

Travel Ideas

Northern Virginia Extends A Warm Welcome To Canadian Visitors

(NAPS)—Now that the U.S.-Canada land border has re-opened, and as the weather turns cooler, a wonderful way for Canadians to relax and enjoy time with family and friends is on a road trip to Northern Virginia. To make it even better, many hotels, attractions and restaurants have come up with packages specifically for Canadian visitors.

Here's a look at a few fun things to do and places to stay:

What To Do

- Fairfax County, a suburb of Washington, borders the city of Alexandria and Arlington County. When you arrive, head to Tysons Corner Center Concierge and show your Canadian passport to a counsellor for a visitor savings digital "pass" worth US\$750 in special savings and offers at participating stores and restaurants. At the Alexandria visitor center, a Canadian passport also gets you discounted access to 11 historic sites, including George Washington's Mount Vernon.
- Catoctin Creek, produces award-winning Roundstone Rye whiskey in a traditional style that goes back over 400 years to the founding of the Virginia colony. For a free tasting and distillery tour, just say "Canadian Friends." Learn more at BuyVirginiaRye.com.
- If you prefer, enjoy mulled wine at Bluemont Vineyard or a spiced cider at Henway Hard Cider when you show your Canadian passport.
- For a more family-oriented visit, take the special guided tour for Canadian visitors and feed the animals at the Hope and Serenity Farm Sanctuary.
- For some fun shopping, show your Canadian ID or passport and get 15 per cent off at popular Bloomingdale's department store, located at Tysons Corner Center—or at Bloomie's, an upscale small-concept shop at the Mosaic District.

Where To Stay

After your touring, Canadians can rest, relax, savour great meals and save



Canadians can now hit the road for a fun time in northern Virginia.

money at a number of terrific hotels.

For example, Alexandria, Virginia's only waterfront hotel, Hotel Indigo Old Town Alexandria, offers Canadian guests City Cruises, museum passes and more.

The Warm Welcome to Our Northern Neighbours package at the Quantico, VA Sleep Inn includes free breakfast and a snack gift bag.

A Welcome Back Canadian Friends Dinner Getaway Package at the Hampton Inn in Gainesville includes dinner for two, a complimentary hot breakfast, and use of the 24-hour Business Center, fitness center and indoor heated pool.

The Hyatt Regency Tysons Corner Center boasts an upscale design and a stellar location at the elevated outdoor Plaza of Tysons Corner Center. It's connected to hundreds of trendy restaurants and boutiques, as well as direct access to the Metrorail Station that takes you directly into and around Washington, DC. Canadian visitors get a 15% discount.

A 15% Discount for Canadian travelers is also available at the Hilton McLean Tysons Corner, minutes from the Metrorail and top-tier restaurants and shopping.

Canadian visitors to the Sonesta ES Suites Fairfax Fair Lakes and the Sonesta ES Suites Dulles Airport can get 10% off.

Learn More

For more information and tips about how Canadians can enjoy Northern Virginia, go to www.northernva.org/media/canada/.