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DEAR TRAVELER,
You can visit the historic areas of New England—Nantucket, the famous Massachusetts and Connecticut seaports, for example—and see abundant evidence of their sea-faring past, but virtually no signs of any current dependence on the sea. In the Canadian Maritimes, however, it is fascinating to call at each island and see how their lives remain inextricably tied to the seas through trade and fisheries. And it is just as fascinating to explore the past at two UNESCO World Heritage sites—visiting the ancient human history of the only confirmed Viking settlement in North America at L’Anse aux Meadows and the geologic history and ancient natural beauty of Gros Morne National Park.
Disparate cultures, picturesque villages and small islands with inviting channels and bays to navigate—the Maritimes offer the exoticism and charm of foreign travel with the distinct advantage of being close to home for most North American travelers. And National Geographic Explorer is the ideal base camp for exploring here; perfectly scaled for tucking into the scenic St. John’s harbor, and for calling at the small islands that, to our delight, lack infrastructure for larger ships. And her welcoming Bridge, panoramic Observation Lounge, Chart Room and other comforts and amenities make our Newfoundland circumnavigation deeply satisfying. Choose to join us on one of two September 2017 voyages, and you’ll get to be part of the festivities and spirit—as Canada celebrates the 150th anniversary of the Confederation, with justifiable pride.

On behalf of the expedition team, I look forward to sharing the experience with you.

All the best,

Sven-Olof Lindblad
In 1960 a local fisherman told archaeologist Helge Ingstad about a mystifying series of grassy mounds near the shore of Epaves Bay on the Newfoundland coast. What he uncovered changed our understanding of Norse history—the ancient Viking settlement of L’Anse aux Meadows. Walk the grounds of the Norse base he unearthed and see the artifacts recovered from the site—remnants from a culture that leave no doubt as to a Viking presence in the Americas. Sail on to St. Pierre, a tiny piece of France in the North Atlantic and the last vestige of French colonial ambition in North America. A shipping hub at the height of the fur trade, and again in the bootlegging era, its blooming heather and wild roses and charming town center with the 1907 cathedral, La Poste office, and quaint French cafés and shops enchants. Experience the deep Acadian culture of Îles de la Madeleine, where shoaling, shifting sands caught many passing vessels by surprise, helpfully supplying shipwrecks as building materials, evident in the gaily painted wooden homes that still stand.
Travel to the center of the Earth and the bottom of the sea—all on a walk in *Gros Morne National Park*. The spectacular landscape of this UNESCO World Heritage site was once part of an ancient ocean, pushed up onto land as two continents collided almost half a billion years ago. Next door in its Tablelands, you’ll discover the orange-brown peridotite rock from the Earth’s mantle laid bare, one of the few places on the planet where it’s visible. The stark, Mars-like landscape is contrasted by the adjacent boreal forest of wind-shaped tuckamore and coastal bogs where we search for moose, black bears, and insectivorous plants—not to mention tasty wild blueberries. In *St. John’s* sail through a narrow channel nearly concealed from view into the deep-water harbor that opens to vistas of the charming provincial capital bedecked with flowers rising up steep hillsides. And throughout your voyage, discover the enchantment of charming, quaint communities and fisheries ensconced in incredible natural beauty.
THE CANADIAN MARITIMES

8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS—PRICES FROM: $8,170 to $15,270

DAY 1: U.S./ST. JOHN’S, NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR, CANADA/EMBARK
Arrive in St. John’s, the picturesque capital city of Newfoundland and Labrador. Settle into National Geographic Explorer. (D)

DAY 2: ST.-PIERRE, FRANCE
Our first landfall is St.-Pierre, France’s oldest remaining overseas territory. Explore this picturesque French fishing enclave where we will stop at a scenic whale watching lookout and a French-style graveyard. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: LOUISBOURG & BADDECK, CAPE BRETON ISLAND, NOVA SCOTIA
Today we visit the reconstructed Fortress of Louisbourg, an 18th-century fort where the British and French fought. Later, we visit the village of Baddeck, where Alexander Graham Bell built his summer home, now the centerpiece of a beautiful park and museum. Enjoy a guided tour of the Bell Museum and have the opportunity to see historic artifacts not otherwise available to the public. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: ÎLES DE LA MADELEINE, QUEBEC
A cluster of wispy islands isolated in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the Îles de la Madeleine are home to miles of dunes, grassy hills, and dazzling red sandstone cliffs. Local experts will guide us across this landscape of caves and sea arches, stopping along the way in colorful fishing villages as we learn about Acadian culture. Weather permitting, you may explore on a bike or sea kayak with local operators. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: GROS MORNE NATIONAL PARK
Graced by cliffs, fjords, and a sweeping alpine plateau, Gros Morne National Park has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage site for its spectacular geology. Go on a variety of walks with our naturalists along waterfalls, marine inlets, and forested trails. Learn about the forces that shaped this land and the ancient serpentine rock that illustrates the phenomenon of plate tectonics. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: L’ANSE AUX MEADOWS
In the World Heritage site of L’Anse aux Meadows, walk among 11th-century Norse ruins and reconstructed sod huts and learn the saga of the Vikings in North America—nearly 500 years before Columbus arrived. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: EXPLORING EASTERN NEWFOUNDLAND
Wild, rugged, and often accessible only by sea, Newfoundland’s east coast is dotted with tiny fishing villages tucked into coves. Explore these stunning shores, and back aboard, you’ll gain insights from our experts into the island’s people and wildlife. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: ST. JOHN’S/DISEMBARK/U.S.
Sail through The Narrows in the early morning as our ship approaches St. John’s, the picturesque capital city of Newfoundland and the most easterly point of North America. Visit the colorful waterfront and historic Signal Hill or the Rooms Museum before you transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)

EXPEDITION DETAILS
DATES: 2017: SEPT. 7, 14

SPECIAL OFFERS:
Book now and receive complimentary international airfare between New York/St. John’s and return. Also we will cover your bar tab and tips for the crew.

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ADRIENNE CLARKSON | 26TH GOVERNOR GENERAL OF CANADA
Adrienne Louise Clarkson emigrated to Canada with her parents after her prominent businessman father lost his property following the Japanese invasion of Hong Kong. Clarkson enjoyed a multi-hyphen career: as a CBC television personality, journalist and novelist, diplomat and publisher. In 1999 she was appointed governor general by Prime Minister Jean Chrétien, marking several “firsts”: she was the first without a military or political background; and the first non-white Canadian to be appointed to the vice-regal position. She served until 2005, when she was succeeded by Michaële Jean. We are delighted to have her aboard the September 7, 2017 departure. As Canada celebrates the 150th anniversary of the Confederation, you will benefit from her insight and perspective on the history.

ROBERT SIEGEL | JOURNALIST AND NPR HOST
Share one of the most genial regions in the northern hemisphere with one of the most genial and respected American journalists, Robert Siegel, host of NPR’s evening newsmagazine, All Things Considered. He joined NPR in 1976 and served as a newscaster, editor, overseas correspondent in London, and director of the News and Information Department where he oversaw All Things Considered and Morning Edition. Few working journalists have more geographic savvy; he has reported on stories and happenings in Europe, the Middle East, North Africa and Asia. A winner of numerous prestigious awards in the course of his ongoing career, he will be a knowledgeable, engaging and highly insightful companion on the September 14, 2017 departure.

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NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS
JIM RICHARDSON | SEP. 7, 2017
Jim Richardson is an American photojournalist working primarily for the National Geographic Society and as a social documentary photographer recognized for his explorations of small-town life.

ALISON WRIGHT | SEP. 14, 2017
Documentary photographer and visual anthropologist Alison Wright has photographed nine books and is a frequent contributor to National Geographic Traveler magazine.

Clockwise from left to right: Photographer/Naturalists Brent Stephenson and Adam Cropp, Naturalist Berit Solstad, Historian Vincent Butler.
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PUBLIC AREAS: Bistro bar; chart room; restaurant; global gallery; library; lounge with bar and state-of-the-art facilities for films and presentations; observation lounge; fitness center; LEXspa treatment room and sauna; internet café; mudroom.

MEALS: Served in one seating with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling.

CABINS: All cabins face outside with windows or portholes, private facilities, and climate controls.

SPECIAL FEATURES: Zodiac landing craft; kayaks; ROV (Remotely Operated Vehicle); underwater video camera; crow’s nest remote controlled camera; video microscope; laundry. Undersea specialist, full-time doctor; National Geographic photographer; Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor; video chronicler; wellness specialist.

Prices are per person, double occupancy unless indicated as solo.

| CATEGORY 1: Main Deck with one or two Portholes #301-308 | $8,170 |
| CATEGORY 2: Main Deck with Window #317-320, 335-336 | $8,640 |
| CATEGORY 3: Main Deck with Window #313-316, 321-328, 337-340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350 | $8,960 |
| CATEGORY 4: Upper and Veranda Decks with Window #103-104, 107-108, 201-202, 204-207, 210, 212, 216, 220-222, 224 | $9,520 |
| CATEGORY 5: Upper Deck with Balcony #209, 211, 214, 216, 218, 220-222, 224 | $11,220 |
| CATEGORY 6: Veranda Deck–Suite #101-102, Upper Deck–Suite with Balcony #213 | $13,100 |
| CATEGORY 7: Upper Deck–Suite with Balcony #215, 219, 230 | $15,270 |
| CATEGORY A SOLO: Main Deck with Window #309-312, 329-334 | $10,800 |
| CATEGORY B SOLO: Upper and Veranda Decks with Window #105-106, 203, 208 | $11,200 |

Sole-occupancy cabins available in Categories A and B.

Shared accommodations: Available in Categories 1 and 2. Third-person rates are available in the designated triple-occupancy cabins at one half the double-occupancy rate. Cabins #341, 343, 101, 102, 215, 219 & 230 can accommodate a third person.

Note: Cabins #209, 211, 214, 216-218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 303-306—These cabins have one queen-sized bed. All other double cabins have two lower single beds; some can convert to a queen-sized bed.

For Reservations: Contact your travel advisor.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

COST INCLUDES: All accommodations per itinerary, air transportation where indicated as included, meals indicated and beverages (except certain super-premium brands of alcohol) aboard ship, shore excursions, sightseeing and entrance fees, special access permits, transfers to and from group flights, use of kayaks, tips to ship’s crew, taxes and service charges, services of a ship physician, and services of our expedition staff.

NOT INCLUDED: Air transportation (except where shown as included), extensions, passport, visa, immigration fees, meals not indicated, baggage/accident/travel protection plan, items of a personal nature, such as e-mail, voyage DVD, laundry, etc.

AIRFARE OFFER: Book now to receive complimentary airfare between New York/St. John’s and return. Airfare is based on economy group flights that must be ticketed by Lindblad Expeditions. In the case that Lindblad’s group or charter flights are no longer available at time of booking, we reserve the right to issue a credit certificate. Valid for new bookings only, subject to availability at the time of booking. Call for details.

ADVANCE PAYMENT: $1,000 due at time of booking. RESPONSIBILITY AND OTHER TERMINAL CONDITIONS: Certain provisions concerning, among other things, limitations of Lindblad Expeditions’ and the National Geographic Society’s liability for loss of property, injury, illness or death during the voyage will be provided to all guests on the ship’s ticket sent prior to departure, and are also available on our web site at www.expeditions.com/terms, or upon request. By registering for this trip, the guest agrees to all such terms and conditions.

IMPORTANT: Cancellations are subject to penalty. Call for details on our Cancellation Policy and Travel Protection Plan.

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» 2016 World Tourism Award

» Town & Country Cruise Awards: Best for Families and Onboard Activities, Expedition Cruises, 2016
» Porthole Cruise Magazine Readers’ Choice Awards: Best Expedition Cruise Line, 2015
» Tourism Cares Travel Philanthropy Awards: Legacy in Travel Philanthropy, 2015

» Virtuoso “Sustainable Tourism Leadership-Supplier” Award, 2013
» Climate Champion Award to Sven Lindblad by Clean Air-Cool Planet, 2009

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