

Join us as we discover the captivating art, culture and history of the city, and explore some of its most magnificent museums. This group excursion to New York City offers an exceptional curated art experience, tailored for those with a passion for learning and a love for travel. Exploring together, by transit and on foot, we will travel in time through historic collections at The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Medieval cloisters, Gothic Revival churches and cathedrals, neoclassical architecture of Manhattan, concluding with tours to the contemporary art collections at The Museum of Modern Art (MoMA) and The Guggenheim Museum. During our six-day stay, there will be plenty of free time to experience the creative mecca on your own and embrace this incredible city.



Marina Fischer, MA, studied history of art, classics and ancient history at the University of Calgary. Marina works as Collection Specialist at Nickle Galleries at the University of Calgary, and shares her passion for teaching through her Continuing Education classes, travel courses and tours. Marina is a recipient of 2018 University of Calgary Teaching Award.

"Our trip to New York with Marina was fabulous. Her extensive knowledge of art and its history along with her flexibility to make changes to enhance our time in the city helped make this an exceptional trip. But for me, the highlight was to spend time with Marina. Her enthusiasm and joy for everything we were experiencing was contagious." — Deborah W.





AUGUST 31: ARRIVE NEW YORK CITY

Travel from Calgary to New York City. Time to relax and explore the neighbourhood before dinner and a short meet and greet in the evening.

SEPTEMBER 01

We will start our journey with a visit to The Metropolitan Museum of Art, the largest art museum in North America. We will explore ancient Egyptian, Greek and Roman collections, comprised of over forty-three thousand extraordinary objects plus the fully reconstructed Egyptian Temple of Dendur. The classical civilizations are the beginning of our exploration and the groundwork for all our later sightings. Afterwards, you will have time to relax and explore on your own

SEPTEMBER 02

We will tour The Cloisters Museum and Gardens, the branch of The Metropolitan Museum of Art. Set in a lovely park overlooking the Hudson River, the Cloisters houses the Met's medieval art and architecture collections. A path winds through the peaceful grounds to a castle that has survived from the Middle Ages, and was built using pieces of five medieval French cloisters. Enjoy unparalleled views of the Hudson River, stroll through enchanting gardens and see masterpieces of medieval sculpture, tapestries, stained glass, illuminated manuscripts and more.

SEPTEMBER 03

We will continue our journey and explore the Guggenheim Museum, which houses a renowned and continuously expanding collection of Impressionist, Post-Impressionist, and early Modern and contemporary art. The iconic museum's cylindrical building was designed by Frank Lloyd Wright who conceived it as a "temple of the spirit". We will walk down the spiral viewing visiting exhibits and enjoy a private tour of the museum's innovative architecture, history and permanent collections.

SEPTEMBER 04

We will visit The Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), the most influential modern art museum in the world. It houses arguably the best collection of contemporary masterpieces, such as Vincent van Gogh's The Starry Night, Claude Monet's Reflections of Clouds on the Water-Lily Pond, Andy Warhol's Campbell's Soup Cans and works by Jackson Pollock. Experience the museum as "a place that fuels creativity, ignites minds, and provides inspiration," and explore the world's most revolutionary and legendary contemporary art.

SEPTEMBER 05: DEPART NEW YORK CITY

We will end our journey with a walk through the Manhattan core and examine Gothic Revival and neoclassical architecture of the 19th and 20th centuries. We will visit Trinity Church, a designated National Historic landmark, considered a classic example of Gothic Revival. Trinity Museum, inside the Church, features an exhibit about the history of the church, and Trinity's churchyard stands as the final resting place of a number of notable people and statesmen. Next, we will tour St. Patrick's Cathedral, a spectacular Neo-Gothic church on the Fifth Avenue, and a prominent landmark of New York City. It was built in French Gothic style with twin 330-ft towers and immense nave that seats 2,500 people. We will then explore the city's neoclassical architecture, which embodies revival of ancient Greek and Roman styles, and is the first truly national style in the United States. The most common features are colonnades, arches and classical sculpture, and the best examples are the iconic New York Supreme Court, New York Stock Exchange and the buildings on the Wall Street.



DATES

AUG 31 - SEP 5, 2023

ACTIVITY LEVEL
Moderate

ACCOMMODATION

5 NIGHTS

PRICE FROM

\$2289 USD +

\$300 USD local payment PER PERSON with 2 people sharing a room

BASED ON A MIN OF 4 TRAVELLING

\$1859 USD +

\$300 USD local payment PER PERSON with 2 people sharing a room

BASED ON A MIN OF 6 TRAVELLING

Single room rates available, please inquire

INCLUSIONS:

Hotel accommodation with 2 double beds, Hotel taxes and porterage, Entrance fees to MoMA, The Guggenheim, The Met Museum and the Cloisters at The Met, 7 day Metro card, Private tour at The Guggenheim, Private tour at The Cloisters, Gratuities to museum guides, Tour host, Marina Fischer

NOT INCLUDED:

Airfare to NYC, Transfers to and from the airport/hotel, Meals, Personal spending, Insurance.

