# TOURISM NOVA SCOTIA INDUSTRY UPDATE

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## TOURISM NOVA SCOTIA

### **Destination Marketing**

- Consumer
- Travel Trade

### **Sector Development**

- Experience Development
- Business Development
- Research

### **Operations**

- 6 Provincial Visitor Information Centres
- Contact Centre
- Literature Distribution





## TOURISM INDUSTRY GOAL (2014)



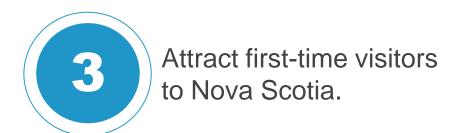
Double tourism revenues within 10 years

\$4 Billion by 2024



## TOURISM NOVA SCOTIA'S STRATEGY





Focus on world class experiences.





## COMMUNITY'S ROLE



Partner with industry to deliver destination development and marketing



Visitor servicing



## GOVERNMENT'S ROLE



Align policy agenda in support of goal

Thereby informing...



Community economic development



Attraction of inward investment



Infrastructure development



## INDUSTRY'S ROLE



Close the sale pre-trip and during trip



Drive repeat visitation by exceeding visitor expectations



Invest in product



Deliver world class experiences



TOURISM NOVA SCOTIA'S PARTNERSHIP APPROACH

Co-investors vs "funders"

• 3 programs

- World Class Experience EXCELLerator Program
- Digital Marketing Program
- Inspiring Content Program









## BUILDING OFF A GREAT YEAR

- 2016 was the most successful campaign to-date based on reach and conversions achieved.
- Key learnings from the "If You Only Knew" creative platform
- Fewer, Bigger Bets. Use fewer channels more efficiently
- Respond to travel intent, even if it falls outside of our core demo



## MARKET SEGMENTS

IMMEDIATE FOCUS (2)

MID-TERM FOCUS

Authentic Experiencers

**Cultural Explorers** 

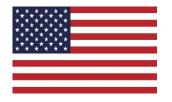
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## PRIMARY MARKETS







USA Northeast Mid-Atlantic



INTERNATIONAL
United Kingdom
Germany
China



## CONSUMER MARKETING: 2017 STRATEGY

### The Marketing Objective

Inspire first-time visitation from target EQ market segments.

### **Barrier to Overcome**

Consideration to visit Nova Scotia is high, but travelers do not know what they can do to fill up their vacation.

### **Marketing Strategy**

Embrace the lesser known aspects of Nova Scotia and get travelers to challenge their current perceptions of the province. **Expected and the Unexpected.** 













## 2017 BLOCKING CHART

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## **GO MEDIA 2017**

#### What is Go Media?

- An annual event that brings Canadian tourism industry together in a different city/region of Canada to meet with more than 130 international media guests from around the world
- Win for NS as it puts us in front of a qualified, highly targeted media who are selected and recommended by Destination Canada, and have the ability to motivate travel
- 1st time in Halifax big win to have highly targeted media here to tell more of our stories
- Halifax: September 30 October 5, 2017



### RENDEZ-VOUS CANADA

- What is Rendez-Vous Canada (RVC)? Destination Canada's major international sales marketplace for buying and selling of Canada's tourism products and services to the tour operator channel
- Halifax: May 13- 16, 2018
- Event objectives:
  - To increase the awareness and desirability of Canada and the host province, as a leading, preferred and first-class international travel destination
  - To increase the range and number of internationally competitive Canadian products, services and packages offered for sale
  - To provide an opportunity to inform the tourism industry-both internationally and domestically of Canada's international marketing activities and plan
- Big win for NS because:
  - It generates exposure of Nova Scotia's tourism offerings to over 500 international tour operator buyers and support future sales potential of Nova Scotia holiday packages



## THANK YOU!

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