



Canadian Sunset

By Train & Deluxe Small Ship with Niagara Falls!

12 DAYS FROM \$4,595 PP - LIMITED AVAILABILITY!

DEPARTING ONCE ONLY - AUGUST 27 - SEPTEMBER 7, 2022

Late summer in Vermont on Lake Champlain, two nights in stunning Quebec City and a rare river voyage on a classic Canadian Riverboat, the 'Canadian Empress' from Quebec City to Kingston, Ontario, followed by two nights in Niagara Falls.

"What river is this" Jacques Cartier asked his Indian guide as he looked onto the majestic St Lawrence River. "A river without end" the Indian replied and it is with this inspiration we offer up one of the world's great rivers.

We have always believed travel should offer splendid sites and comfort and this holiday does both. A daytime train trip to lovely Burlington Vermont with its beautiful setting on Lake Champlain. An overnight stay in Quebec City, the closest thing to Paris in North America. The massive ramparts of the Plains of Abraham with the backdrop of the storied Chateau Frontenac Hotel. Once aboard our riverboat, we will explore the scenic Thousand Islands, the unique living community of Upper Canada Village and historic Brockville. All of this before the final visual treat. Niagara Falls and charming Niagara on the Lake.

This would be a great vacation if it was all by train but we have something all-together better in mind. At the start of the trip, the comfortable 'Vermont' train from any Northeast point to Burlington, Vermont. Then, after enjoyable visits to both Burlington, Vermont and Quebec City, the lovely 'Canadian Empress' accommodating just 70 lucky passengers in a style evoked by steamboats of the Victorian Era with brass handrails and ornate metal ceilings. With comfortable staterooms, the Grand Saloon with Lounge and Dining areas, a forward observation deck and an outdoor lounge, there is a splendid way to travel from Quebec City to Kingston on the majestic St Lawrence River. Onboard there is excellent dining, all staterooms are 'outside' with windows and in-room facilities, there is entertainment nightly and complimentary beer and wines with meals. On shore, all shore excursions are included and scenery is ever changing as we steam west.



An Empress among Waterfowl

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS AT A GLANCE:

- ✿ Travel aboard the Vermonter train from any Northeast point between Washington DC and New Haven, CT to Burlington VT, a day trip of great beauty.
- ✿ Fully hosted from start to finish by professional tour manager who handles all of the details for you.
- ✿ Two nights in lovely Burlington Vermont with sightseeing, welcome dinner and free time to enjoy this beautiful town on Lake Champlain.
- ✿ Overnight with 28 hours in historic Quebec City with sightseeing tour, lunch in an authentic Quebecois restaurant and free time to explore the ancient walled 'Old City'.
- ✿ Six-night St Lawrence River voyage from Quebec City to Kingston with visits to Trois Rivieres, Montreal, Upper Canada Village, Brockville, 1000 Islands, Gananoque and Kingston. Naturally, all meals aboard are included with the special treat, as one would expect on a Canadian ship, of Afternoon tea at 4pm.
- ✿ Two nights in Niagara Falls, Ontario after the cruise with deluxe hotel stay, Maid of the Mist cruise under the Falls, a visit to Niagara on the Lake and Farewell dinner.
- ✿ Complimentary train travel from Niagara Falls back to any Northeast point served by Amtrak or complimentary transfer to nearby Buffalo airport.



One Thousand Islands, Ontario

Day 1 All Aboard! We depart Northeast points today (Washington DC to Albany including Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York City) aboard the Vermonter train on a scenic day trip. There is a café car and comfortable seating on this lovely trip North. Upon arrival in Burlington, we start our two-night stay in this pretty city on Lake Champlain. L

Day 2 We have included sightseeing of this scenic area today including the Lake Champlain Chocolate Factory and the Vermont Teddy Bear Factory and we have left the afternoon at leisure for you to enjoy Burlington at your own pace. Tonight is our special yet casual welcome dinner, a nice way to meet your fellow travelers. B D

Day 3 Depart Burlington this morning for a short but picturesque drive to Quebec City with its old world charm and magnificent Old Town with the majestic Chateau Frontenac and the historic Citadel. We enjoy lunch in one of our favorite Quebecois restaurants, L'Entrecote. The evening is at leisure for you to enjoy the old town. Overnight in Quebec City. B L

Day 4 All morning free to sleep in, relax or further sightsee in the Old Town or the remarkable Citadel overlooking the Plains of Abraham where Britain defeated France for control of the New World. Later today, we visit Montmorency Falls before boarding the Canadian Empress riverboat. A highlight tonight is a wonderful prime rib dinner and evening sail past Quebec City at night.

Day 5 We set sail this morning for Trois Rivieres Quebec where later today, we disembark for a tour to the renowned Shrine at Cap de Madeleine. There is also time to explore Trois Rivieres before we sail. Tonight, another delicious dinner with new found friends.

Day 6 All morning is spent cruising the majestic St Lawrence River and this afternoon we disembark at the port of Montreal for a city tour. We actually dock in Montreal overnight, allowing guests more time ashore if they would like.

Day 7 We depart Montreal for Upper Canada Village passing through four locks en route to Upper Canada Village. You will want to have your camera handy for these lock transits. Upper Canada Village is a re-creation of life in British North America and there is time to stroll the marina and grounds tonight since we are docked overnight at Upper Canada Village.

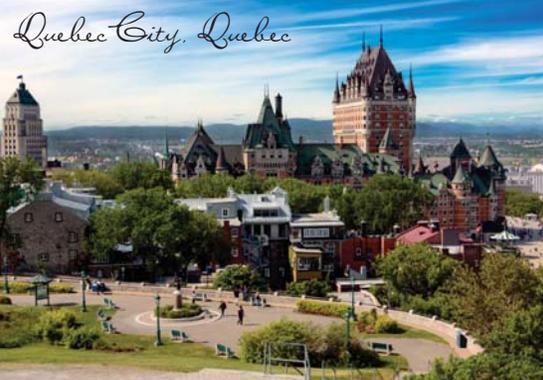
Day 8 This morning a miniature train takes us to horse-drawn wagons to tour Upper Canada Village in authentic fashion. After lunch we sail to Prescott, home of Fort Wellington and a must-see for history buffs, passing through a dam en route. Leaving Prescott in late afternoon, we arrive later tonight in Brockville, Ontario, "The city of the 1000 Islands" and there is time to stroll into town tonight.

Day 9 Today is a treat filled with a tour of opulent Fulford Mansion before we set sail midday bound for Millionaires Row and Ivy Lea. At Ivy Lea, we disembark for a transfer to the 1000 Islands Tower with its magnificent views. Later tonight, dinner and live entertainment aboard the Canadian Empress.

Day 10 We sail this morning for historic Gananoque, Ontario where we will visit the Heritage Center of 1000 Islands before sailing through the stunningly beautiful Admiralty Group of the 1000 Islands. Later today, we dock in Kingston, Ontario after a farewell luncheon in the dining room, saying goodbye to the Canadian Empress and her wonderful stay. From Kingston, a scenic drive brings us to a place everyone should see once, Niagara Falls Ontario for a two night stay. B L

Day 11 Guests may sleep into today and we depart at 10am for the fabled 'Maid of the Mist' boat that sails around Niagara Falls, a spectacular sight. Later today, we visit charming Niagara on the Lake, a small town of great charm always voted one of the most picturesque towns in Canada with quaint pubs and curio stores. Later tonight is our Farwell dinner. B D

Day 12 Guests depart for home today with memories and sights of a splendid scenic holiday. For guests traveling by train, we operate a complimentary shuttle to the Amtrak station in Buffalo and for those flying, a complimentary shuttle to Buffalo airport, both nearby. Welcome home B



All staterooms aboard 'Canadian Empress' are outside with picture window and offer two lower twin beds. All rooms have en-suite restrooms with toilet, washbasin and shower and individually controlled temperature. The more costly cabins are better located and larger, inasmuch as this matters on a short inland river cruise. All enjoy the same amenities and services onboard.

FARES & ACCOMMODATIONS

Stateroom Type, Per Person based on Double Occupancy

St Lawrence	\$4,595
Ottawa	\$4,995
Sterling	\$5,295
Premier	\$5,795

Port taxes of 125pp are addition and not included in the fares.

For Reservations call 800-323-5893