

# NEWFOUNDLAND EXPERIENCE DREAM TOUR JULY 22 TO AUGUST 2, 2024

"Join us for an Old Time Down Home Newfoundland Tour from St. Anthony to St. John's. You will experience nothing like it! The unique culture and hospitality of this island combined with its scenery and wildlife are amazing! You might see some moose, whales, icebergs, puffins & a lot more."

#### **Highlights:**

- Deluxe Motor Coach Transportation from Fredericton, Saint John\*, Salisbury, Moncton, Aulac, Masstown, Truro, Auld's Cove and North Sydney
  - \*If less than 10 passengers from Saint John, you will have to meet the motorcoach in Fredericton or Moncton
- Marine Atlantic Ferry Crossing
- 11 nights' accommodations / 12 days
- 8 hot breakfasts, 3 lunches & 3 dinners included
- Welcome Reception with music and "Screech In"
- Local Step-On-Tour Guide St. John's
- 4 nights in one of the best rated/locations in Downtown St. John's
- 2 cabin accommodations on ferry included on both crossings
- 2 different boat tours to see icebergs, whales & other marine life (weather permitting)
- Dream Vacation Tour Director for the complete tour
- Unlimited FREE cold water, snacks and more for the whole trip on the motor coach

#### **Museums & Attractions Included:**

- L'Anse aux Meadows National Historic Site
- Gros Morne National Park
- <u>Terra Nova National Park</u> (scenic drive)
- Trinity Historic Sites
- Signal Hill
- Cape Spear
- Petty Harbour
- Arches Provincial Park
- Johnson Geo Centre in St. John's
- <u>Lobster Cove Head Lighthouse</u>

- O'Brien's Whale & Puffins Boat Tour
- Iceberg Quest Ocean Tour Twillingate
- Visiting <u>Twillingate</u> and the <u>Long Point</u> <u>Lighthouse</u>
- <u>Cape Bonavista Lighthouse</u> (Whale, Puffins & amazing views)
- The Matthew Legacy Site
- Visit <u>The Irish Loop</u> and <u>Cape St Mary's</u> <u>Ecological Reserve</u>

\*\*\*We want to make sure you have the best experience possible during your journey with us. However, it's important to understand that sometimes things can shift unexpectedly. Our itinerary is carefully planned, but it is subject to change due to factors beyond our control, such as weather conditions and unforeseen situations. Rest assured, any alterations will be made with your safety and enjoyment in mind. We appreciate your flexibility and understanding as we navigate through the unexpected. Your adventure is our priority!\*\*\*

## Why Book with "Dream Vacation Tours"?

- ✓ Dream Vacation Tours offers 70+ different bus tours and "no fly" cruises leaving from the Maritimes
- ✓ In business since 2012 and fully incorporated
- ✓ Served over 10,000+ happy customers (4.9/5 reviews from past customers)
- ✓ We are a fully insured company with \$1,000,000 (1 million) general liability policy plus the (2019 and newer) premium motor coaches we use are also fully insured and regularly inspected
- ✓ Free unlimited water and snacks on the motor coach during the whole trip
- ✓ Earn "Future Travel Credits" when you refer new clients Click Here
- ✓ High quality hotels
- ✓ Premium motor coach with power outlet in each seat
- ✓ Highly rated Tour Director and Driver from Dream Vacation Tours
- ✓ We go above and beyond to make our customers happy
- ✓ Highly rated by our past customers read our reviews by <u>clicking here</u>
- ✓ Great entertainment
- ✓ Early Booking Promise always get the best price by booking early and a better seating option that you will keep for the duration of the tour
- ✓ Pay In Full Discount save more \$\$ by paying in full at time of booking (tours may vary for discounts)
- √ No parking fees
- √ No missed connection flights
- ✓ No luggage fees or extra tax & hidden fees
- ✓ Pay with your credit card with no fees added
- ✓ Breaks every 2 hours (avg +/-) on the road
- ✓ Stress free travel
- ✓ We also offer Travel Insurance

#### DAY 1: MONDAY, JULY 22 - NB, NS TO FERRY (NORTH SYDNEY NS)

CITY / TOWN	DEPARTURE TIME	LOCATION / ADDRESS	PARKING
Fredericton	8:30am	Lincoln Blue Canoe (Irving Big Stop) - 415 Nevers Rd.	Complimentary
Rothesay	10:00am	Irving Big Stop Restaurant - 2870 NB-1	Complimentary
Salisbury	12:00pm - LUNCH	Salisbury Big Stop – 2986 Fredericton Rd	DROP OFF ONLY
Moncton	1:00pm	Four Points Sheraton – 40 Lady Ada Blvd	Complimentary
Aulac	1:45pm	Aulac Big Stop - 170 Aulac Rd.	Complimentary
Masstown	3:15pm – BREAK	Masstown Market – 10622 NS Trunk 2 DROP OFF ONLY	
Truro	3:45pm	Rath Eastlink Centre – 625 Abenaki Rd Complimentary	
Auld's Cove	6:45pm - DINNER	Auld's Cove Big Stop – 13239 Trans Canada Hwy DROP OFF ONLY	
North Sydney	8:45pm	Canadian Tire – 21 Blowers St DROP OFF ONLY	

<sup>\*</sup> Please arrive at your Departure Location 15 minutes prior to departure time.\*

Click HERE for the rates of our hotel partners for pre- and post- tour stays.

Welcome aboard! Today we begin our eleven (11) days of adventure and excitement as we make our way towards Newfoundland. We will stop for breaks and supper along the way. Tonight, we will arrive at the Ferry Terminal in North Sydney and then board the ferry when advised. The ferry departure time is scheduled for approx. **11:15pm**. Before boarding the ferry, your Tour Director will advise you of procedures and distribution of cabin keys where you will sleep overnight on the ferry.

#### DAY 2: TUESDAY, JULY 23 - PORT-AUX-BASQUES NL TO ST. ANTHONY (2 NIGHTS)

Breakfast on Ferry (on your own)

7:15am – Disembark Ferry (or when announcement is made)

This morning after breakfast, we will start our journey by heading up the Northern Peninsula passing through **Gros Morne National Park** with valleys, spectacular fjords, mountains and stunning scenery en-route to our destination of St. Anthony where we will stay for two (2) nights. After lunch, we will stop at the <u>Arches Provincial Park</u>. Don't forget your camera as you may see numerous moose along the way today.

Tonight, after dinner (on your own), you will be able to relax for the night and get ready for a great Newfoundland trip. There are plenty of choice near the hotel and there is a restaurant in the hotel as well.

#### DAY 3: WEDNESDAY, JULY 24 – ST. ANTHONY – LOCAL TOURING

After breakfast, we will head to the most Northern tip of Newfoundland to visit the **Statue of Leif Erickson** who landed there over 1000 years ago and thus the Viking Settlement was born. We will step back in time as we venture out to **L'Anse aux Meadows**, home of the Viking People and the remains of the Norse buildings.

After lunch (on your own), we will visit the <u>Grenfell Historic Properties</u> and the <u>Fox Point (Fishing Point)</u> <u>Lighthouse & Gift Shop</u> where you will have great opportunities for taking beautiful scenic pictures!

Tonight for dinner, we will enjoy a great meal at a wonderful local restaurant where we will also have an "Old-Fashioned Newfoundland Kitchen Party" with dancing and of course you will all become "Honorary Newfoundlanders" and be Screeched-In!

#### DAY 4: THURSDAY, JULY 25 - ST. ANTHONY TO GANDER (2 NIGHTS)

Today after breakfast we head back down the beautiful scenic coast retracing our footsteps and keeping our eyes open for moose. We will be driving in **Gros Morne National Park** which is also a World Heritage Site, as well as enjoy lunch in Shallow Bay. After lunch, we will go visit the **Lobster Cove Lighthouse**. We will then

continue and overnight in Gander for two (2) nights, crossroads of the world and inspiration for the Tony award winning Broadway play, Come From Away. Tonight, you will have a relaxing night at the hotel. There are also plenty of food options near the hotel and also a restaurant inside the hotel.

#### DAY 5: FRIDAY, JULY 26 - GANDER (TWILLINGATE)

We will enjoy beautiful scenery with tickles, runs and inlets as we head for **Twillingate**, a.k.a. Iceberg Alley, where we will have an adventure with **Iceberg Quest Ocean Boat Tours**. We will explore Iceberg Alley with their award-winning boat tour as we set sail from the vibrant outport community of Twillingate. Marvel at 12,000-year-old icebergs (fingers crossed), observe majestic humpback whales (fingers crossed) and watch elegant seabirds frolic along our coastlines. Relax as the friendly crew proudly introduces us to outport Newfoundland's way of life, charisma and hospitality that attract visitors from around the globe.

The two (2) hour tour is supported by a compelling narrative, highlighting the natural and cultural history of Newfoundland. The vessel offers open decks for unobstructed viewing, heated cabin and washroom facilities. Full bar service and light snacks are available for purchase. Every tour is accompanied by traditional Newfoundland music.

After the boat tour, we will have lunch and wine tasting at a winery (included). There is also a beautiful gift shop here if you wish to purchase some souvenirs. In the afternoon, we will visit the **Long Point Lighthouse Centre** in Twillingate where you will have great opportunities to take scenic pictures. There is also a nice gift shop here.

Then we will then drive a short distance to overnight at our hotel in Gander again. Tonight, you are free to relax at the hotel and have dinner on your own in the hotel restaurant or other restaurants nearby.

#### DAY 6: SATURDAY, JULY 27 – (GANDER TO CLARENVILLE) BONAVISTA & TRINITY (1 NIGHT)

Today after breakfast, we head out to the historical town of Bonavista. We will visit "The Matthew Legacy".

The Matthew is a replica of a caravel sailed by John Cabot in 1497 from Bristol to North America, presumably Newfoundland. After a voyage which had got no further than Iceland, Cabot left again with only one vessel, the Matthew, a small ship (50 tons), but fast and able.

We will have lunch at the historic harbor front area and then after lunch we will visit **Cape Bonavista Lighthouse** and the **Puffin Colony**. Built in 1843, the lighthouse at Cape Bonavista is one of the few in the world where you can still climb up the stone tower and see the same seal oil fueled catoptric light apparatus that was used in the 1800s. Experience a light keeper's day in 1870 - a 24-7 job of polishing glass, filling oil lamps, recording weather patterns and watching the waves from one of the most rugged points in Newfoundland. A great destination to watch for whales, icebergs and puffins in summer.

Then we will head to Trinity to visit the "Old Trinity Historic Site" and this evening, we will have dinner with amazing views here in Trinity!!! After dinner, we will then make our way back to the hotel for the night.

#### DAY 7: SUNDAY, JULY 28 – CLARENVILLE TO ST. JOHN'S (4 NIGHTS)

This morning after breakfast, we will have our last amazing boat tour with **O'Brien's Whale & Puffins** award winning tour. Hopefully we will see whales (no guarantee) and puffins. There is a gift shop with snacks on the boat. (added cost)

After lunch at a local restaurant, we will head to we make our way to St. John's, the province's capital city where we will make our home for the next for (4) nights where you can relax a bit and then go out for dinner (on your own) in beautiful Downtown St. John's. There are plenty of restaurants in the area to explore! The remainder of the evening is yours to explore one of the oldest cities in Canada. Enjoy your time here!

#### DAY 8: MONDAY, JULY 29 - ST. JOHN'S - LOCAL

This morning after breakfast, we will welcome aboard a local Step-On-Guide who will explore this great City of St. John's with us visiting **Signal Hill**, Cabot Tower, Quidi Vidi Fishing Village, Government House, Roman Catholic Basilica and many other historic sites throughout the city. After lunch, we will head for **Cape Spear National Park**, the most easterly point of land in North America. Cape Spear offers spectacular coastal scenery as well as WW 2-gun emplacements and the oldest lighthouse in Newfoundland. We will then take a drive to the quaint fishing village of **Petty Harbour**.

This evening is yours to explore one of the oldest cities in Canada. Enjoy your time here!

#### DAY 9: TUESDAY, JULY 30 - ST JOHN'S - LOCAL TOURING

This morning, after a nice hotel breakfast, we will have an amazing day tour! We will visit <u>The Irish Loop</u> and then have a nice lunch along the way!

After lunch, we will visit <u>Cape St Mary's Ecological Reserve</u>. This is the breathtaking seabird Capital of North America! This evening is yours to explore one of the oldest cities in Canada. Enjoy your time here!

#### DAY 10: WEDNESDAY, JULY 31 – ST. JOHN'S – LOCAL TOURING

This morning after a nice hot breakfast, you will have the option to join us on the motor coach for another day of touring the beautiful sights of Newfoundland. You never know what we will discover along the way. Or you can choose to have a free day on your own to explore the beautiful downtown St John's area.

This evening, we will have our "Farewell Dinner" at the hotel and talk about our amazing trip to Newfoundland with your new friends you made on the tour. After dinner, you are free to explore your last evening downtown in St. John's on your own!

#### DAY 11: THURSDAY, AUGUST 1 – ST. JOHN'S TO ARGENTIA AND FERRY

After a delicious breakfast, we begin to make our way to Argentia where we will take an overnight ferry ride to North Sydney, Nova Scotia. But first, we will visit the <u>Johnson Geo Centre</u> and then we will have lunch before heading to the ferry terminal in Argentia. Our ferry departs at **5:00pm** and is scheduled to arrive in North Sydney at **9:00am** tomorrow. We will have cabin accommodations on the ferry. Before boarding the ferry, your Tour Director will advise you of procedures and distribution of cabin keys where you will sleep for the night on the ferry. There is a lounge and restaurants on the ferry as well. Enjoy your evening on the ferry!

#### DAY 12: FRIDAY, AUGUST 2 – NORTH SYDNEY TO NS & NB

Breakfast on Ferry (on your own)

9:00am – Disembarkation (or when announcement is made)

This morning, we dock in Sydney NS right after breakfast. We will make our way back to our destinations with breaks along the way.

You will make your way home and say goodbye to your new-found friends, **Tour Director** and **Driver.** You will leave us with unforgettable memories of your **Newfoundland Experience Dream Tour.** We hope to see you again in the near future!

CITY / TOWN	ARRIVAL TIME	LOCATION / ADDRESS
North Sydney	9:15am	Canadian Tire - 21 Blowers St
Auld's Cove	11:15am - LUNCH	Auld's Cove Big Stop - 13239 Trans-Canada Hwy - Havre Boucher
Truro	2:00pm	Rath Eastlink Centre - 625 Abenaki Rd
Masstown	2:30pm – BREAK	Masstown Market - 10622 NS Trunk 2
Aulac	4:00pm	Aulac Big Stop - 170 Aulac Rd
Moncton	4:45pm	Four Points Sheraton - 40 Lady Ada Blvd
Salisbury	5:30pm – BREAK	Salisbury Big Stop - 2986 Fredericton Rd
Rothesay	7:15pm	Irving Big Stop - 2870 NB-1
Fredericton	8:45pm	Lincoln Blue Canoe - 415 Nevers Rd

\*\*\* SUBJECT TO CHANGE \*\*\*

#### **Price Per Person (Canadian Funds)**

\*Includes transportation, hotels, highlights, tax & fees

GUEST PER ROOM	REGULAR PRICE
4	\$3099
3	\$3299
2	\$3699
1	\$4799

### Deposit of \$300 per person is required to reserve your seat Full payment due 60 days before departure

\*Deposit or full payment is non-refundable \*We strongly suggest travel insurance

# TO BOOK OR FOR MORE INFO, PLEASE CALL: (506) 804-0989 OR TOLL FREE: (844) 804-0989

# Things to Remember 😌

- 1. Don't forget your medication if you need any.
- 2. Evenings may be cold, bring a sweater or jacket and be prepared for rainy days.
- 3. The temperature in the bus is set at 21-22 degrees. Dress in layers according to your preference.
- 4. Driver will load and unload luggage from the motor coach and everyone will be responsible to handling their luggage from the motor coach to their hotel room.
- 5. Each traveler is allowed ONE large suitcase, and one smaller-carry on (NOTE: The overhead compartment space is only a 9" opening, with a wider space inside, so we do recommend a backpack style carry on. If it doesn't fit in the overhead, it will need to go at your feet).
- 6. Please tag you luggage as any untagged baggage could be left on motor coach if not claimed.
- 7. Come to the motor coach as soon as you are ready, we will depart earlier if everyone is on board.
- 8. Don't be the one that is always last on the motor coach. 😂



<sup>\*</sup> The itinerary and the hotel are subject to change

<sup>\*</sup>Events/activities time is subject to change, but will try our best to keep everything on schedule

- 9. Seats are assigned for the whole tour. We have no problem with passengers switching between themselves.
- 10. Smoking or vaping is not allowed on the motor coach and within nine (9) meters from the motor coach door.
- 11. Morning and afternoon breaks are 15 minutes; lunch & dinner are 45 min/1 hour
- 12. Motor coach has a lavatory; however, we do stop for breaks every 2 hours +/-
- 13. Due to allergies, it is strictly prohibited to use perfume or cologne.
- 14. Make sure you have proper Travel Medical Insurance for traveling outside Canada
- 15. If you are celebrating a birthday or anniversary, let the Tour Director know
- 16. Please ensure you have your Passport with you (for USA Tours) or a picture ID for all other tours.
- 17. Marijuana products are not allowed to be brought across Canada/USA border.
- 18. If you are late for a pick-up or departure, you may be responsible to get to the hotel or attraction at your own cost. (Dream Vacation Tours is not responsible for any cost incurred in this situation or to rejoin the tour at the next location)
- 19. Industry average for gratuities is \$4 to \$8 per day for each the bus driver and the Tour Director. \**Optional See below*

#### **Gratuities Based on Industry Standard**

- \* Happy = \$4 per day \* 12 days = \$48 per passenger for each the Driver and Tour Director
- \* Very happy = \$6 per day \* 12 days = \$72 per passenger for each the Driver and Tour Director
- \* Extremely happy = \$8 per day \* 12 days = \$96 per passenger for each the Driver and Tour Director

**MERCI / THANK YOU!**