This tour combines world-class cities with three luxurious, 4 diamond Fairmont Hotels! These stately, historic hotels were formerly the pride of the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific railroads.

Enjoy lunch atop The Skylon Tower overlooking the Canadian Niagara Falls.

Toronto, Canada’s Queen City, offers an exciting tour and a free day to explore. Visiting the CN Tower, one of the world’s tallest buildings, is an option.

In Montréal enjoy views of the exquisite Notre Dame de Montréal, a magnificent French - Canadian church, the French Quarter and sweeping city views from Mont Royal.

Quebec City is filled with quaint cobblestone streets and easily accessible attractions. On your sightseeing tour you will see the Old Quebec section, the fortifications, Battlefields Park, Place Royale, the narrow streets, the oldest church and more.

A VALID PASSPORT IS REQUIRED FOR THIS TOUR

Day 1.......................En Route
Day 2.......................Niagara Falls / Toronto
Day 3.......................Toronto
Day 4.......................En Route Quebec City
Day 5.......................Quebec City
Days 6-7 ....................Montréal
Days 8-10 ....................En Route to Home Destinations
Day 1: Depart Chicago

Canada’s Three Great Cities travelers from the Midwest will meet in Chicago Union Station this afternoon. At 8:00 p.m. you’ll board the eastbound Lake Shore Limited. Departure is scheduled for 9:00 p.m. Relax in your comfortable coach seat with leg rest. Roomettes and Bedrooms are available for an additional cost.

East tour members will travel independently to Buffalo, New York, and spend the night.

Day 2: Niagara Falls

Enjoy a delicious dining car breakfast. The Lake Shore Limited arrives into the Buffalo Amtrak Station (located in Depew) at 8:36 a.m. We’ll board our deluxe motorcoach and travel to Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Lunch atop the Skylon Tower is included. The view of the falls is spectacular!

Following lunch, we’ll travel 80 miles to Toronto.

Upon arrival we’ll set out on a tour of Canada’s Queen City. We’ll travel through Chinatown and the Bay Street financial district. You’ll see the three City Halls, Eaton Centre, St. James Cathedral, the Parliament Building, the University of Toronto and the CN Tower, one of the world’s tallest freestanding structures.

Our elegant hotel for the next two nights will be the majestic Fairmont Royal York. “On-your-own” dinner opportunities are abundant in and around the hotel.

Day 3: Toronto

Your breakfast is included in the hotel this morning. Today you are free to explore Toronto. You may want to return to places you saw on your sightseeing tour or explore new areas, perhaps have lunch atop the CN Tower or visit the magnificent Art Gallery of Ontario.

Day 4: En Route Quebec City

This morning we will transfer to the VIA Rail Station where we’ll board the train for Quebec. Departure is scheduled for 6:40 a.m.

Arrival into Montréal is scheduled for 11:57 a.m. After an “on-your-own” lunch we will board another VIA Rail train at 12:45 p.m. for Quebec City. Upon arrival at 4:26 p.m. we’ll transfer to our home for the next two nights, the famous Fairmont Le Château Frontenac.

Day 5: Quebec City

Breakfast is included in our hotel. This morning we will embark on a sightseeing tour of beautiful Quebec City, including such points as the Old Quebec section, the fortifications, Battlefields Park, Place Royale, the narrow streets, the oldest church and much more.

Lunch is included at the Côtes-à-Côtes in the Petit Champlain historic area.

Following lunch we will visit the renowned Shrine of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré set along the Saint Lawrence River.

We’ll also visit Montmorency Falls. The falls are at the mouth of the Montmorency River where it drops over a cliff into the Saint Lawrence River 275 feet below.

We’ll return to our hotel where you’re free to continue exploring this beautiful hotel and city.

Day 6: En Route Montréal

Following breakfast in the hotel we’ll transfer to the VIA Rail Station in time for the 8:05 a.m. departure for Montréal. Arrival is scheduled for 11:22 a.m.
You will have time for an “on-your-own” lunch at the station prior to boarding a motorcoach for a sightseeing tour of beautiful Montreal.

This tour will take in over 200 points of interest including Notre Dame de Montreal (the most magnificent of French-Canadian churches), Old Montreal, the French Quarter, McGill University and a view of this great city from an observation point atop Mont Royal.

Following our tour we will check into the third magnificent Fairmont hotel on this tour, the Queen Elizabeth, one of Montréal’s premier hotels. B

Day 7: Montréal

A full breakfast is included this morning at the hotel.

You’re free today to shop on nearby St. Catherine Street or to visit Montréal’s various attractions. The Tour Director will lead those interested in an optional visit to the acclaimed Botanical Garden of Montréal. The 180-acre complex contains more than 26,000 varieties of plants within 30 gardens and 10 exhibition green houses. Included are the Chinese Garden, the Japanese Garden and Pavilion and Montréal Insectarium (Collections of butterflies and other exotic insects from more than 100 countries).

Should the weather be inclement (or not), it is possible for you to have a great time during your day and a half in Montréal without ever going out-of-doors. 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.

You can enjoy one of the many great dining options near our hotel. B

Day 8: En Route

We’ll take our hotel elevator down to the station where we’ll board Amtrak’s Adirondack in time for its 10:20 a.m. departure for Schenectady.

Relax in your comfortable reclining coach seat. Feel free to explore the train. You’ll find sandwiches, snacks and beverages in the Café Car.

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. To the west are the beautiful Adirondacks.

Further south we’ll pass through Saratoga Springs, onetime retreat for the rich and famous.

East tour members will continue to Albany, New York, where they will overnight and continue to home destinations tomorrow. Midwest participants will board the Lake Shore Limited in Schenectady, New York at 5:27 p.m. They’ll enjoy the same reclining coach seats with leg rest they enjoyed on their eastbound trip. Sleeping accommodations are available at an additional cost. Dinner is included on the Lake Shore Limited. B & D*

Day 9: En Route

East travelers will transfer to the Albany train station in time for the 9:00 a.m. departure to New York’s Penn Station where they’ll transfer to 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 day. B*

*West and Midwest members only.
REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT:
A deposit of $200 per person, of which $100 per person is non-refundable, is required to finalize registration. The balance is due 75 days prior to departure. If payments are not received by the due date(s) specified, reservations may be cancelled without notice.

TOUR CANCELLATIONS:
If cancellation is received by America by Rail more than 75 days prior to departure, $100 of your deposit will be retained. For cancellations received within 75 days of departure, the following per person cancellation fees apply:
• 46-75 days prior to departure: 25% of total tour cost.
• 14 days or less prior to departure: 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.

• 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.

• HOTELS
Accommodations are based on two persons sharing a room. 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.

• SINGLES
Single rooms at hotels and Amtrak Roomettes on a single basis are available at a single 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.

• MEALS
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 porterage 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. An overnight bag 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), sightseeing 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; tip 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 FOR THE AMERICA BY RAIL TOUR DIRECTORS are $3-$10 per person per day is the industry standard. They should be extended on an individual basis, not as a group.

• RAIL SCHEDULES:
The routing and features described in the 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:
America by Rail will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of tour participants. Such participants, however, should be aware that America by Rail reserves the right to refuse participation or to withdraw a person from a tour who cannot travel in an independent manner. You should be in good health and able to travel without assistance. Participants should ensure that their mobility abilities are adequate for the tour. You are responsible for providing your own necessary medical and travel insurance, including any pre-existing conditions.

• 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 airlines and hotels providing transportation, hotel or other services. All tour services, ticketing 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.

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