

# AEROPLANE

**"AEROPLANE MONTHLY" AVIATION TOUR**  
(in association with Ian Allan Aviation Tours)

## CANADA

### 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF CANADIAN AVIATION

**Toronto & Nova Scotia International Air Shows, Museums and much, much more!**

**Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2009**

***A fabulous 14-day tour to coincide with the celebrations of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Canadian Aviation: from Toronto in Ontario to St John's on the east coast of Newfoundland!***

As well as 2 major international air shows, which are the main anniversary events, we also plan to visit at least 12 aviation museums and collections including: the Canadian Heritage Centre, Vintage Wings of Canada, Canadian War Museum, Canadian Aviation Museum, National Air Force Museum of Canada, Billy Bishop Heritage Museum, Edendale (formerly Collingwood) Classic Aircraft Foundation, the Ed Russell Collection, Botwood Heritage Centre and Park, North Atlantic Aviation Museum, Shearwater Aviation Museum, and the Atlantic Canada Aviation Museum!

The itinerary also includes free time to enjoy the attractions of Niagara, Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto as you wish.

*Optional activities include:*

*Watching the Toronto International Air Show, which takes place opposite the city over Lake Ontario, from the comfort of the "Jubilee Queen" pleasure-boat.*

*Pleasure flights in the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum's Avro Lancaster; and the Edendale Classic Aircraft Foundation's Fleet Canuck, Tiger Moth and Evektor Sportstar.*

*Please see page 7 for details of all the above options.*

Our itinerary has been specially designed to cater not only for aviation enthusiasts, but also for those who want the opportunity to see some of the sights: like Niagara Falls! We think we have a perfect blend of sightseeing and aviation which will appeal to aviation and non-aviation enthusiasts alike.

We travel from London's Heathrow Airport on the scheduled services of Air Canada; travel in-country by de-luxe air-conditioned coaches; and stay each night in a superior hotel on a bed and breakfast basis.

This tour is accompanied by Michael Oakey, Editor of *Aeroplane*, and his wife, Lynn. The Ian Allan Tour Manager will be our good friend Garry le Sueur.

**This revised itinerary (Issue 3) includes travel to/from the new venue of the Nova Scotia Air Show (it has moved from Halifax to Yarmouth, at the other end of the island), a higher standard hotel in Digby, and an 'End of Tour' dinner (see details on page 6). These changes have necessitated a slight increase in the tour price of £74.00 per person.**

## PROVISIONAL ITINERARY (all times local)

### **DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, 2<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Between 12:30 and 13:30 please meet Michael Oakey, Editor of *Aeroplane* magazine, together with Mrs Editor, your Ian Allan Tour Manager Garry Le Sueur, and fellow enthusiasts at Air Canada's check-in area located in "Departures" on the ground floor of Terminal 3 at London's Heathrow Airport. We recommend you check-in at least 2-hours prior to departure, i.e. no later than 13:30.

✈ Heathrow Airport, Terminal 3  
✈ Montreal

Flight: AC 865

Departs: 15:30  
Arrives: 17:50

After Canadian Immigration, Baggage Reclaim and Customs we meet our driver and board the coach for the transfer to our downtown hotel, the Le Meridien Versailles-Montreal, where we will stay 2-nights on a bed and Full American Breakfast basis. Website: [www.lemeridien.com/montreal](http://www.lemeridien.com/montreal)

### **DAY 2: THURSDAY, 3<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER**

At 09:00 we set off for the Canadian Aviation Heritage Centre; one of its key objectives is the restoration of historically significant aircraft. Major aircraft projects under way include full-scale reproductions of two aircraft that figured prominently in Québec's aviation history: the Fairchild FC-2 "Razorback", and the Blériot XI. Other projects are the restoration of a Bolingbroke Mk IV, Fleet Canuck and a Stinson 10A. Website: [www.cahc-ccpa.com](http://www.cahc-ccpa.com)

We then visit Brome County Historical Society Museum whose military collection includes the famous Fokker D VII biplane from World War I, the only completely original one of its kind in North America, and only one of three in the world. Website: [www.townshipheritage.com](http://www.townshipheritage.com)

The afternoon is free to enjoy Montreal as you wish.

### **DAY 3: FRIDAY, 4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Leaving Montreal at 09:00 we drive to Ottawa where we visit the Vintage Wings of Canada at Ottawa/Gatineau Airport; its fabulous collection includes a Spitfire, Hurricane, Mustang, Swordfish, Tiger Moth, Waco Staggerwing and Taperwing. Website: <http://www.vintagewngs.ca/page?s=65>

Arriving in the centre of Ottawa we stay the night at the Hotel Indigo on a Bed and Hot Buffet Breakfast basis. Website: [www.ottawadowntownhotel.com](http://www.ottawadowntownhotel.com) The remainder of the day is free.

### **DAY 4: SATURDAY, 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Our coach departs at 09:30 for the nearby Canadian War Museum whose collection includes a rare Spitfire MkII; website: [www.warmuseum.ca](http://www.warmuseum.ca)

Next port of call is the huge Canadian Aviation Museum which has over 130 aircraft on display! Website: [www.aviation.technomuses.ca](http://www.aviation.technomuses.ca)

In the afternoon we drive to Trenton and check-in to the Holiday Inn-Trenton hotel. We stay one night, on a Bed and Continental Breakfast basis. Website: [www.ichotelsgroup.com](http://www.ichotelsgroup.com)

### **DAY 5: SUNDAY, 6<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

At 09:30 depart for National Air force Museum of Canada (formerly the RCAF Memorial Museum), which opens at 10:00; star attraction is undoubtedly the recently and beautifully restored Handley Page Halifax. Website: [www.airforcemuseum.ca](http://www.airforcemuseum.ca)

Early afternoon we drive to Toronto (2½ hrs), and check-in to the Hyatt Regency Hotel for a stay of 4-nights on a Bed and Continental Breakfast basis. Website: [www.hyattregencytoronto.com](http://www.hyattregencytoronto.com)

## DAY 6: MONDAY, 7<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

A free day.

In the afternoon the Canadian International Airshow takes place in the front of the city, over the waters of Lake Ontario. See page 7 for details of our optional "Air Show Cruise"!

## DAY 7: TUESDAY, 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

This morning is spent visiting Edendale (formerly the Collingwood) Classic Aircraft Foundation at Edenvale airfield, and its immaculate collection of classic aircraft: D.H. Tiger Moth, Fleet Canuck, Aeronca Champ, Stinson 105, Corben Baby Ace and Smith Miniplane. Lunch, at your own expense, may be taken at their café. Website: [www.classicaircraft.ca](http://www.classicaircraft.ca)

Optional 30-minute flights are available in 2 classic types: a Fleet Canuck and a Tiger Moth; and a 20-minute flight in a more modern Evektor Sportstar. Details are on page 7.

We then continue to Owen Sound, to the home (and now Heritage Museum) of the late, great WWI ace Billy Bishop; website: [www.billybishop.org](http://www.billybishop.org)

We arrive back at our hotel in the early evening.

## DAY 8: WEDNESDAY, 9<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

Departing the hotel at 08:00 we drive to Niagara Falls Airport where we hope to see the excellent collection of Ed Russell: Spitfire Mk IX, Bf 109, Hurricane XII and Harvard IIB.

The afternoon is at leisure at the awesome Niagara Falls; or alternatively enjoy an optional cruise on the famous "Maid of the Mist", or even take a helicopter flight (both bookable locally).

Alternatively, why not see the Falls from the Canadian Warplane Heritage's Avro Lancaster? Take the opportunity for a fabulous 1-hour trip - see page 7 for details.

Early evening we arrive back at our hotel in Toronto.

## DAY 9: THURSDAY, 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

At 09:30 hrs we transfer to Toronto Airport and check in with Air Canada for our flight to St John's in Newfoundland.

✈ Toronto  
✈ St John's

Flight: AC 692

Departs: 11:45  
Arrives: 16:11

We stay tonight at the Courtyard St. John's Newfoundland, on a Bed and Hot Breakfast basis. Website: [www.marriott.com/yytcy](http://www.marriott.com/yytcy)

## DAY 10: FRIDAY, 11<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

At 08:00 we depart for Harbour Grace, about 80 minutes from St John's, and the departure point for the many aviators – including Amelia Earhart – who attempted to cross the Atlantic Ocean. The excellent website – [www.hrgrace.ca](http://www.hrgrace.ca) - gives a very comprehensive account of this small town and airfield and the momentous events in the early pioneering days of transatlantic aviation. In the town there is a DC-3 mounted on a plinth.

In the grounds of the Conception Bay Museum is a monument to the role of Harbour Grace in the history of transatlantic flight. Website: <http://hrgrace.ca/museum.html>

We then head for Gander, stopping off in Musgrave Harbour, where the local museum commemorates the crash of a Lockheed Hudson and the death of Sir Fredrick Banting. The remains of the original Hudson are still visible.

Arriving in Gander, we visit the North Atlantic Aviation Museum, which presents the history of Gander's involvement in the development of aviation over the North Atlantic Ocean. Among the aircraft on display is a Hudson Mk III and a PBY-5A Catalina. Website: [www.naam.ca](http://www.naam.ca). Late evening we check in at the Comfort Inn where Continental Breakfast is included.

## DAY 11: SATURDAY, 12<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

This morning we visit the Botwood Heritage Centre and Park located on the ex World War II anti-submarine airbase built in 1937. The base was the headquarters and terminal for the flying boat era of 1937–1945. On display is a PBY Catalina. Website: <http://www.town.botwood.nl.ca/pages/attractions.php?PAGE=1>

At 12:30 we arrive at Gander Airport and check in with Air Canada for our flight to Halifax, Nova Scotia. Lunch, at your own expense, can be taken at the airport.

✈ Gander  
✈ Halifax

Flight: AC 8863

Departs: 14:20  
Arrives: 15:25

Meeting our local driver we set off for Digby, a 2½ hours drive away on the west coast of Nova Scotia. We stay 2-nights on a bed and Buffet Breakfast basis at the exclusive Digby Pines Golf Resort and Spa. Website: [www.digbypines/ca](http://www.digbypines/ca)

## DAY 12: SUNDAY, 13<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

At 07:30 we depart the hotel for a full day at the Nova Scotia International Airshow, which will be celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Canadian Aviation. The venue for the air show is Yarmouth, an hour's drive along the coast.

Arriving back at our hotel, we assemble in the bar for pre-dinner drinks, followed by our 'End of Tour' dinner. Please see attached details, and advise your choice of main meal as soon as possible.

## DAY 13: MONDAY, 14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

At 10:00 we depart the hotel and return to Halifax, to Shearwater Airport, where we visit the Shearwater Aviation Museum whose collection of 10 aircraft includes a Fairey Swordfish!

Then to the Atlantic Canada Aviation Museum which details the history of aviation in Halifax; with more than 25 aircraft in its collection, it is currently the largest civilian and military aviation museum east of Ottawa.

At 21:00 hrs. we check in with Air Canada for our overnight flight back to London.

✈ Halifax

Flight: AC 860

Departs: 23:45

## DAY 14: TUESDAY, 15<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

✈ Heathrow Airport, Terminal 3

Arrives: 09:35

After Passport Control, while waiting for our luggage, we take the opportunity to bid each other farewell – until the next time!

## TOUR PRICE PER PERSON

£ 3,049.00 Based on sharing a twin bedded room

£ 529.00 Single room supplement

On request Land-only (NO FLIGHTS)

Passengers who booked their place(s) on this tour before 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2008 will benefit from an early booking discount of £50.00 per person which will be deducted from your final balance.

## **TOUR PRICE INCLUDES**

- ⇒ Economy class air transportation utilising the scheduled services of Air Canada from London's Heathrow Airport
- ⇒ UK & Canadian Airport Taxes and UK Passenger Service Charge
- ⇒ 12 nights accommodation in rooms with private facilities
- ⇒ Breakfast each morning
- ⇒ End of Tour Dinner in Digby
- ⇒ All transfers and transportation by chartered air-conditioned coach
- ⇒ Admission to both air shows
- ⇒ Admission to all aviation museums and collections as stated
- ⇒ Services of an Ian Allan Tour Manager
- ⇒ Gratuity for the coach drivers

## **NOT INCLUDED**

- ⇒ Meals, other than those stated as being an included item
- ⇒ Travel Insurance – please contact us for details
- ⇒ Personal expenditure, for example, telephone calls, laundry, drinks, etc.
- ⇒ Admission to any museums other than those stated in the itinerary
- ⇒ Any optional flights or sightseeing excursions as stated or arranged on-tour
- ⇒ Tips and gratuities (other than for the coach drivers)

## END OF TOUR DINNER

19:00 – 19:30	Arrive back at the hotel from the Nova Scotia Air Show
19:30 – 20:00	Refresh and change
20:00	Pre dinner drinks in the bar (at your own expense)
20:30	Dinner is served
23:30	Retire. Or continue to relax in the bar

## MENU

European Style Mixed Salad

Carrot and Zucchini Soup with a Touch of Curry

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Grilled Digby Scallops with Light Lobster Cream Sauce  
Served with Mashed Potatoes and Mixed Seasonal Vegetables

or

Sauteed Organic chicken Breast with Cranberry Sauce  
Served with Wild Rice and Organic Brown Rice and Mixed Seasonable Vegetables

or

Roasted Prime Rib of Beef with Red Wine Jus  
Served with Baked Potato and Mixed Seasonal Vegetables

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Delicious Dessert Sample Plate

Please note that no drinks are included; a cash bar (or charge to your room) will be in operation.

## OPTIONAL 'AIR SHOW' CRUISE AND PLEASURE FLIGHTS

### **AIR SHOW CRUISE ABOARD THE "JUBILEE QUEEN" – MONDAY, 7<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Where better to see the Toronto International Air Show, which takes place opposite the city over Lake Ontario, than from the comfort of the "Jubilee Queen" pleasure-boat.

We are offering an optional, 4½-hour special Air Show Cruise on the "Jubilee Queen", from 12:00 to 16:30 (Disembarkation at 17:00 hrs.); including buffet lunch (vegetarian meals MUST be pre-ordered with Deborah).

Transfers between the hotel and boat are not included.

**Price per person: £35.00 on a pre-book/pre-pay basis.**

### **EDENDALE CLASSIC AIRCRAFT FOUNDATION – TUESDAY, 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

During our visit to the Edendale Classic Aircraft Foundation, 30-minute flights are available in 2 classic types:

Fleet Canuck; price per person: CAN\$60.00 (approximately £35.00)

Tiger Moth; price per person: CAN\$125.00 (approximately £72.00)

Also on offer is a 20-minute flight in a modern Evezor Sportstar; price per person CAN\$50.00 (approximately £30.00)

Please note: For those who choose to participate in these optional flights, depending on the number of bookings, these flights might take the place of the visit to Owen Sound (Billy Bishop) in view of the limited time available.

**Pre-book places via Ian Allan Aviation Tours however payment in Canadian Dollars is direct to the operator on the day.**

### **CANADIAN WARPLANE HERITAGE'S AVRO LANCASTER – WEDNESDAY, 9<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Without doubt one of the rarest flying opportunities in the world today – a ONE HOUR flight in the Canadian Warplane Heritage (CWH) Museum's Avro Lancaster! Subject to weather and air traffic control, you will see Niagara Falls from directly above!

Price includes a one year 'aircrew' membership of the CWH.

Please note that the flight would be in place of the visit to Ed Russell and Niagara Falls.

**Price per person on a pre-book/pre-pay basis: £1,185.00**

**Senior citizen (65+): £1,175.00**

***A one-off booking fee of £25.00 per person will be levied by Ian Allan Aviation Tours irrespective of the number of optional tours you may book.***

***To book please call Deborah on 01932 255627 and reserve your place(s).  
Payment will be required at time of booking.***

### CHANGES TO THE FINAL ITINERARY

Unforeseen World events, changes in the geo/political situation, no-notice or minimum notice changes due to operational reasons may result in the itinerary being amended. Whilst we will keep you fully informed, Ian Allan Travel Ltd cannot be held responsible for any visit or tour being cancelled due to world events, or circumstances, beyond our control.

Your attention is drawn to the Booking Conditions in our 2009 Aviation Tours brochure and on the reverse of the Booking Form.

### PAYMENT FOR "AEROPLANE MONTHLY" TOURS

A deposit of £250.00 per person per tour should accompany your Booking Form, with any cheque being made payable to "Ian Allan Travel Ltd". The balance is due 10 weeks prior to the tour's departure. Please see your Booking Confirmation/Invoice for the exact date. Please note that a reminder of the payment date will not be sent.

### FCO CONSULAR ADVICE

The FCO's consular service is a major operation. Every hour of every day consular staff around the world are advising and helping British nationals. We suggest you visit [www.fco.gov.uk/knowbeforeyougo](http://www.fco.gov.uk/knowbeforeyougo) for up-to-date passport, visa and security information on the destination you intend visiting.

In addition, the Association of British Travel Agents (ABTA) provide an Information Line, telephone: 0901 201 505 (calls currently charged at 50p per minute).

### PASSPORTS AND VISAS

Citizens of the UK are required to be in possession of a Full UK/EU Passport, valid for at least 6 months from the date of your return to the UK.

UK passport holders do not require a Visa for entry into Canada. Non UK passport holders should contact their local consulate office.

### HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Currently there are no known compulsory health requirements for visiting Canada. For the latest information we recommend you consult your doctor or local health centre.

### BAGGAGE REGULATIONS – Air Canada – London Heathrow Departures Only:

Size and weight details will be advised with your travel documentation.

Limited quantities of liquids (individual containers must not exceed 100ml or 3.5 fl oz), are now allowed as hand baggage but must be carried separately through security in a clear plastic, zip-top or re-sealable bag that does not exceed 20cm x 20cm (8 inches x 8 inches), or quart size. Items must fit in the bag comfortably and the bag must be completely closed.

The bag can only contain liquids such as shampoo, suntan lotions, creams, toothpaste, hair gel and hair spray, perfumes, cosmetics such as mascara and lip gloss, water and other drinks, soups and syrups and other items of a similar consistency.

Cigarette lighters are NOT permitted in hold baggage or through the security search. These may be purchased airside. Hand baggage can also include electronic equipment such as mobile phones, digital cameras and MP3 players (such as i-Pods). Laptops must be removed from the bag for x-ray.

Prescription medicines in liquid form, e.g. diabetic kit can also be included.

At security all remaining items should be placed in the tray provided for screening, e.g. car keys and fobs, cash, solid food, books, newspapers, cigarettes and tobacco, belts and shoes. Pushchairs and walking aids are permitted but must be x-ray screened. All wheelchairs will be subject to search. Please note: you may be subject to a hand search by the security team and required to remove footwear to be x-ray screened.

### **BAGGAGE WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS – UK Airports**

Since 1<sup>st</sup> June 2004, any single piece of checked baggage weighing more than 70lbs (32kgs) has not been accepted at check-in by any airline operating from London's Heathrow Airport. The BAA may introduce this limit at their other airports in the UK (and so might non-BAA airports), in an attempt to reduce manual handling injuries amongst airport staff. Please bear this in mind when packing your suitcase.

### **CLIMATE AND DRESS**

Late summer in Eastern Canada, although sunny, can be on the cool side with temperatures in the mid to high 60°sF. We recommend you take warm items of clothing and waterproofs.

### **MEALS**

Meals are not included in the price of our tours unless they are included within the room rate as we realise that not everyone wants three meals a day. Please see itinerary inclusions for specific details.

### **TRAVEL INSURANCE**

For citizens of the United Kingdom, Ian Allan Travel Ltd can provide competitive and comprehensive insurance cover for the duration of your tour. However, if you do not wish to take out our insurance, you must ensure that comparable or greater cover is taken. The number of your Insurance Policy should be written, if known, on your Booking Form at the time of making the reservation, but no later than the date when final payment is due. A copy of the policy must be forwarded to Ian Allan Travel Ltd.

Individual insurance policies are arranged through Covermore Insurance Services Limited; the premiums for which will vary according to your circumstances. Full details are available on request.

The Policies for the USA also include cover for non-scheduled flights, i.e. pleasure flights, where the aircraft is licensed and insured to undertake such flights, and where a payment is made.

### **DRESS CODE**

Out of respect and courtesy to our hosts all our visits to aviation museums and aircraft collections/operators will observe a 'casual but smart' dress code. T-shirts, jeans, shorts, flip-flop type footwear etc., are not acceptable; open-necked shirts (golf, polo, etc.) long or short-sleeved, with slacks/long trousers are perfect. T-shirts, shorts, jeans etc. may be worn at all other times.

Any member of the group who dresses inappropriately will not be able to join his fellow enthusiasts on these visits.

### **PHOTOGRAPHY**

Photography is allowed at all the aviation museums we are visiting.

### **FLEXIBLE ITINERARY**

We are very happy for enthusiasts to take time away from the printed itinerary to pursue their own interests during multi-day stays in the same place, so long as they inform the Tour Manager. It will be the individual's responsibility to ensure that they re-join the group in the hotel at the stated time on the day of departure, and no responsibility can be accepted by Ian Allan Travel Ltd for any missed departure nor the consequences of any action where independent arrangements are made.

## **OVERSEAS ENTHUSIASTS**

For enthusiasts residing outside of the UK who would prefer to join the tour in Canada instead of flying from London with the main group, we offer a "Land Only" price. NO FLIGHTS are included in the "Land Only" price.

Please also note that "Land Only" prices include neither arrival nor departure airport transfers although should your arrival/departure coincide with that of the group, a seat will be offered when available for an appropriate supplement.

## **FLIGHT TIMINGS**

All flight departure and arrival times are correct at the time of preparing this itinerary; however, airlines can change these times with little or no prior warning. In practice such changes are only a few minutes either way, and your final itinerary will show the actual times. Such changes are beyond the control of Ian Allan Travel.

## **CONNECTING FLIGHT/RAIL/COACH SERVICES FROM UK REGIONAL AIRPORTS**

Each 'Aeroplane' tour can only operate once it has received a minimum number of bookings, therefore, we strongly recommend you do not make any non-refundable connecting flight, rail or coach reservations until you have spoken with Ian Allan Aviation Tours (Telephone: 01932 255627).

Also, airlines occasionally change the arrival/departure times of their flights. Such timings are re-confirmed by the airline to us nearer to departure.

For details of the latest special offers available call Ian Allan Travel on 01932 255627.

## **AIRPORT HOTEL AND/OR CAR PARKING**

We can offer special rates for the above at most UK airports. Please ask for details.

## **OPTIONAL PLEASURE/SIGHTSEEING FLIGHTS ~ DISCLAIMER**

Should you decide to undertake any pleasure/sightseeing flights which have not been offered or sanctioned by us, Ian Allan Travel Ltd will not be held liable for any injuries or death resulting thereon.

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