



Suggested Itineraries

Quilting Around the Great Lakes Seaway Trail

Quilting around the Great Lakes Seaway Trail
7 day/6 nights About 520 miles
September 23-29, 2011 to coincide
with the "Quilting Around Chautauqua Show."
You can also experience this trip anytime
minus the Quilting around Chautauqua Show
(1-30 person trip or even bring your husband)



The Great Lakes Seaway Trail is one of America's Byways and is recognized for its unique landscape, scenic freshwater coastline, and historical significance. This National Scenic Byway parallels 518 miles of shoreline along the St. Lawrence River, Lake Ontario, Niagara River, and Lake Erie in New York and Pennsylvania. www.seawaytrail.com
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Start in Erie PA
Fri, Sept 23 Go short distance west to International Fabric Collection, Fairview, PA to see International & American Quilt fabrics: Liberty Art Fabric, Japanese, Kona, Guatemala, Australia and French (Buy some local wine)
Overnight at Athenaeum Hotel, Chautauqua Institution.

Sat, Sept 24 Quilting Around Chautauqua Quilt Show at Chautauqua Institution. Hear featured quilt designer, author Jinny Beyer, see quilt exhibit and shop quilt vendors (take a walk and see the Victorian charm of Chautauqua)
Overnight at the Athenaeum Hotel, Chautauqua Institution.

Sun, Sept 25 Follow the Great Lakes Seaway Trail northeast and stop at The Roycroft Inn, East Aurora for a lovely lunch, on to the Amherst Museum, Amherst — then just in case you have never done this, go to Niagara Falls for a ride on the Maid of the Mist (take time for a walk around Goat Island in Niagara Falls.) Overnight at The Barton Hill Hotel & Spa, Lewiston.

Mon, Sept 26 Sleep in, take a stroll & shop in Lewiston, then Follow the Great Lakes Seaway Trail east (stop and see Old Fort Niagara — oldest building on the Great Lakes) along beautiful Lake Ontario to Rochester — on your way stop at Brown's Berry Patch, Waterport for a homemade ice cream cone — then on to the Alling Coverlet Museum in Palmyra. Overnight at Palmyra Inn, Palmyra.

Tues, Sept 27 Take a loop south to Route 20 to Patchwork Plus Quilt Shop, Marcellus to pick up some much needed fabric and yarn too — short drive into North Syracuse to Mission Rose Quiltery for more fabric and yarn and back to Great Lakes Seaway Trail (learn the story of the Safe Haven Museum in Oswego) for dinner in Sackets Harbor at Tin Pan Galley. Overnight at Hotel, Inn or Bed and Breakfast, Sackets Harbor.

Wed, Sept 28 Morning tour at Seaway Trail Discover Center, Sackets Harbor - then on to weaving looms & textile collection at Thousand Islands Handweaving Museum, (maybe ship some River Rat cheese to a friend) Clayton and lunch & shopping on your own — then off to Alexandria Bay for visit to romantic love story at Boldt Castle and 2 hour boat tour of the Thousand Islands. Overnight at Riveredge Resort, Alexandria Bay.

Thurs, Sept 29 Follow Great Lakes Seaway Trail signs north to Dreamcrafters Quilt Shop, Hogsburg — on your way back to start consider Singer Castle on Dark Island.

Just in case...here is list of a dozen quilt stores in the area:
International Fabric Collection, Fairview, PA
Millcreek Sewing & Fabric, Erie, PA
Calico Patch Quilt Shop, Northeast, PA
Pine Grove Quilt Shop, Kenmore, NY
Aurora Sewing Center, East Aurora, NY
Peace Quilts Etc, Rochester, NY
Patricia's Fabric House, East Rochester, NY
Ivy Thimble Quilt & Gift Shop, Victor, NY
Patchwork Plus Quilt Shop, Marcellus, NY
Mission Rose Quiltery, No Syracuse, NY
Fabric Options, Rensselaer Falls, NY
Dreamcrafters Quilt Shop, Hogsburg, NY

