

Castles of the Thousand Islands

July 11-14, 2021



HIGHLIGHTS

- Thousand Island Winery Tour and Tasting
- Thousand Island Two-Nation Cruise
- Boldt Castle and Dark Island
- Singer Castle
- Tour historic Sacket's Harbor
- Sackets Harbor Battlefield
- Antique Boat Museum

INCLUDED FEATURES

- Free parking with roundtrip motorcoach transportation
- Three night hotel accommodations
- Baggage handling (1 bag per person)
- Meals: 3 Breakfasts, 2 Dinners
- Tours and admissions as listed per itinerary
- Winery tour and tasting
- Local step-on guide
- All taxes and gratuities
- Services of a Discoveries Journey Manager

PRICING

Occupancy	Rate Per Person
Double	\$1,129
Single	\$1,449
Triple	\$949
Quad	\$919

Rates are subject to availability at time of booking and include taxes, fees and fuel surcharges which are subject to change. All pricing and included features are based on a minimum of 25 passengers.

ITINERARY

Sunday, July 11: Thousand Islands Winery

7:00AM Motorcoach will depart Lancaster, AC Moore store at the Lancaster Shopping Center on the Oregon Pike/Route 272 side of the store.

8:00AM Motorcoach will depart Harrisburg, AAA Central Penn office, 2301 Paxton Church Rd; travel to Alexandria Bay, NY with appropriate rest and meal stops en route.

Welcome to the Thousand Islands! It's here that Ontario and the United States meet... their cultures blending in the waters of the mighty St. Lawrence and Great Lake Ontario. Natives called this region the "Garden of the Great Spirit." Today, many people still remark that this gorgeous garden of woods and water, that is the 1000 Islands, is truly one of the most beautiful places on the planet. This afternoon, enjoy a tour and tasting at the Thousand Islands Winery.

Experience the charming atmosphere of the Winery, housed in the original 1923 Sears & Roebuck barn while the friendly & knowledgeable staff reveals information on their award winning wines and the history of the property. Check into the hotel with time to freshen up before a delightful dinner this evening. Hotel: *Riveredge Resort*, Alexandria Bay, NY (Dinner)

Monday, July 12: Singer Castle and Boldt Castle

Following breakfast, we'll board a boat for a Two-Nation tour through the Thousand Islands. The cruise offers both historical commentary and beautiful scenery from both the American and the Canadian sides of the Islands. Hear the colorful history of the magnificent gilded age homes and landmarks such as Sunken Rock Lighthouse and Devils Oven. Travel through channels where it seems you could almost reach out and touch the Islands. Included is a visit to the mysterious Singer Castle on Dark Island.

Singer Castle was built at the turn of the century by Commodore Bourne, President of the Singer Sewing Machine Company, as a hunting lodge. It remained in his family for half a century until it was bought by Reverend Martin in the 60's and he established the castle as a religious retreat.

Take a short ferry ride to Heart Island for a visit to Boldt Castle. Built by George Boldt, the castle was the ultimate gift of love for his darling wife Louise. When construction of Boldt Castle was well underway, tragedy struck. In January 1904, George sent his workers a telegram saying, "Stop all work, Louise has died." Heartbroken, he never returned to Heart Island again. This afternoon, return to the resort to enjoy the remainder of the day and evening at your leisure, explore the town and have dinner at one of the great waterfront restaurants.(Breakfast)

Tuesday, July 13: Historic Villages of Sackets Harbor and Clayton & Dinner Cruise

After breakfast depart for historic Sackets Harbor, located along the Lake Ontario shore. Sackets Harbor played an integral role in the War of 1812 when this protected port provided the US Navy safe harbor to work from, as well as a protected ship building port from which they procured supplies. Meet our local guide for a tour of the village with views of Pickering Beach Museum, Madison Barracks, Military Cemetery, Market Park Square and much more! Visit Sackets Harbor Battlefield where costumed interpreters at the Battlefield and Commandants House bring to life the passion of the battles!

After the tour, you'll have independent time for lunch on your own in this charming waterfront town before continuing on to historic Clayton, once known as a prime boat building port. Enjoy a visit to the Antique Boat Museum, North America's premier freshwater nautical museum, and home to the longest running antique boat show. Return to the resort to freshen up before a two and a half hour dinner cruise. Enjoy being wined, dined and entertained as you cruise through some of the most romantic channels in the 1000 Islands. (Breakfast, Dinner Cruise)

Wednesday, July 14: Depart for Central Pennsylvania

This morning enjoy breakfast and some free time in Alexandria Bay to explore the village at your leisure.

11:00AM Approximate departure time for Central Pennsylvania with appropriate rest and meal stops en route. (Breakfast)

Hotel and itinerary are subject to change at any time without notification and/or compensation.

Tour Activity Level: 2

This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven ground and cobblestoned streets.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Travel Documents

A state-issued photo I.D. is required (such as a valid driver's license). Must be 21 years or older for wine tasting.

Payment

\$300 per person deposit due at the time of booking to confirm your reservation. Final payment is due to AAA by **May 24, 2021**.

Solo Travelers Rewards Club maximum voucher redemption: \$50

Cancellation/Penalties

A \$25 per person cancellation fee will be charged by Discoveries in addition to any other supplier's fees. From **May 24, 2021** to day of departure no refunds.

Insurance

For your protection AAA recommends travel insurance. Pre-existing medical conditions may be waived with proper coverage if travel insurance is purchased within 14 days of initial deposit only. Other conditions may apply; ask your travel agent. AAA recommends Allianz.

Clothing/Climate

Temperatures for the Thousand Islands, NY area in July average in the 70s. Casual clothes and comfortable walking shoes are recommended; be prepared for potential inclement weather.

Travel Assistance

For personal comfort, group participants who need assistance are required to have a traveling companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing the needed assistance.

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