

MUSIC THEATRE USA TOUR

Tonight's
Show
Sold Out

TICKETS

Les
Misérables

BERNSTEIN & SONDHEIM

WEST
SIDE
STORY

Regina Dahl's
CHARLIE
AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

Beautiful
The Carole King Musical

★★★★
You'll feel the
earth move!
"Out of control
amazing!"
"It's some kind
of wonderful!"

CHICAGO

ONE OF THE
MOST
REMARKABLE
SHOWS IN
MUSICAL
THEATRE
HISTORY

NEW YORK

Fiddler on the Roof,
Les Mis, West Side Story,
Boston Pops, Broadway Shows,
Chicago, New York
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Join us on the most incredible music theatre tour with 8 music theatre experiences at iconic theatres.

Experience the Exceptional...

- 8 of the most loved musical theatre shows including *West Side Story, Les Misérables, Fiddler on the Roof*, the *Boston Pops' Spring Series, Beautiful: The Carole King Musical*, a Broadway show of your choice and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. These unforgettable shows are at iconic theatres including Chicago's Lyric Theatre, Hollywood's Pantages Theatre, The Golden Gate Theatre and Broadway.
- Incredible arts experiences such as visits to three iconic art institutes: Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, Art Institute of Chicago and the Getty Museum, all of which house some of the most famous art collections in the world.
- Explore Chicago, its architecture and lovely lake and river setting. On the East Coast explore the New England Countryside around its cute towns like Kennebunkport and Newport.
- Escape the city: drive the West Coast's iconic Pacific Coast Highway, with its magnificent scenery and history, staying at a luxury vineyard, enjoying the 18th century Spanish influence in the region.
- Escorted by Susan Boland and John Cameron.



PLACES WE STAY

Hilton Los Angeles/Universal City Hotel is a 4-star hotel set in the Universal City district with a view over the hills. Founded in 1984, the hotel underwent a renovation in 2007 and is conveniently located near Universal Studios and Hollywood.

Allegretto Vineyard Resort, Paso Robles is a magnificent resort with Mediterranean-inspired architecture surrounded by acres of sprawling vineyards. We will enjoy a chance to rest and enjoy the lovely surroundings here with a spa, vineyard and swimming pool.

The Omni San Francisco Hotel provides luxury accommodation in the heart of downtown San Francisco - the jewel of California. This beautiful Nob Hill hotel is located right on the cable car line and is only a short walk to Union Square.

Renaissance New York Times Square Hotel is a luxury hotel rising 26 stories above Times Square ensuring we are close to vibrant Times Square and Broadway theatres. With theatres and shops right on our doorstep we will be able to immediately walk to and soak up the atmosphere of Broadway and its famous music theatres.

The Langham Hotel, Boston, formerly the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, retains its classic British elegance and style in the heart of America's "walking city" with hints of its 1920 heritage.

The Blackstone Hotel, Chicago is an historic iconic architecture hotel located in the Michigan Boulevard Historic District. Situated in a historic French Beaux-Arts building, this hotel is part of the Autograph Collection Marriott which features unique, historic hotels in Chicago.



LOS ANGELES (4 nights) - Hilton Universal City Hotel

Los Angeles is a sprawling Southern California city and the centre of the nation's film and television industry. Near its iconic Hollywood sign, studios such as Paramount Pictures, Universal and Warner Brothers offer behind-the-scenes tours.

We fly to Los Angeles direct with Air New Zealand. On arrival, we transfer to our hotel for free afternoon and light dinner at hotel.

Highlights in Los Angeles include:

- Musicals- *Fiddler on the Roof* and *Les Misérables* both at The Pantages Theatre.
- Universal Studios - Entry included and then free time to go behind-the-scenes where movies are made and where Hollywood's biggest stars work daily.
- Take the world-famous Studio Tour for a fresh, behind-the-scenes look at moviemaking secrets and to experience the largest street movie set in Hollywood history.
- Tour of the Getty Museum, one of the most famous art collections in the world which includes Van Gogh's *Irises* and The Getty Villa, a re-creation of an ancient Roman country house and filled with 7000 years of ancient art and sculptures.
- Full free day for own choices. Spend the day at Disneyland, doing some great shopping in LA or at the nearby Universal City Walk as well as swimming and relaxing at the hotel.



PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY TOUR (3 nights) **- Allegretto Vineyard Resort, Paso Robles**

One of the most iconic road trips in the world, and certainly in the US (second only to Route 66) is the Pacific Coast Highway drive between San Diego and San Francisco. We enjoy a leisurely drive through some of it stopping along the way to enjoy beaches, museums, castles, vineyards and gorgeous towns.

Highlights along the Pacific Highway include:

- Music gala event at our beautiful hotel.
- We base ourselves in wine country in Paso Robles and enjoy incredible stops along the way.
- Majestic scenery including coastline and beaches along the Pacific Coast Highway
- We stop in Santa Barbara for lunch and a chance to wander. Surrounded by the Santa Ynez Mountains and beside the Pacific Ocean, Santa Barbara is California at its best with beautiful Spanish style 18th century architecture.
- Cambria, with views of the picturesque Santa Ynez Valley with its rolling vineyard-covered hills and stop at the beautiful Lake Cachuma and its environs.
- Inland to the beautiful region of Paso Robles, our refuge for the next three nights among the vineyards.
- Visit Hearst Castle and gardens – stop at a beach where you can spot elephant seals lounging on the sand. Next, you'll take a guided tour of Hearst Castle, an awe-inspiring mansion and estate designed in the early 1900s for newspaper magnate William Randolph Hearst.
- Visit Monterey, including Monterey Bay Aquarium, with time to wander and shop.

SAN FRANCISCO (3 nights) **- Omni San Francisco Hotel**

San Francisco, in northern California, is a hilly city on the tip of a peninsula surrounded by the Pacific Ocean and San Francisco Bay. It is known for the iconic Golden Gate Bridge, cable cars and colourful Victorian houses.

Highlights in San Francisco include:

- *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, the musical at the Golden Gate Theatre.

- *Hamilton* at the Orpheum Theatre (please note: this show is subject to availability and the price is not included in our itinerary. However if we get tickets we will include transport there and help to book. It is very expensive and the tickets are hard to get but we have been told we have a good chance, hence its inclusion here).
- Half day tour of all the city highlights, including Golden Gate Bridge, Chinatown, Fisherman's Wharf and Golden Gate Park.
- Tour to Alcatraz Island for a close-up look at the site of the West Coast's first US built fort & lighthouse, the infamous federal penitentiary long off-limits to the public.
- Free time to enjoy looking at this lovely city at your leisure.



Streetcar and Fisherman's Wharf, San Francisco



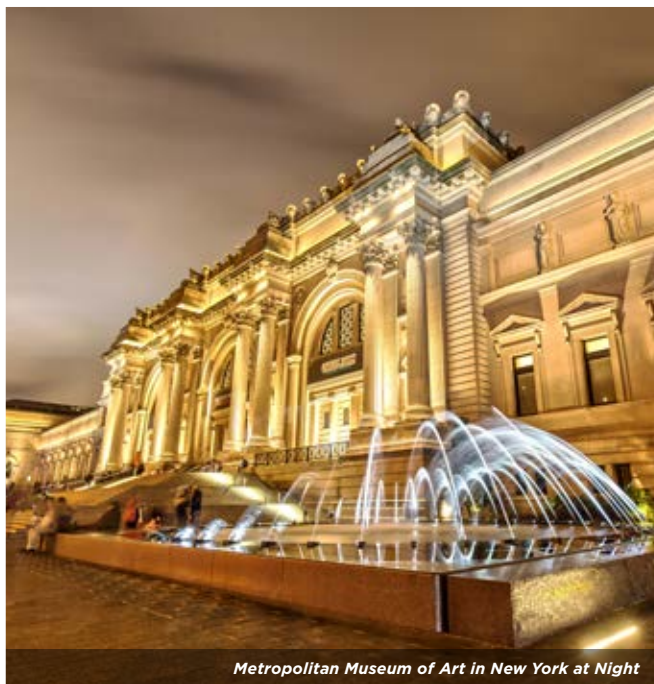
Alcatraz Island, San Francisco

NEW YORK (4 nights) - Renaissance New York Times Square Hotel

New York is the epicentre of the arts, dining and shopping and is the city that never sleeps. Home to Broadway and the Radio Theatre, it is a great destination for Music Theatre buffs like us!

Highlights in New York include:

- 2 Broadway shows - specific shows to be confirmed but looking at *Beautiful: The Carole King Story* and then one of your own choice.
- City tour which will take us to some of the major sights of the City, including Midtown Manhattan, 42nd Street, Times Square, Empire State Building, Madison Square Garden (the world's most famous arena), Greenwich Village, Bowery, Soho, Little Italy, Chinatown, and Ground Zero where the World Trade Center Towers once stood.
- Visit the Metropolitan Museum of Art which has launched a complete reconstruction of its four-block-long plaza along Fifth Avenue—one of New York City's iconic spaces, housing a huge array of art including van Gogh's *Starry Night*.
- Horse and carriage ride through Central Park.
- Free time to make your own tours of New York, shopping, sightseeing and also time to enjoy your own Broadway show.



Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York at Night

ON ROUTE TO BOSTON

We make our way from New York to Boston via Newport.

Highlights in Newport include:

- Tour of Newport Mansions – The Breakers, the Vanderbilt family's opulent summer "cottage" and The Elms, copied from a French Chateau and set in stunning grounds.

BOSTON (3 nights) - Langham Hotel

Boston is one of the States' oldest cities, situated on the Charles River. It is beautiful in style with stone buildings and magnificent parks and enjoys a fantastic history including the famous Boston Tea Party.

Highlights in Boston include:

- *Boston Pops Spring Series* iconic music theatre concert.
- Tour of Boston including the Freedom Trail, the famous Charles River, both old and new Boston, the historic countryside towns of Cambridge, Lexington and Concord. We pass the homes of Louisa May Alcott, author of *Little Women* and Ralph Waldo Emerson, essayist and poet and Harvard University.
- Dinner and music from our escorts.
- A full day drive to Kennebunkport to discover the New England coast with time to explore and shop.



CHICAGO (5 nights) - Blackstone Hotel

On Lake Michigan, Chicago is famous for its bold architecture, such as the iconic John Hancock Center, the 1,451-ft. Willis Tower (formerly the Sears Tower) and the neo-Gothic Tribune Tower. The city is also renowned for its museums, including the Art Institute of Chicago, with its noted Impressionist and Post-Impressionist work.

Highlights in Chicago include:

- *West Side Story* at the Chicago Lyric Theatre, one of the most famous companies in the world.
- *Tommy Gun's Garage* which celebrates Chicago's roaring twenties and an era of mob guys and flappers, Broadway tunes by Cole Porter and George Gershwin and lively dances like the Charleston.
- Chicago half day tour which includes the Wrigley Building, Michigan Avenue, Water Tower Place, John Hancock Center, Lincoln Park, Botanical Gardens, Chicago Historical Society and so much more.
- Spirit of Chicago sunset dinner cruise on Lake Michigan - 3-hour luxury sunset cruise featuring dinner, sightseeing and dancing along the shores of Lake Michigan.
- Architecture river cruise - Discover the towers, piers and iconic landmarks along the Chicago River on a 90-minute architectural tour through the heart of the city.
- Explore the Art Institute, Chicago's world-class art museum and the second-largest in the United States, with its incredible range of impressionist, post-impressionist, modern and contemporary works.
- Auditorium theatre tour - an insider's look at Chicago's architectural heritage during this 60-minute tour of Auditorium Theatre, a national historic landmark.
- Final night dinner at the hotel with music themed *Showstoppers*.





\$18,566 *per person
twin share*

Single Room supplement add \$5,940

Initial Deposit on booking **\$2,000**

Second Deposit due 31 October 2018 **\$3,000**

Final Balance due 14 January 2019

THIS TRIP INCLUDES:

- Return airfares Auckland - Los Angeles// San Francisco - New York// New York - Chicago// Chicago - Auckland with Air New Zealand and partner airlines.
- All flights include all taxes, airport fees etc.
- 8 incredible music theatre experiences at iconic theatres including *West Side Story* at Chicago Lyric Theatre, *Les Miserables* and *Fiddler on the Roof* at Hollywood's famous Pantages Theatre, *Boston Pops Orchestra* concert, 2 Broadway shows, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* musical at the Golden Gate Theatre and *Tommy Gun* flappers show. (Please note: The show taking the world by storm at the moment *Hamilton* is not included but we will do our best to get tickets if we can, own cost. It is on in San Francisco while we are there and we are in line to get tickets.)
- 22 nights accommodation in specially selected quality hotels including 4 nights Los Angeles, 3 nights Paso Robles, 3 nights San Francisco, 4 nights New York, 3 nights Boston, 5 nights Chicago.
- Numerous special flavours including Arts Institute of Chicago, Metropolitan Museum of Arts, a carriage ride through Central Park, Getty Museum and Getty Villa, Hearst Castle and gardens tour, Louisa May Alcott's house (author of *Little Women*) and iconic Pacific Coast Highway drive and wine tasting tour.
- All tours, entrance fees and coach transfers as listed in itinerary including Newport Mansions, Alcatraz, Universal Studio and city tours in San Francisco, New York, Newport, Boston, and Chicago.
- All breakfasts, 3 lunches and 11 dinners.
- All taxes and tips are included.
- Escorted by Susan Boland and John Cameron.

EXPLORING TOUR

This is still a moderately paced tour, but you will be required to walk longer distances, walk on cobblestones and stand in museums. To really get the best out of this tour you need to be able to stand or walk for a couple of hours comfortably, be it at a leisurely pace.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- All trips are subject to change but any changes will be of equal or greater value.
- Deposits refundable until final payment date minus any costs incurred, or an administration fee of up to \$150.
- Travellers need to be independently mobile and fit to travel.
- Travellers are required to obtain comprehensive travel insurance for all international trips.
- Please refer to terms & conditions on our booking form.



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