

# DEAR AURORA, I HAVEN'T SLEPT SINCE WE MET.

The spectacular light show that you will find in the Northwest Territories is unlike anywhere else on earth. Brilliant greens, dazzling purples and vibrant reds leave visitors breathless. If you're looking to share the story of our Aurora and the many other great activities to do in Canada's Northwest Territories, start by visiting [spectacularnwt.com/stories](https://spectacularnwt.com/stories) for great lists, in-depth articles, videos and general information. Spectacular stories start here.

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### MAKE TRACKS FOR THE ARCTIC OCEAN

Road-trippers, start your engines. The Inuvik to Tuktoyaktuk Highway is a 140-km road from Inuvik, at the terminus of the Dempster Highway, to the little Inuvialuit town of Tuktoyaktuk on the shores of the Beaufort Sea. What can they expect? A possible sighting of herds of caribou and perhaps even some reindeer, sweeping tundra and “pingo” hills, and waters rippling with Arctic fish, fowl and beluga whales. [ith.dot.gov.nt.ca](http://ith.dot.gov.nt.ca)



### DRIVING THE DEMPSTER JUST GOT EASIER

You can go your own way! Driving Force is offering one-way vehicle rentals up or down the Dempster Highway between Whitehorse and Inuvik. Guests can now pick up a vehicle in Whitehorse and drive it across the Arctic Circle, through the Mackenzie Mountains and across the Mackenzie Delta to Inuvik and drop it off there instead of having to make the return trip. One-way rentals from Inuvik to Whitehorse are also available. This opens up a world of options for your bucket-list road trip into the Western Arctic [drivingforce.ca](http://drivingforce.ca)



### AURORA VILLAGE – SIGNATURE VITEEPEE EXPERIENCE

Witness the mystical dance of the Northern Lights like a VIP with Aurora Village’s new ViTeepee Experience. Spend the day weaving through forest trails on a sled pulled by a team of eager sled dogs, or tromp over pure, unspoiled landscapes on snowshoes at Aurora Village’s wilderness location outside Yellowknife. At night, enjoy a three-course gourmet meal consisting of slow-roasted smoked bison prime rib or Great Slave Lake whitefish in the comfort of your own private teepee. With a fire keeping your teepee toasty, wander over to a series of custom-built heated chairs and watch the Aurora Borealis do its magic high overhead. The ViTeepee Experience brings Aurora viewing to a whole new level with true on-the-land luxury. [auroravillage.com](http://auroravillage.com)



### YELLOW DOG LODGE

Yellow Dog Lodge is located between beautiful Duncan and Graham Lakes, only a 15-minute floatplane ride northeast of Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, Canada. The lodge features great sport fishing, canoeing, kayaking, boating, hiking and wildlife viewing. The area has beautiful beaches, amazing views and plenty of water to play in – there is something for everyone. Later in the season when the days are shorter, the Aurora Borealis fills the night sky and brings dramatic closure to the day’s fishing. The wood fired hot tub is the best place to watch these spectacular light displays. The Yellow Dog Lodge shore lunch is a Canadian Signature Experience. [yellowdoglodge.ca](http://yellowdoglodge.ca)



### TUNDRA NORTH TOURS – SIGNATURE REINDEER EXPERIENCE

Watch a vast herd of 3,000 reindeer move slowly, like a living river, across the stark, snowy tundra. Follow in their footsteps as they travel towards their spring calving grounds. See shimmering northern lights shoot across the horizon as you head for the night into an igloo you helped build. Mush your own dog team, smoke fish and share a feast cooked by Inuvik elders while chatting with them about traditional life. Take part in old-time games, dances and songs and feel the connection these people have with the Arctic’s creatures and wide-open spaces. You can enjoy all of this with Tundra North Tours, based out of Inuvik Northwest Territories. This Canadian Signature experience is one of a kind and cannot be missed. [tundranorthtours.com](http://tundranorthtours.com)



### KASBA LAKE LODGE – A CANADIAN SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

There’s fly-fishing. And then there’s fly-in fly-fishing. Kasba Lake Lodge offers such an adventure from its southeastern NWT location. During a five-day stay at the fishing lodge, guests will hop on a vintage DH2 Beaver floatplane and fly out for a day on the untamed World Heritage Kazan River. There, they’ll enjoy unparalleled fly-fishing for lake trout and Arctic grayling in the realm of the Barrenland grizzly, capped off with a succulent shore-lunch. At the end of the day, guests return to the all-inclusive lodge for more world-class fishing and fine dining. [kasba.com/canadian-signature-experience](http://kasba.com/canadian-signature-experience)



### AURORA SIGNATURE SUITES IN THE EXPLORER HOTEL

Experience Yellowknife in style from the Explorer Hotel’s new Aurora Signature Suite. It’s an Aurora obsessive’s dream, with a private deck that provides a panoramic view of Yellowknife and a telescope guests can use to search the stars. The spacious, elegant suite is decorated with furs and the photography of celebrated local photographer Angela Gzowski. Relax after an exciting day exploring the NWT capital in a large soaker tub. Daily complimentary breakfast and a private city or Aurora tour for two (if guests book more than two nights) are also included. Live large in the Explorer Hotel’s Aurora Signature Suite. [explorerhotel.ca/accomodations.htm](http://explorerhotel.ca/accomodations.htm)