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"Three Pines" Tour

Dive into the literary world of Canadian author, Louise Penny, in Québec's Eastern Townships



Knowlton Library Courtesy Sebastien Larose

2026 DATES	Double	Single
October 5* - Waitlist	\$2,495	\$3,095

2027 DATES	Double	Single
May 11	\$2,595	\$3,295
August 30	\$2,595	\$3,295
October 12	\$2,595	\$3,295

***Guaranteed Departure**

TOUR DETAILS	
Duration	5 Days
Fitness Scale	Level 3
Connections Pickup	Route C1

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Québec's beautiful Eastern Townships are a tapestry of vineyards, pastoral country vistas, mountains, small cities and towns, each with their own charm. This tour visits this beautiful region with a novel twist.

Murder is never far from Three Pines, the fictional town with numerous unforgettable characters from Louise Penny's Chief Inspector Gamache series of mystery novels. Visit the distinctively beautiful Québec Eastern Townships for an insight into the region and its people. Through the "Three Pines" lens, meet the inspiration for the complex, and sometimes quirky characters, and the town where they work and live. Visit the Saint-Gilbert-entre-les-Loups Monastery, Mr. Beliveau's General Store and Myrna's eccentric bookstore, and with insights gleaned, you will want to read or re-read all eighteen novels, in order! Haven't experienced this murder mystery series, yet? Take the tour, become intrigued by this Canadian treasure, and see why fans from all over the world are mesmerized by "Three Pines."

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What's Included



- Our unique Connections Program
- Private coach transportation
- 4 nights accommodation
- 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners
- Local professional guides and all entry fees and passes for the listed highlights
- Services of a Professional Tour Director

Prices are in Canadian dollars, are per person, and include HST.

INCLUDED HIGHLIGHTS

- Guided tour of the region with local raconteur and "Three Pines" expert
- Guided tour of Abbaye de Saint-Benoît-du-Lac
- Guided visits to historic towns such as Knowlton, Magog and North Hatley to see their contributions to the "Three Pines" lore
- Lac-Brome Museum
- Visit Manoir Hovey, the inspiration for "Manoir Bellechasse"
- Haskell Free Library & Opera House Tour - **NEW!**
- Bury Your Dead Tour
- Free time in Old Québec
- Free time in Old Montréal

Why This Tour is Great



Explore the Three Pines Universe

Step into the world of Louise Penny's Inspector Gamache mysteries and discover the real-life places that inspired the fictional village of Three Pines and its surrounding communities. While Three Pines itself exists only in the novels, Penny's stories bring together locations throughout Québec's Eastern Townships and beyond. From Manoir Hovey in North Hatley and Boulangerie Sara to the historic streets and landmarks of Old Québec featured in *Bury Your Dead*, we'll visit the places that bring the books to life. Along the way, local guides will share the connections between the real locations and the stories, characters, and mysteries of the Three Pines universe.

A Delightful Getaway!

This is your opportunity to be whisked away from the ordinary and be immersed in a picturesque setting from a bygone era. Enjoy the lovely countryside of rural Québec, bringing a friend or fellow book club members to indulge in a few days of stress-free leisure.

Free time in Old Montréal & Old Québec

Wander the narrow cobblestone streets and explore the historical architecture, visit the beautiful Notre-Dame Basilica, or get immersed in the museums, art galleries, and boutiques.



The study at Manoir Hovey

**Manoir Hovey
Eastern Townships ©
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Day-to-Day Itinerary



Day 1: Travel to Québec Eastern Townships

Enjoy the passing scenery as you leave Ontario and travel east into Québec's beautiful Eastern Townships. Arrive at your accommodations, where you'll stay for three nights, giving you plenty of time to settle in and make yourself comfortable. Take some time to explore the grounds, relax, or freshen up after the day's journey before joining fellow travellers for a welcome dinner.

Stay: Manoir des Sables, Orford, QC (3 nights)

Meals: D

Day 2: Three Pines Exploring - Day 1: The Abbey, The Manor, and The Library & Opera House

After breakfast, travel through the beautiful countryside to Abbaye de Saint-Benoît-du-Lac, the inspiration for "Saint-Gilbert-Entre-Les-Loups," the fictional abbey in *The Beautiful Mystery*. Enjoy a guided tour, including the monks' boutique and its award-winning cheese, while your raconteur shares connections to the novel. Continue to Manoir Hovey in North Hatley, the inspiration for "Manoir Bellechasse" in *The Murder Stone*. Enjoy lunch at the manor before exploring its beautiful grounds. Then visit the Haskell Library & Opera House, the unique landmark that straddles the Canada-U.S. border and features in *The Black Wolf*. Along the way, discover more of the real-life places that inspired Louise Penny's world of Three Pines.

Meals: B, L

Day 3: Three Pines Exploring – Day 2: Knowlton and Area

After breakfast, head to Knowlton, a charming village in the Eastern Townships and home to Louise Penny. With its blend of English and French heritage, Knowlton helped inspire the fictional village of Three Pines featured in *Still Life* and *How the Light Gets In*. Visit the Lac-Brome Museum, where your local raconteur shares the connections between the area and the novels. Enjoy an included lunch and some free time to explore Knowlton's shops and streets before continuing by coach to discover more of the real-life places that inspired Three Pines and its characters. Return to the hotel for an included dinner and an opportunity to share your favourite Three Pines discoveries from the day.

Meals: B, L, D

Day 4: Old Québec & "Bury Your Dead" Tour

After breakfast, say goodbye to the Eastern Townships and travel to historic Old Québec City. Following an included lunch, explore the city on a two-hour walking tour inspired by *Bury Your Dead*. In smaller groups, follow in the footsteps of Chief

Inspector Gamache as your local guide brings the novel's settings to life, including the Morrin Centre, the real-life inspiration for the Literary and Historical Society of Québec. Wander the narrow streets and historic landmarks of Old Québec before enjoying a free evening to explore the city on your own.

Stay: Hotel Clarendon or Manoir Victoria, Old Québec City, QC

Meals: B, L

Day 5: Old Montréal, Journey Home

After breakfast, begin the journey home, travelling west from Québec City. Stop in Old Montréal for lunch and some free time to explore its historic streets, landmarks and shops. Continue homeward with new memories of the places that inspired Louise Penny's world of *Three Pines*, and perhaps a fresh perspective on your favourite Chief Inspector Gamache novels.

Meals: B

Important Info for this Tour



This motorcoach tour follows pickup route C1, and includes our unique Connections Program. The pickup locations are:

- Brampton
- Whitby
- Bowmanville
- Port Hope
- Lindsay
- Peterborough
- Cobourg
- Trenton
- Belleville
- Napanee
- Kingston

While this tour is based in Québec, our Connections Program allows us to welcome guests to join from anywhere in the world! Please contact us to discuss your travel alternatives, airfare and pre-and post-tour accommodation options.

We recommend comfortable rubber-soled shoes for the walking tours of the sights.

Who is Louise Penny? Do I need to have read the books?

For those unfamiliar, she is the Canadian author of the award-winning, bestselling

series of Chief Inspector Armand Gamache mysteries. In 2017, she received the Order of Canada for her contributions to Canadian culture. A mini-series, Three Pines, based on the books, is available for viewing on Amazon Prime Video. The Chief Inspector Gamache series novels presently total 18 books, translated into 29 languages, and are read by fans around the world.

While knowledge of the mystery novels will provide an added dimension to the experience, prior reading of the books is not necessary. This short tour exploring scenic Québec Eastern Townships, becoming acquainted with its history and English-French culture makes a lovely getaway.

Guest Feedback



"Nice to have the planning all done. Good balance of planned and free time."

- Anonymous

"Came for the Three Pines Tour and it was amazing! My first experience with DeNure and I will be back. Everything was fantastic. No complaints!"

- N. Zara

"The Three Pines aspect was the major impetus for taking the trip and I was not disappointed."

-K. Case

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