

Newfoundland & Labrador's Viking Trail from Halifax (8 days)

Thousands of years of history come alive as you ferry across the Cabot Strait to explore the West Coast of Newfoundland & Labrador. Learn about ancient peoples-the Maritime Archaic and Dorset Indians at Port au Choix, the Vikings in L'Anse aux Meadows, and the Basque Whalers in Red Bay - as you meet the hospitable and friendly people of today. See the beauty of Gros Morne National Park - a UNESCO World Heritage Site and coastal fishing communities. Take a boat tour in St. Anthony (weather permitting) where you may see whales and, depending on the time of year, icebergs!

Dates

May 31 - June 7, 2024

June 7 - June 14, 2024

June 21 - June 28, 2024 | Small Group Departure

June 28 - July 5, 2024

July 12 - July 19, 2024 | Small Group Departure

July 19 - July 26, 2024

August 2 - August 9, 2024 | Small Group Departure

August 9 - August 16, 2024 | Small Group Departure

August 16 - August 23, 2024

August 30 - September 6, 2024 | Small Group Departure

September 6 - September 13, 2024 | Small Group Departure

Highlights

7 Nights accommodation including a two-night stay
15 Meals
Meet and Greet Event
Atlantic Canadian Tour Director or Driver Guide
Gros Morne National Park - UNESCO World Heritage Site
Western Brook Pond or Bonne Bay Scenic Boat Tour in Gros Morne (weather permitting)

Whale Watching Boat Tours (weather permitting)

Itinerary

"Screech In" Ceremony

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. Also, ask us about starting the tour in Newfoundland.

Day 2: Halifax, NS 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**) *The Marine Atlantic ferry schedule changes from year to year. As such, a day crossing may be necessary and in that case you would overnight in Port aux Basques.

Day 3: Port aux Basques to Port au Choix, NL

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, NL

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, NL

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, NL

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

*June and early July are the best time to see Titanic-size icebergs!

Day 7: Gros Morne Local 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 flattopped 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 unequaled 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 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 Deer Lake, NL

Have your camera at the ready as your time in **Gros Morne National Park** draws to a close. Continue to Deer Lake to catch your flight. Atlantic Tours arrangements end on arrival at the Deer Lake Airport. **(Breakfast)**

Please note: Our tour arrives back in Deer Lake at approximately 11:30am and you should not book your flight out of Deer Lake any earlier than 12:30pm.

Please Note: Our tours require easy to moderate levels of activity. Guests should be able to walk unassisted and be able to do flights of stairs.

Accommodations

Day 1	Cambridge Suites Halifax	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Day 2 Day 3	Marine Atlantic Ferry Sea Echo Motel	Overnight Crossing Port au Choix, Newfoundland & Labrador
Day 4	Northern Light Inn	L'Anse au Clair, Newfoundland & Labrador
Day 5	Haven Inn	St. Anthony, Newfoundland & Labrador
Day 6 & 7	Shallow Bay Motel	Cow Head, Newfoundland & Labrador

Rates (CAD)

2024

Regular Group Departure - Up to 48 passengers

Double/Twin	Triple	Quad	Single
\$3158	\$2964	\$2860	\$3769

Per person Rates in CAD. Rates are subject to 15% HST

Small Group Departure - 24-26 passengers

 Double/Twin
 Triple
 Quad
 Single

 \$3718
 \$3524
 \$3420
 \$4409

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Rates (USD)

2024

Regular Group Departure - Up to 48 passengers

 Double/Twin
 Triple
 Quad
 Single

 \$2631
 \$2470
 \$2383
 \$3141

Per person Rates in USD. Rates are subject to 15% HST/GST

Small Group Departure - 24-26 passengers

 Double/Twin
 Triple
 Quad
 Single

 \$3098
 \$2936
 \$2850
 \$3674

Per person Rates in USD. Rates are subject to 15% HST/GST

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