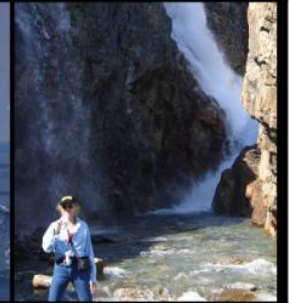


# Rapid Lake Lodge

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*Experience an exceptional moment with nature*



Polar Bear

Quebec

## AUTHENTIC SAFARI TO NUNAVIK

Departure on July 15, 2011

Privately guided 7-day/6-night trip

**Promotional price of 5659 \$ CAD  
(discounted from 5859 \$ CAD)**

**July 15, 2011**

**From 5859 \$ CAD (plus tax)**

Full board

## Trip Description

Here's an unparalleled private safari to Quebec's wide open spaces in Nunavik. Wildlife photographers and animal lovers alike have an opportunity to take full advantage of the natural resources here in the Arctic tundra and its incomparable animal life! Nunavik will thrill those who would like to experience the absolute nature of the least travelled corners of Arctic Quebec. You will explore the Kuururjuaq National Park and immerse yourself in its spectacular scenery as well as his Labrador neighbour, the Torngat Mountains National Park. The region is a true...

...natural treat whose wilderness landscape is comparable to Norway and the upper Canadian Arctic. This real-life safari with floatplane travel, short exploratory hikes, and occasional camping along the hard-to-reach coasts of Ungava and Labrador is off the beaten track. In July, watch the famed annual migration of caribou herds when thousands of hoofs trample the Labrador Plateau. Wolves on the hunt during the calving season add an opportunity for a rare and poignant experience! Both polar and black bears are well present along the coastal Ungava region and you will stop to observe them in their natural habitat. This remarkably diverse itinerary takes you to the northern tip of Quebec and Labrador Peninsula, across the Arctic Cordillera and finally to the north Atlantic ocean. Throughout this trip to the wide open spaces of Quebec, you will be escorted by your pilot-guide and share in flight and on foot, the splendid countryside dominated by mountains, fjords and seas.

### Your Itinerary

**Day 1: Montreal - Kuujuaq - Rapid Lake Flight** ► Upon arrival at Rapid Lake, the manager-owner will welcome you with a cocktail and overview of your upcoming itinerary. Afternoon trek to take in the subarctic tundra. Dinner and overnight stay at the Lodge.

**Days 2 and 3: East Coast of Ungava** ► The morning starts with an air safari along the East coast of Ungava Bay, flying over wonderful rivers, waterfalls and icebergs. We will touch down at a variety of spots bordering the sea to watch the polar bears. At day's end, we'll ascend to the campsite at the edge of a magnificent lake right in the heart of the Torngat Mountains. During our morning excursion the following day, we'll explore an unfathomable lake known for its freshwater seals and partake in a picnic in the middle of the barren tundra. An air safari at the end of the afternoon provides an opportunity to fully admire the Nunavik sunset in all its finery. Overnight camping.

**Days 4 and 5: The Edge of the Continent** ► After breakfast, we'll fly-out to Killineq at the continent land's end (the far north-eastern tip of North America). Killineq is in a wilderness area of great beauty, where wildlife is abundant. At day's end, we'll ascend to the campsite on the verge of a majestic fjord and taste some Labrador tea while watching the sunset. During our air and hiking safaris, we'll uncover the secrets of this wilderness area as we search out animal and bird species who make their homes here. Before noon the next day, we'll fly off to encounter one of the most imposing fjords in North America. We'll touch down to explore impressive waterfalls, rocky chimneys, glaciers and archaeological sites. Overnight stay at the lodge.



Rapid Lake Lodge is situated in Arctic Quebec in the heart of the sub-arctic tundra, 1,400 km from Montreal and 150 km southeast of Kuujuaq. Rapid Lake Lodge is charming and cosy, constructed completely by hand with round timber. All lodgings are equipped with modern conveniences and provide daily maid service. Departing from Rapid Lake, you'll fly out every day to experience the regional natural wonders and arctic wilderness.



You'll alternate between safari by floatplane and safari on foot to watch the wildlife of Nunavik against a variety of stunning backdrops.

**6<sup>e</sup> jour: Walk with the caribou.** ➤ Spend one day on the tundra walking with thousands of caribou. The first sight of the long processions of caribou stretching several kilometers will leave you totally amazed, and a walking safari in this exceptional place is unforgettable. In July, after a long winter, thousands of caribou return to give birth on the George River plateau. The area is well known to amateur and professional photographers in search of a subarctic wildlife photo safari. Overnight stay at the Lodge.

**Day 7: Return Trip.** Breakfast at the Lodge.

#### Added Features of Rapid Lake Lodge

- Guaranteed departures for groups of 2 or more
- Safari on foot and by floatplane into the most beautiful parks in northern Quebec and Labrador
- Early booking discount on some dates (please check with us)

Price per person, double occupancy from 5859 \$ CAD (plus tax).

#### Trip Profile

**DATES:** July 15 to 21, 2011

**DEPARTURES:** Montreal

**FLIGHT TIME:** about 3 hours

**PACE:** moderate

**NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:** 2 to 4 max

**TOUR GUIDE:** experienced pilot-guide who speaks French and English

**HIKES/TREKS:** easily accessible, not particularly demanding

**LOCAL TRANSPORTATION:** floatplane

#### Trip Highlights

##### TRIP INTO THE WILDS

- Campsites at very unique spots in the heart of the tundra

- Herds of caribou

- Polar bears at sea

- Series of fjords, mountain peaks and waterfalls

##### TRIP MEMORIES

- Camping under the stars and the heady scent of the tundra

- Communing with nature in the wilds



Escorted by your pilot-guide, you'll take off on foot to soak up the wildlife and splendid scenery dominated by mountains, fjords and seas.



The largest terrestrial carnivore on the planet, the polar bear can be seen along the east coast of Ungava as well as in Labrador.



You only have to follow your guide and fully enjoy your journey.

#### Keep in Mind

Informal accommodations in tents will be adapted according to weather conditions. The itinerary is flexible based on local conditions and may occasionally occur in reverse order. Bushland flights are often subject to last-minute change depending on weather conditions, in which case the itinerary will be adapted to the best possible alternative. 2.5% discount for payment by check.

#### Our Price Includes

- Round trip jet flight travel between Montreal and Kuujuaq
- Round trip air travel between Kuujuaq and Rapid Lake Camp
- Guided safari by floatplane and on foot with a pilot-guide who speaks French and English
- Accommodations in cosy private cabins with hot showers and running water
- Camping under the stars in tents
- Full board, including dinner on the first day through breakfast on the last day
- Our outstanding "Ungava style" hors-d'œuvres
- Snacks and beverages between meals

Not included: personal gear, alcoholic drinks, taxes, tipping at your discretion (international standard 5-10\$US/day/person)

*Further detailed tax info is available in the rate section.*



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These giant ice sculptures with their turquoise and emerald hues are a photographer's true dream. Taking an Air Safari, you'll be awestruck when you see these gigantic drifting mountains. An unparalleled ice experience.