



## CANADA

# EASTERN HIGHLIGHTS BY RAIL (TOUR CODE: 11622)

### STARTS AND ENDS

Toronto to  
Montreal

### TRAVEL PERIODS

22 Apr 25 - 05 Apr 26

### EXPERIENCE

Rail

### TRAVEL STYLE

Rail Holiday Packages

Prepare to fall in love with Canada's eastern cities, where you can admire the history and culture on this exciting 10-day rail journey.

## Highlights

- Enjoy a full-day tour to the Niagara Peninsula, including the Hornblower Cruise at Niagara Falls
- Discover the culinary delights of French Canadian cuisine
- Perfect for those seeking an authentic train trip in Eastern Canada, filled with stunning scenery and eclectic culture
- Explore the numerous museums, galleries and boutiques in charming Ottawa

If you want to see the major points of attraction in Eastern Canada and experience the different lifestyles in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, then this is the programme for you. VIA Rail's train system connects Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec City, and you will see Canada's most populous region by travelling comfortably in VIA Rail's modern rail cars. You will experience the exciting ambiance of multicultural Toronto before you visit world-famous Niagara Falls to marvel at its natural spectacle.

Soon you will be on your way through rural Ontario to see the nation's capital. Don't miss the numerous museums, galleries and boutiques in charming Ottawa! Then hop back on the train and head for the Laurentians and the provincial capital. You will discover Quebec City with its historic heart, European flavour and distinct French-Canadian character. Your final destination will be bustling Montreal for an unforgettable impression of the modern French-Canadian lifestyle with a historic flair.



- ✓ ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period
- ✓ ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ✓ ENTIRE On Ground Support
- ✓ ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ✓ ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ✓ ENTIRE Australian Owned

## INCLUSIONS

- 3 nights in Toronto at the Chelsea Hotel
- 2 nights in Ottawa at the Ottawa Marriott Hotel
- 2 nights in Quebec City at the Hotel Chateau Laurier
- 2 nights in Montreal at the Sens Hotel Montreal
- Business Class Rail from Toronto to Ottawa
- Business Class Rail from Ottawa to Quebec City
- Business Class Rail from Quebec City to Montreal
- Hop-on, hop-off sightseeing tour of Toronto
- CN Tower admission
- Full day excursion to Niagara Falls including lunch
- Ottawa 1-Day City Pass (seasonal)
- 2-hour sightseeing tour of Quebec City
- 3-hour sightseeing tour of Montreal (seasonal)

## ITINERARY

Day **1**

### Toronto

Arrive in Toronto's International Airport and transfer independently to your downtown hotel for a three-night stay. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore Canada's commercial and cultural centre.

Overnight in Toronto at the **Chelsea Hotel** (or similar)



TORONTO | CREDIT: DESTINATION TORONTO

Day **2**

## Toronto

Enjoy the freedom of a hop-on, hop-off city tour conducted by a friendly and knowledgeable tour guide, educating you on the fun facts and history of Toronto with stops at/near all major hotels in the downtown area with this 1-day pass. Admission to the CN Tower, standing 335.33 metres tall, is included. Ride the glass-fronted elevators to the top and take in unforgettable views of Toronto and Lake Ontario. The remainder of the day is free for independent exploration, shopping or simple relaxation.

Overnight in Toronto at the **Chelsea Hotel** (or similar)



NATHAN PHILLIPS SQUARE TORONTO | CREDIT: DESTINATION TORONTO

Day **3**

## Toronto Niagara Falls Toronto

Enjoy a full-day sightseeing excursion to Niagara Falls. The route takes you through the lush fruit growing district and wine region of the Niagara Peninsula. Marvel at the spectacle of the famous Niagara Falls and step aboard the Niagara City Cruises by Hornblower Voyage to the Falls Boat Tour\* for a fantastic boat trip to the foot of the Horseshoe Falls. You will have ample time at the Falls to take pictures and admire the thundering waters or stroll into town. Highlights include a meal

and a trip along the beautiful Niagara Parkway, which winds its way along the Niagara Gorge. Pass through the historic community of Niagara-on-the-Lake before returning to Toronto for the evening.

*\*Full-day excursion to Niagara Falls including lunch and Niagara City Cruises by Hornblower Voyage to the Falls Boat Tour substituted by "Journey Behind the Falls" in off season.*

Overnight in Toronto at the **Chelsea Hotel** (or similar)

Lunch



Day 4

## Toronto Ottawa | VIA Rail

This morning, transfer independently to Union Station to board VIA Rail's The Corridor train to Ottawa. You will be passing quaint little towns along Lake Ontario, the historic city of Kingston and the Thousand Islands region. As of Brockville, you'll be travelling straight north into the direction of the capital region. Upon arrival in Ottawa, the remainder of the day is free to explore the charms of Canada's capital city. Take a stroll along the famous Rideau Canal (designated by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site) or discover what the bustling Byward Market has to offer.

Overnight in Ottawa at the **Ottawa Marriott Hotel** (or similar)



## Ottawa

Enjoy a hop-on, hop-off panoramic sightseeing tour of Ottawa\* today. You will see the Parliament Buildings, Embassy Row, the Royal Canadian Mint, the National Gallery of Canada, the National Aviation Museum, the residence of the Prime Minister and Governor-General, the RCMP Museum and Stables, the National Arts Centre and much more. You will drive through scenic gardens and parklands and along the Rideau Canal. This comprehensive sightseeing tour is special as it allows you to step on and off at any of the stops along the route to fully experience the charming nation's capital. The remainder of the day is free to explore the city's many museums, galleries and boutiques.

*\*If the sightseeing tour is not operating, it will be substituted with admission to the Canadian Museum of History and War. 1-day pass city tour (April 27 to October 27) or admission to the History and War Museum Ottawa/Hull (April 22 to 26 & October 28 to April 5).*

Overnight in Ottawa at the **Ottawa Marriott Hotel** (or similar)



## Ottawa Quebec City | VIA Rail

Today is your departure from Ottawa to Quebec City on board VIA Rail's The Corridor. You'll be leaving the capital region of Ottawa behind and heading for the Laurentians. Past Montreal, the train will be riding along the southern shore of the St Lawrence River passing charming little towns and villages in the beautiful French-Canadian countryside. The remainder of the day is at your leisure to explore fascinating Quebec City and experience its energetic nightlife.

Overnight in Quebec City at the **Hotel Chateau Laurier Quebec**



Day 7

## Quebec City

Today you will explore historic and modern Quebec City on a morning sightseeing tour. Quebec City is the only city in North America with city walls and gates earning it a United Nations World Heritage Site distinction in 1985. Discover the historical treasures and wonderful “joie de vivre” atmosphere of Quebec. Your guide provides narration while you see the Latin Quarter, the Plains of Abraham, the Fortifications, the National Assembly, Place Royale, the Basilica and many more points of interest. The rest of the day is at your leisure to further explore the city or indulge at one of many fine restaurants.

Overnight in Quebec City at the **Hotel Chateau Laurier Quebec**



Day 8

## Quebec City Montreal | VIA Rail

Hop on the train today for a short ride to Montreal. This time, you'll be travelling along the northern shore of the St. Lawrence River passing historic Trois-Rivières and charming Cap-de-la-Madeleine with its national shrine to the Virgin Mary. Upon reaching the bustling metropolis of Montreal, prepare for an afternoon of exploring the second largest French-speaking city after Paris. Walk down lively St. Catherine Street with its numerous shops and cafés. Sample the fine cuisine

and exuberant nightlife!

Overnight in Montreal at the **Sens Hotel Montreal** (or similar)



MONTREAL | CREDIT: STÉPHAN POULIN TOURISM MONTRÉAL

Day **9**

## Montreal

Today, you will be going on a 3-hour sightseeing tour of Montreal\* . You will see numerous highlights, such as the Notre Dame Basilica, the financial and residential districts, historic Old Montreal, the charming Latin Quarter and much more. You will visit the Olympic Complex, travel through the campus of McGill University and savour the panoramic views from an observation point on top of Mont Royal.

*\*For departures from October 28 to April 5, passengers will have a free day in Montreal.*

Overnight in Montreal at the **Sens Hotel Montreal** (or similar)



MONTREAL | CREDIT: EVABLUÉ TOURISM MONTRÉAL

Day **10**

## Montreal

Your journey comes to an end today after your hotel check out.

## ACCOMMODATION

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### Chelsea Hotel

#### Toronto

Modern hotel located downtown close to shopping, dining, and public transit, just a 2 minute walk to the Eaton Centre, and a 10 minute walk to the Art Gallery of Ontario. Chelsea Hotel features 27 floors with elevator, 3 restaurants, bar, indoor pool, waterslide, fitness centre, sauna, whirlpool, children's activity centre.



### Ottawa Marriott Hotel

#### Ottawa

Experience modern style and sincere service at the Ottawa Marriott Hotel, set in the lively downtown district of Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. The hotel is located right by the new Lyon station and is two stops from the Rideau Shopping Centre, Shaw Centre and ByWard Market. Explore Parliament Hill, the Rideau Canal and the National Gallery of Canada, all within walking distance from the hotel. Additional perks include the health club with an indoor pool and gym and the hotel's family-friendly Kid's Club and Game Room. Make yourself at home in the smartly designed rooms and suites, featuring complimentary Wi-Fi, plush bedding, a Keurig™ coffee maker and downtown Ottawa views.





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## Hotel Chateau Laurier Quebec

### Quebec City

The Hotel Château Laurier Québec, a third-generation family business, is an award-winning four-star establishment located in the front row of the nation's capital. The hotel has 271 rooms, 17 meeting rooms, the restaurant at St. Hubert, an indoor saltwater pool, a Finnish sauna, 2 outdoor spas year-round (scheduled according to the seasons), a fitness room, a treatment room, and a four-season indoor garden. Classic, luxurious and contemporary, the hotel's rooms and suites will be that peaceful space, conducive to the rest that you are looking for.



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## Sens Hotel Montreal

### Montreal

Uncover downtown Montreal in style at Le Méridien Versailles. At this classic yet modern boutique hotel near College de Montreal, McGill University, Concordia University, and the University of Montreal, feed your passion for discovering local art, culture and cuisine. Step outside to find yourself surrounded by the glitz and glamour of the Golden Square Mile, with cultural gems, chic shops and restaurants and beautiful architecture beckoning from all directions. Guest rooms and suites blend trendy yet true-to-their-locale décor with carefully considered luxuries like plush, pillowtop bedding, thoughtfully stocked minibars and Pharmacopia bath amenities. Infuse your Montreal Canada visit with an element of surprise at a hotel offering something more than meets the eye.



# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

French & English

## LOCAL CURRENCY

Canadian Dollars

- Blackout dates may apply during festive season. Departures are not available due to Ottawa Race Weekend, Grand Prix in Montreal, Osheaga Festival in Montreal and Canada Day blackouts.
- Sightseeing tours are seasonal and may be replaced with alternative options depending on the chosen departure date.

## Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package