Canada East

Tour : car

16 days • 15 nights • 2040 km

The Maritime Provinces





This itinerary crosses two **Maritime Provinces**, featuring the best of **Nova Scotia** and **Prince Edward Island**. Meet picturesque **fishing village**s and the rugged coastal landscapes of the **Bay of Fundy**. On the way to **Cape Breton**, exceptional scenery awaits you at **Bras d'Or Lake** and along the **Cabot Trail**. A pilgrimage in the footsteps of **Scottish**, **Acadian** and **Indigenous** roots.



Day 1

Arrival at Halifax Airport. Pick up rental car and transfer to downtown Halifax. Overnight in hotel.



Day 2

Visit Halifax, both modern and historic, located on a natural harbour. Discover maritime heritage, museums and historic houses. Optional whale-watching cruise.

Overnight at the same hotel.



Day 3

Drive to Peggy’s Cove, picturesque fishing village with famous lighthouse. Continue via Lighthouse Road to Western Shore.

Overnight in hotel.

Day 4



Visit Lunenburg and the Fisheries Museum. Continue inland through forests and lakes. Explore Kejimkujik National Park. Arrival in Annapolis Basin.

Overnight in hotel.



Day 5

Digby is famous for scallop fishing. Optional excursion to Brier Island for a 4-hour whale-watching cruise in the Bay of Fundy.

Overnight at the same location.



Day 6

Drive through Annapolis Valley along the Evangeline Trail. Discover Acadian history sites including Fort Edward and Grand-Pré. Continue along the Glooscap Trail with the world’s highest tides.

Overnight in hotel.



Day 7

Drive toward Port-Elgin and cross the Confederation Bridge to Prince Edward Island. Continue to Charlottetown.

Overnight in hotel.



Day 8

Explore charming Charlottetown with its Victorian houses. Optional lobster fishing cruise or visit Prince Edward Island National Park.

Overnight at the same hotel.



Day 9

Ferry from Wood Islands to Nova Scotia. Continue to Antigonish via scenic Sunrise Trail.

Overnight in hotel.



Day 10

Drive to Cape Breton Island via Baddeck and visit Alexander Graham Bell Historic Site. Continue along Cabot Trail to Cheticamp.

Overnight in oceanfront motel.



Day 11

Drive the spectacular Cabot Trail along Cape Breton Highlands National Park. Wildlife viewing possible.

Overnight in Ingonish.



Day 12

Continue along Cabot Trail to Sydney, major port city of Nova Scotia.

Overnight in hotel.



Day 13

Drive Marconi Trail to Louisbourg Fortress, major historical reconstruction site. Continue along Bras d'Or Lake to West Bay.

Overnight in hotel.



Day 14

Drive Marine Drive to Liscomb Mills. Optional stops at Canso Islands and Sherbrooke Village.

Overnight in hotel.



Day 15

Continue Marine Drive back to Halifax.

Overnight in hotel.

Day 16



Morning to discover other aspects of the city. Departure in the afternoon for the airport. Return of the car and boarding for your flight home.

Accommodation

DAY 1

Best Western Chicagoland Hotel in Countryside
or
Best Western Plus Hillside in Hillside

DAY 2

Quality Inn or Comfort Inn Hotel
or
Stop at the Best Western Pontiac Inn, 40 miles away

DAY 3

Best Western Kirkwood Hotel in Kirkwood (Saint Louis Area)

DAY 4

Best Western Route 66 Rail Haven Hotel in Springfield

DAY 5

Best Western Plus Tulsa Inn & Suites Hotel in Tulsa

DAY 6

Best Western Plus Mark Motor Hotel in Weatherford

DAY 7

Best Western Santa Fe Hotel in Amarillo

DAY 8

Best Western Discovery Inn Hotel in Tucumcari

DAY 9

Best Western Plus Inn of Santa Fe Hotel in Santa Fe

DAY 10

Comfort Suites Hotel in Gallup

DAY 11

Best Western Pony Soldier Inn & Suites Hotel in Flagstaff

DAY 12

Best Western Plus Kings Inn & Suites Hotel in Kingman

DAY 13

Best Western Plus Desert Villa Inn Hotel in Barstow

Chicago, IL: Best Western Chicagoland or Best Western Plus Chicago Hillside
Bloomington, IL: Quality Inn & Suites
Saint Louis, MO: Best Western Kirkwood Inn
Springfield, MO: Best Western Route 66 Rail Haven
Tulsa, OK: Best Western Plus Tulsa Inn & Suites
Weatherford, OK: Best Western Mark Motor Hotel
Amarillo, TX: Best Western Santa Fe
Tucumcari, NM: Best Western Discovery Inn or Quality Inn Tucumcari
Santa Fe, NM: Best Western Inn of Santa Fe or Comfort Suites
Durango, CO: Best Western Durango Inn & Suites
Bluff, UT: Desert Rose Inn or Wheterill Inn (Kayenta)
Page, AZ: Quality Inn at Lake Powell
Grand Canyon, AZ: Grand Canyon Plaza or Best Western Premier Grand Canyon Squire Inn
Kingman, AZ: Best Western Kings Inn & Suites or Ramada Kingman
Las Vegas, NV: Luxor Las Vegas or Flamingo Hotel & Casino

* Hotel list provided subject to change.
Final list of accommodations communicated to each participant approx. 30 days before departure.



HALIFAX

Standard *** hotel located near the historic Citadel site and Casino Nova Scotia.
230 rooms with air conditioning, TV, telephone, free Wi-Fi internet access, alarm clock radio, coffee maker, iron and ironing board, hair dryer.
Restaurant “Seasons by Atlantica”, member of the Rotisseurs chain.
Indoor pool.
Fitness centre, sauna, hot tub.
Dry cleaning and laundry service.
Business centre.
Paid parking in the underground garage.
Children 12 and under eat for free.
100% non-smoking property.
Free weekday shuttle to downtown.
Check-in after 3:00 pm.



WESTERN SHORE

Superior ***1/2 hotel located on Nova Scotia’s South Shore, on the edge of the Atlantic Ocean. It is a Convention and Spa Resort. 20 minutes from Peggy’s Cove and Lunenburg, and 45 minutes from Halifax.
107 rooms and 13 cabins. Rooms have air conditioning, TV, coffee maker, iron and ironing board.
La Vista restaurant.
Heated indoor and outdoor pools, solarium, sauna, hot tubs, spa, fitness centre.
Boat trips, fishing, bikes, kayaks, sailboats, mini-golf, tennis, marina in front of the hotel, Mahone Bay Harbour excursion, hiking trails.
Kids’ activity centre. Gift shop.
Free parking.

Annapolis



TRURO

Standard *** motel-hotel.
90 rooms over 3 floors, air conditioning, TV, telephone.
Atrium restaurant and piano bar.
Indoor and outdoor pools with bar.
Free parking.
Access: on Highway 102, take exit 13 and turn left at the Willow Street traffic lights.



CHARLOTTETOWN

**1/2 hotel located downtown, within walking distance of historic buildings, shops, restaurants, entertainment and Charlottetown's beautiful waterfront. 6 km from the airport.
146 rooms with air conditioning, TV, telephone, coffee maker.
Restaurant, bar.
Indoor pool, fitness centre, sauna, hot tub.
Free parking.



ANTIGONISH

** motel located on the road to Cape Breton and the Cabot Trail.
35 rooms with air conditioning, TV, telephone, alarm clock radio, paid internet access.
Free parking.



CHETICAMP

Motel located in the northern part of the Acadian village of Cheticamp, opposite the Le Portage golf course. Owners: Paulette and Guillaume Leblanc, French-speaking Acadians.
6 motel rooms and 6 double cabins facing the sea. Magnificent sunsets.



INGONISH

Glenghorm Beach Resort is located on the famous Cabot Trail, with nearly one kilometre of beach. This *** resort is well placed to start all your excursions and discoveries of Cape Breton.
Standard hotel rooms with two double beds and a full bathroom. All rooms include a coffee maker, hair dryer, TV, telephone and amenities for your personal comfort.
Outdoor pool and private beach.
Golf 5 minutes away.



SYDNEY

Delta Hotel taken over by Holiday Inn
Standard *** hotel located on the waterfront on Cape Breton Island, in the heart of downtown Sydney.
152 rooms with TV, telephone, internet access, coffee maker, hair dryer, iron and ironing board, desk, harbour view.
"Highlander Mermaid" restaurant, bar.

Indoor pool with waterslide, sauna, hot tub, fitness room.
Free parking.



WEST BAY

Very nice ***1/2 lodge surrounded by forests and a beautiful golf course, located on the shores of Bras d'Or Lake (southwest side).
98 rooms, including 60 air-conditioned rooms in the main lodge and 38 in cottages.
Rooms have air conditioning, TV, telephone, alarm clock radio, coffee maker, iron and ironing board.
MacRae Restaurant and Chanters Pub, with Celtic music.
Indoor and outdoor pools. Health centre and spa, sauna, hot tub.
Free parking. Non-smoking property.
Activities: 18-hole golf, tennis, volleyball, children's playground, hiking trails.
Lake activities: kayak, pedal boat, boat tour, diving.



LISCOMB MILLS

Located in a splendid setting, Liscombe Lodge offers 15 cabins and 30 lodge rooms with river views. You will also find an indoor pool, an aerobics room and a sauna, as well as opportunities to play tennis, bike, go boating or canoeing.



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