Four Epic Summer Road Trips to Take in Atlantic Canada This Summer

Stops Include a U-Pick Oyster Farm, Honey Bee Reserve, Scientific Sea Life Excursion, and Local Craft Breweries

ATLANTIC CANADA (June 13, 2019) – This summer, Atlantic Canada offers a collection of coastal road trip routes designed to introduce travelers to the diverse wildlife and local food scene of the region's four provinces, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island.

Each province provides road trippers a number of routes to explore its islands and peninsulas, including the trips highlighted below.



Whale Breaching - Tourism New Brunswick

NEW BRUNSWICK

The Bay of Fundy, world-renowned for the highest tides on earth, tempts travelers with the five-day, 185-mile Fundy Wonders & Whales Route, starting in the historic city of Saint John for local cuisine and unique architecture, and ending in St. Stephen to learn about Canada's oldest candy company, the Ganong Bros. Road trippers can build sandcastles, kayak, go bird watching, and take a ferry to the alluring Fundy Isles. Whales breach in the bay and tidal beaches line the coast, creating pitstops that are full of natural wonders.

While taking the Fundy Wonders & Whales Route, adventurers can join the Tidal Trek <u>Beach Crab Grab</u> excursion hosted by the not-for-profit research and education facility, Huntsman Marine Science Centre, which engages local communities to discover more about the ocean. Guests will assist researchers in gathering important data on the European green crab, an invasive species that entered marine ecosystems in the 1950s. The two-hour, immersive learning experience is available May 18 – October 14, 2019 at \$14.25 per adult and \$10 per child.



Capital of St John's – Barrett & MacKay Photo and Tourism Newfoundland and Labrador

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

Newfoundland and Labrador hosts an collection of local musicians, storytellers, and wildlife on the 195-mile <u>Irish Loop</u> around the Avalon Peninsula, located at the southeast side of the province. Road trippers can stop at The East Coast Trail, which offers more than 185 miles of developed hiking trails and celebrates its 25th anniversary this year. The nearby Cape St. Mary's Ecological Reserve allows travelers to view seabird nesting up close, and The Witless Bay Ecological Reserve boasts more than 260,000 pairs of the provincial bird, the Atlantic puffin. The peninsula is also home to the capital of St. John's, where the UNESCO World Heritage Site at Mistaken Point showcases deep-sea fossils dating more than 575 million years ago.

Adelaide's Honey Bee, Pollinator, and Wildlife Reserve in Goulds, St. John's offers The Honey Bee Hike designed to educate travelers on the fundamentals of low impact beekeeping. With the boreal forest and fields of wildflowers as the backdrop, visitors can observe honey bees foraging wild flowers and returning to their hives with the nectar. The eco-agricultural experience is available for \$40.80 CAD per person.



Jost Vineyards – Tourism Nova Scotia

A road trip across Nova Scotia's Northumberland Shore, the northern coast of the province along the Northumberland Straight, takes food, wine, and spirit-lovers to Bay Enterprises for U-Pick oysters and Sugar Moon Farm for homemade maple syrup. Jost Vineyards, the largest winery in Nova Scotia, is nestled in the coastal inlets of the Malagash Peninsula with the Tatamagouche Brewing Co. nearby. For handcrafted spirits, the Caldera Distillery pays tribute to the heritage of craftsman and explorers of Nova Scotia with whiskey created in the shipbuilding community of River John, The Steinhart Distillery in Arisaig produces organic vodkas and gin with a stunning view of the Northumberland Straight.

For accommodations on the Northumberland Shore, travelers can reserve the two-night <u>Gourmet Seaside Resort Getaway</u> at the five-star, luxury Fox Harb'r Resort in Wallace. The experience includes a two-day chef-hosted adventure with a beachside raw bar, sommelier-hosted vineyard dinner, and sunset seafood feast at the resort's lighthouse. In addition, guests will access the on-site greenhouse to select ingredients for a picnic, and fish for their own fish fry picnic. Prices start at \$959 CAD per person.



Lighthouse on the Coast - Tourism Prince Edward Island

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Prince Edward Island offers the <u>Points East Coastal Drive</u>, which takes road trippers through the fishing village of Murray Harbor and the white sand beaches of Panmure Island. The route passes through Point Prim Lighthouse, the oldest lighthouse on the island that was built in 1845, and the province's famous sand dunes, internationally recognized for its rare marsh and bird species. While there, golfers can tee off at golf courses of Brudenell, Crowbush Cove, or Dundarave, and outdoor adventurers can walk the floating boardwalk at PEI National Park.

Along the Points East Coastal Drive, craft beer-fanatics will pass by Copper Bottom Brewing in Montague, located in the historic 1938 town hall and offering a taproom overlooking the Montague river. Live music is always featured by artists from the province, and it's the first brewery to open along the east coast of the province.

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