

# All Aboard the 'Ocean': Québec to the Maritimes by Train

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### Overview

Embark on a journey through eastern Canada aboard the "Ocean" and revel in the charm of Québec and the Maritimes. Setting off from the Island of Montreal, ride the rails through the lower St. Lawrence River valley to New Brunswick. Stop along the way to experience Québec City, the natural beauty of the Bay of Fundy and the unique culture of Acadia in New Brunswick.

### Highlights

- Discuss with a historian the history, settlement and cultural significance of French Canada while discovering cosmopolitan Montréal and 400-year-old Québec City.
- Celebrate Acadian culture at a reproduction of an Acadian village and experience a kitchen party, a Miramichi tradition.
- In the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic in Halifax, survey the maritime history of Atlantic Canada, from the age of steamships to the Royal Canadian Navy to Nova Scotia's role in the aftermath of the *Titanic*.

**Activity Rating: Moderate.** This program gets you on your feet and includes activities such as walking up to a mile in a day through a city and standing in a museum for a few hours.

## This 11-Day Adventure to Canada Includes:

- 10 nights of accommodations
- 25 meals: 10 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 8 dinners
- 5 Expert-led lectures
- 15 Field trips
- 2 Performances
- Group travel and transfers throughout the program
- A Group Leader to accompany you throughout the program to handle all logistics
- Modest gratuities, taxes and destination fees
- The Road Scholar Emergency and Travel Assistance Plan, including 24-hour assistance for medical and other emergencies

## About Your Program Provider

This learning adventure is offered through Road Scholar, the program name of Elderhostel, a not-for-profit organization founded in 1975 to provide lifelong-learning opportunities for baby boomers and beyond. Its mission is to inspire adults to learn, discover and travel. Its learning adventures engage expert instructors, provide extraordinary access, and stimulate discourse and friendship among people for whom learning is the journey of a lifetime. As a leader in educational programs, Road Scholar offers 5,500 educational adventures in all 50 states and 150 countries.

## About Your Lodging

### Hyatt Regency: Montréal, Québec, 2 nights

Four-star hotel with a distinct French flavor.

### Hotel Palace Royale: Québec City, Québec, 2 nights

Four-star hotel in the heart of Old Québec

### The Ocean (Train), 1 night

The Ocean train makes an overnight journey along the St. Lawrence before crossing the provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

### Rodd Miramichi River: Miramichi, New Brunswick, 1 night

Nestled on the banks of the Miramichi River in Miramichi's Historic Water Street Business District

### Rodd Moncton: Moncton, New Brunswick, 2 nights

Newly renovated 3½-star hotel in the heart of downtown Moncton.

### Atlantica Hotel Halifax: Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2 nights

Four-Star modern, urban hotel





## Daily Itinerary

### Day 1 — Wednesday, July 29

#### Arrival and Check-in / Welcome Dinner / Orientation

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Transfer from Montréal International Airport to the hotel. Enjoy a Welcome Dinner and Orientation at the hotel.

### Day 2 — Thursday, July 30

#### Introduction to French Canada / Walking Montréal / Pointe-à-Callière Museum

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A presentation introduces you to French Canada, then enjoy an expert-led walk along the cobble streets of Old Montréal to experience Notre Dame Basilica, Place d'Armes and Place Jacques Cartier. After lunch at a local restaurant, discover the birthplace of Montréal at Pointe-à-Callière Museum.

### Day 3 — Friday, July 31

#### Musée des Beaux Art / St. Joseph's Oratory / Mont Royal / Train to Québec City

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Founded in 1864, the Montréal Museum of Fine Arts (Musée des Beaux Art) is one of Canada's oldest art museums. An experienced docent leads you through the museum's extraordinary collections. After lunch at Café des Beaux Arts, explore the city's heritage landmarks by coach, including St. Joseph's Oratory. Depart Montréal by train for Québec City, enjoying dinner aboard the train.

### Day 4 — Saturday, Aug. 1

#### Québec City by Coach / Plains of Abraham / Ursulines Convent and Museum

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This morning, learn about the principal historical events that occurred in Québec City and discover the city by coach. Explore the fortifications around the Old Town, which date from 1745, and embrace its distinctly European flavor. After lunch, learn during an expert-led exploration of the Ursulines Convent and Museum about the educational mission of the Ursuline nuns and their way of life.

### Day 5 — Sunday, Aug. 2

#### History of Québec City / Expert-Led Walk of Old Québec / Free Time / Board the Ocean train

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Set out on foot with a local expert to explore the city's architecture on an expert-led walk through the historic Old City. After lunch, enjoy free time to experience the Museum of Civilization, Museum of Fine Arts, Québec's Parliament or take a cruise on the scenic St. Lawrence River and enjoy dinner on your own. Board the Ocean train at 9:30 p.m. for an overnight trip, arriving in Miramichi at 11:35 a.m. on Monday.

### Day 6 — Monday, Aug. 3

#### Train Arrives in Miramichi / Le Pays de la Sagouine

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Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant, then experience Le Pays de la Sagouine — an eclectic reproduction of an Acadian village inspired by the town's very own distinguished novelist, Antonine Maillet, and her most celebrated character, La Sagouine. In the evening, experience a true Miramichi tradition, the Miramichi Kitchen Party.

### Day 7 — Tuesday, Aug. 4

#### Lobster Boat / Acadian Coast / Coach to Moncton

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Go on a lobster boat in Shediac Bay as an expert shows you how to crack and eat a freshly cooked lobster. A local lobster fisherman shares his passion for the lobster industry, demonstrating old fishing techniques that helped shape a way of life. After a lobster lunch, travel the Acadian coast and go on to Moncton with interpretive stops along the way.

### Day 8 — Wednesday, Aug. 5

#### Hopewell Rocks / Fundy Tides / Fundy National Park

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At Hopewell Rocks, an expert discusses the significance of the Bay of Fundy and coastal New Brunswick. Take a tidal walk with a local naturalist at Hopewell Rocks. After lunch, experience Fundy National Park's impressive views of seaside cliffs and colorful forests.

### Day 9 — Thursday, Aug. 6

#### Halifax / Nova Scotia Heritage / Maritime Museum of the Atlantic

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Following breakfast, depart by coach for Halifax (approximately four hours) with stops along the way. In Halifax, discover Nova Scotia's maritime heritage at the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic.

### Day 10 — Friday, Aug. 7

#### Historic Lunenburg / Peggy's Cove / Farewell Dinner

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Travel to Lunenburg to explore its historic narrow streets on foot, visit its historic churches and examine the Victorian architecture of the Old Town. After lunch on your own, travel the south shore with a stop at Peggy's Cove — one of the most picturesque fishing villages on the East Coast. Enjoy a Farewell Dinner back in Halifax.

### Day 11 — Saturday, Aug. 8

#### Program Concludes / Departure

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After breakfast, transfer to Halifax International Airport.



## To Register

Please call Road Scholar toll free at (800) 322-5315 and reference Program #22054, All Aboard the 'Ocean': Québec to the Maritimes by Train, starting on July 29, 2015 and say that you are an OLLI at Illinois Member.

## Program Price

### Program-Only Price

Double Occupancy: \$2,998 per person

Single Occupancy: \$3,769 per person

### Program Price with Airfare From Chicago

Double Occupancy: \$3,553 per person

Single Occupancy: \$4,324 per person



## Registration and Cancellation Information

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Please note that participants on this program must be 21 years or older due to program content and the serving of alcohol.

**Cancel Schedule:** Should you need to cancel from this program, please refer to the chart below for schedule and refund information.

Payment Schedule	
<b>Deposit Payment</b>	\$550 (due upon enrollment)
<b>Final program payment</b>	Due June 1, 2015
<b>Cancellation Policy</b>	<b>Fee amount per person</b>
Cancel up to 67 Days Prior to Program Start Date	\$550 (date of enrollment)
Cancel 66 to 30 days prior to program start date	Cancel by May 24, 2015: 50% fee
Cancel less than 30 days prior to program start date	Cancel by June 30, 2015: 100% of the order total
Non-attendance fee will be applied if you do not call Road Scholar Participant Services at least one business day prior to the program start date.	Cancel by July 28, 2015: 100% of the order total

Road Scholar recommends that you purchase optional Trip Cancellation, Interruption & Travel Delay Insurance to protect your investment. You will receive a detailed brochure about this insurance policy when you enroll in a program.

### Airline fees:

Independent of any Road Scholar cancellation fees, many airlines now assess stringent penalties for changes and/or cancellations — up to 100% of the ticket price in certain cases — for which you will be personally responsible. Some airlines waive these penalties in the event of death, sickness or injury to you, your immediate family or your unrelated travel companion.

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