

# Québec's North Shore & Gaspé Peninsula

20 days / 19 nights

**\$1788**

Double occupancy: Valid for departures from May 1 to June 30, 2022

## The Package Includes:

- 19 nights accommodation in the mentioned hotels, or similar
- 1 whale watching excursion of 2h30 in Tadoussac
- An annual access card to all the Sepaq parks
- 1 admission ticket to the Métis Gardens of Grand-Métis
- Taxes (GST and QST)

## The Package Does Not Include:

- Personal expenses
- Tips and gratuities
- Meals
- Transportation
- All services not indicated above



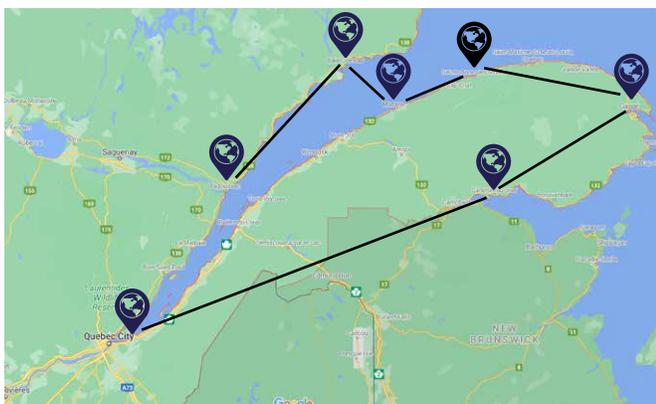
## Day 1 : Tadoussac

Head for the maritime crossroads of the St. Lawrence River and the Saguenay Fjord. There, we meet, we feast, and we chat.

It's a tradition that goes back thousands of years! First with the First Nations, then with the Europeans who settled in the early 17th century.

During your stay, take advantage of the activities that the city has to offer: Mrs. Chose's Library Beach, the small market or simply a walk through this village of 800 residents.

**Overnight : Hotel Tadoussac 3\*, standard room**



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### Day 2 : Tadoussac

Today, enjoy a 2.5 hour whale watching cruise in one of the most picturesque places in the world. Admire the view of the

the cliffs, enjoy the cool sea breeze and listen to the ship's naturalist guide discuss the over 13 different species of whales.

Return to your hotel and the rest of the day is free

**Overnight : Hotel Tadoussac 3\*, standard room**

### Day 3 : Tadoussac – Sept-îles

This morning, take the road to Sept-Îles.

On the way, stop at the Pointe-aux-Outardes Nature Park. A diversity concentrated on a protected natural site! In a 10 km network of trails, discover eight ecosystems: the largest salt marsh in the region, dunes, peat bogs, boreal forest, beaches, tidal flats, alder forest and red pine forest.

Spend time observing hundreds of plant and bird species. Guided or self-guided tour, adventure in the marsh by inflatable boat. Meet with a Wabush, a proud representative of the Innu culture, and explore the bird garden and butterfly aviary. Departures of guided tours: 3 times a day, at 10 am, 1 pm and 3 pm.



You can also stop in Baie-Comeau for dinner at Bistrot La Marée Haute.

The city offers breathtaking views of the river and the vastness of its surrounding nature is accessible year round. It is also the gateway to unique hydroelectric architectural masterpieces such as the Jean-Lesage power station and the Daniel-Johnson dam.

**Overnight : Hotel Sept-Îles 3\*, standard room**

### Day 4-5 : Sept-îles

Sept-Îles faces the archipelago that gave it its name. Composed of seven islands, it protects its bay from strong winds and bad weather. These islands, which are approximately 565 million years old, are privileged witnesses to the history of Sept-Îles. They have seen dinosaurs and ice ages, Vikings and Basque fishermen. They have seen the explorer Jacques Cartier passing through the bay in 1535, as well as the Innu, the French Canadian traders and the merchants who exchanged products and commodities at the Sept-Îles trading post.

Discover this archipelago through the excursions offered. Meet the migratory bird colonies on Île Corossol, discover the basics of mariculture on Île Grosse Boule or disembark on Île Grande Basque and climb up to its lookout point to discover a breathtaking panorama.

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### Day 6 : Sept-îles - Havre-Saint-Pierre

Today, head north to Havre-Saint-Pierre.

The Mingan Archipelago National Park Reserve, with its multitude of islands and islets spread out over 150 km and its impressive monoliths, is what Havre-Saint-Pierre and its surrounding region are famous for.

From the village of Longue-Pointe-de-Mingan, various boatmen as well as several reception and interpretation centers inform you about the maritime transportation services and the activities offered in the area: excursions to the islands, hiking, bird and marine mammal watching are available.

Located at the confluence of the Mingan River and the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the Innu community of Mingan invites you to discover a thousand-year-old culture through its arts, crafts and landscapes. At the eastern end of this sector, in the heart of the taiga, you will find the small village of Baie-Johan-Beetz, known for its salmon fishing and its exceptional maritime territory.

**Overnight : Motel du Havre 2\*, economy room**



### Day 7-8 : Havre-Saint-Pierre

Discovering this part of the North Shore, Île aux Perroquets, sea kayaking or excursions to the Mingan Islands are some of the activities available in this beautiful region.

**Overnight : Motel du Havre 2\*, economy room**

### Day 9 : Havre-Saint-Pierre - Baie-Comeau - Matane

Today, head south to Baie-Comeau to catch your ferry to Matane.

On the way, stop in Port-Cartier, at the 50th parallel, to breathe the fresh air of the coast and stroll along the Promenade du P'tit Quai. In town, the Taiga Park allows you to admire the Rivière aux Rochers and its imposing waterfall. Finally, take in the immensity of the backcountry by stopping at the Base de plein air Les Goélands and in the Port-Cartier/Sept-Îles wildlife reserve.

Upon arrival in Matane, gateway to the Gaspé Peninsula and the Chic-Choc Mountains, head for your hotel.

Go taste the northern shrimp, caught, processed and prepared in Matane. A restaurant to try is the Cargo Resto-Lounge.

**Overnight : Auberge Bruine Océane 4\*, standard room**



### Day 10 : Matane - Sainte-Anne-des-Monts

Departure to Sainte-Anne-des-Monts. This town is a place of discovery and pleasure. Nestled in the hollow of a cove, Sainte-Anne-des-Monts is a good example of the marriage between the sea and the mountains and is the gateway to the Gaspé National Park.

**Overnight : La Seigneurie des Monts 3\*, standard room**

### Day 11-12 : Sainte-Anne-des-Monts

Two full days to discover the Gaspésie National Park. The Gaspésie National Park offers access to an exceptional mountain environment, the habitat of woodland caribou, the last representatives of this species south of the St. Lawrence River. A great place for hiking where you can find various trails, including Mount Jacques-Cartier, the second highest peak in Quebec.

**Overnight : La Seigneurie des Monts 3\*, standard room**

### Day 13 : Sainte-Anne-des-Monts - Gaspé

Continue your discovery of the Gaspé Peninsula by taking the road to Gaspé. Gespeg, in the Micmac language, means the end of the land. Gaspé marks the beginning of the country and of Western history in North America with the cross planted there by Jacques Cartier in 1534, justifying its title as the cradle of Canada. Protected by the mountains, Gaspé Bay is home to boats and cruise ships from all over. Gaspé has three world-renowned salmon rivers (York, Dartmouth and Saint-Jean), frequented annually by more than 1,500 fishermen.

Return to your hotel and evening at leisure.

Dinner suggestion: TÊTÛ Tavern: In a warm and simple atmosphere, the Gaspésien tavern Têtu is a hybrid between a family restaurant and a sports bar.

**Overnight : Hotel Plante 3\*, regular room**



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### Day 14-16 : Gaspé

During your stay in Gaspé, discover Forillon Park for 2 full days. Sea landscapes, cliffs and mountains give this park its exceptional beauty and unique aspect.

**Overnight : Hotel Plante 3\*, regular room**

### Day 17 : Gaspé - Carleton-Sur-Mer

Drive west along the sea towards Carleton-sur-Mer. Stop at Percé to take a cruise to Bonaventure Island. Take the road back to Carleton-sur-Mer, located between the sea and the mountains. As far back as the mid-19th century, city dwellers and pilgrims alike appreciated the unique landscapes and authenticity of the people of Carleton-sur-Mer. Since then, this trend has increased and the town is now one of the most important tourist centers in the region.

Climb to the top of Mount Saint-Joseph for a breathtaking view of the river and visit Notre-Dame Oratory, a Breton chapel built in 1935.

For supper, the proposed restaurant is Le Marin d'eau douce.

**Overnight : Hostellerie Baie Bleue 3\*, business room sea view**

### Day 18 : Carleton-Sur-Mer - Miguasha - Carleton-Sur-Mer

Take advantage of your national park pass to discover Miguasha. A true treasure trove of natural heritage, the Miguasha National Park offers a wide range of family activities and exhibits for young and old alike. The park's fossiliferous cliffs, classified on UNESCO's prestigious World Heritage List, make it the best place in the world to come and discover the world of fossil fish from the Devonian period in a fun, dynamic and scientific way.

Return to the hotel.

**Overnight : Hostellerie Baie Bleue 3\*, business room sea view**



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### Day 19 : Carleton-Sur-Mer - Québec City

Leave the wonderful Gaspé region for the National Capital Region. On the way back, stop in Grand-Métis to visit the Métis Gardens.

Created from 1926 to 1958 by a pioneering horticulturist, Elsie Reford, the Métis Gardens are a National Historic Site of Canada. Some 3,000 species and varieties of plants, including the famous Himalayan blue poppy the famous Himalayan blue poppy, are spread out over 15 gardens.

Drive to Quebec City and check in at your hotel.

**Overnight : Entourage-sur-le-Lac 4\*, classic room mountain view**

### Day 20 : Québec City - Depart

Enjoy the capital one last time before you return home. Visit the Petit-Champlain; a charming pedestrian street, or take a stroll through the oldest streets in North America. Visit the emblem of Quebec City: the Château Frontenac. There is so much to do in this beautiful national capital. End of services.

### Rates 20 days / 19 nights

Departure dates	Per person in double occupancy
May 1 - June 30, 2022	\$1788

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