

St. Lawrence Seaway, Ontario/Quebec, Canada/USA

One of the engineering marvels of the 20th century, the St. Lawrence Seaway lifts ocean-going ships through a staircase of locks across the Canada-U.S. border — a dramatic transit best watched from the bow with a coffee in hand.

 No docking — seaway transit  Transit: several hours  CAD / USD  English & French

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Transit Type: Underway passage — no shore stop
Best For: Engineering fans, scenic cruising, fall foliage

Locks: 7 locks lift ships ~75 m above sea level
Don't Miss: Standing on deck as the ship squeezes into a lock

 Getting around:  Taxi  CAD —+

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Lock Deck Watch** — Stake out the bow or upper deck for the full lock transit — the ship squeezes into chambers barely wider than the hull...
- **Fall Foliage Sailing** — September and October transforms the riverbanks into a blaze of reds, oranges, and yellows — some of the finest autumn...
- **Thousand Islands & Boldt Castle** — From Kingston, take a boat tour through 1,800+ islands and visit the grand Rhineland-style Boldt Castle on Heart Island...
- **Montreal Old Port Walk** — Ships dock in the Old Port, steps from cobblestone streets, Notre-Dame Basilica, and the best smoked meat sandwich on...
- **Quebec City Walled City Walk** — North America's only walled city is a short walk from the pier — stroll Quartier Petit Champlain, Dufferin Terrace, and...

BEST WALKS

- **Deck Bow-to-Stern During Lock Transit** On ship | 0.3 mi | Easy — Walk the outer decks from bow to stern as the ship transits a lock — each vantage point gives a different perspective of the lock...

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Don't sleep through the locks. Ask Guest Services for lock transit times when you board — many happen at night or early morning. Set an alarm.
- Two currencies, one trip. Canadian dollars used in Quebec and Ontario ports; US dollars at American stops like Clayton, NY or the Thousand Islands. Cards accepted everywhere.
- Fall sailings are exceptional. September–October foliage along the river is world-class. Summer sailings are warm but miss the colour show.