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DAY PACKAGES: RELIGIOUS HERITAGE 2016

Religious Nincheri, Profane Nincheri

Walk in the footsteps of Guido Nincheri, a fresco painter and stained glass artist of religious themes during this full day tour. His exceptional work can still be admired in more than two hundred buildings across Canada and the United States, where he is seen as the master of sacred art, the Michelangelo of Montreal.

In the morning, visit the Nincheri-Dufresne Museum, including the Château Dufresne, a hotel built in the early 20th century, and the Nincheri Studio, which houses the former workshop of the artist.

For lunch, situated in the hip neighborhood known as HOMA, Valois Restaurant welcomes you to enjoy its Art Deco interior and stained glass windows.

In the afternoon, to help understand Nincheri's religious and artistic legacy, visit impressive churches, including Nativity-de-la-Sainte-Vierge d'Hochelaga and Notre-Dame-de-la-Défense.

Duration: 7 hours, 30 minutes

Price: Starting at \$ 95 per person



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Unsung Gems

The author Mark Twain charmingly nicknamed Montreal "the city of a hundred bell-towers", given the large number of churches found there. Over the course of a day, discover some hidden treasures of the city's heritage.

In the morning, visit the Saint-Léon de Westmount Church, the first church for francophones in Westmount and a masterpiece of Guido Nincheri, who designed the stained glass, decorations and ornaments.

Next, visit the Maison Saint-Gabriel. This museum and Historic Site is an architectural masterpiece of the French Regime and allows you to discover the life of the first colonists in the time of Marguerite Bourgeoys and Les *Filles du Roy*, or the King's Daughters. You will be greeted by animators dressed in period costumes for a guided tour of the premises and be served a meal in the Refectory Restaurant. An experience not to be missed!

In the afternoon, visit the Notre-Dame-de-Bon-Secours Chapel, also known as the "Sailors' Chapel", one of the many legacies of Marguerite Bourgeoys.

To conclude the day, you will visit the Gesù Church, both a place of worship and a center of artistic creativity.

Duration: 7 hours, 30 minutes

Price: Starting at \$ 70 per person



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Stories of Old Montreal

This fascinating day of discovery allows you to understand the work of faith that led to the founding of Ville-Marie.

A visit to the impressive **Notre-Dame Basilica** and the **Chapel of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart** is included.

A commented transfer allows you to take a look at the Sulpician Seminary, the oldest building in the historic district. Next is a visit of the **Maison de Mère d'Youville**, where visitors will discover the Sisters of Charity of Montreal, a founding order also known as the "Grey Nuns".

After dinner at the **Bonaparte Restaurant**, you will have the chance to visit the **Notre-Dame-de-Bon-Secours Chapel**. Founded by Marguerite Bourgeoys, her mortal remains are interred here.

Duration: 7 hours

Price: Starting at \$90 per person



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Montreal and its pioneers

We all remember the days when the nuns took care of education, health and charity. During this day long tour, you will learn more about these pioneers of Ville-Marie who, through their efforts, contributed to the growth of the young colony.

You will visit the **Hospitalières Museum** in the morning, keepers of the history of Jeanne-Mance's work and the origins of the city.

Next, visit the **Maison Saint-Gabriel**. This museum and Historic Site is an architectural masterpiece of the French Regime and allows you to discover the life of the first colonists in the time of Marguerite Bourgeoys and Les *Filles du Roy*, or the King's Daughters. You will be greeted by animators dressed in period costumes for a guided tour of the premises and be served a meal in the Refectory Restaurant. An experience not to be missed!

Finally, discover the work of Sainte Marie-Marguerite d'Youville, the founder of the Grey Nuns, who devoted her life to the poor and orphans. Immerse yourself in the **maison de Mère d'Youville** and soak up the atmosphere of the places where she served soup to the poor and collected donations on their behalf

Duration: 6 hours, 30 minutes

Price: Starting at \$ 63 per person



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Rich Religious Heritage

As part of this two-day tour, discover the city's Catholic religious heritage as well as the legacy of the pioneers from both sides of the river.

Day 1: On the first day, learn more about the important places of religious heritage on Montreal's south shore:

- Visit the home of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha in Kahnawake
- Visit the Co-Cathedral of Saint-Antoine-de-Padoue in Longueuil (tomb of Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher)
- Dine at l'Incrédule Restaurant in Longueuil
- Visit the Shrine of Saint Marguerite d'Youville in Varennes

Day 2: On the second day, visit the city's religious heritage attractions:

- · Visit Saint Joseph's Oratory
- Choice of two set meals: Accords Restaurant or the Vieux-Port Steakhouse
- · Visit the Notre-Dame Basilica
- Visit Mary Queen of the World Cathedral

Price: Day 1: From \$ 70 per person

Day 2: Starting at \$ 90 per person

The two days combined: From \$ 155 per person.



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Details for all packages

- Minimum of 40 people (if there are fewer participants, please contact us to confirm rates).
- Rates include professional guide service, entrance fees and donations to various institutions, advertised meals, a tip for the guide, taxes and service charges (transportation is not included).
- A free place is offered to the 41st person in your group and another is offered to your bus driver.

Contact us for more information about these tours.

Do you have other ideas for a visit to Montreal or surrounding regions?

We can custom design a day of activities according to your needs and interests.