

Trails of Modern Explorers

—Ontario Explorer —Quebec Explorer



Trails of Modern Explorers
14 NIGHTS / 15 DAYS,
Toronto/Toronto
(YYZ/YYZ)

Ontario Explorer
6 NIGHTS/7 DAYS,
Toronto/Toronto
(YYZ/YYZ)

Quebec Explorer
7 NIGHTS/8 DAYS,
Montreal/Montreal
(YUL/YUL)

DEPARTURE DATES
Daily departures:
May 1 - October 15

Spanning Canada's two most populous provinces, this urban adventure lets you experience the very best of two distinct cultures. From metropolitan Toronto, you will travel to the majestic Niagara Falls and then onward to the magnificent scenery of Algonquin Provincial Park. Following the St. Lawrence River, you will enter historic Quebec City and then head northward to explore the natural treasures of the province of Quebec. The cosmopolitan cities of Montreal and Toronto will bring this multi-cultural itinerary to a fitting conclusion.

Day 1 — **Arrival in Toronto**

Arrive at Pearson International Airport in Toronto. Transfer independently to your downtown hotel. Pick up your Canada Roadbook at the front desk and check in. The remaining hours are yours to explore this cosmopolitan city. Enjoy the fine cuisine, varied nightlife and world-class shopping of Toronto.

Overnight in Toronto.

Day 2 — 260 km **Toronto/Niagara Falls Excursion**

Today's route leads south, skirting the Niagara Escarpment and traversing the orchards and vineyards of the Niagara Peninsula. You will discover the historic village of Niagara-on-the-Lake proudly displaying its nineteenth century heritage. Take some time to browse through the quaint shops and boutiques before continuing along the scenic Niagara Parkway to Niagara Falls.

Overnight in Toronto.

Activity —

Enjoy a thrilling boat ride on the mighty Niagara River and experience the beauty of the region. The excitement begins as the powerful jet boat speeds upriver for a unique, 20-kilometre tour – making its way into the breathtaking 5-metre-high, stone walled canyon of the Niagara Gorge. Hang on as the boat splashes into the whitewater of Devil's Hole Rapids and makes its way to the famous Whirlpool Rapids – just a few kilometres below the tumbling waters of Niagara Falls.

Day 3 — 215 km **Toronto to Huntsville**

Travel north through charming rural villages to the pine and granite landscape of Muskoka cottage country, where we suggest a visit to the Muskoka Pioneer Village. Today's destination is Huntsville, situated on the edge of Algonquin Provincial Park, with its multitude of activities and spectacular natural beauty.

Overnight in Huntsville.

Day 4 — **Huntsville**

The vast wilderness of Algonquin Provincial Park is particularly renowned for its network of hiking trails and waterways that invite you to discover the diverse beauty of the park's flora and fauna. You may want to visit the 22 hectare Muskoka Pioneer Village, a "living" outdoor history museum recreating the lives of the area's pioneers. Take a walk to marshland and forest ecosystems and you might be able to see beavers, porcupines and raccoons.

Overnight in Huntsville.

Day 5 — 245 km **Huntsville to Pembroke**

Today you will continue through Algonquin Park, stopping to explore the visitor centre before arriving in the small town of Pembroke.

Overnight in Pembroke.

Activity —

Go on an exciting hike and canoe excursion as a professional guide takes you on a tantalizing "edible wilds" hike into the forest and down river in a Voyageur canoe.

Day 6 — **Pembroke to Ottawa**

Enjoy a scenic drive along the Quebec-Ontario border, and pass typical rural towns, such as Renfrew and Arnprior.

Overnight in Ottawa.

Activity —

Experience a 5 to 6-hour whitewater rafting trip down the Ottawa River from Beachburg. Your trip includes professional guides, the best equipment, post-rafting presentation and a refreshing barbecue lunch.



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Day 7 — 200 km Ottawa to Montreal

*End of the 7-day Ontario Explorer.
Return to Toronto's Pearson International Airport. Leaving the Capital Region, you will travel eastbound towards the border of Ontario and Quebec following the south shore of the Ottawa River. Crossing the border, you will soon reach the thriving metropolis of Montreal, a city of cultural contrasts and urban elegance.

Overnight in Montreal.

**The 8-day Quebec Explorer begins.

Day 8 — 250 km Montreal to Quebec City

Departing Montreal, you will travel further into the French-speaking province of Quebec. Following the shores of the St. Lawrence River, you will reach Quebec City, the only walled city in North America. The remainder of the day is at your leisure to explore this historical city.

Overnight in Quebec City.

Activity —

See Canada's oldest city from the deck of a cruise boat on the St. Lawrence River. As you cruise along the shoreline, a guide relates the story of "New France" and tells you about the origins of Quebec's most famous landmarks. Relax and take in the spectacular views of the Chateau Frontenac, Cap Diamant, Ile d'Orléans and Montmorency Falls.

Day 9 — Quebec City

Today is yours to explore what lies behind the impressive walls that ring Quebec City. The best way to see the numerous historic buildings and experience the city's unique French culture is by walking through the enchanting cobbled streets and narrow lane ways. The Fortifications, Place Royale and the Basilica should not be missed. Partake in Quebec City's nightlife and sample some of the wonderful restaurants.

Overnight in Quebec City.

Day 10 — 115 km (land only) Quebec City to L'île-aux-Coudres

Stop at the spectacular Montmorency Falls, the beautiful Ile d'Orleans and the shrine at Ste. Anne-de-Beaupré before you traverse the beautiful mountainous area of the Charlevoix Region. Travel for a short distance by ferry across the mighty St. Lawrence River to the tree-shrouded beauty of Ile-aux-Coudres.

Overnight in Ile-aux-Coudres.

Day 11 — 255 km (land only) Île-aux-Coudres to Saguenay Region (via Tadoussac)

On your way to Chicoutimi in the scenic Lac-St-Jean region, we suggest a stop in Tadoussac, a UNESCO Heritage Site at the confluence of the Saguenay Fjord and the St. Lawrence River. As you continue inland along the shores of the Saguenay, take a stroll at Sainte-Rose-du-Nord on one of the lovely trails.

Overnight in the Saguenay Region.

Activity —

Board a vessel in Tadoussac to search for the largest mammals in the world – whales. The fin whales, the minke whales and the blue whale are annual visitors, while the elegant white beluga has made a permanent home in these waters.

Day 12 — 440 km Saguenay Region to St. Alexis-des-Monts

Discover Quebec's wild nature at the forest lodge, travelling through dense terrain, where trees and animals outnumber towns and people.

Overnight in Saint-Alexis-des-Monts.

Day 13 — St. Alexis-des-Monts

Guests are offered a wide variety of activities during their stay: forest walks and mountain biking (on well marked trails), access to the resort's private beach, boating, canoeing, windsurfing and sailing on the tranquil lake. Also available, but at a surcharge, are river canoeing, seaplane flights, ATV-tours, fishing, waterskiing, diving and golf.

Overnight in Saint-Alexis-des-Monts.

Day 14 — 445 km St. Alexis-des-Monts to Belleville

End of 8-day Quebec Explorer. Drive to Montreal International Airport. Skirting Montreal, you will leave the Quebec heartland and travel across the provincial border into rural Ontario. Along the route, we suggest a stop at Upper Canada Village, an impressive "living" re-creation of a 19th-century Canadian pioneer village. Near Kingston, you can explore the beautiful Thousand Islands, where lushly forested islands lie amid beautiful lakes. Continue to Belleville on the shores of Lake Ontario.

Overnight in Belleville.

Day 15 — End of Tour

Take a leisurely drive along Lake Ontario to return to Toronto's Pearson International Airport to check in for your return flight.



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DAY	LOCATION	ACCOMMODATION	HIGHLIGHTS
1	Toronto	Delta Chelsea	Metropolitan city
2	Toronto	Delta Chelsea	Niagara Falls & Niagara-on-the-Lake Ontario wine district
3	Huntsville	Comfort Inn	Cottage country
4	Huntsville	Comfort Inn	Cottage country
5	Pembroke	Best Western Pembroke Inn	Algonquin Provincial Park
6	Ottawa	Lord Elgin Hotel	Capital of Canada Ottawa River or Rouge River
7	<i>*End of 7-day Ontario Explorer</i> Montreal <i>**Start of 8-day Quebec Explorer</i>	Le Cantlie Suites Hotel	Cosmopolitan city
8	Quebec City	Hotel Classique Sainte-Foy	Canada's oldest city
9	Quebec City	Hotel Classique Sainte-Foy	UNESCO Heritage site
10	Ile-aux-Coudres	Hotel Motel Cap-aux-Pierres	St. Lawrence River
11	Saguenay Region	Hôtellerie Cepal Villégiature- Hôtellerie Champêtre	Saguenay River and Fjord
12	St. Alexis-des-Monts	Lac-à-l'Eau-Claire Hôtellerie Champêtre	St. Maurice Park Resort Activities
13	St. Alexis-des-Monts	Lac-à-l'Eau-Claire Hôtellerie Champêtre	Resort Activities
14	<i>**End of 8-day Quebec Explorer</i> Belleville	Ramada Inn on the Bay	Upper Canada Village; Thousand Islands
15	End of Tour		

YOUR FLY/DRIVE INCLUDES

- Accommodation for 14, 6 or 7 nights
 - Lac-à-l'Eau Claire – resort facilities, independent hiking
 - A personalized Canada Roadbook, containing essential travel information featuring overview notes of the area of travel, local sightseeing and attractions, daily itinerary highlights, provincial maps with city guides, hotel vouchers and customized day-by-day routing maps
 - Provincial taxes and federal GST, less accommodation rebate
- NOT INCLUDED**
- Airport transfers
 - Airport improvement fee (Montreal)
 - Meals and attractions unless otherwise specified
 - Park entrance fees
 - Car rental, taxes and insurance

NET COST PER PERSON

	Twin	Single	Triple	Quad	Child (0-12)
Trails of Modern Explorers*	1240	2485	925	774	60
Ontario Explorer*	615	1245	925	775	60
Quebec Explorer*	605	1210	445	365	

*Programme not available for arrivals in Montreal during the Air Canada F1 Grand Prix (dates to be established) and Molson Indy (dates to be established).



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Trails of Modern Explorers ACTIVITY PACKAGE

Day Location	Inclusions
2 Niagara-on-the-Lake	1-hour jet boating on the Niagara River
5 Algonquin Provincial Park	4 hour Voyageur canoe and hike trip
6 Beachburg	5-6-hour whitewater rafting on the Ottawa River including lunch
8 Quebec City	1.5-hour Discoverer's Cruise
11 Tadoussac	3-hour whale watching boat cruise

Daily departures:
May 15 - September 23

Net cost, per person

Adult	375
Child*	N/A

* Minimum age 13

Ontario Explorer ACTIVITY PACKAGE

6 NIGHTS/7 DAYS Toronto/Toronto (YYZ/YYZ)

The 7-day Ontario Explorer Fly/Drive follows the same route, using the same accommodation as the 15-day Trails of Modern Explorers programme from Day 1 to Day 6.

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Day 1	Arrive Toronto
Day 2	Toronto
Day 3	Huntsville
Day 4	Huntsville
Day 5	Pembroke
Day 6	Ottawa
Day 7	End of Tour

ACTIVITY PACKAGE

Day	Location	Inclusions
2	Niagara-on-the-Lake	1-hour jet boating on the Niagara River
5	Algonquin Provincial Park	4-hour Voyageur canoe and hike trip
6	Beachburg	5-6-hour whitewater rafting on the Ottawa River including lunch

Daily departures:
May 15 - September 23

Net cost, per person

Adult	315
Child*	N/A

* Minimum age 13

Quebec Explorer ACTIVITY PACKAGE

7 NIGHTS/8 DAYS Montreal/Montreal (YUL/YUL)

The 8-day Quebec Explorer Fly/Drive follows the same route, using the same accommodation as the 15-day Trails of Modern Explorers programme from Day 7 to Day 13.

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Day 1	Arrive Montreal
Day 2	Quebec City
Day 3	Quebec City
Day 4	Île-aux-Coudres
Day 5	Saguenay Region
Day 6	St.Alexis-des-Monts
Day 7	St.Alexis-des-Monts
Day 8	End of Tour

ACTIVITY PACKAGE

Day	Location	Inclusions
2	Quebec City	1.5-hour Discoverer's Cruise
5	Tadoussac	3-hour whale watching boat cruise

Daily departures:
May 15 - October 14

Net cost, per person

Adult	60
Child (0-12)	25

