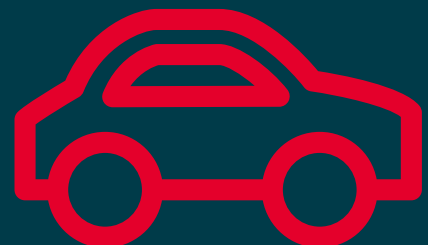
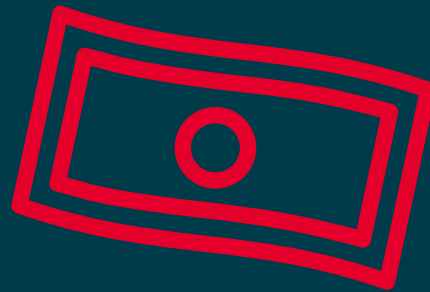


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Planning a trip can be overwhelming! There is so just much information out there, and when you're trying to stay within a timeframe and budget as well as trying to plan the best trip possible, it's hard to know where to start. After so many years of travelling the world, we've learned how to plan awesome trips, and we've also become Canada travel experts, visiting every single province and territory from coast to coast to coast. Our mission is to not only inspire you to explore Canada but to help you make your trip planning easier and more efficient, so here is our **step by step guide** for planning your next trip to Canada.

STEP 1- DO YOU NEED A VISA?

If you're visiting from outside of Canada, check the [Canadian Immigration and travel](#) website for your entry requirements.

STEP 2 - DECIDE WHERE YOU WANT TO GO

Define the top places you want to visit and the best season to go. The more specific you can be, the easier things will come together. For example, we like to start with a bucket list item, such as flying over Niagara Falls. From there, we then decide what else we can do in the area. Whether it's one thing or many things, one city or many cities, start with the top thing(s) you want to do.

STEP 3 - DECIDE THE LENGTH OF YOUR TRIP

How long do you have? How long will your trip be from the time you leave to the time you come back home.

STEP 4 - RESEARCH YOUR COSTS

Go online and look up costs for everything you wish to do: We literally mean everything, such as accommodation, activities, transportation, food and water. This will give you a better idea of the prices and will help you decide what you can or cannot afford. If you're not a budget, maybe this doesn't matter as much.

Check out our [Travel Resources page](#) for tips on where to book accommodation, flights, and tours, as well as travel products and deals.

STEP 5 - SET YOUR BUDGET

While travelling, there are extra expenses that you simply can't foresee. Consider 15% of your total budget for "additional costs".

STEP 6 - START SAVING MONEY

Analyze your spending: Figure out how much you can save per month and how long it will take to reach your trip budget amount. By doing this, you can cut some other expenses if necessary.



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STEP 7 - START BOOKING

Summer in Canada is a very popular time to travel for both locals and foreign visitors, so places, tours, and accommodation can be sold out. Make sure to book early to ensure you get your desired flight, accommodation, transportation, and tours. Canada is a huge country and renting a car is recommended for road trips.

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STEP 8 - BUY INSURANCE

If you're visiting from another country or sometimes even another province, travel insurance is recommended. Health services in Canada can be very expensive if you're not a Canadian resident. Car insurance is also mandatory if you're driving in Canada. This can be purchased through your credit card, insurance company, or through the car rental company.

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STEP 9 - CHECK YOUR PACKING LIST

Depending on the season, as well as the places and activities you have planned for your trip, check what you'll need. Check what you have and what you need to buy. Sometimes you can rent clothing and gear if you won't use it again. If you're planning to visit in winter and the country you're visiting from doesn't have similar cold temperatures, it's easier to buy your winter clothing in Canada. You'll have more options and it's designed for Canadian winters.

Check out our [packing list checklists](#) to make sure you don't forget anything.

STEP 10 - ENJOY YOUR TRIP

Time to leave home! Don't forget your passports if you're visiting from abroad.

We really hope this guide can help you get organized and prepared for your trip. Don't forget to check out our articles and Youtube videos for more Canada travel inspiration and advice.

Happy Travels!

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