

From the St. Lawrence River to the American East Coast

From **24/10/2022**
to **5/11/2022**

Ship: **LE DUMONT-D'URVILLE**

From **Montreal**
to **Gloucester**



From **Montreal**, set sail aboard *Le Dumont-d'Urville* for the **vast unspoiled expanses of the North American continent**.

Your ship will first call at **Quebec City**, capital of Canada's Beautiful Province, located on the St. Lawrence estuary and founded by Samuel de Champlain in 1608. Do not miss discovering this charming and lively city where the historic neighbourhood of **Old Quebec**, with its ramparts and fortifications, is listed as **World Heritage by UNESCO**.

You will then enjoy a magnificent sail that will allow you to get as close as possible to many marine mammals taking refuge in the dramatic fjord of **Saguenay Bay**.

At the mouth of Saguenay River, you will reach **Tadoussac**. This National Park is also an unmissable site for whale watching as the mammals gather to feed before winter. Further on, you will reach Percé, one of the most scenic villages of Quebec, close to a National Park famed for its natural, historical and geological heritage.

Le Dumont-d'Urville will then cruise along the coasts of **Nova Scotia**, home to great historical towns and villages of unrivalled cachet.

Then you will head south to **Bar Harbor** on Mount Desert Island, discovered by Samuel de Champlain in 1604. This small bustling town on the north-east coast of the state of Maine is a seaside resort whose appeal lies in its stunning landscapes, including those of Acadia National Park.

At the tip of the **Cape Cod** peninsula, the East Coast atmosphere is reminiscent of the chic and discrete charm of the French west coast, with beautiful houses, ocean spray and an easy lifestyle. This is also a very popular holiday destination for important figures in American politics.

This trip will end in **Gloucester**, the oldest port in the United States.



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YOUR STOPOVERS :

MONTREAL

Embarkation 24/10/2022 from 16h00 to 17h00

Departure 24/10/2022 at 18h00

Famous for its gentle way of life, **Montreal**, Canada's second-largest city, is a warm and cosmopolitan metropolis. Situated on the eponymous river island, it is home to a multitude of districts, each as unique as the other. Set off to discover **Old Montreal**, most of which is declared a historic area, Little Italy, where you'll be able to stroll around the largest open-air market in North America, or the Golden Square Mile, the luxurious district located on one of the hills of Mount Royal and which has sumptuous Victorian-style residences. Simultaneously marked by the influences of the Old Continent and North-American gigantism, Montreal will never cease to amaze you.

QUÉBEC

Arrival 25/10/2022 early morning

Departure 25/10/2022 late afternoon

The capital of La Belle Province sits at the confluence of the St Charles River and the Gulf of St Lawrence in south-east Canada. Founded in the 17th century, the city still has an encircling wall – a historic civil engineering work and the only one of its kind remaining in North America. You will love the postcard-perfect stone houses of **Old Quebec, the historic district listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site**. Shopping is a pleasure in pedestrian streets such as Petit-Champlain Street, or you can relax over a spruce beer, seasoned with pine buds. **Dufferin Boardwalk**, an esplanade near the emblematic **Château Frontenac**, is the perfect place for views of the river and old city.

SAILING SAGUENAY RIVER

Arrival 26/10/2022

Departure 26/10/2022

Sailing on the **Saguenay River** is your guarantee of majestic sights in the heart of **Quebec**. This river, which originates in the Laurentian Highlands of Lac Saint-Jean and reaches the famous Saint-Laurent River, offers unforgettable landscapes to those who cross it. The river's trajectory moves between cliffs that rise up over 500 metres tall (1,640 feet). Sculpted during the last ice age, the lower part of the Saguenay forms a fjord whose spectacular beauty will surprise you.

TADOUSSAC

Arrival 26/10/2022 midday

Departure 26/10/2022 evening

The Quebec village of **Tadoussac** stands at the confluence of the Saguenay River and the Gulf of Saint-Lawrence, in south-east Canada. The village is bright with multicoloured houses nestling in an emerald-green pine forest. From the waterfront, it's easy to spy out **Tadoussac Chapel**, thanks to its bright red roof. Not far from this church built of wood, one of the oldest in North America, stands a century-old village holiday resort, Hotel Tadoussac. Treat yourself to tea on the terrace overlooking the shoreline. In addition, at the **marine mammal interpretation centre**, you can hone your knowledge of the cetaceans that regularly frequent Tadoussac bay.

AT SEA

Arrival 27/10/2022

Departure 27/10/2022

During your day at sea, make the most of the many services and activities on board. Treat yourself to a moment of relaxation in the spa or stay in shape in the fitness centre. Depending on the season, let yourself be tempted by the swimming pool or a spot of sunbathing. This day without a port of call will also be an opportunity to enjoy the conferences or shows proposed on board, to do some shopping in the boutique or to meet the PONANT photographers in their dedicated space. As for lovers of the open sea, they will be able to visit the ship's upper deck to admire the spectacle of the waves and perhaps be lucky enough to observe marine species. A truly enchanted interlude, combining comfort, rest and entertainment.

PERCÉ

Arrival 28/10/2022 early morning

Departure 28/10/2022 early afternoon

If you appreciate the beauty of scenery and geological phenomena, you will fall under the irresistible spell of **Percé**, one of the most beautiful villages in **Quebec**. Apart from the attractions of the town itself, Percé owes its reputation to its proximity to the famous rock of the same name that rises opposite it in the **Gulf of Saint Lawrence**. Along with the neighbouring **Bonaventure Island**, this rocky outcrop forms a national park famed for its natural, historical and geological heritage. With a choice of hiking, underwater exploration and cultural activities, you'll never be short of things to do in this fascinating region.

CAP-AUX-MEULES, MAGDALEN ISLANDS

Arrival 29/10/2022 early morning

Departure 29/10/2022 early afternoon

Although it is the administrative and economic centre of the **Magdalen Islands** archipelago, in the **Gulf of Saint Lawrence**, the **village of Cap-aux-Meules** remains a peaceful location and is ideal for exploring preserved nature. Located on the eponymous island, in reference to the sandstone rocks of the cape that were used in the past to make grindstones, the location is above all considered to be the maritime gateway to the archipelago. In this respect, it offers privileged access to many sites renowned for their natural and historic heritage, such as the village of Havre-

Aubert which is a member of the Most Beautiful Villages of Quebec.

LOUISBOURG

Arrival 30/10/2022 early morning

Departure 30/10/2022 early afternoon

Set in the Atlantic Ocean, **Cape Breton Island** turns up fun-to-explore curiosities such as **Louisbourg**, the former capital from when it was named Ile Royale. This picturesque little town is home to one of the country's most significant historical sites: the symbolic and beautifully restored **Fortress of Louisbourg**. A tour transports you back to the heart of 18th-century Canada. Access the old fortified square via the drawbridge and Dauphin Gate, which is guarded by a sentry. You can then explore the **fortified town** as it was in its heyday. Get ready for an extraordinary adventure that's more than just a journey back in time.

LUNENBURG

Arrival 31/10/2022 midday

Departure 31/10/2022 early evening

Stretching out along the eastern seaboard of **Nova Scotia**, the picturesque port of **Lunenburg** will leave an indelible impression. You can admire the colonial architecture of this fishing village whilst strolling through the chequerboard streets studded with brightly coloured houses. The enchanting charm of the old town has earned it **UNESCO World Heritage status**. The former naval shipyard town of Lunenburg is where you will also find the replica of the legendary **Bluenose schooner**, originally built in this port.

AT SEA

Arrival 1/11/2022

Departure 1/11/2022

During your day at sea, make the most of the many services and activities on board. Treat yourself to a moment of relaxation in the spa or stay in shape in the fitness centre. Depending on the season, let yourself be tempted by the swimming pool or a spot of sunbathing. This day without a port of call will also be an opportunity to enjoy the conferences or shows proposed on board, to do some shopping in the boutique or to meet the PONANT photographers in their dedicated space. As for lovers of the open sea, they will be able to visit the ship's upper deck to admire the spectacle of the waves and perhaps be lucky enough to observe marine species. A truly enchanted interlude, combining comfort, rest and entertainment.

BAR HARBOR

Arrival 2/11/2022 early morning

Departure 2/11/2022 early afternoon

With landscapes that seem to have come straight from a Stephen King novel, made up of long rocky outcrops plunging into the cold waters of the Atlantic, the region of Maine is full of unexpected delights. **Bar Harbor** is one of them. A seaside resort for aristocrats of another era, this former fishing port, founded in the early 18th Century reveals an atmosphere that is **both chic and refined**, and over time has become the ideal destination for romantics and **lovers of open spaces**

PROVINCETOWN

Arrival 3/11/2022 mid morning

Departure 3/11/2022 late afternoon

At the far end of Cape Cod is where you'll find this hidden little New England village. Its elongated bay offers pristine, sandy beaches. For a bit of shopping, you can explore **Commercial Street** and the many art galleries and coffee shops there. At the end of the street, you'll come across the **Pilgrim Monument** and its 116 steps. This tower was built at the beginning of the century to celebrate the **first pilgrims** who arrived a few hundred years earlier. **The Provincetown** museum commemorates the history and way of life of the Mayflower Pilgrims. Fine food is not scarce here, and you'll be tempted by delicious sea food platters in the restaurants opposite the harbour!

OAK BLUFFS, MARTHA'S VINEYARD

Arrival 4/11/2022 early morning

Departure 4/11/2022 late afternoon

This little town is the ideal starting point for a stroll around Martha's Vineyard ». The **gentle lifestyle** of this incomparable setting has been attracting American presidents for several decades. Oak Bluffs will surprise you first and foremost by its **Gingerbread Houses**. The story goes that the **Methodist community** settled here more than a century ago, and built these colourful houses, straight out of the *Hansel and Gretel* fairytale. You'll certainly enjoy a visit to the **Flying Horses**, the oldest wooden carrousel in the United States.

GLOUCESTER

Arrival 5/11/2022 early morning

Disembarkation 5/11/2022 at 08h00

Gloucester is a coastal town in Massachusetts, founded on the site named "Le Beau port" by Samuel de Champlain in 1604. The oldest fishing port on America's Eastern seaboard enjoyed a prosperous economy. The stunning seaside landscapes of Cape Ann and its proximity to New York and Boston made this a popular holiday destination for artists. Among these were **Impressionist painters** such as **Rudyard Kipling** or **Edward Hopper**. You will be captivated by the coming and going of ships in the harbour, the creative vibe on Rocky Neck Avenue, and the serene beauty of the surrounding nature. You may also spot some whales.