



DURALYN PATCHWORKS QUILT TOUR 2011

NEW YORK, BOSTON, LANCASTER, WASHINGTON
AND
THE INTERNATIONAL QUILT FESTIVAL
IN
HOUSTON TEXAS

Join us for a celebration of great Quilts!

Departing 20 October 2011

You can expect to shop at more than 1,000 booths, pick from more than 390 classes, lectures, and special events, enjoy free teacher demos, and learn from educational exhibits. But best of all.....at the Festival, you'll see more than 2,200 great quilts, dolls, and pieces of wearable art.



Tour Inclusions

- ✓ Return airfares Australia-New York-Washington-Houston-Australia
- ✓ Airport transfers and international taxes/fuel levy
- ✓ Travel in First Class fully air-conditioned coach
- ✓ The services of a professional Tour Director will be provided throughout.
- ✓ Guide's, driver's & tour director's *tipping* included in the tour
- ✓ 3 Star accommodation with private facilities, including taxes & service charges
- ✓ Sightseeing as described in the itinerary
- ✓ Entrance fees and sites visited as per itinerary
- ✓ Hot Buffet Breakfast daily, 3 dinners & 1 lunch

Tour Highlights

- ✓ New York half day sightseeing and hop on/hop off pass
- ✓ Boston Trolley city tour. Hop on hop off as you please, including 20 stops at points of interest.
- ✓ Visit the American textile History Museum.
- ✓ Visit Old Sturbridge Village. Your guided tour will include the early American Textile exhibits, and a special presentation of rare and antique quilts.
- ✓ Excursion to Salem - visit quilt shops with a local guide.
- ✓ Excursion to Lowell and the New England Quilt Museum.
- ✓ Lancaster: Amish Farm & House, The Old Country Store, & People's Place Quilt Museum
- ✓ Dinner in an Amish Home.
- ✓ Washington DC Sightseeing: the Smithsonian National Museum of American History housing the 400 quilts that make up the National Quilt Collection, the Daughters of the American Revolution Museum and the Textile Museum.
- ✓ Visit the White House Visitor's Center and Dumbarton House.
- ✓ Houston Quilt Festival

Quilt shop visits

Market Place Quilts, Salem; Quilters Way, West Concord, Massachusetts; Button Box Quilt Shop in Wellesley; The Colonial Quilt Shop in Brookfield; The Fabric Stash, Carlton; Quilting by the Yard in Vernon Connecticut; Quilt Shop, Danbury; Seminole Sampler, Washington DC.

Tour Itinerary

THU 20 OCT – DEPART AUSTRALIA

FRI 21 OCT - ARRIVE NEW YORK

Welcome to “The Big Apple”! Our Tour Director will meet us at the airport for a group transfer to our hotel. After check in we have the rest of the day at leisure to enjoy this great city. Immerse yourself in New York City for five minutes and you’ll see it’s like no other place on earth. It’s an electric mix of the world’s cultures and nationalities so anything you could possibly want, in NY: “You got it”.



DAY 2 – SAT 22 OCT - NEW YORK

After breakfast we meet our guide for a **sightseeing tour of New York**. See the Empire State and Chrysler buildings, the Rockefeller Center, Times Square, and Central Park. Afterwards, enjoy lunch at “**Two Times Square**” The rest of the day at leisure. (Breakfast/Lunch)

DAY 3 – SUN 23 OCT - NEW YORK

We join our guide today and take the ferry to **Ellis Island** – The Ellis Island Immigration Museum is part of the **Statue of Liberty National Monument** and is one of the country’s most popular historic sites. The rest of the day is free to explore the city on your own. Shop on 5th Avenue, stroll through Central Park, or maybe take in the views from atop the Rockefeller Centre. Tonight you might take advantage and see a famous Broadway show. (Breakfast)

DAY 4 – MON 24 OCT - NEW YORK - SALEM

An excursion to visit Salem has been arranged for today. On arrival we visit Marketplace Quilts, Salem, we continue with Quilters Way, West Concord **Massachusetts with local guide**. Arrive in Boston and transfer to our hotel for 3 nights. (Breakfast)

DAY 5 – TUE 25 OCT – BOSTON

Boston—the “Cradle of American Liberty”—an elegant city which combines early colonial history with modern innovation. The city has many historic landmarks, reflecting the important part it has played in the history of the United States. Upon arrival enjoy a hop on/hop off Trolley Tour of Boston including 20 stops at local points of interest. Dinner is included this evening at **Skipjacks**. (Breakfast/Dinner)

DAY 6 – WED 26 OCT - EXCURSION TO LOWELL

We head to Lowell **Massachusetts**. Tour the **American Textile Museum**; visit the **New England Quilt Museum in Lowell** - a showplace for antique, traditional and contemporary quilts. Afternoon at leisure. (Breakfast)



DAY 7 – THU 27 OCT - BOSTON - STURBRIDGE – MYSTIC CONNECTICUT.

This morning you’ll visit **STURBRIDGE VILLAGE** – A re-created 1830’s rural community with more than 40 restored buildings, costumed “Villagers”, heirloom plants and animals, daily activities, and the Museum Gift Shop and New England Book Store. Your guided tour will include the **Early American Textile exhibits, and a special presentation of rare and antique quilts**. We take a break for lunch at the village, followed by a stop at The Fabric Stash, Charlton, Ma, and Quilting. We later depart for Mystic Connecticut, and visit Quilting by the Yard, in Vernon. Transfer to our hotel for **overnight**. (Breakfast)

DAY 8 – FRI 28 OCT - MYSTIC CONNECTICUT – LANCASTER PENNSYLVANIA

After breakfast, we depart with a visit to the Quilt Shop, in Danbury, CT. Later on we depart for Lancaster and arrive at the Eden Resort for our dinner and our hotel. (Breakfast)

DAY 9 - SAT 29 OCT - LANCASTER



The Amish and Mennonite women of the Pennsylvania Dutch Country have been creating exquisite quilted masterpieces since the mid-1800's. Amish quilts represent frugality by being practical and functional, and quilt making strengthens community ties through group effort. We enjoy a day visiting **The Old Country Store** and the **People's Place Quilt Museum**. The Old Country Store features all locally made crafts and is famous for their fabric selection. It is the oldest store in the heart of the village of Intercourse. The Quilt Museum showcases quilts selected for their outstanding design, color and workmanship. We take a break for lunch and have some free time in the afternoon. Later we meet our guide for an **Amish Farmlands Tour**, followed by **Dinner at an Amish Home**.

(Breakfast/Dinner)

DAY 10 – SUN 30 OCT – LANCASTER – GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

We join our guide and depart for Gettysburg. The new visitors centre is a must see. Award winning **Gettysburg museum**, dedicated to the civilian experience during the Battle of Gettysburg, is situated in the heart of Gettysburg's historic district. Later we go for some retail therapy with Outlet Shopping. (Breakfast)



DAY 11 – MON 31 OCT - LANCASTER - WASHINGTON DC

Depart today for Washington DC, the nation's capital. On the way, we stop at Seminole Sample, a full service quilt store. We continue with a visit to the **Smithsonian National Museum of American History** and be sure to check out the 400 quilts that make up the National Quilt Collection. The rest of the afternoon free to enjoy the Smithsonian Institution and other exceptional museums this city has to offer. Why not enjoy a dinner this evening along the Main Street in Georgetown, where many fine restaurants, trendy boutiques, and popular bars are located. (Breakfast)

DAY 12 – TUE 01 NOV - WASHINGTON DC

Your half-day tour with a Local Guide features **Arlington National Cemetery** with the **Kennedy Gravesites**, and **Vietnam, Korean, and World War II Memorials** as well as many other well-known sights. Later we arrive at the Washington National Cathedral and visit Jinny Beyer Studio. Dinner is served family style at Carmines. (Breakfast)

DAY 12 – WED 02 NOV - WASHINGTON DC

We start the morning with a visit to the **White House Visitor's Center**, and stop for a White House photo opportunity. We continue with a guided tour of the **Daughters of the American Revolution Museum**, followed by **The Textile Museum**, home of over 250 American made quilts with documented histories - most were made prior to 1860. We continue with a guided tour of the **Dumbarton House** (subject to availability).

This evening's dinner is at one of Washington's favorite restaurants, Tony & Joe's, on the waterfront in Georgetown. After dinner, we continue with an **Illuminated Monument Tour** with stops at the **National World War II Memorial, The Jefferson Memorial, The Marine Corps War Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument, The White House, The United States Capitol Building, Air Force Memorial and The Pentagon**. (Breakfast/Dinner)

THU 03 NOV - WASHINGTON DC – HOUSTON TEXAS

Today we are transferred to the airport for our flight to Houston, Texas. On arrival, we will be met and transferred to our hotel in downtown Houston. The rest of the day is at leisure. (Breakfast)

03/04/05/06 NOV - HOUSTON

Accommodation: Crown Plaza Downtown Houston, including (Breakfast daily).

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To be part of this special event, please register your interest

Options:

Level One: Full Show Pass and Public Preview Night tickets, for IQA members.

Level Two: Pre-enrollment for classes, lectures and events; VIP Preview; and Full Show Pass.

Entrance fee to the festival, including options to participate, will be advised as soon as it's released

SUN 07 NOV – HOUSTON - AUSTRALIA

After breakfast this morning, we are transferred to the airport for our flight to Australia. (Breakfast)

Tour Price

From Perth/Sydney/Melbourne/Adelaide/Brisbane – \$8960.00 p/person twin share

International air taxes and fuel surcharges \$595.00 per person

Single supplement – on application

DEPOSIT & FINAL PAYMENT

Your tour reservation will be confirmed on receipt of \$500.00 per person and a completed booking form, which is required within 7 days of booking. The deposit is refundable if the minimum number of 30 passengers is not met, or the tour is cancelled by Travel Associates. Final payment is required 90 days prior to travel.

Passengers own responsibility:

Insurance (strongly recommended), personal expenses and meals other than specified.

Please note: Whilst every effort will be made to adhere to the enclosed itinerary and pricing, hotel locations may change due to availability, and currency & fuel fluctuations beyond our control can affect final cost.

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