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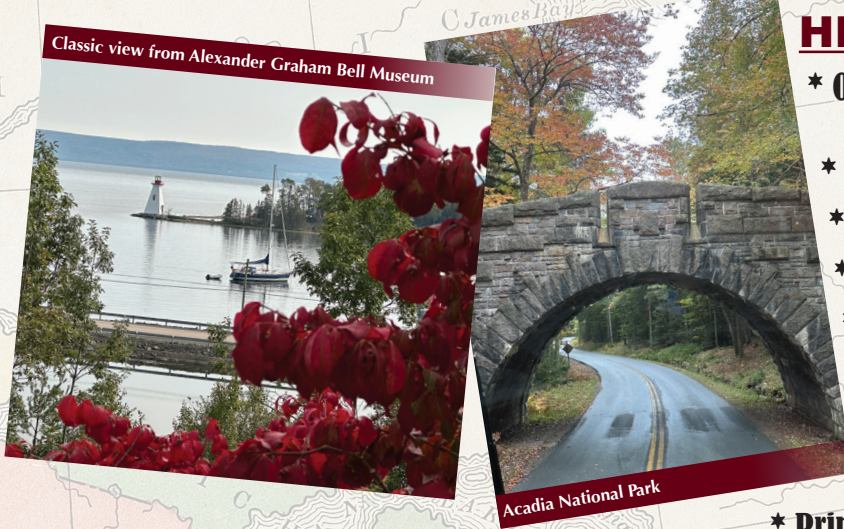
Margaret - Brainerd, MN

2023 R&J Nova Scotia Traveler

*Cabot Trail exploring*

# *Nova Scotia in Autumn & Prince Edward Island*

— September 29 - October 15, 2024 (17 days) —



## **HIGHLIGHTS**

- \* Overnight VIA Rail Train Trip from Montreal to Halifax
- \* Historical Halifax
- \* Drive the Lighthouse Route
- \* Village of Lunenburg
- \* Peggy's Cove
- \* Cape Breton Highlands NP
- \* Cabot Trail
- \* Alexander Graham Bell Museum
- \* Prince Edward Island & Anne of Green Gables
- \* Ceilidh (Folk Music House Party)
- \* Nature Cruise from St Andrews
- \* Bar Harbor - Acadia National Park
- \* Grand Pre UNESCO World Heritage Site
- \* Bay of Fundy

## **MAP AT A GLANCE**



*"Another fantastic tour of Nova Scotia with R&J. I celebrated my 25th [R&J] trip with this tour."* Mary, Rochester

*"This is one of the best tours I have been on. A must do!"* Penny, Minneapolis

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2023 R&J Nova Scotia Travelers





Scenic Halls Harbour



PEI - Covehead Harbour Lighthouse



Anne of Green Gables - planting purple potatoes

## Day 1 - Home to Lansing area, IL

Board our luxury motorcoach for a wonderful scenic ride through Wisconsin and Illinois! We will have comfort stops and lunch at one of our favorite restaurants!! Before we tuck ourselves in for the evening, we will stop for dinner on your own along the way.

**Included Meals: Lunch**

**Hotel: Holiday Inn Express**

## Day 2 - Lansing area to London, ONT.

After breakfast at the hotel, we board the motorcoach and make our way to London, Ontario for our overnight at the Hampton Inn.

**Included Meals: Light Breakfast**

**Hotel: Best Western Lamplighter Inn**

## Day 3 - London to Gananoque, ONT.

Today on our way to Gananoque, we will stop in Toronto for a little time to enjoy its beautiful waterfront. Tonight we check-in to our hotel for a restful evening.

**Included Meals: Light Breakfast**

**Hotel: Holiday Inn Express**

## Day 4 - Gananoque to Montreal, QC - Board Via Rail

This morning after breakfast we will experience a breathtaking voyage on a 1000 Islands cruise. We'll see Boldt Castle, the Statue of St. Lawrence, 1000 Islands International Bridge, and Zavikon Islands containing the smallest International Bridge in the world.

This afternoon we make our way to Montreal. Then this evening we embark on a train adventure as we board The Ocean VIA Rail. Imagine departing Montreal just as dusk is falling, shrouding the city skyline as you pull through the Monteregie Hills, distant lights marking the small towns that pass by on our journey east. Enjoy a freshly prepared dinner of regional specialities this evening in the dining car. This evening let the rhythm of the train lull you to sleep!

**Included Meals: Light Breakfast, Dinner**

**Hotel: Sleeper Cabin VIA Rail**

## Day 5 - VIA Rail to Halifax

As dawn breaks, the train is traveling the coast of the Baie-des-Chaleurs. After breakfast in the dining car, watch the beautiful views unfold around us from our private cabins. Lunch will be served in the dining car with views of the New Brunswick countryside. Our relaxing train ride ends in Halifax, where we have the evening at your leisure, with many dining choices surrounding our hotel.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch**

**Hotel: Four Points Sheraton (3 Nights)**

## Day 6 - Halifax

A local step on guide will join us today. Take in the charming coastal villages reflecting Acadian French history that dot the shoreline. Our first chance to see the extraordinary impact of the tides of the Bay of Fundy is in quaint Halls Harbour. We'll visit the Grand Pre Historic Park, a historic site depicting the story of the expulsion of the Acadians, immortalized in Longfellow's tragic romance "Evangeline." Then we will enjoy a delicious lunch to-

gether, before we continue to sightsee the city of Halifax. From atop Citadel Hill, observe Halifax's famous, bustling harbor where ships have come and gone for many years. Halifax is the resting place for many Titanic victims, giving us a chance to pay our respects at the Fairview Lawn Cemetery. We will also see the infamous site & hear the remarkable story of the Halifax Explosion of 1917.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch**

## Day 7 - Halifax

This morning our local guide joins us as again. First we'll travel the Lighthouse Route and continue on to the lovely seaport village of Lunenburg, the famous shipbuilding and fishing center of Canada. We'll spot countless islands and coves before arriving in Lunenburg and visit the famous Fisheries Museum of the Atlantic for a tour and a tasty lunch together. We'll be sure to stop for an awe-inspiring stroll along the water's edge. Our afternoon will take us out to famous Peggy's Cove, a quaint little fishing village which stands on a solid rock that offers sweeping coastal views. Tonight enjoy a relaxing evening on your own.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch**

## Day 8 - Halifax to Baddeck

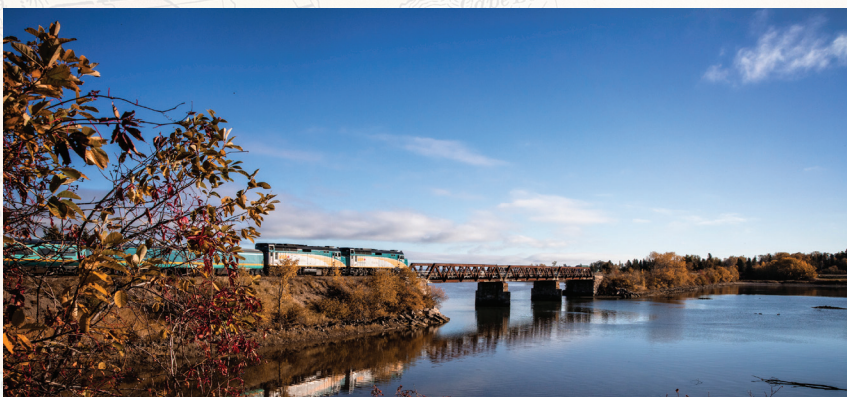
We'll travel the "Road to the Isles" over the Canso Strait to Cape Breton Island. See Bras d'Or Lake, a beautiful inland sea. Later we will visit the Alexander Graham Bell National Historic Museum which houses Bell's most remarkable collection of early inventions. Our hotel is located in the heart of Baddeck, a scenic village reflecting the atmosphere of old Scotland. Dinner will be at the Inn.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

**Hotel: Silver Dart Inn (2 Nights)**

## Day 9 - Baddeck

This morning our local guide joins us as we head out for the day. Brace yourself for some of the most breathtaking scenery as we take one of the world's most scenic drives. The Cabot Trail winds through Cape Breton Highlands National Park, past majestic rock bluffs and through deep stream-lined valleys. We'll stop along the way at Flora's gift shop with hand-crafted goods made by the local Acadian French artists in their native traditions. Lunch will be on your own







Picturesque Lunenburg



Head Harbour Lightstation near Campobello Island

at Pleasant Bay along the beautiful Cabot Trail before we continue exploring Cape Breton Island with many photo stops along the way. Dinner will be served at the Inn tonight.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

### Day 10 - Baddeck to Prince Edward Island

We'll ferry to the birthplace of Canada, Prince Edward Island, where unspoiled beauty abounds on this peaceful isle – a favorite summer resort destination. A sunny day on Prince Edward Island is like nowhere else on earth! This afternoon a local step-on guide will join us in Charlottetown. We'll admire lovely Victorian homes and gardens as we tour this historic capital city. Enjoy a visit to the Prince Edward Island Preserve Company & hear how it all began. Prince Edward Island is famous for its lobster, so what better place to learn about the fishing industry in North Rustico before enjoying a maritime lobster dinner this evening at The Fisherman's Wharf!

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

**Hotel: The Hotel on Pownal (2 Nights)**

### Day 11 - Prince Edward Island

Enjoy exploring Charlottetown on your own this morning before we are once again joined by our local step-on guide for the afternoon. Discover Green Gables, the literary home of Lucy Maud Montgomery's "Anne of Green Gables." Visiting the Museum, touring the Green Gables House, walking the Haunted Woods and Lover's Lane will bring this classic to life! Our continued tour of this lovely island will display the magnificent beaches of Prince Edward Island National Park and the rich farmlands of red soil and rolling hillsides with the beautiful Atlantic Ocean as a backdrop. After an evening meal we'll be guests at a Ceilidh (house party)!

**Included Meals: Light Breakfast, Dinner**



1,000 Islands Cruise - Boldt Castle



### Day 12 - PEI to St. Andrews

Departing the island, we'll cross the Northumberland Strait on the Confederation Bridge which spans the island and New Brunswick. Take some time to browse in the local shops and visitor center of the Gateway Village just below the Confederation Bridge. We'll follow the Kennebecasis River Valley to Saint John, where we will see the amazing Reversing Falls. This phenomenon is caused when the tide off the Bay of Fundy reverses the flow of the St. Johns River 80 miles up stream. Arriving in beautiful St. Andrew by the Sea, we'll check into the grand Algonquin Resort! Dinner will be on your own in one of the resort's restaurants or select one along the waterfront in the downtown village.

**Included Meals: Light Breakfast**

**Hotel: Algonquin Resort**

### Day 13 - St. Andrews to Bar Harbor

Embark on a fascinating nature boat cruise along the coastline enroute to Campobello Island, the place where Franklin D. Roosevelt's summer cottage is set. Then we depart for a wonderful lunch at Helen's where we will thoroughly enjoy their specialty: pie! Later depart for Bar Harbor, which is graced with quaint shops, galleries, and picturesque vistas. Dinner & the evening are on your own to enjoy our hotel's prime location right on Frenchman Bay.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch**

**Hotel: Bar Harbor Regency**

### Day 14 - Bar Harbor to Worcester, MA

Visit Acadia National Park and Mt. Desert Island, which offers lovely harbors and coves perfectly nestled among forested lands, then drive the summit of Cadillac Mountain for a spectacular view of the rugged coast. Before leaving Bar Harbor, we'll enjoy lunch on our own, then we make our way to Worcester for the evening.

**Included Meals: Light Breakfast**

**Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites**



Anne of Green Gables has found R&J!



## Day 15 - Revere to Buffalo, NY

We continue our journey in the motorcoach as we head to Buffalo, NY. After stopping for lunch on our own, we'll visit the Norman Rockwell Museum to marvel at Rockwell's full-size original paintings and view all 323 of his *The Saturday Evening Post* covers! Then we'll make our way to the hotel for the evening.

**Included Meals: Breakfast**  
**Hotel: Hampton Inn**

## Day 16 – Buffalo to Aurora, IL

Fill up on a delicious breakfast before we board our luxury motorcoach. Fun and games will be had as we motor along the highway, with comfort stops, lunch and dinner along the way. This evening you'll head to bed and dream about the next R&J Tour that you might want to take!

**Included Meals: Breakfast**  
**Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites**

## Day 17 – Aurora to Home

It's been a wonderful journey with only today left! Have a hearty breakfast and board the motorcoach knowing you are in great hands. Sit back, relax, play a game or two, watch a movie, or just visit with your neighbor...we will stop for coffee breaks and lunch while we reminisce about the fantastic "Nova Scotia in Autumn Tour" that we just took!

**Included Meals: Breakfast**



Peggy's Cove awaits!



Tour Anne of Green Gables Home



Grand Pre National Park



Sunset at Silver Dart Inn - take a seat!

R&J Travelers enjoying Halls Harbour!



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PEI - "The Tide Meets the Farm" - Potato harvesting time



Titanic Gravesite



Enjoying Cabot Trail's views!



Cabot Trail



Confederation Bridge

Nova Scotia  
in Autumn

## 2024 DATES & PRICES

DATES:	September 29 - October 15, 2024 (17 Days)	
PRICE PER PERSON:	\$6,499 Double \$5,989 Triple	\$8,379 Single \$5,749 Quad
PRICE INCLUDES:	26 Meals, Activities & Hotels as stated, Luxury Motorcoach	
DEPOSIT DUE PER PERSON:	\$100 deposit per person at time of reservation. Full payment due 30 days prior to departure.	
OPTIONAL TRAVEL PROTECTION P/P:	\$483 Double p/p	\$655 Single
TRAVEL BUCKS:	\$75 per person on future travel with R&J	
NEEDED TRAVEL DOCUMENTS:	Passport Book or Card is Required!	
TOUR PACE:	Moderate Walking (See page 13 for description)	

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