



### OUR CANADIAN HERITAGE

Across an uncharted ocean, the pioneers came to open up a vast and unknown country—explorers, coureurs de bois in search of furs, prospectors seeking mineral wealth, homesteaders looking for land and freedom. By boat, birch bark canoe and on foot, they traversed the rivers and lakes, the forests, the prairies, the mountains, from Atlantic to Pacific and north to the Arctic.

Canada's wilderness regions remain just as they were first seen by the pioneers. Mighty rivers, beaches alive with seabirds, tranquil ponds inhabited only by wildlife, jagged mountains rising in majestic solitude...