

# 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 you expect? Possible sightings of herds of caribou and perhaps even some reindeer, sweeping tundra, "pingo" hills, and waters rippling with Arctic fish, fowl and beluga whales. [www.ith.dot.gov.nt.ca](http://www.ith.dot.gov.nt.ca)



## 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. [www.yellowdoglodge.ca/](http://www.yellowdoglodge.ca/)



## TUNDRA NORTH TOURS

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. [www.tundranorthtours.com](http://www.tundranorthtours.com)



## DIRECT FLIGHTS, VANCOUVER TO YELLOWKNIFE

The direct Air Canada flight from Vancouver to Yellowknife will return for the popular Aurora viewing season, starting earlier in September. In addition, Air Canada will also be adding another direct flight from Vancouver to Yellowknife all year-round. Both flights connect seamlessly from Air Canada's Asia and United States routes. [www.aircanada.ca](http://www.aircanada.ca)



## 72 NEW ROOMS PLANNED FOR THE EXPLORER HOTEL

The largest hotel in the Northwest Territories, The Explorer Hotel, has expanded to add 72 more rooms in a seven-story addition. The Explorer Hotel will have a total of 259 rooms as of January 2019, as well as an expanded banquet and conference facility. [www.explorerhotel.ca](http://www.explorerhotel.ca)



## BLACHFORD LAKE LODGE

Blachford Lake Lodge is the North's premiere all season fly-in eco-lodge, welcoming guests, conferences, meetings, weddings and special events. In winter, enjoy Northern Lights/Aurora Borealis, snowmobiling, ice fishing, skating, cross country skiing and snowshoeing. In summer, enjoy sport fishing, canoeing, kayaking hiking and Aurora viewing in the pristine wilderness surrounding the lodge. [www.blachfordlakelodge.com](http://www.blachfordlakelodge.com)