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# Federated Garden Clubs of Vermont presents Canadian Tulip Festival Tour in Ottawa

May 16-17, 2023 -

Trip is currently filled – Place yourself on the waitlist – be patient – there is a possibility of a place for you.

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**Celebrating Princess Margriet's 80th Birthday May 12~22, 2023** Full Program available online by March 1, 2023 at <a href="https://www.tulipfestival.ca">www.tulipfestival.ca</a>

#### Tuesday, May 16, 2023 - Ottawa

Board your private coach this morning and depart for Ottawa

Pickups start in White River Junction with stops in Montpelier and Burlington

6:30am White River Junction Park and Ride

7:30 am Montpelier Park and Ride

8:30 am DoubleTree Hotel on Williston Road

This lovely city sits on the banks of the Ottawa River and the Rideau Canal. See its stately Parliament Hill; and Rideau Falls, named for the curtain-like appearance

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they give. Upon arrival enjoy lunch together at the hotel restaurant. *Bags will be transferred to the rooms at check in time of 3:00pm.* 

**NOTE**: A valid Passport, Passport Card or enhanced driver's license is required to enter Canada. All Travelers must be vaccinated to participate in this tour. Guidelines for travel to Canada.

https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/covid-vaccinated-travellers-entering-canada

#### Tuesday, May 16 continued

After lunch transfer to the Commissioners Park for a **walking tour** and learn the incredible heritage of this Festival while visiting highlights such as the Queen Juliana Gift Bed, or the historic statue, The Man with Two Hats.

Enjoy the <u>Canadian Tulip Festival</u> at Commissioners Park established to celebrate the historic Royal gift of tulips from the Dutch to Canadians immediately following the Second World War as a symbol of international friendship.

Visit the **Tulip Pavilion**, a celebration of the gorgeous, adaptable flower that is the Festival's key attraction and much more.

Explore the Festival's roots and step back in time at the **Heritage Pavilion**. Experience the real-life sacrifice that took place right here in Ottawa in 1945. Meet the faces and hear from story-tellers the experiences of veterans from WWII, people who left their homes to join the fight for freedom halfway across the world. Enjoy a chance to shop for antiques and artisan crafts of the immediate postwar era. You'll also have the opportunity to hear music as part of the Festival's concert series. Tonight enjoy dinner (paid individually) at one of the many fine restaurants near your hotel.

#### Meal Included: Lunch

#### Wednesday, May 17, 2022 Canadian Tulip Festival/Ottawa

Buffet Breakfast at the hotel.

Today enjoy a day in the garden, right in the heart of the Nation's Capital, set against the stunning backdrop of Dows Lake. Or explore other beautiful sites of the city on your own. Lunch is paid individually.

*Check out time is noon and luggage will be stored until departure.* 

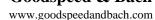
**3:00pm** Suggested departure time for Vermont.

Drop offs in Burlington, Montpelier and White River Junction. Arrival times TBA.

#### Meals Included: Breakfast

**PLEASE NOTE:** Goodspeed & Bach, Inc. reserves the right to alter the order of events or to make changes in the itinerary deemed necessary for the comfort, convenience and safety of the participants. Every effort will be made to adhere to the printed itinerary, but weather conditions and transportation

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difficulties may arise beyond the control of Goodspeed & Bach, Inc. and local suppliers could force the cancellation or substitution of events or specific services.

- > You must be vaccinated to join this tour.
- ➤ Please follow guidelines for entry into Canada (subject to change)

  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid19/arrivecan.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid19/arrivecan.html</a>
- > Activity Level: Moderate walking distances

#### **TOUR INCLUSIONS**

- ❖ 1 night Ottawa at the Lord Elgin Hotel or similar
- ❖ All applicable taxes including room occupancy tax
- Full Buffet Breakfast (1) at the hotel
- Lunch (1) at the hotel including a drink, coffee, tea or soda
- Luggage service round trip
- The Tulip Legacy Walking Tour
- ❖ Admission to Commissioners Park, the Tulip Plaza & Festival Pavilions
- Full time Luxury 54-passenger motorcoach transportation with Climate Control, DVD with Professional Driver, Video System, Lavatory, Public Address System
- Goodspeed & Bach Trip Director for two days
- Tips for driver and trip director for two days

**Tour Cost sharing a double room:** \$549 USD\* per person

Single room additional fee: **\$119 USD** per person

\* A portion of the tour cost benefits the Federated Garden Clubs of Vermont. This donation is not tax-deductible. Please note the tour cost is subject to increase if the group falls below 40 travelers. Space is limited!

#### **NOT INCLUDED**

- ❖ Alcoholic drinks, such as wine, beer with the group lunch
- ❖ Dinner on May 16, 2023
- **Lunch on May 17, 2023**
- ❖ Trip Coverage is recommended and available from <u>Allianz Travel Insurance</u>
- Any items not mentioned above

#### TOUR DEPOSIT SCHEDULE

**\$100 per person deposit is required to confirm booking.** Space is limited! Deadline for tour registration is **September 16, 2022** 

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Final payment due: 65 days prior to arrival date or March 11, 2023

#### **Tour Booking Conditions and Refunds**

- ❖ The **\$100** per person deposit is refundable, less **\$25** per person service fee, if the traveler cancels the reservation 66 days prior to departure date.
- ♦ 65 days prior to departure:: \$100 per person penalty applies
- ❖ If the cancellation is received less than 35 days prior to arrival: **No Refund**
- Trip Coverage is highly recommended and can be purchased directly from <u>Allianz</u> Travel

## CURRENTLY CLOSED - TO REGISTER ONLINE FOR THE TOUR CLICK HERE

The Canadian Tulip Festival started in 1952, and since it is continually held in Ottawa the capital of Canada. Thousands of Tulip flowers are spread everywhere over the city during the festival that holds various kinds of culture events.

The festival has an historic background: During WWII the royal Dutch family escaped from Holland and found a shelter in Ottawa. When the queen, Juliana, returned to Holland in 1945, she decided to thank the Canadian people for hosting the royal family and sent Ottawa 100,000 Tulip tubers.

The Federated Garden Clubs of Vermont's mission is to promote and aid in the protection and conservation of our natural resources. Our mission is also to encourage and assist the garden clubs of the State of Vermont, and to encourage educational programs in the field of horticulture, ecology, forestry, landscape design, environmental studies and floral design.

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#### **LORD ELGIN HOTEL**

Directly across from the National Arts Center, this nonsmoking, landmark hotel is only steps from major attractions, and offers spacious accommodations with first-class amenities in the city center of Canada's capital. The Lord Elgin Hotel is ideally located close to a number of Parliament buildings as well as the National Art Gallery. Guests can explore the vibrant shops and restaurants in Byward Market.