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# EASTERN CANADA ODYSSEY: CITIES, CULTURE & WILD LANDSCAPES

# TORONTO - OTTAWA - MONT-TREMBLANT - MONTREAL - CHARLEVOIX - SAGUENAY - QUEBEC

Embark on a 17-day road trip through the heart of Eastern Canada, where cosmopolitan cities, rich cultural history, and breathtaking natural landscapes collide. Begin your journey in Toronto and Ottawa, two vibrant urban centers full of energy, art, and iconic sights. Venture into the Laurentians for outdoor adventures in Mont-Tremblant, then soak up the European charm of Montreal and Quebec City. Along the way, discover the rugged beauty of Charlevoix and the dramatic fjords of Saguenay, with opportunities to hike, kayak, and spot wildlife. From towering skyscrapers to timeless riverscapes, this itinerary is your perfect blend of culture, adventure, and relaxation in the Great White North.

Region Eastern CanadaActivity Self-drive

Duration 17 daysCode AUSEASTEXP

Price From €2,385

#### **ITINERARY**

#### ♥ Day 1 Toronto



Welcome to Toronto, the vibrant gateway to your Canadian adventure! This cosmopolitan metropolis—the largest city in the country—will captivate you with its energy and diversity. Head to the top of the iconic CN Tower for a breathtaking 360° view of the city, then wander through its many unique neighbourhoods. Around every corner, you'll be surprised by the city's dynamic cultural scene and the incredible variety of global flavours that make this megacity truly one of a kind.

- Accommodation: Hotel

### Day 2 Toronto



The city of Toronto is a must-visit on any trip to Canada! Heavily influenced by American culture, it's often referred to as the New York of Canada. Stroll through art-filled streets like Graffiti Alley, or hop on a bike and explore the Toronto Islands, offering stunning views of the city's impressive skyline. With so much to see and do, one thing's for sure: it's impossible to get bored in Toronto.

Suggested activity (\$):

- CN Tower

- Accommodation: Hotel

#### Day 3 Toronto



Today, why not take a day trip from Toronto to witness the awe-inspiring Niagara Falls. After picking up your rental car, take the road to the city of Niagara. Just a short walk away, you can get up close to the roaring waterfalls, enjoy boat tours, and explore the surrounding parks. Whether from the observation decks or the water itself, the view is unforgettable.

- Included activity: boat cruise at Niagara Falls
- Transportation: approx.300 km, approx.3h
- -Accommodation: Hotel

#### Day 4 Toronto / Ottawa



Grab your rental car and head to Ottawa, Canada's capital. Upon arrival, be captivated by the elegant architecture of the government buildings and the peaceful atmosphere along the Rideau Canal. The landscaped banks invite you to stroll through green spaces and charming views of the city.

- Transportation: approx.402 km, approx.5h
- Accommodation: Hotel

#### Pay 5 Ottawa



Why not explore Ottawa by bike along the picturesque Rideau Canal to Parliament Hill, an iconic landmark not to be missed? Stroll through the historic center, between the bustling alleyways and the ByWard Market, a true beating heart of the city. Admire Chaudière Falls, a stunning natural spectacle. For a magical moment, head to the Canadian Museum of History, while enjoying a spectacular sunset over the capital. An unforgettable experience to discover Ottawa at its most beautiful!

Suggested activities (\$):

- Visit to the Canadian Museum of History

- Guided bike tour of the city
- Accommodation: Hotel

#### • Day 6 Ottawa / Mont-Tremblant



After brunch, head to Tremblant! Take in the beauty of the Laurentians and enjoy a peaceful escape in nature. Along the way, you can stop by Omega park to immerse yourself in the wilderness with unforgettable wildlife observation experiences. Discover a natural paradise where you can spot animals like bison, bears, elk, and wolves — all while supporting conservation efforts and connecting with the environment.

- $\hbox{-} Transportation: approx. 153\,km, approx. 1h50\\$
- Accommodation: Hotel

#### ♥ Day 7 Mont-Tremblant



On your second day, dive deeper into nature with a visit to Mont-Tremblant National Park, a true haven for outdoor enthusiasts. Explore scenic hiking trails, tranquil lakes, and lush forests teeming with life. Whether you choose to paddle across crystal-clear waters, hike to breathtaking viewpoints, or simply relax and soak in the peaceful atmosphere, the park offers an unforgettable connection to the natural beauty of the Laurentians.

Suggested activities (\$):

- Guided e-mountain bike tour

- Kayak excursion in Mont-Tremblant National Park to descend the Devil's River
- Accommodation: Hotel
  - Day 8 Mont-Tremblant / Montreal



Next stop, Montreal, the vibrant heart of French-speaking Canada. Upon arrival, immerse yourself in the unique atmosphere of Old Montreal, featuring cobblestone streets, historic buildings, and lively squares. Stroll among local boutiques, art galleries, and charming old-world cafés. Marvel at the majestic Notre-Dame Basilica: a jewel of Gothic architecture whose richly ornate interior is worth the detour alone. A striking first glimpse of this multifaceted city.

- Transportation: approx.138 km, approx.2h05
- Accommodation: Hotel
  - Day 9 Montreal



Continue your discovery of Montreal by exploring its iconic neighborhoods and creative energy. Why not start the day with a guided bike tour to see the city in a different way? Next, stroll along Sainte-Catherine Street, the lively heart of downtown, where art, street performances, and trendy window displays mingle. Then head to the Plateau-Mont-Royal, a bohemian neighborhood with colorful facades and small local spots. Finally, climb to the top of Mount Royal and enjoy panoramic views of the city from its lookouts.

Suggested activities (\$):

- Full-day bike rental
- Guided group walking tour of the city
- Accommodation: Hotel

#### Day 10 Montreal



For this last full day in Montreal, take the time to discover another side of the city. Start with a stroll through the Jean-Talon Market, one of the largest open-air markets in North America, where colors, local flavors, and a friendly atmosphere will awaken your senses. Continue your getaway to Parc Jean-Drapeau, a true green oasis. At the end of the day, treat yourself to a break along the Lachine Canal, perfect for a walk or a moment of relaxation by the water.

- Accommodation: Hotel

Day 11 Montreal / Charlevoix



After a final look at Montreal, head to Charlevoix — a region where mountains meet the St. Lawrence River in breathtaking harmony. Your first stop: Baie-Saint-Paul, a charming town known for its vibrant arts scene and stunning natural surroundings. Stroll through its quaint streets lined with galleries, boutiques, and cafés, or take in the peaceful riverside atmosphere.

- Transportation: approx.349 km, approx.4h10
- Accommodation: Hotel

#### Pay 12 Charlevoix



Spend a day exploring Parc des Grands-Jardins, a stunning natural reserve in the heart of Charlevoix. Known for its rugged landscapes, pristine forests, and diverse wildlife, the park is a paradise for hikers and nature lovers alike. Wander along scenic trails that reveal panoramic views of mountains, lakes, and valleys. Keep an eye out for moose, beavers, and an array of bird species.

Suggested Activity (\$):

- Kayak rental

- Accommodation: Hotel

#### Day 13 Charlevoix / Saguenay



Time to discover the majestic Saguenay Fjord National Park, its magnificent landscapes and its secrets! Stop in the charming village of Sainte-Rose-du-Nord, the "pearl of the fjord", to admire one of the most beautiful villages in Quebec. Then, enjoy an easy walk to the Halte au Béluga in Baie-Ste-Marguerite, offering breathtaking views of the fjord and, with a little luck, encounters with local wildlife such as birds, seals or the famous small white whales.

- Transportation: approx.144 km, approx.2h
- Accommodation: Hotel

#### Day 14 Saguenay

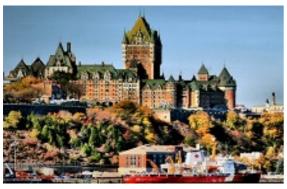


After taking in the charm of the region, spend your second day venturing deeper into Saguenay Fjord National Park, where adventure and tranquility meet. Choose one of the park's scenic hiking routes that lead through boreal forest to stunning cliffside viewpoints high above the water. If you're feeling more adventurous, explore the fjord by sea kayak or paddleboard to fully appreciate the scale and beauty of its towering rock faces.

Suggested activities (\$):

- Guided group sea kayaking in the fjord
- Via ferrata easy to intermediate level

#### Day 15 Saguenay / Quebec



Enjoy your last moments in Saguenay and head to Quebec city! Exceptional both for the dazzling richness of its architectural heritage and for the beauty of its setting. Drop your car and enjoy the picturesque old town, also a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Not to be missed are the Château Frontenac, which dominates the city's skyline, as well as the Plains of Abraham, Old Quebec, the armoury, and the terrace Dufferin.

Suggested activities (\$):

- Guided group electric bike tour or electric bike rental for the day
- Guided tour of Château Frontenac
- Transportation: approx.210 km, approx.2h20
- Accommodation: Hotel

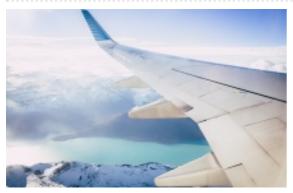
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Take the opportunity to visit the icon that is Quebec city. Explore its streets, its many hip neighbourhoods or surrondings. Many treasures awaits, just a 20-30 minute drive away: Montmorency Falls (83 m high), the 1.2 billion year old Ste-Anne Canyon and its 74 m high waterfall, the traditional Huron site to learn more about the culture and history of the First Nations, Île d'Orléans surrounded by the St-Laurent with its picturesque villages and various producers (vineyards, wine, cheese, cider and other local products).

- Accommodation: Hotel

#### • Day 17 Quebec / Montreal / Departure



- Accommodation: On the plane

It's time to leave. Enjoy the last moments in the province of Quebec as well as a last poutine before heading back to Montreal to drop-off your rental car and catch your flight.

# PERIOD & BUDGET

#### When to travel?

The best period for travelling is during the following months:

 Jan
 Feb
 Mar
 Apr
 May
 Jun
 Jul
 Aug
 Sep
 Oct
 Nov
 Dec

#### **Price**

From \$3,560 / person (based on two people)

The budget is an indication of the price per person, subject to availability. Your local agent will send you a customized quote with the exact price. The price can vary according to availability, level of services, period of travel, number of participants, booking time frame and other items.

#### Included

- 16 nights' standard accommodation
- 15-day rental of a mid-size Hyundai Elentra or equivalent, unlimited mileage, LDW and ALI insurance, local taxes, airport fees, one tank of gas and an additional driver
- The following activity: boat cruise at Niagara falls
- Roadbook (electronic version)
- Canadian taxes (federal and provincial)
- 24-hour assistance

#### Not included

- International flights (available on request)
- Gasoline
- · Personal expenses
- Meals not mentioned
- Beverages (except tea and coffee for included meals)
- Entrance fees to national parks
- Optional activities not mentioned
- Travel insurance

# Terms and conditions

#### **Booking conditions**

By registering for one of our travel, the customer bindingly accepts the General Terms and Conditions of Sale. Each customer must complete a registration form. The booking is definitively recorded when the customer has settled the payment of a deposit of 35 % of the total travel price (subject to availability at the time of registration). In case of short term bookings – within 35 days prior to the travel departure – the full travel price is due immediately. Payments can be settled via bank transfer (SWIFT code/IBAN number) or online, directly from our website (soon available). You will receive an email with a booking confirmation as quickly as possible

#### Invoice procedure

Once your booking is registered, we send you an email with the invoice. Full payment is required at least 35 days before your arrival. If the customer does not settle the payment of the travel price within the period agreed upon, Altaï Canada reserves the right to cancel the booking free of charge.

#### **Cancellation policy**

If, for any reason, you need to cancel your trip, any payments already made will be refunded **subject to the following deductions**:

#### If cancellation occurs:

- More than 31 days before departure: 20% of the total booking amount (excluding insurance and fixed fees)
- Between 30 and 21 days before departure: 35% of the total booking amount (excluding insurance and fixed fees)
- Between 20 and 14 days before departure: 50% of the total booking amount (excluding insurance and fixed fees)
- Between 13 and 7 days before departure: 75% of the total booking amount (excluding insurance and fixed fees)
- Less than 7 days before departure: 100% of the total booking amount (excluding insurance and fixed fees)

#### **Special Cases:**

Regardless of the cancellation or contract modification date, the following fees **are added** to the standard cancellation terms above:

- Airfare fees: If your flight ticket has to be issued well in advance—often to secure the best fare—100% of the non-refundable flight costs will be charged in case of cancellation or change. In this case, the standard cancellation terms apply only to the land portion of the trip.
- Land service fees: Any non-refundable fees incurred early for firm bookings will be charged in case of cancellation.
- Insurance: Whether you purchased multi-risk or cancellation insurance, the insurance premium is non-refundable under any circumstances.

If you are forced to cancel your trip before departure, you must inform both **Altaï Canada** and your insurance provider as soon as possible, using **written communication that provides proof of receipt**.

The date the written notice is received will be considered the official cancellation date and will determine the applicable cancellation fees.

If Altaï Canada is required to cancel a group departure due to an insufficient number of participants, this decision will be made, and customers notified, no later than 21 days before departure.

Altaï Canada may also cancel a trip due to **exceptional circumstances** considered force majeure (e.g., volcanic eruptions, social unrest, strikes, severe weather) that could compromise the safety of participants. In such cases, **all amounts paid will be fully refunded**, but **no additional compensation** can be claimed.

#### Changes to travel contract

If a change to travel contract is made at the customer's request, any fee that might arise from this change shall be paid by the customer. In any cases, every request for changes shall be notified in writing. In case of external events that could not be foreseen, Altaï Canada might change some aspects of the travel contract. We will endeavour to advise you of any changes as quickly as possible.

#### **Pricing**

All group travel prices on our website have been calculated for the indicated number of participants for each trip. The price list is confirmed after the booking. If the number of participants is lower than expected, an additional payment charge might be applied. For each travel and program, we mention the price per person – valid for the minimum number of participants – and we provide you with detailed explanations about the services included or not. Any change in the exchange rates or in the price of travel services in particular regarding the cost of the fuel, might entail price revision.

#### Contract transfer

In case of transfer of the contract by the customer to an assignee, modification and cancellation conditions apply.

#### Insurance

We recommend that you get personal insurance before your departure to cover the activities undertaken by Altaï Canada. If you have not purchased your insurance directly with us, we ask that you email us your insurance contract information (company, policy name, policy number, phone number) and bring this information with you on your trip.

# PRACTICAL INFO