



Itinerary

Wonders of Newfoundland featuring Lighthouses, Iceburg Alley, & Gros Morne

Aug 13, 2020 - Aug 24, 2020

Pre Night: JAG Hotel



Would you like to begin your vacation with an additional Hotel in St. John's, NL?

Day 1: St. John's, Newfoundland - Tour Begins



The tip of the Avalon Peninsula is your gateway to an unforgettable journey through the wonders of Newfoundland and Labrador. Start in the 500 years-young coastal city of St. John's, where contemporary elegance melds seamlessly with the charms of the old world.

Hotel

Jag Hotel
StJohns

Weather

High 21°
Low 12°
Rain 4"

Day 2: St. John's



Meet your fellow travellers at breakfast before setting out on a discovery of North America's easternmost city. On a tour that highlights the best of the best in St. John's, get caught up in the windswept trails of Signal Hill and step into maritime history at Cape Spear Lighthouse, the oldest-surviving lighthouse in the region. Stop at a quaint local grocery store and scan the aisles as you discover packaged seal, moose, caribou, and local berries on display. Visit the quaint fishing community of Quidi Vidi, whose lake plays host to the annual St. John's Regatta, and see the Government House and the Basilica of St. John the Baptist. Watch for puffins on a nature cruise to Witless Bay Ecological Reserve. Your on-board guide will engage you in the region's connection to marine life – specifically the thousands of Humpback and Minke whales that call this corner of the world home. This evening, join your new friends for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant.

Hotel

Jag Hotel
StJohns

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 21°
Low 12°
Rain 4"

Day 3: St. John's - Clarenville



In the breathtaking surround of Conception Bay, enjoy a scenic drive along the coast. Stop in charming Brigus before continuing on to Cupid's Cove. Learn what life was really like in the 1600s when you join an expert for a private tour of the Legacy Centre at Cupid's Cove Plantation, where you'll view a curated selection of artifacts that brings you closer in to the history of Newfoundland and Labrador. Continue on to the site of the first attempt at permanent English settlement in what would become Canada; visit an active archaeological dig where historic treasures have been uncovered for more than 20 years.

Hotel

Clarenville Inn
Clarenville

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 22°
Low 12°
Rain 3"

Day 4: Clarenville - Cape Bonavista - Clarenville



Welcome to Trinity Village, a time capsule of the 19th century come to life, where houses, museums, and historic buildings have been painstakingly preserved. Relive days gone by on a visit to the historic Georgian-designed Lester-Garland House and a living history blacksmith museum, the Green Family Forge. Pause at the legendary Cape Bonavista Lighthouse where you'll have an amazing vantage point for sweeping views of Trinity Bay to the south and Bonavista Bay to the north. If you look closely enough, you may even spot an iceberg!

Hotel

Clarenville Inn
Clarenville

Culinary

Breakfast

Weather

High 22°
Low 12°
Rain 3"

Day 5: Clarenville - Terra Nova National Park - Twillingate - Gander



Earthy wonders are all within reach at Terra Nova National Park. From secluded boreal forests to sheltered bays and dramatically-indented coastlines, Terra Nova is a natural paradise that spans more than 250 miles. Explore the interactive exhibits at the Marine Atlantic Centre and learn more about this incredible place, where beavers fashion personal fortresses and eagles glide over roaming lynx and moose. Venture to Twillingate's Long Point Lighthouse, a prime location to see Iceberg Alley,* the site where hundreds of massive icebergs float down the Atlantic seasonally. As you head to Gander, learn how the people of this small town came together to help those in need when American airspace was closed during the terrorist attack on September 11, 2001. This evening, take part in a traditional Newfoundland gathering known as a "Jiggs dinner."

Hotel

Sinbad's Hotel Suites
Gander

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 20°
Low 11°
Rain 3"

Day 6: Gander - Rocky Harbour



Today it's your choice! Make passage on the Exploits River to the Salmonid Centre,** where you'll learn about the history, biology, and habitat of the Atlantic salmon -OR- visit the Mary March Museum and trace Newfoundland's natural and human history -OR- set out on a light hike along the Corduroy Brook Nature Trail, one of the Exploits region's crown jewels. This afternoon, become lost in the majesty of hundreds of butterflies that light up the Butterfly House, and relax in the tranquil garden. Later, arrive in Rocky Harbour.

Hotel

Ocean View Hotel
Rocky Harbour

Culinary

Breakfast

Weather

High 19°
Low 12°
Rain 4"

Day 7: Gros Morne National Park



To see Mother Nature's effect on the physical world, you need only step inside Gros Morne National Park. Visit the Discovery Centre and learn how forces of nature have dictated the shape of this enigmatic, raw landscape. From hidden fjords, stark peaks and highland tundra, you'll get the chance to explore Tableland Mountains on a guided tour that uncovers a never-ending series of wonders on the Earth's mantle. Board a boat and watch the waters for whales and the open sky for eagles – all to a live soundtrack of traditional Newfoundland music. Take part in a "Screech-In," a traditional ceremony that commemorates your new status as an honorary Newfoundlander – sealed with a shot of rum. Tonight, enjoy dinner overlooking the semi-enclosed sea that is the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Hotel

Ocean View Hotel
Rocky Harbour

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 19°
Low 12°
Rain 4"

Day 8: Rocky Harbour - St. Anthony



Set course on the Viking Trail to L'Anse aux Meadows for a journey back in time to A.D. 1000, when the Vikings first made landfall. See how Newfoundlanders have adapted to this forbidding landscape and experience firsthand their unique solutions to living under extreme conditions. Later, visit an ecomuseum and meet two local culinary stars: berry and bakeapple. Learn the secrets to making jams, sauces, and vinegars from these famous regional berries.

Hotel

Hotel North 3
St Anthony

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 17°
Low 8°
Rain 4"

Day 9: St. Anthony - L'Anse Au Clair, Labrador



This morning, cross the Straits of Belle Isle to Labrador by ferry and arrive in Red Bay. Recount the traditions of 16th-century Basque whalers at the UNESCO-designated Red Bay National Historic Site.

Hotel

Northern Light Inn
Labrador

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Day 10: L'Anse Au Clair - Corner Brook, Newfoundland



Cut through the mists on board a ferry bound for Newfoundland this morning. On land, travel the same area surveyed by Captain James Cook during his expeditions in the 1760s. Be sure to have your camera ready to record the spectacular scenery that unfolds along the way.

Hotel

Glynmill Inn
Cornerbrook

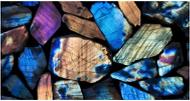
Culinary

Breakfast

Weather

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Low 12°
Rain 4"

Day 11: Corner Brook



Retrace the steps of a legendary British explorer, navigator, and captain of the Royal Navy at the Captain James Cook National Historic Site. Stop at the breathtaking Bay of Islands on your way to picture-perfect Lake Harbour. This afternoon, a local mineral and stone specialist leads you in a discussion about the labradorite – a colourful gem said to harbour mystical powers. Tonight, stomp your feet to the traditional and original sounds of the music trio Sharecroppers.

Hotel

Glynmill Inn
Cornerbrook

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

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Day 12: Corner Brook - Tour Ends



Your tour comes to a close today in Corner Brook.