Cruise Ontario’s GREAT LAKES

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A remarkable destination... and yours to discover!

CANADA’S SECOND-LARGEST province has been described as the “Land of Shining Waters”. With 70 percent of the land covered in forest and 20 percent by water, this splendid beauty is enhanced by the five Great Lakes, the greatest body of fresh water in the world, accessed through the Saint Lawrence Seaway. These Lakes offer spectacular and rugged scenery, some outstanding boating and a number of small, charming towns that offer visitors a warm and inviting welcome.

From Toronto, North America’s fourth largest city, to historic towns dating back 300 years and more, the wealth of indigenous culture and a plethora of attractions and sights, cruising the Great Lakes is a wonderful introduction to the iconic sights, sounds and scenery of Ontario.

A number of Ontario ports are keen to welcome cruise guests to their shores, to offer experiences found only in this province. Canada’s first marine park, Fathom Five at the mouth of Georgian Bay is a magnet for scuba divers and snorkellers with its 22 shipwrecks ready for exploration. The world’s longest freshwater beach is in Ontario as is one of the world’s most spectacular natural sights – Niagara Falls. The Bruce Trail at over 800 kilometres (496 miles) is the oldest and longest hiking trail in Canada. Add four UNESCO Biosphere Reserves, impressive, wide-ranging dining, local award-winning wines, and most importantly, a friendly populace encompassing 160 cultural groups and a heritage to be proud of – this is Ontario.

A driving force
Ontario intends to be the driver for Great Lakes Cruising in the years to come. The majority of ports visited by cruise lines on the Great Lakes in both the US and Canada are situated in the Province of Ontario and the potential for incremental port calls is exponential. With the concurrent growth of the number of small, luxury and expedition ships being launched, the Great Lakes cruising region is an ideal area for both itinerary expansion and to attract greater consumer interest during the season from May to mid-October (Canadian Thanksgiving). Toronto has a globally ranked major international airport to welcome cruise guests and the Canadian currency provides exceptional value, especially for American clients.

Growth projections 2019-2028
• Growth is expected to reach a minimum of 318,000 guests and a maximum of 356,000 over this 10 year period
• More than 170 ships operated by over 70 cruise lines will be capable of transiting the Great Lakes
• Repeat cruise guests are seeking new itineraries and Canada offers primary appeal

A full Ontario Ports Study from Bermello Ajamil & Partners Inc; (B&A) is available at this link: https://www.midland.ca/Shared%20Documents/B&A_final_Great_Lakes_Cruise_Strategy.pdf

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Welcome to Canada’s Downtown City

Canada’s largest city and most-visited destination, Toronto has been described as Canada’s Downtown. A distinct, clean, green and vibrant city, Toronto is a virtual cultural melting pot; the six, as it is casually known, blends the best of modern Canadian diversity and inclusiveness with big-ticket events, world-class theatre, top attractions, restaurants, music, architecture, culture and festivals in one of the world’s most unique and exciting cities. There are neighbourhoods aplenty for exploration, a warm and welcoming buzz and you may hear a fair number of the 140 languages spoken here – more than any other global city. It’s an easy city to walk around and navigate and visitors flock to the downtown core with many sights contained in just a few city blocks.

Situated on Lake Ontario, the Harbourfront is a popular stopping point, as is stylish Yorkville with its outdoor restaurants and great shopping. A hop-on, hop-off double decker bus offers a great way to see the many sights or there is an array of fascinating excursions for cruise guests to choose. Find an adventure in Toronto – explore, experience and discover this dynamic waterfront city.

WHAT TO SEE AND DO

**CN Tower and Edgewalk** – Toronto’s most prominent attraction is the CN Tower, the tallest free-standing structure in the western hemisphere and it now includes Edgewalk, a thrilling hands-free walk around the outside ledge of the tower. Standing at 3,815 feet tall and designated as one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World, this engineering marvel is not only a top-notch dining and entertainment venue, it’s a Canadian icon and an enduring symbol of Toronto.

**Ripley’s Aquarium of Canada** – Located at the base of the CN Tower in the heart of the entertainment district, Ripley’s Aquarium of Canada welcomes nearly 150,000 beautiful and exotic inhabitants to Toronto. Boasting 155,000 square feet of interactive, underwater exhibits, the country’s largest indoor aquarium is home to stunning jellyfish, ancient giant lobsters, sharks, sting rays and every type of colourful fish you can imagine. Marvel at aquatic creatures from fresh and salt waters from all over the world, watch them swim overhead in the acrylic viewing tunnel, then get up close and personal at the Touch Tank gallery.

**Royal Ontario Museum (ROM)** – The Royal Ontario Museum is Canada’s largest museum of world cultures and natural history. Extensive galleries of archaeology, art and natural science featuring six million objects await during your visit to the country’s premier museum. With plenty of hands-on and interactive exhibits – from dinosaurs to ancient Egypt to gems and minerals – history comes to life at this world-class museum, right in the heart of Toronto. While you’re in the neighbourhood, check out the Gardiner Museum for ceramics and the quirky and fascinating Bata Shoe Museum, both just minutes away. The BSM as it is dubbed, has 1000 shoes and other related artifacts on display at any given time, all of which are housed in a stunning award-winning building.

**Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO)** – The Art Gallery of Ontario is among the most distinguished art museums in North America. From the vast body of Group of Seven and signature Canadian works, to the African art gallery, to cutting-edge contemporary works and masterpieces of European art, the AGO offers an incredible experience with each visit. In 2008, an innovative architectural expansion by world-renowned architect Frank Gehry resulted in one of the most critically-acclaimed architectural achievements in the world.

**Toronto Islands** – Visitors who want to be closer to the ground can take the short, scenic ferry ride over to the Toronto Islands, which provides a wonderful view (and photo opportunity!) of the city skyline and the popular Harbourfront area. With multiple islands to explore, there are beaches, picnic areas, sports facilities, canoe and kayak rentals and much more.

**St. Lawrence Market** – Great picnic fare and edible souvenirs can be discovered at the St. Lawrence Market, ranked by National Geographic as the world’s best food market. Set in Old Town Toronto, take your taste-buds on a stroll through its famous produce and food stalls, restaurants, art exhibits and cooking classes. Be sure to try the famous peameal bacon sandwich at Casa Loma’s recently named Toronto’s signature dish!

**Hockey Hall of Fame** – Featuring the most elaborate collection of hockey memorabilia and gear from across the globe, as well as interactive games, multimedia stations and exhibits on the game’s greatest players, there’s something for everyone at the Hockey Hall of Fame. Be sure to visit one of the most coveted prizes in professional sports, the Stanley Cup. Get a selfie with Stanley.

**Toronto Eaton Centre** – Located in the heart of downtown Toronto, the Eaton Centre is one of the city’s most popular attractions. With over 250 retailers in fashion, furniture and electronics, the selection here is unbeatable. Upscale boutiques mingle with casual clothing and there’s something to satisfy every style and taste at Toronto’s premier shopping destination. When you need a break from shopping, recharge and treat your taste-buds at one of The Eaton Centre’s seven dine-in restaurants or grab a quick bite in the Urban Eatrol.

**The Distillery Historic District** – Recognized as a National Historic Site, the Distillery Historic District is one of Toronto’s most picturesque sites with its cobblestone laneways and Victorian-era buildings. It was Toronto’s first distillery—which produced almost half of Ontario’s total spirit production in 1871—and is now home to high-end boutiques, art galleries and restaurants. Located in the Old Toronto area, you can take a tour (by Segway!) or just stroll the laneeways and courtyard and get a feel for Toronto’s history and heritage.

**Casa Loma** – Built as a private home by Canadian financier Sir Henry Pellatt in 1914, this majestic castle-in-the-city features elegant rooms, secret passageways, sweeping staircases, stables and lush gardens. Spanish for “House of the Hills,” Casa Loma attracts guests from all over the world to view the grounds and buildings or to take in special events like escape games and concerts in the garden.
Kingston

Freshwater sailing capital of the world

Kingston is a city rich in history and culture and home to a vibrant arts and culinary community. As one of the oldest cities in Canada, with its grand 19th century buildings, the city boasts the beauty of yesterday with the passion and sophistication of today. At the gateway to the 1000 Islands, situated where the St. Lawrence River, the UNESCO-designated Rideau Canal and Lake Ontario meet, Kingston has much to offer visitors including a number of museums and art galleries brimming with local and international treasures. Enjoy the restaurants, historic sites, shopping at authentic boutiques along Princess Street in the downtown core, trolley rides through the city and an idyllic waterfront along the shores of Lake Ontario. Kingston is also home to Queen’s University, the oldest degree-granting institution in Canada with its picturesque and historic campus.

**WHAT TO SEE AND DO**

**Thousand Islands** – Boat cruises explore more than 1,800 scenic islands in the St. Lawrence River with its fairy tale castles, small cottages, lighthouses, island mansions and wildlife – all accompanied by true tales of pirates, bootleggers and the gilded age of the rich and famous who spent time here.

Fort Henry – An authentic restored 19th-century British military fort and museum, Fort Henry was built from 1832 to 1837 to replace an existing fortification from the War of 1812 era. Today visitors can step back in time and experience 19th century military life with authentic, experience guided tours, scenic views, heart-pounding musical performances and precision military demonstrations by the Fort Henry Guard.

Kingston City Hall – This 19th-century Neoclassical-style city hall with its landmark dome is a designated heritage site, situated in Kingston’s downtown facing Lake Ontario.

Other attractions

- Trolley Tours – Hop-on, hop-off tours with informative guides travel through the historic old town, downtown shopping district and Fort Henry.
- Kingston Penitentiary – The 178-year-old former maximum-security prison holds dark tales of Canada’s most notorious criminals.
- Kingston Food Tours – Enjoy guided tours through historic downtown and exclusive tastings at the City’s top restaurants.

**TECHNICAL DATA**

- Latitude: 44°13’40” N
- Longitude: -76°29’45” W
- Harbour Type: Coastal Natural
- Channel Depth: 21-25 feet
- Anchorage Depth: 16-20 feet
- Cargo Pier Depth: 16-20 feet
- Max. Vessel Size: up to 500 feet
- Port details at: www.searates.com/port/kingston_ca.htm

The City of Kingston is working in partnership with a private group to develop a deep-water dock. It is expected that this facility could accommodate vessels of up to 128 feet LOA alongside it.

**Connecting two Great Lakes**

Early French settlers from the 1700s who would portage their canoes around Niagara Falls first suggested a canal to connect Lakes Ontario and Erie and now modern-day boating enthusiasts use the Welland Canal for its vital and easy access. Primarily used by large commercial traffic, the Welland Canal was first conceived in 1825 and is the only connecting waterway between these two lakes. The canal originally had 40 wooden locks and now has just eight constructed of stone. It can take all day to transit, so many shore excursions in the region are offered to cruise guests during this lengthy process.

**Welland Canal / Port Colborne**

**WHAT TO SEE AND DO**

**Welland Canal** – Look 8 in Port Colborne is one of the longest canal locks in the world. The Clarence Street Bridge is also one of the few remaining horizontal lift bridges operating on the Welland Canal and is a historic landmark in the city. Boat and ship watching is very popular and can be done from the Look 8 Gateway Park with its landscaped viewing stands and other facilities.

**Sugarloaf Marina** – This 700 slip marina is one of the largest in Ontario. Go fishing in Canada’s award winning fishing town, scuba diving to discover lost treasure or even wakeboarding.

**Bouches** – Many white sandy beaches sit along the shore of Lake Erie’s pleasant waters, including the famous Nickel Beach.

**Tall ships** – While strolling historic West Street, home to several shops and restaurants, watch for the occasional historic wooden Tall Ships that may be moored by the canal walls – simply waiting for their turn to make the transit.

**Outdoor recreation** – Within minutes of downtown, visitors can enjoy bicycling on paved trails, golfing on beautiful courses or hiking in breathtaking nature areas.

**TECHNICAL DATA**

- Latitude: 43°11’4” N
- Longitude: -79°8’24” W
- Harbour Type: Lake or Canal
- Channel Depth: 26-30 feet
- Cargo Pier Depth: 21-25 feet
- Max. Vessel Size: over 500 feet
- Port details at: www.searates.com/port/welland_ca.htm
Two of Canada’s most famous and beautiful places

These must-see stops are situated between Lakes Ontario and Erie, along the Niagara River with each offering a unique sensibility. A day tour from Toronto or from a cruise stop along the Welland Canal provides easy access.

Canada’s most famous natural wonder, the 187-foot Niagara Falls offers awesome power, thunderous roar and a misty magic. Boat rides up to the edge of the three Falls – the American, Bridal Veils and Canada’s Horseshoe Falls are very popular. A myriad of other attractions are also available ranging from museums, beautiful gardens, casinos and golf courses.

Nearby Niagara-on-the-Lake, often called the loveliest town in Ontario, offers a stroll back in history as the town was settled following the American Revolution. Enjoy the quaint heritage district, take in a matinee at the famous Shaw Festival offering a range of performances each season. See the War of 1812 come to life at historic Fort George

A myriad of other attractions are also available including the area’s famous award-winning ice wine!

WHAT TO SEE AND DO IN NIAGARA FALLS

See the Falls up close – jet boats and catamarans including Hornblower Niagara Cruises take visitors to the edge of the Falls for great views of the whitewater rapids and a tremendously exciting tour.

Skylon Tower – This 520-ft tower offers aerial views over the Falls from its observation deck and revolving restaurant. Three external elevators whisk visitors to the top in minutes for their most significant sights.

Butterfly Conservatory – The glass enclosed Butterfly Conservatory in the Niagara Parks Botanical Gardens has more than 2000 beautiful butterflies from 45 worldwide species.

WHAT TO SEE AND DO IN NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE

Shaw Festival – This famous festival offers three theatres located in the heritage district. Each season there are 11 performances from such playwrights as George Bernard Shaw and Noel Coward as well as contemporary offerings.

Wine tours – Niagara’s winemaking heritage is best enjoyed by a tour of local wineries produced by more than 100 estate wineries – including the area’s famous award-winning ice wine!

Ontario’s best kept secret

Windsor, the proud gateway between Canada and the USA is an incredible community that offers world-class entertainment, fascinating historical and cultural landmarks, diverse cuisine and unparalleled waterfront parks and gardens. Visitors will find a city committed to being a creative and vibrant destination that encourages artistic expression and celebrates Canada’s cultural identity and diversity. Windsor is home to great wine and whisky, craft beer, top bird migration route hotspots, casino fun, and scenic hiking routes. The city also offers intellectual and artistic experiences, including the Art Gallery of Windsor featuring Canadian contemporary art as well as travelling international exhibitions, the Windsor Sculpture Park, a unique museum showcasing more than 31 large-scale world renowned sculptures, and other fine recreational and heritage exploration opportunities.

WHAT TO SEE AND DO IN WINDSOR

Point Pelee National Park – Located in Canada’s southernmost point, the park offers world class bird watching to almost 400 species of birds, sandy beaches, picnic areas, hiking and biking trails, canoe rental and tours, and so much more.

EPIC Wineries – Check out Canada’s hottest wine region, and the 18 wineries nestled along the Lake Erie north shore including Canada’s oldest estate winery, Pelee Island Winery.

Fort Malden National Historic Site – Nestled along the Detroit River in Amherstburg. Fort Malden stood guard during the War of 1812. Discover one of Southern Ontario’s most historical treasures!

Other attractions

J.P. Wiser’s Distillery Experience – Explore North America’s largest distillery on the shores of the Detroit River, and learn more about the prohibition past of Windsor Essex.

Caesars Windsor Casino & Resort – Windsor is home to Canada’s largest casino resort, with world class gaming, entertainment and food.
Goderich

The prettiest town on Ontario’s West Coast

There is much to see and do in this vibrant town which sits on the bluffs overlooking Lake Huron. This natural setting offers a variety of recreational opportunities, including playgrounds and beautiful beaches with a 1.5 km scenic boardwalk. There are intricate trail systems with breathtaking views of nature and many heritage sites marked along the way. Goderich is the largest urban community in Huron County and boasts the only deep-water port on Ontario’s West Coast. It also provides sites marked along the way. Goderich is surrounded by the most productive agricultural region in Ontario – enjoy fresh, organic food and local wineries, cider houses and breweries.

WHAT TO SEE AND DO

Downtown Goderich – A unique octagonal core known as The Square has long been a gem of Canadian Heritage Architecture.

The Historic Huron County Gaol – Established in 1842 this historic facility was home to Canada’s last public hanging in 1869. Visit the ‘Behind the Bars’ exhibit at the octagonal building where actors unfold tales of crimes and stories from prisoners and staff.

The Huron County Museum – Home to historic and cultural exhibits, both permanent and seasonal, that explore early settlement, agricultural growth and military history, with full size tanks, locomotives and agricultural oddities.

Other attractions

Arts, culture and tradition abound in this coastal town which also offers numerous festivals and events throughout the seasons, including the annual Celtic Festival. Music and dance are a part of the heritage of the community and each Friday at sunset, the Celtic Blue Highlanders “Pipe Down the Sun”.

Midland

The largest freshwater marina in the world

Situated at the southern end of Georgian Bay in the mouth of the Severn Sound and a gateway to Georgian Bay’s picturesque 30,000 Islands, the Town of Midland and its harbour offers a picturesque, natural attraction that tourists and boaters from around the world have been enjoying for many years. Midland has a dynamic recreational waterfront, which includes a trail for walking, biking and rollerblading. The summer season affords an opportunity to view the beautiful horticultural displays and enjoy the array of quaint boutiques and galleries, restaurants and services, as well as the beautiful murals scattered throughout the downtown core.

WHAT TO SEE AND DO

Sainte-Marie Among the Hurons – Ontario’s first European Community, and the headquarters for the French Jesuit Mission to the Huron Quenadet people offers insight into Ontario’s history and culture. In 1639, the Jesuits, along with French lay workers, began construction of a fenced community that included barracks, a church, workshops, residences, and a sheltered area for Native visitors. It was re-created on its original site, where the mission’s compelling story is brought to life.

The Martyrs’ Shrine – One of nine National Shrines in Canada, this holy site honours the eight Jesuit Saints who lived, worked, and died here over 350 years ago, celebrating the significant contributions they made to the introduction of Christianity into aboriginal culture. Pilgrims of all faiths will find this a fascinating place to visit, close to the cruise port.

Huronia Museum – A replica of a Huron/Ouendat house and so much more.

Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre – Visitors discover raptors and reptiles in the interpretive display hall and can experience canoeing and kayaking on a guided tour through the marsh channels, visit the observation tower, floating boardwalks, waterfowl monitoring platform, wildflower gardens, the bee house and so much more.

Other attractions

Huronia Museum – A replica of a Huron/Quenadet village, and museum featuring historic artifacts paintings by Group of Seven painters.

SS Keewatin – Built five years before the Titanic and in the same culture, the beautifully restored SS Keewatin is not to be missed.
Parry Sound

A UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve
Located on the shores of Georgian Bay in the Big Sound ships entering port will be greeted by a view of the Parry Sound Harbour and the Trestle bridge. Surrounded by forests, lakes, streams and the rugged beauty of pink granite of the Canadian Shield. A vacationer’s paradise Parry Sound is easily accessible to visitors by roadway or waterway. Visitors will be delighted with the variety of recreational activities available. From a kayaking adventure or a boat cruise amongst the 30,000 Islands along rocky shorelines and up close with wildlife and the infamous wind-swept pines to catching the big one on a fishing trip, exploring our historic downtown, hiking our trails, exploring our rugged wilderness on an ATV or taking in the ultimate view of Georgian Bay on a float plane ride. Parry Sound truly is the world-renowned jewel of the 30,000 Islands on Georgian Bay.

WHAT TO SEE AND DO

On the water – Take a boat tour or go on a kayaking adventure gliding over the crystal-clear water of Georgian Bay along picturesque shorelines in a UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve.

Experience by Air – Explore the 30,000 Islands by air. Arrange a scenic flight tour or a fly-in hike tour which provides access to the off-the-beaten path.

The Museum on Tower Hill – Located in Tower Hill Park at the base of Parry Sound’s 96-foot Look-Out tower overlooking the beautiful Bay, the museum features an extensive collection of local artifacts connected to the history of the Parry Sound District. Themes include natural and cultural history, trapping, First Nations, nautical shipping and logging.

Other attractions

Kilbear Park – The Visitor Centre offers the opportunity to learn about local wildlife before heading outdoors to explore on the trails, sand beaches, and by chance to see a bear or deer in the wild.

Bobby Orr Hall of Fame – The largest collection of famed ice hockey icon Bobby Orr’s own memorabilia available to the public.

Trestle Brewing Company – This small, independently-owned craft brewery is located in downtown Parry Sound on the waterfront with a spectacular view looking towards the iconic CPR Trestle bridge and Georgian Bay.

Little Current

The heart and spirit of the Great Lakes of Canada

On beautiful Manitoulin Island on Lake Huron, the quaint and charming town of Little Current with its lovely waterfront, is the perfect starting point to explore the world’s largest freshwater island with it’s long and rich indigenous history. Unique in many ways, Manitoulin Island offers a truly immersive and cultural aboriginal experience of its original inhabitants – the Ojibwe, Odawa and Pottawatomie peoples. There are more than two dozen small settlements, First Nations and towns spread across 160 kilometres of boreal forest, lakes, river, shorelines, escarpments, meadows and alvars. The town of Little Current boasts a beautiful new waterfront, including two waterfront pavilions.

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Other attractions

Sheguiandah Archaeological Site – This national historic site sitting on a quartzite knoll, dates back circa 10,000 years with ancient quarry pits and stone tool workshops. The remains found in Sheguiandah represent a series of successive cultural occupations of early Aboriginal peoples.

Other attractions

Bridal Veil Falls – This walking trail leads up to the picturesque 11-meter cascading falls. Take a dip in the pool at the base of the falls or enjoy a picnic stop to enjoy the view.

Art Studies and Galleries – View local artists and artistic work by the Anishnabe People of the Mindus Mining.
Sault Ste. Marie

2,000 years of exploration

For some 2,000 years, people have lived beside the rapids of the St. Mary’s River, which provided an ideal environment for fish gathering by the Ojibwa and early explorers, perfectly located in between two of the ‘Greatest’ Great Lakes - Lake Huron and Lake Superior. Today, Sault Ste. Marie offers world-class outdoor experiences second to none with easy access to nature and spectacular attractions. Downtown Sault Ste. Marie offers many dining and shopping options to satisfy a variety of tastes and interests. The city is positioned within the Algoma region, nestled in the wilderness which so entranced and inspired the Group of Seven artists and their iconic Canadian masterpieces.

Canadian Bush Plane Heritage Centre – This museum is dedicated to preserving Ontario’s rich bush plane and firefighting heritage. A large number of actual aircraft are on display, allowing visitors to sit in a bush plane’s cockpit or climb into the hold of a water bomber.

Art Gallery of Algoma – This beautiful gallery features over 4,000 works of art by artists such as Carl Beam, AY Jackson and Norval Morriseau in addition to showcasing new and innovative displays of collections from around the world. Perfectly situated on the waterfront, it is an ideal venue for a relaxing morning or afternoon immersion in art.

Other attractions

Agawa Canyon Train – A breathtaking one-day wilderness excursion, this rail journey takes you through rugged mixed forest, over pristine lakes and rivers, across the Canadian Shield. Experience the same vistas that inspired Canada’s famous Group of Seven artists and their iconic Canadian masterpieces.

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Thunder Bay

Superior by nature!

Surrounded by natural wonders, Thunder Bay is a lively city situated on the north shore of Lake Superior, embraced by the Nor’Wester Mountain range. Settled by Europeans in the late 17th century with a fur trading outpost, Thunder Bay grew into an important transportation hub with its port welcoming new settlers westward and the shipment of grain from the prairies, through the Great Lakes to the east coast of Canada. The gateway to Northwest Ontario’s wilderness with over 150,000 lakes and rivers, offering the ultimate adventure playground for sailing, hiking, climbing, mountain biking, canoeing and so much more.

MAIN CONTACTS

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Thunder Bay, ON P7B 6R9
Tel: 807.345.6400
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TECHNICAL DATA

Lat: 48°13’ 0” N
Long: 89°13’ 59” W
Channel Depth: 21-25 feet
Anchorage Depth: 21-25 feet
Max. Vessel Size: over 500 feet

Port details at:
www.searates.com/port/thunder_bay_ca.htm

WHAT TO SEE AND DO

Fort William Historical Park – A recreated fur trading post offers a glimpse of life back in 1816. With over 40 buildings including artisans’ area, working farm and an Animikii Neekeewen enclosure, experience the cultural mosaic of Scottish fur traders, Ojibwe and Metis peoples and French Canadian voyageurs.

Mount McKay – Towering 1,000 ft. over the city, Animikii Wajiw (Mount McKay) is located on the Fort William First Nation. Trek up for incredible vistas of Thunder Bay, Lake Superior including Thunder Bay’s most famous natural landmark, the Sleeping Giant, a rock formation resembling a man sleeping on his back.

Terry Fox Memorial Lookout – Commemorating a Canadian icon and hero, Terry Fox and his Marathon of Hope, this 9 ft statue commands a breathtaking view of Lake Superior and the Sleeping Giant, located high above the Trans-Canada Highway.

Other attractions

Kakabeka Falls – The ‘Niagara of the North’, Ontario’s second largest waterfall, plunges 131 feet over sheer cliffs.

Northern Ontario Wilderness Tours – Arrange for a private fly-in wilderness retreat from Thunder Bay – an exploration into the heart of Northern Ontario.

Eagle Canyon Suspension Bridge – Located just outside of Thunder Bay is Canada’s longest suspension bridge and zipline.
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