

2014 Trillium Miata Club Tour of THE MARITIMES



Last year, Bryan Katz and five other intrepid explorers conducted a whirlwind survey tour of the Maritimes to lay the foundation for future tours in following years. They scoured the countryside for the best attractions and places to stay. The 2014 TMC Maritimes tour is the first product of that research and sure to be a stunning trip thanks to their efforts.

This year's tour will take you along twisty coastal roads with unique maritime sightseeing opportunities each day. The ultimate destination of the trip is the city of Halifax. We will spend three full days touring the city and its environs.

QUICK FACTS

Tour Dates	Monday, July 21 to Tuesday, July 29
Tour Duration	9 days
Registration Limit	9 members
Registration Deadline	Sunday, June 8
Registration Contact	E-mail maritimes@trilliummiata.ca or call Bryan @ 416-230-1410
Notes	The tour route does not cross the US border so a Passport is not required

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Day 1 - Belleville, ON to Rivière du Loup, QC

The first day of the tour starts in Belleville, ON. Members have the option to stay overnight to ensure an early start. It is primarily a travelling day as we make our way east to the heart of the tour as quickly as possible. We will take a break from the 401 just after Kingston to follow the St Lawrence River and stop for lunch at a café in Cornwall.

Day 2 - Rivière du Loup, QC to Miramichi, NB

On the second day of the trip, we continue to push east and cross over into New Brunswick. Although we will continue to follow a direct route, there will be an afternoon stop for some river tubing to cool off after the hot drive. Members will also have the option to visit the local drag racing strip in the evening.



Day 3 – Miramichi, NB to Halifax, NS

The third day will take us to our easternmost destination – Halifax! As we have less distance to cover on this day, we will take a detour to drive the coastal road out to Advocate Harbour after lunch in Moncton and then follow the back roads into Halifax. Our accommodations for the next three days will be at the Prince George Hotel in the Halifax waterfront district.



Day 4 – Halifax, NS

After three days of long distance driving, even TMC members are entitled to a break. We'll take this day to explore the art galleries, museums, and markets of Halifax on foot. Scheduled activities include a tasting tour of local restaurants and an evening dinner theatre performance, though members are welcome to schedule their own activities as well.



Day 5 – Halifax, NS

On the fifth day, we return refreshed to our Miatas and hunt down the twistiest roads in Nova Scotia. Since we are returning to Halifax in the evening, we can take our time to enjoy the driving and stop whenever we find an interesting view. If it's a warm day, members will have the option to take an after-lunch dip at the coastal beach with the warmest ocean water in Nova Scotia. There is also guaranteed to be at least one ice cream stop on the way back to the hotel. The day will close with a spooky late-night tour of the Halifax Citadel by candlelight.

Day 6 – Halifax, NS

The sixth day is dedicated to adventure as we trade our cars for ocean kayaks. The day will start with a short drive along a coastal road with a lunch stop in the scenic Peggy’s Cove. We’ll take some extra time to explore the area as there are sure to be many photo opportunities. We’ll then proceed to Prospect Bay for an afternoon of kayaking.



Day 7 – Halifax, NS to St Andrews, NB

On the seventh day, we depart Halifax and take a direct route to the coastal town of St Andrews. This will give us time to explore the magnificent Kingsbrae Gardens in St Andrews in the afternoon and then pay an evening visit to the historic Van Horne estate on Minister Island, which is only accessible via a tidal bar.



Day 8 - St Andrews, NB to Montmagny, QC

Our second-last day of the tour starts with breakfast aboard the sailing yacht “Jolly Breeze” as it sails out for a morning of whale watching. Only after lunch will we begin our long journey home, with our evening spent in the cosy Quebec town of Montmagny.

Day 9 – Montmagny, QC to Home!

This is the last day of the tour. Members are welcome to make their own plans for the trip home or return in convoy.



REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

Registration for the 2014 TMC Maritimes Tour is now open. All hotels and activities have been pre-reserved for the tour. GPX files for the tour are posted to the Trillium Miata website.

Due to the long distances being travelled in the initial and final days of the tour, registration will be limited to 9 members, including the two tour leaders. This will allow us to travel in a single convoy.

To register for the tour:

1. E-mail maritimes@trilliummiata.ca or call Bryan @ 416-230-1410 to confirm your interest in the tour
2. A contact sheet for all of the hotels on the trip will be emailed to you. Call and reserve your hotel room for each night. Special tour rates have been negotiated with each of the hotels.

3. Closer to the tour-date, once we've finalized negotiations with the various activities, and you've chosen to opt out of any optional ones, you'll mail a cheque to cover any pre-booked activities, to:

TMC Maritimes 2014
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Activity	Per person
River Tubing*	\$15
Zip-Lining	\$15
Dragstrip Watching	\$5
Dragstrip Racing	\$20
After-Lunch Tasting Tour	\$40
Dinner Tasting Tour (w/wine)	\$60
Dinner Theatre*	\$55
Brewery Tour	\$20
Citadel Ghost Tour*	\$25
Sea Kayaking*	\$50
Kingsbrae Gardens	\$16
Minister Island Tour*	\$10
Whale Watching* (w/breakfast)	\$50

* - Total negotiated as a Group: \$205/adult

Total additional options: \$176/adult