

Magdalen Islands & PEI Tour

July 12th – 16th, 2024 (5 Days)

Tentative Tour Itinerary



Welcome aboard our escorted group tour to Quebec's Magdalen Islands & Prince Edward Island. This 5-day tour is guaranteed to be an exciting experience, sure to be your memorable summer getaway! Enjoy a night in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island's capital city. Then we spend the next 3 nights on the beautiful Magdalen Islands. Outlined below is the daily itinerary, a look at the activities and meals included each day of your tour. Please read the information carefully, paying particular attention to the final page with procedures & policies. Your professional and courteous tour manager is looking forward to meeting you and delivering a well-managed tour and enjoyable escape so all you have to do is...sit back, relax, and enjoy yourself.

- *Sincerely, Greg Collins, CEO/President*

TENTATIVE PICK-UP LOCATION & DEPARTURE TIMES:

Nova Scotia Travelers:

- Halifax, Sobey's Lacewood Dr. – TBA
- Dartmouth Crossing Hampton Inn – TBA
- Halifax Airport Quality Inn – TBA
- Truro Heights Irving Big Stop – TBA

PEI Travelers:

- Charlottetown Mall Superstore Entrance - TBA

New Brunswick Travelers:

- Aulac, Irving Big Stop – TBA
- Magnetic Hill McDonalds – TBA
- Saint John Route 1 Irving Big Stop – TBA
- Lincoln Irving Big Stop – TBA

Day 1 – Friday, July 12 – Home – Rodd Charlottetown Hotel, PEI (Welcome Dinner)

Optional Excursion – Jersey Boys Broadway Performance – Price TBA



- Meet your tour manager or shuttle driver at your ****designated meeting point**. Confirmed pick-up/drop-off locations are above.
- All stops for passenger pick up/drop off will be brief (10 min.) and we ask that you remain on board while we greet new travelers. Once all travelers are aboard the motor coach, we make our way across the Confederation Bridge and onto our home for the evening, the historic, centrally located Rodd Charlottetown Hotel.

- We will arrive in Charlottetown early in the afternoon with time for lunch **(on own)** in the downtown area. You will have time for shopping, etc. prior to our check-in of our hotel at 3:15pm.
- Your Tour Manager will do the check-in for the whole group, distribute the room keys and have your luggage delivered to your room as part of your Collins Tours Signature Check-in service.
- This evening, the coach will depart the hotel for our group dinner reservation at a favorite local restaurant with a fabulous lobster dinner, served with either a glass of wine or beer **(included)**.
- After dinner, perhaps you may want to catch the live musical theater performance of **Jersey Boys** at Charlottetown's esteemed Confederation Centre of the Arts with a Collins Tours Optional Excursion! **(Price - TBA)** Motor coach transportation will be arranged to and from this event. Please meet your Tour Manager at a designated meeting point and time for transportation.
- If you decide to forgo the optional performance this evening, after dinner you can either return to the hotel or stay downtown to enjoy what the island capital has to offer on a summer evening.

Day 2 – Saturday, July 13 – Charlottetown - Chateau Madelinot, Magdalen Islands (B)

- Enjoy breakfast at your hotel this morning (included).
- We will depart the hotel this morning, make our way to the ferry in Souris, PEI and depart on our afternoon ferry crossing to the Magdalen Islands.
- Lunch is on own today. You can choose to get something to eat in the ship's casual restaurant or bar after boarding or choose to have lunch within walking distance of the Ferry Terminal prior to boarding.
- Once boarded, enjoy a five-hour crossing to Cap-aux-Meules (Grindstone Island), the second largest of the eight major islands. This 40-mile long, fishhook-shaped archipelago is known as Les Iles de la Madeleine, Quebec.
- Once we arrive at the Cap aux Meules ferry ramp, we're left with a brief 2-minute drive to the Chateau Madelinot, our hotel for the next three nights. Relax while your Tour Manager checks you in, distributes your room key, and has your bag sent to your room. Baggage handling fees are included in your tour price (1 bag per person please).
- Dinner this evening is **on your own**. We recommend eating onboard the ferry before disembarking or make a reservation at the hotel restaurant upon your arrival to ensure space and allow restaurant staff to properly prepare.

Day 3 – Sunday, July 14 – Cap Aux Meules, Magdalen Islands (B, L, Group Dinner)

- Enjoy a full American breakfast **(included)** in the hotel dining room this morning.
- This morning, meet your Tour Manager and local "step on" guide as our day begins with the unforgettable Caves & Cliffs Tour; a boat tour from the Cap aux Meules Marina with Excursions-en-Mer Inc. **(Included-Boat trip will operate Monday if postponed due to weather delays)**. The vantage point from the sea is a definite highlight of the Magdalen Islands!
- Then, we climb aboard our private motorcoach with our local guide for a fabulous and informative tour of the picturesque communities that dot the eastern part of the archipelago. Learn about the history, geology and natural beauty of this amazing area and its locals, or "Madelinots."
- Pass by the island's salt mine as you head to the picturesque town of Grand-Entrée on Grand Entry Island, the north-east extent of the islands and Quebec's designated lobster capital.
- Enjoy your boxed lunch **(included)** today.
- After exploring more of the islands, we arrive at Le Barbocheux Winery for some wine tasting before another quick drive to Fromagerie du Pied-de-Vent for a tour, presentation, and tasting samples of some local cheeses.
- We arrive at our hotel this afternoon allowing you time to enjoy your afternoon as you please.
- Tonight, join your Tour Manager for another Group Dinner at the hotel's restaurant **(included)**.

Day 4 – Monday, July 15 – Cap Aux Meules, Magdalen Islands (B, Farewell Dinner)

- Enjoy breakfast, **(included)** in the hotel dining room. Welcome our local guide back for another fantastic tour featuring parts of the islands you have yet to see. Experience breathtaking beaches, endless sand dunes, and inspiring cliffs.
- Enjoy time in La Grave for lunch **(on own)** with its boutiques, restaurants, and cafes.
- Return to our hotel this afternoon for some time to refresh before dinner.
- Our farewell group dinner tonight will be at the hotel’s restaurant, Resto Bistro Accents, with a glass of wine or beer **(included)**.



Day 5 – Tuesday, July 16 – Home

- Breakfast is on your own today, and available for purchase aboard the ferry. We have an early morning check out today before reaching PEI then onwards to our respective drop off locations.
- Stops today include a short coffee break, as well as time for lunch **(your expense)** along our route.

Arrival Times:

New Brunswick Locations

- Aulac Big Stop – (Transfer of Guests) – TBA
20 min rest stop.
- Moncton Magnetic Hill McDonalds - TBA
- Saint John Route 1 Irving – TBA
- Lincoln Big Stop – TBA

Nova Scotia Locations

- Halifax Airport, Quality Inn – TBA
- Dartmouth Crossing Hampton Inn – TBA
- Halifax, Sobeys, Lacewood Dr – TBA
- Truro Heights Irving Big Stop – TBA

PEI Locations

- Charlottetown Mall (Superstore Entrance) - TBA

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Tour itineraries are **ONLY a guideline (estimate)** and may need to be modified by your tour manager. Times are subject to change due to various unforeseen factors, such as weather, traffic, mechanical issues, emergencies, and “Acts of God.” Collins Tours is not responsible or liable, in any way, for delays caused by any unforeseen events described above or similar occurrences which may cause changes in the itinerary. No refunds or reimbursements or credits will be offered in the event of any such occurrences. Travel delays are at your own risk and expenses. Travel insurance is highly recommended in case of any sickness or illness prior to traveling or while travel. Collins Tours will not be held responsible for personal medical expenses, loss of days, or events caused by any medical concerns or conditions of individual passengers.
- Seat Rotation Policy will be in effect for this tour and will be explained by your tour manager once on board. Please note front seats are not guaranteed with note from physician. To be fair to all, you will be rotated through the front half of the coach only with a physician’s note, or where possible closer to the front.

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- We ask that everyone respect timelines, as determined by your tour manager, as well as keeping scents to a minimum due to some passenger having allergies. This will help ensure **ALL clients are able to enjoy themselves to the fullest.**
- Tour price does NOT include people's incidental room charges, such as movie rentals, internet, phone calls, etc. Give the front desk your credit card information to cover these fees.

Hotel Contact Information

P.E.I – Rodd Charlottetown – 75 Kent Street, Charlottetown, PE
Magdalen Islands – Chateau Madelinot, 323 QC-199, Fatima, QC

PH: 844-207-7970

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- Remove all personal belongings when departing. We are not responsible for items left behind.
- Please make note of our Scent Friendly environment.
- **NOTE:** Your tour manager handles hotel check in/check out procedures, overall group management (e.g. timely transitions, itinerary planning), group representation at events, hotels and overall operation of each tour. We work hard to ensure that everyone enjoys his or her experience to the fullest. Gratuities for your Tour Manager and driver are not included in your tour price.
- Here are our tipping guidelines:
 - Private tour guides for city tours: \$3 per person per day
 - CTC Tour managers: \$6.00-\$8.00 per person per day
 - Bus driver: \$4 - \$6 per person per day.



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