

RELAXING DURING LATE SUMMER IN THE FINGER LAKES REGION

Sharing the love of beautiful local food & wine

Friday - Sunday September 14 - 16, 2012

\$524 (\$118 single suppl)

Westlake, Elyria, No. Olmsted, Middleburg Hts, Independence, Beachwood, Willoughby, Ashtabula, As Applicable

The Finger Lakes Region of New York State has always been a great destination with its abundance of natural beauty, pristine lakes, magnificent parks and one-of-a-kind museums. And, let's not forget the wine! The Finger Lakes is home to more than a hundred wineries. Combine this with the Rochester area and points of interest enroute and you've got a great opportunity to enjoy a relaxing late summer tour.



We'll be cruising aboard the "Canadaigua Lady", a replica of a 19th century paddlewheel boat on Canadaigua Lake. It is a charming sixty-five ton Mississippi-style vessel with a nostalgic decor accented with teak and oak woods along with brass fixtures similar to those of yesteryear.

We'll be visiting Sonnenberg Gardens & Mansion. This 50-acre estate was created over 120 years ago and features nine elegantly restored gardens, a Lord & Burnham greenhouse complex and a handsome 1887 Victorian Mansion.

On the evening of our arrival we'll be enjoying one of the new centerpieces of the Finger Lakes Region, the New York Wine & Culinary Center. Here the chef will be preparing the "special dinner" for us with, of course, one of the area's wines. This should be a truly unique and tasty experience.

We'll be stopping to dine at the former D & R Railroad Depot in Le Roy, New York where America's most famous dessert was invented. Afterwards we will tour the Jell-O Museum and the Le Roy House. Since museums are a major "tourist draw", we'll be going to two that our groups have been enjoying for years, one is the Strong Museum, which has the "World's Most Comprehensive Doll Collection". We will be taking you to a unique collection of items where art comes to life. There are rooms dedicated to Marilyn Monroe, Frank Lloyd Wright's Dining Room, a full-scale firehouse complete with a fire engine and, of course, a brass pole. There's all kinds of arts plus a 1950's "Retro Room" and a "Victorian Dining Room".



Capping off our visit will be a visit to the "Town of Irondequoit" for an unforgettable experience, an Oktoberfest with world-class entertainment, dining, dancing and German imports. The food is delicious, just ask our reps who've enjoyed it enough to include it in this new tour package. There will be time to meet with the friendly staff at the Haus of Bavaria, with merchandise from Germany and Austria . . . countries that we also include in our Avalon Waterways European River Cruises.