

# Cruising the Great Lakes

The North American Big Five

Celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the National Trust for Historic Preservation

YEARS



Special 75th Anniversary SAVINGS plus INCLUDED Roundtrip Economy Airfare\*

#### Dear National Trust Traveler:

In honor of the National Trust for Historic Preservation's 75th anniversary, National Trust Tours invites you to embark on a celebratory seven-night cruise from Milwaukee to Toronto that touches all five of the glorious Great Lakes. This region's rich maritime history, dynamic urban and coastal architecture, and sublime natural wonders are, in short, a perfect backdrop for this festive milestone. In addition, our small-ship voyage will forge a link between those who support historic preservation and the National Trust as a cause, lifestyle and passion with the people who work tirelessly to tell the stories of places that matter. We can't think of a better way to celebrate!

Aboard the exclusively chartered, five-star *Le Bellot*, featuring only 92 suites and staterooms, call at smaller ports and discover some of North America's most alluring towns, visionary cities, passionate inventors and magnificent coastal scenery on this all-inclusive adventure.

Some of the many highlights we'll encounter include a nostalgic horse-drawn carriage ride along the picturesque streets of Mackinac Island—unchanged for over 100 years; an immersive visit to Detroit, an archetype for 20th-century urban growth and the birthplace of Motown; and Sault Ste. Marie, where we'll transit the historic Soo Locks, one of the world's most celebrated 19th-century engineering feats and a major catalyst for industrial growth and innovation. Glide on the protected waters near Tobermory, part of a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve and discover the thrill of thundering Niagara Falls.

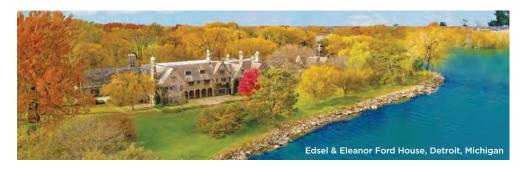
Toast the National Trust with special onboard presentations, guest speakers and enhanced visits. We encourage you to take advantage of special anniversary pricing and included air. Make your reservations today for what promises to be an adventure—and anniversary—to remember.

Sincerely,

Meg Annacone-Poretz Director, National Trust Tours

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## 2024 Marks 75 years of Service for the National Trust for Historic Preservation

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Save the past.
Enrich the future.

For 75 years, the National Trust for Historic Preservation has led the movement to save America's historic places. A privately funded nonprofit organization, the National Trust works to save America's historic sites; tell the full American story; build stronger communities; and invest in preservation's future.

Old places are where our lives, memories and stories began. They connect us to the past, anchor us to the present and lead us into the future. These places inspire us to create a stronger nation, because they belong to all of us.

Thanks to the passion and dedication of its advocates and supporters, the National Trust is able to protect hundreds of places every year. Help us save places that matter—for ourselves, each other and our future together.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is a private, nonprofit membership organization dedicated to saving historic places and revitalizing America's communities.

Learn more at www.savingplaces.org



#### ITINERARY | 8 Days | 7 Nights

#### Sept. 29 Depart Home City Milwaukee, WI Embark

Arrive in Milwaukee and embark the ship in the afternoon. Tonight, gather with new friends for the Captain's Welcome Reception and dinner on board. {R-D}

#### Sept. 30 Lake Michigan Mackinac Island Lake Huron

Cruise Lake Michigan this morning before arriving at quaint Mackinac Island. Set off on a nostalgic horse-drawn carriage ride around the island with a photo stop at the famed Arch Rock. Enjoy lunch at the Grand Hotel, a longtime member of the National Trust's Historic Hotels of America program. The hotel's elegant dining room overlooks the world's longest porch displaying the hotel's many American flags, as well as the glistening Straits of Mackinac. Continue to Fort Mackinac for a guided visit. Back on board, enjoy dinner while cruising Lake Huron.  $\{B-L-D\}$ 

### Oct. 1 Soo Locks Lake Superior Sault Ste. Marie, MI

This morning, transit the Soo Locks from Lake Huron to Lake Superior and back. Arrive in Sault Ste. Marie and explore the SS Valley Camp, a retired lake freighter that is now a museum featuring exhibits of faithfully restored living quarters and the tragic loss of the *Edmund Fitzgerald*. Continue to the Soo Locks Interpretation Center and watch colossal freighters lower 21 feet from Lake Superior to enter Lake Huron. Later tonight, watch a First Nations dance performance on the ship. {B-L-D}

#### Oct. 2 Tobermory, Canada Lake Huron

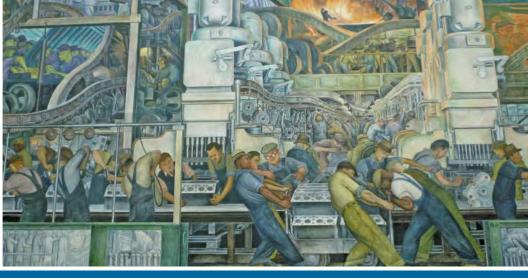
Venture out to explore beautiful Tobermory, located at the northern tip of the Bruce Peninsula. Board a glass-bottom boat and cruise atop crystal-clear waters from Little Tub Harbor to Big Tub Harbor. Along the way, look for Big Tub Lighthouse, Flowerpot Island and the remains of the schooner

Sweepstakes, which sank in 1885. Enjoy time at leisure to savor local gelato, sip craft beer or browse art galleries. Prepare for more stunning views tonight as your cruise continues. {B-L-D}

#### Oct. 3 Detroit, MI

Get to know Detroit on an orientation tour, followed by a visit to the historic Fisher Building, decorated with sumptuous mosaics, marble and bronze accents. Next, join your guide for a tour of the acclaimed Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation, which spotlights the creative genius of American inventors and innovators that represent defining moments in U.S. history. See Kennedy's presidential limo, the chair where Lincoln was assassinated in Ford's Theater and the bus where Rosa Parks refused to vacate her seat. Detroit is known as







Top: Detail of *Detroit Industry* mural,
Detroit Institute of Arts
Above: Niagara Falls

the birthplace of Motown and tonight's entertainment features the soulful tunes of legendary singer-songwriter Tee Turner of the Motown group, The Miracles. {B-L-D}

#### Oct. 4 Detroit Lake Erie

Begin today's adventures at the Detroit Institute of Arts, one of the most significant collections of art in the nation, housed in a magnificent Beaux Arts building. See Diego Rivera's monumental *Detroit Industry* mural, which captures the city's blue-collar history, as well as masterworks by Auguste Rodin, Vincent van Gogh, Michelangelo, Edgar Degas and Paul Cézanne. Then, step into history during a visit to the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, designed by architect Albert Kahn. Settle in under the stars while cruising Lake Erie tonight. {B-L-D}

#### Oct. 5 Port Colborne for Niagara Falls Lake Ontario

Drive to Niagara Falls, a natural phenomenon formed by three waterfalls: American Falls, Horseshoe Falls and Bridal Veil Falls. Get up close to the amazing landmark and experience the sheer force of this geological wonder during a Hornblower

Cruise to the base of Horseshoe Falls. After a specially arranged lunch, visit the landmark Niagara Parks Power Station, filled with immersive exhibits and artifacts. Then pause at a scenic overlook to witness the 410 million-year-old layers of the Niagara Gorge and the raging Whirlpool Rapids. Pass by the Sir Adam Beck Power Station, the world's first large-scale hydroelectric generation project, and see Niagara's famous Floral Clock, intricately filled with 20,000 plants and flowers. This evening, enjoy the Captain's Farewell Reception while cruising Lake Ontario.  $\{B-L-R-D\}$ 

#### Oct. 6 Toronto/Disembark Return to Home City

Following breakfast, disembark and transfer to the airport for your return flight home. {B}

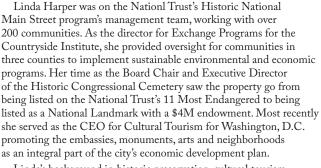




#### **EXPERTS**



**Linda Harper** Study Leader



Linda's background in historic preservation, cultural tourism and community engagement will help each traveler better understand the flavor and significance of our stops along the way.



Ric Mixter Guest Speaker

Ric Mixter is the most requested maritime historian in the Midwest. Visiting museums, libraries, NASA and his live music concert "STORM", thousands of audience members get a new appreciation for our unique inland-sea history through his spellbinding lectures.

Television viewers recognize Ric as a shipwreck researcher, diving over 100 shipwrecks in the Great Lakes, including the *Edmund Fitzgerald*. He has produced over 30 programs for PBS and the Outdoor Channel, and appeared as a shipwreck expert on the History and Discovery Channels.

Dive show patrons and school kids know him as the energetic storyteller who uses video like no other presenter can. Ric's stories appear in books, magazines and on radio and TV news programs. Mixter's YouTube videos have over 5 million views, covering shipwrecks in four of the Great Lakes and adventures in several foreign lands.

With over 30 years of stories on historic preservation, Ric was awarded the C. Patrick Labadie Special Acknowledgment Award by the Great Lakes Shipwreck Preservation Society in 2022, and the 2009 Award for Historic Interpretation by the Association for Great Lakes Maritime Historians

## Grand Hotel Distinctive & Notable

America's Original Grand Hotel™ has been an icon of summer resorts since 1887. This National Historic Landmark and Historic Hotels of America Member is located on Mackinac Island, where cars are not allowed and horse-drawn carriages are the preferred modes of transportation. Guests sit in rocking chairs on the world's longest porch, overlooking the Straits of Mackinac, and enjoy the charm and elegance of the Victorian era with the modern amenities important to travelers today. Enjoy a fabulous buffet lunch at the hotel.









#### Milwaukee

September 27 to 29, 2024 (Pre-Tour Begins: September 27)

Rich in architectural treasures and world-class institutions, vibrant Milwaukee is the perfect extension to your Great Lakes cruise. Enjoy a panoramic tour of the historic North Point neighborhood—home to one of the finest collections of Victorian mansions in the Midwest—and tour the expansive Milwaukee Art Museum, an impressive addition to Milwaukee's revitalized waterfront. Visit the striking Pabst Mansion, built in Flemish style by Pabst Brewing Company president Frederick Pabst. Accommodations for two nights are in the centrally located Pfister Hotel, a member of the National Trust's Historic Hotels of America program.

Price per person, based on double occupancy: \$985 Price per person, based on single occupancy: \$1,315



### POST-PROGRAM OPTION

#### **Toronto**

October 6 to 8, 2024 (Post-Tour Ends: October 8)

Conclude your Great Lakes voyage in cosmopolitan Toronto, one of North America's most celebrated cultural melting pots. Enjoy a walking tour of the Distillery District, Canada's premier arts, culture and entertainment destination, and visit Fort York, built in 1793 on the shores of Lake Ontario. Enjoy lunch in the CN Tower's 360-degree revolving restaurant. Visit Casa Loma, a Gothic Revival mansion and garden built in the style of a European castle by Sir Henry Mill Pellatt. Tour the Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto's crowning jewel with a collection of over 80,000 works. Accommodations for two nights are in the historic Fairmont Royal York Hotel, a member of the National Trust's Historic Hotels Worldwide program.

Price per person, based on double occupancy: \$1,315 Price per person, based on single occupancy: \$1,535

Further details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.







#### **INCLUDED FEATURES**

- Special 75th Anniversary SAVINGS plus INCLUDED Roundtrip Economy Airfare\* from select gateways.
- Arrival and Departure transfers and luggage handling are included for all passengers participating in our ROUNDTRIP ECONOMY AIRFARE promotion.
- Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are available throughout the cruise, and wine is served at your table during lunch and dinner.
- Experienced, local guides for included excursions.
- Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
- Complimentary, reusable water bottle to keep you hydrated throughout your cruise.
- Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.
- Complimentary use of an audio headset during quided excursions.
- Automatic \$250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
- Hospitality desk aboard the ship.
- Meals included as noted in the itinerary {B,L,R,D}.

#### **SELECT GATEWAY CITIES**

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Washington-Dulles(IAD)
Chicago (ORD)
Detroit (DTW)

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Boston (BOS) Miami (MIA)

Newark (EWR) Denver (DEN)
Philadelphia (PHL) Phoenix (PHX)

Dallas-Ft. Worth (DFW) Los Angeles (LAX)
Houston (IAH) San Francisco (SFO)

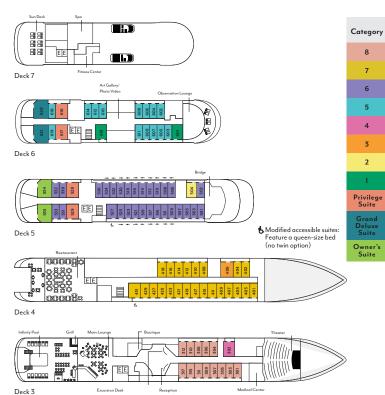
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Join us aboard the exclusively chartered, 5-star Le Bellot, where distinctive French sophistication meets innovative nautical design for a new standard of cruising. Each of the 92 5-star staterooms and suites (up to 484 square feet) features a private balcony. Grand Deluxe Suites have a panoramic window and private terrace. Accommodations offer two twin beds or one gueen bed, individual climate control, private bathroom with shower and luxury hotel-style amenities.



#### 2024 DEPARTURE DATE: September 29 to October 6 (Embarkation: September 29 at 3:00 pm)

Category	LAND/CRUISE RATES   INCLUDES ROUNDTRIP ECONOMY AIRFARED per person, based on double occupancy, excluding taxes	Special 75th Anniversary Rate	Standard Rate
8	Deluxe stateroom with a picture window, single door onto private, partial-wall balcony. <i>Deck 3</i> . (limited availability)	\$4,999	\$5,895
7	Prestige stateroom with a picture window, single door onto private, partial-wall balcony. Deck 4.	\$5,499	\$6,270
6	Prestige stateroom with expansive sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> . Deck 5.	\$6,499	\$7,550
5	Prestige stateroom with expansive sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> . Deck 6.	\$7,499	\$8,585
4	Deluxe suite with expansive sliding glass door, ${\bf private\ balcony}.$ Deck 3.(limited availability)	\$7,999	\$9,415
3	Deluxe suite with expansive sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> . <i>Deck 4, midship</i> . (limited availability)	\$8,999	\$10,240
2	Deluxe suite with expansive sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> . Deck 5.	\$9,499	\$11,275
1	Deluxe suite with expansive sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> . Deck 6.	\$9,999	\$12,105
Privilege Suite	Large suite with expansive sliding glass door, <b>larger private balcony</b> , sitting area with sofa. <i>Decks 5 and 6</i> . (limited availability)	\$12,999	\$14,795
Grand Deluxe Suite	Extra-large, one-bedroom suite and separate sitting room with sofa, expansive sliding glass door, <b>spacious private terrace</b> , full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath. <i>Decks</i> 6. (limited availability)	\$13,999	\$15,625
Owner's Suite	Extra-large, one-bedroom suite and separate sitting room with sofa, expansive sliding glass door, <b>spacious private terrace</b> with outdoor Jacuzzi, full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath. <i>Deck 5</i> . (limited availability)	\$14,999	\$17,695

BONUS SAVINGS! Pay in full at the time of booking to receive additional savings. Bookings made inside 121 days prior to departure are not eligible for this discount. Please call for details.

Single supplements apply to categories 5, 6 & 7 at 125% of the per person double price and are subject to availability. Single price for all other cabin categories is at 200%.

\*All guests opting to book the 75th Anniversary Price plus Air promotion receive Included Economy Class Airfare. These economy class airfares are capacity controlled, include all Fuel Surcharges and Air Taxes, and are limited to select gateways, air carriers, and routing of Gohagan & Company's choosing. Transfers to/from airport are included when Gohagan & Company books airfare according to set arrival and departure schedules. Custom air routing, Gohagan & Company flights from non-included airports, and/or upgrades to Premium Economy, Business or First Class are available for an additional charge given airline availability at time of booking.

Port taxes are an additional \$450 per person. Customers will be notified of any fuel surcharge fee prior to final payment. This fee will then be charged and collected by the vessel operating company while on board.

Program reservations require a deposit of \$1,000 per person.

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