



Welcome aboard our Holiday tour to Quebec! We are thrilled to share this wonderful Christmas Tradition! Enjoy German Christmas Markets in Old Quebec City, Canada's slice of Europe during the excitement of the 2025 Markets opening weekend. Old Quebec is such a magical place that comes to life during this festive event each year operating since 2008. It is a market designed to recreate as closely as possible the atmosphere of the big European Christmas markets and to offer you a unique and unforgettable experience. Let Collins Tours take you there for what might possibly become your next festive tradition! Stay 3 nights at the Palace Royale Hotel with breakfast each morning and two group dinners including a glass of wine or beer. We've included a professionally guided sightseeing tour of Old Quebec, plus a visit to St. Anne de Beaupre and Albert Gille Copper Art Boutique & Museum.

Please pay close attention to the "Important Information" section, located on the last page of this itinerary, and do not hesitate to call the office with any questions or concerns. Your Tour Manager looks forward to meeting you and providing a safe and fun travel experience.

- Sincerely, Greg Collins, President Collins Tours

Day 1: Thursday, November 26 – Home -> Palace Royale Hotel, QC

TENTATIVE Pick-Up Locations &

Nova Scotia Travelers:

- Halifax Sobeys Lacewood Drive – 6:00am
- Hampton Inn, Dartmouth Crossing – 6:30am
- Quality Inn Halifax Airport Hotel – 7:05am
- Truro Heights Irving Big Stop – 7:45am

Prince Edward Island Travelers:

- Charlottetown Mall, near Superstore entrance – 7:00am.
Shuttle to Aulac NB to meet main coach

New Brunswick Travelers:

- Aulac Irving Big Stop – 8:55am-9:15am 25 min rest stop
- Moncton, Magnetic Hill McDonald's – 9:55am
- Saint John Rte. 1 Irving – 9:50am shuttle to Lincoln NB
- Lincoln Irving Big Stop – 11:25am-12:25pm (1-hour Lunch Stop)

- Your group travel and Quebec experience begins today! Meet your coach or shuttle at the designated meeting point assigned to you. Please see list of pick-up locations below.
- All stops for passenger pick-up will be brief (10-15 min). We ask that you remain on the coach while new passengers join us this morning.

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- Today's drive will include multiple coffee stops and a lunch break at Lincoln Irving Big Stop near Fredericton (**your expense**).
- We will arrive at the Palace Royale Hotel early this evening, which will be your hotel for the next 3 nights. Your tour manager will check you in, have your bag sent to your room, and hand out your key cards, all part of our signature group tour check in service.
- Dinner is on your own this evening (**price not included**). You may choose to stay at the hotel for dinner at The Beffroi Steakhouse, which is a renowned steak house restaurant, or you may choose to visit one of the many establishments that surround the hotel.
- Packed your swimsuit? Your hotel has an indoor pool onsite for you to enjoy if you wish.



Day 2: Friday, November 27 – Quebec City (B, Welcome Group D)

- This morning, enjoy a complimentary American Breakfast in our hotel dining room.
- After breakfast, we will welcome our local guide for a professionally guided sightseeing tour of Quebec City seeing the Parliament, plus upper and lower Old Quebec. This tour is by motor coach with some walking involved.
- Lunch and the remainder of the afternoon is on your own today with many vendors just steps away from your hotel offering festive treats, and cafes that line the streets of Old Quebec (**your expense**).
- Meet your Tour Manager and fellow travellers this evening for our short drive together to our Welcome Dinner at one of Collins Tours' locally sourced restaurants! (**included**) Bon Appetite! Enjoy your group dinner with a glass of wine or beer included with your premium meal dining experience.

Day 3: Saturday, November 28 – Christmas Markets (B, Farewell Group D)

- Enjoy a complimentary American Breakfast this morning at your hotel.
- Today's drive will take us from the hotel to the Albert-Gilles Copper Art Boutique & Museum, a visit to Saint Anne de Beupre with a tour of its Cathedral recognized for many miracles. Following the visit to the cathedral, we will return to our hotel.
- Lunch will be on your own today, with many options located down the street from your hotel (**your expense**).
- This afternoon we travel by motor coach to the main German Market locations for your opportunity to shop at the festive wooden kiosks filled with holiday treats and trinkets with vendors from Europe, and from across Quebec. Let the festive and beautiful Old Quebec sights, sounds and fragrances of this market take you away for a European feeling and experience! (**Please note: This is an outdoor market, and you should be prepared to dress accordingly for the winter weather, including appropriate footwear.**)
- This evening, meet your Tour Manager to be transported to another fantastic restaurant for our Group's Farewell Dinner. Sit back and relax as we toast to one another, enjoy the company of the new friends we have made on this journey and overall pleasures of the holiday season! Your farewell dinner has a glass of wine or beer included. Salut!



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Day 4: Sunday, November 29 – Quebec City -> Home (B)

- Wake up with Christmas Cheer! Enjoy another full hot breakfast this morning at the hotel. Be sure to cover any personal expenses (i.e., internet charges, movie rentals) at check out this morning.
- Please have your luggage ready for pick up before meeting your Tour Manager for departure from Quebec as we head home.
- We will be making rest stops and have an hour-long lunch stop along our route.
- Back to the Maritimes, we begin to bid farewell to our fellow travelers, dropping all travelers back at their original pick-up points.

APPROXIMATE RETURN TIMES ARE AS FOLLOWS

New Brunswick Travelers:

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

Prince Edward Island Travelers:

- Charlottetown Royalty Crossing, shuttle from Aulac NB- TBA

Nova Scotia Travelers:

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

Hotel Contact Information:

Hôtel Palace Royal, 775 Boulevard Honoré-Mercier, Quebec City, Quebec G1R 6A5
PH: (418) 694-2000

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.” We appreciate cooperation to ensure tours are successful. Collins Tours is not responsible or liable, in any way, for delays caused by any unforeseen events described above or similar occurrences not mentioned which may cause changes or similar outcomes in the itinerary or overall tour operation. No refunds or reimbursements or credits will be offered in the event of any such occurrences.
- We ask that everyone respect the final timelines, as determined by your tour manager, as well as keeping seats to a minimum due to some passenger having allergies. This will ensure **ALL clients enjoy themselves to the fullest.**
- Please remove all personal belongings when departing the bus. Collins Tours & Consulting Ltd. Is not responsible for items left behind in hotels, events, or motor coaches.
- Collins Tours & Consulting Ltd is not responsible for any vehicle delays, 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 may cause similar outcomes or delays. Collins Tours & Consulting Ltd is not responsible for providing additional transportations costs, if necessary, reimbursements for any additional expenses, loss of use, or 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

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does not anticipate any such concerns or events and only wishes for everyone to ensure proper travel insurance has been purchase in advance.

- **REMEMBER:** your tour manager handles hotel check in/check out procedures, overall group management (e.g. timely transitions, itinerary planning), and group representation at Concerts and Customs and Immigration. 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.**

Suggested amounts:

- Tour director **tipping guidelines** are \$6.00 - \$8.00 per person per day.
- \$5.00-\$6.00 per person per day for the bus driver
- \$3.00 per person per day for any professional city tour guides.



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We look forward to assisting you with all your future travel needs!