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*Sample Tour: Canada
Typical 10 Day Itinerary*

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An overseas Pipes and Drums Tour is a great way to give young people the opportunity to broaden their experiences and to share them with fellow performers. Ben Lawries Travel creates tailor made Pipes and Drums Tours to a variety of overseas destinations. Detailed below is just one example.

Canada: Pipes and Drums Tour – 10 days

The Scots have formed a distinctive cultural group in Canada since the 17th century ensuring a warm and friendly welcome from the locals when they hear the band play! Enjoy the cosmopolitan atmosphere of Toronto in contrast with the historical town of Kingston world renowned for its 1,000 islands.

Day 1 – Arrival Toronto

Arrive mid-afternoon at Toronto airport and transfer by private coach to your hotel. Remainder of the day at leisure. *Dinner at a local restaurant and overnight in Toronto.*

Day 2 – Toronto/Performance 1/Kingston

After breakfast depart by private coach for Canada's Wonderland for performance 1. In the afternoon transfer by private coach to Kingston travelling east along the north shore of Lake Ontario. *Dinner at a local restaurant and overnight in Kingston.*

Day 3 – Kingston/Performance 2

After breakfast enjoy an orientation of the historical town of Kingston, world renowned for its surrounding 1000 islands. Kingston boasts many ancient fortifications and early Canadian landmarks. Performance 2 is held at Queens University. In the afternoon enjoy a boat cruise through the magnificent 1000 islands of the St Lawrence Seaway. *Dinner at a local restaurant and overnight in Kingston.*

Day 4 – Kingston/Montreal

After breakfast travel east towards Montreal and the province of Quebec. Stop en-route at Morrisburg where you can visit Upper Canada Village, a reconstructed 19th century town with staff in period costumes. Continue on to Montreal. This fascinating city has grown from a small 17th century French colony into a metropolis which is the second largest French speaking city in the world. *Dinner at a local restaurant and overnight in Montreal.*

Day 5 – Montreal/Performance 3

After breakfast enjoy a morning sightseeing tour of Montreal with a local English speaking guide. The tour takes in St Joseph Observatory, Mount Royal for views over the city, the old port and old Montreal with its cobbled streets and

colourful cafes. Continue on to Notre Dame Cathedral which rests on the remnants of the original chapel dating back to 1673. In the afternoon Performance 3 is held at a local venue. *Dinner at a local restaurant and overnight in Montreal.*

Day 6 – Montreal/Ottawa/Performance 4

After breakfast drive south west along the Ottawa River to the city of Ottawa, the capital of Canada. En-route stop at a traditional "sucrierie" for lunch where they make the famous maple syrup. On arrival in Ottawa tour the city passing Parliament Hill, the National Art Gallery, the Rideau Canal, Sussex Drive, the Byward Market and the Canadian Mint. In the evening Performance 4 is held at a local venue. *Dinner at a local restaurant and overnight in Ottawa.*

Day 7 – Ottawa/Performance 5

After breakfast take a morning visit to the Museum of Civilisation which covers the history of Canada, the heritage and culture of the native peoples as well as exhibits from around the world. In the afternoon Performance 5 is held at a local venue. *Dinner at a local restaurant and overnight in Ottawa.*

Day 8 – Ottawa/Huntsville

After breakfast travel to Huntsville which takes you through Algonquin Provincial Park and the town of Eganville Ontario where the Bonnechere caves are located. Under a hill of limestone, said by geologists to have been a tropical sea 500 million years ago, the Caves present a weird and wonderful sight of stalactites. Entombed in the rock and preserved forever can be found fossils of coral and sea creatures long before the age of the Dinosaurs. A million years in the making! *Dinner at a local restaurant and overnight in Huntsville.*

Day 9 – Huntsville/Haliburton/Performance 6/Toronto

After breakfast travel south to the Muskoka region to Haliburton for your final performance at the Highland Games, depending on the dates or on towards to Toronto to perform at Canada's wonderland. *Dinner at a local restaurant and overnight in Toronto.*

Day 10 – Departure Toronto

Day at leisure for some last minute shopping or sightseeing prior to your transfer to Toronto airport for your homeward flight.

Guide Price £1,295 per person including flights ex Edinburgh based on 9 nights half board. Destination coach transfers and all excursion fees included.

The above itinerary is for illustration purposes only. All tours are tailor made to the requirements of the individual client.

Other Pipes and Drums Tours

Germany 5 days – £595 per person

