



# Australia Market Highlights - Facts at a Glance

Nearly 3 million Australian long-haul pleasure travellers intend to visit Canada in the next two years.

# 2017 Performance





**375K** (**1**3%)

\$2,324

- Canada welcomed a record number of Australian tourists in 2017.
- Increases in direct air capacity (up 29% over 2016), and strong economic fundamentals supported market growth.
- The lift in air capacity was due predominantly to continuation of the monthly Air Canada service between Brisbane and Vancouver.

## Market Insights



Australians are an attractive leisure target for Canada with 57% of Australian tourists to Canada visiting for pleasure and recreation.<sup>2</sup>



In 2017, Australian travellers were more likely than the average overseas visitor to arrive during the ski season, as well as Spring months.<sup>1</sup>



Canada's credentials in providing beautiful outdoor experiences are well known among Australian travellers. Canada is also perceived as safe, friendly and welcoming.<sup>5</sup>

## 2018 Forecast

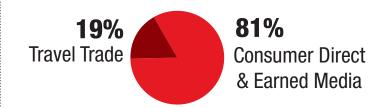


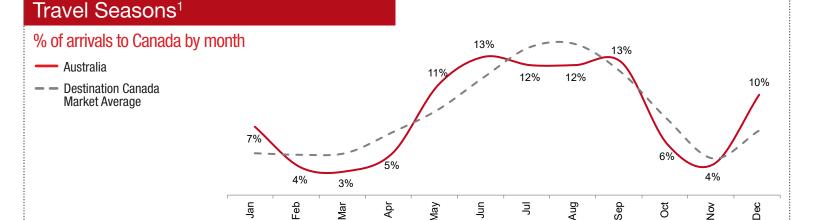






### **Channel Investment Mix**





## Market Potential5



5,707,000

Canada's target market



are definitely/very likely to visit Canada in the next 2 years



Canada's immediate potential

# Top Drivers<sup>5</sup>

The main features that Australian travellers desire in a destination are...

- Proud to tell people I have visited
- Safe place to visit
- Beautiful outdoor scenery and landscapes
- People are friendly and welcoming
- Cities are great for exploring and soaking in the atmosphere
- Great dining/food experiences
- Allows me to de-stress
- Cities have a lot of great attractions
- Combines both outdoor activities and city experiences
- Distinctive experiences during four seasons

.....

## Target Audiences



# Cultural Explorers 25-34

They don't just want to "visit" - they want to immerse themselves in local culture, live like the locals and discover all the authentic places and experiences that makes Canada so special.

## Key themes

Excite and inspire with unique and authentic experiences that will immerse them into Canadian culture.



#### Experiencing authentic Canadiana

Experience distinctively Canadian culture, personalities, and cuisine that can't be found at home.



### Uncovering hidden gems

Finding the lesser-visited attractions that will make their experience in Canada unique.



#### Engaging with Canada's natural beauty

Participate in physically engaging outdoor activities while taking in Canada's natural beauty.



# 55+ Social Samplers

They make the most of their time when they travel - they want to experience all the iconic attractions Canada has to offer while they're there.

## Key themes

Showcase thoroughly planned itineraries that connect travellers to iconic and niche Canadian experiences.



#### Nature connected to cities

Feeling wowed by Canada's beautiful landscapes and wildlife, while being stimulated by the culture and vibrancy of cities.



### The history behind Canadian icons

Discovering the "must-see" attractions in Canada, and learning about their historical and cultural significance.



#### Exploring regions, not destinations

Tour multiple destinations through fly-drive experiences connecting urban and outdoor adventure.

## Canada a

For further information, please contact:

Ms. Donna Campbell

Account Director D.C. & Associates Worldwide Ptd. Ltd. Drummoyne, Australia

donna@dcaworldwide.com

- <sup>2</sup>Destination Canada Research estimates, using Statistics Canada preliminary Q1-Q3 ITS, Frontier Counts and e311 adjusted data (April 2018) IATA SRS Analyzer Data, March 2018
- 5 Global Tourism Watch 2017