



VERSTRAETE TRAVEL & CRUISES

2012

Escorted Motorcoach Tours



NEW YORK CITY
MAY 19-22 AND DECEMBER 1-4



ORILLIA & MIDLAND
JUNE 27-28



NEWFOUNDLAND
JULY 5-13



CHICAGO
AUGUST 24-27



LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA
SEPTEMBER 25-27



NORTH & SOUTH CAROLINA
OCTOBER 18-27

TOUR CO-ORDINATOR: EARL CLINT

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Invites you to travel on our escorted

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INTRODUCTION: This year, an interesting mix of travel experiences awaits you - from the excitement of New York and Chicago, to the tranquil beauty of Newfoundland and Lancaster County. New for this year is a fall trip which includes Asheville, NC and Charleston SC, with time to relax in Myrtle Beach. **All prices are in Canadian dollars, are inclusive of taxes, and include gratuities on group meals.** Each itinerary clearly states what is included in the price, so you won't have any unexpected expenses. General departure locations are listed for each tour; specific pick-up points, hotel telephone numbers, and emergency contact information will be provided prior to departure. Please adhere to the deposit and cut-off dates listed and use a separate registration form for each tour you join. Every effort has been made to ensure interesting itineraries while maintaining affordability. Upon comparison, I believe you will find these tours to be both comprehensive, and competitively priced. Each trip is carefully planned to ensure attention to detail; all you need to do is relax and enjoy yourself. I hope to have the pleasure of travelling with you at some point this year! **Earl Clint: Tour Coordinator & Escort**

NEW YORK CITY: May 19-22, 2012 Escorts: Earl Clint & John Swatridge

May 19 This tour departs from the Kitchener area (depending on numbers), with a Niagara pick-up. After driving through the scenic hills of upstate New York and Pennsylvania, we head to the world famous Metropolitan Museum of Art for the evening. **Accommodation:** Fairfield Inn, East Rutherford, NJ (3 nights).

May 20 A local guide will take us on a tour of Manhattan including Central Park's Conservatory Gardens, Harlem and Grand Central Station. You will then enjoy free time for lunch and exploring such Fifth Avenue landmarks as St. Patrick's Cathedral and the Rockefeller Center. After seeing a mid-afternoon Broadway play, we will spend the evening in the Times Square area where there is no shortage of great restaurants or bright lights! Breakfast is included today.

May 21 Our day begins with a visit to the Empire State Building Observatory for a view of the city. Next is a stop at the new Freedom Tower (WTC site), then to Wall Street. After some free time for lunch and shopping in Chinatown and Little Italy, we head to the Intrepid Sea Air & Space Museum on the Hudson River. In the evening, we will take a narrated cruise around the lower half of Manhattan to view the Statue of Liberty and spectacular skyline at dusk. Breakfast is included today.

May 22 Today we depart the city, stopping at the Crossings Premium Outlet for shopping and lunch. We will arrive home by mid-evening. Breakfast is included today. Thank you for experiencing the "Big Apple" with us!

INCLUSIVE TOUR PRICE
\$845.00 p.p. double occupancy

PRICE INCLUDES

- ~ Deluxe washroom equipped motorcoach
- ~ 3 nights hotel & all entry fees as described
- ~ Ticket to a Broadway theatre performance
- ~ City tour with local guide & evening boat cruise
- ~ 3 deluxe continental breakfasts at hotel

PLEASE NOTE: Deposit is due by March 16/12
Final payment and cut-off is April 18/12

Single supplement - add \$225.00 Three sharing - deduct \$75.00 p.p. Four sharing - deduct \$110.00 p.p.

ORILLIA & MIDLAND: June 27-28, 2012 Escort: Earl Clint

June 27 Upon arrival in Orillia (from Niagara), we board a boat for a scenic luncheon cruise. Afterwards a local guide will give us an overview of the town, including various points of interest such as a museum which was once the home of Stephen Leacock. We then drive to our hotel. Lunch is included today. **Accommodation:** Best Western Plus Highland Inn, Midland.

June 28 After breakfast (included), and a visit to the Martyrs' Shrine, select either of the following. Wye Marsh is dedicated to preserving 3000 acres of wetlands and its 595 species of plants and animals, including nesting birds. After viewing the displays and a "Birds of Prey" demonstration, take a walk on the boardwalk (golf cart rides are available). The alternate choice is Saint Marie among the Hurons, Ontario's first European community (1639), and headquarters for the French Jesuit Mission to the Huron Wendat people. Later at Kings Wharf Theatre we will see "Murder at Fern Resort", a killer comedy!

INCLUSIVE TOUR PRICE

\$345.00 p.p. based on double occupancy

PRICE INCLUDES

- ~ Luncheon boat cruise on Lake Couchiching
- ~ Local guide and entry to Leacock Museum
- ~ Deluxe washroom equipped motorcoach
- ~ Hotel, breakfast, lunch and theatre ticket

PLEASE NOTE: Deposit is due by April 26/12
Final payment and cut-off date is May 25/12

Single supplement - add \$50.00 Three sharing - deduct \$10.00 p.p. Four sharing - deduct \$20.00

NEWFOUNDLAND: July 5-13, 2012 Escort: Earl Clint

July 5 We depart Toronto on a morning flight. Once in Deer Lake we drive to Corner Brook, the province's second largest city, and check-in to our historic hotel. Dinner is included today. **Accommodation:** The Glynmill Inn, Corner Brook.

July 6 In Woody Point we will experience the unique geology of the Tablelands, part of Gros Morne National Park. When the continents collided, rocks which were beneath the ocean were pushed upwards to their present position above sea level. A boat tour on Bonne Bay will allow closer views of the steep cliffs and possible sightings of eagles and whales. Enjoy musical theatre at the hotel tonight. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included. **Accommodation:** Shallow Bay Motel, Cow Head.

July 7 Today we visit L'Anse aux Meadows, a United Nations World Heritage Site, where Vikings settled over one thousand years ago. In St. Anthony, we will board a vessel to learn about the delicate marine ecology and to hopefully see both whales and icebergs. These imposing blocks of ice which have broken off the continental glaciers, have drifted south propelled by the Labrador Current. Amazingly, 90% of the ice is below the water! Note: If conditions are not favourable, another boat tour may be arranged in Twillingate. Breakfast and lunch are included today. **Accommodation:** The Haven Inn, St. Anthony.

July 8 Our day begins with a visit to a museum honouring Sir Wilfred Grenfell, a medical missionary who devoted his life's work to the people of Northern Newfoundland and Labrador. We then begin our southward journey, viewing the rugged coastal scenery with a few stops along the way. Breakfast and dinner are included today. Local entertainment will be provided by our hotel this evening. **Accommodation:** Mount Peyton Hotel, Grand Falls-Windsor.

July 9 At the Logger's Life Museum we will learn about the methods of logging once used in Central Newfoundland. Afterwards we will stop at the Boyd's Cove Beothuk Site and the "Prime Berth" fishing exhibit, to learn more about the traditional way of life in rural outports. In Twillingate, options include a boat tour (see above), a winery tour, or a museum visit. After a drive to the local lighthouse perched on scenic cliffs, we will enjoy food, music, and humour at the "All Around the Circle Dinner Theatre." Breakfast and dinner are included today. **Accommodation:** Anchor Inn Motel, Twillingate.

July 10 Our first stop today will be at the North Atlantic Aviation Museum in Gander. The city has a proud connection to trans-Atlantic aviation crossings and it also played a crucial role on September 11, 2001. Next we drive to the Ryan Premises in Bonavista to view an historic fish merchant operation and then to the famous lighthouse near the spot where John Cabot landed in 1497. This evening we will enjoy a "Screech-In", in which participants are inducted into the ranks of "Honourary Newfoundlanders". Breakfast and dinner are included today. **Accommodation:** The Clarenville Inn, Clarenville.

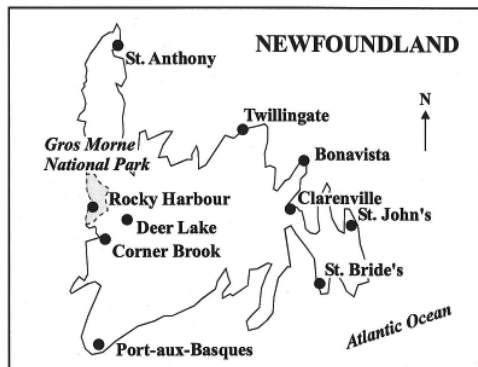
July 11 Our destination is Cape St. Mary's Ecological Reserve at the southern tip of the Avalon Peninsula (conditions permitting), one of the continent's largest bird colonies. Watch in amazement as thousands of seabirds take flight all around us. This evening you can relax at the hotel or head downtown to enjoy some traditional music at one of the numerous establishments on George Street. Breakfast and lunch are included. **Accommodation:** Holiday Inn, St. John's (2 nights).

July 12 We begin the day with a guided tour of St. John's including Signal Hill, Quidi Vidi Village and many historic sites. After some free time downtown, we take a boat tour of Witless Bay Ecological Reserve, home to puffins and other seabirds, as well as humpback whales. Prepare to be amazed as these giants swim beside our boat. This evening we will enjoy good food, comedy and song, at a "Spirit of Newfoundland" production. Breakfast and dinner are included today.

July 13 This morning you can relive the Titanic story and explore the province's unique geology at the Geo Centre, built into Signal Hill. We then transfer to the airport for our flight home. Thank you for visiting this very special place with us!

INCLUSIVE TOUR PRICE

\$2845.00 p.p. double occupancy



PRICE INCLUDES

- ~ Return airfare from Toronto (no meals)
- ~ Fully escorted throughout entire tour
- ~ Deluxe washroom equipped motorcoach
- ~ 8 nights accommodation (double occupancy)
- ~ Baggage handling (1 piece per person)
- ~ All entry fees to interpretive centres
- ~ A binder with background information
- ~ Whale watching and puffin boat tour
- ~ Tablelands (Bonne Bay), and iceberg boat tours
- ~ 3 theatre performances plus a "Screech-in"
- ~ Tour of St. John's with local guide
- ~ 7 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 6 dinners

Single supplement charge is \$495.00 Three sharing - deduct \$150.00 p.p. Four sharing - deduct \$210.00 p.p.

PLEASE NOTE: Deposit is due by April 30/12 Final payment and cut-off date is June 1/12 (if available)

Early booking bonus: Reserve by March 31/12 and receive either \$50.00 p.p. off, or free airbus from Niagara to Toronto

CHICAGO: August 24-27, 2012 Escorts: Earl Clint & John Swatridge

August 24 We depart Niagara with a pick-up in the Kitchener area (dependant on numbers). Upon arrival, we will take in the view from Skydeck Chicago at Willis Tower (formerly the Sears Tower). For even more thrills try the new "Ledge", offering the ultimate in visibility – straight down! We then head to Giordano's Restaurant for its famous stuffed-crust pizza. Dinner is included today. **Accommodation:** Fairfield Inn - Midway Airport, Chicago (3 nights).

August 25 In the morning a local guide will take us on a city tour. Afterwards, some free time will be given on the north end of Michigan Avenue's "Magnificent Mile". Later we will visit the Museum of Science and Industry, filled with many fascinating displays, including a captured German U-Boat from W.W. II. For dinner we will enjoy Greek food and music at the annual Greektown Street Festival, followed by an optional visit to a "Blues" club, a true Chicago experience.

August 26 Our day begins with a visit to the Shedd Aquarium, located on the beautiful waterfront. We then head to Navy Pier for lunch and an architectural boat tour on the Chicago River. After a walk in Millennium Park, you can either visit the Art Institute of Chicago, or shop the southern part of the Magnificent Mile. In the evening we will enter a "roaring twenties" illegal speak-easy, otherwise known as Tommy Guns Garage Dinner Theatre - hopefully no one gets busted! Breakfast and dinner are included today.

August 27 On our way home we will stop at the Lighthouse Place Premium Outlet, for shopping and lunch. We will arrive back home by mid-evening. Breakfast is included today.

INCLUSIVE TOUR PRICE

\$845.00 p.p. double occupancy

**PLEASE NOTE: Deposit is due by June 22/12
Final payment and cut-off date is July 23/12**

PRICE INCLUDES

~ 3 breakfasts, 2 dinners (includes dinner theatre)
~ 3 nights hotel (dbl. occ.) and deluxe motorcoach
~ All museum entry fees, local guide and boat tour
~ Informative binder with background information

Note: Single supplement - add \$210.00 Three sharing - deduct \$65.00 p.p. Four sharing - deduct \$100.00 p.p.

LANCASTER & GETTYSBURG, PA: September 25-27, 2012 Escort: Earl Clint

Sept. 25 Departing from Niagara, we will enjoy the fall colours as we drive through Pennsylvania's rolling hills. After a brief stop at the hotel, we will have dinner (included). **Accommodation:** Holiday Inn Express, Lancaster, PA (2 nights).

Sept. 26 This morning we visit "The Amish Experience" to view a multi-media presentation and then tour an Amish homestead. A local guide will then take us on a countryside tour to learn about the Amish culture, to view harvesting being done in the fields, and to stop at various Amish owned businesses including a bakery and quilt store. Next we will go to Kitchen Kettle Village, with many unique shops and food vendors. **Note: Those who have already been to "The Amish Experience", may choose an alternate activity (to be announced), prior to Kitchen Kettle Village.** We then return to the hotel located at the Rockvale Factory Outlet Mall to relax and/or shop. Next we go to Sight & Sound's Millennium Theatre for a performance of their new play, "Jonah", a biblical account complete with live animals and spectacular sets. Breakfast and dinner are included today.

Sept. 27 After driving to Gettysburg, we will stop at the new Visitor's Center to view the exhibits and see a multi-media show. A guide will then board the bus for a narrated tour of the battlefields to explain what happened here during the Civil War. After lunch we drive home, arriving by mid-evening. Breakfast is included today.

INCLUSIVE TOUR PRICE

\$595.00 p.p. double occupancy

PRICE INCLUDES

~ 2 breakfasts and 2 dinners (1 buffet, 1 family-style)
~ Deluxe washroom equipped motorcoach
~ 2 nights accommodation and Amish countryside tour
~ Theatre ticket and all entry fees (including options)

**PLEASE NOTE: Deposit is due by July 25/12
Final payment and cut-off is August 24/12**

Single supplement - add \$130.00 Three sharing - deduct \$40.00 p.p. Four sharing - deduct \$65.00 p.p.

NEW YORK CITY FUND-RAISING TRIPS: September 21-24/12 and October 12-15/12

A great way to raise money for charity, while enjoying a trip! This concept has been used to benefit local hospitals and health institutions, as well as private schools and other non-profit organizations. Participants designate the charity of their choice and will receive an income tax receipt for a portion of the fee paid. These tours will be priced slightly higher than the May trip (\$875.00 p.p. dbl. occ.), but will have the same itinerary. So if you want to go to New York, but May doesn't fit into your schedule, you have two other options. **Call Earl Clint for more information** and to find out what charities are participating.

NORTH & SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHLIGHTS: October 18-27, 2012 Escort: Earl Clint

October 18 Departing Niagara, we drive to Pittsburgh where a local guide will board our bus to give us an overview of this once important steel capital. The dramatic transformation of the past decade is being used as a model for other manufacturing cities which have experienced decline. Free time for shopping and dinner will be given, before checking into our centrally located hotel. **Accommodation:** Holiday Inn Express Southside, Pittsburgh, PA.

October 19 Today we drive south, enjoying the beautiful fall colours and rolling hills of the Smoky Mountains, en route to Asheville. Breakfast and dinner are included today. **Accommodation:** Holiday Inn Biltmore East, Asheville, NC (2 nights).

October 20 This morning we visit Biltmore House, America's largest privately owned home. Nestled on 8000 acres, this 250 room French styled chateau was built by George Vanderbilt and opened in 1895. It is filled with priceless works of art and original furnishings, plus a huge indoor pool and pipe organ. The beautiful gardens and grounds were the work of Frederick Law Olmstead who also designed New York's Central Park. Another point of interest on the estate is Antler Hill Village, complete with shops, restaurants and a winery. In the afternoon we will drive along the Blue Ridge Parkway through the Smoky Mountains, stopping at several scenic lookouts from which to view the colourful fall foliage. You can return to the hotel for the evening, or head downtown to browse in many unique shops and then have dinner. Breakfast is included today.

October 21 After enjoying a leisurely morning (or optional church service), we drive to our oceanfront hotel in Myrtle Beach. We will then attend "Dino's Variety Show", an award-winning tribute show featuring celebrity impersonators, including Dean Martin. Breakfast and dinner are included. **Accommodation:** Hampton Inn, Myrtle Beach, SC (4 nights).

October 22 Today we will visit Brookgreen Gardens, covering 9000 acres of the South Carolina Low Country. Once a rice plantation, Brookgreen is now known for its beautiful display garden and superb sculpture collection. We will also take a pontoon boat excursion to learn about the history of the colonial rice plantations and to observe the indigenous plants and wildlife, including alligators. After some free time at the hotel, we will go out for dinner and attend the Carolina Opry, a well known variety show with music, comedy and dancing. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included today.

October 23 On this day trip to Charleston, our first stop will be at Boon Hall Plantation to experience what plantation life was like in the early 1800's. Once known for cotton and pecans, it has been continuously growing crops for over 320 years. It is best known for its two $\frac{3}{4}$ mile rows of live oaks planted in 1743, which create a tunnel leading up to the house. After some free time for lunch and shopping in the Old City Market, we will enjoy a narrated horse-drawn carriage tour of this historic city filled with a variety of architectural styles including Colonial and Georgian mansions. After some free time to explore the Battery area, or to perhaps take in a house tour, we drive back to Myrtle Beach. Breakfast is included today.

October 24 Our leisurely morning includes a visit to Ripley's Aquarium and "Broadway at the Beach", a collection of shops in a unique setting. We will then stop at the main historic section of the city for lunch and shopping, before returning to the hotel to enjoy the pool and beach. In the evening we will go out for dinner and a performance of "One - The Show", a high energy production with singing, dancing and comedy, at the Alabama Theater. Breakfast and dinner are included today.

October 25 Enjoy a relaxing drive to Alexandria, Virginia (established in 1749), a major colonial port and political centre during the Revolutionary period. Breakfast is included. **Accommodation:** Holiday inn Express, Alexandria, VA (2 nights).

October 26 Although it is impossible to do justice to Washington, D.C. in a day, we will try! A local guide will take us to several points of interest including the Lincoln, Jefferson, Roosevelt, and Washington Monuments. We will view the W.W. II, Korean and Vietnam War Memorials and stop for photos at both the White House and the Capitol Building. We then go to the Post Office Tower where you can eat lunch and enjoy a great view of the city. Afterwards, we head to the National Mall where nine of the Smithsonian's museums line the street including the Air and Space Museum, the National Gallery of Art, the Museum of Natural History, and the Museum of American History. Enjoy a free evening in Old Town Alexandria, whose historic streets are lined with galleries, museums, antique shops and great restaurants. Breakfast is included today.

October 27 Today we conclude this scenic journey, arriving back home by early evening. Thank-you for joining us on this multi-faceted journey! Breakfast is included today.

INCLUSIVE TOUR PRICE

\$1995.00 p.p. double occupancy

PLEASE NOTE: Deposit is due by August 16/12

Final payment and cut-off date is Sept. 17/12

PRICE INCLUDES

- ~ Deluxe washroom equipped motorcoach
- ~ All entry fees as described, including Biltmore Estate, Brookgreen, Boone Hall, carriage ride and aquarium
- ~ 9 nights accommodation (oceanfront in Myrtle Beach)
- ~ Local guides in Pittsburgh and Washington D.C.
- ~ Tickets to see three live theatre performances
- ~ 9 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 4 dinners

Single supplement - add \$575.00 Three sharing - deduct \$185.00 p.p. Four sharing - deduct \$275.00 p.p.

NEW YORK CITY AT CHRISTMAS: December 1-4, 2012 Escort: Earl Clint

December 1 We depart Niagara with various stops on our way to Manhattan. Upon arrival, enjoy free time for dinner and shopping along 34th Street, including Macy's with its Christmas themed window displays. Some may choose to go up the Empire State Building for a view of the city lights. **Accommodation:** Holiday Inn Express, Carlstadt, N.J. (3 nights).

December 2 This morning we head to Canal Street for shopping in Chinatown and Little Italy, followed by a group lunch at a well-known local restaurant. We will then see a matinee performance of a Broadway play and have time for dinner in the Times Square area. Breakfast and lunch are included today.

December 3 Our first stop is the "Top of the Rock" observation deck of the GE Building. Next we head to the southern end of Central Park near Columbus Circle, to browse through the outdoor Christmas Market. Free time will then be given to explore Fifth Avenue, including the option of skating at the giant Trump Rink (rentals available), or enjoying a scenic horse drawn carriage ride in the park. We will then meet at Radio City Music Hall for a backstage tour, before attending the Radio City Christmas Spectacular, a true New York Christmas tradition. Afterward, the lights of the Rockefeller Center tree will be on for us to witness. Time will then be given for dinner, before returning to the hotel. Breakfast is included today.

December 4 After breakfast we depart the city, stopping at "The Crossings Premium Outlets" in Pennsylvania. We arrive in Niagara by early evening. Breakfast is included today. Thank-you for experiencing this festive side of New York with us!

INCLUSIVE TOUR PRICE

\$845.00 p.p. double occupancy

PLEASE NOTE: Deposit is due by October 1/12

Theatre tickets cannot be guaranteed after this date

Final payment and cut-off date is November 1/12

New York is popular at Christmas, so please book early!

PRICE INCLUDES

~ Deluxe washroom equipped motorcoach

~ 3 nights accommodation as described

~ All entry fees including Broadway play, admission

to the "Top of the Rock" observatory, a Radio City

Music Hall tour and ticket for Christmas Spectacular

~ 3 deluxe continental breakfasts and 1 lunch

Single supplement - add \$190.00 Three sharing - deduct \$60.00 p.p. Four sharing - deduct \$90.00 p.p.

Future plans - GEMS OF THE BALTIC CRUISE - Late June, 2013

After arriving in Copenhagen, we will be taken on a city tour before settling into our hotel. After a free morning, we will be transferred to our Holland America ship for a ten day cruise including stops in Tallinn, Estonia and two full days in St. Petersburg, Russia. Here we will tour the world-famous Hermitage, filled with Dutch and Flemish masters and works by Michelangelo and Matisse, all housed in Catherine the Great's Winter Palace. Enjoy a stroll along the Nevesky Prospekt, visit domed cathedrals and take a water cruise to admire the scope and majesty of this incredible city. We then cruise to Helsinki, Finland and Stockholm, Sweden followed by Warnemunde, Germany where we transfer to Berlin. Remnants of the Berlin Wall and the Brandenburg Gate remind us of the past, while the new, ultra-modern Reichstag building (seat of Parliament), sports the world's largest glass dome and is a symbol of Germany's 1990 reunification. Our final port will be Hamburg, Germany before returning to Copenhagen. This tour will include all ground transfers, airfare, Copenhagen city tour and hotel, as well as private tours in St. Petersburg. There will also be an optional package for private tours (our group only), in several of the other ports (at considerable savings to those offered by the ship). Pricing and exact departure dates are not available at the time of publication. ***Note: If you are interested, please contact Earl as soon as possible to be placed on a tentative reserve list. This cruise is extremely popular and there are limited sailing dates in Northern Europe. Advanced planning is crucial! For more information, go to www.hollandamerica.com and look at the itinerary, port highlights and shore excursion descriptions to get an idea of what is covered. You can also pick-up a copy of the 2013 HAL cruise brochure.***

AMSTERDAM TO PARIS – Late summer or early fall, 2014

Pre-tour option: *Enjoy 4-5 days of biking through the scenic Dutch countryside, with four-star hotels and dining at the end of each day.* The tour will officially begin with sight-seeing in Amsterdam and the surrounding area, along with some W.W. II history and the links forged between the Dutch and Canadian peoples. We will then drive to Belgium with stops in Brussels and Bruges. This medieval walled city was once part of the famed Hanseatic League which dominated European trade. Today it has miles of scenic canals and streets that are lined with waffle and chocolate shops! We continue southward to Vimy Ridge in order to learn about the epic battle that was fought here in April, 1917. The Canadian National Vimy Memorial was first unveiled in 1936 and after a multi-year restoration, was rededicated in April, 2007. We will also visit Dieppe and other points of interest on our way to Normandy. Here we will visit the Juno Beach Centre which tells the story of the Canadian forces during W.W. II, especially the D-Day events (70th Anniversary), which took place on the very site of the museum. We will then visit numerous Parisian landmarks including the Eiffel Tower, the Louvre, Notre Dame Cathedral, the Champs-Elysees, etc. ***Note: For more information on this tour (including bike option), please contact Earl directly.***

VERSTRAETE TRAVEL – 2012 TOUR REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY: This form may be used by one person or by a couple. If two singles are sharing, each person should fill out a separate form. A new form is required for each trip booked - copy as necessary. Please detach and submit with your deposit cheque. **For trips involving airline travel** (Newfoundland), please enter your legal name, as it appears on your passport or government issued photo I.D. You must use the same I.D. at airport security, as this will be what is printed on your boarding pass.

Name(s) and Birth Date(s) - Passenger 1: _____

Passenger 2: _____ **Home Phone:** _____

Mailing _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____ **Postal Code:** _____

Emergency contact(s): 1. _____ **Phone:** _____

2. _____ **Phone:** _____

1. I/we request a “non smoking” hotel room _____
“smoking” hotel room _____

2. If two names are listed above, the assumption is that you will be sharing accommodation. If one name is listed please choose one of the following options.

I wish to share a room with _____ (name).

I do not have a specific room-mate request and permit the Verstraete Travel tour co-ordinator to assign me one. ____ **Please note: The tour price is based on double occupancy. A single supplement charge will be added, if such accommodation is requested. Please add the single charge, or deduct for triple/quad occupancy, in the “Tour Cost Summary” section. See tour descriptions for exact prices.**

3. I /we would prefer a room with 1 queen size bed _____ **Please note: We cannot guarantee your preference**
2 double/twin beds _____
No preference _____

4. Trip cancellation insurance and extended medical coverage are recommended. An exact quote is dependant on the age and health of the applicant, and the length and cost of the trip. Please indicate if you wish to receive a quote, and a Verstraete Travel representative will contact you by telephone.

I am/we are interested in purchasing cancellation insurance and/or extended health coverage and wish to receive an exact quote. Yes _____ No _____

Tour Cost Summary - Check the appropriate space below. Prices listed are Cdn. per person (dbl. occ.)

1. ___ N.Y. City – May 19-22 (\$845.00) 2. ___ Orillia & Midland – June 27-28 (\$345.00)

3. ___ Newfoundland – July 5-13 (\$2845.00) 4. ___ Chicago – August 24-27 (\$845.00)

5. ___ Lancaster PA – Sept. 25-27 (\$595.00) 6. ___ N. & S. Carolina – Oct. 18-27 (\$1995.00)

7. ___ N.Y. Christmas – Dec. 1-4 (\$845.00)

Important: *If you sign up for more than one tour, please photocopy this form and fill out a separate registration for each tour. Also include a separate deposit cheque for each trip you join*

1. **Tour price** - based on double occupancy 1. _____
See brochure for exact price including adjustments for single, triple or quad occ. _____
Deduct for early booking (if applicable),
or indicate choice of _____ free airbus _____
2. **Include a deposit of \$300.00 p.p./trip** 2. _____
(\$150.00 for Orillia & Midland) _____
- Total**
Less deposit
Balance owing
(See brochure for due dates)

Make cheque payable to **Verstraete Travel**

Note: *Add a 3% service charge for use of a credit card – please call the office to arrange payment*

***Attention:** **Reservations are confirmed on a first-come basis, with payment required to hold space. Please book early and adhere to all payment due dates, as these are set by suppliers.**

Agreement: I/we hereby acknowledge that Verstraete Travel has recommended both extended health care coverage and trip cancellation insurance. I/we have also read the tour terms and reservation information on the tour brochure and hereby agree to respect these conditions as a participant of the trip. Furthermore I/we understand that neither Verstraete Travel nor the tour co-ordinator/escort(s) can be held liable for any loss, damage, injury or death that might occur on the trip as a result of acts of God, Government actions, criminal acts, late arrivals, missed connections and other factors beyond their direct control.

Signature of Passenger(s): _____ **Date:** _____
_____ **Date:** _____

Please note: This signed registration form and your deposit must be sent to one of the addresses shown below. A designated Verstraete Travel agent will call you promptly regarding optional insurance coverage and mail you a receipt. For specific questions regarding trip details, please contact Earl Clint, the tour co-ordinator, otherwise contact any of the following locations:

For further information in Niagara, contact:

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IMPORTANT TOUR AND RESERVATION INFORMATION

Itinerary: It is our goal to operate the tour as described in this brochure. Verstraete Travel reserves the right to alter the itinerary if necessary. We have made arrangements with other independent parties and cannot be held responsible for their acts or omissions.

Accommodation: Hotel phone numbers and pick-up details will be communicated approximately three weeks prior to departure. When completing the registration, please specify the type of accommodation that you require, and ensure the correct price is entered. Room-service, in-room movies and snacks as well as telephone charges must be paid for by the user. Any damage done to public or private property while on the tour will be the responsibility of the person who causes the damage. Laundry facilities are available at many of the hotels.

Baggage Information: Luggage size and weight must meet airline regulations. Each person is permitted one full-size piece and one carry-on piece. For tours which include luggage handling, if more than one piece is to be handled, a surcharge will be added depending on the tour length.

Coach Seating: Luxury washroom-equipped buses will be rented from local companies, for each tour. Call for details if you wish to know the specific company for each trip. A rotational seating policy will be in effect to ensure equity for all passengers, throughout the trip.

Tiping: When meals are provided, the gratuity is included. Although tips for step-on-guides and the bus driver are customary, they are not included in the tour price and will be left to the discretion of each passenger.

What to bring: Weather conditions are unpredictable, especially near the ocean. It is a good idea to bring a sweatshirt and rain repellent jacket. Also bring a compact umbrella, binoculars, a camera and a bathing suit, since some hotels have pools.

Border Crossing: The following regulations apply for travel into the United States. Non-citizen residents of Canada, or visitors to Canada, are required to have either a Permanent Resident Card, or to obtain a temporary entry visa prior to the trip (this will help to avoid any time consuming delays at the border). As of June 1, 2009, all Canadian citizens entering the U.S. by land or air, must have a passport.

Conditions of Travel: It is expected that all passengers are able to operate independently or be accompanied by a qualified assistant. Smoking is not permitted on the motorcoach. Verstraete Travel reserves the right to terminate the trip of any member whose conduct is detrimental to the well-being of other passengers. In such a case no refund will be given, and the return fare will be at the person's expense.

Insurance: Verstraete Travel recommends the purchase of trip cancellation insurance as well as out-of-country health insurance. On the registration form, indicate your interest in purchasing such insurance, and an agent will call to give you a quote.

Tour Cancellation/Cut-off Date: Verstraete Travel reserves the right to cancel any tour, no later than 30 days before departure, and it will have no other responsibility beyond refunding all fares paid to it, by passengers. The cut-off date for joining each tour is stated in the brochure. A deposit is required to hold space, and bookings are made on a first-come basis. Please reserve early, to avoid disappointment.

Payment/Cancellation Policy: For motorcoach tours, a *non-refundable deposit of \$300.00 per person is required at the time of booking, along with a completed registration form. Check brochure for final payment dates. For the Orillia/Midland tour, a deposit of \$150.00 per person is required.

In case of cancellation the following conditions apply: *1. Prior to deposit date, a full refund less \$150.00 will be given (less \$50.00 for Orillia/Midland). 2. From deposit date to 31 days before departure, the charge is 60% of the tour price. 3. Under 31 days prior to departure, no refund will be given.

For more information or to return your completed registration form and deposit, contact:

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