



CANADA

ATLANTIC MARITIMES BY VIA RAIL (TOUR CODE: 12551)

STARTS AND ENDS

Montreal to
Halifax

TRAVEL PERIODS

01 May 24 - 14 Oct 24

EXPERIENCE

Rail

TRAVEL STYLE

Rail Packages

Discover the rich history and cultural diversity of Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, and Charlottetown during an 8-day VIA Rail expedition that showcases the best of these vibrant destinations.

Highlights

- Perfect for those seeking an authentic rail excursion in Eastern Canada, filled with stunning scenery and eclectic culture
- Full day tour from Montreal to Quebec City & Montmorency Falls
- Freedom of choice excursions in Montreal, Charlottetown, and Halifax
- Learn and discover the wonders of historic Old Montréal
- Cross the longest continuous multi-span Confederation Bridge in the world
- Enjoy the bustling harbours along Green Gables Shore, the inspiration of Lucy Maud Montgomery's classic books

Discover the wonders of Montreal, Quebec City, Charlottetown, and Halifax on this 8-day rail excursion. On a journey with VIA Rail through the provinces of Atlantic and Maritime, discover Canada in a way you've never experienced it before. Enjoy your choice of excursion in Montreal and Charlottetown as you observe the varied landscapes shift from metropolitan cities to eccentric communities. Every minute is as exciting as the next, whether walking through the neighbourhood grocery store or sailing about looking for lobster.



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

INCLUSIONS

- 2 nights in Montreal at Le Germain Hotel
- 2 nights in Charlottetown at The Great George
- 2 nights in Halifax at the Hotel Halifax
- 1 night onboard VIA Rail in a Sleeper Plus Cabin
- Meals as per Itinerary
- Private van transfer between Moncton & Charlottetown
- Private transfer between Charlottetown & Halifax
- Quebec City & Montmorency Falls Sightseeing Tour
- Island Drive & Anne of Green Gables Tour
- National Park Fees

Freedom of Choice Days

Freedom of Choice



Our Freedom of Choice program offers flexibility, by allowing you to choose from different options on pre-selected days.

Our per person price includes one tour on each Freedom of Choice day, as follows:

- One "Freedom of Choice" tour on day 3
- One "Freedom of Choice" tour on day 6
- One "Freedom of Choice" tour on day 7

Expand the itinerary below for more details.

Please note, if more than one room is selected during the booking process, our team will contact you afterwards to discuss options.

ITINERARY

Day 1 Montreal

Upon arrival at Montreal International Airport transfer independently to your downtown hotel.

Overnight in Montreal at the **Le Germain Hotel**



Day **2**

Montreal

Today embark on a full-day sightseeing tour from Montreal to Quebec City, at the heart of French Canada. Nowhere else in North America is the appearance and atmosphere of an old-world city so complete. Quebec City looks and feels very European; perhaps that is why the entire old section of the town was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1985. Today qualified guides will help you discover the enchanting sights which are part of Quebec City's history. The tour includes a photo stop at Montmorency Falls -- higher than Niagara Falls! Return this evening to Montreal.

Overnight in Montreal at the **Le Germain Hotel**



Day **3**

Montreal Moncton

Today you can personalize your day by choosing from one of the three freedom of choice activities below.

Then this evening, board VIA Rail to Moncton. Enjoy the scenic vista through the rural communities of Quebec's south shore.

Overnight onboard **VIA Rail's Ocean Train** in a private cabin

Dinner

Freedom of Choice Options

- **Montreal Half Day Sightseeing Tour:**

Enjoy a fully guided driving tour to all the "must-see" areas of Montreal such as Mont Royal, Old Montréal, and the city's picturesque riverfront.

OR

- **Walking Tour of Old Montreal:**

Explore the winding cobblestone streets of Old Montréal on a guided walking tour. Travel back in time to Fort Ville-Marie in 1642, to today's modern city and find out more about all the eras that shaped Montreal.

OR

- **Beyond the Market Food Walking Tour:**

The city's best food tour takes you to at least 6 of your local guide's favourite eateries and watering holes. From artisanal charcuteries to thirst-quenching craft beers, discover the surrounding areas of Jean Talon, the largest food market on our walking tour!



Day **4**

Moncton Charlottetown

Wake to views of the Atlantic Ocean, rolling hills, and quaint coastal villages that appear frozen in time. Upon disembarking the train take an included private transfer to Charlottetown via the Confederation Bridge.

Overnight in Charlottetown at **The Great George**.

Breakfast



CHARLOTTETOWN | CREDIT: TOURISM PEI

Day 5

Charlottetown

Today enjoy views of rolling farmlands, stunning seascapes, tiny villages and bustling harbours along the Green Gables Shore (scenic drive) as we get ready to tour the North Shore area.

Overnight in Charlottetown at **The Great George**.



ANNE OF GREEN GABLES | CREDIT: CARL CAMPBELL

Day 6

Charlottetown Halifax

Today you can personalize your day by choosing one of these excursions. Then this afternoon depart on a private transfer back over the Confederation Bridge to Halifax.

Overnight in Halifax at the **Hotel Halifax**

Freedom of Choice Options

- **Morning Lobster Cruise:**

Morning Lobster Cruise Catch a buoy, haul a trap and band a claw as you learn about the world of lobster fishing on Prince Edward Island. Onboard feel the ocean breeze and watch for seabirds as Captain Mark explains the hard life of a lobster fisherman. Then head to the mouth of the harbour and into the Northumberland Strait, past Port La Joye/Fort Amherst, the Island's oldest European settlement.

OR

- **Charlottetown Highlights Tour:**

Discover the history and charm of Canada's Birthplace as you ride through the streets of Charlottetown.



CONFEDERATION BRIDGE | CREDIT: TOURISM PEI

Day **7**

Halifax

Today you can personalize your day by choosing one of these excursions.

Overnight in Halifax at the **Hotel Halifax**

Freedom of Choice Options

- **Taste Halifax:**

Discover Halifax's vibrant food scene on a gastronomic journey across town. Sample fresh seafood, award-winning local wines, and Halifax's famed donair. Visit historic sites including the impressive Halifax Citadel and picturesque Hydrostone Neighborhood.

OR

- **Best of Halifax Peggy's Cove Tour:**

Immerse in Nova Scotia's beauty with scenic Peggy's Cove Lighthouse, explore Halifax Citadel's historic alleyways, witness Halifax's vibrant landmarks, and visit iconic Titanic cemetery.

OR

- **Lunenburg & Mahone Bay Tour:**

Immerse yourself in Nova Scotia's South Shore charm with a tour of historic Lunenburg. Uncover its UNESCO World Heritage status, engage with local expertise, explore preserved architecture and the Bluenose II. Dive into the fishing industry, vibrant waterfront, shops, distilleries and eateries while enjoying insightful local commentary.



PEGGY'S COVE | CREDIT: TOURISM NOVA SCOTIA/ACORN ART & PHOTOGRAPHY

Day **8**

Halifax

A check-out from your hotel concludes this memorable rail journey to Atlantic Canada.

ACCOMMODATION

Le Germain Hotel Montreal

Montreal

Le Germain Hotel Montreal is a chic and intimate boutique-hotel located in Montreal's trendy downtown district. This hotel occupies the former building of the Order of Engineers, constructed during one of the metropolis' most iconic years: 1967, year of the Expo.



VIA Rail

Sleeper Plus provides everything you need to feel right at home in your cozy Cabin for two. Inside the dining car, enjoy fresh meals, regional specialties and Canadian wines while the landscape unfolds around you. Private washroom available inside each double bedroom. Mirror over sink with electrical razor outlet (110 vac.). Individual control for heating, ventilation and air conditioning system. Limited space for baggage. Day time: two comfortable sofa chairs. Nighttime: upper and lower beds replace chairs. Large window with blind. Access to a shower room (one shower room per car). Shower towels and amenities provided. Other amenities: small closet, drinking water, and towels, pillows, sheets and blankets supplied.



The Great George

Charlotte town

The Great George is an award-winning, historic, boutique property unlike any other in downtown Charlottetown. Adjacent to St. Dunstan's Basilica on a tree-lined street, this refined hotel spans 17 buildings dating from 1846. It's a 2-minute walk from the Province House National Historic Site and a 5-minute walk from Confederation Landing riverside park.



Hotel Halifax

Halifax

Located in the heart of downtown the Hotel Halifax is connected through an indoor walkway to the sister property, The Barrington Hotel, with easy access to Casino Nova Scotia and the World Trade and Convention Centre.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

French & English

LOCAL CURRENCY

Canadian Dollars

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
- Transfers other than as specified in our holiday package