



First Methodist Church Chancel Choir of Mansfield

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Performance and Cultural Tour
Quebec, Montreal, Niagara Falls and Toronto

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Itinerary #4, Edition #1

Date of this Proposal: August 29, 2022

DALLAS TO MONTREAL / DRIVE TO QUEBEC CITY

Friday, July 7, 2023

We gather at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport at 7:45am this morning, checking in for our 10:24am flight to Montreal. Upon arrival at 3:00pm we clear customs, meet our tour manager, load the motorcoach and depart for Quebec City this afternoon. Rest break en route. Check into the hotel in the heart of the city center. Dinner provided at 8:00pm (7:00pm on your body-clocks). Bienvenue au Quebec!

Meals: Dinner provided

QUEBEC CITY/BEAUPRE COAST

Saturday, July 8, 2023

This morning you have free time to explore, shop, and have lunch in the city center. This afternoon we transfer to the Beupre Coast, an interesting and historical area along the river. We stop in at the **Copper Museum**, an amazing display of the life work of Albert Gilles, a world-renowned craftsman and artist. Each person will have the opportunity to create their own engraving (hand tools provided). We visit the nearby **Basilica of St. Anne-de-Beaupré**, with its spectacular acoustic, interesting symbolism and pilgrimage traditions. We have a 45-minute tour, then present an **Informal Concert** in the Basilica. Return to the hotel. We have a light dinner prior to our 40-minute drive to **Cap-Santé**, where we present an **Evening Concert** in their historic 18th century **Eglise-Sainte-Famille**. Return to Quebec.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner provided

QUEBEC CITY

Sunday, July 9, 2023

After breakfast we walk to the nearby **Cathedral Basilica of Notre Dame**. This historic church was the seat of Archbishop Francois Laval in 1793, when the diocese of New France stretched west to Detroit and south to New Orleans. We have a **Service Participation with Concert** to follow. After free time for lunch in the city center, we meet our local guides for a walking tour of the **Old City**. With its Old-World flavor, rich history, street performers, and quaint shops, Quebec is the nearest one can come to experiencing France without crossing the Atlantic.

Evening free for an independent dinner (it is light until 10pm as we are much farther north!).

Meals: Breakfast included

THREE RIVERS/MONTREAL

Monday, July 10, 2023

After breakfast we check out of the hotel and depart for Montreal. En route we visit the pilgrimage **Basilica Notre Dame du Cap** of Trois Rivieres (Three Rivers). One of the largest churches in North America, it was consecrated in 1964. With space for almost 1,700 persons in the congregation, the Casavant Organ boasts over 5,400 pipes in this remarkable acoustic. We have an **Informal Concert** (tbc) then stay for lunch at the cafeteria (included). We continue on to Montreal, with a guided orientation tour and scenic overview from Mont Royal. We check into the Hotel Sheraton in the city center in the late afternoon, with dinner provided this evening.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner provided

MONTREAL

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

Today is kept free for you to explore on your own, with easy access to nearby **Dorchester Square**, the **Cathedral Marie Reine du Monde** and the **Underground City**. Enjoy!

Meals: Breakfast provided

MONTREAL

Wednesday, July 12, 2023

This morning we walk to nearby **St. James United Church** where we have an **Acoustical Rehearsal** prior to our **Lunchtime Concert** (tbc). Return to the hotel, with the remainder of the afternoon and evening free to explore. Dinner independent.

Meals: Breakfast provided

TRAIN TO TORONTO/ORIENTATION TOUR

Friday, July 13, 2023

We check in at **Montreal Central Station** for our 4.5-hour high speed train ride to Toronto (independent lunch en route – if you do not want to use the dining car, you might want to pack a snack or share with friends). Mid-afternoon we arrive in **Toronto**, load the motorcoach for a **Guided Orientation Tour**. At the close of the tour we check into the hotel, with dinner independent this evening. The Novotel Hotel is located near Berczy Sculpture Park, the Sony Performing Arts Center, and many great restaurants.

Meals: Breakfast provided

NIAGARA FALLS/WINE TASTING

Friday, July 14, 2023

After breakfast we load the motorcoach for our excursion to see the spectacular **Niagara Falls**, including a trip to the **Visitors Centre** and of course, a ride on the “**Maid of the Mist**” to the center of the falls. Yellow rain slickers are included! Mid-afternoon we have a **Wine Tasting** on the Niagara Peninsula, Canada’s largest wine growing region, with some vines planted over 150 years ago. After the tour and tasting, we return to Toronto. Evening free.

Meals: Breakfast provided

SATURDAY CONCERT/FAREWELL DINNER

Saturday, July 15, 2023

This morning and afternoon is kept free for you to explore Toronto on your own. We gather at the hotel in the late afternoon and transfer to **United Metropolitan Church**, where we have an **Acoustical Rehearsal** prior to our **Joint Concert** (ensemble tbc). This evening we have our **Farewell Dinner**, bringing our Canadian Adventure to a close!

Meals: Breakfast and Farewell Dinner provided

RETURN TO DALLAS

Sunday, July 16, 2023

We check out of the hotel after breakfast and transfer to the Toronto Airport, checking in for our non-stop flight to Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. Welcome Home!

