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How many times a day do you say something is **'awesome'**? Five. Ten. Twenty? We all love bragging about the 'awesome' things we do. But are these everyday things truly awesome? What happened to watching a spectacular sunset surrounded by nature, friends and family? Or hearing the impressive boom of a cannon firing in the place where history was made?

This is what awesome used to mean.

This is what it still means.

Across Atlantic Canada, nothing can come close to experiencing the awesomeness of Parks Canada places.

Let us show you how!

1,2,3, GO!

Stow the electronics and pack up the kids! It's time to get out and get active with your family, at a price everybody can afford. The little ones will beg to come back again and you'll be happy to oblige when you see how quickly they conk out after a day of outdoor fun.

Now that's awesome!

A TACTILE ADVENTURE

Ready for a little fun in the sun? Kids will love the all new Discovery Dome, getting up close and personal with a lobster in the touch tank! Ready to build some waterfront property? Join a renowned sand sculptor and art teacher to learn the tricks of the trade for building spectacular sculptures in the sand. World-renowned beaches... and more!

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THE 78TH HIGHLANDERS EXPERIENCE

The sound of the pipes and drums amid the 19th century atmosphere confirm you've truly gone back in time. Your children don a bright red British doublet and become soldiers for a day. Forward, march! You can tell by the smiles on their faces how much fun they are having. Snap a photo of this heartwarming scene to share with your friends and family!

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LIFE IN THE LAGOON

As a family, discover the natural mysteries of the lagoon and its inhabitants. Walk barefoot on the sandy bottom of this shallow and sheltered stretch of salty water. Watch the snails, sticklebacks, grey shrimp and many other creatures. What a fascinating and satisfying way to learn more about nature!

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A TACTILE ADVENTURE

Wander down to the Visitor Centre at Salton's Brook and explore Terra Nova's touch tank teeming with sea creatures. Dip your hands in the waters and discover the diversity of aquatic life. It's a wonder anything can survive under the sea in the frigid waters of the Atlantic Ocean!

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© Parks Canada / A. Young

FOLLOW THE STORY OF THE 1758 SIEGE!

An exciting challenge awaits you. Who knew that the Fortress of Louisbourg covered so much ground? Discover the place where General Wolfe landed and built redoubts to attack the fortified town. Find all the caches hidden inside and outside the walls of the Fortress. Enjoy the exhilarating outdoors, the fresh sea air and fascinating history!

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Epic!

Looking for a thrill, or just a change of scenery? Grab a pal and head to your nearest national park for the adventure of a lifetime. Let us blow your mind and challenge you like never before. So go on, get out of your comfort zone and let off a little bit of steam.

Those selfies will be epic!



ADVENTURE AT SEA LEVEL

Does your bucket list include kayaking with whales, eagles and icebergs along a dramatic coastline? Or do you rather a gentler kayak excursion where you paddle sheltered coves and inlets in search of the perfect place to pitch your tent? Launch from Newman Sound and get the best of both!

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WISH UPON A STAR....

A spectacular sunset is just the prelude to the wonders of the night sky. Kejimikujik's sky is the darkest in Nova Scotia. On a clear night, its dreamy dome reveals thousands of stars, constellations, planets and even meteor showers – literally within arm's reach. Plan to explore the science, legends, and beauty of the universe as it drifts over your campsite.

Kejimikujik National Park and National Historic Site p. 14
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FOR THE LOVE OF LEIF!

Leif Erickson left his home and family to set out on an adventure to explore the world and ended up at l'Anse aux Meadows. Like Leif, are you driven to explore and experience new places, find the hidden secrets and hear the stories of a people and a place? Come share your stories with the lads and the ladies of his crew.

l'Anse aux Meadows National Historic Site p. 12
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SPEED SIGHTSEEING

Warm up with the 10-Hikes-in-One-Day Challenge - walk or run your way through 17 km of coastal and forest trails. Or up your game and take the Three-Peaks Challenge: complete a ½-marathon while climbing 4000 ft on the Acadian, Fishing Cove and Franey trails. Not for your average visitor.

Cape Breton Highlands National Park p. 14
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© Brian Townsend

PADDLE THE WORLD'S HIGHEST TIDES!

Do you have what it takes to experience the thrill of paddling the world's highest tides? If so, come play in our backyard! Live the enigma of massive water movements in the Bay of Fundy while you appreciate awe-inspiring sea cliffs. Majestic! Be among the select few to paddle the highest tides. Your friends will marvel at your feat.

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ESCAPE THE OFFICE

It's time to reclaim that balance in your life and enrich those family bonds. Opportunities abound to have fun and recharge your batteries in our national parks and national historic sites. The choices are endless...

All you have to do is pick one!

SEE THE EARTH NAKED

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Go on. Admit it. You always wanted to know what Earth looked like under all those trees and water, didn't you? Here's your chance! Get to the Tablelands, where Earth's mantle is revealed, and then head off trail to discover what the world is really made of. One thing's for sure: you'll never look at Earth the same way again.

Gros Morne National Park p. 12
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SUNSET AT LAND'S END

Immerse yourself in nature's masterpiece where the mountains truly meet the sea. Be led on an open headland 400 metres above the Atlantic Ocean to witness a breathtaking sunset at the end of the Skyline trail. Don't forget your camera: bald eagles, moose and whales often make an appearance!

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ADVENTURE IN A VOYAGEUR CANOE

Take off your lifejacket and grab your camera, the adventure begins. You have the feeling of being a fearless traveller looking for treasure. You get close to the sandbanks when suddenly, you hear mysterious sounds. Terns, ospreys and... hundreds of grey seals, they're everywhere! Some bask in the sun, while others do their morning swimming exercises. You're completely amazed.

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SOUNDINGS

Explore the sights, sounds, and smells of the life and times of Basque Whalers at Red Bay Basque Whaling Station World Heritage Site. You'll hear stories of hardship and promise, love and loss, whales and woes, and along the way, sample some food and maybe, just maybe, catch sight of that Basque ship anchored in the bay.

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WALK THE OCEAN'S FLOOR!

As the tide completes its six-hour long descent and reaches its lowest point, discover the many living things left behind. Walk the ocean's floor and explore the secrets of the vast intertidal zone. Eventually the incoming tide starts poking at your feet until it regains its lost ground. Savor this fleeting moment.

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THE PLEASURE OF TOGETHERNESS

Need a break from the stress of everyday life? Gather the family and head to a Parks Canada place near you. Our wonderful staff can guide you through our amazing natural spaces and tell you all about the story of Canada.

Moments to cherish forever!

SAVE THE FORT!

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Take the challenge and solve the 19th century mystery. As a newly minted member of the British military, search high and low through the formidable Citadel to find the six clues that will save the fort! Hooray – you’ve saved the day and had the best time ever!

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CYCLING BY THE SEA

Explore the stunning landscape of PEI's North Shore by cycling the Gulfshore Parkway. The fully paved cycling path winds its way past iconic red sandstone cliffs, panoramic dunescapes, an iconic lighthouse and six of the park's breathtaking beaches. With the warm summer breeze at your back and the sounds of the sea all around you, you'll love the trip as much as the destination!

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THE STORY OF ANNE

Visit Green Gables Heritage place to see where L.M. Montgomery found the inspiration to write one of Canada's greatest novels. At this 19th-century farmstead, images from the story are wound together with the very real experience of L.M. Montgomery's life. See if you can spot a certain redhead as you're strolling down lover's lane!

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BECOME A CANNONEER

Live the life of a colonial French artillery student and fire a cannon! Visit the Fortress of Louisbourg as one of its residents. After your costume fitting, you'll be ready to learn all about cannons and siege warfare.

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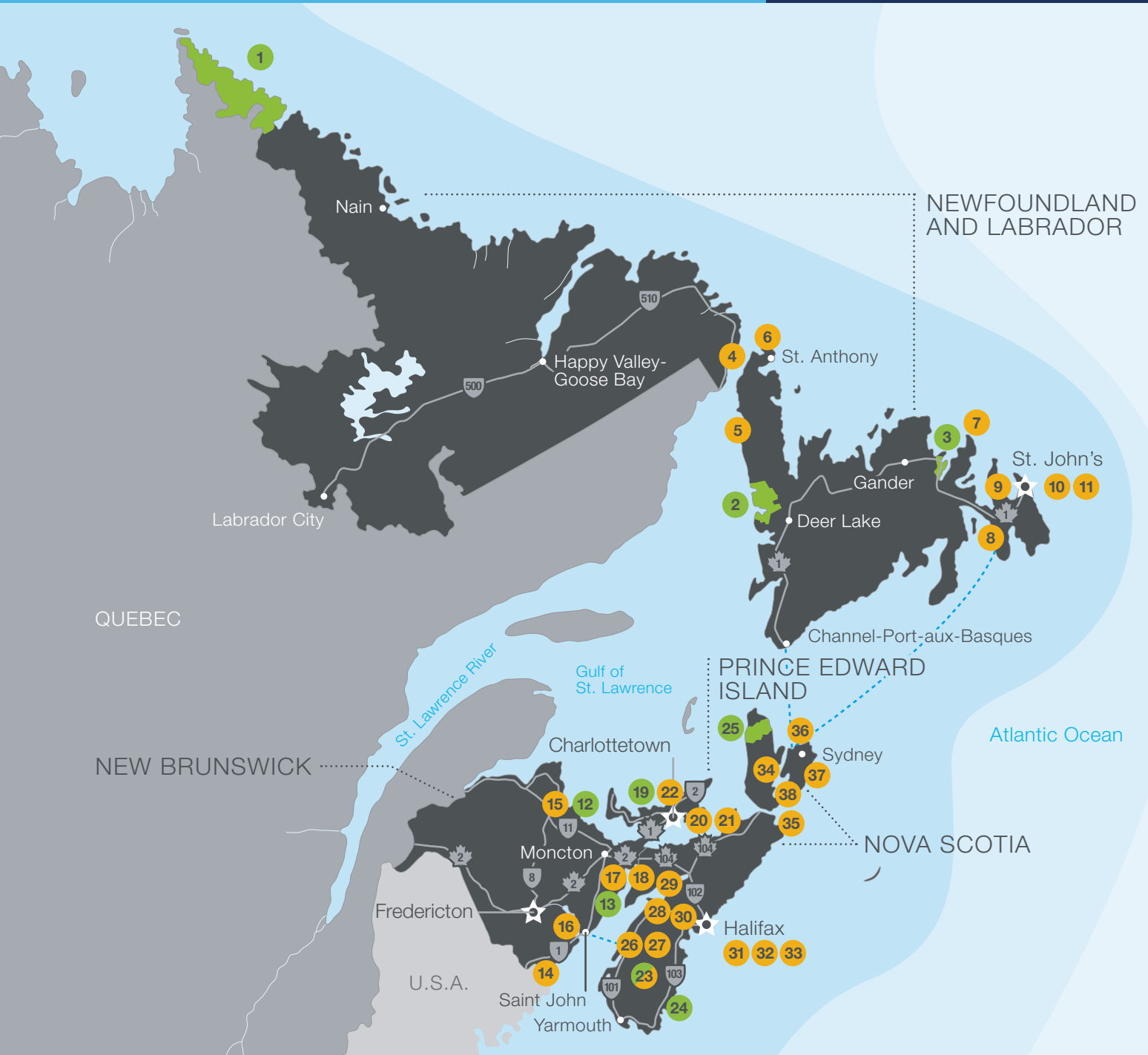
TRACES OF THE PAST

Walk along the shore of Kejimikujik Lake and imagine the sounds of Mi'kmaw children playing and men fishing. Take in one of Keji's rare petroglyphs – an ancient rock carving depicting an image of two men in a birch bark canoe. Listen as a Mi'kmaw guide shares with you the story of their people and the cultural landscape that is now part of Kejimikujik.

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Torngat Mountains National Park

Ryan Premises National Historic Site

Newfoundland and Labrador

1 Torngat Mountains



Perched on the edge of the North Labrador Sea, this exotic land of magical fjords slicing deep inland through the mountains is home to Torngak, one of the most powerful Inuit spirits. Journey to the traditional homeland of the most southerly population of Inuit in the circumpolar world and see some of the earth's oldest rocks and beautiful white giants—polar bears. Be sure to contact Parks Canada staff to discuss your trip well in advance so your visit to the Torngat Mountains National Park is memorable and above all safe.

Nain, Newfoundland and Labrador
1-709-922-1290 | parkscanada.gc.ca/torngat

2 Gros Morne



Gros Morne is more than a national park, more than a UNESCO World Heritage Site, more than waterfalls, marine inlets, sea stacks, majestic fjords, sandy beaches, green meadows, rugged tundra, magnificent views across ancient mountains that plunge into the ocean and colourful fishing villages overflowing with intriguing people: it's a state of mind that feeds your soul and changes the way you think.

Rocky Harbour, Newfoundland and Labrador
1-709-458-2417 | parkscanada.gc.ca/grosморне

3 Terra Nova



Escape. Explore. Experience...The wonder and drama of Canada's most Easterly National Park, Terra Nova. It's a magical place where the land and sea compete for your attention, where the island boreal forest reveals its natural and cultural secrets as you hike a trail and where you can experience an evening of theatre under the stars. This place is ready for your next adventure—make it your own!

Glovertown, Newfoundland and Labrador
280 km from St. John's
1-709-533-2801 | parkscanada.gc.ca/terrannova

4 Red Bay



In June 2013, the World Heritage Committee inscribed the Red Bay Basque Whaling Station as a UNESCO World Heritage site. The inscription signifies that Red Bay is a cultural place of outstanding universal value. The Red Bay National Historic Site is a key feature of the *Red Bay Basque Whaling Station*. Visitor facilities here set the stage for experiencing what is the largest and most complete early industrial-scale whaling in the world. The site's story is now told for the world to discover.

Red Bay, Newfoundland and Labrador
1-709-920-2051 | 1-709-458-2417 (off-season)
parkscanada.gc.ca/redbay

5 Port au Choix



Explore the limestone barrens and look for plants and fossils found nowhere else in Canada. Walk in the footsteps of the ancient cultures who first inhabited this spectacular landscape. Keep an eye out for sculptures offering glimpses into ancient Aboriginal ways of life.

Port au Choix, Newfoundland and Labrador
1-709-861-3522 | 1-709-458-2417 (off-season)
parkscanada.gc.ca/portauchaix

6 L'Anse aux Meadows



L'Anse aux Meadows is a UNESCO World Heritage site where you will find the excavated remains of an 11th century Norse settlement. This is the first and only known site established by the Norse in North America and the earliest evidence of European settlement on this continent. Find out for yourself what makes L'Anse aux Meadows one of the heritage treasures of the world and let your inner Viking shine!

St. Lunaire-Griquet, Newfoundland and Labrador
1-709-458-2417 (off-season) | 1-709-623-2608
parkscanada.gc.ca/meadows

7 Ryan Premises



Ryan Premises National Historic Site is a gateway to the colourful history of the East Coast fishery from the early 1500s to the 1950s. Touring the restored waterfront property of James Ryan Ltd., you gain an understanding of why cod played such an important role in the lives of Newfoundlanders.

Bonavista, Newfoundland and Labrador
1-709-468-1600 | parkscanada.gc.ca/ryanpremises

8 Castle Hill



Castle Hill features the remains of French and English fortifications from the 17th and 18th centuries. Visitors can learn about the everyday life of the French fishermen and soldiers at Placentia, Newfoundland. The site also features a magnificent view of the town of Placentia and the surrounding harbour.

Jerseyside, Newfoundland and Labrador
1-709-227-2401 | parkscanada.gc.ca/castlehill

9 Hawthorne Cottage



Hawthorne Cottage was the Brigus, Newfoundland home of famous Arctic explorer Captain Bob Bartlett. The cottage is a fine example of the Picturesque style of architecture in Newfoundland and is furnished with artifacts and memorabilia from Captain Bob's voyages.

St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador
1-709-528-4004 (June-Sept)
1-709-753-2566 (off-season) or 1-877-753-9262
parkscanada.gc.ca/hawthornecottage

10 Signal Hill



From the top of Cabot tower, your view of St. John's and the North Atlantic is spectacular. With such strategic advantage, it's no wonder that Signal Hill was the site of harbour defences from the 18th century through the Second World War. Centuries before the advent of ship-to-shore radio, signalmen surveyed the ocean for ships headed for St. John's. In 1901, Marconi received the first transatlantic wireless signal here.

St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador
1-709-772-5367 | parkscanada.gc.ca/signalhill



Carleton Martello Tower National Historic Site



St. Andrews Blockhouse National Historic Site



Signal Hill National Historic Site

11 Cape Spear Lighthouse



The oldest surviving lighthouse in Newfoundland and Labrador is located at the most easterly point of land in North America. It has been restored and shows how a lightkeeper and his family might have lived in the mid-19th century. The site is bordered by the remains of a World War II coastal defence Battery and surrounded by spectacular scenery and wildlife such as whales, seabirds and icebergs in season.

St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador
1-709-772-5367 | parkscanada.gc.ca/capepear

New Brunswick

12 Kouchibouguac



Where else can you see endless golden sand dunes that brush with the warmest salt water beach north of Virginia? Kouchibouguac National Park is a mosaic of breathtaking views, fascinating wildlife and awesome experiences. Cycle over 60 kilometers of trails, observe the night sky in one of the most magical astronomy parks in North America and witness colonies of grey seals frolicking in the sunshine. Kouchibouguac: Difficult to pronounce... impossible to forget.

Kouchibouguac, New Brunswick
1-506-876-2443 | parkscanada.gc.ca/kouchibouguac

13 Fundy



Fundy National Park encompasses some of the last remaining wilderness in southern New Brunswick. Here, the conifer dominated Caledonia Highlands roll down to meet the fog-generating Bay of Fundy. The tidal fluctuation of the Bay of Fundy is the highest in the world. Watch fishing boats come and go to the rhythm of the bay. Inland, explore lush forests and deep stream valleys.

Alma, New Brunswick
1-506-887-6000 | parkscanada.gc.ca/fundy

14 St. Andrews Blockhouse



St. Andrews Blockhouse National Historic Site is situated in the picturesque seaside resort of St. Andrews, in southwestern New Brunswick. Here you will step back in time to an era of conflict along New Brunswick's border with the United States. Imagine a time when these neighbours were at war. Fearful of American invasion, townspeople built this blockhouse, to military specifications, during the War of 1812.

St. Andrews, New Brunswick
1-506-529-4270
parkscanada.gc.ca/standrewsblockhouse

15 Boishébert and Beaubears Island Ship Building, J. Leonard O'Brien Memorial



Boishébert Island and nearby Wilson's Point together form Boishébert National Historic Site. Many Acadians found refuge during the Deportation at Wilson's Point from 1756 to 1760. Boishébert Island was also an integral and functional part of the early settlement, which gives testimony to the Acadian experience. Prior to Acadian settlement in the region, the Mi'kmaq people camped on the island and were one with the spirit of the land.

Beaubears Island Shipbuilding National Historic Site, J. Leonard O'Brien Memorial, is the only known, undisturbed archaeological site associated with the national significance of the 19th century wooden shipbuilding industry in New Brunswick.

Nelson, New Brunswick | 36 km from Miramichi, NB
1-506-622-8526 | parkscanada.gc.ca/beaubears

16 Carleton Martello Tower



Carleton Martello Tower dates from the War of 1812 and played a pivotal role in conflicts up until the Second World War. The site features a restored powder magazine, a restored barracks room, and exhibits in the tower and in the Visitor Centre. Visitors will also marvel at the spectacular view of the city of Saint John and its harbour.

Saint John, New Brunswick
1-506-636-4011
parkscanada.gc.ca/carletonmartellotower

17 Monument-Lefebvre



The Monument-Lefebvre building is the symbol of the renaissance of contemporary Acadie. It stands as a tangible monument which allows all to appreciate the history, the culture and the accomplishments of the Acadian people.

Housed in this heritage building is the Exhibit "Reflections of a Journey – the Odyssey of the Acadian People". The Exhibit serves as a cultural interpretive centre where visitors can immerse themselves in all things Acadian.

Memramcook, New Brunswick | 23 km from Moncton, NB
1-506-758-9808 | parkscanada.gc.ca/lefebvre

18 Fort Beauséjour–Fort Cumberland



Located beside the Bay of Fundy on the border between New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, Fort Beauséjour–Fort Cumberland stands at a crossroads of natural and cultural history. You find it fascinating to walk around this historic place where once the future of North America hung in the balance.

You feel a connection with the soldiers who once called this stronghold home. Paying close attention to your emotions you can feel their courage. You can also feel their fear.

Aulac, New Brunswick | 60 km from Moncton, NB
1-506-364-5080 | parkscanada.gc.ca/beausejour



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Fort-Beauséjour—Fort Cumberland National Historic Site

Prince Edward Island National Park

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At Prince Edward Island National Park you are enchanted by miles of unspoiled beaches, the seductive landscapes and the playful shorebirds flitting along the water's edge. During an early morning stroll down a picturesque beach, you contemplate the rhythm of your life. On this remarkable combination of land and seascapes there are always new experiences, each a fresh start carrying your spirit forward on the gentle ocean breeze.

Queens, Prince Edward Island
1-902-672-6350 | parkscanada.gc.ca/pei

20 Port-la-Joye—Fort Amherst



Port-la-Joye—Fort Amherst National Historic Site commemorates the first permanent European settlement on Prince Edward Island. Grassy ruins of the British fort are still visible, and interpretive displays give visitors an appreciation of the site's history. The grounds provide an excellent view of the countryside and the Charlottetown Harbour.

Rocky Point, Prince Edward Island
1-902-566-7626 | parkscanada.gc.ca/portlajoye

21 Province House



The birthplace of Confederation and the seat of Prince Edward Island's provincial legislature since 1847, Province House National Historic Site stands as a landmark in Charlottetown. Visitors can learn about the history of the site and the current Legislative Assembly through displays and an audio-visual presentation.

Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island
1-902-566-7626 | parkscanada.gc.ca/provincehouse

22 Green Gables Heritage Place



Step back in time and imagine Anne skipping down Lover's Lane. Gentle breezes waft over you as you stroll past the garden to the Haunted Wood. Birds serenade you as you wander the grounds of Green Gables House and L.M. Montgomery's Cavendish Home, the historic site that celebrates the memory of one of the world's most beloved authors, Lucy Maud Montgomery.

Cavendish, Prince Edward Island
1-902-963-7874 | parkscanada.gc.ca/greengables

Nova Scotia

23 Kejimikujik



Kejimikujik is the only National Park that is also a National Historic Site in Canada. Discover a landscape rich with Mi'kmaw cultural heritage including ancient canoe routes, portages, fishing grounds and one of North America's largest collection of aboriginal rock art more commonly known as petroglyphs. Explore Kejimikujik's gentle wilderness; a land of rocky lakes, gently flowing rivers and tranquil forests and discover the largest protected wilderness area in the Maritimes. It's the perfect getaway to explore the UNESCO Southwest Nova Biosphere.

Maitland Bridge, Nova Scotia | 167 km from Halifax, NS
1-902-682-2772 | parkscanada.gc.ca/keji

24 Kejimikujik – Seaside



Discover the breathtaking headlands, secluded coves, and garnet-tinted sands of Kejimikujik Seaside – the coastal wilderness component of Kejimikujik National Park. Pack a lunch and camera and explore the trails to a seemingly endless white-sand beach that trims the edge of brilliant turquoise waters.

Watch for seals basking on the rocks just off-shore and, from a distance, watch the comings and goings of seabirds, including the endangered piping plover which nests in the park each summer.

Port Joli, Nova Scotia | 170 km from Halifax, NS
1-902-682-2772 | parkscanada.gc.ca/keji

25 Cape Breton Highlands



Plan an exhilarating adventure in the hiking capital of Eastern Canada. Twenty-six trails will take you over 150 km of diverse terrain: ocean coastlines, panoramic peaks, the rare taiga forest, and splendid waterfalls. Climb 5000 feet and burn 40,000 calories spotting moose, eagles and whales along the way. Cape Breton's magnificent northern shore and the incredible plateaus on the world-renowned Cabot Trail await you.

Ingonish Beach, Nova Scotia
1-902-224-2306 | parkscanada.gc.ca/capebreton

26 Fort Anne



Perched on the shore of the Annapolis Basin, Fort Anne is Canada's first national historic site – it was here that Europe's empire builders once vied for supremacy in the 1600s and 1700s. Visit the Officers' Quarters and experience the life a soldier and discover the role the star-shaped fort played in the colonization, settlement and government of Nova Scotia. The fort's impressive heritage tapestry is a visual reminder of the drama and intrigue that shaped the area's storied and historic past.

Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia | 196 km from Halifax, NS
1-902-532-2397 | parkscanada.gc.ca/fortanne

27 Port-Royal



Port-Royal National Historic Site features a reconstruction of the Habitation, where, in 1605, Samuel de Champlain helped establish one of the earliest European attempts at settlement in North America. Listening to costumed interpreters and joining in period demonstrations, you understand the challenges faced by the French as they carved out a destiny. Let your imagination soar as you walk the shore of the Annapolis Basin, and gaze at the same horizon Champlain would have seen. As it was for him, it is a new horizon.

Port Royal, Nova Scotia | 205 km from Halifax, NS
1-902-532-2898 | parkscanada.gc.ca/portroyal

28 Grand-Pré



Grand-Pré commemorates the spirit of the Acadian people. The tragic Deportation that took place between 1755 and 1762 will leave you emotionally touched.

As you gaze at the face of the statue that stands here you realize that it symbolizes the collective strength of all Acadians. For Evangeline there is no cold in winter, no warmth in summer, only an eternal longing and perhaps a tear or two as she stands forever anchored to the land she calls home.

Grand Pré, Nova Scotia

1-902-542-3631 | parkscanada.gc.ca/grandpre

29 Beaubassin



In the 17th and 18th centuries, Beaubassin was one of the most populous and most strategic regions in Acadia. The village, under British rule since 1713, was burned by the French in 1750 to force the inhabitants to the Beauséjour side of the river.

Beaubassin, Nova Scotia

1-506-364-5080

29 Fort Lawrence



In 1750, the British erected Fort Lawrence on the former site of the Beaubassin village. They remained there until June 1755, when they crossed the Missaguash River and captured Fort Beauséjour. Fort Lawrence was abandoned the following year.

Beaubassin, Nova Scotia

1-506-364-5080

30 Fort Edward



Authentic and illustrative, Fort Edward is the real deal. Step into another epoch and learn the story of the oldest surviving block house in Canada built in 1750 to secure the overland route between Annapolis Royal and the new capital at Halifax. Stationed high on a hill overlooking a vast river valley once inhabited predominantly by the Mi'kmaq and Acadians. Discover how the British soldiers lived and acted and see why this strategic location was pivotal in helping secure a British stronghold in Nova Scotia.

Windsor, Nova Scotia | 65 km from Halifax, NS

1-902-532-2321 | parkscanada.gc.ca/fortedward

31 Halifax Citadel



Entering the Halifax Citadel you find yourself transported to the age of Queen Victoria, when Halifax was an important naval base for the British Empire, guarded by the kilted 78th Highlander regiment.

Heft a soldier's knapsack in the restored barracks, stand in awe as the Royal Artillery command the firing of the noon gun, and lend a hand to a soldier's wife with her daily chores. Lift your spirits with the sound of the bagpipes and rattle of the drums – it's 1869!

Halifax, Nova Scotia

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32 Prince of Wales Tower



Strolling through Halifax's immensely popular Point Pleasant Park, you discover this grey stone tower, like a miniature medieval castle, standing in the midst of a forest clearing. The first fort of its kind in North America, the Prince of Wales Tower was built by order of Prince Edward, Duke of Kent in 1796-97 to help protect nearby British gun batteries from French attack. Today the tower is part of Halifax's historic defence system including the powerful Halifax Citadel in the city centre.

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33 York Redoubt



York Redoubt, overlooking the mouth of Halifax Harbour, played a pivotal role in the defence of Halifax until the Second World War. Taking in the spectacular panoramic view from Lookout Hill or the earthen ramparts, you can easily imagine the reluctance of an enemy fleet to brave the line of massive cannons that still line the grassy walls. Wander the pathways and trails and imagine what the harbor would have looked like in 1793 – the views are stunning.

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34 Alexander Graham Bell



As you explore the Alexander Graham Bell National Historic Site, you experience a feeling of transcendence. Discovering the depth of Bell's thinking, and the breadth of his imagination, inspires your own thinking, your own imagination.

The models, replicas, photo displays, artefacts and films give you a glimpse into the mind of a man who helped shape the modern world. You are captivated by the creative genius of this world-famous inventor and his amazing legacy.

Baddeck, Nova Scotia

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35 Canso Islands and Grassy Island Fort



As you explore Canso Islands National Historic Site, you imagine that it's the early 1700s and you're watching French fishermen bringing their chaloupes into shore. Soon, the small fishing boats will be unloaded – the cod salted, dried and shipped to Europe, America and the Caribbean. The screeching of the gulls is an appropriate soundscape for a place that provides such dramatic saltwater memories.

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36 Marconi



This national historic site honours Marconi's role in the development of today's network of global communications. In 1902, the first official wireless message was sent from this site across the Atlantic Ocean to England. Visitors can see the Wireless Hall of Fame and walk the interpretive trail to the original transmission station.

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37 Fortress of Louisbourg



Fortress of Louisbourg National Historic Site is the largest historical reconstruction in North America. As you weave your way through the charming streets and buildings of this former French stronghold, your senses awoken with the sights, sounds and smells of 18th century Louisbourg.

Running your fingers across the stone ramparts, listening to the voices of the re-enactors and the roar of the blacksmith's fire, you are part of the history unfolding around you.

Louisbourg, Nova Scotia

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38 St. Peters Canal



St. Peters Canal is much more than an 800-metre canal linking the North Atlantic with Cape Breton Island's famous Bras d'Or Lake. As you slowly cruise through Nova Scotia's only functioning lock system you realize that this gentle journey on the slipstream of history is connecting you with the area's colourful past.

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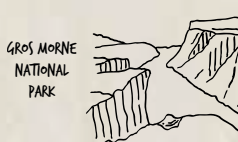
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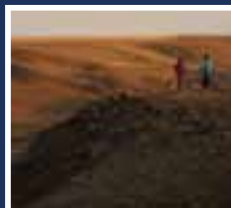
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