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Maine Escapes

**Bar Harbor, Boothbay Harbor,
& Acadia National Park**

September 11th - 13th, 2016
3 Days / 2 Nights (Sun. - Tue.)

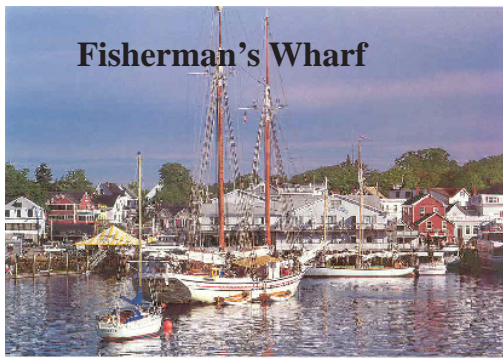
Bar Harbor Light
Mt. Desert Island - Maine

Program Highlights:

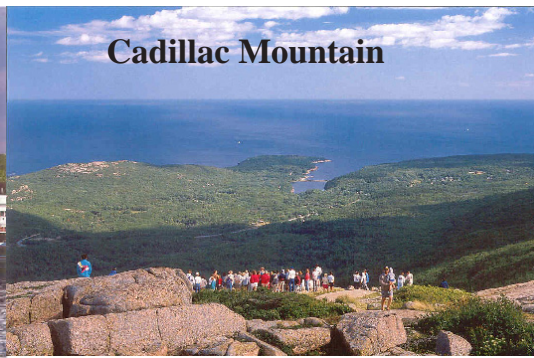
- **Roundtrip Motorcoach Transportation***
- **2 Nights Waterfront Lodging at Fisherman's Wharf Inn Boothbay Harbor**
- **4 Meals:** 2 Buffet Breakfasts, 2 Dinners,
- **2 Evenings of Entertainment**
- **Touring of Boothbay Harbor**
- **Touring of Bar Harbor & Acadia National Park**
- **Services of a Best of Times Professional Tour Director**
- **Luggage Handling & Taxes**
- **Tour Director, Step-On-Guide, & Driver Gratuities Not Included**

Join us on this amazing adventure featuring some of Maine's most highly acclaimed and picturesque areas. We have packed this trip with tons of extras and features to provide the very best experience possible. Be sure to bring your camera as this trip provides some of the most spectacular views of nature to be found anywhere. Enjoy our accommodations at the Fisherman's Wharf Inn located over the water in the center of the village of Boothbay Harbor the "Boating Capitol of New England". Every room at the Fisherman's Wharf Inn looks out over the harbor for some spectacular views. Absorb the sights and sounds of the forest, fill your lungs with the aroma of evergreen and salt air, revel in the panoramic views from atop Cadillac Mountain, and renew your spirit and appreciation of the world around us as we visit Acadia National Park. Enjoy some time browsing and shopping in the downtown waterfronts of Portland, Boothbay Harbor, and Bar Harbor. Evening entertainment is abound with our included evening entertainment both nights at the Fisherman's Wharf Inn. With more extra surprises, twists, and turns than we can mention this trip has everything you could hope for and more. Don't miss out, come join us on our Maine Escapes adventure!!

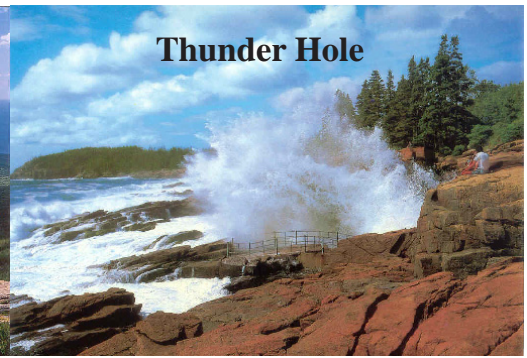
Deposits: A \$50 deposit confirms your reservation. **Final Payment: Due August 5, 2016.** If paying by credit card payment in full is due upon registration. **A Trip Protection Program is Available for a fee of \$50** and ensures a full refund less the Trip Protection Fee regardless of the cancellation date. *The trip protection fee must be paid in full at time of deposit/registration.* **Cancellation Policy: Cancellations between August 11th-September 7th, 2016 will be charged 75% of the total trip fare. Cancellations after September 7th, 2016 will be charged 100% of the total fare.**



Fisherman's Wharf



Cadillac Mountain



Thunder Hole

Day 1 - We travel from home heading for the great shores of Maine. We begin with a stop in **Portland, Maine** for lunch on our own and some time to see the historic Old Port area. We then continue this afternoon north to **Boothbay Harbor**. We arrive at the **Fisherman's Wharf Inn** our home for the next two nights. Fisherman's Wharf is located over the water in the center of Boothbay Harbor and is within walking distance of all the shops, restaurants and activities of the area. The rooms of Fisherman's Wharf Inn offer commanding views of the harbor like nowhere else in Boothbay Harbor as **all rooms have balconies overlooking the water**. **Tonight we dine** overlooking the water from the Fisherman's Wharf waterfront lounge, the beautiful glass dining room. Enjoy **evening entertainment** to round out our night.



Day 2 - Another Full American **breakfast** before we head to **Bar Harbor & Acadia National Park**. It was a Frenchman, Samuel Champlain, who made the first important contribution to the historical record of Mount Desert Island. He led the expedition that landed on Mount Desert on September 5, 1604 and wrote in his journal, "The mountain summits are all bare and rocky..... I name it Isles des Monts Desert." For a select handful of Americans, the 1880s and the "Gay Nineties" meant affluence on a scale without precedent. Mount Desert, still remote from the cities of the East, became a retreat for prominent people of the times. The Rockefellers, Morgans, Fords, Vanderbilts, Carnegies, and Astors, chose to spend their summers here. Not content with the simple lodgings then available, these families transformed the landscape of Mount Desert Island with elegant estates, euphemistically called "cottages." Luxury, refinement, and ostentatious gatherings replaced buckboard rides, picnics, and day-long hikes of an earlier era. For over 40 years, the wealthy held sway at Mount Desert, but the Great Depression and World War II marked the end of such extravagance. Though the affluent of the turn of the century came here to frolic, they had much to do with preserving the landscape that we know today. It was from this social strata that George B. Dorr, a tireless spokesman for conservation, devoted 43 years of his life, energy, and family fortune to preserving the Acadian landscape. Forty-five miles of rustic carriage roads, the gift of philanthropist John D. Rockefeller Jr. and family, weave around the mountains and valleys of Acadia National Park. Today we **travel through the National Park and enjoy terrific guided commentary and sights** on this wonderful adventure. This afternoon we will enjoy lunch on our own at one of the many eating establishments in downtown Bar Harbor. Then take some time to wander through the downtown shops and sights that make up this lovely seaside village before we return to Boothbay. This evening enjoy another scrumptious meal at the Fisherman's Wharf. We round out the evening with **entertainment** at the Inn. Sleep well.



Day 3 - We begin our day with a Full American **breakfast** before heading out for touring of the Boothbay area including **Ocean Point**, one of the most scenic spots along the rocky coast of Maine. We then depart Boothbay and head for **Freeport Maine** internationally famous as a world-class shopping destination and home to famous L.L. Bean. Enjoy our time here browsing at any one of almost a 100 different outlet shops or stop into L.L. Bean and take in a demonstration. We will have lunch on our own before departing late this afternoon. Rest stops enroute to home as we depart with fond memories of Maine's great escapes.



Price: \$399pp Double Occ. \$539 Single

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