Outdoor Vacations In Canada — 1980

The great outdoors awaits you in Canada, so where should you go and what should you do?

Well, you can hike and camp in Newfoundland, saltwater sport fish off Nova Scotia, sail in the Gulf of St. Lawrence from Prince Edward Island, salmon fish in New Brunswick, play tennis in Quebec, sport fish in Ontario, golf in Manitoba, canoe in Saskatchewan, trail ride in Alberta, river raft in British Columbia, river cruise in the Yukon and take an aerial tour over the north pole in the Northwest Territories.

Here's just a brief sampling of the variety of vacation experiences awaiting you in Canada.

Newfoundland

The first-time visitor to Newfoundland is understandably tempted to tour as much of this beautiful island province as time allows. A camping tour is the ticket for the lovers of the out-of-doors. There are 40 provincially operated camping parks located throughout Newfoundland, plus two national parks (Terra Nova and Gros Morne).

Prince Edward Island

Sail the waters off Prince Edward Island in a 12 m Newfoundland schooner, probably the last of its kind to skim the crests of the gulf waters of the St. Lawrence. Beautiful beaches abound for swimmers.

The appetites, whetted by the salt air at sea, are satiated by lobster dinners ashore in such places as Victoria Harbour in Prince Edward Island, or the scenic shores of the Magdalen Islands.

Nova Scotia

Nova Scotia would be an island province if it weren't for the isthmus which bridges this ocean playground and mainland Canada. There are more than 7 400 km of coastline to enjoy and the swimming facilities are excellent.

Pollock, mackerel and striped bass are the rod and reel favorites, while bottom feeders like haddock, cod and halibut respond to hand lines. Giant bluefin tuna from July to October are the ultimate challenge for saltwater sport-fishermen in Nova Scotia waters.

New Brunswick

The fast running rivers of New Brunswick are world famous for what the gurus of sportfishing confidently claim to be the greatest sport fish that ever rose to a fly — the Atlantic salmon. The province abounds with picturesque ferms and pine forests.

Ouebec

The vast province of Quebec is noted for a wide variety of outdoor activities and the Quebec Laurentians are famous throughout the world, be it for skiing skating and snowmobiling in winter or golfing, sailing, fishing and swimming in summertime.

Gray Rocks Inn in St-Jovite is now as highly regarded for tennis weeks in summertime as they are noted for learn-to-ski weeks in winter.

Ontario

The wilderness lakes and rivers in the Fort Hope region of Northwestern Ontario are known as Ojibway country. Ojibway country is renowned for its hunting and camping and the sportfishing waters that are equal to the best anywhere in Canada for walleye, speckled trout and northern pike.

Fort Hope is 1½ hours flying time north of Thunder Bay, Ontario and then a bush plane hop from Fort Hope to your choice of camp. There are no roads.

Manitoba

Three of the finest golf courses in all of Canada are located in Manitoba.

Wasagaming is a beautiful 18-hole test in the treed hills of Riding Mountain National Park, 135 km north of Brandon.

The Hecla Island course, 180 km north of Winnipeg, and within hailing distance of the famed Gull Harbour Resort Hotel, together form an ideal holiday atmosphere in a wilderness setting.

Falcon Beach Golf Course, just across the Manitoba-Ontario border in Whiteshell Provincial Park on the Trans-Canada Highway, is a superb introduction to Manitoba.

Manitoba offers a complete cross section of outdoor recreational activities ranging from riding to fishing, but a game of golf is a must.

Saskatchewan

The vast forests of northern Saskatchewan, interlaced with lakes and rivers are internationally famous among sport-fishermen. The fishing lodges beyond La Ronge and the Hanson Lake Road are well known to trophy minded anglers, but this is also canoeing country.

Wilderness anglers, who wish to combine canoeing and fishing on the same trip will delight in this freshwater paradise.

