

MCMASTER DIVINITY COLLEGE PRESENTS
BIBLE LANDS PILGRIMAGE
To ISRAEL AND ROME
April 26 - May 10, 2012

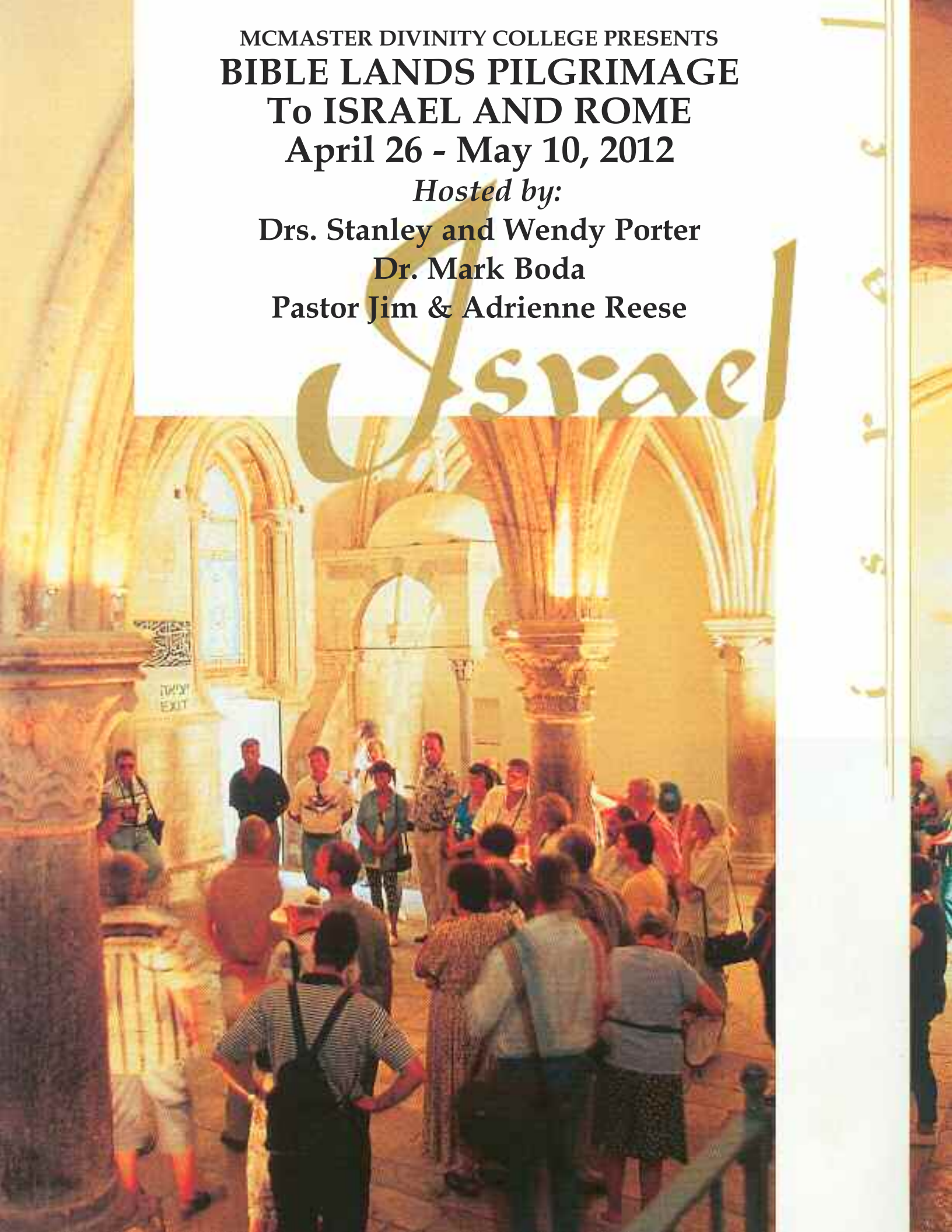
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Israel



Dear Fellow Holy Land Pilgrim,

Have you ever wanted to walk, as Jesus did, beside the Sea of Galilee, or stand on the site of King Solomon's Temple? I want to invite you to join us for a spectacular trip to Israel and Rome, to experience first-hand the most important places of our Christian faith. I can speak from experience that once you have visited places such as the Dead Sea, Bethlehem, and, of course, incomparable Jerusalem, you will never be able to read your Bible in the same way. A trip like this can help to transform your faith as you experience God in new and exciting ways. This trip will include several days in majestic Rome, the center of Christianity for over a millennium. Besides expert local guides, Wendy Porter will lead us in worship throughout the trip, and we will have the benefit of biblical experts to share their insights, as well as benefiting from the outstanding leadership of Rev. Jim Reese. So please join us for this spiritual experience of a lifetime.

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Thursday April 26 - Toronto / Tel Aviv

Early afternoon we meet at Toronto Pearson airport in time for departure to Tel-Aviv.

Friday April 27 - Arrival in Tel Aviv

On arrival in Tel Aviv, we visit ancient Joppa, and proceed to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Saturday April 28 - Galilee

We will drive north through the beautiful Valley of Sharon, and visit the ruins of ancient Caesarea, the port founded by Herod in 22 B.C. It was here that Peter baptized Cornelius and also where Paul was kept prisoner for two years before sailing for Rome. The Roman Hippodrome was recently discovered and restored. We then proceed to the Beautiful port city of Haifa, with a view from Mount Carmel, where Elijah challenged

the prophets of Baal. Our afternoon bus tour will take us to the famed fortress of Megiddo, site of King Solomon's stables and the "Armageddon" of the New Testament. Here we will view Mt. Tabor, the traditional site of the Transfiguration. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Tiberius by the Sea of Galilee.

Sunday April 29 - Galilee

We begin our day with a visit to Tabgha, traditional site of Jesus multiplying the loaves and fishes. A worship service on the Mt. of Beatitudes overlooking the Sea of Galilee. We will visit Capernaum, site of much of Jesus' ministry. A boat ride on the Sea of Galilee brings us to Kibbutz Ein-Gev and the Jesus Boat. Continuing along the eastern shore of Galilee we come to the Jordan River for a baptismal service at Yardenit. Back to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Monday April 30 - Galilee

We travel into the hills of northern Galilee and the Hula Valley seeing Korazim, Tel Hazor and Tel Dan. We will visit a long-established Kibbutz on our way. It is in this area that we will see Mount Hermon and a source of the Jordan River at Caesarea Philippi where Jesus questioned the

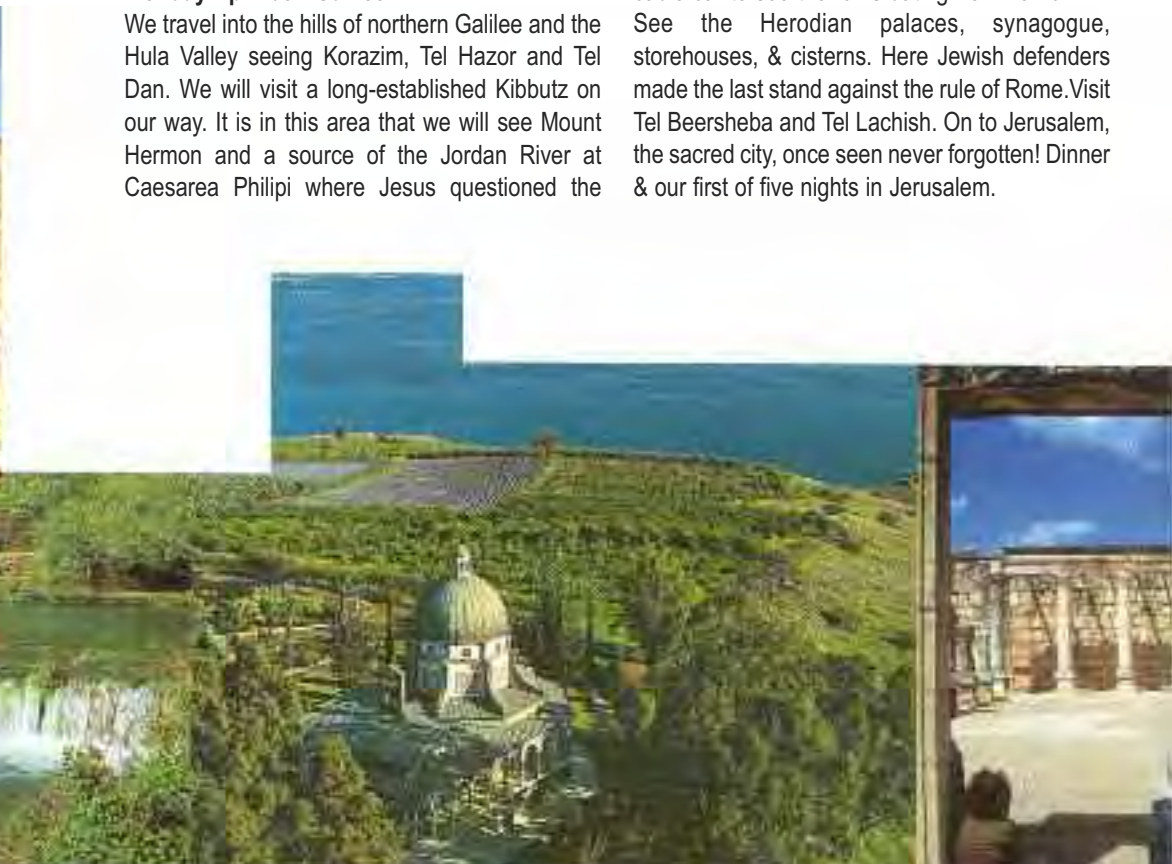
disciples about his Messiahship, and Peter replied that Jesus was the Christ. A fascinating trip through the Golan Heights and back around the Sea of Galilee to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Tuesday May 1 - Galilee / Dead Sea

We will proceed to Sepphoris and Nazareth, where we will visit the ancient synagogue and the beautiful Church of the Annunciation, built over the traditional house of Joseph and Mary. Visit the "Nazareth Village" - a replica of Jesus' boyhood hometown. At Beth Shean we'll visit the magnificent ruins of a Roman city. Proceed down the Jordan Valley to the Dead Sea. Tour Qumran & the Oasis of Ein Gedi. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Wednesday May 2 - Massada / Jerusalem

Proceed to the fortress of Masada Ascend by cable car to see the ruins dating from 70-73 A.D. See the Herodian palaces, synagogue, storehouses, & cisterns. Here Jewish defenders made the last stand against the rule of Rome. Visit Tel Beersheba and Tel Lachish. On to Jerusalem, the sacred city, once seen never forgotten! Dinner & our first of five nights in Jerusalem.



Thursday May 3 – Jerusalem

We begin our day with a morning drive to the Mt. of Olives and see a beautiful panoramic view of the city of Jerusalem. Walk down the Palm Sunday path to visit the Garden of Gethsemane. Visit Bethany to see the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus. Drive by the excavations of the City of David at the southern wall of the Old City and proceed to Mt. Zion where we visit the Upper Room – the room of the Last Supper. Visit the Israel Museum, including the Shrine of the Book where the Dead Sea Scrolls are exhibited and see the model of Jerusalem at the time of Christ. Visit Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Memorial.

Friday May 4- Jerusalem

.Visit the church of St. Peter in Gallicantu, built over Caiaphas' house where Jesus was judged, see the dungeon where He was imprisoned overnight and the actual stone steps upon which He walked. Visit the pool of Bethesda where Jesus healed the paralytic man and St. Ann's Church. Proceed to the nearby courtyard of Antonia where Jesus received the cross and was on public trial. See the actual stone pavement where the games of the Roman soldiers are etched in the stone. Walk the Via Dolorosa (Way of the Cross) and see the Stations of the Cross, ending at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher.

Saturday May 5—Bethlehem/Jerusalem

Visit Bethlehem, the Church of the Nativity and Shepherds Fields. Here are the fields of Ruth and Boaz as well. Visit the ancient city of David and the archeological garden including the southern steps into the Tempel Mount. Proceed to the lovely Garden Tomb for a communion and prayer service and view the skull shaped rock face of Golgotha. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight in our hotel in Jerusalem

Sunday May 6 - Jerusalem

Visit the Western Wall (Wailing Wall) - the retaining wall of the ancient Jewish Temple and see the Temple Mount, then we will explore the Western Wall tunnels. Afternoon free in Jerusalem. An opportunity to revisit some of your favorite sites and do last minute shopping in the Old City of Jerusalem. Farewell Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Jerusalem.

Monday May 7- Tel Aviv / Rome

Morning we say farewell to the Holy Land & depart for Rome. On arrival we are met and transfer to our hotel. Dinner and overnight in Rome.

Tuesday / Wednesday May 08 & 09 - Rome

Visit St. Peter' Square. Tour the Basilica and see the Sistine Chapel and the Tomb of St. Peter. We will tour the Catacombs of St. Calixtus and explore the tunnels and shrines. Visit the Colosseum, Forum, Mamertine Prison and Pantheon. Drive through the Old Appian Way see the Quo Vadis Chapel, St. Paul's Outside-the Walls, the Traditional site of the martyrdom of St. Paul. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Thursday, May 10 - Rome / Toronto

Depart Rome on our direct non-stop flight to Toronto, arriving in Toronto at 3:00 p.m. same day.

TOUR PRICE

**FROM TORONTO \$3799 CDN
PER PERSON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY
TOUR PRICE INCLUDES**

Transportation: Round trip jet economy class via Alitalia Airlines and any other carrier, based on Special Group Airfare in effect at the time of printing, from Toronto return.

Hotel Accommodations: In twin-bedded rooms with private bath or shower at first class hotels.

Single Rooms: Some single rooms available upon request at a supplemental charge of \$795.

Meals: Daily breakfast and dinner as specified in the program.

Sightseeing: By Pullman motorcoaches as per itinerary including the service of a Lecturer/ Guide, all entrance fees to sites visited. Touring sequence may be slightly changed to comply with group requirements.

Service Charges and Taxes: All taxes charged by local governments on services which are part of the tour arrangements are included.

Transfer and Portage: Included everywhere on arrival and departure at airports as well as hotels.

Our Rates Do Not Include: Passport, and visa fee, insurance, laundry, mineral water, serving of coffee or tea after lunch or dinner, food other than the regular d'hote menu, airport taxes and fuel surcharges (currently \$609), and tips to guide, driver, hotel staff.

Note: Tour will be operated subject to a minimum of 36 paying passengers participating. All rates published in this brochure are based on tariffs and exchange rates in force at the time of printing and are subject to change.

Insurance: A special insurance package, including trip cancellation, medical, accident and luggage, is available and highly recommended at the following rates:

to 59 years	\$200.00
60-64 years	\$270.00
65-69 years	\$277.00
70-75 years	\$370.00
76-80 years	\$556.00

**REMIT PAYMENT WITH REGISTRATION.
NOT REFUNDABLE.**

GENERAL INFORMATION

Passport: Every tour participant must be in possession of a valid Passport.

If you already have a Passport, please check that it is valid for at least six months from the day of departure. If not, you must apply for a new Passport

Visa: No visa required for Canadian, USA, EU nationals. Others should inquire with GTI Tours. No vaccinations required.

Reservations: Reservations are made and accepted upon receipt of a deposit as indicated in the reservation form.

FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE ON MARCH 05, 2012

NO PAYMENTS BY CREDIT CARD.

Cancellation

If 90 to 45 days prior to departure-loss of deposit.

If 44 to 31 days prior to departure-loss of 50% of tour price.

If 30 days to departure-loss of 100% of tour price.



**REGISTRATION FORM
ISRAEL & ROME**
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Name (Mr/Mrs/Ms) _____
(as shown in passport)

Address _____

_____ Postal Code _____

Phone (Res.) _____ Phone (Bus.) _____

Email _____

Insurance Required yes no Date of Birth _____

I wish to share a room with _____

I wish to reserve a single room yes no

1) Passport Number _____ Date of issue _____

2) Passport Number _____ Date of issue _____

Enclosed is my/our cheque for \$500.00 per person plus \$_____insurance
All Cheques must be made payable and mailed to G.T.I. Group Tours.

RESPONSIBILITY

The Tour Operator, GTI Group Tours acts only as an Agent for the various Companies, Owners or Contractors providing the means of transportation, accommodation and other services pertaining to the tour.

All exchange orders, coupons and tickets are issued subject to the terms and conditions under which such means of transportation, accommodation and other services are offered or provided.

The issuance and acceptance of such tickets shall be deemed to be consent to the further conditions:

a. The Tour Operator GTI shall not be in anyway liable for any injury, damage or loss, accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned either by defect or irregularity on any vehicle, or through the acts or default of any company, or person engaged in conveying the passengers, or of any hotel proprietor, personnel or servant or of any person otherwise in connection therewith.

b. Each exchange coupon, order and ticket are to be regarded as one contracted by or on behalf of the particular company or person named in it.

c. The Airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. The passage contract used by the Airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the Airlines and the Purchaser of these tours and / or passengers.

Delivery of baggage to the Airline, Railway or Motorcoach shall be deemed an irrevocable release of the tour operator from any and all liability whatsoever resulting from loss, damage or delay in transit to any baggage of the tour participant during any portion of tour including sightseeing.

Please note: The government of Canada requires that you be advised of the following: Entry to another country may be refused even if the required travel documents are in order. Living standards and practices at the destination and the standards and conditions there, with respect to utilities & services, may differ from those found in Canada.



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