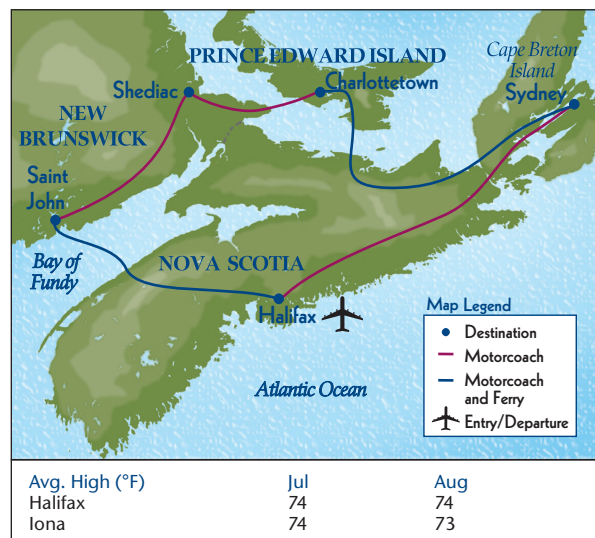


The Canadian Maritimes

**12 days for \$6,947 total price
from Washington, DC**

**(\$6,695 air & land inclusive plus \$252
airline taxes and fees)**

Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island make for a scenic and history-infused journey. We explore fishing villages and port cities, French fortifications and colonial British settlements, and travel to secluded Prince Edward Island and rugged Cape Breton on this classic route.



Typical rural scene in the Maritime province of Nova Scotia

Day 1: Arrive Halifax, Nova Scotia We arrive today in Halifax, capital of the Canadian province of Nova Scotia and a bustling center of commerce and shipping. As guests' arrival times may vary greatly, we have no group activities or meals planned for today.

Day 2: Halifax/Lunenburg/South Shore This morning we encounter Nova Scotia's South Shore, setting out early for the tiny hamlet of Peggy's Cove. Our destination: Peggy's Point Lighthouse, one of Canada's most photographed landmarks, the red-and-white beacon perched on a granite outcropping. Then we continue on the coastal road to Lunenburg, a UNESCO site. Settled by the British in 1753, this historic town represents Canada's finest surviving example of a planned British town. We take a walking tour then have time for lunch on our own. Later, weather permitting, we make a photo stop in Mahone Bay, known for its three centuries-old churches. Late this afternoon, we return to Halifax for tonight's welcome dinner. *B,D*

Day 3: Halifax/Saint John, New Brunswick Today we travel to the scenic Annapolis Valley, a network of farms, fields, and forests lying between two mountain ranges in Nova Scotia's northwest. We stop to tour Annapolis Royal Historic Gardens, featuring a prized collection of rhododendron, azalea, roses, and more,

in a tranquil setting overlooking a tidal river valley. The Gardens also showcase gardening methods, designs, and materials representing more than 400 years of Canadian history, including a reconstructed Acadian house circa 1671. Next, we visit nearby Grand-Pré National Historic Site, dedicated to the memory of the area's original French Acadian settlers. Then we travel to the coastal village of Digby, the "Scallop Capital of the World," where an option for lunch will include this Maritime delicacy. Late afternoon we board a ferry and cross the Bay of Fundy to Saint John, where dinner tonight is on our own. *B,L*

Day 4: Saint John/St. Andrews This morning we embark on a walking tour of Saint John, the first incorporated city in present-day Canada. We begin on King Street, the steepest main street in Canada; and pass by landmarks including the Loyalist House, one of Saint John's first homes; and the Old City Market, Canada's longest-running farmer's market. Then we make our way down the coast to St. Andrews-by-the-Sea. From here, we embark on a whale watching cruise in the Bay of Fundy, where we're on the lookout for the bay's 12 species of whales. *B,D*

Day 5: Saint John/Shediac We travel today to the head of the Bay of Fundy to tour Hopewell Rocks, famous for having the world's highest tides. Formed

Physical Activity Level



Easy

Refer to page 5 for more information.

Your Tour at a Glance

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for Halifax	Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel	Sup. First Class
2	Halifax	Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel	Sup. First Class
3-4	St. John	Delta Hotels St. John	Sup. First Class
5	Shediac	Hotel Shediac	Not rated
6-7	Charlottetown	Rodd Charlottetown	First Class
8-10	Sydney	The Simon Hotel Sydney	First Class
11	Halifax	Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel	Sup. First Class
12	Depart Halifax for U.S.		

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference. Unrated hotels may be too new, too small, or too remote to be listed.

over the millennia as the seaside sandstone cliffs were slowly worn away by a combination of wind, surface water, and tide, these “Flowerpot Rocks” range from 40 to 70 feet tall. We spend time here to view the formation, then continue on to Shediac, the “Lobster Capital of the World.” Here we enjoy an authentic lobster dinner on board a working lobster boat and learn about this vital industry. *B,L,D*

Day 6: Shediac/Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island This morning we cross the 8-mile-long Confederation Bridge connecting mainland Canada to Prince Edward Island (PEI). Many PEI residents trace their lineage back to the area’s first French and English settlers, and we learn about this rich historical tradition at our first stop on the island: Village Musical Acadien, which hosts cultural events, concerts, and community theater. We continue on to Charlottetown, PEI’s capital and our home for the next two nights. Known as the “Birthplace of Confederation,” Charlottetown hosted the Charlottetown Conference of 1864, which paved the way for



Iconic lighthouse at Peggy’s Cove

Post-Tour Extension

July 24-26, 2025

Halifax, Nova Scotia – On Your Own

3 days/2 nights for \$395 total price

Single Supplement: \$295

Experience more of this regional and cultural capital, with a diverse mix of historic and contemporary sights.

Your Tour Price Includes

- 2 nights’ accommodations at Halifax Marriott Harbourfront (Superior First Class)
- 2 meals: 2 breakfasts
- Transfer to Halifax airport



J’AI MON VOYAGE!
I’VE GOT MY TRIP,
I HAVE TRAVELED.”

– FRENCH CANADIAN EXPRESSION

Canada’s eventual independence from Britain. Our tour passes the Greek- and Roman-influenced Province House, seat of the PEI Legislature since 1847; and the Confederation Centre of the Arts, home to Canada’s longest-running mainstage musical, *Anne of Green Gables*. *B,L,D*

Day 7: Prince Edward Island After a morning at leisure in Charlottetown, early this afternoon we travel to the island’s scenic North Shore, where we admire the red cliffs, white-sand beaches, gently sloping dunes, and green fields of Prince Edward Island National Park. Along our drive we stop to tour Green Gables Heritage Place, the restored 19th-century farm (and National Historic Site) that was the setting for the *Anne of Green Gables* novels. Then we enjoy afternoon tea at Prince Edward Island Preserve Company, a historic centerpiece in the quaint village of New Glasgow. Dinner tonight is on our own. *B*

Day 8: Charlottetown/Sydney, Cape Breton Island This morning we board a ferry for the return trip to the mainland then travel to Cape Breton Island, one of Canada’s most beautiful spots. Our first stop here: Baddeck, set on the shores of Bras d’Or Lake, where we tour the Alexander Graham Bell National Historic Site. Then we continue on to our hotel in Sydney. *B,D*

Day 9: Sydney/Cabot Trail It’s a day of outstanding scenery as we drive the world-famous Cabot Trail. Named for Venetian explorer Giovanni Caboto (John Cabot) who landed in Atlantic Canada in 1497, this 185-mile route loops around the northern tip of Cape Breton Island, passing through the rugged and beautiful Cape Breton Highlands National Park. Here, steep cliffs repel the crashing surf, river canyons carve out routes to the sea, and mountainsides covered in deep green pines provide stunning photo opportunities. *B,L,D*

Day 10: Louisbourg Today we visit the Fortress of Louisbourg National Historic Site, the reconstructed fortress that is now a living history museum. Then we return to Sydney, Cape Breton’s largest

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
- 11 nights’ accommodations in Superior First Class, First Class, and unrated hotels
- 23 meals: 11 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 8 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers



On Day 9, we travel the dramatic Cabot Trail.

town, where we have free time to explore as we wish followed by dinner at a local restaurant. *B,D*

Day 11: Sydney/Halifax, Nova Scotia On the way back to Halifax today, we stop for lunch at the Mass-town Market near Truro, a produce and fish market popular with locals. We have some free time upon our return to Halifax before we gather tonight for a farewell dinner to celebrate our Maritimes adventure. *B,D*

Day 12: Depart Nova Scotia We transfer to the Halifax airport today for our flights home. *B*

Tour Departs: July 13, 2025

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees

Boston	\$6,547
Chicago, New York	\$6,747
Atlanta, Baltimore, Charlotte, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Detroit, Houston, Philadelphia, Washington, DC	\$6,947
Denver, Los Angeles, Minneapolis	\$7,047
Miami, Orlando, Phoenix, Portland (OR), San Francisco, Seattle, Tampa	\$7,147
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$5,995

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$252, which are subject to change until final payment has been made.

Single travelers please add \$1,395. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Important Information About Your Tour

General Terms and Conditions

The following is intended to provide you with a description of what to expect when you reserve a tour with Odysseys Unlimited. Upon booking, you will be asked to acknowledge your acceptance of the full Terms and Conditions on My Odyssey, our secure on-line portal.

Tour Prices

Tour prices quoted are guaranteed through December 31, 2025, and include accommodations based on double occupancy; airfare from your departure city; airline taxes, surcharges, and fees, and port charges and cruise line fees (where applicable), which are subject to change until final payment has been made; internal air, rail, and motorcoach transportation; meals, sightseeing, and transfers as described; hotel taxes; entrance fees for included sightseeing; the services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director; luggage handling for one bag per person; and all gratuities as described below. Please note that the cost of air upgrades is subject to change.

Gratuities

Tour prices include all gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers on base tours and on optional extensions when accompanied by an Odysseys Unlimited representative. Please note that gratuities for the Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) are not included. These tips are optional and should be extended on a voluntary basis. Gratuities are not included on "On Your Own" optional extensions.

Not Included in Your Tour Price

Airfare from your hometown to your departure city; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; immunizations and inoculations; communications charges; airport transfers when purchasing a land-only

package; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour), which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: \$10-\$15 per guest, per day); and a Travel Protection Plan. Additional baggage fees levied directly by the airline(s) may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Registration and Payment

A deposit of \$500 per person confirms your reservation. Full payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure and may be made by personal check or credit card. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. reserves the right to cancel any reservations that are not paid in full at any time after final payment is due. If you make your reservation after the final payment date, payment in full will be required upon reservation.

Cancellations and Refunds

If you must cancel your tour, the effective date of cancellation will be upon our receipt of your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges:

For all tours (except as noted)

<u>Prior to departure</u>	<u>Charge</u>
95 days or more:	\$200
94-65 days:	25% of tour price
64-45 days:	50% of tour price
44-30 days:	75% of tour price
29-0 days:	No refund

For Africa's Wildlife

<u>Prior to departure</u>	<u>Charge</u>
95 days or more:	\$200
94-65 days:	50% of tour price
64-30 days:	75% of tour price
29-0 days:	No refund

Please note that we will not refund the cost of any unused portion of your tour package. If due to unforeseen circumstances Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. cancels your tour, you will receive a complete refund of all payments you have made to us.

Pre-Departure

Upon reservation, you will be able to access all information regarding your tour in My Odyssey, our secure on-line portal. This material includes your invoice, a detailed day-by-day itinerary, visa requirements (if applicable), Travel Protection Plan information, and more. Your final tour documents, including airline itineraries (with e-ticket numbers), will be available in the portal two to three weeks before departure.

Single Travelers

We welcome single travelers, and offer a limited number of single accommodations on each tour. Because hotel and cruise rates are priced by the room or cabin, the per person cost for accommodations occupied by one person is higher than that shared by two people. We endeavor to keep single supplements at a reasonable cost. Please note that single rooms in many foreign hotels may be smaller than those to which you are accustomed.

Changes to Your Reservation

We will not charge a fee for any changes made to your reservation outside of 95 days before departure. From 94 to 30 days before departure, if you make any changes to your reservation, a \$100 per person administrative fee will apply, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by airlines, hotels, or other third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason or at any time, you will be charged the single supplement. **Please note that no changes to your name(s) or departure date are allowed within 95 days of departure. No changes to your reservation can be made within 30 days of departure.**

Required Information

Upon reservation, we will need to obtain from you the following, in accordance with the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Secure Flight program (for details, please visit www.tsa.gov), as well as for our international travel partners: **your full name as it appears on your passport, date of birth, and gender; for domestic tours – your full name as it appears on the accepted form of government-issued photo identification that you plan to use, date of birth, and gender.** In addition, airlines may require that we provide them with your contact information prior to departure. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, or if you use a different passport than originally cited, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.

Travel Documents

A passport valid for at least six months after the completion of your tour is required for U.S. citizens on all of our international tours. For all domestic tours, where we fly into a U.S. city to begin the tour or out of a U.S. city at the end, you must present a valid U.S. government-issued photo identification. Starting on May 7, 2025, your government-issued photo ID must be REAL ID-compliant (or you can present an alternate form of ID, such as a passport). Visit www.dhs.gov/real-id or contact your local DMV for more information. If your tour requires a visa(s), we strongly recommend that you have at least six blank visa pages available; for tours not requiring a visa(s), we recommend that your passport have at least three blank visa pages. We will send you specific visa and entry requirements after you make a reservation. You are responsible for obtaining these documents. If you need to obtain a visa, we recommend our preferred provider G3 Global Services. If you are traveling with a minor, please contact us for special entry requirements. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please contact your embassy or consulate to ensure you obtain the proper documentation.

Health and Medical Issues

We welcome all travelers, but request that you be in good health to participate in an Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. tour. All of our tours involve a reasonable amount of walking (typically two to three miles per day), often uphill or on uneven or cobblestone streets. **You must be able to**

get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own. We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire, and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have.

We ask that all guests review our guidelines for health on tour, which can be found on our website: www.odysseys-unlimited.com/travel-health.

We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical condition or behavior, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other tour members. In that event, VMFA and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour. While we do our best to accommodate food allergy concerns, we cannot guarantee zero cross-contamination.

Travel Protection Plan

Odysseys Unlimited makes available an optional Travel Protection Plan that is available for purchase until your final payment. We strongly recommend that you protect yourself and your investment in the event you have to cancel or interrupt your tour. Your Plan payment is fully refundable if you cancel outside of the final payment due date. In order to provide you with the most effective coverage, the policy exclusion for “Pre-Existing Conditions” will be waived if you purchase this plan within 14 days of making your initial deposit/payment for your trip and are medically able to travel at the time the plan is purchased. Information on this Travel Protection Plan will be included with your tour confirmation package. To review full plan details please visit www.tripmate.com/wpGR350.

Air Transportation

Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated departure cities as shown and contracts with those airlines the company feels provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. Airline upgrades at additional cost may be available on request for the round-trip trans-Atlantic or trans-Pacific portion of your flights. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. **Please note that seat assignment on your**

international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, booking the tour “Land Only” is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.

Responsibility

The liability of VMFA, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. VMFA and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchase transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. VMFA and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise lines, and other independent suppliers.

We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary or staff changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality. Cruise itineraries may change due to factors such as government regulations, water levels, or weather conditions.

VMFA Member Travel reserves the right to use photos that might include you in marketing materials and for other purposes unless you specify otherwise.



RESERVATION FORM

To reserve your place on tour, please call **Odysseys Unlimited toll-free at 888-370-6765**. Please have the information outlined below available to share with an Odysseys Unlimited Travel Counselor.

If you prefer, you may also complete this Reservation Form and mail it to Odysseys Unlimited’s office. Once this request is received, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to securely take your credit card information for the deposit. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. If paying by check, please make check payable to **Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.** and include with the form. Final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure.

Send to: **Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.**

**Attn: Special Interest Groups
One Newton Place
275 Washington Street, Suite 300
Newton, MA 02458**

Tour Name _____
Departure Date _____
Pre- or Post-Tour Extension (as described on tour page): Please sign me/us up

I/We would like to request _____ place(s). (Deposit amount is \$500 per person.)

Full Passport Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Gender _____

Full Passport Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Gender _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

E-mail(s) _____ Badge Name(s) _____

Please book my/our air from _____ I/We request an air upgrade to _____

I will share a room with _____ I request a single room (limited availability)