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# CANADA & NEW ENGLAND

**HOLLAND AMERICA LINE • MS ZUIDERDAM**  
BOSTON TO QUEBEC CITY  
**OCT 4-11, 2025 • 8 DAYS • ALL MEALS**

*Boston, Massachusetts. Courtesy of Holland America Line*

The crisp autumn air invites us to explore the rich waters of Atlantic Canada and New England. This region has emerged as one of North America's most sought-after cruising destinations.

Step aboard Holland America Line's ms Zuiderdam and experience pampered luxury. Spacious staterooms, gracious public rooms, attentive service, and exquisite cuisine create a blissful escape.

Our journey unveils the stories of coastal communities, shaped by their enduring connection to the land and sea, where fishing and maritime trade have shaped their destinies. Beginning in Boston, we delve into the city's rich history as the birthplace of the American Revolution, where past and present intertwine along the famous Freedom Trail. We then discover the quintessential New England charm of Rockland, Maine, before taking in the rugged beauty of Nova Scotia's coastline, with stops in Halifax and Sydney.

As we cruise the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the St. Lawrence River, nature's majesty unfolds before us. Our adventure culminates in Quebec City, where centuries-old architecture and vibrant street life offer a true taste of French-Canadian culture.

From port to port, we will experience the region's diverse landscapes, from rocky shores to lush forests, and encounter the warm hospitality of the locals. Each destination offers a unique blend of history, culture, and natural splendour, promising to broaden our horizons and deepen our appreciation for this captivating corner of North America.



**Shore excursions** are not included in your cruise cost, giving you the freedom to choose from several optional tours offered at each port. Excursions will be available through the Holland America Line website or after embarkation.

### Inclusive Features

- 7-night cruise on the ms Zuiderdam, based on sharing a twin-bedded stateroom in selected category
- All meals and entertainment on board
- Services of our cruise director
- Baggage handling shipside
- All gratuities for included shipboard services
- All cruise line taxes and fees

#### Air-inclusive rates also include:

- Return economy airfare from cities listed
- Transfers between the airport and the hotel/ship
- All related air taxes and current fuel surcharges
- Airport transfers in Canada or equivalent value

### Our Cruise Ship • ms Zuiderdam

The ms Zuiderdam offers a world of spacious staterooms, elegant public rooms, expansive teak decks, priceless antiques that line the halls and the friendly gracious staff for which the line is justly famous. At 82,000 tons, it carries just over 1,964 passengers in pampered luxury. Our ship will spoil us with Mariner's Dream™ beds, delicious food, and a wide variety of entertainment options. Different lounges and restaurants are yours to enjoy, along with cooking demonstrations, food, and wine tasting with the Culinary Council of world-renowned chefs. You can meet your fellow travellers at the spacious Explorer's Lounge or at the Explorations Café, with its relaxing atmosphere, extensive library including audio and video sources, fresh pastries and your favourite coffee.

A host of exciting activities await you. You can watch one of the amazing performances at Lincoln Center Stage, B.B. King's Blues Club, or Cantaré featuring pop songs. The exclusive BBC Earth concerts and films take you closer to the natural world and Explorations Central destination program gives you a deeper understanding of each port of call. You can also spoil yourself with a massage at the Greenhouse Spa & Salon, or simply relax on the deck with a good book and enjoy the fresh sea air.



Prince Edward Island's scenic coast



## Cruise Itinerary

- OCT 4, Sat** Arrive in Boston, Massachusetts, US  
Embark / Sail 4:00pm
- OCT 5, Sun** Rockland, Maine, US\*  
Arrive 7:00am / Sail 5:00pm
- OCT 6, Mon** Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada  
Arrive 8:00am / Sail 5:00pm
- OCT 7, Tues** Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada  
Arrive 9:00am / Sail 7:00pm
- OCT 8, Wed** Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Canada  
Arrive 10:00am / Sail 11:00pm
- OCT 9, Thu** Cruising Gulf of St. Lawrence
- OCT 10, Fri** Cruising Saint Lawrence River
- OCT 11, Sat** Quebec City, Quebec, Canada  
Disembark 7:00am

*\*Tenders to shore*

*Note: port times are subject to change*

## Ports of Call

**Boston, Massachusetts, US:** Boston, New England's largest city, is home to both historic and modern neighbourhoods. Visitors can explore American Revolution sites along the Freedom Trail, such as the Paul Revere House, as well as the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum. Each neighbourhood, from the North End's Little Italy to Beacon Hill and Harvard Square, offers unique attractions. The city's waterfront provides harbour views and boat tours, while the Emerald Necklace, a chain of nine linked parks, offers green spaces for relaxation. Boston's diverse shopping and dining options range from casual eateries to upscale establishments.

**Rockland, Maine, US:** This quintessential coastal New England town boasts historic homes and shops. Known as the "Lobster Capital of the World," it's a mecca for foodies with a taste for fresh, local seafood. Art lovers will want to visit the Farnsworth Art Museum and Wyeth Center, which features paintings from three generations of the Wyeth family, as well as sculptures by Louise Nevelson. Revisit maritime history at the Maine Lighthouse Museum, located on Rockland's waterfront.

**Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada:** Halifax, Nova Scotia's provincial capital, is known for its maritime history, including bunkers, fortresses, and nautical museums. The Halifax waterfront, once a landing spot for immigrants, now offers a mix of funky shops, public art, and excellent pubs with folk music. The city also boasts a diverse culinary scene, ranging from street vendors to restaurants specializing in fresh seafood and Nova Scotia specialties. Nearby attractions include the picturesque lighthouse at Peggy's Cove, the UNESCO-listed Old Town of Lunenburg, and the artist-filled village of Mahone Bay, all surrounded by lush greenery and charming landscapes.

**Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada:** Sydney, the largest city on Cape Breton Island, is connected to mainland Nova Scotia by a causeway and offers a blend of cultural and historical attractions, including the world's largest fiddle at the harbour and historic buildings dating back to the 1700s. Visitors can enjoy fresh seafood and live music at local restaurants, and explore art galleries featuring works by



*The iconic Chateau Frontenac in Old Quebec*



*Just a stone's throw away from Halifax, lies the picturesque Peggy's Cove*



*The lively Halifax Waterfront. Courtesy of Tourism Nova Scotia*



*Fall foliage along the St. Lawrence River. Courtesy of Holland America Line*

local artists. Beyond Sydney, Cape Breton Island boasts natural wonders like the scenic Cabot Trail and Cape Breton Highlands National Park, along with significant historical sites such as the Fortress of Louisbourg and the Alexander Graham Bell National Historic Site.

**Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Canada:** Charlottetown is the capital of Canada's smallest province, Prince Edward Island, and its largest city, though it has fewer than 35,000 residents. Despite its size, the city has an impressive number of Victorian houses and buildings, and great parks waiting to be explored. It is most famous as the Birthplace of Confederation, where an 1864 conference at Province House led to the formation of Canada. Sites within downtown include Victoria Row and other historic buildings, some of which are now museums. Nearby Prince Edward Island National Park is home to white-sand beaches and hiking and biking trails - plus fans of *Anne of Green Gables* can also see the house and farm that inspired the story. During your visit, you can also learn about the daily lives, past and present, of residents on lighthouse and boat tours.

**Gulf of St. Lawrence:** The Gulf of St. Lawrence, the world's largest estuary, is fed by waters from the Great Lakes and bordered by five provinces. This vast body of water, once covered by a mile-thick ice sheet, has a rich history dating back to Jacques Cartier's exploration in 1534. Soon after French, Portuguese, and Basque settlers arrived, establishing fishing and whaling operations that shipped vast quantities of seafood to Europe. Today, the Gulf attracts visitors with its islands, coastal towns, and abundant marine life.

**St. Lawrence River:** The St. Lawrence River, stretching nearly 1,200 kilometres (750 miles), is dotted with over 40 lighthouses in Quebec alone, including historic sites like the 1830-built Pointe-des-Monts and the Phare de Matane, now museums. This river, lined with centuries-old fishing villages, has been a vital waterway for human activity for thousands of years. Today, it is also known for its whale route, home to around 13 species, including blue, beluga, and right whales.

**Quebec City, Quebec, Canada:** Québec City, one of North America's oldest settlements, is a living museum of French colonial history with its intact fortifications and UNESCO-listed historic district. Despite changing hands to British control in 1759, the city remains a stronghold of French culture, with over 95% of its population speaking French as their first language. Visitors can explore centuries of history through landmarks like Place-Royale and the Plains of Abraham, while enjoying the city's distinctive Québécois cuisine and welcoming atmosphere.

**CT Rating 1 - Leisurely:** This cruise is suitable for all passengers who meet our basic criteria for group travel. Optional excursions are not covered by this rating and may involve considerable walking, sometimes over rough surfaces. Some ports of call require tenders to reach shore.

**Wish to extend your journey?** Extend your cruise with a few nights in either Boston, Quebec City, or both. Discuss your travel plans with us today.

**Cruise Cost in Canadian Dollars Per Person**

Category/Description/Deck	Sharing Twin
<b>K</b> Inside (Various).....	\$2,245
<b>J</b> Inside (Main).....	\$2,275
<b>I</b> Inside (Various).....	\$2,295
<b>F</b> Outside (Main, Upper Verandah).....	\$2,395
<b>E</b> Outside (Main).....	\$2,425
<b>DD</b> Outside (Main).....	\$2,455
<b>C</b> Outside (Main).....	\$2,495
<b>SY</b> Vista Suite (Navigation, Verandah).....	\$4,595
<b>SS</b> Vista Suite (Upper Verandah).....	\$4,735
<b>SC</b> Veranda Suite (Upper Verandah, Rotterdam).....	\$6,655

The rates listed are per person based on sharing a twin-bedded cabin and all inclusive features. See deck plan for full category details. For single rates, please inquire about rates or visit our website.

**Estimated air add-ons per person**

Toronto .....	\$685
Winnipeg.....	\$865
Regina / Saskatoon / Victoria .....	\$975
Calgary .....	\$795
Edmonton .....	\$875
Vancouver .....	\$925

Airfares from other gateways are available upon request. Airfares and air carrier are estimated, subject to change, and will be confirmed prior to final payment. Should you have a specific flight preference or wish to upgrade, please advise us at the time of booking. Refer to inclusive features for details. Prices are based on rates, taxes, and fees effective August 2024 and are subject to change to factors beyond our control.

Insurance is NOT INCLUDED but is highly recommended. Premiums are calculated based on the individual's age, destination (country), trip length, and trip booking window – please contact our staff to receive a quote. Your coverage starts on the effective date of your confirmation of coverage. Please discuss your insurance coverage prior to booking. Check our website for the most current information. Refer to the enrollment form for terms and conditions.

**Final payment is due July 1, 2025  
Deposit is \$600 per person**

To reserve your spot on this cruise, you can either book online through our website or submit an enrollment form along with your deposit to:



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