18 DAYS – FLY TO HALIFAX AND RETURN FROM ST. JOHN'S

Atlantic Canada and Newfoundland

FEATURES A FREE DAY IN CHARLOTTETOWN

Discover the spectacular scenery, historic landmarks, quaint fishing villages and friendly people of Canada's eastern provinces.

ALL CANADIAN



Begin your journey...

by exploring historical Halifax and scenic Peggy's Cove in Nova Scotia. Stop at Hopewell Cape the location of the highest tides in the world, view the Reversing Rapids, visit St. Andrews by the Sea and experience Magnetic Hill in New Brunswick. Cross Confederation Bridge to Prince Edward Island where you find miles of beaches and the best lobster dinners. Enjoy a free day in the beautiful historic city of Charlottetown before returning to Nova Scotia by ferry as you drive along the coast to Cape Breton Island. Travel the scenic Cabot Trail, visit the Alexander Graham Bell Museum, Cape Breton Miners Museum, and Fortress of Louisbourg before boarding the ferry to Newfoundland. Follow the Viking Trail to Gros Morne National Park, a World Heritage Site and a land of magnificent fjord-like lakes and grand vistas. Your journey continues across the heart of the island. Visit the picturesque town of Trinity and Cable Station Provincial Historic Site at Heart's Content as you journey to the capital, St. John's.

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1 **HOME CITIES to HALIFAX:** (3 nights) Travel and Transfer Day. Your *Exciting Holiday* begins with a flight to Halifax, the capital of Nova Scotia. Spend three nights at the centrally located **Hampton Inn** in the heart of downtown. *AIRPORT TRANSFER is included for arrivals on this day only. (See **Included In Your Holiday** for details).

2 **HALIFAX:** A FREE DAY to adjust to Atlantic Daylight Time as you get acquainted with your hotel's amenities and surroundings. Be impressed by the natural beauty of this harbourfront setting. Join your fellow travellers this evening at an informal WELCOME MEET and GREET.

3 **HALIFAX:** Start your day with an introduction to Atlantic Canada's largest city during a GUIDED TOUR including the historic CITADEL. Visit the CANADIAN MUSEUM OF IMMIGRATION at PIER 21, where you have a chance to research the arrival of your ancestors. Pier 21 was the entry point for 1.5 million immigrants, war brides, displaced people, evacuee children and Canadian military personnel from 1928-1971. The call of the ocean and beauty of the sea will lure you to PEGGY'S COVE for a late afternoon visit, the perfect setting for an included MEAL of Fish n'Chips, Nova Scotia-style. With its lighthouse sitting on a massive granite ledge, this cove is a mecca for artists and photographers alike. Return to Halifax for overnight.

4 **HALIFAX to SAINT JOHN**: (2 nights) "Spread your tiny wings and *tour* away" while at the ANNE MURRAY CENTRE in Springhill, hometown of Canada's famous "Snowbird". Enter New Brunswick and stop in HOPEWELL CAPE, location of the highest tides in the world. View the Flower Pot Rocks carved by the Fundy tides. These peculiar formations are forested islands at high tide and resemble flowerpots at low tide. Journey through the scenic FUNDY NATIONAL PARK and continue to Canada's historic Loyalist City, Saint John for two nights. *Accommodation: Harbourfront Hotel Saint John*



5 **SAINT JOHN:** A CITY TOUR of Saint John offers a mix of history, natural beauty, and local culture. Witness the REVERSING RAPIDS where twice daily, the Bay of Fundy's highest tides pour, push and rise, forcing the Saint John River to reverse its direction. Travel to the quaint community of SAINT ANDREWS By-The-Sea and experience the historical charm of Canada's first seaside resort. Established in the 1800's, the town has retained its strong connection to the past through its Victorian-era architecture, earning its designation as one of Canada's National Historic Sites.

6 **SAINT JOHN to CHARLOTTETOWN:** (3 nights) Your morning drive through the rolling hills and dairy region of New Brunswick brings you to MAGNETIC HILL in Moncton. Test your sense of perception on how vehicles coast uphill! Visit the fishing village of SHEDIAC for a photo opportunity with the WORLD'S LARGEST LOBSTER. Cross the Northumberland Strait arriving in Prince Edward Island via CONFEDERATION BRIDGE. This curved, 12.9km (8-mile) long bridge is the longest in the world crossing ice-covered water. Tonight, experience a true "Island Tradition" at an included LOBSTER DINNER (meal options available). *Accommodation: Quality Inn or Hotel on Pownal*

CANADA EAST

7 CHARLOTTETOWN: With a LOCAL GUIDE see the unique sights of the island including GREEN GABLES HERITAGE PLACE, CAVENDISH BEACH and CHARLOTTETOWN. The evening is free to relax or explore on your own. From strolling the waterfront to being entertained at Confederation Centre of the Arts, the options are sure to please.

8 CHARLOTTETOWN: A FREE DAY to enjoy historic Charlottetown! Choose to follow the signs and storyboards of 'tales of old' while exploring historic Great George Street or watch for cruise ships while wandering the waterfront of Confederation Landing Park. Tickle your taste buds along the way with one of many local flavours.

9 CHARLOTTETOWN to BADDECK: Leaving Canada's smallest 'red-soiled' province, travel to Wood Islands and board the FERRY to Caribou on the Nova Scotia mainland. After crossing the deepest causeway in the world, the Strait of Canso, arrive on Cape Breton Island. Continue to the resort town of Baddeck, nestled along the shores of the Bras d'Or Lake. Visit the ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL MUSEUM to explore a collection of exhibits dedicated to the life and work of this famous inventor, who spent much of his life here. Overnight at the historic **Telegraph House**. Appropriately named, as it once housed the office from which the region's very first telegraph messages were sent. Built in 1861, this iconic landmark is still owned and operated by the fifth generation Dunlop family. Savour a taste of Nova Scotia tonight at an included DINNER. Later, join your fellow travellers to enjoy traditional fiddle music, song, stories and dance at a lively CEILIDH.

10 BADDECK to SYDNEY: (2 nights) The spectacular scenery of Cape Breton Island unfolds during a circle tour of the CABOT TRAIL, one of Canada's most scenic drives. Enjoy picture stops and a PICNIC LUNCH as you travel through the HIGHLANDS NATIONAL PARK with its coastal mountain peaks, quaint seaports and rugged coastline. Enjoy a DRIVING TOUR of Sydney on the way to your hotel for overnight. *Accommodation: The Simon Hotel*



Peggy's Cove, Nova Scotia.

11 SYDNEY: Start your day with an underground excursion beneath the Cape Breton MINERS MUSEUM. Guided by a retired coal miner of the Ocean Deeps Colliery this is also home to the famous choir of miners – The Men of the Deeps. After an included LUNCH step back in time to the year 1744 and experience the French FORTRESS OF LOUISBOURG. This National Historic Site is one of the largest reconstructions in North America.

12 SYDNEY via FERRY to PORT AUX BASQUES: Board the MARINE ATLANTIC FERRY in North Sydney for a six-hour crossing to Port aux Basques, Newfoundland for overnight. *Accommodation: St. Christopher's*

13 PORT AUX BASQUES to GROS MORNE to DEER LAKE: Discover some of the world's most spectacular scenery today as you leave the Trans-Canada Highway and travel to GROS MORNE NATIONAL PARK, designated a World Heritage Site. The steep cliffs, deep lakes and quaint fishing villages are a photographer's dream. Tour the park's DISCOVERY CENTRE overlooking beautiful Bonne Bay. Tonight, you are treated to a traditional Newfoundland JIGGS' DINNER at your hotel in Deer Lake. This hearty dish reflects the province's history, culture and connection to the land and the sea. *Accommodation: Deer Lake Horizon Hotel*



14 DEER LAKE to GANDER: Continue to Gander. Known not only as an important refueling stop for military aircraft crossing the Atlantic during World War II, Gander is the town that inspired the now-renowned musical 'Come From Away'. With a LOCAL GUIDE tour the AIRPORT and experience stories of the 9/11 tragedy from those who welcomed the world into their homes. Have fun this evening as you are treated to a unique SCREECH-IN CEREMONY and included DINNER, the traditional "Newfoundland Welcome". *Accommodation: Sinbad's Hotel*

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St. John's, Newfoundland.

15 GANDER to BONAVISTA to CLARENVILLE: Travel through TERRA NOVA NATIONAL PARK the most easterly of Canada's national parks. Leave the Trans-Canada Highway as you travel to the interesting town of BONAVISTA. Enjoy lunch in this beautiful waterfront setting before visiting the RYAN PREMISES National Historic Site which displays the history of the fishery and its impact on early life in this province. Tonight, relax and share your favourite stories among friends during an included DINNER. *Accommodation: Quality Hotel or Clarenville Inn*

16 CLARENVILLE to ST. JOHN'S: (2 nights) Continue on the Trans-Canada Highway and travel east to the Avalon Peninsula. Drive through Heart's Delight and Heart's Desire to the small town of Heart's Content. Visit the Heart's Content CABLE STATION PROVINCIAL HISTORIC SITE, where the first transatlantic cable was landed in 1866. Then travel through the villages of Carbonear and Harbour Grace to St. John's, the provincial capital, for a two-night stay. *Accommodation: Hilton Garden Inn*

17 ST. JOHN'S: A GUIDED CITY TOUR introduces you to one of the oldest European settlements in North America. Drive the Avalon Peninsula to CAPE SPEAR, home of the oldest lighthouse in the province and the most easterly point on the continent. From here you are closer to the British Isles than from anywhere else in North America. The rest of the day is free to shop and sightsee on your own. This evening we invite you to a HOSTED FAREWELL DINNER, the perfect finale to a memorable touring adventure.



18 ST. JOHN'S to HOME CITIES: Return home with fond memories of your Atlantic Canada journey. Arrival time at St. John's Airport is dependent upon flight schedules.

DEPARTURE DATES 2027

18 Days: September 2
September 5 September 8

PRICES TO BE ANNOUNCED

INCLUDED IN YOUR HOLIDAY: •AIRPORT TRANSFERS on **Day 1** – HALIFAX and **Day 18** – ST JOHN'S: at a designated time (Time TBA – subject to flight schedules). *If air travel is arranged prior to, or after tour dates – cost of transfer is at passenger's expense.* •First class transportation on an air-conditioned, washroom-equipped motorcoach •Quality accommodation and tax •Services of an experienced Tour Director and Driver •Baggage handling, one average piece per person •Admission to attractions and sightseeing as outlined in the itinerary •Ferry crossings as indicated •Free day in Halifax •Welcome Meet and Greet •The Citadel •Pier 21 •Peggy's Cove and meal •Anne Murray Centre •Hopewell Cape •Fundy National Park •Reversing Rapids •St. Andrews by the Sea •Magnetic Hill •World's largest lobster at Shediac •Confederation Bridge •Lobster Dinner •Green Gables Heritage Place •Cavendish Beach •Free day in Charlottetown •Alexander Graham Bell Museum •Cape Breton Island Dinner •Ceilidh •Cabot Trail •Picnic Lunch •Cape Breton Highlands National Park •Driving Tour of Sydney area •Cape Breton Miners Museum and Lunch •Fortress of Louisbourg •Gros Morne National Park •Discovery Centre •Jiggs Dinner •Gander Airport •Screech-in Ceremony and Dinner •Terra Nova National Park •Cape Bonavista •Ryan Premises N.H.S •Clarenville Dinner •Cable Station Provincial Historic Site •Cape Spear •Farewell Dinner •Locally Guided City Tours as outlined in the itinerary: Halifax, Saint John, Charlottetown and area, Gander, St. John's. •26 Meals Include: All 17 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 7 Dinners.