

THE BEAUTY AND HISTORY OF CANADA'S ST. LAWRENCE AND OTTAWA RIVERS

Small Ship and Calm Water Cruises on a Classic Canadian Riverboat

KINGSTON • THOUSAND ISLANDS • MONTREAL • OTTAWA • QUEBEC CITY





We know that the beauty and history of Canada's rivers makes for a special cruising experience, and we believe that the Canadian Empress is the perfect setting to experience a once-in-a-lifetime small ship cruise.

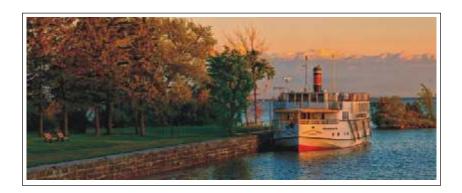
St. Lawrence Cruise Lines is a family-built and operated business with over 40 years of cruising experience on the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Rivers. We invite you to join us and make the river your home as we journey along some of the most scenic waterways in the world, along routes that are chosen to provide travellers with opportunities to sample the history and culture of the small ports and attractions that the CANADIAN EMPRESS will visit along the way.

For the 2024 season we have added two new cruise offerings with our Discover the River cruise in the spring and the 1000 Islands Fall Cruise. The new cruise itineraries are designed to deliver a more informative and educational experience of the St. Lawrence River and 1000 Islands region. You can find more information about these new itineraries on page 12 of your brochure.

We look forward to welcoming you aboard!

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Jason Clark, President



Experience the River

St. Lawrence Cruise Lines is the Eastern Ontario region's most experienced cruise operator and 2024 will be our 43rd season cruising on Canada's calm inland waters. That experience gives us tremendous knowledge and understanding of the geography of the region, and our attention to the details of each journey ensures that you will get full value on our small ship river cruises.

At St. Lawrence Cruise Lines, we are committed to showing you the very best of Canada's scenic and historic inland waters. Our ship will carry you through the very heart of Canada's most beautiful scenery, on routes specifically selected for their stunningly rich gifts of history, culture, natural beauty, and modern vitality. This is your chance to catch a glimpse of the original Canada; as unspoiled as when the voyageurs traveled up and down its waterways, and yet, as modern as the St. Lawrence International Seaway with its freighters, locks, and man-made canals.

Once aboard your cruise and in the hands of our crew, you will always find excellence and value; where quality service, hospitality, and genuine warmth are sincerely offered and happily experienced. The M/V Canadian Empress has a warm and friendly personality, and the size and design of the

vessel serves to enhance the intimacy and authenticity of vour river cruise experience.

The exterior of the vessel is a classic riverboat design that harkens to the glory days of Canadian river cruising in the early 1900s. This classic style has been infused with modern engineering and amenities to enhance the comfort and security of our guests. The interior of the ship is a one-of-a-kind integration of stylish contemporary design with Victorian accents such as brass furnishings and ornate metal ceilings. All staterooms are above the water line and there is a distinct emphasis on providing the best possible view of the river, while offering a safe and relaxing travel experience.

We believe that travel is one of life's special experiences, to be savoured and recalled with a special feeling, so we do our best to keep our guests informed and entertained over every nautical mile of the journey. Enjoy safe, secure ports of call and informative excursions, a congenial crew committed to excellence in comfort and service, a warm and genuine fellowship among passengers, and of course, the magnificent and historic St. Lawrence and Ottawa Rivers. The River is our home, and we look forward to sharing our home with you.

CANADIAN RIVER CRUISE VACATIONS

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ALL CRUISES:

Passenger boarding from $5:30-6:30\ pm$ Disembarkation from $2:15-2:30\ pm$



Life on the River

Aboard the Canadian Empress, you will be pampered while enjoying your vacation. All cruises feature daily attractions, complimentary domestic beer and ship's reserve wine with meals, nightly entertainment, and an endless supply of gorgeous river scenery.

Daily Activities

There is nothing quite as exquisite as enjoying breakfast while your ship passes by ever-changing panoramic scenery, all of which is a mere glance away through the windows that surround your dining saloon. A great way to start the day! Follow breakfast with a splendid menu of activities to keep a good thing going. Numerous shipboard games and events await you. Try your hand at kite flying or the traditional shuffleboard court. Your cruise director will host a variety of unregimented, voluntary activities where everyone can have fun. Our Grand Saloon and decks provide a complete range of choices for quiet comfort and open activity.

We know how to make our ship feel like home during your cruise. You will have access to a ship's log full of cruise highlights, hear informative commentaries, and receive our daily newsletter. Our cruise directors are specialists in gracious thoroughness and kind attention to special events. What a pleasant way to touch the past, sense the present, and experience the vitality of our great rivers. Whether briefly on shore for one of the many excellent excursion opportunities or back onboard, the atmosphere of your ship is accented by informality, grace and friendship; all this in an ambience of excellence and real value for any world traveller.

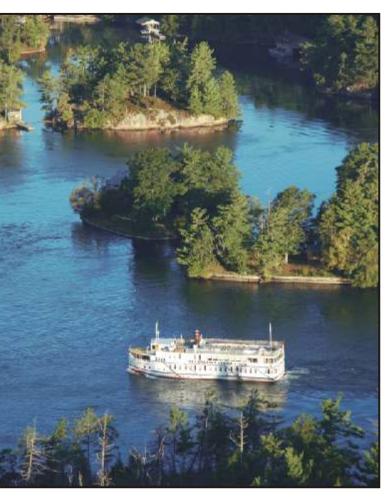


Entertainment and Meals

Your Canadian Empress crew are a special group of well-trained, thoughtful, and meticulous people who do everything necessary to make your shipboard experience truly memorable. River life is both casual and intimate, and you can count on service being delivered with a personal touch. With your Cruise Director as your guide and host, you will experience a variety of music and entertainment on board. On some evenings, you will be treated to games, magic, or fun-loving nights of fellowship. On other evenings, you can experience a more intimate ambiance with jazz, classical, or regional contemporary music. Music, starlight, and good company seem just a little more special when you enjoy them aboard ship, and the nightly entertainment is intended to be a perfect complement to the regional history and culture that you will experience on a daily basis.

Our passengers love the wholesome, generous and home-cooked meals, presented in our comfortable dining saloon. To make meal times even more pleasant, easy informality of unassigned seating is complemented by a menu that is announced in advance and that takes advantage of fresh inseason fruits and vegetables, including fresh bread collected from the pioneer oven at Upper Canada Village. Delicious desserts are prepared with pride and care. Coffee, beverages and snacks are available 24 hours a day. We will do whatever we can to accommodate restricted diet requirements. However, our galley facilities are limited and we must be notified at the time of booking, and with enough time prior to boarding to make the appropriate meal arrangements.

Our Waterways



The Canadian Empress takes full advantage of calm, quiet, safe waters along her routes. So as not to miss any of the ever changing panorama of the rivers, overnights are spent at anchor or alongside in safe, quiet harbours.



The St. Lawrence River

"The noblest, the purest, most enchanting river on all God's beautiful earth." The length of the St. Lawrence River acts as a natural boundary between the neighbouring nations of the United States and Canada, as well as providing a crucial shipping route to the centre of North America. Beginning at the foot of Lake Ontario, opposite the city of Kingston, it flows about 775 miles to where its waters mingle with the Gulf of St. Lawrence before emptying into the Atlantic Ocean. The St. Lawrence River also has the distinction of connecting the historic regions of Upper and Lower Canada. It is the common thread in the cultural fabric of English and French Canada.

The St. Lawrence Seaway

The St. Lawrence Seaway was one of the most ambitious engineering feats of the last century, serving to increase the size of the St. Lawrence River shipping channel, as well as generating hydro-electric power for Ontario, Quebec, and New York State. Using the largest construction equipment in the world, entire villages were relocated to higher ground to accommodate the expansion of the river. When the temporary "coffer dams" were blown on July 1, 1958, rising water covered familiar land forever. In the course of MONTREAL St. Lambert Lock transiting 7 locks between Kingston Cote St. Catherine Lock and Montreal, you will experience Beauharnois Locks a change in water level CORNWALI of 246 feet! **IROQUOIS** Snell Lock Eisenhower Lock

Iroquois Lock & Control Dam

The 1000 Islands

hidden bays and waterfront scenery that the

larger ships cannot reach.

All cruises navigate this amazing archipelago of 1,870 islands, stretching fifty miles from Kingston to Brockville. With each nautical mile, nature's northern masterpiece unfolds...intricate river channels, sumptuous greenery, mysterious coves, nooks and crannies veiled in folklore. Here you will find opulent summer residences including famous mansions and castles. These islands have been the summer homes of many of the rich and famous: the Astors, the Pullmans, Helena Rubenstein, Irving Berlin, Mary Pickford, the McNallys and a host of others. The picturesque quality of this region is perfect for professional and amateur photographers, so bring your camera. The shallow draft of the Canadian Empress allows her to meander close to the islands and access



The Ottawa River

This is the largest tributary of the St. Lawrence River, first explored by Samuel de Champlain in 1613. Historically, this river was a major trade route of Eastern Canada, and the centre of the lumber and fur trade. Its length defines the border between the provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

The total length is 790 statute miles with a total drop in level of more than 1,100 feet. It drains an area of 57,000 square miles and has an average flow of 70,000 cubic feet of water per second - more flowing water than all the rivers of England and Wales combined. This is significant, particularly when one considers that it is only a tributary of the mighty St. Lawrence. The river is navigable from Ottawa to Montreal with locks and a dam having been constructed to overcome Ste. Anne and Carillon rapids.

"Set amidst the splendor of the St. Lawrence River, a voyage here is a journey of discovery." - Cruise & Travel Lifestyles Magazine



Shore Tours and Attractions:

Upper Canada Village is a magical experience depicting life in a rural English-Canadian setting in 1866. This is one of the largest living-history sites in Canada, featuring over forty historical buildings, their activities, and all of the residents who live there. As your horse and wagon pass through the streets of the village, the sights, sounds, and smells of a bygone era all contribute to the historic experience.

Fort Wellington was built during the War of 1812 to defend the St. Lawrence River shipping route from attack by the United States. At this national historic site, the blockhouse, officers' guarters, and other structures have been restored

to their mid-1840s appearance. This attraction also includes staff in period costume to offer visitors a taste of what life was like there 200 years ago.

Parc Oméga: is a wildlife sanctuary and safari park near Montebello, Quebec that includes a 12-kilometre nature route with lakes, meadows, small valleys, forests, and rocky hills. Your bus tour winds through beautiful landscape while providing face-to-face contact with numerous species of Canada's wild animals.

Lachine Fur Trade Museum: Discover one of the most important periods in the history of Canada. Relive the culture of French Canadian voyageurs, indigenous trappers, and European merchants of the fur trade era.

Notre Dame du Cap Shrine is an internationally famous place of pilgrimage and devotion to Our Lady of the Cape. Our escorted tour explores the beautiful grounds along the way to the Shrine.

Montréal Museum of History and Archaeology: A designated national archaeological and historic site, Pointe-à-Callière is home to the very birthplace of Montréal and focuses on several centuries of history, from the time of the First Peoples to the present day. In addition to the permanent exhibitions showcasing Montréal's history, the Museum also presents three to four temporary exhibits every year.

Guided Motorcoach Tour of Montreal: Located on an island in the St. Lawrence River, this metropolitan city is home to many cathedrals and is renowned for its architecture. The city is largely bilingual and is an international centre of culture, food, and fashion.

Canada Aviation and Space Museum: Located on a former military air base, the Canada Aviation and Space Museum focuses on aviation in Canada from its beginnings in 1909 to today. Your journey through Canada's aviation and space history will traverse the early days of flight to the future of space exploration.

Fulford Place: This mansion overlooks the St. Lawrence River at Brockville. Built between 1899 and 1901, the style and decor exemplifies the opulence of a bygone era.

The Brockville Museum is home to exhibits and displays on Brockville's industrial and social past, including its history as a centre of wealth and industry on the St. Lawrence River.

1000 Islands Boat Museum is a hands-on experience where the nautical history of the 1000 Islands can be touched, built, and experienced. The Museum includes a Boatbuilding Shop and Exhibit Galleries.

Boréalis: Musée Trois-Rivières is located in the former filtration plant of the Canadian International Paper Company in Trois-Rivières. This museum shows the human face of the paper industry and pays tribute to the lumberjacks, log drivers and workers who dedicated their lives to the industry.

Thousand Islands History Museum in Gananoque, Ontario interprets the history and ecology of Gananoque and the 1000 Islands region. Located in the Arthur J.E. Child building on the waterfront, this

museum brings the history, geology, and culture of the region alive through exhibits, programming, and tours.

Brockville Railway Tunnel: Canada's First Railway Tunnel was built in Brockville between 1854 and 1860. The historic Tunnel was completed 21 years before construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway and predates all of the rail tunnels in the Western Rockies. Controversial for its time, this tunnel was a major feat of engineering and it remains a remarkable example of Canada's pre-Confederation industrial heritage.

The Aquatarium is a non-profit interactive science and education museum located in Brockville, Ontario, Canada. The facility focuses on the history and ecology of the Thousand Islands region of the Saint Lawrence River. Guests may participate in hands-on interactive exhibits as well as seeing many species of fish and animals, such as otters, native to the St. Lawrence River.

Saunders Power Dam is located on the bank of the St. Lawrence River east of the Saunders Generating Station near Cornwall, Ontario. Guided tours recount the history of the St. Lawrence Seaway and Power Project and address the impact on specific communities such as the indigenous people of Akwesasne and the Lost Villages beneath Lake St. Lawrence.



All attractions and excursions are included at no additional cost.
Gratuities for tour guides and drivers are covered at our expense.



UPPER RIVER EXPEDITION CRUISE

Kingston to Upper Canada Village & Return 4 nights, 5 days from \$2096/person

Explore intricate channels, sumptuous greenery, mysterious coves, nooks and crannies veiled in folklore.

Our Upper Canada Expedition is tailor-made for those passengers who want to experience the full beauty and history of the Thousand Islands. This is an excellent chance to witness opulent summer homes. scenic bays, and intimate island passages. Beginning in Kingston, the Canadian Empress cruises into the heart of the Thousand Islands and overnights at our

very own River Anchorage. On day two, your tour will continue to explore the numerous island channels, before overnighting in the river port of

Brockville. After a day-time excursion to Fort Wellington in Prescott, our tour will encounter the first lock in the St. Lawrence Seaway system in Iroquois.

The control dam there stretches to both the Canadian

and American sides of the river, and is responsible for regulating water depth through the Seaway to Montreal. From here, we will pass over the "sunken villages" of the Seaway enroute to historic Upper Canada Village where you will step back in time to the colonial history of the St. Lawrence River.

Attractions & Highlights

The Thousand Islands **Fulford Mansion** Fort Wellington National Historic Site St. Lawrence Seaway - Iroquois Lock Upper Canada Village 1000 Islands History Museum 1000 Islands Boat Museum

UPPER CANADA VILLAGE

LOCK & CONTROL DAM - IROQUOIS

FORT WELLINGTON - PRESCOTT

TARIO

FULFORD MANSION - BROCKVILLE

HERITAGE MUSEUM - GANANOQUE

KINGSTON 1000 ISLANDS ANCHORAGE

LAKE ONTARIO

Kingston and Return Cruise Dates

#6 May 23-27 Thurs #9 Sat June 8-12 #17 Tues July 23-27 #20 Thurs Aug 8-12 #28 Sun Sept 22-26 Oct 19-23** #33 Sat

** Late Fall Colours

Overnight Ports

Anchorage in 1000 Islands Brockville Upper Canada Village Gananoque

ALL CRUISES:

Passenger boarding from 5:30-6:30 pm Disembarkation from 2:15-2:30 pm

For Cruise Rates, Booking Information and Travel Options see page 15.



CANADA'S CAPITAL TWO RIVER CRUISE

Kingston to Ottawa or Ottawa to Kingston (via Montreal)
5 nights, 6 days from \$2910/person

The historic and cultural significance of the Ottawa River coupled with the beautiful 1000 Islands and St. Lawrence River makes this an unforgettable voyage in two parts.

Along the shores of the Ottawa River, you'll come face to face with the capital of Canada where a warm Canadian welcome awaits you. Politics and pageantry abound in this city known for its year-round festive flair. Ottawa is the political centre of Canada, home to international dignitaries and the site of world-class museums and galleries galore, satisfying every interest.

Cruising along the Ottawa River you'll find yourself situated directly between predominently English-speaking Ontario and French-speaking Quebec, basking in

a unique blend of Canada's founding cultures. You will experience the many faces, stages and attractions

of the St. Lawrence River, a dynamic international waterway whose deep-draft navigation route is an essential lifeline between North America and overseas trade centres.

Attractions & Highlights

The Thousand Islands
Fort Wellington National Historic Site
Upper Canada Village
St. Lawrence Seaway Lock System
Lachine Fur Trade Museum
Omega Animal Wilderness Park
Canadian Aviation and Space Museum
1000 Islands History Museum
1000 Islands Boat Museum



Kingston to Ottawa

Cruise Dates

#13 Mon July 1-6 #18 Sat July 27-Aug 1 #26 Thurs Sept 12-17

Overnight Ports

Anchorage in 1000 Islands Upper Canada Village Coteau Landing Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue Montebello

Ottawa to Kingston

Cruise Dates

#14 Sat July 6-11 #19 Thurs Aug 1-6 #27 Tues Sept 17-22

Overnight Ports

Ottawa Carillon Lock Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue Upper Canada Village Brockville

ALL CRUISES:

Passenger boarding from 5:30-6:30 pm Disembarkation from 2:15-2:30 pm For Cruise Rates, Booking Information and Travel Options see page 15.



CANADIAN CONNECTION CRUISE

Kingston to Quebec City or Quebec City to Kingston 6 nights, 7 days from \$3144/person

The Canadian Empress weaves through the magnificent 1000 Islands and St. Lawrence Seaway on two distinct routes that connect English Canada to the rich french culture of Quebec. Canadian Connection East and Canadian Connection West are distinctly different cruises so we encourage you to check below for variations in the ports

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and attractions: Quebec City, Canada's showpiece, exudes the old world charm and grace of Europe. You will encounter "joie de vivre" found nowhere else in North America. Enjoy Old Quebec, with its city walls and massive ramparts bolstering the Plains of Abraham.

Enroute you will navigate the incredible International

St. Lawrence Seaway and it's locks. Discover ONTARIO the magic of the Thousand Islands, the deep historical roots of "Loyalist Brockville"

and the unique living community of

Upper Canada Village.

Kingston to Quebec City (East)

COTEAU LANDING

UPPER CANADA VILLAGE

FORT WELLINGTON

BROCKVILLE

GANANOQUE

KINGSTON

QUEBEC

LACHINE

Cruise Dates

#7 Mon #10 Wed June 12-18

#21 Mon

#24 Sat Aug 31-Sept 6

*Fall Foliage Dates

Overnight Ports

Anchorage in 1000 Islands Brockville Upper Canada Village Coteau Landing Montreal

MONTMORENCY FALLS

QUEBEC CITY

CAP DE LA MADELEINE TROIS RIVIÈRES •

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CANADA

UNITED STATES

Quebec City to Kingston (West)

Cruise Dates

June 2-8

June 18-24

July 17-23

Aug 18-24

Sept 6-12

Oct 2-8*

Sun

Tues

Wed

Sun

Wed

Fri

*Fall Foliage Dates

Overnight Ports Quebec City Trois Riviéres Montreal Cornwall Brockville Gananoque

Attractions

& Highlights

The 1000 Islands

St. Lawrence Seaway and Locks

Fulford Mansion

1000 Islands History Museum (East)

Aquatarium (East)

Fort Wellington (East)

Upper Canada Village (East)

Guided Motorcoach Tour of Montreal (East)

Cap de Madeleine Shrine (East)

Borealis Museum (West)

Montreal Museum of History and Archeology (West)

Saunders Hydroelectric Dam (West)

Brockville Railway Tunnel (West)

1000 Islands Boat Museum (West)

Quebec Harbour Tour (West)

May 27-June 2 #15 Thurs July 11-17

Aug 12-18

#29 Thurs Sept 26-Oct 2*

Trois Riviéres

ALL CRUISES:

Passenger boarding from 5:30-6:30 pm Disembarkation from 2:15-2:30 pm

For Cruise Rates, Booking Information and Travel Options see page 15.

2024 Cruise Specials

Take advantage of special rates, sample unique itineraries, and celebrate the changing seasons.

DISCOVERY CRUISE SERIES

Kingston to Morrisburg and Return...4 nights, 5 days (from \$2096 per person)



Discover the River Cruise, May 12-16, cruise #4 **1000 Islands Fall Cruise**, October 15-19, cruise #32

These 4 night, 5 day cruises were created for those that want to deepen their knowledge of the history, geography, and culture of the 1000 Islands and St. Lawrence River. Compared to our traditional Upper River Expedition, there will be an added emphasis on step-on speakers to deliver educational information to travellers as well as some unique attractions that are not included in our other cruises. This will make the Discovery Cruise Series ideal for alumni who have already experienced the river in the past, or for those travellers with a zest for discovering the history and culture of the St. Lawrence River.

Overnight Ports: 1000 Islands Anchorage, Brockville, Morrisburg, Gananogue Attractions and Highlights: 1000 Islands Heritage Museum, Brockville Railway Tunnel, Cosies Tea Room (Brockville), Doran Bay Model Ship Museum, Lost Villages, 1000 Islands Boat Museum. *Some attractions may change according to seasonal availability

SEASONAL SIGNATURE CRUISES

Kingston to Montreal and Return

Ports and Attractions will vary based on seasonal availability.

Our signature cruises feature the very best of the St. Lawrence Seaway between Kingston and Montreal. This includes plenty of opportunities to view lake freighters on the St. Lawrence River and transit through a number of seaway locks. Passengers will experience the transition between the cultures and histories of English and French Canada. These return cruises begin and end in our home port of Kingston, Ontario.

Overnight Ports: 1000 Islands Anchorage, Upper Canada Village, Coteau Landing, Montreal, Cornwall, Morrisburg, Gananogue Attractions and Highlights: 1000 Islands History Museum, Seaway Lock System, Upper Canada Village, Montreal Guided Coach Tour Fort Wellington, Moses Saunders Power Dam, Brockville Heritage Museum, Brockville Railway Tunnel, Cornwall's Historic Jail, Doran Bay Model Ship Museum, 1000 Islands Boat Museum, Plus a variety of seasonal presentations

Celebration of Spring Cruise

May 16-23...cruise #5 7 nights, 8 days at a 6 night rate (from \$3144 per person)

Celebrate the start of the 2024 cruising season and watch the St. Lawrence River spring to life.

Heritage Summer Cruise

June 24-July 1...cruise #12 7 nights, 8 days (from \$4076 per person)

The ideal trip for boat watchers, history buffs, and holiday travelers in the heart of summer on the Seaway.

Seaway Discovery Cruise

August 24-31...cruise #23 **7 nights, 8 days (from \$4076 per person)**

Join us in the heart of the summer for sunshine and warmth, and explore the ports and locks of the St. Lawrence Seaway.

Fall Harvest & Colour Cruise

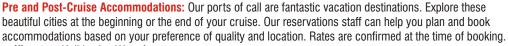
October 8-15... cruise #31 **7 nights, 8 days (from \$4076 per person)**

Our most popular cruise features fresh fall air and a parade of fall colours along the banks of the St. Lawrence.

Additional Cruise Options

Book ahead to ensure availability! Please note that additional travel services must be booked before final payment is due or will be subject to a \$25 administrative fee. Call 1-800-267-7868 to learn more about our travel services.





Kingston: Holiday Inn Waterfront

Ottawa: Lord Elgin

Quebec City: Manoir Victoria or Fairmont Le Chateau Frontenac



Rail and Chauffeured Transportation: St. Lawrence Cruise Lines is able to book connecting rail transportation to Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec City. If you would prefer chauffeured car service we can connect you to appropriate service providers. Transportation costs are available below.



Confederation Cruise Package: This expanded cruise package is new for 2024 and is designed for travellers who are looking for a longer cruise that will reach all of our featured destinations: Quebec City, Montreal, Kingston, and Ottawa. The package features two full cruises at a 5% discount, plus a free overnight stay in Quebec City at the start of your cruise, as well as a complimentary attraction in Kingston during the brief layover in our home port.

Package Details

CR #25 September 6-12...Quebec City to Kingston(See page 11 for Cruise Ports and Attractions) **CR #26** September 12-17...Kingston to Ottawa(See page 10 for Cruise Ports and Attractions)

- 5% Discount on stateroom rates
- Free hotel stay at Manoir Victoria in Quebec City on September 5th
- Free city trolley tour and tour of the Museum of the Great Lakes in Kingston, Ontario on September 12

PLANNING YOUR JOURNEY

Canada is a popular travel destination due to our proximity to the United States, our reputation for safety, and the natural beauty of the country. International travellers may also benefit from a favourable currency exchange which can make it more economical to travel in Canada. For questions about visiting Canada, please visit https://travel.gc.ca/returning or call our Reservations staff at 1-800-267-7868

VIA Rail Service: Canada's rail service, known for its frequent, reliable and comfortable service, provides fast, easy connections between ports of origin and disembarkation.

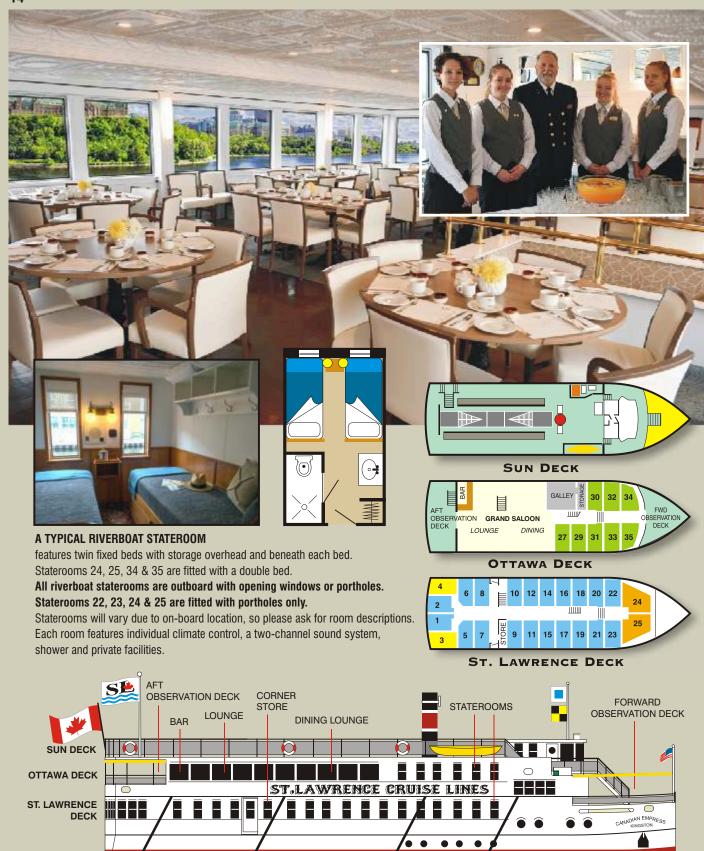
Chauffered car service, is timely and convenient, available from all points including Watertown and Syracuse, N.Y.

By Air: Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec City and Syracuse N.Y. are major air gateways within easy reach of your embarkation port.

Driving: Safe municipal parking at reasonable rates is available close by at all of the embarkation ports; and to interconnect, you can use rail or other modes of transportation.

Motorcoach systems in Ontario and Quebec service all of our destinations and do not require advance reservations. Rates are inexpensive.





M/V CANADIAN EMPRESS

Launched September 1981 • 108 feet in length (32.9 metres) • 30-foot beam (9.15 metres) • 4'9"-draft (1.49 metres) 32 staterooms • Air-conditioned • 14 crew members • Carries 66 passengers • 407 gross registered tons • Twin 135-kW generators Twin 365-hp Volvo propulsion engines • Hydraulic steering thruster in bow • Radar equipped • Satellite positioning and speed indicators

2024 Schedule and Rates

Rates are expressed in Canadian Dollars Per person/Double Occupancy*

Stateroom	# of	Room Number	MAY-JUNE 23, SPRING SAVINGS			JUNE 24 - OCTOBER 23			
Classification	Rooms		4 night	5 night	6 night	4 night	5 night	6 night	7 night
ST.LAWRENCE	20	1,2,5-23	\$2096	NA	3144	2327	2910	3493	4076
OTTAWA	8	27-35	\$2357	NA	3540	2622	3280	3932	4588
STERLING	2	3 & 4	\$2462	NA	3693	2733	3419	4101	4785
PREMIER	2	24 & 25	\$2681	NA	4023	2978	3725	4469	5215
Special Singles Rate	s 4	5,6,7,8	\$3144	NA	4716	3490	4365	5239	6114

Singles cruise comfortably. Friends are made quickly on the Canadian Empress. You will feel both secure and welcomed.

Payment by personal cheque is welcome and preferred. VISA and Mastercard are also accepted.

- * Third person in Stateroom 24 or 25: 60% of per person double occupancy rate.
- * Single exclusive occupancy of a double occupancy room: 75% supplement to "per person" double occupancy rate.
- * A 50% supplement is available on a limited selection of double occupancy staterooms (subject to availability).



U.S.A./CANADIAN CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATE:

Our currency Exchange Rate will be quoted to American travellers at the time of processing the booking deposit. However, exchange rates are still subject to fluctuation. A final payment slip will be mailed two weeks prior to the due date for final cruise payment using our bank's most current Exchange Rate.

CRUISE RATES INCLUDE:

Captain's welcome reception, onboard accommodation, all meals and snacks, Ship's Reserve wine or domestic beer with meals, shore tours and transportation, daily maid service, deck and parlour activities, nightly entertainment, and closing ceremonies.

1-800-267-7868 One call does it all!

Our reservations team has many options available to help you organize and book your travel arrangements, including accommodations and rail transportation. However, we ask you to please choose your travel add-ons at the time of booking to help our staff to confirm availability and rates.

ADDITIONAL SAVINGS available on all cruises

SAVE 5% ON BACK-TO-BACK CRUISES and receive a \$25 certificate for onboard purchases on your return trip and one for future cruise fare reduction.

GROUP BOOKINGS of 4 or more staterooms qualify for 5% discount each.

GROUP / FAMILY DISCOUNTS on 4 rooms or more of 5% per person

The perfect family vacation for all generations aged 12 and up.

ANNIVERSARIES: Free upgrade to best available accommodation,

plus roses to your room and champagne on Celebration Night.

REUNIONS: GROUP DISCOUNTS APPLY $\,$ A great way to keep your group together...

colleges, university fraternities, sports teams, clubs and troups

COMPLIMENTARY 10th CRUISE

To date, 113 patrons have earned free cruises. Other Alumni benefits also apply.

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Boarding Time: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
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IMPORTANT FARE AND POLICY INFORMATION, AND GENERAL REFERENCE NOTES

How to book:

It's easy! Reservations can be made through your travel agent or by contacting us at our direct number or toll-free lines. Advise us or your agent of your cruise choice and stateroom preference as far in advance as possible. Please do not hesitate to check with us for last-minute bookings. Cancellations do occur and you may be accommodated.

Booking Deposits:

Your booking will be assigned a reservation file number at the time of deposit. A deposit of \$500 per person will confirm your reservation. Your deposit should be paid or mailed at time of booking. A confirmation and a preboarding information booklet will be forwarded upon receipt. Fare balances are due at least 60 days prior to your cruise date and should be paid by cheque, bankdraft, cashiers cheque or by wire. If you wish, you can pay by credit card (MasterCard or VISA) over the phone. Your payments are protected and guaranteed under the Ontario Travel Act through its government agency TICO. Simply send your remittance by mail. Your booking will not be released because of slow mail. Bookings made within 60 days of sailing require full payment to confirm reservations and receive passes.

Cancellation Refunds:

St. Lawrence Cruise Lines strongly recommends the purchase of a comprehensive cancellation and interruption insurance package. St. Lawrence Cruise Lines reserves the right to cancel any cruise, in which event a refund of total deposits will be made. If St. Lawrence Cruise Lines is forced to cancel a cruise due to the influence of outside forces, such as an Act of God or interference by authorities, then passengers will receive a credit for the full value of a future cruise of the same duration at the same stateroom classification. This credit will be available to use for a term of two years.

No refund in whole or in part can be made to passengers who do not complete a cruise once it has started. If a passenger finds it necessary to cancel a cruise more than 60 days prior to the departure date, refunds will be made in full less a \$100 per person administrative fee. However, you will receive credit vouchers for the \$100 value of the fee, good for two years, that can be used on a future reservation. If a passenger cancels 60 to 46 days before departure they will receive a 75% refund; 45 to 16 days before departure, 50% refund; and 15 days or less before cruising, no refund.

Changes:

Connecting rail and hotel requirements should be finalized prior to final payment (no later than 60 days prior to departure). Passengers are encouraged to avoid making changes beyond this date. When confirmed arrangements are altered at traveller's or travel agent's request within 60 days prior to departure, changes may be subject to a \$25 administrative fee plus any necessary courier charges.

What your fare includes:

All rates are quoted as per person based on double occupancy. Cruise fares include shipboard accommodation, meals and snacks, Ship's Reserve wine and domestic beer with meals, shore tours and transportation, daily maid service, deck and parlour activities, and nightly entertainment. Fares are inclusive and not subject to reductions for services declined by passengers.

Fares do not include:

Sales taxes and port fees will be added to your confirmed rate at the time of booking. You are responsible for private transportation to and from the ship at ports of embarkation and disembarkation, as well as any onboard gratuities, additional bar purchases, souvenirs, and applicable sales taxes.

Gratuities for the Crew:

The tradition of crew gratuities is appropriate, and is at the discretion of our guests. We will provide a guideline on board based on industry trends. Gratuities for tour guides and attractions are covered with your cruise fare.

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English is the standard language onboard. Please take a few minutes to review these points.

Onboard Currency:

Preferred currency and pricing onboard is Canadian, but U.S. currency will be accepted. Personal cheques, Mastercard and VISA, and DEBIT are accepted for purchases on the vessel. Debit is not available for the payment of cruise fares. Passports:

As the voyage is all Canadian, no ID is required enroute. Homeland security measures in North America are exercised along the river. Air, land and water travel between U.S.A., other offshore countries & Canada requires passports.

Health & Safety:

Covid-19 vaccinations are no longer required to travel in Canada. Most Covid-19 measures have been discontinued; however all safety measures are subject to change based on federal and provincial regulations. St. Lawrence Cruise Lines will continue to use HEPA air filtration in the Grand Saloon and masks will be available upon request. In order to protect the health of all passengers and crew, St. Lawrence Cruise Lines reserves the right to test any passenger exhibiting Covid-19 symptoms. For additional questions regarding Health & Safety, please call our Reservations staff at 1-800-267-7868.

Physical Health:

Any person with significant hearing, physical or visual impairment should be accompanied by and share a stateroom with a person without such impairment. Our ship does not staff doctors or nurses and is not equipped with a pharmacy. Our ship is equipped with excellent radio and marine telephone facilities, and is never more than a few miles from shore so that aid in an emergency can be called. Persons with partial mobility impairments are welcome and should inquire about the most appropriate accommodation.

Clothing:

Comfort and relaxation are watchwords with river cruising. Men's clothing may include a sport shirt and slacks, but sport coats are optional. Women will find resort wear (dresses, sweaters, slacks, skirts, and blouses) most appropriate. Dinner attire is informal, although on the final celebration evening some guests prefer to dress up to smart or dressy casual. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

Wi-Fi:

Limited Wi-Fi access is available throughout the ship. However, the quality of connection can and will vary according to weather and regional interference.

Smoking Policy:

In the interests of safety and courtesy, smoking by passengers is permitted on the upper sundeck only, and must be downwind from other guests and crew members.

Cannabis (Marijuana) Policy:

While cannabis has been legalized in Canada, it is illegal to transport cannabis across borders in or out of the country, and transportation is restricted in the international waters of the St. Lawrence Seaway. Therefore, St. Lawrence Cruise Lines prohibits cannabis products on board.

Liability Disclaimer:

Cruise passage is subject to the terms on the regular Passage Ticket. St. Lawrence Cruise Lines Inc. holds itself free of any liability for any injury, damage, loss, or delay from whatever the cause. St. Lawrence Cruise Lines Inc. will endeavour to follow the scheduled itinerary as closely as possible; however, it reserves the right, whether or not for causes beyond its control, to consume extra days, to abandon the cruise, or cut the cruise short, to change the itinerary, sailing dates, embarkation hours, to omit any of the ports listed in the cruise, to commence, conclude or continue the cruise by bus. and to withdraw the cruise before sailing date without obligation or liability to the passenger for any loss, damage or expense other than to refund to the passenger, in whole or in part, any amounts paid to the company on account of passage money. In accordance with maritime tradition, passengers will be required to sign a Passage Ticket and Waiver at embarkation.