



*Journeys of Exploration & Discovery*

## The Great Gatsby Getaway!

At Mackinac's Historic Grand Hotel

September 12-17, 2015



The honor of your presence is requested, as we step back to the era of twenties elegance. This SpectAPular event has exclusive occupancy of the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island for three glorious days.



\$ 1,330 per person, double occupancy  
 \$ 1,565 per person, single occupancy



### INCLUDED IN TOUR:

5 nights' accommodations (3 at Grand Hotel)  
 Welcome evening reception  
 5 full breakfasts  
 1 lunch  
 3 full-course dinners at the Grand Hotel  
 tea and cookies - two days  
 luggage handling at hotels  
 tips for drivers & included items  
 Government taxes & fees

### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

3 nights at Mackinac Island's Historic Grand Hotel dancing to the sounds of the Grand Hotel Orchestra  
**3 Great Gatsby Evening Parties**  
 horse-drawn carriage from ferry docks to Grand Hotel  
 Many optional activities including:  
 - the Original Great Gatsby movie  
 - Charleston dance instructions  
 - bocce ball, croquet, horseshoes or tennis  
 - the "Old Stone Church"  
 - hiking island trails  
 - vintage baseball game  
 - Island shops & boutiques  
 - bicycle for two  
 - hotel gardens and greenhouses  
 - rent a drive-yourself carriage/ escorted carriage tours  
 - Historic Fort Mackinac

**Deposit:** \$300 per person due at time of booking

**Final payment:** due July 1, 2015

**Cancellation:** Fully refundable 76 days or more before departure; 75 - 46 days before departure: deposit forfeited; 45 - 8 days before departure: 50% cancellation policy; 7 days: no refund.

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**Arrivals:** September 12, 2015 Detroit, MI before 5:00 pm

**Departures:** September 17, 2015. Detroit, MI

## Day # 1 - Arrivals

Airport transfers included to the BW Greenfield Inn in Dearborn. Evening on own.

## Day # 2 - Dearborn to Mackinac Island

This morning we will visit **Frankenmuth**, home of Bonners, the largest Christmas store in the world. Lunch is included at the famous **Bavarian Inn**. As we continue north to the Straits of Mackinac, we'll view the rolling hills just coming ablaze with fall colors. We'll board the **ferry to Mackinac Island**, the place where time stands still. There are no motorized vehicles here, so as the stately Grand Hotel comes into view, our **horse drawn carriage** awaits at the docks for a leisurely ride to the **world's longest porch**, beautifully manicured lawns and royal looking red carpeted Grand Staircase. Every room is decorated differently by the illustrious Carleton Varney of New York City. Built in 1800 to accommodate the wealthy from around the country, some of that elegance will rub off as we still "dress for dinner". Tonight enjoy the first of three **elaborate Great Gatsby's parties**. Everyone is asked to come as a famous person of the 1920's. Your costume can be as simple as holding a "cigar" as Winston Churchill or as elaborate as a model of the 1920's. An elegant **five-course dinner** is included. Come to see and be seen! **(B,L,D)**

## Day # 3 - Grand Hotel

Today is **at leisure** to explore the Island and Resort. In addition to the options listed (some free, some at a nominal fee), you will find historic lectures and behind the scenes hotel tour, afternoon Tea, or visit the hotel gardens and greenhouse. The town offers shops and boutiques, bicycle rentals, carriage rides, and **Historic Fort Mackinac**. In the evening our party is called "**Flaunt it**", and you'll find out why. Start with a **cocktail party and promenade** in the lobby. It is all about capturing the spirit of the Great Gatsby. Dress as a flapper, or a gangster, or a dandy, or any famous person of the twenties. Use your imagination! There will be a cash prize for the best male and female costumes (by popular vote). And enjoy another sumptuous **five-course dinner**. **(B,D)**

## Day # 4 - Grand Hotel

Another **day at leisure**, with many more options: visit a fudge store and see it made, stroll through "Hubbard's Annex" of historic summer homes, step into a butterfly house, church, the Grand Hotel Stables, or the Richard and Jane Manoogian Art Museum. Enjoy a round of golf, putting on the green, or more vintage sports like bocce ball and croquet on the lawn. Tonight's post **dinner (five courses)** party is our final Great Gatsby event, a Roaring Twenties Dance & Song Competition. **Sing and Swing** with the Grand Hotel orchestra. Again prizes will go to the best entries. **(B,D)**

## Day # 5 - Mackinac Island to Detroit

No one ever wants to leave this fairy land, but according to legend, if you drop your key in the silver bowl and it clangs, you are sure to return in the near future. But alas, we must depart. The ferry will take us to the mainland and we'll continue south to Detroit. Evening and dinner on own. **(B)**

## Day # 6 - Departures

Airport transfers are included. **(B)**