



# South Korea Market Highlights - Facts at a Glance

More than 8 million South Korean long-haul pleasure travellers intend to visit Canada in the next two years.

## 2017 Performance





286K (17%)

\$1,558

 This was supported by a 17% expansion in direct air capacity, boosted by the continuation of Air Canada's service between Seoul and Toronto.

## Market Insights



Pleasure and recreation travel to Canada grew more than any other trip purpose, up an estimated 51% over 2016.<sup>2</sup>



68% of South Koreans were solo travellers in Canada, more than any of our other target markets in 2016.<sup>2</sup>



Interest in visiting Quebec has increased markedly year-on-year. Almost half of South Korean travellers also reported the Quebec City based TV drama series "Goblin" positively affected their desire to travel to Canada.<sup>5</sup>

## 2018 Forecast

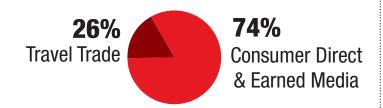








## **Channel Investment Mix**

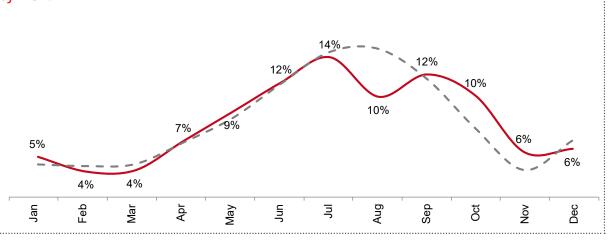


## Travel Seasons<sup>1</sup>

## % of arrivals to Canada by month

South Korea

 Destination Canada Market Average



## Market Potential5



16,226,000

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 South Korean travellers desire in a destination are...

- Proud to tell people I have visited
- Beautiful outdoor scenery and landscapes
- Cities have a lot of great attractions
- Safe place to visit
- Spend quality time with friends and/or family
- Touring around to multiple destinations
- Unique culture I want to experience on vacation
- Intellectually stimulating travel experiences
- Combines both outdoor activities and city experiences
- Experience things that I can't experience at home

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# Target Audiences



# 🔍 Free Spirits 25-34

They are shaped by the places they have visited and the unique things they have found. The cool experiences they have had in their travels defines them.

### Kev themes

Excite and inspire with unique and authentic experiences that will immerse them into trendy Canadian culture through inspiring content and abundant itineraries.



#### Experiencing authentic Canadiana

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



### Experiencing Canada's natural beauty

Feeling wowed by beautiful landscapes and scenery; exploring nature.



### Experiencing vibrant cities through intellectually stimulating experiences

Experiencing urban icons interspersed with local, niche experiences.



# Free Spirits 55+

They want to try a little bit of everything when they experience something new. They want to share that which brings them joy with their family and friends.

### Kev themes

Introduce high-end themed products reflecting trends appealing to this age group and their life stage (ie. Second honeymoon, girls-getaway) through key accounts.



### Unwinding in Canada

Introducing all the ways travellers can unwind and pamper themselves in a uniquely Canadian way.



#### Nature connected to cities

Feeling wowed by beautiful landscapes and wildlife; while being stimulated by the culture and vibrancy of cities.



### Exploring regions, not singular destinations

Touring multiple destinations through package tours connecting urban and outdoor adventure.

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- <sup>2</sup>Destination Canada Research estimates, using Statistics Canada preliminary Q1-Q3 ITS, Frontier Counts and e311 adjusted data (April 2018)
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