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# Atlantic Maritimes Explorer by Rail | Montreal to Halifax

**Eastern Canada Rail Vacation**

8 Days / 7 Nights  Montreal to Halifax

Priced at USD $4,627 per person

Prices are per person and include all taxes. Child age 10 yrs & under

## INTRODUCTION

Experience the best of Montreal, Quebec City, Prince Edward Island in just over a week on this Atlantic Maritimes Explorer Train Trip. Discover Canada as you've never seen it before on a trip with VIA Rail through the Atlantic and Maritime provinces. Witness the dynamic landscapes change from cosmopolitan cities to quirky towns and enjoy your choice of tours in Montreal and Charlottetown. From wandering the local food market on foot to cruising for lobster by boat, each moment is as adventurous as the next.

### Itinerary at a Glance

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| **DAY 1** | Arrive Montreal |
| **DAY 2** | Montreal \| Day Tour to Quebec City & Montmorency Falls |
| **DAY 3** | Montreal \| Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 3 Excursions Montreal to Charlottetown\| VIA Rail |
| | Option 1. Montreal Half Day Sightseeing Tour |
| | Option 2 Walking Tour of Old Montreal |
| | Option 3 Beyond the Market Food Walking Tour |
| **DAY 4** | Arrive Charlottetown \| VIA Rail + Private Transfer |
| **DAY 5** | Charlottetown \| Island Drives & Anne of Green Gables Tour |
| **DAY 6** | Charlottetown \| Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 2 Excursions |
| | Option 1. Morning Lobster Cruise |

Option 2. Morning Charlottetown Highlights Tour

Charlottetown to Halifax| Private Transfer

**DAY 7** Halifax | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 3 Excursions

Option 1. Taste Halifax | Eat Halifax Tour

Option 2. Best of Halifax Peggy's Cove Tour

Option 3. Lunenburg & Mahone Bay Tour

**DAY 8** Halifax

## MAP

## DETAILED ITINERARY

**Day 1 Arrive Montreal**
Upon arrival at Montreal International Airport transfer independently by limousine or taxi to your downtown hotel (transfer not included)

**Day 2 Montreal | Day Tour to Quebec City & Montmorency Falls**
Today embark on a full day sightseeing tour from Montreal to Quebec City, at the heart of French Canada. Nowhere else in North America is the appearance and atmosphere of an old-world city so complete. Quebec City looks and feels very European; perhaps that is why the entire old section of the town was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1985. Today qualified guides will help you discover the enchanting sights which are part of Quebec City's history. The tour includes a photo stop at Montmorency Falls -- higher than Niagara Falls! Return this evening to Montreal.

**Day 3 Montreal | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 3 Excursions Montreal to Charlottetown | VIA Rail / Private Transfer**
Today you can personalize your day by choosing one of these excursions
*Option 1. Montreal Half Day Sightseeing Tour*
Enjoy a fully guided driving tour to all the "must see" areas of Montréal such as Mont Royal, Old Montréal, and the city's picturesque riverfront. Highlights of the tour include a visit to the Notre-Dame Basillica, taking in the 360 degree views from the Observatoire Place Ville Marie, and a scenic river cruise along the beautiful St. Lawrence River.
*Option 2 Walking Tour of Old Montreal*
Explore the winding cobblestone streets of Old Montréal on a guided walking tour. Travel back in time to Fort Ville-Marie in 1642, to today's modern city and find out more about all the eras that shaped Montréal
*Option 3 Beyond the Market Food Walking Tour*
The city's best food tour takes you to at least 6 of your local guide's favourite eateries and watering holes. From artisanal charcuteries to thirst quenching craft beers, discover the surrounding areas of JeanTalon, our largest food market on our walking tour!

Then this evening board VIA Rail to Moncton. This evening enjoy the scenic vista through the rural communities of Quebec's south shore. Overnight on VIA Rail. (dinner is included today)

**Day 4 Arrive Charlottetown | VIA Rail**
Wake to views of the Atlantic Ocean, rolling hills, and quaint coastal villages that appear frozen in time. Upon disembarking the train take an included private transfer to Charlottetown via the Confederation Bridge. (Breakfast is included today)

**Day 5 Charlottetown | Island Drives & Anne of Green Gables Tour**
Today enjoy views of rolling farmlands, stunning seascapes, tiny villages and bustling harbours along the Green Gables Shore (scenic drive) as we get ready to tour the North Shore area.

**Day 6 Charlottetown | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 2 Excursions Charlottetown to Halifax | Private Transfer**
Today you can personalize your day by choosing one of these excursions
*Option 1. Morning Lobster Cruise*
Catch a buoy, haul a trap and band a claw as you learn about the world of lobster fishing on Prince Edward Island. Onboard feel the ocean breeze and watch for seabirds as Captain Mark explains the hard life of a lobster fisherman. Then head to the mouth of the harbour and into the Northumberland Strait, past Port La Joye/Fort Amherst, the Island's oldest European settlement.
*Option 2. Morning Charlottetown Highlights Tour*
Discover the history and charm of Canada's Birthplace as you ride through the streets of Charlottetown.

Then this afternoon depart on a private transfer back over the Confederation Bridge to Halifax.

**Day 7 Halifax | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 3 Excursions**
Today you can personalize your day by choosing one of these excursions.
*Option 1. Taste Halifax | Eat Halifax Tour*
Discover Halifax's vibrant food scene on a gastronomic journey across town. Sample fresh seafood, award-winning local wines, and Halifax's famed donair. Visit historic sites including the impressive Halifax Citadel and picturesque Hydrostone Neighborhood.
*Option 2. Best of Halifax Peggy's Cove Tour*
Immerse in Nova Scotia's beauty with scenic Peggy's Cove Lighthouse, explore Halifax Citadel's historic alleyways, witness Halifax's vibrant landmarks, and visit iconic Titanic cemetery.
*Option 3. Lunenburg & Mahone Bay Tour*
Immerse yourself in Nova Scotia's South Shore charm with a tour of historic Lunenburg. Uncover its UNESCO World Heritage status, engage with local expertise, explore preserved architecture and the Bluenose II. Dive into the fishing industry, vibrant waterfront, shops, distilleries and eateries while enjoying insightful local commentary.

**Day 8 Halifax**
A check-out from your hotel concludes this memorable rail journey to Atlantic Canada.

## INCLUDED

**Package Includes:**

- 2 nights accommodation in Montreal
- 2 nights accommodation in Charlottetown
- 2 nights accommodation in Halifax
- VIA Rail onboard accommodation for 1 night between Montreal and Charlottetown
- Quebec City & Montmorency Falls sightseeing tour
- Montreal | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 3 Excursions
  - Montreal Half Day Sightseeing Tour
  - Walking Tour of Old Montreal
  - Beyond the Market Food Walking Tour (operates Thu - Mon)
- Private Van Transfer between Moncton & Charlottetown
- Island Drive & Anne of Green Gables Tour
- Charlottetown | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 2 Excursions
  - Lobster Cruise
  - Charlottetown Highlights Tour
- Private transfer between Charlottetown & Halifax
- Halifax | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 3 Excursions
  - Taste Halifax | Eat Halifax Tour
  - Best of Halifax Including Peggy's Cove Tour
  - Lunenburg & Mahone Bay Tour
- Meals as per itinerary
- National Park fees

**Hotel & Rail Information | Moderate Grade**

- Montreal - Alt Hotel | Standard Room
- Montreal to Moncton - VIA Rail | Sleeper Plus Private Bedroom
- Charlottetown - The Great George | Classic Room Breakfast included
- Halifax – The Barrington Hotel | Guest Room

**Hotel & Rail Information | Superior Grade**

- Montreal - Le Germain Hotel | Prestige Room
- Montreal to Moncton - VIA Rail | Sleeper Plus Private Bedroom

- Charlottetown - The Great George | Classic Room Breakfast included
- Halifax – Hotel Halifax | Guest Room Harbour View

**Hotel & Rail Information | Deluxe Grade**

- Montreal - Fairmont Queen Elizabeth | Fairmont View Room
- Montreal to Moncton - VIA Rail | Sleeper Plus Private Bedroom
- Charlottetown - The Great George | Classic Room Breakfast included
- Halifax - The Sutton Place Hotel | Sutton Room

**Not Included**

- International or domestic airfares (unless specified above)
- Meals other than specified above
- Gratuities/tips
- Travel insurance

# DATES & PRICING

**Departs from Montreal: Monday, Wednesday & Friday**

*(Tour Code: TR184)*

| DATE | TWIN | SINGLE | TRIPLE | CHILD |
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| **Moderate Grade with Private Bedroom on-board VIA Rail** | | | | |
| 01 May 24 - 27 May 24 | $4,627 | $7,229 | $3,892 | $1,795 |
| 28 May 24 - 30 Sep 24 | $4,814 | $7,603 | $4,010 | $1,795 |
| 01 Oct 24 - 15 Oct 24 | $4,647 | $7,271 | $3,899 | $1,795 |
| **Superior Grade with Private Bedroom on-board VIA Rail** | | | | |
| 01 May 24 - 27 May 24 | $4,963 | $7,902 | $4,123 | $1,795 |
| 28 May 24 - 30 Sep 24 | $5,171 | $8,317 | $4,262 | $1,795 |
| 01 Oct 24 - 15 Oct 24 | $4,983 | $7,943 | $4,137 | $1,795 |
| **Deluxe Grade with Private Bedroom on-board VIA Rail** | | | | |
| 01 May 24 - 27 May 24 | $5,040 | $8,056 | $4,209 | $1,795 |
| 28 May 24 - 30 Sep 24 | $5,266 | $8,508 | $4,360 | $1,795 |
| 01 Oct 24 - 15 Oct 24 | $5,040 | $8,056 | $4,209 | $17,958 |

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