



Best of Sault Ste. Marie

GROUP ITINERARY



Sault Ste. Marie Canal - National Historic Site

Designed and built by Canadians, this was the world's largest lock and the first to operate with electric power. Also a novel in using an emergency swing dam, which is still functional today. The canal is about 1.6 km long and is currently used for recreational water crafts.

The new visitor centre at the Canal Site shares stories of the lock's construction, its history as a commercial operation, its connection to the people who lived and worked here as well as its impacts on Batchewana First Nation and the Historic Sault Ste. Marie Métis People.

Art Gallery of Algoma - Wine and Cheese Reception

Approximately 24 exhibitions are mounted each year featuring local, national and international artists. The AGA boasts an ever growing permanent collection of 5000 works of art and an art-related resource centre.

Learn more about the unique history of Canada's Group of Seven in Algoma! Greeted by the curator and a wine and cheese reception, enjoy our rich art culture as you explore the Group of Seven gallery of original works.

Ermatinger-Clergue National Historic Site and Heritage Discovery Centre - Dinner & Site Tour

The Ermatinger-Clergue National Historic Site welcomes visitors to the two oldest stone buildings northwest of Toronto. These buildings have witnessed the transformation of a small Ojibwa encampment into a Northern Ontario hub. The newest addition to the property is the Heritage Discovery Centre, which will introduce visitors to the National Historic Site.

Step back in time with this unique experience and enjoy a taste of culinary heritage in the summer kitchen over an open hearth. Cooked the same way the Group of Seven would have while in Agawa Canyon Park or along the North Shore, the majority of produce used are home grown in the heritage garden.

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Miss Marie Lock Tour Boat

With tours offered daily, this boat cruise will take groups along the historic St. Mary's River, through the Sault Ste. Marie Canal National Historic Site lock system, into Lake Superior and back through the American locking system. Private evening charters are also available where groups can enjoy the boat cruise along with dinner catered by a local eatery. On the daily tours or private charters, tourists will learn about the history of the waterways and their significance to the area.

Canadian Bushplane Heritage Centre & Entomica

Dedicated to preserving the history of bush flying and forest protection in Ontario and Canada, the Bushplane Museum was founded in 1987 by a group of local volunteers. The CBHC is a completely interactive museum, containing over thirty aircraft exhibits. Take part in both film attractions; intense presentations packed with special effects! Enjoy a dinner prepared by a local caterer under the wings of the Bushplanes.

Entomica is a place where you'll discover the fascinating, hidden and often misunderstood world of insects through live interactive exhibits featuring insects, amphibians, reptiles and tropical fish from around the world! Visit, freak out and find out what awesomely fun insect science is all about.



Agawa Canyon Train Tour

All aboard this designated Canadian Signature Experience! A one day wilderness adventure that will take you 114 miles north of Sault Ste. Marie, over towering trestles, alongside pristine northern lakes and rivers, and through amazing granite rock formations that inspired Canada's famous Group of Seven artists. The large picture windows of your comfortable coach provide a great view as you learn through a GPS triggered commentary, the vast history of the Algoma Region.

During a stop in Agawa Canyon Park, enjoy a scenic walk along the Agawa River, and explore one of the four waterfalls found in the park, including Bridal Veil Falls or climb to the top of a stunning lookout platform 250 feet above the tracks.