

EASTERN ONTARIO

DISCOVERY TOUR – 6 DAYS

Toronto • Port Hope • Cobourg • Grafton • Prince Edward County • Kingston • Wolfe Island
Gananoque • Rockport • Morrisburg • Merrickville • Ottawa



L – R: Grafton; Thousand Islands; Kingston



DAY 1

TORONTO TO PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY (210 km)

As you drive along the shores of Lake Ontario, browse antique shops lining the Victorian streets of Port Hope. Enjoy spa treatments here or in the nearby towns of Cobourg or Grafton. In Prince Edward County, follow the Taste Trail, savouring wines and cuisine – and don't miss the art galleries and heritage museums along the

way. Connect with nature at any of the area's provincial parks: Sandbanks, North Beach, Lake on the Mountain or Presqu'île Provincial Park. Ride the Glenora-Adolphustown Ferry to Highway 33 and find a cosy home away from home.

DAY 2

PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY TO KINGSTON (60 km)

The 'Limestone City' of Kingston is home to everything from national historic treasures to small, specialized museums. Don't miss majestic Fort Henry, the fascinating Penitentiary Museum and Bellevue House, the former home of Canada's first prime minister. Get a feel for the city on the Confederation Tour Trolley, but also stroll the streets, admiring the impressive heritage architecture. As the sun sets, take a boat tour of the 1000 Islands in the St. Lawrence River, then get comfy in an historic inn or bed and breakfast.

DAY 3

KINGSTON

On your second day in Kingston, wander the waterfront, checking out the Pump House Steam Museum and Marine Museum of the Great Lakes. Show off your

buying power in the charming downtown, picking up produce at the oldest farmers' market in Canada and dining in eclectic restaurants. In winter, skate on the rink in front of City Hall. Or if it's spring, summer or fall, board the ferry from downtown Kingston and take it to Wolfe Island for birdwatching or cycling. End your time here with a memorable aerial flight above the 1000 Islands.

DAY 4

KINGSTON TO MERRICKVILLE (125 km)

Follow Highway 2 along the St. Lawrence River to picturesque Gananoque. Kayak among the heavily treed 1000 Islands, soaking in their natural beauty. Take a boat tour from here or nearby Rockport, then continue your drive to Morrisburg and visit Upper Canada Village, a recreated 19th century village. Meander backcountry roads and watch recreational boats pass through lift locks on the historic Rideau Canal. In the village of Merrickville, peruse quaint shops before checking into a country inn or spa.

DAY 5

MERRICKVILLE TO OTTAWA (75 km)

There's a lot of exploring to be done in our nation's capital, Ottawa, so start early. Shop in unique boutiques in the historic ByWard Market, admire art at the National Gallery of Canada, watch the Changing of the Guard on Parliament Hill, then buy, buy, buy on Sparks Street Mall – Canada's first pedestrian mall. Tour Rideau

Hall, the official home and workplace of our Governor General. Across the Ottawa River, give yourself the afternoon to explore the stunning Museum of Civilization, also home to the Canadian Children's Museum and an IMAX® theatre. Finish with a calming cruise on the Rideau Canal or Ottawa River.

DAY 6

OTTAWA

This morning, choose from a variety of museums including the Canadian Museum of Nature, the Canada Science and Technology Museum, the Canadian War Museum or the Canada Aviation Museum. Share in the culture of Canada's First People, with Aboriginal Experiences – feast upon traditional foods and witness live native singing, drumming and dancing – just minutes from downtown. Get outdoors and enjoy nature – you can easily spend an afternoon strolling or cycling along the Rideau Canal and through the Greenbelt. If time allows, be exhilarated by whitewater rafting on the Ottawa River's class 3 and 4 rapids, just 90 minutes from downtown.

Your Eastern Ontario adventure connects with tours in Toronto, Niagara and Muskoka, Haliburton & Kawarthas.

Note: Some attractions are seasonal. Please contact them directly for hours of operation. Distances are approximate only.

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