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with Gina

North America has an almost compelling attraction to most of us. Over the years I have had a bit of a love/hate relationship with the destination.

I travelled there as a child refusing to accept that because you were warm inside in mid-December that when you walked out the front door you would be deep in snow ... much to the amusement of my brothers who laughed at me in my determined summer clothes. Then as a teenager I lived for 12 months in Connecticut ... so close to the Big Apple. And then in my 20s, business trips took me there several times a year contracting hotels and discovering new destinations to promote ... I actually arrived at the point to say never again.

Until, of course, with children of my own and their hankering to discover the wonderful world of North America. A few visits later and I can say I am intrigued all over again with this vast continent that offers such diversity and positivity. The

landscapes are breathtaking - from high snow-clad mountain peaks, vast wilderness areas, the stark beauty of the Grand Canyon and national parks, the lowlands of the Deep South and the changing colours of New England in the fall.

Let alone the fantastic cities. Walk the New York highline in the meatpacking district passing skyscrapers and glimpses of the Hudson River. In New Orleans enjoy a gumbo in the French Quarter, skip touristy Bourbon Street and head to Frenchmen for fabulous jazz. There is always something happening in Grant Park; explore the shoreline of Lake Michigan and admire the architecture of mid-west Chicago. Don't forget to visit Chinatown and catch a cable car in the bayside city of San Francisco. LA is once again an interesting city to visit - wander the boardwalk at Santa Monica; don't miss the beautiful gardens when visiting the Getty Museum and the wonderful artworks, and of course there is Disneyland for the inner child in you.

Canada offers a different world to the US. This vast country stretches from the glorious Butchart Gardens on Vancouver Island in the west, through the high Rocky Mountains and on through the endless plains of central Canada to Toronto. The French-influenced cities of Quebec and Montreal reflect their heritage and offer you the opportunity to wander the cobblestone back streets of the old cities. Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island jut out into the Atlantic Ocean; these beautiful islands are wild in parts and manicured in others. A fabulous country to explore.

There is so much to discover in North America and APT offer you a means to explore this amazing region of our world in style. When you join APT on an exploration rest assured all the details are taken care of and pretty much everything is included so there are no spending shocks. Take advantage of the wonderful early booking discounts when you book an APT journey and these quality trips become even better value. Do contact Travelling Places to find out more.

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