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Canada's Capital Cities

October 10 -16, 2025

5+ Sneaker Tour

October 10 - We're on our way to Montreal!

Meet the shuttle in your preferred meeting location of Waterloo or Columbia to ride to the St. Louis Airport, where we fly to Montreal in Quebec aboard Air Canada. Founded in 1642, Montreal was the capital for a brief period of time between 1844-1849 and remains one of the jewels of this French speaking province. Upon arrival we will dine at Le Toit Rouge at Hôtel Universel, our home for the next 2 nights. (D)

October 11 - Mesmerizing Montreal

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before we depart on our exciting day in town. We start with Montreal Biodôme, where five ecosystems of the Americas are found under one roof! Enjoy A Close-knit Nature, the Biodôme's all-new permanent exhibition which takes us on a walk through the world of keystone species to better understand how they maintain the balance of ecosystems. Featuring the jewels of Montreal Biodôme's collection which



includes ancient fossils and preserved species, the visit concludes with the immersive *Mégaceta* experience, in which visitors discover the behavior of humpback whales through life-size digital projections of wondrous beauty.



After the exhibt, we meet our guide, who shows us the city like only a local can, with the highlight of the tour being the <u>Jean Talon Market</u>

Tour, the largest outdoor food market in North America! We'll explore the many stalls full of a diverse array of fruit, vegetables, flower and local delicacies and even enjoy some samples! We return to the hotel for time to relax for a moment and freshen up before our St Lawrence River

Dinner Cruise, featuring fresh and local cuisine prepared and cooked on board. Enjoy one of three choices for main Entrée as we see the

nighttime charm and city lights of Montreal, including the famous <u>Jacques-Cartier Bridge</u>. After the cruise we return to the hotel. **(B, D)**

October 12 - Notre-Dame Basilica and on to Quebec City

This morning, enjoy breakfast before we leave our hotel en route to <u>Quebec City</u>, but first we have a few more sights to see in Montreal, including a visit to <u>Notre-Dame Basilica</u>, a replica of the original in Paris and a stunning example of Gothic Revival architecture. Unlike many churches around the world with stained glass windows of biblical scenes, this Notre-Dame has stained glass windows depicting scenes from the religious history of Montreal.

After our visit, we have time to explore the wonderful shops and restaurants in Old Montreal for lunch and

souvenirs. Then we depart for Quebec City, famous for its European flavor, fashion and food. Our hotel for the next two nights is the <u>Hôtel Château Laurier Québec</u>, perfectly located in Quebec City near the Old City Walls. Our dinner this evening is at **Café de Paris**, specializing in French and Italian cuisine. After dinner, you have the option to walk along the boardwalk and see the street performers and artists. We then return to the hotel. **(B, D)**



October 13 – Quebec City – The Province Capital

Enjoy breakfast this morning before meeting our guide, who will share the culture of the capital, both historic and modern. We start at the **Place d'Armes**, a small park where the troops would gather during the 1600s. We then explore the city, seeing sights such as the **Parliament Building** and the **Plains of Abraham** where a pivotal battle in the Seven Years War was fought. We enjoy a walking tour of <u>Place Royale</u>, the location where Samuel de Champlain founded Quebec and is home to the oldest stone church in North America. Enjoy lunch as a



group at **Château Frontenac**, a charming hotel perched above the city and the St. Lawrence River, and is claimed to be the most photographed hotel in the world!

After lunch, we head to <u>Basilica of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré</u>. Saint Anne was known as the saint of healing, and her basilica is one of the six national shrines of Canada. One of the workers suffered from rheumatism but was cured of his ailments after placing three stones on the foundation. Soon others came to take part in the healing miracles, and in 1876 the first basilica was opened.

Although it was destroyed in 1922, the new building reopened in 1946 and features incredible artwork and statuary, including one of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha. Then it's off to <u>Île d'Orléans</u>, home to a collection of small villages and farms, it is an agricultural island just outside the city and maintains a more traditional Quebec way of life. Locals refer to it as the *Garden of Quebec* thanks to its production of potatoes, strawberries, apples, blueberries, raspberries, cheese, and maple syrup.

We then return to our hotel for free time and dinner on your own in Old Quebec City. (B, L)

October 14 – Ottawa – The Nation's Capital

After breakfast, we bid adieu to Quebec and head to Ottawa, the capital of Canada. Enjoy the scenery as we drive through the Canadian countryside, with lunch on our own and rest stops along the way. We arrive late this afternoon to our hotel for the next two nights, the Lord Elgin Hotel, a historic gem located in a perfect location in Downtown Ottawa. We then head to dinner at 1 Elgin at the National Art Centre, one of Ottawa's most reputed and time-honored establishments. 1 Elgin's unique location provides a sense of place as it showcases the fresh flavors and ingredients of Canada. Be prepared for an unforgettable culinary journey. (B, D)

October 15 – A day around the capital city

After breakfast at the hotel, we depart with our local guide who will take us to visit the **Parliament Experience** - explore Canada's Parliament in this innovative, self-guided experience that includes an exhibition and a 360°

learn about Canada's capitol city, its culture and heritage.
Lunch is on our own at ByWard Market, Ottawa's number one tourist attraction housing restaurants, an outdoor farmer's market & local artisans. Then we visit Canadian Museum of History, the national museum focused on Canadian anthropology, history, and cultural studies. With over 3 million artifacts, this is the premier musuem dedicated to Canada's long history! After a fun-filled day we return to the hotel for dinner on own in downtown Ottawa. (B)

multimedia show. Then it's off on the Ottawa City Tour, where we



October 16 – Depart for home

After our breakfast, we will travel to the Ottawa Airport for our flight home with fond memories, newly acquired accents and many stories to relate to friends and family. We arrive in St. Louis where the shuttle will be waiting to take you back to Waterloo and Columbia. Thank you for traveling with us! **(B)**

Tour Includes:

- Airfare from St. Louis to Montreal and from Ottawa to St. Louis
- Shuttle from Columbia and Waterloo no need to park at the airport!
- Tour Montreal Biodôme, Notre Dame and Basilica of Sainte-Anne-De-Beaupre
- City tours of Montreal, Quebec City and Ottawa with wonderful local guides
- Dine at Chateau Frontenac, Café de Paris & the National Art Centre's 1 Elgin
- 11 Meals: 6 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch and 4 dinners, including a Montreal dinner cruise
- Hidden gems like Jean Talon and ByWard Markets & Canadian Museum of History
- Visit to Île d'Orléans, an agricultural island known as the Garden of Quebec
- Two nights in each city!
- All other sightseeing as outlined
- All gratuities to driver, guides, and servers at included meals
- Luggage handling at all hotels no need to bring your large bag up!

Notes: A Valid Passport is required on this tour. Please provide a copy when securing your reservation. Provide your TSA or Global Entry numbers and Air Canada or United Airlines' Frequent Flyer number,

Price:

\$3,999 per Person, Double Occupancy Room

\$5,046 Single Occupancy (Private Room)

Group Travel Insurance available at an additional cost. Inquire at time of reservation. See Booking Form for cost.

- Please note: Disclosure of any notice of fuel surcharges imposed by carriers and/or attractions will be disclosed at least 30 days prior to tour departure. Pricing based on current exchange rate of Canadian Dollar. To guarantee the quoted price, pay in full at booking. If there is a swing in currency exchange rates by July final, the additional amount will be forwarded to you prior to final payment due.
- Make your reservations today with a \$1,000 deposit plus trip cancellation and interruption insurance if desired. By purchasing Travel Protection at time of deposit, you will be covered for all pre-existing conditions as well as protected if something happens on the tour. Because of conditions of contract for air, hotels and attractions, this deposit is non-refundable. There will be no refund made unless you purchased the trip insurance and you repeat for a several reason.
- Please ensure that you have a valid passport for this tour. You cannot fly without the proper documents, nor enter Canada nor return to the USA.
 Travel protection will not cover any expenses due to not having valid travel documents.
- A wait list is formed once a tour is filled. Please complete the attached Booking Form and submit along with passport copies, deposit (if necessary) and any frequent flier or TSA Precheck or Global Entry information.
- Balance on base tour price is due July 1, 2025 and no refunds are given after that time. If you purchase Travel Protection and need to cancel after July 1, 2025, you must file a claim.
- There still may be a price increase before final payment if the airline incurs a fuel surcharge or currency exchange rates increase.
 - If you attempt to book after final payment date, there may be a substantial increase in price, or you may have to arrive on a separate flight.

Classic 55 Club General Information

Travel Protection:

First National Bank of Waterloo has always believed the importance of Trip Protection Plans. Our tour pricing DOES NOT represent cost with trip protection although we do encourage our travelers to protect their trip.

Final Payment:

Final payments are due 45 - 60 days prior to departure depending on the trip, please consult the trip brochure to review specific tour details.

Methods of Payment:

We accept cash, check or debit from a First National Bank of Waterloo account. We do not accept credit cards although the tour provider may accept credit card payment for final payment and could charge a surcharge.

Cancellations:

There will be no refund made unless you purchased the trip insurance and you cancel for a covered reason. Our cancellation fees vary according to the type of tour. Your deposit is refundable up to the final payment due date unless previously noted. If you need to cancel for a covered reason after final payment, you may file a claim with proper documentation to request refund.

Tour Inclusions:

Classic 55 Club tour cost includes all attractions, lodging, motor coach transportation, meals as noted and gratuities for all included for any provided events or services. If the trip includes airfare, the cost of the ticket is included unless otherwise noted. Some airlines charge for checked baggage, which is not included in the tour price unless noted.

Motor Coach Pick Up Locations:

All pick up points allow parking for your vehicle. As to not disrupt business, please park in the specified area of the parking lot. Neither First National Bank of Waterloo nor the parking lot owners assume responsibility for incidents occurring to parked cars. The motor coach usually originates from the Waterloo VFW, 406 Veteran's Drive. Please park on the west side of the VFW parking lot, please park away from the dumpster. Columbia pick up is at the Schnuck's Marketplace, 1000 Columbia Center, park towards the road, near the Post Office. The motor coach will pull up to the sidewalk of the post office. Please bring your luggage to the motor coach to be loaded.

Seating on the motor coach:

Special seating requests are honored based on medical need and availability.

Single Travelers requesting roommates:

If you would like to travel with The Classic 55 Club, but do not have a roommate for a specific trip, let the coordinator know when you complete the reservation process, and they can provide you with the names of other travelers of the same sex who are also looking for a roommate. If there is mutual agreement to room together, the double rate will apply. Of course, if you prefer to travel individually, you can still register for single occupancy.

Trip Registration after Final Payment:

Often times there is room for additional travels after the final payment date. Contact the coordinator about adding you to a tour that has openings. Please be aware that additional charges may apply when booking after the final payment date. We are happy to advise you of such changes before you finalize your reservation.

Pictures:

By signing up for and participating in our tour, you are agreeing to have any pictures taken on tour published by First National Bank of Waterloo, printed or online (social media & our website). If you do not wish to have your picture used by us, please notify us prior to traveling.



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First National Bank of Waterloo Classic 55 Club Booking and Traveler Information

\$1,000 deposit (plus insurance premium) per person to the nearest banking center or mail to FNB, PO Box 507, Waterloo, IL 62298 to secure your reservation. Contact Darcy at (618) 504-2363 with any questions. Final payment due no later than July 1, 2025.

PERSONAL INFORMATION – Travelers in same household				
Traveler #1 Name (as it appears on Passport)				
Date of Birth				
Cell phone				
Traveler # 2 Name (as it appears on Passport)				
Cell phone				
ACCOMMODATIONS – Room Occupancy				
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All passengers must carry a passport valid for at least 6 months beyond the return date of the trip (4/16/2026).				
PAYMENT OPTIONS				
Check Enclosed (payable to First National Bank of Waterloo)				
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will be debited on final payment due date listed in the brochure unless other arrangements have been made.				
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AIRPORT SHUTTLE PREFERRED PICK UP LOCATION				
Columbia Schnucks Marketplace Will meet at the airport				
TRAVEL PROTECTION				
I ACCEPT the optional travel protection plan I DECLINE the optional travel protection plan and				
of my				
trip payment if I have to cancel after the cancellation				
date noted on the trip flier. I also realize that I will be				
100% responsible for all expenses incurred if I				
become sick, injured or die while on the trip; or if I				
must leave the tour to return home. I agree 1st				
National Bank of Waterloo is not liable for any losses, financial or otherwise.				

MEDICAL/HEALTH INFORMATION			
Please list any Food Allergies/Dietary/Medical/Walking Restrictions/CPAP			
CPAP Users –Distilled water is no longer provided by FNB			
Do you carry a list of current medications/medical conditions?		Yes	No
Do you carry medical insurance information (card)?		Yes	No
List any special medical or personal information you would want an emergency care provider to know.			
I am healthy and able to travel at this time		Yes	No
EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION			
Contact Name	Cell #	Additional #	Relationship
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** This is a 5+ sneaker tour, which means there could be periods of intense pace, and uneven terrain. Gentle			
walkers and those traveling with them need to be aware that the hotels and other locations may not have an			
elevator or ramp, nor may we be able to drop off and pick up in front of certain locations due to narrow streets			
or traffic restrictions.			
I am aware of the walking requirements for this tour and am able to keep an intermediate walking pace			
and walk on uneven terrain without assistance.			
Signature		Date	
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