



## VICTORY CRUISE LINES® SPOTLIGHTS DINING ONBOARD



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**New Albany, Ind. (October 1, 2024)** – Victory Cruise Lines, committed to all-inclusive, small ship, coastal cruising on The Great Lakes and Canadian Coasts, will offer three distinct dining venues onboard the relaunched *Victory I* and *Victory II*.

Kicking off the inaugural season in April 2025, the Victory Cruise Lines ships will feature a new dining option. Tuscan Stone Grill is a new inclusive specialty concept for dinner in The Grill, meticulously created by Victory COO David William Kelly and Anglo-Eastern Leisure Management’s Dietmar Wertanzl. Delivering an upscale interactive dining experience utilizing hot stones for guests cooking at their table, the space spanning the stern of the ship will offer expansive views of The Great Lakes.

“When Claudette and I walked the *Victory I* and *Victory II* for the first time again earlier this year, we immediately saw the potential for an elevated dinner service experience in the Grill,” shares Victory Cruise Lines Chairman and Founder, John Waggoner, who acquired the two ships in May 2024. “We are so proud of the Tuscan Stone Grill concept developed by COO David William Kelly and look forward to sharing it with our guests along with the Tavern and Coastal Dining Room that will each creating lasting culinary memories for our guests.”

Victory Cruise Line chefs will bring exclusive culinary delights to the table with menus of local specialties and fresh fish, when available. The wine selection reflects the routes and never fails to impress with fine wines from the various regions. The Coastal Dining Room serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily from the chef's menu of regionally inspired dishes. The Grill also serves a buffet breakfast and lunch. Guests will also find a variety of healthy dining alternatives that meet their dining needs.

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### **The Tavern**

Share stories and laughter with friends and fellow travelers in this casual comfort of this cozy, English-style tavern. In the early evening, talented musicians bring the ship to life with energetic sing-alongs.

### **The Grill**

Enjoy a dining option that brings the outdoors in, always with fresh selections at The Grill. Serving buffet breakfast, lunch, and seated dinner as it transforms into The Tuscan Stone Grill. Be sure to stop by and try the soft-serve, self-service ice cream machine, available all day!

### **The Coastal Dining Room**

Savor delicious cuisine in the easy elegance of the main dining room, where a professional wait staff serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily from the chef's menu of regionally inspired dishes. Classic delights include Roast Rack of Lamb Dijonnaise or Pan Seared Scallops Provençal, Chicken with Roasted Vegetables or Miso Glazed Atlantic Cod to Roasted Prime Rib of Beef with Creamy Horseradish Sauce.

For the health conscious, or guests with specific diets, guests will find a variety of healthy dining alternatives that meet their dining needs and are still loaded with flavor.

Victory Cruise Lines will mark the inaugural season with a special New England & Canada 2025 Reunion Cruise Portland to Toronto departing April 16, 2025. Hosted by John and Claudette Waggoner, the 10-night cruise through the St. Lawrence Seaway and Canadian Maritimes will reunite friends from past voyages featuring notable guest entertainers including Greg and Lindy Pendzick and Michaelyn Oby.

Victory Cruise Lines voyages along magnificent coastlines, journeys through seaways and lakes, navigates hidden harbors and calls on downtown marinas with ease.

- **Victory Cruise Lines** is the ONLY coastal cruising product on the Great Lakes that docks at Navy Pier in Chicago.
- **Victory Cruise Lines** offers 36 voyages on the Great Lakes in a single season.
- **Victory Cruise Lines** has the MOST coastal cruises in a single season that hit ALL 5 Great Lakes in ONE cruise, 33 voyages.

- **Victory Cruise Lines** is the ONLY coastal cruising product that includes a 1-Night Pre-Cruise Hotel at a premium property plus ground transfers to the ships for ALL voyages.

Great Lakes itineraries feature the following voyages for the 2025 season:

**ULTIMATE GREAT LAKES –All 5 Great Lakes**

**Chicago to Toronto**

**9-Night Cruise, 10-Night Cruise + Pre-Cruise Hotel**

25 Voyages – April through September 2025

Chicago, Illinois; Lake Michigan; Escanaba, Michigan; Mackinac Island, Michigan; Sault Ste. Marie (Soo Locks), Michigan; Lake Superior and Lake Huron; Detroit, Michigan; Lake Erie; Cleveland, Ohio; Niagara Falls (Port Colborne), Ontario; Lake Ontario; Toronto, Ontario

**ULTIMATE GREAT LAKES – All 5 Great Lakes**

**Milwaukee to Toronto**

**9-Night Cruise, 10-Night Cruise + Pre-Cruise Hotel in Chicago**

6 Voyages – May through August 2025

Chicago, Illinois; Transfer to Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Lake Michigan; Escanaba, Michigan; Mackinac Island, Michigan; Sault Ste. Marie (Soo Locks), Michigan; Lake Superior and Lake Huron; Detroit, Michigan; Lake Erie; Cleveland, Ohio; Niagara Falls (Port Colborne), Ontario; Lake Ontario; Toronto, Ontario

**ULTIMATE GREAT LAKES & ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY– All 5 Great Lakes**

**Chicago to Montreal**

**11-Night Cruise, 12-Night Cruise + Pre-Cruise Hotel**

3 Voyages – September and October 2025

Chicago, Illinois; Lake Michigan; Escanaba, Michigan; Mackinac Island, Michigan; Sault Ste Marie (Soo Locks), Michigan; Lake Superior and Lake Huron; Detroit, Michigan; Lake Erie; Cleveland, Ohio; Niagara Falls (Port Colborne), Ontario; Toronto, Ontario; Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence Seaway; Montreal, Quebec

**GREAT LAKES & THUNDER BAY– 2 Great Lakes + Green Bay Overnight**

**Roundtrip Chicago**

**14-Night Cruise, 15-Night Cruise + Pre-Cruise Hotel**

2 Voyages – May and June 2025

Chicago, Illinois; Lake Michigan, Mackinac Island, Michigan; Marquette, Michigan; Houghton, Michigan; Duluth, Minnesota; Thunder Bay, Ontario; Lake Superior; Sault Saint Marie (Soo Locks), Michigan; Lake Michigan; Green Bay, Wisconsin (Overnight); Muskegon, Michigan; Chicago, Illinois

Each Victory Cruise Lines voyage includes 1-night pre-cruise hotel stay with complimentary ground transfers between the hotel and ship and from the ship to the airport; all oceanview accommodations, some with veranda; an included shore excursion in every port from the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland to the Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation in Detroit; acclaimed cuisine for breakfast, lunch and dinner served in multiple venues plus culinary events throughout each cruise; gourmet selections including freshly prepared lobster and regionally-inspired dishes; unlimited beverages including an extensive wine list, choice spirits, local craft beers and specialty coffees; open bars and lounges throughout the vessel; unlimited Wi-Fi; live, daily onboard entertainment and enrichment with our own LakeLorians®; hiking sticks.

Victory Cruise Lines fares are all-inclusive and based on double occupancy from \$5,799 per guest. Fares include Inaugural Season Savings of \$1,000 per guest. Contact your travel advisor or call 1-855-556-7193. Visit [www.VictoryCruiseLines.com](http://www.VictoryCruiseLines.com).

### **About Victory Cruise Lines**

Debuting in April 2025, Victory Cruise Lines® is committed to delighting travelers with the joy of all-inclusive, small ship, coastal cruising on The Great Lakes and Canadian Coasts. Comprised of the *Victory I*® and *Victory II*®, the 190-guest ships are purpose-built to cruise on all five Great Lakes, the St. Lawrence Seaway, and the French-Canadian Maritimes. Service and cuisine. Entertainment and enrichment. Discovery and adventure. Explore legendary lakes and coastal ports showcased with captivating insight and intimate perspectives with Victory Cruise Lines, Discover Beyond®.

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