HINA Travels

presents

Frank Lloyd Wright's *Fallingwater

Fallingwater *Kentuck Knob *Darwin Martin House *Polymath Park – Duncan House



Sunday April 27th to Wednesday April 30th, 2025

FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT is widely regarded as one of the greatest architects of the 20th century. He certainly held this opinion himself: in fact, during his lifetime he claimed to be "the greatest architect who ever lived". He was an American architect, interior designer, writer and educator, who designed more than 1,000 projects, which resulted in more than 500 completed works. His contribution to American culture is considered so important than no less than 17 of his buildings have been designated to be retained by the AIA (American Institute of Architects). His work includes original and innovative examples of many different building types, including offices, churches, schools, skyscrapers, hotels and museums. Also, Wright often designed many of the interior elements of these buildings, such as the furniture and stained glass.

Wright authored 20 books and many articles and was a popular lecturer in the US and in Europe. Even apart from his fame as an architect, his life is fascinating – his views were sometimes startling and outrageous and his personal life was complex. Despite the opinion he had of himself as a genius without any faults, he was a spendthrift, a womanizer and designed several buildings with leaking roofs or bulging walls. Testament to Wright's fame and continuing importance and popularity, is the fact that even after his death, his designs (primarily those genuinely planned by Wright, but for some reason never actually carried out) continue to be built. While most other architect's blueprints lie rolled and forgotten – even during their lifetime – Wright is the exception and several of his designs have been completed since his death in 1959.

In 1991 Wright was finally and "wrightfully so" recognized by the AIA as "the greatest American architect of all time".

Join Margaret in a trip of discovery – one that will expose, educate and elevate your knowledge of this great master.

THREE Wright Masterpieces that we will tour in-depth:

In-depth tours must be guaranteed by March 1st.....please book as soon as possible!

 Edgar Kaufmann country House – FALLINGWATER- partially built over a waterfall on Bear Run in the Laurel Highlands of the Allegheny Mountains, it has been hailed as Wright's "most beautiful job" and named by the AIA as the "best all time work of American architecture – the most important building of the 20th century - both for its dynamism and for its integration with the striking natural surroundings. www.fallingwater.org

- **Darwin D. Martin House** one of Wright's greatest works, this Prairie-style home was constructed between 1903 and 1906 and completed renovated/preserved in 2010/11. Also included is the Gardener's Cottage and the George Barten House <u>www.darwinmartinhouse.org</u>
- Isaac Newton Hagan House KENTUCK KNOB one of the last homes to be completed by Wright when at the age of 86 he was hard at work on the Guggenheim Museum in New York plus 13 other projects, he said he could "shake it out of his sleeve at will". What a masterpiece he created –such a sense of beauty, comfort, serenity and harmony in this house and all of its surroundings. www.kentuckknob.com

We will also tour:

- <u>Isabel Martin House or GRAYCLIFF Wright On The Lake-</u> Set high on a cliff with sweeping views over Lake Erie, Graycliff stands as an architectural jewel. <u>www.graycliff.bfn.org</u>
- <u>Don Duncan House</u> an ideal example of Wright's Usonian design. This prefabricated home was built in a Chicago suburb and recently moved to Acme, PA. The home was taken apart and moved to the grounds of the Polymath Park Resort, a non-profit Usonian Preservation corporation.
- <u>Polymath Park Resort</u> A 125 acre resort which also includes the Balter House and the Blum House, both homes were built for Pittsburgh area businessmen and were designed by one of the original Wright apprentices, Peter Berndston. **DINNER AT TREETOPS RESTAURANT** www.polymathpark.com

Also: A guided tour of Buffalo which will include a visit to the Sky Blue Mausoleum at Forest Lawn Cemetery and the Fontana Boathouse.

Your Wright "Small Group" tour package includes:

- One night stay at the M Hotel, Buffalo -ideally located beside the Galleria Mall
- Two nights at the Holiday Inn & Suites, Donegal, in the Laurel highlands of South Western PA including hot breakfast each morning.
- Tours (including three in-depth tours) of the FLW venues listed above plus all applicable taxes
- Return motor coach transportation
- Services of Margaret, Managing Director of **HINA Travels** as your tour director
- **Two Included Dinners** including one at the Tree Tops Restaurant, Polymath Park dine in the Wright-influenced facility
- Additional Meals included: three breakfasts; two lunches

<u>Pick-up locations</u>: This tour will commence at the Comfort Inn, Port Hope – travelling westbound – with pick-ups through the GTA; Burlington and the Niagara Region.

Cost: \$ 1,699. Per person/double occupancy (Single occupancy \$ 2,449)

\$ 700 non-refundable deposit upon booking – balance due March 1st, 2025

Tour Organized and led by: Margaret Dailey-Plouffe of HINA Travels

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For more information on Frank Lloyd Wright – please search the websites listed below:

- The Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation: www.franklloydwright.org
- The Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy: <u>www.savewright.org</u>
- Wright on the Web: a virtual look at the works of Frank Lloyd Wright: www.delmars.com/wright
- PBS Frank Lloyd Wright Web site: <u>www.pbs.org/flw</u>