GO AHEAD TOURS



Fall Foliage Tour: The Canadian Maritimes

9 days | 12 days with St. John's, Newfoundland extension

Enjoy rural scenery and rugged coastal landscapes as you journey off the beaten path to discover one of Canada's most storied regions. Uncover immigrant history, fascinating Acadian culture, and the tranquil lifestyles of quaint fishing villages as you get to know Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island. Picturesque sea views, small-town charm, and a colorful past collide on this breathtaking trip.



Your tour package includes

8 nights in handpicked hotels
8 breakfasts
1 lunch
4 dinners with beer or wine
1 food tasting
4 sightseeing tours
Expert Tour Director & local guides
Private deluxe motor coach
1 ferry transfer

Included highlights

Maritimes' fall foliage
Halifax Public Gardens
Maple sugar shack visit
Bay of Fundy
Confederation Bridge
Anne of Green Gables Museum
Cape Breton Highlands National Park
Cabot Trail

Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for at least 1.5 hours daily across mostly flat terrain, including unpaved paths with some hills and stairs.

Group size

15–35

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Halifax, Nova Scotia → 2 nights

Day 1: Arrival in Halifax
Welcome to Canada! Transfer to your hotel and get settled in.

Day 2: Sightseeing tour of Halifax
Included meals: breakfast, welcome lunch
Join a kilted local guide and head out on a sightseeing tour of Halifax, a global city that serves as the capital of Nova Scotia.

- Set off on foot to explore the Fairview Lawn Cemetery, where many Titanic victims are buried, and stop at the Victorian-era Halifax Public Gardens *(seasonal, early May–mid-November)*
- Enjoy a guided visit to the Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21, which pays homage to the many immigrants who have shaped Canada's history
- Stroll along the city's large natural harbor

Then, gather with your Tour Director and fellow travelers for a welcome lunch.

Moncton, New Brunswick → 1 night

Day 3: Moncton via Peggy's Cove & Lunenburg
Included meals: breakfast
Travel to the city of Moncton, which serves as a major crossroads at the center of the Maritime provinces, making stops en route.

- Admire stunning coastal scenery at Peggy's Cove, a rural, coastal region in Nova Scotia
- Visit the UNESCO-listed port town of Lunenburg and enjoy free time to explore the charming port town

Continue on to Moncton and enjoy a free evening.

Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island → 2 nights

Day 4: Charlottetown via Hopewell Rocks
Included meals: breakfast, dinner
This morning, stop for a guided tour of the intriguing rock formations called Hopewell Rocks, located in the Bay of Fundy.

- Marvel at the power of tidal erosion as you explore Hopewell Rocks Provincial Park
- Take in views of beaches and covered bridges during a photo stop at Mary's Point, a sanctuary for shorebird species and home to internationally recognized wetlands
- Enjoy free time to explore the Bay of Fundy, a natural wonder that boasts the largest tidal change in the world, where you can walk on the ocean floor during low tide

Please note: It's only possible to walk on the ocean floor during low tide.
Later, cross the Confederation Bridge to Prince Edward Island.

- Marvel at this feat of engineering, which crosses the Abegweit Passage and is the longest bridge to span ice-covered water
- Make your way to Charlottetown, the capital of Prince Edward Island and home to a variety of historic buildings

Attend an authentic Acadian cultural show this evening. You'll hear traditional music as you enjoy an included dinner during the interactive experience.

Day 5: Kensington & Cavendish Beach
Included meals: breakfast
Get to know some of Prince Edward Island's charming sights on a guided tour.

- Make a short trip to the town of Kensington, the Heart of Prince Edward Island
- Visit the Anne of Green Gables Museum located on Campbell Farm
- Explore the property, which served as the inspiration for L.M. Montgomery's famous novel
- Enter the Confederation Centre of the Arts which celebrates Canada's origins and evolution through the arts and learning experiences
- Transfer to Cavendish Beach, which runs for almost five miles along the Gulf of Saint Lawrence
- Marvel at red dunes and breathe in fresh sea air as you stroll along the boardwalks

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Cape Breton Region, Nova Scotia → 2 nights

Day 6: Transfer to Cape Breton Island
Included meals: breakfast, dinner
Continue on to Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia. En route, make a brief transfer to Wood Islands, a fishing area on Prince Edward Island. Then, board a ferry to Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

- Disembark from the ferry in Caribou, a rural area on the Northumberland Strait
- Stop in the coastal town of Pictou, the first place Scottish immigrants landed in the late 1700s
- Transfer to the village of Baddeck, located along the shore of the Bras d'Or Lake on Cape Breton Island and noted as the starting and ending point of the Cabot Trail
- Visit the Alexander Graham Bell National Historic Site, which pays homage to the life and work of the famous inventor

Sit down for an included dinner in Baddeck this evening.
Please note: The ferry from Wood Islands, Prince Edward Island to Pictou County, Nova Scotia is seasonal and cannot be guaranteed on all departures.

Day 7: Sightseeing tour of Cape Breton Highlands National Park
Included meals: breakfast, lunch
Follow your Tour Director as you enjoy a sightseeing tour of Cape Breton Highlands National Park.

- Drive up to Cheticamp, a fishing town located on the Cabot Trail, and enjoy an included lunch
- Enjoy breathtaking views of oceans and mountains as you journey north along the Cabot Trail through Cape Breton Highlands National Park
- Make scenic photo stops at Neil's Harbour and Ingonish Beach as you drive through the park

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Halifax Region, Nova Scotia → 1 night

Day 8: Halifax Region via Sugar Moon Farm & the Grand-Pré National Historic Site
Included meals: breakfast, tasting, farewell dinner

Drive back to mainland Nova Scotia, making several stops along the way.

- Visit Sugar Moon Farm and learn the full process on a tour of the grounds from growing healthy maple trees to harvesting, and producing maple products
- Enjoy a tasting of the iconic Canadian treat, sugar-on-snow
- Enter the UNESCO-listed Grand-Pré National Historic Site to learn about Acadian history along the way.

Later, marvel at beautiful coastal scenery as you continue on to the Halifax region. Then, celebrate your trip with your fellow travelers at a farewell dinner.

Flight Home

Day 9: Departure
Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)
Transfer to the airport for your flight home or extend your stay to visit St. John's, Newfoundland.

+ St. John's, Newfoundland extension

St. John's one of the oldest cities in North America, but this scenic port city still boasts a decidedly modern vibe. After a short flight, set out on a sightseeing tour to discover this delightfully distinct Canadian capital.

St. John's, Newfoundland → 3 nights

Day 9: Flight to St. John's
Included meals: breakfast
Fly to St. John's, the capital of the province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Day 10: Sightseeing tour of St. John's
Included meals: breakfast
Enjoy a panoramic bus tour of St. John's today.

- Pass Government House and the mid-19th-century Basilica of St. John the Baptist
- Take in stunning views of the city during a photo stop at Signal Hill, which is surrounded by 17th-century fortifications and is the site of Cabot Tower
- Transfer to Cape Spear, the most easterly point in North America, and walk along a stunning cliffside trail to the Cape Spear Lighthouse

Spend free time in St. John's or add an excursion.
+ Quidi Vidi Village & Dinner

Day 11: Free day in St. John's
Included meals: breakfast
Spend a free day in St. John's.
This evening, enjoy a farewell drink as you celebrate your trip with your fellow group members.

Flight Home

Day 12: Departure
Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)
Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save $10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: **goaheadtours.com/CNL | 1-800-597-0350**

Extension excursion options

Day 10: Quidi Vidi Village & Dinner
$89/$99* (3.5 hours, departs in the afternoon, dinner included)
Stroll the streets of the charming Quidi Vidi Village, a historic fishing town located along Newfoundland and Labrador's northeastern coast. Pay a visit to the Plantation Craft Studios where you can watch local artisans create a variety of handmade items, from pottery to woodcut prints, and take some trinkets home for yourself. Continue on to The Rooms museum and enjoy free time to explore the many exhibits that highlight the region's history, culture, artwork, and wildlife. Then, sit down at a local restaurant for an included dinner served with beer or wine.

*Optional excursions may be purchased up to three days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within three days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. GAT accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour. Learn more at goaheadtours.com/terms