

PORTS

BALTIMORE, MD



Baltimore is centrally located on the U.S. East Coast, within a four-hour drive or less of major cities such as New York, NY; Harrisburg and Philadelphia, PA; Richmond, VA; Trenton, NJ; and Washington, DC. Baltimore also is connected by rail to cities along the Northeast Corridor.

Language: English

Currency: U.S. Dollar (US\$)

NANORTALIK, GREENLAND



Nanortalik includes some of Greenland's most beautiful fjords, the country's only natural forest and dramatic, rugged mountains. Visitors to the area must see the Nanortalik "skyscrapers," the steep peaks and mountain walls lining the nearby fjords. Experienced mountain climbers will be challenged by Ketil Mountain and Ulamertorsuaq, well-known around the world. Enjoy the wildlife that surrounds this magical place as polar bears drift by on big ice floes and minke whales and seals frolic off the coast.

Language: Greenlandic

Currency: Danish Krone (DKK)

QAQORTOQ, GREENLAND



Qaqortoq is one of the most beautiful and festive cities in Greenland and a center for artisans and festivals. In the summer there is the flower festival, where lush and colorful flowers surround the sparkling icebergs. Every year artists and musicians gather for Qaqortoq National Day, and in 1993 local artist, Aka Høegh, started "Stone and Man," where artists carve sculptures in boulders around town.

Language: Greenlandic, Danish

Currency: Danish Krone (DKK)

ST. ANTHONY, NL, CANADA



St. Anthony is a fishing village located at the most northerly tip of Newfoundland, close to L'Anse aux Meadows, the site of the first European settlement in the New World, approximately 500 years before Columbus' arrival. Other Norse groups had relocated from their homelands to the New World. In 1961, explorer and writer Helge Instad discovered a group of large mounds in the countryside. These mounds were excavated revealing the remains of a Norse settlement. This site became L'Anse aux Meadows National Historic Park in 1977 and is noted on the UNESCO World Heritage List of important cultural properties. The site at L'Anse aux Meadows has been completely excavated allowing visitors to see the remains of the homes, a smithy, and various worksheds. The park's interpretive center displays Norse artifacts from the excavation which include iron rivets, a flywheel, and the floorboard of a boat. Researchers still debate as to whether the site at L'Anse aux Meadows is Leif Eriksson's 'Vinland,' a lush, beautiful area where he settled in for the winter around the year 1000.

Language: French, English

Currency: Canadian Dollar (CAD)

CORNER BROOK, NL, CANADA



Located on the western side of the island, Corner Brook is Newfoundland's second-largest city. Outdoor enthusiasts will find wildlife is plentiful, including herds of caribou and moose and rivers of trout and spawning salmon. Seals and whales are found offshore. Three craft outlets in town offer hand-embroidered parkas, whalebone and ivory carvings, and sealskin leather goods. The local seafood is delicious.

Language: English

Currency: Canadian Dollar (CAD)

SYDNEY, NS, CANADA



Nova Scotia means New Scotland, and the sound of bagpipes is not uncommon here. Early Scottish settlers felt the land resembled home. The most popular excursion is a trip to the Fortress of Louisbourg National Historic Park, an amazing recreation of a 1744 French fortress. Birdwatchers will want to venture out to Bird Islands to spot the Atlantic puffin and bald eagle. The sinuous Cabot Trail along the coast offers one of the most dramatic drives in North America.

Language: English

Currency: Canadian Dollar (CAD)