

American Celebration of Music in Canada Montréal, Québec City, & Ottawa, Québec

Suggested Tour #4 (6 nights/7 days)

Day 1 Montréal (D)

Upon arrival into Montréal, meet your MCI Tour Manager, who will assist the group to the awaiting chartered motorcoach

Enjoy a Panoramic guided tour of Montréal including Old Montréal, Mont Royal, Jean-Drapeau Park (Saint Hélène and Notre-Dame Islands), site of 1967 World Fair, Expo 67. There you will see the beautiful floral park, the Gilles-Villeneuve Racetrack for the Formula 1 Canada Grand Prix, the Montréal Casino and La Ronde Amusement Park

Check-in to your hotel

Dinner included at the hotel, or nearby, and overnight

Founded three and a half centuries ago, Montréal is the second largest French speaking city in the world. For visitors, Montréal's greatest attraction is its cosmopolitan, almost European atmosphere. The meeting of French and English cultures and the addition of other ethnic influences have created a unique blend. Its varied and vibrant neighborhoods, such as Old Montréal with its picturesque cobbled streets and historic grey limestone buildings, or the "Latin Quarter" of St. Denis Street with its lively outdoor cafes, provide a refreshing, every-changing urban panorama.

Day 2 Québec City (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out

Transfer to Québec City along the St. Lawrence River

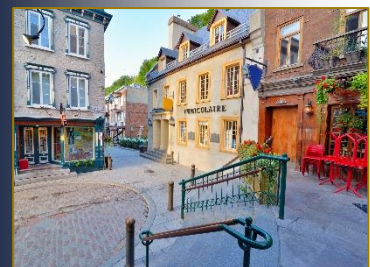
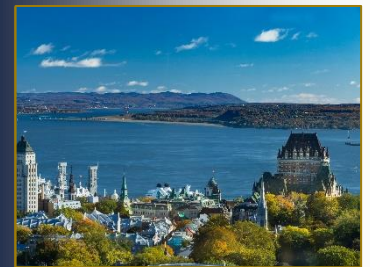
Lunch, on own

Take a guided tour of Québec City's La Citadelle. This national historic site is a walled fortress of the city. The one-hour guided tour will highlight the American attacks, the construction of the fortress and its buildings. The visit of the Royal 22 Régiment Museum located in an old French powder magazine (1750) and a former military prison (1842) is included in the tour

Also have time to wander Dufferin Terrace and view le Chateau Frontenac
Performance or clinic as part of the American Celebration of Music in Canada*

Dinner included, and overnight

Québec City is the capital of the Canadian province of Québec. It is the second largest city in the province, after Montréal. Québec's Old Town (Vieux-Québec), the only North American fortified city north of Mexico whose walls still exist, was declared a World Heritage Site by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in 1985 as the "Historic District of Old Québec." It is also one of the oldest cities in North America



Day 3**Quebec City****(B,D)**

Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out

Morning guided tour within the walls of the Old City. Visit Lower Town, Battlefields Park, and Place Royale. Also see the Museum of Civilization, Chateau Frontenac, Dufferin Terrace, the waterfront and the ornate city gates of Upper Town

Lunch, on own

Depart with coach and guide for a journey along the St. Lawrence River to the village of Sainte-Anne and tour one of the country's most beautiful cathedrals, Basilica St. Anne de Beaupre

Dinner will be at a typical French Sugar Shack. Your menu here includes French Canadian Pea Soup, pickles and bread, baked beans, meat pie, warm maple ham, boiled potatoes, sausages, sugar pie and fruit punch and of course, taffy on snow (shaved ice in summer). Enjoy live folklorique music during your meal

Return to the hotel for overnight

**Day 4****Montréal****(B,D)**

Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out

Transfer to Montreal

Enjoy a guided tour at St. Joseph Oratory, the world's largest sanctuary dedicated to Saint Joseph. Located in the heart of Montréal, in the lush and historic Mount Royal district, this internationally renowned pilgrimage destination is steeped in history and culture. In 2004, on the 100th anniversary of its founding, it was declared a National Historic Site by the Canadian Government

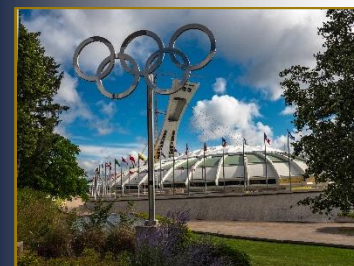
Lunch, on own

*Performance or clinic as part of the American Celebration of Music in Canada**

Afternoon guided tour of Notre-Dame Basilica. Notre-Dame Basilica is a masterpiece of Gothic revival architecture. Built between 1824 and 1829, the magnificent décor, in sculptured wood, paint and gold leaf captivates hundreds of thousands of visitors each year. Paintings, sculpture and stained-glass windows illustrate biblical passages and parish history of Montréal society

Time at leisure in Old Montreal for shopping and sightseeing

Dinner included, followed by overnight

**Day 5****Montréal / Ottawa****(B,D)**

Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out

Morning visit to the Montreal Tower Observatory, followed by a visit to the Botanical Gardens and Insectarium

Lunch, on own

Transfer to Ottawa. Enjoy a tour of the city including views of Parliament Hill, the residences of the Prime Minister and the Governor General, the National Arts Centre, and Museum of Civilization in Gatineau

Optional (for May & June): Exchange the coach tour for a tour via the Rideau Canal on a narrated 90 minute boat cruise. It's a great way to see this beautiful city

Check in to hotel

Dinner included, followed by overnight

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Day 6 **Ottawa** **(B,D)**

Breakfast at the hotel
Morning at leisure for shopping and sightseeing in Downtown Ottawa
Lunch, on own
*Afternoon collaborative Workshop and Rehearsal**
Farewell Dinner included with collaborating group
*Shared Performance or clinic as part of the American Celebration of Music in Canada**
Return to the hotel for overnight

Day 7 **Depart for home** **(B)**

Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out
Transfer to the Montreal Airport for return flight home

**Subject to confirmation*

This is a very flexible itinerary. *Except for confirmed appointments and performances, the places of interest and the sequence of sightseeing might be changed if necessary or desirable. In the event of an unavoidable conflict in the performance and the sightseeing schedule, the concert schedule will prevail, and it may be necessary to exclude some sightseeing activities.*

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