DAY 1: Sunday, October 9, 2022

USA/HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, Canada: Fly to Halifax. Upon arrival, transfer to the Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel. In the evening, enjoy a welcome reception.

DAY 2: Monday, October 10

HALIFAX/EMBARKATION ON VEGA: Founded in the 18th century, the port city of Halifax is the capital of Nova Scotia and a major economic center of Atlantic Canada. Tour the city’s historic sites, including the Province House, Canada’s oldest house of government and one of the finest examples of Palladian architecture in North America; St. Paul’s church, the oldest building in the city; the Citadel National Historic Site; and the beautiful Public Gardens. After lunch at a local restaurant, transfer to the pier to board Vega and sail.
Meals: B, L, D

DAY 3: Tuesday, October 11

BAR HARBOR, Maine: After a relaxing morning sailing along the dramatic Maine coastline, call at Bar Harbor. Surrounded by the Acadia National Park, this quaint fishing village on Mount Desert Island was a fashionable resort town in the late 1800s. Begin with a visit to the Abbe Museum, whose exhibits chronicle the history and culture of the Wabanaki native peoples, before touring the Wild Gardens of Acadia, showcasing over 300 native plant species.
Meals: B, L, D

DAY 4: Wednesday, October 12

GLOUCESTER, Massachusetts: From the charming old fishing port of Gloucester, you may choose to spend the day in Boston exploring the city’s iconic historic sites, including the Public Garden, Beacon Hill, the Freedom Trail, and the Old North Church. Also visit the superb Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, which exhibits significant American, European and Asian art. Alternatively, you may wish to discover the North Shore—the ship-building towns of Salem and Marblehead and the stunning Peabody-Essex Museum, with permanent exhibits of Native American, Asian, and Maritime art.
Meals: B, L, D

DAY 5: Thursday, October 13

NEWPORT, Rhode Island: Newport, the one-time summer playground of New York’s wealthiest families, is best known for the grand “cottages” they built here, many of which are now cared for by the Preservation Society of Newport County and open to the public. Visit Rosecliff, designed by architect Stanford White and inspired by the Grand Trianon, the garden retreat of the French kings at Versailles; and Marble House, Alva Vanderbilt’s opulent “temple to the arts,” whose grounds include a Chinese tea house overlooking the sea. Drive through the charming streets of the old port and note the many historic buildings, including Touro Synagogue, a National Historical Site and the oldest synagogue in the United States.
Meals: B, L, D

DAY 6: Friday, October 14

NEW YORK CITY, New York: In the morning, Vega will sail by the Statue of Liberty, around the southern tip of Manhattan to dock at one of the city’s piers on the Hudson River. During our full day in New York, we will offer a choice of excursions that highlight some of the city’s most magnificent and important sites, as well as some beyond its limits. A morning tour of lower Manhattan will include Battery Park, the U.S. Custom House, Fraunces Tavern, Wall Street, Trinity Church, the New York Stock Exchange, and the 9/11 Memorial. Following lunch, you may join an excursion to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, America’s premier museum, or you may spend the afternoon exploring this dynamic city on your own. Another excursion will travel to upper Manhattan to The Cloisters, one of the jewels of the city, which includes a group of medieval chapels and gardens that house medieval art and provide spectacular views of the Hudson River. From The Cloisters, continue to Pocantico Hills, located north of the city, to visit Kykuit, home to four generations of Rockefellers.

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