Northern Lights and the Wildlife of Northern Manitoba

Experience authentic Canadian hospitality at a genuine fly-in wilderness lodge

SEPTEMBER 14-19, 2022

with optional WINNIPEG POST-TOUR

100% REFUND GUARANTEE
See reservation panel for details.
Dear Alumni and Friends,

Venture with us into the vast Canadian North—a remote tundra teeming with glacial landforms, boreal forest, and beautiful wilderness—accessible only by plane or boat. The destination: a supremely outfitted lodge that will be home base amidst days filled with wildlife spotting and outdoor adventures, and evenings featuring delicious dinners followed by opportunities to watch for the northern lights. Northern Manitoba is considered to be one of the best places in the world to view this phenomenon, and fall is considered the best time to comfortably view the aurora borealis and to experience the other wonders of this extraordinary region.

Discover the uniqueness of the area during guided interpretive tours focusing on wildlife, botany, and geography, and learn about local plant life the First Nations Peoples used for food sources and medicines.

At the lodge, take advantage of leisure activities like hiking, fishing, and kayaking or canoeing, or join optional excursions to further explore the area.

Space is limited. With significant savings of more than $800 per couple, we anticipate this tour will fill quickly, so be certain to reserve your spot today and share this brochure with family and friends who may be interested in traveling with you.

Please reserve by contacting the Vanderbilt Travel Office by calling 615.322.3673.

With best wishes,

Cary DeWitt Allyn
Director, Vanderbilt Travel Program

The Vanderbilt Travel Program strives to engage Vanderbilt alumni, parents and friends of all ages, keeping them connected with each other and Vanderbilt. Each carefully designed trip offers unparalleled learning opportunities for an exclusive “beyond the classroom experience.”

As we embark on this new world of group travel, the health and well-being of our guests, our team, and the communities we visit remain our top priority. For a detailed listing of the enhanced safety measures and hygiene protocols specific to our tours, please visit orbridge.com/wellness.

Orbridge takes seriously the responsibility to minimize our global environmental impact. Each year we plant 100,000 trees in U.S. State Forests with afforestation needs as an on-going initiative among our evolving sustainability efforts. Learn more at orbridge.com/going-green.
Your 6-Day Itinerary (subject to change)

Day 1: Arrive in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
Afternoon and evening at leisure
Overnight: The Grand Winnipeg Airport Hotel

Day 2: Winnipeg / Flight to Gangler’s North Seal River Lodge / Eskers Tour / Northern Lights Viewing (B,L,D)
Welcome lunch and property introduction, eskers and erratics tour and wildlife viewing, optional outdoor activities, aurora viewing
Overnight: Gangler’s North Seal River Lodge

Day 3: Gangler’s Lodge / Wildlife Excursion / Northern Lights Viewing (B,L,D)
Guided wildlife and area tour, Canadian Shore Lunch, outdoor activities, photography workshop, aurora viewing
Overnight: Gangler’s North Seal River Lodge

Day 4: Gangler’s Lodge / Caribou Spotting / Northern Lights Viewing (B,L,D)
Caribou migration floatplane excursion, ecosystems lecture, aurora viewing
Overnight: Gangler’s North Seal River Lodge

Day 5: Gangler’s Lodge / Outdoor Activities / Optional Activities / Northern Lights Viewing (B,L,D)
Choose from hiking, fishing, guided eskers tour, lake tour, birding, boating, and others, farewell dinner, aurora viewing
Overnight: Gangler’s North Seal River Lodge

Day 6: Gangler’s Lodge / Flight to Winnipeg / Depart for U.S. (B)

(B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)

Activity Level: To fully enjoy and participate in all aspects of this program, guests should be able to stand for 90 minutes at a time without sitting, walk a moderate-paced mile on uneven terrain without difficulty, and enter/exit skiffs with little trouble.

NOTE: The itinerary is a general listing of activities and excursions that may happen during any part of the program. Daily activities will be determined by weather, opportunities to view wildlife, and other various elements that make up the incredibly diverse landscape. While chosen locations are favorable for witnessing the magic of the Northern Lights, we cannot guarantee their appearance. Many factors affect the visibility of this naturally occurring phenomenon.
Program Highlights

• Experience true Canadian hospitality at Gangler’s North Seal River Lodge in Northern Manitoba—an exclusive property renowned for its extraordinary service—situated approximately 200 miles from the nearest road and accessible only by air.

• Relish pristine viewing of the northern lights in September that will leave you breathless. Northern Manitoba is considered to be one of the best places in the world to view the aurora borealis.

• Set out on a full-day wildlife spotting excursion (by air and by land) during the annual caribou migration—where wolves, bears, bald and golden eagles, wolverines, and scavengers follow this traveling ecosystem.

• Admire the geologically rare landscape sculpted thousands of years ago by retreating glaciers that left meandrous formations of gravel and sand called eskers.

• At the lodge, choose from a variety of outdoor activities including hiking, biking, birding, lake tours, and fishing.

• Enjoy guided tours and lectures led by local naturalists—including resident biologist, Dr. Brian Kotak, and First Nations guides—specializing in the region’s geology, geography, flora and fauna, and indigenous communities.

• Participate in workshops directed by a local professional nature photographer to learn techniques for optimum aurora, wildlife, and landscape photography.

What’s Included

• 1 night hotel accommodations in Winnipeg and 4 nights accommodations at Gangler’s North Seal River Lodge

• Round-trip airfare between Winnipeg and Gangler’s North Seal River Lodge

• 5 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 4 dinners

• Full guiding services of an Orbridge Expedition Leader and local expert guides

• All activities listed on the 6-day itinerary (unless noted otherwise)

• All fishing license requirements

• All excursion transportation

• Gratuities to Orbridge Expedition Leader, local guides, drivers, and wait staff for included meals

• Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times
Your Accommodations (subject to change)

THE GRAND WINNIPEG AIRPORT HOTEL
Located next to the Winnipeg airport terminal, this boutique property provides beautifully-appointed accommodations and thoughtful amenities. The hotel’s restaurant, Blue Marble, uses locally produced ingredients to create an unforgettable dining experience.

GANGLER’S NORTH SEAL RIVER LODGE
Over 30 years ago, the Gangler family relocated from Chicago to Northern Manitoba to pursue their dream of building and operating a sport fishing camp. Today, Gangler’s North Seal River Lodge is recognized as a premier destination and is much more than just a fishing camp. The area is an ideal playground for endless outdoor activities including kayaking, canoeing, mountain biking, and certainly wildlife spotting.

Time at the lodge is designed to be an exclusive experience—as it hosts a maximum of just 28 guests. Visitors are guaranteed warm, personalized service and sincere attention to detail by the Gangler staff.

Lodge amenities include a restaurant with full-service cash bar open during meal times, lounge area with ping-pong and pool table, tackle store and complimentary fly-tying table, complimentary video library, complimentary Wi-Fi, and satellite telephone and fax machine (additional fees apply).

Classic Cabin: One bedroom, two twin beds, dresser, nightstand, private en suite bathroom (with soap, shampoo, and hair dryer), and separate living area.

Deluxe Cabin: Two bedrooms each with two twin beds, dresser, nightstand, and private en suite bathroom (with soap, shampoo, and hair dryer), and a larger shared living area.

Cabin amenities include individual climate control, full carpeting, screened-in porch with chairs, couch, coffee table and chairs, TV with VCR/DVD player, coffee maker, and closet.
What's Included

- 2 nights accommodations at Inn at the Forks (shown below) or similar
- 2 breakfasts and 1 lunch
- Admission to the Canadian Museum for Human Rights for a half-day guided tour
- Admission to the Manitoba Museum, including a private docent-led tour
- Luggage porterage
- Gratuities to local guides, drivers, and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfer for guests departing during the suggested times

Optional Post-Tour Winnipeg

Spend additional days in Winnipeg to view its architectural marvel, the Canadian Museum for Human Rights. Plus enjoy a guided tour of the Manitoba Museum with extra time to explore.

Post-Tour Itinerary (subject to change)

Day 6: Winnipeg  
Enjoy the afternoon and evening at leisure  
Overnight: Inn at the Forks

Day 7: Winnipeg (B,L)  
Canadian Museum for Human Rights guided tour including a lunch, guided Manitoba Museum tour  
Overnight: Inn at the Forks

Day 8: Winnipeg / Depart for U.S. (B)
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Winnipeg Post-Tour: September 19-21, 2022

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Call the Vanderbilt Travel Office at 615.322.3673

Reserve by Check:
Made payable to Orbridge, LLC
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Email questions to: alumni.travel@vanderbilt.edu

GUEST INFORMATION:
Guest #1 Name (Title/Salutation): ____________________________
Name (as preferred on badge): ____________________________
Email: ____________________________
Home Phone: ____________________________ Alt. Phone: ____________________________
City: ____________________________ State: ____________________________ Zip: ____________________________

Guest #2 Name (Title/Salutation): ____________________________
Name (as preferred on badge): ____________________________
Email: ____________________________
Home Phone: ____________________________ Alt. Phone: ____________________________

DEPOSIT PAYMENT:
Check   ACH (Automated Clearing House)   MasterCard/Visa   American Express   Discover
Card #: ____________________________ Exp. Date: ____________________________ CVV: ____________________________

CABIN CATEGORY SELECTION & DEPOSIT:
Cabin Category (choose one): Classic (Double)   Classic (Single)   Deluxe (Double)
# guests joining program ($850/person) +
# guests joining post-tour ($500/person) = TOTAL DEPOSIT: $ ____________

OPTIONAL NORTH SEAL RIVER FLOAT TRIP (added to your final invoice):
# ______ guests joining optional excursion ($625/person)

OPTIONAL BLACKFISH LAKE FLYOUT / ROBERSTON ESKER / ARCHAEOLOGICAL TOUR (added to your final invoice):
# ______ guests joining optional excursion ($350/person)

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Signature: ____________________________________________ Date: ____________

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