

Thursday, February 13, 2025

07:00 AM The day has arrived! The trip you've been waiting for is finally here!! Hop aboard your locally chartered luxury motorcoach, get comfortable and get ready for your adventure!

Stops and lunch en route (at individual expense).

- 04:00 PM Hooray! You've arrived in Quebec City! Meet your tour leader and check in to the hotel to relax and unwind before dinner. The fun starts now :)
- 05:00 PM All aboard! Next stop: the SUGAR SHACK! Discover how the people of Quebec managed to brave the difficult winters through the tradition of maple syrup production as your tour leader shares their Sugar Shack story.
- 05:30 PM Get ready to party like it's 1699! At Érablière du Cap, an authentic French-Canadian cabane à sucre, you're going to feast on a 17th Century meal and get down to traditional songs and dances. You'll even break a sweat attempting to make your own maple butter. Don't forget to add some syrup to your pea soup (we're not kidding).
- 08:30 PM Departure for the hotel.
- 09:00 PM Arrive at the hotel and unload the motorcoach. Hang in there a few more minutes as your tour leader gives you instructions for proper hotel conduct and for the next day full of exciting activities!

Spend the night at the Hotel Plaza. 3031, boul Laurier, Sainte-Foy, Quebec PH: 1(418) 658-2727

(Or equivalent pending availability upon receipt of deposit.)

Friday, February 14, 2025

08:00 AM Everybody ready? Time to head out for your activities! Your tour leader will fill you in on all the fun that's in store.

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- 08:30 AM Enjoy croissants and a bowl of chocolat chaud at le Cochon Dingue, a quaint café in the historic Quartier Petit Champlain.
- 09:30 AM Let's explore this beautiful city with a local guide. Your sightseeing tour will feature all of Quebec's greatest hits, including the Plains of Abraham, Parliament, Grande Allée, Quartier Petit Champlain, Place Royale and Château Frontenac, a.k.a. the most photographed hotel in the world!
- 11:30 AM Let's go tobogganing by the Château Frontenac on the world famous Terrasse Dufferin wooden toboggan run, and then warm up with a cup of hot chocolate.
- 12:30 PM Put on your thinking caps! You're about to embark on our legendary Fact-Finding Mission in Old Quebec. It's like a scavenger hunt on steroids, where your history, language and cardio skills are put to the test. Don't forget to grab lunch along the way (at individual expense).
- 03:15 PM All aboard! Next stop: Valcartier!
- 04:00 PM Are you ready to visit one of the world's coolest hotels? See how guests stay warm in the themed suites of the Hotel de Glace de Québec during your self-guided visit of this hotel made out of snow and ice!
- 05:00 PM Some say it's worth learning French grammar in exchange for an inner tubing ride, so today, we're going to try out all of the fun slides at the Village Vacances Valcartier! The Himalaya, the Everest, the Avalanche, and so many more. Let's goooooooo! (Inner tube rental is included.)

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- 06:00 PM Take a break from outside and fill up on energy with a delicious Italian buffet that has been prepared just for you by the Village Vacances Valcartier. Bon appétit!
- 09:00 PM Departure for the hotel.

Saturday, February 15, 2025

- 07:45 AM Everybody ready? Time to head out for your activities! Your tour leader will fill you in on all the fun that's in store.
- 08:00 AM You know what they say: Eat breakfast like Kings and Queens. This morning, you're going to do exactly that at Chez Cora. This local chain is both delicious and inspiring, a true French Canadian business success story!
- 09:00 AM The Côte-de-Beaupré, also referred to as Québec's breadbasket, has deep agricultural roots running back to the First Nations and New France's earliest settlers. Time to discover another part of Quebec and head out there for your next activity!
- 09:30 AM Observe beautiful mosaics and a replica of Michelangelo's Pieta during your visit of the Ste-Anne de Beaupré shrine.
- 10:30 AM The Montmorency Falls is a true Quebec icon. They're the tallest waterfalls in the Province, the site of historic battles and legends, and John Keats even references them in his poetry. Keats! Plus, there's also a sweet suspended bridge that spans the top and you're about to walk across it. Acrophobics: prepare to conquer your fear!
- 11:30 AM Now that you're familiar with Old Quebec, let's enjoy some free time! Here's your chance to explore with your friends, grab lunch (at individual expense), and practice your conversational French. Your tour leader will give you a meeting place and time. Enjoy!
- 01:00 PM Meet Le Marquis de Montcalm and General Wolfe during your military training for the 1759 Battle of the Plains of Abraham at the Plains of Abraham Museum.
- 02:30 PM Depart for the hotel to relax and unwind before dinner.
- 05:00 PM Enjoy a delicious meal at maison Livernois.
- 07:00 PM Line up for the parade! Jump and sing to keep warm during the "Défilé du Carnaval", the ultimate Winter Carnival festivity. Enjoy the show!!
 - > Exact time pending release of the 2025 Carnival schedule in early January.
- 09:00 PM Departure for the hotel.

Sunday, February 16, 2025

- 07:30 AM Breakfast and orientation session at the hotel with your tour leader.
- 09:00 AM You won't believe it, but the time has come...for your last day of this fantastic journey! Time to leave the hotel with your luggage and take advantage of today to say goodbye to these foreign lands.
- 09:30 AM Dogsledding and snowshoeing are an important part of our French Canadian culture and history. In the depths of winter, they can be a principal means of transportation in the more remote parts of the Province. Today you're getting a shot at hiking in snowshoes and at driving your own dogsledding team as you and your friends go cruising through the maple groves at Chenil La Poursuite. Have fun!
- 11:30 AM Time for lunch and to explore in Old Quebec! Hang out with your friends, grab some food (at individual expense) and practice your conversational French. Your tour leader will give you a meeting place and time.
- 01:00 PM It's already time to say "au revoir" to Quebec City. You've seen and done so much, yet you've only scratched the surface. This is definitely a city that's best experienced over many, many visits. Until next time!
 - Stops and dinner en route (at individual expense).
- 10:00 PM This is when you're expected to arrive back at your school, where your family and friends will be eager to hear all about your adventure!

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