



Castles of the 1,000 Islands

2 Days - 1 Night

Monday & Tuesday

6th & 7th August 2012

Round-trip Motorcoach Transportation	Self Guided Tour of Boldt Castle
Hotel Accommodations	Tour of Singer Castle on Dark Island
Baggage Handling & Taxes	1 Breakfast - 1 Dinner
Two-Nation Cruise through 1,000 Islands	1 Lunch - 1 Boxed Lunch

People from all corners of the world have fallen in love with the St. Lawrence River, its emerald islands and its picturesque shores. The region is a land of legend.



On "Heart Island" a devoted husband set out to build a full-sized Rhineland-style castle. Construction began in 1900 on a magnificent six-story, 120 room castle complete with a drawbridge and Italian Gardens. In 1904, George Boldt telegraphed the island and commanded the workers "to stop all construction". His beloved wife Louise had died unexpectedly, and a broken-hearted Boldt could not imagine his dream castle without his wife at his side. He never returned to the island again. Since 1977, millions of dollars have been invested in the restoration of the Heart

Island structures including the magnificent Boldt Yacht House which features a collection of antique wooden boats...some from the original Bodlt fleet.

We'll explore Heart Island and Boldt Castle along with Dark Island, Singer Castle and more!



A part of American history and local folklore meet at Singer Castle on Dark Island, located on the St. Lawrence Seaway. Singer Castle is the only castle on our river to be completed, fully furnished and resided in during the heyday of the 'great builders' and industrials in New York. The Castle remained in the possession of the original Bourne family from its construction in 1905 until the mid 1960's. Originally known as "The Towers". Italian stonecutters were engaged to shape the granite for the 4-story, 28-room castle, 4-story Tower, and an elaborate boathouse.



Delight in top notch accommodations at the lovely Riveredge Resort located in Alexandria Bay, NY.

Price per person: \$345/double - \$415/single
 Travel insurance may be purchased upon request
 Deposit of \$ 75 required at time of reservation
 Seats are available, deadline is mid-June.

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Reservations will be secured upon receipt of your \$ 75/person deposit. We are looking forward to this trip and hope that you will join us.

Day 1

We board the coach this morning and travel North and West to Alexandria Bay and the magnificent Thousand Islands. Upon arrival we'll savor lunch at the Riveredge Resort, our accommodations which overlooks the beautiful St. Lawrence River, and offers an indoor pool; a fitness room and a hot tub (so don't forget your bathing suit!). Upon arrival you will enjoy an Italian Buffet lunch served in the Windows on the Bay Restaurant. Then we'll continue on to Uncle Sam Boat tours for a Two Nation cruise tour of the 1,000 Islands. This 2¼ hour international narrated tour will take you on a 22 mile round-trip



through American and Canadian waters – what is considered the ‘heart’ of the 1000 Islands, including Millionaire’s Row. This trip will give you the best overall view of this truly unique geographical area shared by two nations. Professional tour guides will provide a lively narrative as you cruise through the narrow channels, over historic sunken wrecks, by magnificent summer homes of the rich and famous and provide you with local historical facts and folk lore as well as information about the area’s geology, environment and native wildlife. The tour ends with a stop at Heart Island to visit Boldt Castle. We’ll then return to the hotel and you will have time to relax and freshen up before Dinner. The rest of your night is free to relax and enjoy the hotel amenities or to explore Alexandria Bay.

Day 2

A buffet breakfast is included at the resort this morning. Then we will board a tour boat and cruise to Dark Island, where we will enjoy a guided tour of Singer Castle. Originally called "The Towers", it was built by self-made millionaire, Frederick Gilbert Bourne, for his family, as a hunting retreat completed in 1904. Including a labyrinth of secret passageways, turret rooms, and even a dungeon, this castle designed by Ernest Flagg is truly an architectural marvel. A box lunch is also included, You will then have free time to shop and explore Alexandria Bay before we depart for home.

