

Ottawa Valley Tours®

MOTORCOACH HOLIDAYS

Newfoundland & Labrador - 2024

13 Days

Max: 46 Pax: May 31-June 12 | June 7-19 | June 28-July 10 | July 19-31 |
August 9-21 | August 16-28 | September 6-18

Max: 26 Pax: June 21-July 3 | July 12-24 | August 2-14 | August 30-September 11

This comprehensive tour features the best of “the Far East of the Western World.” Travel from the northern most tip of the island of Newfoundland to the most easterly point in North America through national parks - including Gros Morne, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Learn of ancient peoples - the Maritime Archaic, Vikings and Basques - as you travel to coastal fishing communities to meet the friendly and hospitable people of today. Boat tours provide the opportunity to see whales, thousands of seabirds, and, depending on the time of the year, icebergs! Sample local food and drink to become an honorary “Newfoundlander.”

Day 1 – Arrive Halifax, NS

Arrive in **Halifax** and check in to your accommodations which are ideally located in the downtown core of this vibrant and cosmopolitan urban centre on the Atlantic Ocean. Meet our Tour Director or Driver/Guide and fellow travelers this evening at a **Meet & Greet**.

***Option:** You may wish to add additional nights in Halifax to your vacation package. Bursting with culture and rich history, Nova Scotia’s capital city has much to offer.*

Day 2 – Halifax to Port aux Basques, NL

Travel via Truro and Antigonish to cross over the Canso Causeway to **Cape Breton Island**. At **North Sydney**, board the Marine Atlantic ferry for a relaxing overnight crossing to **Port aux Basques**, your port of entry on the island of **Newfoundland**. (**Continental Breakfast, Dinner**)

Day 3 – Port aux Basques to Port au Choix

Drive through the Codroy Valley and through **Gros Morne National Park** - to be enjoyed later on during your tour - to the fishing community of **Port au Choix** to learn of ancient cultures. The **Port au Choix Peninsula** juts slightly out into the Gulf of

St. Lawrence on Newfoundland’s northwest coast and people have lived here for 5,500 years. (**Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**)

Day 4 – Port au Choix to L’Anse au Clair

Board the **ferry** from St. Barbe to cross the **Strait of Belle Isle to Labrador**. Continue to **Red Bay National Historic Site**, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, where the Basques had a whaling station in the 16th century. This mystical place takes the essence of Labrador coastal living and transposes it onto a tapestry of rich culture and history. Spend the night in Labrador. (**Breakfast, Dinner**)

Day 5 – L’Anse au Clair to St. Anthony

Return to Newfoundland and travel to **L’Anse aux Meadows National Historic Site**, the first cultural discovery in the world to receive recognition as a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**. Hear of the Vikings who walked here over a thousand years ago before continuing on to your St. Anthony accommodations for the night. (**Breakfast, Dinner**)

Day 6 – St. Anthony to Cow Head

Enjoy a morning **whale watching boat tour** in St. Anthony before travelling to **Cow Head** in **Gros Morne National Park** for a two-night stay. **(Breakfast, Dinner)**

Note: June and early July are the best time to see Titanic-size icebergs.

Day 7 – Gros Morne Touring

Discover why **Gros Morne National Park**, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, is truly one of the highlights of your trip with a **scenic boat tour** on **Bonne Bay**; be on the look-out for the **bald eagles** that frequent the deep waters of the fjord. Also visit the **Tablelands**; this mountain of flat-topped rock of a kind usually found only deep in the earth's mantle is an awe-inspiring sight. Today will be an unforgettable experience; some say the scenery that **Gros Morne** offers is unequalled in **Eastern Canada**.

(Breakfast, Boxed Lunch, Dinner)

Option: Passengers may request on booking to take a scenic boat tour on Western Brook Pond and visit the Broom Point Fishing Premises in lieu of the scenic boat tour on Bonne Bay and visit to the Tablelands. While some may consider the boat tour on Western Brook Pond to be a superior outing, please note that there is a 45-minute walk (3 km/2 miles) from the parking lot to the dock and a 45-minute walk back. This option must be requested on booking.

Day 8 – Cow Head to Gander

Have your camera ready as your time in **Gros Morne National Park** draws to a close. Travel through **Central Newfoundland** on to **Gander**, famous as the basis of the hit Broadway Musical, **Come From Away**; learn about the hospitality and generosity of the local residents during the aftermath of the September 11, 2001 attacks when 38 airplanes unexpectedly landed there. Also visit the **North Atlantic Aviation Museum** which hosts a variety of artifacts and displays chronicling Gander's role in the development of transatlantic aviation. **(Breakfast)**

Day 9 – Gander to Clarenville

A scenic drive along the rocky coast of **Notre Dame Bay** leads to the beautiful outport of **Twillingate** where you will visit **Long Point Lighthouse** and the **Prime Berth Fishery &**

Heritage Centre. Keep your camera close at hand for wildlife as you drive through **Terra Nova National Park** and on to **Clarenville**, your home for the next two nights. **(Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)**

Day 10 – Bonavista & Trinity Touring

Today you will experience two quaint, historic towns. First, visit **Bonavista**, where John Cabot first arrived in North America in 1497. Learn about the hard life of the light keepers at **Cape Bonavista Lighthouse Provincial Historic Site** before continuing on to charming **Trinity**. Stroll the lanes and explore the many **historic buildings** preserved from the 18th century. **(Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)**

Day 11 – Clarenville to St. John's

Continue on to the intriguing old seaport of **St. John's**, your home for the next two nights. North America's oldest city and Newfoundland's capital boasts a stunning location in the granite cliffs and slopes of the **Avalon Peninsula**. Enjoy a **city tour** featuring the Victorian architecture of the downtown area, the busy modern waterfront, the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Confederation Building, and the panoramic view from **Signal Hill**. **(Breakfast, Dinner)**

Day 12 – Local Touring

This morning, visit **Bay Bulls** for one of the highlights of your trip, a **boat tour** in the **Witless Bay Ecological Reserve** to search for **puffins** and other seabirds. Next is a visit to the most easterly point in North America, **Cape Spear National Historic Site**. The afternoon is yours to explore St. John's at your leisure. **(Breakfast)**

Day 13 – Depart St. John's

Arrangements end upon check-out from your hotel. Airport Transfer from your hotel to the airport. **(Breakfast)**

This tour is operated in conjunction with Atlantic Tours.

Your Ultimate Holiday Experience Includes:

- Transportation aboard deluxe motorcoach from Halifax to St. John's
- Return airport transfer from Halifax airport to Halifax hotel and from St. John's hotel to St. John's airport
- 12 nights accommodation
- 11 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 9 dinners
- Gros Morne National Park - UNESCO World Heritage site
- Strait of Belle Isle Ferry to/from Labrador
- Red Bay (Labrador) National Historic site
- L'Anse Aux Meadows UNESCO World Heritage site
- Whale watching boat tour
- Twillingate
- Long Point Lighthouse

- Terra Nova National Park
- Bonavista and Trinity
- Guided tour of St. John's
- Cape Spear National Historic site
- Sea bird watching boat tour
- Bellman's gratuities for one piece of luggage
- Escorted from Halifax
- All taxes

Cost Per Person:

	Max. 46 Pax	Max: 26 Pax
Twin	\$5839	\$6877
Single	\$7195	\$8348

Not Included:

- Return transportation from Ottawa/Halifax and St. John's/ Ottawa - Best available airfares can be arranged at time of booking.

\$250.00 Deposit at time of booking/Balance 60 Days prior to departure

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