

## CANADA TRUE NORTH RINGETTE TOUR

Italy, Sweden and Finland July 24 to August 5, 2026

Players can get on the tour Priority List at <a href="https://www.azorcan.net/ringettepriority">https://www.azorcan.net/ringettepriority</a>

Tour webpage: <a href="https://www.azorcan.net/ringette">www.azorcan.net/ringette</a>

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## PROPOSED TOUR ITINERARY

Day 1 / July 24 / Friday

Meet at the airport in Winnipeg and check in for the flight.

10:45 Depart Winnipeg for Toronto on WestJet 382

14:12 Arrive in Toronto

16:45 Depart for Amsterdam on KLM 1629







## Day 2 / July 25 / Saturday

06:00 Arrive in Amsterdam

09:05 Depart Amsterdam for Venice

10:50 Arrive in Venice and meet your guide and bus.

Depart for Verona

Maybe stop at a local shopping centre like Adjego for free time for lunch on your own.

Check in to the hotel. Free time to freshen up and relax at the hotel.

Dinner at the hotel, evening free Meals: D Overnight: Verona, Italy







## Day 3 / July 26 / Sunday

Breakfast at the hotel.

Depart for a day trip to Venice.

Venice, Italy, is a historic "floating city" built on 118 islands in a lagoon, famous for its unique canals, bridges, and gondolas. Founded in the 5th century by refugees, it grew into a powerful maritime republic and commercial hub, controlling vital trade routes to Asia. Today, it's a major tourist destination and a UNESCO World Heritage site, renowned for its stunning architecture, art, and timeless, magical atmosphere.

Arrive at the Tronchetto bus parking. Catch our boat to St. Mark's Square.

Meet our guide in the square for 2 hours guided walking tour of Venice.

Free time for sightseeing, shopping and to have lunch on your own.

Meet the group and walk back to our boat dock

Boat departure to the bus parking and return to the hotel in Verona

Enjoy dinner at the hotel. Evening free in Verona.

Meals: B, D Overnight: Verona, Italy







## Day 4 / July 27 / Monday

Breakfast at the hotel. Depart for Modena

Tour of the 4 Madonne Paramggiano Cheese factory

4 Madonne Caseificio dell'Emilia is a dairy cooperative near Modena, Italy, famous for its Parmigiano Reggiano cheese, offering tours where visitors can observe the cheese-making process from milk delivery to the aging warehouse, learn about the production of various Parmigiano Reggiano types, and enjoy a tasting session followed by a visit to the factory shop. The dairy was founded in 1967 and specializes in different kinds of Parmigiano Reggiano, including organic, red cow, and mountain product varieties, and is a must-visit for cheese enthusiasts.

Free time at the <u>Grandemilia</u> shopping centre in Modena to have lunch on your own. Free time in the Enzo Ferrari Museum in Modena

The Enzo Ferrari Museum (Museo Enzo Ferrari) in Modena, Italy, is a museum complex dedicated to the life and legacy of Enzo Ferrari, the founder of the Ferrari automotive brand. It includes the restored house where Enzo Ferrari was born and a futuristic, yellow-clad building featuring an automotive design gallery, exhibitions on Ferrari's history, and displays of iconic Ferrari cars and engines. The museum celebrates Enzo Ferrari's vision and journey from his

humble beginnings to establishing the iconic brand.

Balsamic vinegar farm visit and dinner.

Aceto Balsamico Paltrinieri refers to the balsamic vinegars produced by the Paltrinieri family, an Italian estate that has been making traditional balsamic vinegar since 1845 in the region of Modena and Reggio Emilia. Their products are known for their quality, using traditional methods and aging in wooden barrels to create a rich, syrupy flavor. The family also offers guided tours of their estate, allowing visitors to learn about the production process and taste various vinegars.

Return to Verona

Meals: B, D Overnight: Verona, Italy





## Day 5 / July 28 / Tuesday

Breakfast at the hotel.

This morning depart for Lake Garda to enjoy a boat tour around the Sirmione peninsula.

The 25 minute boat tour provides panoramic views of the Sirmione peninsula on Lake Garda, highlighting landmarks like the Scaliger Castle, Grotte di Catullo (Roman ruins), and luxury villas while offering perspectives on the town, thermal springs, and Jamaica Beach. Sirmione, a breathtaking medieval hamlet, is famous for the clear waters of Lake Garda, the beautiful castle and for the charming palaces full of flowers.

Free time to have lunch on your own, explore, shop, or take a refreshing swim in Lake Garda. Return to Verona.







Meet our guide for an afternoon walking tour of Verona.

Verona, Italy, is a romantic, historic city in the Veneto region, famous for being the setting of Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet and for its well-preserved Roman and Renaissance architecture, including the vast Arena amphitheater. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, featuring picturesque squares like Piazza delle Erbe, a vibrant local market, and a culture blending ancient Roman roots with Renaissance charm. Visitors can explore historical sites, enjoy Northern Italian cuisine, and discover the city's beauty along the Adige River.

Free time to sightsee, shop on your own.

Meet the bus at the bus parking area and return to the hotel.

Dinner at the hotel, evening free.

Meals: B, D Overnight: Verona, Italy



## Day 6 / July 29 / Wednesday

Breakfast at the hotel and check out.

Depart for the Venice airport and check in on arrival

9:50 Depart Venice for Helsinki on Finnair

13:40 Arrive in Helsinki, meet our guide and depart for the hotel

Check in to the hotel and have lunch at the hotel

Depart for the arena.

## Exhibition game # 1 vs TBA

Return to the hotel and dinner included Meals: B, L Overnight: Helsinki, Finland







## Day 7 / July 30 / Thursday

Breakfast at the hotel

In the morning we take a short boat trip to the Suomenlinna Island Fortress.

Suomenlinna is a historic island sea fortress, a UNESCO World Heritage site, located at the entrance to Helsinki's harbor. Built in the mid-18th century by the Kingdom of Sweden to defend against Russia, it later served the Russian Empire and the Republic of Finland. Today, it is a popular tourist destination with museums and other attractions and a living district of Helsinki with about 800 inhabitants.

Enjoy a guided walking tour of the fortress.

Return to Market Square and have free time for lunch and to relax.

Free time to sightsee, shop and for lunch on your own.

Depart for the arena.

### Exhibition game # 2 vs TBA

Return to the hotel and dinner included.



# FINLAND LIONS CUP - 5 games of 2 x 20 minutes

## Day 8 / July 31 / Friday

Breakfast at the hotel

Meet your local guide for a sightseeing tour of Helsinki.

Helsinki is the capital and largest city of Finland, known for its blend of cosmopolitan culture, design, and high technology, all set against the backdrop of the Baltic Sea. The "White City of the North" features a unique mix of modern and historical architecture, a leading public transportation system, and a vibrant arts and culture scene. As Finland's political, educational, and economic center, Helsinki is a significant seaport and a hub for research and innovation.

Depart for the arena

FLC Tournament game # 1 vs TBA

Free time for lunch on your own.

FLC Tournament game # 2 vs TBA

Bus to the hotel and dinner on arrival Meals: B, D Overnight: Helsinki, Finland









### Day 9 / August 1 / Saturday

Breakfast at the hotel Depart for the arena

FLC Tournament game # 3 vs TBA

Free time for lunch on your own.

FLC Tournament game # 4 vs TBA

Bus to the hotel and dinner on arrival Meals: B, D Overnight: Helsinki, Finland







## Day 10 / August 2 / Sunday

Breakfast at the hotel Depart for the arena

### FLC Tournament Placement game # 5 vs TBA

Free time for lunch on your own.

Meet the bus and depart for the ferry terminal.

Get your tickets and board the overnight ferry to Helsinki.

Your equipment and suitcase will be on the bus in the locked cargo area.

Just take a knapsack with what you need for the overnight trip.

Enjoy the amazing buffet dinner after dropping off your items in your cabin.

After dinner there is duty free shopping and live entertainment on board.

Meals: B, D Overnight: Overnight Ferry







## Day 11 / August 3 / Monday

Enjoy the buffet breakfast onboard prior to arrival in Stockholm.

Disembark the ferry and meet your bus.

Guided bus and walking tour of Stockholm including the Vasa Ship Museum.

Stockholm is the capital and largest city of Sweden, a global center for culture, technology, and finance, built on 14 islands where Lake Mälaren meets the Baltic Sea. Founded in 1252, the city is known for its historic architecture in Gamla Stan (Old Town), as well as its innovation, earning it the title "Capital of Scandinavia". It's an important economic hub, the host of the Nobel Prize, and boasts a vibrant blend of historical charm and modern design.

The Vasa was a Swedish warship that sank in 1628 on its maiden voyage in Stockholm harbor due to instability, being too top-heavy and having insufficient ballast. Salvaged 333 years later in 1961, the ship is now a preserved time capsule and a popular museum attraction in Stockholm, offering unparalleled insights into 17th-century shipbuilding and life.

Free time for lunch and to sightsee on your own.

Depart for the hotel and check in. Please note that all rooms may not be ready until after 3 p.m. Depart for the arena.

## Exhibition game # 3 vs TBA

Return to the hotel and dinner included.

Evening free to explore the city from our centrally located hotel.

Meals: B, D Overnight: Stockholm, Sweden





### Day 12 / August 4 / Tuesday

Breakfast at the hotel

Depart for Drottningholm Palace to take a guided tour of the palace.

Drottningholm Palace is the official private residence of the Swedish royal family, located near Stockholm on the island of Lovön, and is also a UNESCO World Heritage site known as the "Versailles of Sweden". Commissioned in the late 17th century by Queen Hedvig Eleonora and designed by Nicodemus Tessin the Elder and his son, the palace showcases French Baroque architecture with opulent interiors, a collection of portraits, and features the 18th-century Drottningholm Palace Theatre, one of the world's best-preserved theaters using its original machinery. The complex also includes elaborate Baroque and English gardens, a Chinese Pavilion, and a Royal Chapel, with parts of the palace and grounds open to the public.







Lunch included at a restaurant.

The bus will drop you off on the island of Djurgarden or in the city centre.

Djurgården is a forested island in central Stockholm, Sweden, famous for its blend of nature and culture, serving as a popular royal game park and now a national city park. Visitors enjoy attractions like the Vasa Museum, Gröna Lund amusement park, and the Skansen open-air museum, alongside extensive walking and cycling paths and harbors. Historically a royal hunting ground, it is now a major public recreation area and a popular tourist destination, attracting millions of visitors annually for its museums, cultural sites, and green spaces.

At Djurgarden maybe go to <u>Skansen</u>, <u>Grona Lund</u>, the <u>Viking Museum</u> or the <u>ABBA Museum</u>. Near the hotel maybe go to the <u>Avici Eperience</u> or the <u>ICEBAR Stockholm</u>. Dinner is on your own tonight.

Meals: B, L Overnight: Stockholm, Sweden

### Day 13 / August 5 / Wednesday

Breakfast at the hotel and check out of the hotel Depart for the Stockholm airport Check in at the airport

- 06:30 Morning flight from Stockholm to Amsterdam on KLM 1214
- 08:40 Arrive in Amsterdam
- 11:20 Depart for Toronto on KLM 691
- 13:20 Arrive in Toronto

## **FIRST 23 PASSENGERS**

15:15 Depart for Winnipeg

16:58 Arrive in Winnipeg

## **NEXT 23 PASSENGERS**

22:35 Depart for Winnipeg

00:02 Arrive in Winnipeg

Meals: B





## CANADA TRUE NORTH TOUR INFORMATION

#### **INCLUDED FOR ALL PASSENGERS**

Return airfare to Europe from Winnipeg. Ask about other gateways.

Flight from Venice to Helsinki

Knapsack sized carry on and one suitcase (max 23kg)

Hotel accommodation 3-4 stars hotel.

Buffet breakfast daily. One of lunch or dinner daily most days.

Bus transportation and all transfers.

Guided sightseeing tours and entry fees.

All-inclusive travel insurance with Allianz Insurance

Please see below for passenger 60 years of age and older.

Tournament entry fees and all sports arrangements.

All taxes and fees.

#### INCLUDED APPAREL FOR PLAYERS ONLY

Azorcan will sponsor the players apparel package consisting of the following. Two Canada True North official game jerseys

A Canada True North hat with player number

## **INCLUDED APPAREL FOR NON-PLAYERS**

One Canada True North official fan jersey with personalized name and number.

#### **NOT INCLUDED**

Travel health requirements including documentation, vaccination or testing.

Free time activities and drinks at dinner or lunch unless otherwise indicated.

Flight baggage fees for sports equipment.

Tips for the tour guide and driver are not included.

### **PRE-DEPARTURE SKATES**

The team will provide pre-departure skates included with the tour package.

### **INSURANCE FOR PASSENGERS AGED 60+**

Azorcan Global includes an all-inclusive insurance policy in the tour package.

The Alliance Insurance policy and emergency contact information is available on the webpage.

The insurance cost is included for passengers 59 years of age or younger that are in good health.

An individual quote will be required for passengers 60 and older.

A basic medical questionnaire may also be required for passengers 60 and older.

It is up to each passenger to review the included coverage, understand exclusions and ensure they have proper coverage.

#### AZORCAN RINGETTE TOUR COST AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Tour cost is per person and is based on number of people per room.

There are a limited number of triple and single rooms available.

Due to the size of European hotel rooms double rooms are preferred.

Double Occ. Triple Occ. Single Occ. \$7375.00 \$7175.00 \$8295.00

#### **ADDITIONAL FLIGHT OPTIONS**

Receive a \$ 1800.00 discount to arrange your own flights and meet the group in Europe.

Economy seats are reserved for the group.

#### **PAYMENTS**

Initial deposit of \$500 per player at time of registration.

Initial deposit of \$500 per family member on February 1, 2026

Payment per person of \$ 1000 is due on April 1, 2026

Final payment and final name list is due on May 15th of 2026

All payments are non-refundable and Azorcan.

Payments can be made by etransfer, cheques or bank draft.

Ask your team contact for e-transfer information.

#### **LATE PAYMENTS**

Late payment penalties and cancellation fees are in effect.

Final payment late penalties by date final payment received.

After May 15 \$ 100.00 per person.

After May 20 \$ 200.00 per person.

After June 1 passenger may be cancelled without refund.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Team coaches and staff members may not be agents, representatives or employees of Azorcan Global. All teams are independent so Azorcan plays no part in player selection, team staff selection, staff decisions or predeparture programs.



## AZORCAN EUROPEAN TOURS

Azorcan is a 100% Canadian owned European group tour operator based in Edmonton, Canada. We are the leaders in custom group travel to Europe since 1994 with thousands of satisfied clients from Canada and the U.S.A.. Our experience in almost every country in Europe is your guarantee of a care free and memorable experience.

#### **TAKE YOUR GROUP**

<u>Contact Azorcan</u> to create a once-in-a-lifetime European custom tour that includes flights, hotels, meals, sightseeing, special events, English speaking guides and more. Our sport tours can include exhibition matches, tournaments and training sessions. Minimum 25 passengers per group.

### JOIN ONE OF OUR SIGHTSEEING OR FAN GROUPS

These tours sell out fast so please get on our <u>Priority List</u> today to receive front of the line tour information and follow our <u>Azorcan Tours Facebook Page</u> for tour updates and destination information. Here are some recent and upcoming Azorcan sightseeing and fan tours.

**Croatia Cruise** – we charter an 18 room yacht and cruise the Adriatic Sea including Split and Dubrovnik. **Classical Greece** – we visit Athens, Delphi, Crete, Santorini and Mykonos.

**Imperial Europe** – Central Europe WWII tour including Nuremburg, Rothenburg, Munich, Prague and Krakow. **Bella Italia** – Best of Italy tour including Verona, Venice, Bologna, Florence, Pisa, Siena and Rome.

**Portugal Discoveries** – Includes the Algarve, Evora, Lisbon, Sintra, Obidos, Fatima, Aveiro, Douro and Porto. **Spengler Cup** – join us in Davos, Switzerland for the oldest international hockey tournament in the world.

World Juniors – we had 350 Canadian hockey fans in Gothenburg, Sweden. Join us in Finland in 2028.

### **JOIN ONE OF OUR GROUPS**

Get your group of 25 or more people and start planning one of these groups today!

**SIGHTSEEING TOURS** - We have conducted tours throughout Europe.

**CORPORATE TOURS** - We can include factory visits, conference facilities and special events.

**SCHOOL TOURS** - We have conducted tours for high school, college and university groups.

FAN TOURS - World Junior Hockey Championships, Spengler Cup, NHL Global Series, and more.

**HOCKEY TOURS -** We have taken thousands of athletes and families on youth, female and adult tours.

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**SOCCER TOURS** - Academy, club or select team tours with tournaments, friendlies, training and club visits. **RINGETTE TOURS** - RIngette tours including tournaments and games in Sweden, Finland and Czechia.

RUGBY TOURS - Rugby 7s & 15s tournaments and friendlies available for youth and adult teams.

GOLF TOURS - Take your group of 20 or more on a custom golf tour.

OTHER SPORTS - We have contacts for all sport including basketball, field hockey, pickleball and more.

Contact Azorcan to inquire about taking your group on a trip of a lifetime.