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DAY 1

Destination	Halifax
Meals included	
Accommodation	N/A

Arrive in Halifax and transfer independently to your centrally-located hotel in this vibrant and cosmopolitan urban centre on the Atlantic Ocean. Meet your tour director and fellow travellers this evening at a welcome reception. Overnight in Halifax.

DAY 2

Destination	Halifax  Moncton
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Explore the Bay of Fundy and learn about the world's highest tides as we travel its colourful coastline to New Brunswick's bilingual city of Moncton. En route, we visit the Joggins Fossil Cliffs, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. See magnificently exposed layers of rock revealing the world's most complete fossil record of life in the "Coal Age" of 300 million years ago. After crossing into New Brunswick, an unforgettable culinary experience awaits as we cruise the warm waters of Shediac Bay aboard a lobster boat. Learn about the fishing industry and savour a delicious lobster supper. Arrive in Moncton later in the day. Overnight in Moncton. Continental breakfast, lunch and dinner included.

DAY 3

Destination	Moncton  St John
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch
Accommodation	N/A

Experience a true natural wonder this morning as we visit the Hopewell Rocks on the coast of the Bay of Fundy. Marvel at these massive flower-pot shaped formations sculpted by the highest tides on the planet. We travel through Fundy National Park on to Saint John on the southern New Brunswick coast. After a city tour including the Reversing Falls, we check into our hotel for the evening. Overnight in Saint John. Breakfast, lunch included.

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DAY 4

Destination	St John
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch
Accommodation	N/A

Today we enjoy a day trip to picturesque St. Andrews by-the Sea where the quaint charm of this coastal town captivates every visitor. After a whale watching boat tour (weather permitting), the afternoon is yours at leisure to experience the friendly people, beautiful architecture, and rich marine life of this seaside gem at your own pace before we return to Saint John. Overnight in Saint John. Breakfast and lunch included.

DAY 5

Destination	St John 🚢 Annapolis Valley
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Enjoy free time in Saint John this morning before we take the ferry back to Nova Scotia; be on the look-out for whales as we cross the Bay of Fundy. Arrive in Digby, the scallop capital of the world, where the fresh sea air and passionate Acadian culture combine to form an enchanting and historically rich town. Overnight in Annapolis Valley. Breakfast and dinner included.

DAY 6

Destination	Annapolis Valley 🚢 Halifax
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Today we depart for Halifax, taking time to learn about the French Acadians who established their first settlement in the early 1600's. We enjoy a local winery tour and tasting before arriving in Halifax for the evening. Overnight in Halifax. Breakfast included.

DAY 7

Destination	Halifax
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


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A day of local touring awaits! Discover the rustic charm of the renowned fishing village of Peggy's Cove where we will enjoy breakfast. Afterwards we journey along Nova Scotia's South Shore to the UNESCO World Heritage Town of Lunenburg, home to fleets of Grand Banks fishing schooners. Take a walking tour to fully experience one of the most remarkably preserved colonial settlements in the New World, and visit the Fisheries Museum of the Atlantic to learn about the town's famous seafaring heritage. Overnight in Halifax. Breakfast and dinner included.

DAY 8

Destination	Halifax  Charlottetown
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


En route to the bridge crossing to Prince Edward Island, we learn about Mi'kmaq culture at the Glooscap Heritage Centre & Mi'kmaq Museum. Once only accessible by ferry, we cross over to Prince Edward Island via the Confederation Bridge - the world's longest continuous multi-span bridge. We are treated to true Maritime hospitality this evening at a traditional hall-style lobster supper before checking into our hotel for the evening. Overnight in Charlottetown. Breakfast and dinner included

DAY 9

Destination	Charlottetown
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Enjoy a free morning in Charlottetown or join a complimentary walking tour of the city. This afternoon, our tour of the island drives by red cliffs, white beaches, gently sloping sand dunes and green fields as we make our way to Prince Edward Island National Park. Before returning to Charlottetown, we visit Green Gables Heritage Site, the alluring inspiration of Lucy Maud Montgomery's classic Anne of Green Gables books. We take in a theatre performance this evening by local entertainers at the Confederation Centre of the Arts (a substitution activity may be necessary due to the theatre schedule.) Overnight in Charlottetown. Breakfast included.

DAY 10

Destination	Charlottetown  Baddeck
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

After breakfast we board a ferry to cross over the Northumberland Strait back to Nova Scotia and proceed to 'the Scotland of North America', Cape Breton Island via the Canso Causeway. We visit the Alexander Graham Bell National

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Historic Site in Baddeck to learn about the many accomplishments of this genius who made his home on the island. Afterwards, we arrive at the Bras d'Or Lake and check into our hotel for the evening. Overnight in Baddeck. Breakfast and dinner included.

DAY 11

Destination	Baddeck
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Today's journey takes us along one of the most stunningly picturesque drives in North America. The Cabot Trail winds around the rocky splendor of Cape Breton's northern shore, ascending to the incredible plateaus of Cape Breton Highlands National Park. Look-outs offer unforgettable vistas of Cape Breton's rugged coastline, creating perfect photo opportunities. Afterwards, we travel to the coast where we enjoy a whale watching boat tour (weather permitting) before returning to Baddeck for the evening. Overnight in Baddeck. Breakfast, picnic lunch and dinner included.

DAY 12

Destination	Baddeck 🚢 Port Aux Basques
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Today we travel to Fortress of Louisbourg National Historic Site - a reconstruction depicting the settlement of 1744 New France. In North Sydney we board a Marine Atlantic Ferry for a relaxing overnight crossing to Port-Aux- Basques, your port of entry into Newfoundland. Overnight on board ferry, Breakfast and dinner included. Depending on the ferry schedule, passengers may overnight in Port- Aux-Basques (Hotel: St. Christopher's Hotel).

DAY 13

Destination	Port Aux Basques 🚗 Port Au Choix
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Drive through the Cordroy Valley, framed by the Long Range Mountains, the Anguille Mountains, and the shores of the Atlantic Ocean. Our journey continues through Gros Morne National Park and into the fishing community of Port au Choix where we check into our hotel. Overnight on Port au Choix. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner included.

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DAY 14

Destination	Port Au Choix 🚢 Lanse Au Clair
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Today we board a ferry at St. Barbe and cross the Strait of Belle Island on our way to Labrador. We visit Red Bay National Historic Site, location of a Basque whaling station in the 16th century. Overnight in L'Anse au Clair. Breakfast and dinner included.

DAY 15

Destination	Lanse au Claire 🚗 St Anthony
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

We return to Newfoundland and travel to L'Anse aux Meadows National Historic Site, an archaeological site marking the earliest known European settlement in North America. Now a protected UNESCO World Heritage Site, additional exhibits also showcase Viking artifacts and give a fascinating glimpse into the Viking lifestyle. Overnight in St. Anthony. Breakfast and dinner included.

DAY 16

Destination	St Anthony 🚗 Cow Head
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

This morning (weather-permitting) we take a whalewatching boat tour hoping for sightings of these giant marine mammals. During certain summer months titanic-sized icebergs can also be spotted. Don't forget your camera! We then continue on to Cow Head, our destination for the night. Overnight in Cow Head. Breakfast and dinner included.

DAY 17

Destination	Cow Head 🚗 Gander
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Today we'll visit Gros Morne National Park, offering a rich variety of scenery, wildlife, and recreational activities. We

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embark on a scenic boat tour (weather permitting) where we'll learn about the geology of the Tablelands, see the whales and bald eagles that frequent the deep waters of the fjord, and engage in the history of the small villages nestled along the shores. Overnight in Cow Head. Breakfast, boxed lunch and dinner included.

DAY 18

Destination	Gander
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Travel through central Newfoundland towards Gander. Arrive in Gander where we'll check into the hotel for a relaxing evening. Overnight in Gander. Breakfast and dinner included.

DAY 19

Destination	Gander 🚗 Twillingate
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

A scenic drive along the coast of Notre Dame Bay leads us to the beautiful town of Twillingate. At the tip of the island we visit the Long Point Lighthouse and local co-op. Back in Gander, we visit the North Atlantic Aviation Museum. Overnight in Gander. Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.

DAY 20

Destination	Gander 🚗 Clarenville
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch
Accommodation	N/A

Our route today takes us along the Trans Canada Highway and through Terra Nova National Park, the most easterly of Canada's national parks. Keep an eye out for a variety of wildlife! We visit Cape Bonavista Lighthouse Provincial Park and the charming town of Trinity. Overnight at Clarenville. Breakfast and lunch included.

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DAY 21

Destination	Clarenville 🚗 St Johns
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

We continue on to the intriguing old seaport of St. John's, our 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. We 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. Overnight in St. John's. Breakfast and dinner included.

DAY 22

Destination	St Johns
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

This morning, we travel to Bay Bulls for one of the highlights of the programme - a boat tour in the Witless Bay Ecological Reserve (weather permitting) to search for puffins and other seabirds. Afterwards we visit Cape Spear National Historic Site, the most easterly point in North America. The afternoon is at leisure to further explore the neighbourhoods and delights of St. John's. Overnight in St. John's. Breakfast included.

DAY 23

Destination	St Johns
Meals included	
Accommodation	N/A

Time for last-minute shopping and farewells. Individual transfer to St. John's Airport in time to check in for your return flight.

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Inclusions

WHAT'S INCLUDED

English-speaking local Atlantic tour director throughout dressed in traditional kilt
First-class (or best available) accommodation
Baggage handling (1 piece per person)
Experienced tour driver
3 Whale Watching Boat Tours
44 Meals including 2 lobster dinners
In depth sightseeing as per the itinerary

Fine Print

HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS

Deposit & Payments

Book now and secure your package with only a \$250 deposit per person.
Pay a 2nd instalment of \$2123 per person within 28 days.
You will then be invoiced for final payment 90 days prior to departure.
Booking Process

Select the purple 'Reserve Your Seat' tab to begin your booking (you must 'Sign Up' first by entering your email and creating a password)
Then select the purple 'Book now' tab of the tour you have selected
Select your Departure Date, Departure City, Number of Passengers, Room Configuration, any Upgrade Options, and enter any Special Requests
Click the purple 'Proceed to Secure Checkout' tab
Enter your credit card or PayPal details to secure your deposit/payment. You may also pay via BPAY (not available within 70 days of departure)
Once your order is complete, you will be prompted to complete a Booking Form so that we can fulfil your booking
Your booking is confirmed once your Booking Form is submitted and you can begin the countdown to your Inspiring Vacation!

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EXCLUSIONS

International Airfares
Personal Expenses
Travel Insurance
Optional activities
Anything not mentioned in the itinerary or optional
Tipping/Gratuities

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Accommodation
The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences, however, any changes are beyond our control.

Single Supplement
A single supplement is available on all nights of this trip from an extra \$2525 subject to availability.

Triple Share
Not available.

Children
Children must be 5 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are charged the same price as adults.

Tour Documentation
Final documentation will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

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HOTEL LIST

Halifax - Cambridge Suites (or similar)
Moncton - Crowne Plaze Downtown (or similar)
St John - Hilton St John (or similar)
Digby County - Digby Pines Golf Resort (or similar)
Charlottetown - Rodd Charlottetown (or similar)
Baddeck - Inverary Resort (or similar)
Port Au Choix - Sea Echo Motel (or similar)
Lanse Au Clair - Northern Light Inn (or similar)
Cow Head - Shallow Bay Hotel (or similar)
Clareville - Quality Hotel (or similar)
St Johns (Last 2 nights) - Delta Hotel by Marriott (or similar)

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