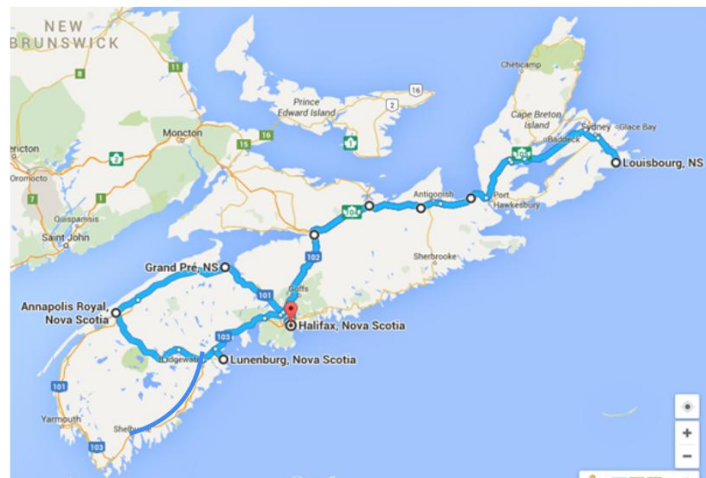




## Nova Scotia, Canada, SBH Study Tour: 15-24 Sept. 2016

The 10 day tour will be by minivan, beginning in southern Nova Scotia's Acadian and early British / loyalist / protestant German immigration, then moving northwards to Cape Breton to visit the 19thC Scottish and Irish communities and finishing with a one day visit to the Fortress of Louisbourg National Historic Site, a French colonial early-mid 18thC fortified port which has been partially reconstructed.



### Highlights include:

- **Halifax** (18<sup>th</sup>/early 19<sup>th</sup>C British colonial naval port settlement, citadel)
- **Grande-Pre Dyke Landscape - UNESCO World Heritage Site** (17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>C French Acadian / "Planter" colonial heritage)
- **Annapolis Royal / Port Royal** (18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>C heritage, Fort St. Anne)
- **Birchtown / Shelbourne** (late 18<sup>th</sup>C / 19<sup>th</sup>C Loyalist heritage sites)
- **Lunenburg UNESCO World Heritage Site** (17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>C New England-German heritage)
- **Fortress of Louisbourg** (18<sup>th</sup>C French colonial heritage)
- **Sydney / Cape Breton** (19<sup>th</sup> C colonial heritage)
- Tour concludes at Halifax

### **Tour Logistics, Responsibilities of Tour Participants:**

The tour has been planned to keep costs and organization at reasonable levels and with simplicity and pragmatism in mind. Our objective is to visit the heritage of Nova Scotia, though at a pace which is comfortable and reasonable, and which allows all to enjoy the whole experience, including the natural heritage, the maritimes culture of eastern Canada, and the cuisine.

**Travel to and from Halifax, Nova Scotia:** Tour participants will be responsible for their travel arrangements to and from Nova Scotia, with meeting points at downtown Halifax. Halifax International Airport has direct flights to eastern Canadian cities, to north-east USA (New York, Boston) and to some destinations in western Europe (London). The tour is planned to facilitate those who may need flexibility regarding flight arrival and departure times.

**Travel Documents / Passports / Insurance:** Tour participants to be responsible for ensuring they have also necessary documents to travel to Canada as well as travel and health insurance. Health insurance is strongly recommended.

**Tour transportation:** Minivans or equivalent, each to carry 4-5 persons. Travel distances are generally kept to 2-3 hours except in Cape Breton to minimize time spent in vans. To reduce costs, it is proposed that tour participants share the driving, with two drivers per vehicle. Tour participants should indicate if they are open to share the driving (a current driving licence will be required). The tour will be limited to up to three vehicles with 15 persons. A fee of approx. C\$300 will be required per person on arrival to cover the cost of vehicle rental and fuel, and to cover historic site entry fees.

**Tour schedule:** We ask all tour participants to respect the schedule including meeting times and departure times.

**Site visits:** Where possible, tour guides will be arranged. If possible, site tours will cover site management, conservation approaches and issues. If time permits, the tour will also include smaller stops at small historic sites or at scenic locations en route.

**Accommodation:** Hotel reservation booking will be undertaken by the tour organizer following receiving request to join the tour. In Halifax and Sydney, modern hotels will be used, while in Annapolis Royal and Lunenburg, small hotels and B&Bs will be used.

No deposits will be required. Payment will be by each tour participant at the hotel. Accommodation costs are estimated to average approximately C\$150/night for a double room with bathroom and free wi-fi included. Some locations may be a little

more (Halifax), some a little less (Annapolis Royal). A listing of hotels with web links proposed to be used on the tour is attached to assist with booking. We ask each person to book their hotel accommodation. There should not be availability issues in Halifax or Sydney, though if the smaller recommended hotels in Annapolis Royal or Lunenburg book up, we will assist with recommending alternate accommodation at a nearby location. It is noted that the earlier the booking, the better.

**Meals/Refreshments:** Everyone will be responsible for their meals and refreshments. Please note that Nova Scotia is well known for its restaurants many of which specialize in sea food, though other food choices are also plentiful.

**Luggage:** All participants are requested to keep baggage to a minimum for vehicle travel, one medium sized suitcase and one shoulder bag.  
**Clothing:** Comfortable walking shoes, wet weather clothing (light rainjacket, umbrella for rainy days which may occur.

**Special needs:** If anyone has special needs when travelling, such as dietary or accessibility needs, please let us know and we will assist as best we reasonably can.

#### **Tour Booking / Reservation Arrangements:**

To reserve a place on this this tour, or if you have questions etc, please contact the tour coordinator, John Ward, at: [jw418218@gmail.com](mailto:jw418218@gmail.com).

No deposit is required, though tour participants will need to pay for the following:

- travel costs to and from Halifax, Nova Scotia;
- tour travel expenses (vehicle rental, fuel, entrance fees) at the beginning of the tour, estimated currently at C\$300 (we will advise if this needs to be revised);
- accommodation at the hotels
- meals, refreshments.

Please note numbers are limited to a maximum of 15 persons. We strongly encourage you to reserve your place on this tour as early as possible to assist with accommodation reservations.

### SBH ISC Nova Scotia 2016 Tour,15-25 September: Accommodation Proposed

Location & Hotel	Arrival	Depart	No. Nights	Approx rate incl. tax (C\$)	Approx. Total (C\$)	WWW
<b>Halifax</b> - Westin Nova Scotian	15 Sept	18 Sept	3	170.00	510.00	<a href="http://www.novascotia.com/places-to-stay/accommodations/westin-nova-scotian/166?gclid=Cj0KEQjw2_23BRDb_qbvzK3X8M8BEiQAg87AF_3tBzLKuAg2tROrtSTR7jkkN4Nb3EpKTT4GlNanlT8aAn0E8P8HAQ">http://www.novascotia.com/places-to-stay/accommodations/westin-nova-scotian/166?gclid=Cj0KEQjw2_23BRDb_qbvzK3X8M8BEiQAg87AF_3tBzLKuAg2tROrtSTR7jkkN4Nb3EpKTT4GlNanlT8aAn0E8P8HAQ</a>
<b>Annapolis Royal</b> -King George Inn -Garrison Inn -At the Turret Bed & Breakfast	18 Sept	20 Sept	2	150.00	300.00	<a href="http://www.kinggeorgeinn.20m.com">http://www.kinggeorgeinn.20m.com</a> <a href="http://garrisonhouse.ca">http://garrisonhouse.ca</a> <a href="http://www.attheturret.com">http://www.attheturret.com</a>
<b>Lunenburg</b> -Smugglers Cove Inn - Bluenose Lodge - Kaulbach House Inn	20 Sept	23 Sept	3	160.00	320.00	<a href="mailto:info@smugglerscoveinn.ca">info@smugglerscoveinn.ca</a> <a href="http://www.bluenoselodge.ca">http://www.bluenoselodge.ca</a> <a href="http://www.kaulbachhouse.com">http://www.kaulbachhouse.com</a>
<b>Sydney</b> - Cambridge Suites	23 Sept	25 Sept	2	160.00	320.00	<a href="http://www.cambridgesuitessydney.com">http://www.cambridgesuitessydney.com</a>
Total			10		1,465.00	