

RUNNER-UP

# Qatar *at the World Cup.*

*A runner-up route hands you a different  
knockout city. Plan for both.*



QATAR

GROUP

B

CONFEDERATION

AFC

OPENS AGAINST

Switzerland · Vancouver

**TOURNAMENT**

11 June - 19 July 2026 · USA · Canada · Mexico

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# Your trip at a glance

Qatar · Runner-up

<b>MATCHES</b> <b>4</b> 3 group + up to 1 knockout	<b>HOST CITIES</b> <b>3</b> Vancouver → Toronto → New York / New Jersey	<b>COUNTRIES</b> <b>2</b> Canada · USA	<b>TRAVEL TIME</b> <b>2h</b> Between host cities
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## YOUR ROUTE ACROSS NORTH AMERICA



### BASE CAMP

TBC

### FINAL VENUE

MetLife Stadium · New York / New Jersey · 19 July 2026

## 01 FIXTURES

3 MATCHES

## Your group stage

MATCH

1

 vs Switzerland Sat, 13 Jun 2026  Vancouver - BC Place

KICKOFF

TBC

MATCH

2

 vs Canada Thu, 18 Jun 2026  Toronto - BMO Field

KICKOFF

TBC

MATCH

3

 vs Bosnia and Herzegovina Wed, 24 Jun 2026  Toronto - BMO Field

KICKOFF

TBC

BASE CAMP

TBC

TEAM HOTEL

TBC

WESTERN REGION · CANADA

# Vancouver

BC Place · YVR



CAPACITY

**54,500**

ROOF

**Retractable**

SURFACE

natural grass overlay

CLIMATE

Cool and damp in June.  
Pack a waterproof jacket.

## WHERE TO STAY

### BUDGET

#### **HI Vancouver Downtown**

Hostel in the West End, walkable to BC Place.

#### **Sandman Hotel Vancouver City Centre**

Clean, central, unfussy.

### MID

#### **Blue Horizon Hotel**

Robson Street, 20 min walk to the stadium.

#### **The Listel Hotel**

Independent art hotel on Robson.

### PREMIUM

#### **Fairmont Pacific Rim**

Harbour views, flagship Vancouver stay.

#### **Shangri-La Hotel Vancouver**

In the tallest tower, central.

## WHERE TO EAT

### **Japadog**

street food - Japanese-inflected hot dogs, a Vancouver institution.

### **St. Lawrence**

Québécois - James Beard-recognised, Railtown.

### **Phnom Penh**

Cambodian-Vietnamese - Chinatown classic - book or queue.

## WORTH YOUR TIME

### **Stanley Park seawall**

9 km of flat waterfront walking/cycling loop.

### **Granville Island Public Market**

Craft stalls, street food, harbour views.

### **Capilano Suspension Bridge**

Rainforest canopy walk, 20 min north of downtown.

### **Grouse Mountain Skyride**

Gondola to a viewpoint over the city.

EASTERN REGION · CANADA

# Toronto

BMO Field · YYZ / YTZ



CAPACITY

**45,700**

ROOF

**Open bowl**

SURFACE

natural grass

CLIMATE

Mild to warm, variable.  
Pack a light rain layer.

## WHERE TO STAY

### BUDGET

#### **HI Toronto Downtown**

Walkable to BMO Field via Union Station.

### MID

#### **The Broadview Hotel**

Riverside, rooftop bar.

### PREMIUM

#### **The Hazelton**

Yorkville, quiet luxury.

#### **Shangri-La Toronto**

Central, polished.

## WHERE TO EAT

### **Alo**

tasting menu - Queen West, Canada's most lauded restaurant.

### **Schwartz's-rival Mr. Smoke Meat**

deli - Montreal-style smoked meat.

### **Pai**

Thai - Northern Thai from Chiang Mai, Entertainment District.

## WORTH YOUR TIME

### **CN Tower + EdgeWalk**

City view; the hands-free walk is 4× the cost of the top.

### **St. Lawrence Market**

Peameal bacon sandwich at Carousel Bakery.

### **Toronto Islands ferry**

10 min crossing; rent bikes on the island.

### **Kensington Market + Chinatown**

Dumplings, Portuguese bakeries, vintage.

EASTERN REGION · USA

# New York / New Jersey

MetLife Stadium · EWR / JFK / LGA



CAPACITY

**82,500**

ROOF

**Open bowl**

SURFACE

natural grass overlay

CLIMATE

Warm to hot, occasionally humid. Light jacket for evenings.

## WHERE TO STAY

### BUDGET

#### **HI NYC Hostel**

Upper West Side, Manhattan.

#### **Pod 39**

Budget micro-hotel, Midtown.

### MID

#### **Ace Hotel New York**

NoMad, lobby scene.

#### **citizenM Bowery**

Lower East Side, pod-style.

### PREMIUM

#### **The Mark**

Upper East Side, Jean-Georges on site.

#### **The Ritz-Carlton NoMad**

Rooftop bar.

## WHERE TO EAT

### **Katz's Delicatessen**

deli - Lower East Side, pastrami on rye.

### **Di Fara Pizza**

pizza - Midwood, Brooklyn; Dom DeMarco's slices.

### **Atomix**

tasting menu - Korean tasting menu, book two months ahead.

## WORTH YOUR TIME

### **The High Line + Hudson Yards**

Rail-trail through Chelsea.

### **Metropolitan Museum of Art**

Pay what you wish for NY residents; full price otherwise.

### **Staten Island Ferry**

Free; passes the Statue of Liberty.

### **Brooklyn Bridge walk + DUMBO**

Start Manhattan-side at sunset.

**02** TRAVEL

1 HOP

# Getting from A to B

**Toronto** → **New York / New Jersey**

Drive 8h



Fly 1.5h

Worth stopping: **Niagara Falls** - Canadian side for the view.

**03** PRE-FLIGHT

16 ITEMS

## Packing checklist

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Passport + printed copy             | <input type="checkbox"/> Tournament tickets                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance card + emergency contacts | <input type="checkbox"/> 20,000 mAh power bank                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Universal travel adapter            | <input type="checkbox"/> International eSIM                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Broken-in walking shoes             | <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle (empty through security) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Packing cubes                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen SPF 50                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat + sunglasses                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Lightweight rain shell                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compression socks for flights       | <input type="checkbox"/> Matchday polyester shirt              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel-friendly debit/credit card   | <input type="checkbox"/> Ibuprofen / paracetamol               |

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### Reflective LED armband

Evening kick-offs mean walking back after dark. A clip-on reflective LED armband keeps you visible to traffic, packs to nothing and costs a few pounds.

[Find it on Amazon](#)

04 AFFILIATE · AMAZON

TESTED PICKS

## Fan gear for your route



### Packable rain poncho

Stadium-friendly, fits in a small day pack.

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### Packing cubes

Non-negotiable for a multi-city trip.

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### 20,000 mAh power bank

Enough for a matchday of phone, camera and maps.

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### Sun-protective long-sleeve

UPF protection without cooking you - Dallas/Miami/Monterrey.

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### Dry-bag backpack

Keeps phone and passport dry on showery matchdays.

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### Travel pillow

For the long flight and the cross-country drive.

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### Universal travel adapter

One adapter that handles plugs in all three host countries.

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### Wide-brim sun hat

Better than a cap for afternoon kickoffs in the south.

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