

Luxury Quebec City & Charlevoix Escape

May 18 – 22, 2027 (5 Days)

Tentative Tour Itinerary



Welcome aboard Collins Tours' escorted vacation to Quebec's Charlevoix region, Quebec City and crossing the St Lawrence River by ferry – arranged to provide you with the relaxed travel pace you know from Collins Tours combined with top destination hotels. This tour features two nights at the historic Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu overlooking the St Lawrence River and located steps from the Charlevoix Casino. You will also enjoy stays at excellent accommodations in Quebec City, QC, and in Riviere-du-Loup, QC. Below is the itinerary for this premium getaway. Your tour manager looks forward to providing you an exceptional vacation experience.

Sincerely, Greg Collins – President & CEO

Day 1: Tuesday, May 18 – Home to Quebec City, QC – Hôtel Palace Royal

- Board the motorcoach at your scheduled location and departure time. Please ensure that you arrive at least 15-minutes before departure, so you have ample time to get comfortably seated, and luggage stowed.

Nova Scotia:

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

New Brunswick:

- Moncton**, Magnetic Hill McDonald's – TBA
 - Lincoln**, Irving Big Stop – TBA, 1-hour lunch stop
 - Saint John** - TBA
- Shuttle to Lincoln to meet main coach**

Prince Edward Island:

Charlottetown, Royalty Crossing (formerly Charlottetown Mall) near Superstore Entrance – TBA
Shuttle to Aulac NB meet main Coach.

- Stops for passenger pick up will be brief (10-15 min.) We ask you to remain onboard while new guests join.
- Once all passengers are onboard, we travel north on the Trans-Canada highway to Quebec City, located on the north shore of the mighty St. Lawrence River.
- We anticipate an early evening arrival at the fabulous **4.5 Star Hôtel Palace Royal**, located steps from the historical area of Old Quebec City next to the gates on St. Jean Street. Relax while your tour manager checks the group in, distributes your room key, and has your bag delivered to your room (**fee covered for 1 bag/person**), all part of the signature group tour service you will enjoy throughout this tour. Settle into your home away for the night.
- Dinner and the remainder of the evening is free for you to enjoy.



Day 2: Wednesday, May 19 – Quebec City to Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu in Charlevoix, QC (B, Welcome D)

- This morning, enjoy a hot buffet breakfast (**included**) before checking out and meeting our local guide for a tour of Quebec City. Meet with your Tour Manager and fellow travellers as our local guide joins us to show

is the interesting and historical sights of Quebec City including the Upper and Lower villages of walled Old Quebec, the Parliament buildings, and Plains of Abraham.

- We will have free time in Old Quebec for a lunch stop (on own) at a local restaurant of your choice to sample some of the fantastic Quebecois cuisine followed by our visit to the Basilica at Ste. Anne-du-Beaupre with a guided tour. The Basilica is one of the five national shrines of Canada, always a memorable visit.
- Next, we visit the Albert Gilles Copper Boutique & Art Museum for a brief tour and an opportunity to shop the handiworks of these highly- skilled artisans.
- This is followed by our short drive along the shoreline of the mighty St. Lawrence River where we will check in to our home for the next two nights, the luxurious 5-star Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu. Located in the heart of the Charlevoix region, Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu has it all — a stunning natural backdrop, luxury accommodations, and entertainment options galore. Built over 125 years ago, the majestic hotel sits perched on the edge of a cliff overlooking the St. Lawrence River.
- Your bags will be sent directly to your room, allowing for plenty of time to explore the property before our first group dinner together.
- Tonight, we gather for a 'Welcome Dinner', complete with a glass of wine or beer **(included)**. Let us raise a glass to the adventure ahead!
- The remainder of the evening is free for you to enjoy at your leisure. Perhaps your luck resides in the casino next door.

Day 3: Thursday, May 20 – Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu in Charlevoix, QC (B) ****Wine, Cheese & Countryside in Charlevoix Optional Excursion**

- After a delicious buffet breakfast (included), you can explore you local surroundings and the town of La Malbaie or you can opt for our Collins Tours optional excursion.
- **OPTIONAL EXCURSION** - Join your Tour Manager and fellow passengers as we discover the flavours of Charlevoix on this enjoyable excursion through the region's scenic countryside. We will visit a local winery and fromagerie to learn about their craft and sample some of the area's distinctive products. Along the way, take in the beautiful landscapes that make Charlevoix one of Québec's most charming regions. **(Price TBA)**
- Lunch and dinner are on own today. Relax at the beach, explore the beautiful grounds, visit local art galleries, and wood carving shops, and see more of what many say is one of Quebec's most beautiful villages!



Day 4: Friday, May 21 –Charlevoix to Hôtel Levesque, Riviere-du-Loup, QC (B, Farewell D)

- Enjoy your buffet breakfast **(included)** before our check-out and our drive to the ferry terminal at Saint Simeon to cross the mighty St. Lawrence River.
- Be sure to keep watch for more of those amazing marine mammals during the 60-70-minute ferry crossing across the St. Lawrence **(tickets and fees included)**.
- After we disembark in Riviere-du-Loup, QC we'll have a lunch-stop along our route before checking into our hotel, the **4-Star Hôtel Levesque**. The tour manager will check the group in/hand out room keys.
- Take some time to relax before our final meal together. Join us in the hotel dining room this evening for our 'Farewell Group Dinner' including a glass of wine or beer **(included)** as we raise a glass to this thrilling adventure.

Day 5: Saturday, May 22 – Riviere Du Loup to Home (B)

- Enjoy one last buffet breakfast this morning **(included)** as we prepare to depart for our home destinations. We have multiple stops scheduled along the way for your comfort and convenience.

- You will be returned to the same location you were picked-up. The following times are approximate.

New Brunswick Locations:

- Lincoln, Irving Big Stop – TBA
1-hour lunch stop
- Moncton, Magnetic Hill McDonald's: TBA
- Saint John, Rte 1 Irving Rothesay shuttle from
Lincoln NB – TBA

Nova Scotia Locations:

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

Prince Edward Island Location:

- Charlottetown, shuttle from Aulac NB – TBA

Hotel Contact Information:

- Hotel Palace Royale, 75 Boulevard Honoré-Mercier, Quebec City, QC, Ph: 418-694-2000
- Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu, 181 Rue Richelieu, La Malbaie, QC G5A 1X7, Ph: 418-665-3703
- Hôtel Levesque – 171 Rue Fraser, Rivière-du-Loup, QC, Ph : 418-862-6927

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- *Tour itineraries are a **guideline and may need to be adjusted** by CTC or your tour manager and are impacted by unforeseen factors such as weather, traffic, changes to concert or sporting event times, emergencies and/or an act of God. **Collins Tours is not responsible for any refunds, reimbursements, credits, or liable for any changes in itineraries, modifications, or lost time in any area due to unforeseen events described above.**
- *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.
- 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.**
- Please remove all personal belongings when departing the bus.
- Covid-19 Protocol. Guests who contract Covid-19 while traveling with the tour may be able to continue with the tour depending on the itinerary, the severity of sickness or illness. Collins Tours & Consulting Ltd is not responsible for any delays of transportation, schedule changes, acts of God, mechanical issues, any emergencies, or any missed connections due from any such events described above or unforeseen circumstances arising not described above, yet that may cause similar outcomes or delays. Collins Tours & Consulting Ltd is not responsible for providing additional transportations costs, if necessary, reimbursements of any kind or credits, for these potential or actual additional expenses, loss of use, loss of hotel nights, meals, transportation arrangements, or any portion of your planned vacation you have that may or may not be missed. These costs, if any, will be paid directly by the traveler and submitted through the appropriate persons travel insurance for reimbursement of expenses. Please contact our office if you need assistance with all-inclusive medical insurance, trip cancellation and interruption coverage, or quarantine insurance. Collins Tours & Consulting Ltd does not anticipate any such concerns or events and only wishes for everyone to ensure proper travel insurance has been purchased in advance.
- REMEMBER: Your Collins Tours & Consulting tour manager handles your bags, check in/checkout, overall group management (e.g. timely transitions, itinerary development) & represents the group during Customs & Immigrations. All this to ensure you enjoy your experience to the fullest!
Gratuities for your Tour Manager & Driver are **NOT** included in the tour price.

Here are guidelines on *Tipping Etiquette*:

- Collins Tours Manager - Ranging from \$7.00-\$9.00 per person, per day
- Bus driver-\$5.00-\$6.00 per person, per day
- Private city tour guides- \$3.00 per person, per day

Thank you for traveling with Collins Tours!
We look forward to serving you with your future

