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OFA 80th Anniversary World Ag Expo Tour February 12 – 19, 2017

BOOK BEFORE DECEMBER 13, 2016 TO GUARANTEE YOUR PLACE

Tour planning by AgriTours Canada on behalf of the
Ontario Federation of Agriculture

Sunday, February 12 – Toronto – San Francisco

(D)

- Depart from Canada for mid-day flight
- Arrive in San Francisco
- Driving tour of the city from the Airport to the hotel in downtown San Francisco.
- Check in to your downtown hotel.
- **Dinner** at Fisherman's Wharf near the hotel – view of Alcatraz Island.
- Overnight at the Holiday Inn at Fisherman's Wharf.

Monday, February 13 – San Francisco

(B, L)

- Breakfast in the hotel.
- Tour of Alcatraz Island, famous for the prisoners who were there and for the impossibility of escape from this maximum-security facility – now a museum.
- Depart San Francisco crossing over the Golden Gate Bridge, stopping for a view of the bridge.
- Travel to Napa-Sonoma Valleys. Lunch en route.
- Winery tour and tasting in Napa region.
- Transfer to Sacramento, capital of California.
- Arrive in Sacramento. Check in to the Holiday Inn.
- **Dinner on your own in Old Sacramento** – historic town site along the river with several restaurants and bars.
- Overnight in Sacramento at the Holiday Inn downtown Sacramento.

Tuesday, February 14 – Sacramento – Woodland – Hilmar - Fresno

(B, L, D)

- Breakfast in the hotel.
- Travel to Woodland to Visit Monsanto Research farm
- Tour of **Monsanto research facilities** and **agriculture research farm**.
- Travel south to Hilmar - Lunch at **Hilmar Cheese**
- **Hilmar Cheese** – largest Cheese plant in USA (no inside tour of milk plant allowed)
- Visit to **large-scale dairy farm – Jersey cattle** – used exclusively for the cheese at Hilmar.
- Depart Fresno for **Fresno Hotel and Conference Center**.
- Arrive and check in to the hotel. **Dinner** in local restaurant.
- Overnight in Fresno region. Doubletree Hotel and Conference Center.

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Wednesday, February 15 – Fresno– Tulare – Fresno

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- **Breakfast.**
- Travel south to Tulare to World Ag Expo (60 miles) to attend the **World Ag. Expo** and activities related to this huge show. This year is the 50th Anniversary of the Tulare World Agricultural Exposition.
- Lunch on your own at the show – check in with **International Visitor Center** for free snacks and information.
- Visit the show.
- Return to the hotel in Fresno.
- **Dinner – Old Country Buffet restaurant.**
- Overnight at the **Fresno Hotel and Conference Center, Fresno.**

Thursday, February 16 – Fresno – Kerman/Coalinga – Paso Robles

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- **Breakfast** in the hotel.
- Visit to a local Almond farm and processing facility one of the largest crops produced in the central valley – 70% of world's almonds come from California.
- Visit a large-scale dairy operation milking over 1500 cows.
- Lunch at **Harris Ranch Resort** near the largest feedlot in the USA. Video presentation of the operations including their meat processing.
- Continue to Paso Robles – meet with representative of the California Farm Bureau on his farm en route to Paso Robles.
- Arrive in Paso Robles in time for dinner and overnight.
- Overnight at the **Best Western, Paso Robles.**

Friday, February 17 – Paso Robles – Santa Barbara – Los Angeles

(B, L, D)

- Breakfast
- Travel to Santa Barbara along the California Coast on the famous Highway # 1.
- Stop in Santa Barbara and visit the famous Pier and the Mission at Santa Barbara.
- Lunch in Santa Barbara.
- Travel through Oxnard and a huge vegetable production region that services Greater Los Angeles as well as the Export Market.
- Continue to Los Angeles – overnight in Hollywood.
- Dinner and overnight in Los Angeles.

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Saturday, February 18th – Los Angeles

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- Breakfast in the hotel.
- Morning city tour including Hollywood, homes of the Rich and Famous, the Farmer's Market and Spanish Old Town, the founding point of the city of Angels.
- Afternoon option of going to Disneyland or Universal Studios.
- Dinner on their own at Universal or Disney.
- Overnight in Hollywood.

Sunday, February 19th – Los Angeles – Toronto

(B)

- Breakfast in the hotel.
- Free time until check-out.
- Check out of the hotel at 11:30.
- Depart for airport.
Lunch on your own at the airport.
- Flight to Toronto – Depart for Los Angeles airport and departure on airline to Toronto.
Consider buying a sandwich or other snacks to take on the plane once past customs.

For additional cost:

Optional tour package to Las Vegas – 2 nights in Vegas – flight home from Vegas to San Francisco then back to Toronto.

Special Notes:

- Rate of taxation in California is 15.75% for goods and services.
- Canadian dollar now is at 35% below par – rates calculated on that rate.
- Entry refusal by US Customs for any reason is not insurable and tour refunds are not possible.

Pricing converted to Canadian dollars (after conversion):

ESTIMATED LAND PRICING FOR 2017 TOUR: \$4150 Canadian - double occupancy – includes flights.

Air Fare Reduction if booked on your own - \$650.00 off tour package price.

Participants can use points to book their own flights and have the cost of the package cost reduced.

OR

Book the tour package which includes group flights booked through Royal City Travel at Group Rates.

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Inclusions:

- Flights on Air Canada from Toronto's Pearson International Airport
- Land transfers on 28 or 47 passenger motor coach
- Hotels – 3 star or better – Holiday Inn Express, Holiday Inns, or similar.
- Meals as mentioned throughout itinerary including special meals at Harris Ranch and Neptune's at Pier 39 in San Francisco. All breakfasts – no lunch at World Ag Expo or on departure day.
- Entrance fee to World Ag Expo
- Farm and ag facilities visits – some fees apply for tours
- Hotels, meals and gratuities for motor coach driver.
- Taxes in California – 15.75%
- Gratuities on all meals
- Services of AgriTours Canada / Royal City Travel
- Conversion from US dollars to Canadian dollars.

Exclusions:

- Out of country medical insurance. The Ontario government requires that we advise all passengers traveling out of Ontario, that OHIP may not cover all expenses that might be incurred for medical care, outside Ontario.
- Flight cancellation and interruption insurance is also highly recommended
- Transfers to and from Pearson International Airport are NOT included
- Passports need to be valid for 6 months after departure from the USA – we are not responsible for passports – please insure passports are up-to-date and valid.
- No alcoholic beverages are included in pricing
- Items of a personal nature are not included such as; telephone calls made from rooms, pay TV, mini-bar or bar charges to the room, etc.
- Meals mentioned as NOT included.