

### Iceberg Floats Past Canada



- 1 The historic, seaside town of Ferryland, Newfoundland, doesn't draw many tourists on an average day. Lately, however, people have been flocking to the sleepy village for a once-in-a-lifetime view of a massive glacier. Each year, hundreds of icebergs float past Ferryland through shipping lanes. The massive blocks of ice break off in the Arctic, and float south as they slowly melt away. This year, a particularly large iceberg has run aground right next to the town. While icebergs are not an unusual sight in Ferryland, this year has offered far more than usual.
- 2 Knowing when the icebergs will float by towns like Ferryland is difficult to predict, so the grounded one has been a great blessing to the town. Tour companies, like Iceberg Quest Ocean Tours, are enjoying record profits because of the reliably beached ice mountain. While the town has just 465 permanent residents, there have been traffic jams along their Southern Shore Highway due to amateur and professional photographers vying for position. Everyone wants a photo of this beautiful and somewhat surreal natural phenomenon. There's no telling how long the massive iceberg will last in Ferryland. If it becomes unmoored, it could float away in a matter of hours. If it stays beached, it could last through the summer as it slowly melts away. If you can make it to Ferryland, now is the time to go. The iceberg is there, but it might not be for long.

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