

Discover Canada Your Way...



SEE THE MARITIMES FROM THE SEA ON THIS DESTINATION CANADA'S **Canadian Signature Experience**



Canadian East Coast Wildlife Cruise
 Now with twice yearly sailings – don't miss your chance to visit the major attraction of Canada's Atlantic Maritime Provinces. Enjoy a small-ship expedition to rarely visited, off the beaten track islands and ports.

11 Day/ 10 Night Cruise from Louisbourg, Nova Scotia

ABOARD: MV Akademik Ioffe
DEPARTS: 4th & 14th July 2018
PRICE: Per person twin share \$5,700
 Based on lead in cabin rising in price according to cabin level and season

Price includes:

- All meals when on board
- Zodiac cruises and shore excursions
- Transfers Halifax, Sydney or Louisbourg

Price excludes:

- Flights, visas, pre & post cruise accommodation
- Alcoholic beverages
- Gratuities and all personal expenses
- Travel insurance

Itinerary Highlights:

- Experience the rich and diverse culture and Celtic traditions found in small communities of Canada's Atlantic Maritime Provinces.
- Daily zodiac and shore excursions with expert guides for wild life and nature viewing of whales, seals, prolific birdlife
- See the natural wonders of Newfoundland's Gros Morne, Gaspé Peninsula and Cape Breton National Parks
- Visit Sable, Bird, Bonaventure, Anticosti, St Pierre et Miquelon Islands



Perce Rock, Gaspé Peninsula

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Itinerary:

(subject to changes due to weather and sea conditions)

Day 1: Louisbourg, Nova Scotia

Embark late afternoon and enjoy the welcome dinner of fresh lobster as we sail into the North Atlantic onto the Grand Banks.

Day 2: Sable Island

We visit Sable Island, one of Canada's newest national parks on the edge of the Grand Banks, which has a history as a ships graveyard with more than 350 falling victim to its treacherous currents and sandbars and is now home a herd of Sable Island ponies and one of the largest gray seal colonies in the world.

Day 3: Bird Island & Englishtown, Nova Scotia

Cruising in zodiacs and hiking ashore we explore the Bird Islands home to the great cormorant, Atlantic puffin, Atlantic razorbill, black-legged kittiwake and bald eagles or as an alternative visit Englishtown or catch a bus to close by Gaelic College, Cape Breton.

Day 4: Charlottetown, PEI

Anchoring near North Rustico with options of visiting Charlottetown, the home of Canadian Federation, or Anne of Green Gables farm or for the active a round of golf, a bicycle ride or kayaking.

Day 5: Les Iles-de-la-Madeleine, Quebec

These remote islands in the Gulf of St. Lawrence are home to unique fishing communities with strong Quebecois and Acadian culture, local cuisine, crafts and language. On our visits ashore there are beautifully maintained waterfront houses and boats, flowing grassy plains and sandstone shorelines encountering a wide diversity of bird life along the beaches and lagoons.

Day 6: Bonaventure Island and the Gaspé Peninsula

We anchor near the town of Perce and use our zodiacs to visit the island situated at the tip of the Gaspé Peninsula with its outstanding flora and fauna, including its famous colony of Northern Gannets.

Day 7: Anticosti Island, Quebec

This island right at the mouth of the St. Lawrence River where the river and Arctic waters mix is rich in marine wildlife and we aim to hike along the beaches near the eastern end of the island followed by a zodiac cruise along the cliffs at East Point keeping a lookout for whales and seals that frequent this area.

Day 8: Gros Morne National Park, Newfoundland

Sailing into majestic Bonne Bay, in the heart of Gros Morne National Park, the cliffs soar up out of the water and are covered in a green blanket of tuckamore forest. Going ashore at Woody Point we visit the interpretation centre and from there various guided walks take us into the World Heritage-listed Tablelands.

Day 9: Francois, Newfoundland

The fishing community of Francois on the south coast of Newfoundland was settled in the late 1700s and its deep harbor, navigable year round, is accessed by a narrow opening leading into the steep-walled rocky fjord - a spectacular location.

Day 10: St Pierre et Miquelon Islands, France

We visit these islands first settled in the early 17th century and France's only remaining North American possession where, walking the streets, feels like taking a stroll through a provincial French town. There is an excellent puffin colony here and, if weather permits, we cruise in the zodiacs to see these colourful birds and tonight we have the Captain's farewell dinner.

Day 11: Louisbourg

Sailing back to the historic port of Louisbourg your cruise ends after breakfast with a transfer to your next hotel or the airport.



Ponies & seals on Sable Island



Bonne Bay, Gros Morne NP



Humpback Whale near Anticosti Island



Puffin

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