

Fun Facts About Canada



We may be known as the Great White North, but we're also green and blue! Did you know Canada has more lakes than the rest of the world combined and is home to 10% of the world's forests? Some of its national parks are bigger than entire countries!



Wild about wildlife: Canada is home to 2.4 million caribou and 15,500 of the world's 25,000 polar bears, not to mention home to 22 different species of whales.



Canada's Great Trail, a network of trails stretching across the country from coast-to-coast-to-coast, is the longest recreational trail in the world. At 24,000km of land- and water-based trail, it's longer than the Great Wall of China (8,851km).



Canada is made for outdoor adventurers. Did you know you can raft-surf the world's highest tides at the Bay of Fundy, paddle with orcas in British Columbia, track the largest caribou migration in Nunavut or kayak past icebergs and humpback whales in Newfoundland and Labrador?



Canada is known as a diverse nation that's welcoming to immigrants. In 2016, over 250 ethnic ancestries were reported by the Canadian population, contributing to a rich and vibrant culture and culinary scene.



Well-educated: More than half of Canadians have earned college degrees, making it the world's most educated nation.



Canada is home to North America's only remaining walled city—the historic neighbourhood of Old Quebec, also the first city in North America to be placed on UNESCO's World Heritage Sites list.



Canada has the world's most northern settlement: Alert, Nunavut, just shy of the North Pole. That's why Santa has his own Canada Post postal code here, (H0H 0H0), where kids can send him letters at Christmas (he responds).



Can you guess Canada's most played sport? Perhaps a bit surprising, it's golf, followed by the beloved national pastime, ice hockey.



Canada produces 70% of [the world's maple syrup](#) — and nearly all of it comes from Quebec maples.



Canadians love their poutine, but are crazy about decadent dough rings! Canada has the [most doughnut shops](#) per capita in the world and its people consume the most doughnuts of anywhere else in the world.



[Ottawa](#), Canada's capital region, houses the country's most precious cultural treasures. Eight of Canada's nine [national museums and galleries](#) are located here. The ninth is the [Canadian Museum for Human Rights](#) in Winnipeg, Manitoba.



Canada is home to the longest running ballet company in North America – the internationally renowned [Royal Winnipeg Ballet](#) in Manitoba is the oldest ballet company in Canada.



[Canada is the number 1 travel destination in the world](#), according to *Travel + Leisure* magazine (2017) (and [Lonely Planet](#)), singled out for its unspoiled landscapes, dynamic cities, cultural institutions and welcoming spirit.

