

## **Their Royal Highnesses Depart PEI for Manitoba**

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As The Prince of Wales and The Duchess of Cornwall ended Day Three in the Maritimes of their whirlwind 2014 Royal Tour, they exchanged farewells with a group of dignitaries and boarded Canadian Forces Airbus (RCAF-1), bearing the red Canadian maple leaf and motto, "The True North Strong and Free". After removing The Prince of Wales' Personal Standard in Canada from the cockpit window, the plane taxied off down the runway of Charlottetown Airport in Prince Edward Island, bound for Winnipeg, Manitoba.

The Royal Couple arrived at Canadian Forces Base Winnipeg and proceeded to Government House for a private reception. The following morning, on the last day of their Royal Tour, Prince Charles and his wife, Camilla, attended the "Aerospace and Aviation in Manitoba Day" at the Stevenson Hanger where both His Royal Highness and Prime Minister Stephen Harper delivered remarks to the assembled crowd. They then visited the Pavilion Gallery Museum in Winnipeg to discover the history of "Winnie the Pooh" and his connection to Winnipeg.

The Prince of Wales departed for Churchill, MB to tour the new "Journey to Churchill" Exhibit where he fed one of the polar bears. Afterwards, he visited Place Bernadette Poirier, Innovation Alley and Red River College before returning to the Fairmont Winnipeg Hotel where he was made an Honorary Commissioner of the RCMP. During this time, The Duchess of Cornwall visited the world-famous Royal Winnipeg Ballet and the Assiniboine Credit Union.







Their Royal Highnesses then reunited and went to the Manitoba Legislature where The Prince of Wales delivered his last speech of the Canadian visit. At the Legislature, he was inducted into the Order of Manitoba. They received full military honours before departing CFB Winnipeg for RAF Brize Norton, UK aboard a Canadian Forces Airbus (RCAF-1), thus ending their 2014 Royal Tour of Canada comprised of almost 140 events in three provinces in four days.







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