



## Maine Paddling Lodging

<b>Date</b>	<b>September 2 – 10, 2017 (9 days)</b>
<b>Tour Cost</b>	<b>\$2,695 - \$2,995 CDN* (No HST)</b>
<b>Difficulty</b>	<b>Intermediate<sup>o</sup></b>
<b>Max Participants</b>	<b>12<sup>oo</sup></b>

### General Description:

Harbourfront is going to Maine to paddle the coastal waters of New England. This adventure will be day trips centred around two base lodges – One in Bar Harbor and the other out of Stonington. **This trip is best suited for those who have established intermediate level kayak paddling skills, experience and physical conditioning. The intermediate level is required in order to paddle in potential wind, waves, swell and ocean current with limited landing options at times. Potential conditions will not be appropriate for novice or beginner paddlers with less than 3 years experience.** Our paddling excursions will explore archipelagos with cliffs and coves while keeping our eyes out for marine life such as sea birds and seals.

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### Logistics:

The following is a suggested itinerary of activities. Please note that we reserve the right to alter this itinerary due to weather or unforeseen circumstances to ensure safety and the most enjoyable experience for all participants. As per tradition, more details will be provided at our standard Pre-Trip meeting – Held **July 2017** (exact date TBD) at the **Harbourfront Canoe and Kayak Centre**. If you are unable to attend, a phone call will be arranged to discuss the items of the meeting. Also of note is that this trip is a participatory trip (see details at the end). The current price listed is a range to accommodate the US exchange rate which has fluctuated considerably in the past 12 months. A final determination on price will be decided in March 2017 and will be in the posted range.

All the best to you always ... Lien, Erik and The Harbourfront Adventures Crew!

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## General Itinerary – Bangor, ME

### **Day 1: Bangor, ME Airport (BGR) or Vicinity – Saturday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017**

Pickup group at Airport! Please arrange to arrive no later than 1:00 pm. Currently United and American Airlines have flights to Bangor from Toronto. Flights should be in the \$500 range, especially if booked early. If you plan on arriving early or wish to drive (12 hours) – we can arrange a pick up in the vicinity.

Lodging: Bar Harbor Lodge

*(Meals: D)*

### **Day 2-4: Mount Desert Island**

We have several options in this peninsula. Our daily route will be based on conditions dictated by the weather and sea-state. We will be paddling all 3 days unless Mother Nature forces us to stay on land in which case – we have a few hikes scouted out in Acadia National Park for us to explore. You will be set free in Bar Harbor for one night to check out the town and enjoy some local cuisine.



Lodging: Bar Harbor Lodge

*(Meals: 3B; 3L; 2D)*

### **Day 5: Transition Day**

We bid adieu to Mount Desert Island and make our way west to the peninsula over that contains Deer Isle and Stonington. You will be on your own for lunch as we resupply for our remaining days. The drive from Mount Desert Island to Stonington should be about 90 minutes not including our resupply/lunch spot. Time permitting – we will likely do a short paddle today as well!

Lodging: Stonington Lodge

*(Meals: B; D)*

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## **Day 6-8: Stonington Archipelago**

We have another 3 full days to explore this array of islands. Hopefully, weather will allow us to explore some of the outer islands such as Isle Au Haut or Marshall Islands. We will also schedule a rest day here as this is a vacation after all and sometimes it's nice to sit by the shore and pull up your latest book.

Lodging: Stonington Lodge

(Meals: 3B; 3L; 3D)

## **Day 9: Departure – Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

We bid our final farewells – if you plan on flying home on this day. Please do not book a flight earlier than 2 pm!

(Meals: B)



**Aside from the great scenery Maine supplies, this trip will also be an excellent opportunity to develop your kayak paddling skills and knowledge on topics such as coastal navigation, weather and paddling in current and swell.**

## **Participatory Trip**

Due to the nature of this trip – participants are expected to assist in some aspects of the trip. Primary tasks include:

- Dishes: Participants are expected to help with dishes post meals.
- Kayaks: Participants are expected to help shuttle boats to and from the trailer to launch spot. This is best done working with other participants to prevent injury or strain.
- Singing: Participants are expected to sing to Trip Leaders upon request. Favourites include selection from such artists as Sade, US, Bruce Springsteen and Cyndi Lauper.

## **Trip Costing**

Due to the fluctuations in Canadian and US dollar exchange rates – we have priced the trip within a range. The majority of our expenses for this trip will be in USD. Current VISA exchange rate is approximately \$1.35 CDN to \$1.00 USD.

**If you are interested in this trip – please send an email to [info@harbourfrontadventures.com](mailto:info@harbourfrontadventures.com) so that we may ensure this is the right trip for you. Once that is established – we would be happy to send out a formal registration document!**

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## Additional Information

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### TOUR COST INCLUDES

\* All Accommodations \* Transportation Originating From Trip Start \* Select Meals (See Details) \* Kayaks \* Personal Kayak Shuttle \* Paddles and PFDs \* Guides \* Park Fees \* Taxes

Meals – as indicated in *italics* in the itinerary: B (Breakfast), L (Lunch), D (Dinner)

### TOUR COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

◆ Transportation To Trip Starting Point (Bangor, ME) \* Select Meals (See Details) \* Personal Snacks \* Personal Travel Insurance \* Paddling Clothing Including Immersion Gear (Wetsuit / Drysuit)

⊖ Intermediate: This trip is best enjoyed by experienced kayakers. Although much of the paddling will be done in somewhat sheltered or protected waters – we are still exploring a dynamic open water environment.

⊖⊖ Maximum participants are related to vehicle capacity. Depending on popularity – the trip capacity may be extended although not likely.

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## Great Times Await!

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