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## **CANADIAN MARITIMES CRUISE**

The scenery of Eastern Canada is nothing short of breathtaking, with stunning ports of call shaped by a rich history. On this gorgeous journey to the best of the Canadian Maritimes, youll explore the old city walls of Quebec City, where the streets are lined with magnificent churches, fragrant gardens and chic boutiques. Visit one of the most popular whale-watching spots in Canada at Saguenay Fjord. Discover the majestic beauty of Baie-Comeau. And be amazed at the dramatic landscape of the Gaspe Peninsula, the Birthplace of Canada, known as the first stop of Jacques Cartier to claim the land for France. Set sail for the remote archipelago of lles de la Madeleine- sporting cottages in a bright and beautiful array of primary hues. Here youll find beaches that provide the habitat for the endangered piping plover and the roseate tern, and the town itself maintains an air of French culture. Gaze upon the red sandstone cliffs of Prince Edward Island, known for the vivid colors of its gently rolling landscape, and visit Green Gables, an old farmhouse immortalized in Lucy Maud Montgomerys cherished 1908 novel. The waterfronts crown jewel is the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic, where one can learn the history of this provinces shipbuilding heritage. Fill your days with exploration and discovery and come away with a new found appreciation of this spectacular area.



### ITINERARY

### Day 1 - Portland, ME

Overlooking Casco Bay, Portland is home to a wealth of historical and architectural masterpieces. Portland has an extensive nautical history which has been preserved throughout the centuries. Established by the British in 1632 as a fishing settlement, the town quickly became a mecca for shipping and trading companies. Big city excitement blends delightfully with small-town charm as fishing vessels bustle in the harbor and Victorian-era buildings still line cobblestone streets. From classical to cutting edge, performance and visual arts are vibrantly alive in the city and infuse the region with a excitement sophistication. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow immortalized Portland. Often, he wrote in My Lost Youth, I think of the beautiful town that is seated by the sea ...

#### Day 2 - Bar Harbor, ME

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Nestled on the east side of Mt. Desert Island, Bar Harbor has enchanted visitors throughout history with its incredible natural beauty, cultural traditions, and an endless array of exciting activities. Discovered in the 1800s, Bar Harbor has long been a place of inspiration, relaxation and outdoor exploration. Visit the bordering Acadia National Park or the Abbe Museum which details the history of the indigenous Wabanaki tribe and discover all the exciting history that Bar Harbor has to offer. (Note: Some cruises may visit Eastport, ME or Rockland, ME)

### Day 3 - Eastport, ME

Discover Eastport at the northern end of the coast, just across the bay from New Brunswick. Eastport has a lot to offer visitors, with activities appealing to history buffs, painters, and whale-watchers. Water Street boasts a variety of shopping to suit all tastes. The walkable downtown includes 29 buildings on the National Historic Register. The cities unique architecture makes a nice contrast to the breathtaking vistas of sea and islands. The easternmost city in the United States is beautiful Eastport, ME which was founded in 1604 and played a prominent role in the War of 1812 as both England and the United States fought for its prime waterfront. The stunning Moose Island is still undiscovered by the many tourists that flock to the coast of Maine every year, so in Eastport you can enjoy the beauty of this secluded island without the crowds.

### Day 4 - Lunenburg, NS

Established in 1753, Lunenburg was the first British Colonial settlement in Nova Scotia and remains one of Nova Scotias most historic and appealing villages. Many of its downtown buildings possess a distinctive style with ornamental brackets and towers which compliment their brightly painted designs. A growing number of art galleries and crafts shops also make for a

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rewarding browsing experience. The breath-taking Lunenburg waterfront is the home of the world-class Fisheries Museum of the Atlantic, with aquarium exhibits and a replica of the Bluenose, Canadas most- recognized and most-storied ship.

#### Day 5 - Halifax, NS

Nova Scotias capital is a historic community that still shows a striking resemblance to the Halifax of the 1800s when it was a key naval station in the British Empire. The crown jewel of the town is restored and active Halifax Citadel, a military bastion that has been standing for over 250 years. Stroll down Spring Garden Road, a lively neighborhood with intriguing boutiques set among a mildly Bohemian street scene. The waterfronts crown jewel is the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic, where one can learn the colorful history of Samuel Cunard, a Nova Scotia native, who founded the Cunard Steam Ship Company to carry the royal mail and along the way established an ocean dynasty.

### Day 6 - Pictou, NS

The Town of Pictou, located on the beautiful Northumberland Shore of Nova Scotia, Canada, is renowned as the Birthplace of New Scotland as it was here that the first wave of Scottish immigrants landed in 1773. Pictou offers diverse amenities, period homes on tree lined streets, and strong entrepreneurial spirit where residents enjoy a stable and prosperous economy. Pictou is the best place to experience old-world charm and culture and present day hospitality.

### Day 7 - Charlottetown, PEI

The pastoral Prince Edward Island is known for its world famous, lush golf courses and sandy beaches. Green Gables, an old farmhouse immortalized in Lucy Maud Montgomerys cherished 1908 novel, Anne of Green Gables, is high among the list of

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favorite places to visit. Experience state-of-the-art exhibits at Founders Hall, an interactive museum that describes the history of Canada. The true architectural jewel of downtown Charlottetown is the majestic St. Dunstans Basilica. Adorned by three copper spires visible virtually anywhere in the city, the church adds to the Victorian splendor of the downtown core.

### Day 8 - Iles de la Madeleine, QC

Spend the day in this remote archipelago on some of the most spectacular secluded beaches in North America. Located in the geographical centre of the gulf of Saint Lawrence, the Isles are made up of about a dozen islands, six of which are linked by sand dunes. Highlights of the area include beautiful red cliffs, rolling hills, and 180 miles of honey-colored sand. Brightly colored fishermens houses also dot the area to make the islands a vibrant and quaint landscape.

### Day 9 - Gaspe, QC / Perce, QC

The deepwater port of Gaspe is notable for having been the first stop of Jacques Cartier, in 1534, to claim the land for France. That is why Gaspe is called the Birthplace of Canada. The town is proud to have a magnificent stretch of water in Gaspe Bay, which is considered to be the second largest natural bay in the world, surrounded by three of the most beautiful salmon rivers in Quebec, numerous lakes, as well as Forillon National Park, plus many beaches along the shore. Gaspe has also been named one of the top 50 must-see places in the world, according to National Geographic Magazine. Our train-ride down the coast will also bring us into the picturesque village of Perce, a charming small town which also border Perce Rock, the dominant natural feature of the area. Located about 400 km (250 mi) north of Quebec City, Baie-Comeau is a hub for logging and hydroelectric power in Quebec. Located in the Manicouagana Peninsula on the St. Lawrence Estuary, Baie-Comeau is rich in sandy beaches that boast a picturesque view of an archipelago of islands that are crewded by harbor seals and various species of seabirds. Fall in love with the magnificent backdrop of clear waters and the wild beauty of boreal forests as you explore the natural wonders of Baie-Comeau.

### Day 11 - Saguenay Fjord, QC

The villages along the Saguenay Fjord can be reached by road, but the best way to experience this magnificent waterway is from the water. Where the St. Lawrence and the Saguenay meet is one of the most popular whale-watching spots in Canada. The thriving natural conditions in the estuary support a permanent colony of a thousand whales. Beautiful views of the length of the fjord are found at Cap Trinite, a cliff that rises above the channel, with a 33-foot statue of the Virgin Mary surveying the scenery from the lowest ledge.

### Day 12 - Quebec City, QC

Quebec City is nestled beside the majestic St. Lawrence River, where enchanting old stone houses cozy up to great religious institutions built from the same stone. The old city is a sheer delight for history buffs. Walk along the streets of Old Quebec, which is lined with magnificent churches, fragrant gardens, and chic boutiques and will lead you to the Musee de la Civilization. Here you will see four centuries of life and the emotions of the settlers who developed this area remarkably and clearly evoked.

#### Day 10 - Baie-Comeau, QC

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## **YOUR SHIP: PEARL MIST**

YOUR SHIP:	Pearl Mist
VESSEL TYPE:	Small Ship
LENGTH:	105 m
PASSENGER CAPACITY:	210
BUILT/REFURBISHED:	2014

The Pearl Mist offers the ultimate cruise experience with just 100 over-sized, luxurious staterooms, all with private balconies. Let our attentive crew cater to your wishes and world-class chefs create culinary delights with a local flavor.Visit the most exciting destinations in the world in perfect comfort with Pearl Seas Cruises. Points of Distinction Spacious, Luxurious Staterooms -ALL with Private Balconies Magnificent Open-Seating Dining Room with Panoramic View Exceptional Traditional and Regional Cuisine Prepared by Acclaimed Chefs Six Onboard Lounges, Spa, Theater, Library and Lecture Room Elevator Access to All Decks & Onboard Medical Services Flat Screen Satellite TVs, DVD players, and Wi-Fi throughout the ship



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