic tour members will travel independently to Depew, New York, a Buffalo suburb near the Amtrak station. They will spend the night at the Fairfield Inn. Arrangements will be made by America by Rail.

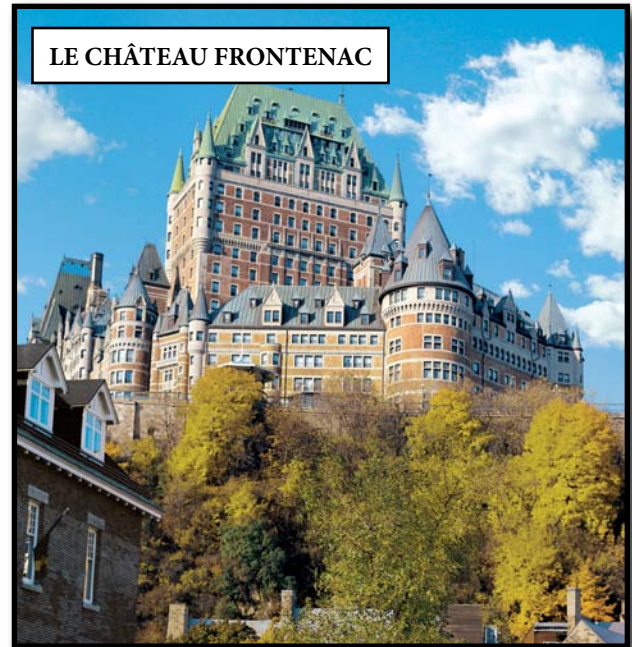
## Day 2: Toronto / Montréal

Midwestern members will arrive in Buffalo this morning where a deluxe motorcoach will meet them prior to picking up the east group at the hotel. The combined group will then transfer to Toronto where we'll enjoy a sightseeing tour of the Queen City. Following the tour we'll transfer to the VIA Rail train station and depart at 5:00 p.m. on Train #68. We will enjoy a delicious multi-course dinner en route. Our arrival in Montréal is scheduled for 9:32 p.m.

Located above the train station, at the center of Montréal's vibrant cultural and commercial district sits the city's grandest and most gracious hotel, The Fairmont Queen Elizabeth, our home for the night. We'll take an elevator to the reception area. Montréal is the world's second-largest French-speaking city. But, most people you encounter speak English. **B\* & D**

## Day 3: Montréal / Quebec City

This morning we'll depart on a sightseeing tour of this world class city, taking in over 200 points of interest including Notre Dame de Montréal (the most magnificent of French-Canadian churches), Old Montréal, the French Quarter, McGill University and a view of this great city from an observation point atop Mount Royale. Following the tour we'll have time to shop and explore. Should **\*Midwest tour members only.**



weather be inclement, Montréal is probably the most weatherproof metropolis in the world. The ever-expanding underground city soars upward, downward, and sideways around our hotel and beyond. You'll have access underground to more than a thousand boutiques, major department stores, and more than 125 restaurants and bars, movie theaters, art galleries, and more.

Late this afternoon, we'll transfer by deluxe motorcoach to Quebec City. Founded in 1608, Quebec City is one of the oldest European settlements in North America.

We'll spend the night at the stately, historic Fairmont Le Château Frontenac. Standing high on a bluff overlooking the mighty St. Lawrence River, Le Château Frontenac is not merely a hotel located in the heart of Old Québec, it is the heart of it! For more than a century this luxurious hotel has been treating guests to one of the most beautiful cities in the world. All of the wonderful sites and experiences that Old Québec has to offer are within easy walking distance.

## Day 4: Quebec City / Pointe-au-Pic

This morning you're free to wander through the narrow cobblestone streets and visit many interesting museums, art galleries and shops. This afternoon, we'll embark on the "Rendezvous with His-

tory” tour including all points of interest in Quebec City: the Old Quebec section, the fortifications, Battlefields Park, Place Royale, the narrow streets, the Basilica and much more.

We’ll enjoy an early dinner at Côtés-à-Côtés and then travel 84 miles along the magnificent St Lawrence River to the port city of Pointe-au-Pic. Our home for the night is the Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu. Nestled majestically between the sea and the mountains, the Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu is a vision of historical splendor blending the quiet charm of the countryside with the sophistication of a world-class resort. **D**

### Day 5: St. Lawrence River / Saguenay Fjord

A full breakfast is included this morning. At 7:30 a.m. we’ll board the MS Jacques-Cartier for a spectacular day cruise! We’ll head down the St. Lawrence River to Tadoussac (you’ll want to watch for whales) where we’ll enter the Saguenay River/Fjord. This immense glacial valley stretches for 80 miles with gigantic rock walls reaching heights of more than 1000 feet. We’ll pass picturesque riverside locations such as: Sainte-Rose-du-Nord, Le Tableau, Cap-Trinité, Cap-Éternité and the imposing statue of the Virgin Mary. Enjoy snacks, lunch (hot buffet), dinner (cold buffet), music, dancing and entertainment!

Our arrival into Chicoutimi is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Our home for the evening is the Holiday Inn Saguenay in Jonquière. **B, L & D**

### Day 6: Jonquière / Montréal

This morning we’ll transfer to the Jonquière VIA Rail station where we’ll board



train #601 for the 11:10 departure. We’ll roll southwest through the heart of the rugged Quebec wilderness. The train covers over 200 miles as it crosses the regions of Lac-Saint-Jean and Saguenay, Haute-Mauricie, Portneuf and La Mauricie to Lanaudière and on to the St. Lawrence River Valley before arriving in Montréal. For many years this was a night train, making it difficult to appreciate the scenery. Since the renovation in 1996, it has been on a daytime schedule, providing year-round comfort and excellent service.

Light meals, snacks, hot and cold drinks are available for purchase.

Our arrival into Montréal, the end of the line, is scheduled for 8:15 p.m. We’ll once again enjoy the beautiful Fairmont Queen Elizabeth.

### Day 7: En Route / Albany

This morning we’ll descend into the VIA Rail Station and prepare to board Amtrak’s Adirondack for our 9:30 a.m. departure for the 240-mile run along Lake Champlain and the beautiful Adirondack Mountains. The Adirondack has been nominated by National Geographic

Traveler Magazine as one of the world’s ten best rail trips. Lake Champlain, America’s sixth largest lake will begin to dominate the scenery to the east with the famed Green Mountains of Vermont providing a scenic backdrop. As we pass Fort Ticonderoga; we may get a glimpse of a battle reenactment. Relax in your comfortable reclining coach seat. Further south we’ll pass through Saratoga Springs, onetime retreat for the rich and famous.

Feel free to explore the train. You’ll find sandwiches, snacks and beverages in the Cafe Car.

All tour participants will disembark in Albany, New York.

Midwest participants will board the Lake Shore Limited and enjoy the same accommodations and amenities as on their eastbound trip. Dinner is included on the Lake Shore Limited.

Eastern and Mid Atlantic tour members will spend the night at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. **D\***

### Day 8: En Route

Eastern and Mid-Atlantic travelers will transfer to the Albany train station in time for the 9:00 a.m. departure of the train for New York’s Penn Station where they’ll board trains to their home destinations.

Midwesterners will arrive into Chicago at 9:45 a.m. on the Lake Shore Limited. They’ll continue on to home destinations throughout the morning and afternoon. **B\***

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# GENERAL INFORMATION

## MEALS

### REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT:

A deposit of \$200 per person (\$500 for cruise), of which \$100 per person is non-refundable, is required to finalize registration. The balance is due 75 days prior to departure (90 days for cruise). If payments are not received by the due date(s) specified, reservations may be cancelled without notice.

Cruises: If reservation is made after final payment due date, prevailing rates and availability apply.

### TOUR CANCELLATIONS:

If cancellation is received by America by Rail more than 75 days prior to departure (90 days for cruise), \$100 of your deposit will be retained. For cancellations received within 75 days of departure, the following per person cancellation fees apply (90 days for cruise):

- 76-90 days prior to departure: (cruise only)  
20% of total tour cost.
- 46-75 days prior to departure:  
25% of total tour cost.
- 15-45 days prior to departure:  
50% of total tour cost.
- 14 days or less prior to departure through duration of the tour: 100% of total tour cost.

The total tour cost includes tour price, add-ons and upgrades.

Refunds will be made approximately 30 days after the conclusion of the tour.

Payment / cancellation exceptions are noted on tours.

### TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

#### TRANSPORTATION

Rail transportation over the tour route and motorcoach, van, or other modes of transportation where specified in the tour description.

#### TRAIN ACCOMMODATIONS

All tours except those categorized as Coach Class include private Roomette on Amtrak overnight trains and Bedrooms (double occupancy) or Roomettes (single occupancy) on VIA Rail Canada overnight trains. Bedrooms on Amtrak are available at an additional cost. Reclining coach seats are included on U.S. and Canadian trains used only during the daytime except for those categorized as Coach Class. Coach Class tours include reclining coach seats with leg rests on Amtrak trains. Meals on the trains are included for those traveling Coach Class on the North American tours as indicated in the itinerary.

#### CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Cruise tours include inside staterooms (double occupancy) on cruise ships. Upgraded staterooms may be available at an additional cost.

#### HOTELS

Accommodations are based on two persons sharing a room with bath. Two-bedded rooms are provided in most instances. However, sometimes their availability is limited. If a two-bedded room is required, please notify America by Rail at time of registration.

America by Rail reserves the right to substitute hotels for those named in any tour description, when necessary. Every effort is made to have hotel rooms available for occupancy upon arrival. There may be instances when rooms are not available until later.

#### SINGLE ROOMS

Single rooms at hotels and Amtrak Roomettes on a single basis are available at a supplemental cost.

#### SIGHTSEEING/ADMISSIONS

Sightseeing, as outlined in the itineraries, will be provided by motorcoaches in most instances. Admission fees are included as specified. Sightseeing tour arrangements may be altered if required.

All included meals are listed in the tour itinerary. Persons requiring a special diet must inform America by Rail at the time of registration. Not all restaurants/trains will be able to honor special requests. Due to events beyond our control, trains are sometimes delayed and supplies may become limited. If you have special dietary requirements, please make sure you have a sufficient supply of nourishment to meet your dietary needs.

In the itineraries, the meals are listed at the end of each day using CB for Continental breakfast, B for breakfast, L for lunch, and D for dinner.

#### BAGGAGE

For your convenience and to expedite movement, baggage handling is limited to one suitcase per person. Transfer and portage of one suitcase per person is included at overnight stopovers. On most tours the one suitcase per person is handled by America by Rail and is checked through to the next destination. Carry-on luggage is used while en route. America by Rail is not responsible for loss or damage to your baggage or for any lost, stolen or destroyed item. Specified transfers between rail stations and hotels are included.

#### TOUR DIRECTORS

Services of a qualified America by Rail Tour Director are included for all matters pertaining to the tour. Tour Directors will meet all tour members at the origination city.

#### TIPS AND TAXES

All gratuities to hotel staff (except to chambermaids), sight-seeing guides and drivers are included. Gratuities for sleeping car attendants and meals aboard the train are included. Gratuities for meals specified in the tour itinerary are included on escorted portions of the tour. Gratuities for cruise ship stateroom stewards and dining waitstaff are included.

#### TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

Transportation and tips between your home city and the official origination city; charges for excess baggage; health, accident or baggage insurance; tips to chambermaids and for personal services; items of a personal nature such as laundry; meals, except those specified as included; gratuities for special services; charges for room service, and alcoholic beverages with included meals.

Gratuities to your America by Rail Tour Directors are an industry expectation. They should be extended on an individual basis, not as a group.

#### RAIL SCHEDULES:

The routing and features described in tour descriptions may be altered to adjust to rail schedules in effect at the time of the tour. America by Rail reserves the right to substitute motorcoach or air travel for unavailable rail schedules, misconnections, delays or other causes.

#### TRAVEL DOCUMENTS :

A valid passport will be required for any trip crossing international borders. i.e. into or out of the United States. At time of reservation we will need your date of birth; gender, passport number, passport expiration date and issuing country.

#### HEALTH, MOBILITY AND FITNESS TO TRAVEL:

Any type of disability requiring special treatment must be reported to America by Rail at the time of registration. Passengers requiring special assistance, including without limitations those who permanently or periodically use a wheelchair, must be accompanied by someone who is fit and able to assist them, who will be totally responsible for providing all required assistance. Participants will be asked to submit a confidential medical form for each tour.

#### SMOKING:

Smoking is not permitted on America by Rail motorcoaches. Those who smoke may do so at any of the frequent

stops we make. All Amtrak and VIA Rail trains are entirely smoke-free. If time is available at station stops, it will be announced by the conductor. Cruise ships policies vary from line to line, but all have designated areas to accommodate smokers.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

America by Rail reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to accept or retain any individuals as members of the tour. The acceptance of any service provided as part of an America by Rail tour, or any ticket or voucher, shall be deemed to be acceptance of and consent by the tour member to these conditions.

All rates published herein are in U.S. dollars and based on tariffs and exchange rates in effect on the printing date of the tour brochure. Prices and arrangements are subject to change without notice.

No persons, other than a representative of America by Rail, authorized by a document in writing, may vary, add or waive any term or condition set forth in the preceding provisions.

A \$50 per person fee will be assessed for each itinerary alteration requested after final arrangements are confirmed.

It is our company policy to issue a tour roster to all tour participants containing all tour participants' names and addresses. If you do not want your address included, you must let us know at time of reservation.

Times, schedules, entertainment and activities are subject to change without notice.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING FUEL SUPPLEMENT:

Please be advised America by Rail reserves the right to apply a fuel supplement for all guests should the price of oil warrant it.

#### RESPONSIBILITY CLAUSE:

America by Rail acts only in the capacity as an agent for the owners and contractors providing means of transportation, hotel or other services. All tour services, tickets and vouchers are subject to any and all terms and conditions under which such means of transportation, hotel or other services are offered or provided. America by Rail shall not be or become liable or responsible in any way whatsoever, for any loss, injury or damage from acts of God, sickness, theft, weather, strikes, war, or quarantine however caused or arising.

America by Rail reserves the right to cancel a tour in the event tour participation does not meet minimum requirements.

America by Rail shall not be obligated to honor any booking resulting from, nor shall be responsible or liable whatsoever in connection with, misprints or errors of any kind, whether in brochures, advertisements, on the Internet, during the booking process or otherwise, that result in traveler being undercharged for the tour. America by Rail reserves the right, prior to departure, to collect the correct fare or cancel the booking and refund any payment made by traveler.

#### AMTRAK STATEMENT:

The National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) is not to be held responsible for any act, omissions, or event during the time passengers are not on board their trains or conveyance. The passenger contract in use of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) and purchaser of these tours and/or passenger. All conditions are subject to the laws of the District of Columbia, U.S.A.

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