



Quebec City Carnaval Tour Proposal

Rothesay Park School

Thursday, February 8th – Sunday, February 11th 2018

Thursday 8th

- 6:00 Early departure on a locally chartered luxury coach from school parking lot (to avoid the traffic when arriving to Qc City). Settle in, relax, and maybe have a snooze during this first part of the trip.
- 11:00 Lunch in Edmundston (**own expense**) and **driver switch** to be able to have evening activities upon arrival.
- 14:30 Arrive in Quebec City. Hotel check-in (**Hotel Dauphin**) and meet your guide.
- 15:00 Get dressed warmly for a great first evening!
- 15:30 Head to Village Valcartier where you'll visit the Ice Hotel and have a great time sliding.
- 16:00 Visit the incredible **Ice Hotel** (self-guided visit)
- 17h00 Let's have a blast tonight of tubing and rafting at the largest snowpark in North America at **Village Vacances Valcartier!** Crazy Fun!! Make sure to hold on tight! Grab supper at the park (**\$12 food coupon included**) – take the time to warm up a bit before heading back out again for more sliding!
- 21:00 Wow! What a great way to finish the day. Return to the hotel for a good night's rest after a great day outside.

Friday 9th

- 7:30-8:30 Breakfast at hotel this morning and orientation with your guides....this morning, we're running away to the circus!
- 8:45 Depart the hotel for the morning's first activity. Bring your warm clothes on the bus! We're spending the whole day away!
- 9:15 Go to Lower town and start your **guided tour of Quebec City**. Explore Place Royale, where Champlain first established a fort and trading post in 1608. Walk down le Petit Champlain, one of North America's oldest streets and voted one of Canada's nicest streets in 2015. Then walk to upper town and stroll through history. Finish at the Chateau Frontenac and learn about this magnificent hotel as well as the old St Louis fort, the foundation of which is under the Terrace.
- 10:45 Enjoy some free time in small groups. Explore a bit and have lunch (**own expense**)
- 12:30 Jump on the bus and head to the Beaupré Coast.
- 13:00 Enjoy the view from 85-meter above as you see the **Montmorency Falls** up close. Amazing to see the frozen water falls and the sugar loaf below.
- 14:15 Visit the **Albert Gilles Museum** and learn how to make beautiful embossed copper art – try it out for yourself for a DIY souvenir.
- 15:30 Walk around the incredible **Ste Anne's Basilica**. Admire the mosaics, the reproduction of the Michelangelo's Pieta, the stained-glass windows and much more. Check out the embossed copper on the front doors – look familiar?
- 16:00 Hungry? Let's go!
- 17:15 Have a fun-filled **sugar shack experience – Érablière L'Entailleur**. Learn about how maple syrup is made, and chow down on amazing food. Then hit the dance floor as you spin to traditional music. Great fun!
- 19:30 Back to Old Quebec in front of the Chateau Frontenac to explore on your own. Try the **toboggan sliding on the Dufferin Terrace** – it's sure to bring you chills as you slide at more than 60 km/hr on the ice track. (**included**)
- 21:00 Another great day! Return to the hotel for a good night's rest after a great day outside.

Saturday 10th

- 7:30-8:30 Breakfast at hotel and orientation with guide.
- 8:40 Dress warmly for a big day and evening outside. Let's go!



EDUCATIONAL TOURS

- 9:00 Warm up at the newly renovated **Quebec Observatory** and learn about the incredible geography of the Quebec City region.
- 10:00 Walk to the **Carnival sites**. In small groups, take time to enjoy the sites and participate in **Carnival activities**. Admire the ice castle, the snow sculptures and much more!
- 12:00 Enjoy a nice meal at **St Hubert Rotisserie (Grande Allée)**.
- 13:30 Learn about the Battle on the Plains of Abraham and the stark reality of war back then during this interactive activity called **Le Militaire**.
- 15:00 Enjoy some more time in the Carnival activities.
- 16:15 Jump on the bus and head back to the hotel.
- 17:00 Unwind and relax in your rooms, chat about the trip so far and enjoy a **pizza evening** together.
- 18:30 Dress warmly and head back out!
- 19:00 Find your spot along the parade route. Get ready to see the famous **Bonhomme Carnaval** and all the floats go by.
- 21:00 That was great. Let's head back to the hotel to warm up and have a good night's sleep before the day on the road tomorrow.

Sunday 11th

- 7:30-8:30 Breakfast at hotel and orientation with guide....this morning, we're going to the dogs!
- 8:45 Dress warmly for the morning's awesome activity.
- 9:30 Spend the morning at **Chenil La Poursuite** for a great time **dog sledding**, snowshoeing, sliding and much more!
- 12:00 Time to head home – it's been great hasn't it? See you next year!! Lunch and supper on the road (**own expense**)
- 22:00 Expected time of arrival home.

Proposed tour dates:

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Tour Destination:

Quebec City

This quote includes:

1. 3 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 3 suppers
2. A high quality 3-4* hotel, including a daily breakfast and evening security from 10:30 pm – 4:00 am.
3. 56-seat luxury coach
4. \$250 scholarship per bus to help deserving students participate
5. 1 free chaperone per 10 paying participants
6. 1 tour director per bus – he/she will join the group at the destination city and participate in all activities, including overnight stays at the hotel. The tour director(s) will be available for emergencies only from 11:00 pm – 8:00 am.
7. All activities on the tour itinerary excluding those mentioned "own expense".
8. The Carnaval "effigie" that grants access to the Carnaval site in the city.
9. 4 students/student hotel room & 2 chaperones/teacher hotel room
10. Classroom visit in the Fall.
11. Access to Educational Units and blogs provided by BV
12. Post-tour presentation on a USB key (pictures and video set to music)

Cost – Including mandatory cancellation insurance

42 + 4 \$760

In order to maintain the lowest cost possible, it is important to maximize the number of students per bus. With 56-seat coaches, the usual numbers are: 50 paying students, 5 free chaperones and 1 tour director

Cost **does not** include tips. Suggested tips for each tour director is \$250 and for each driver is \$150.