



Irish Palatine Special Interest Group



IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF OUR IRISH PALATINE ANCESTORS TOUR 2018

- WHEN** September 13 - 23 2018
- ROUTE** New York City to Québec (Round trip beginning and ending in Montréal, Québec, Canada)
- PURPOSE** To shadow the experiences of the Irish Palatine Loyalists, discovering their urban beginnings in 18th-century New York City, exploring their rural paradise in the Camden Valley, learning about the history of the battles they fought, and ultimately following their route as they fled to Québec during the American Revolution.
- HISTORY** 1709 PALATINES LEFT GERMANY TO ENGLAND THEN IRELAND
MID 1700s MANY LEFT IRELAND TO NYC THEN TO CAMDEN VALLEY IN UPPER NY
1780s AS UELs – LEFT NY STATE FOR QUÉBEC/ONTARIO
- PREVIOUS TOURS**
- 2004 Tour of the Palatinate homeland in Germany (Irish Palatine Association – Ireland – sponsor)
 - 2009 Tour of the Palatine settlements of Ireland (Irish Palatine Association – Ireland – sponsor)
 - 2013 Tour of the Irish Palatine immigrant destinations of Ontario (OGS Irish Palatine Special Interest Group – Canada – sponsor)
 - 2016 Second Tour of Palatine settlement of Ireland (Irish Palatine Association – Ireland – sponsor)
 - 2018 Tour following the Irish Palatine migration through NYC to Camden Valley, and onwards to Québec (OGS Irish Palatine Special Interest Group – Canada – sponsor)**
- In NYC** Attend Old John Street United Methodist Church, first and oldest Methodist congregation in U.S., started by Irish Palatines Philip Embury, Barbara (Ruckle) Heck and other Irish Palatines
See the sites of NYC
- Camden Valley, NY** Visit locations where the Irish Palatines settled
Explore the history of the Revolutionary period and the United Empire Loyalists (Embury, Ruckle, Heck, Lawrence, Switzer, Dulmage, Miller, Hoffman, Sparling)
- Québec/Montréal** Explore Irish Palatine Loyalist settlements/churches/cemeteries
Visit Québec City – Walled city/Plains of Abraham
Explore some later Irish Palatine settlements in Québec
Tour Grosse Île – Arrival point of large Irish immigration in Canada
- TRANSPORTATION** For 40 people - Coach - washroom equipped/with valet luggage service/hotels and most meals included
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