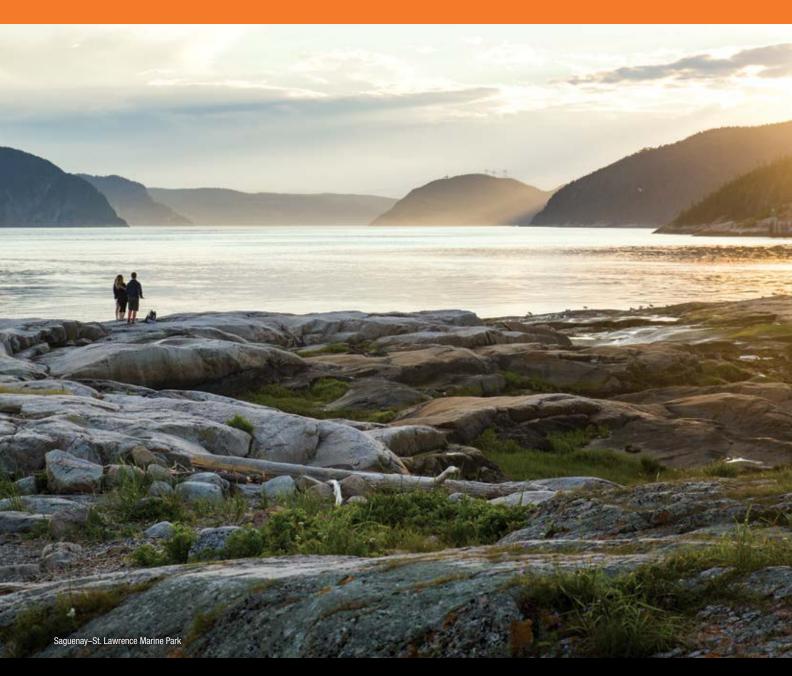


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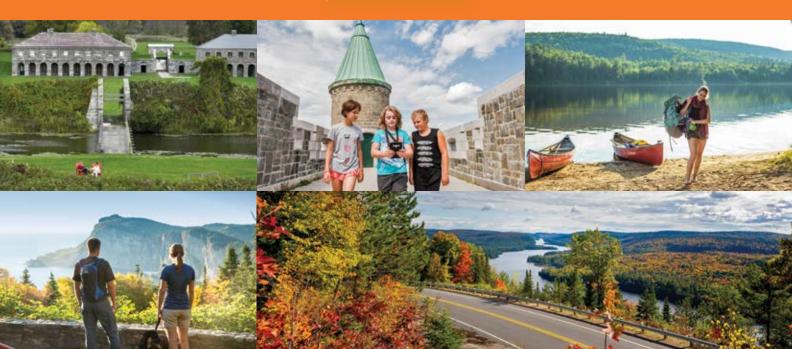


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ROAD TRIPS AND ITINERARIES







TOUR OF GASPÉSIE

Embark on an unforgettable road trip through Gaspésie! Enjoy whale watching, breathtaking coastal hikes, and the iconic Percé Rock. This week-long itinerary is perfect for both nature enthusiasts and history buffs.

7 DAYS Departs from Québec City ♣ 1 575 km round trip

Locations:

- Forillon National Park
- Pointe-au-Père Lighthouse and Battle of the Restigouche National Historic Sites

ESCAPE TO THE HEART OF NATURE

Escape the city to explore scenic trails, cycle epic routes, or paddle across pristine lakes. Ideal for nature lovers and families, this escape to nature offers peace, outdoor activities, and stunning views - the perfect way to spend a weekend.

Locations:

- La Mauricie National Park
- Forges du Saint-Maurice National Historic Site

A ROAD TRIP ALONG THE CÔTE-NORD

This 1 720 km round-trip itinerary blends marine life and breathtaking landscapes. As you explore the iconic St. Lawrence River, discover world-class whale watching, pristine beaches and famous monoliths. You'd never guess you were in Quebec on this unique coastal adventure!

Locations:

- Saguenay–St. Lawrence Marine Park
- Mingan Archipelago
 National Park Reserve

Travelling to Quebec is like stepping into a world where old-world charm meets modern vibrancy. Known for its rich history, European-inspired architecture, and deep French-Canadian culture, Quebec offers a unique travel experience in North America. Whether you're strolling cobblestone streets or exploring vast wilderness, Quebec enchants with its blend of tradition and adventure.





LET'S CONQUER QUÉBEC CITY

Immerse yourself in history with a 3-day adventure full of cultural discoveries. Explore ancient fortifications, witness thrilling demonstrations, and uncover hidden ruins beneath scenic walkways. Delve into stories from the past and journey to an island rich with emotional history.

3 DAYS Departs from Montreal ← 645 km round trip

Locations:

- Fortifications of Québec
- Saint-Louis Forts and Châteaux, Lévis Forts and Grosse Île and the Irish Memorial National Historic Sites

JOURNEY TO LAND'S END

Perfect for nature lovers and history buffs, this itinerary offers a balance of outdoor activities and peaceful relaxation. Plan your escape to discover the dramatic landscapes and rich heritage of this incredible destination.

Locations:

Forillon National Park



DAY TRIPS MONTREAL

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE **NATIONAL HISTORIC SITES ALL WITHIN 1.5 HOURS OF THE CITY**



Lachine Canal and The Fur Trade at Lachine

National Historic Sites





20 minutes



(a) 10 minutes



National Historic Site

Sir George-Étienne Cartier

20 minutes





National Historic Site



= 1.5 hours

· Sail on Canada's busiest lock, a paradise for recreational boaters and an adventure for kayakers.

Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue Canal

· Laze under a tree with a picnic or hit the boardwalk and enjoy a sunset meal at one of the bistros or restaurants.

• Cycle on one of the world's most beautiful routes running more than 14 kilometres along the canal.

- Hop aboard the Petit Navire and soar through 150 years of history or learn to paddle with our instructors, ending your day in a cozy floating café.
- Find out what life was like as a voyageur in the fur trade as you explore this fascinating 1803 stone warehouse next to the canal.
- · Visit the home of one of the Fathers of Confederation, the only Victorian-style house open to the public in Montreal, and discover the bourgeois ways of the Cartier family.
- · Enjoy contemporary exhibitions that invite you to reflect on the workings of power and the creation of a country, or visit in December to immerse yourself in the preparations for a Victorian Christmas.
- · Download the Parks Canada app and explore the neighbourhood with a self-guided tour through the streets of Old Montreal.

Fort Lennox

National Historic Site



50 minutes

- Explore the strategic location of this fort on an island in the heart of the Richelieu River and take advantage of the crossing and green spaces to observe the flora and fauna.
- Visit the exhibition Passages, Experiences of this Island, which traces the occupation of the island from 6000 BC to the present day.
- · Discover a faithful reconstruction of the soldiers' barracks, where sergeants, soldiers, women and children lived.

Fort Chambly and Chambly Canal

National Historic Sites



40 minutes



- Discover the daily life of the soldiers in this French fort and how smuggling helped forge links between colonizers and Indigenous peoples. Will you deserve to wear the uniform?
- Hike or cycle along the banks of the Richelieu River, along the canal or simply admire the boats passing through the locks, which are still operated manually.

Coteau-du-Lac

National Historic Site



🖨 1 hour



- Discover the unique archaeology of the Soulanges Canal by taking part in the ArchéoTour by kayak or paddleboard, or by bike on a 45 km guided or self-guided route.
- Observe the scale model of the site at the interpretation centre or photograph various objects in a race against the clock!

MONTREAL

Sir George-Étienne Cartier

Fort Chambly and Chambly Canal

Lachine Canal and The Fur Trade at Lachine



Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue Canal

Coteau-du-Lac



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CONSERVING

FOR THE FUTURE

FEATURED STORY

THE CHALLENGE

Why is it essential to understand the seabirds in Mingan Archipelago? In addition to being affected by climate change, several species are also vulnerable to oil spills because they feed in areas with high maritime traffic.

A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

Razorbills, Atlantic Puffins, Common Murres and Black-legged Kittiwakes were captured and fitted with transmitters to record their movements and map their feeding areas, with the help of the Canadian Wildlife Service and McGill University.

THE RESULT

The data reveals that despite their distinct behaviors, some species share the same feeding areas. Protecting these areas is therefore a priority and emphasizes the need to preserve the islands' marine ecosystem. Collaboration is ongoing to deepen knowledge about these seabirds.





GET INVOLVED

NOW IT'S YOUR TURN

Learning more is the first step! Get the inside scoop on what scientists are doing to maintain and protect these special places across Canada. Don't miss the *Field Notes* vlogs, *Climate Crew* series or the *Connected* podcast.

Take conservation into your own hands and **participate in citizen science activities**. Record your observations of plants and animals in the iNaturalist app, take a "Coastie" to help monitor coastal changes, clean up shorelines, and more!





STAYING THE NIGHT?

WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED



TENT AND RV CAMPING

Stay close to nature at one of our wonderful campsites – at your preferred comfort level.

Available in La Mauricie, Mingan Archipelago (park reserve, no RV's) and Forillon National Parks.



BACKCOUNTRY CAMPING

The ultimate overnight adventure: just you, your tent and the great outdoors – far from the beaten path.

Available in Forillon and La Mauricie National Parks.

















CABIN

Cottage life at its best with a home-away-from-home in the woods. A hassle-free experience with a bit more privacy than the campground. Sweet dreams for happy campers.

Available in La Mauricie National Park.

oTENTik

The perfect mix of tent and A-frame cabin comes together in our oTENTik with its raised floors and cozy beds; great for campers who want a little extra comfort in the wild.

Available in La Mauricie, Forillon and Mingan Archipelago (Park Reserve) National Parks; and Saint-Ours Canal National Historic Site.

ÔASIS

Spend the night under a natural canopy and fall asleep admiring the stars! This tear drop shaped accommodation has a bench that converts into a bed and a suspended hammock loft. Treat yourself to a drop of heaven for the night.

Available in Forillon and Mingan Archipelago (Park Reserve) National Parks.

MICROCUBE

Get super-cozy in a MicrOcube, the designer way to score a window over the wilderness, while sleeping with a roof over your head and a floor beneath your feet.

Available in Forillon National Park.

OVERNIGHT MOORING

Have a unique nautical experience by mooring your boat in one of Canada's historic canals. Relax and enjoy nearby activities.

Available in Carillon Canal, Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue Canal, Lachine Canal, Chambly Canal and Saint-Ours Canal National Historic Sites.

HISTORIC STAY

Immerse yourself in one of Canada's national treasures with a very special overnight stay in truly historic surroundings.

Auberge de l'Île aux Perroquets (pictured left) available in Mingan Archipelago National Park Reserve: 4-star accommodation on an island, transportation included.

Domaine Wabenaki-Andrew available in La Mauricie National Park.



External relations and visitor experience

HAPPY 200TH BIRTHDAY!

Lachine Canal National Historic Site is more than just an historic landmark; it's a seamless blend of history and nature, where the past meets the present, inviting you to experience Montreal in a whole new way. This unique combination is what makes the canal an undeniable gem. As we celebrate its 200th anniversary in 2025, we wish a happy birthday to the Lachine Canal!



STAFF FAVOURITES

Get the inside scoop on the very best way to enjoy our parks and sites from Parks Canada pros!





Viviane Visitor experience

AN UNFORGETTABLE NIGHT EXPERIENCE

Tales from the Shadow at Manoir Papineau
National Historic Site is much more than a simple guided tour—it's an immersive experience. As night falls, the atmosphere becomes truly captivating. With only a lantern in hand, you step into an enchanting and mysterious world. The guides' creativity and deep knowledge of history shine through in their energetic and passionate storytelling. Through extensive research, they bring the 19th century to life, unveiling the fascinating secrets of the Papineau family with intriguing anecdotes and rich tales. This fun and educational event offers a fresh, engaging perspective on history, making it a must-see for anyone looking to explore the past in a new and exciting way.







Geneviève Promotions

MAGNIFICENT PANORAMA

I'll never get over the beauty of Grande Île at **Mingan Archipelago National Park Reserve**! I love the different groups of naturally sculpted monoliths; walking around the "Castle" and spotting animal silhouettes at the "Zoo." It's a great place to camp and hike too; the island's landscape is breathtaking!





Stéphanie Visitor experience

FROM YESTERYEAR TO TODAY, ALWAYS RELEVANT

I am impressed with the **Sir George Étienne Cartier National Historic Site**'s *State of Play* exhibition. Both adults and children will find the political systems fascinating, and the many games provide an incredible comprehension of them. You can see how the population has changed over time and how the nation is developing right in front of your eyes thanks to the interactive map!



DanielIndigenous relations

BEST-KEPT SECRET

The Pointe-Noire Interpretation and Observation Centre is one of the best-kept secrets in the **Saguenay–St. Lawrence Marine Park**. It is an exceptional location to see minke and beluga whales. When you first arrive, the magnificent scenery, vast vista, and atmosphere captivate you. Furthermore, it is an important site for the marine history of the area.





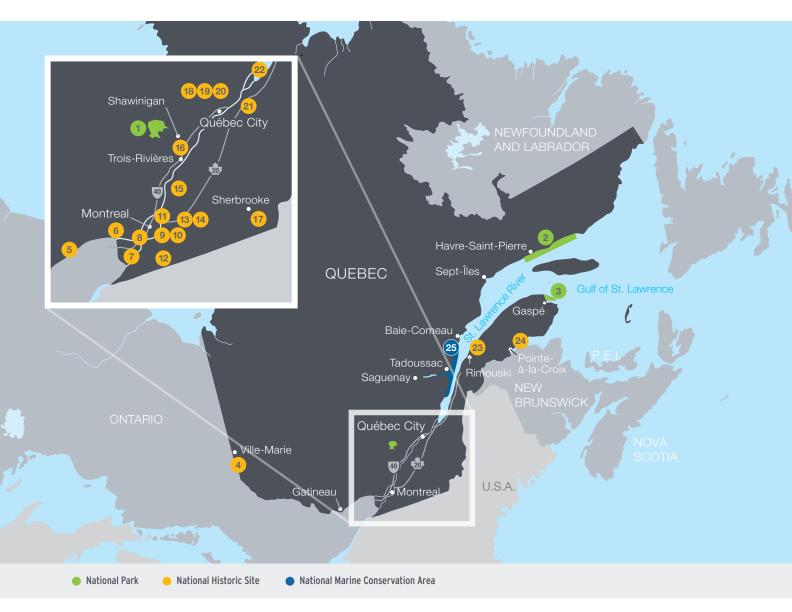
Cindy Visitor experience

RIVER SENTINELS

I have long admired the dedicated lighthouse keepers and sailors of the St. Lawrence. These skilled navigational experts guided crews through the often unpredictable waters of the seaway. It is a privilege to share their remarkable stories and glimpse into their daily lives through the *River Sentinels* exhibition at **Pointe-au-Père Lighthouse National Historic Site**.



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SERVICES

- & Access for persons with reduced mobility
- Restaurant
- ## Gift shop
- Picnic area/Shelter
- Playground
- Wi-Fi (in certain areas only)
- \$ Equipment rental (varies by site)

ACCOMMODATION

- **Camping**
- Recreational vehicle
- MicrOcube
- abin Cabin
- Alistoric stay
- Overnight mooring
- â Ôasis

ACTIVITIES

- Interpretation
- తోం Cycling
- Mountain biking
- Backpacking/Hiking
- **Sirdwatching**
- Marine mammals
- Beach
- **Eanoeing/Kayaking**
- Motorboating Motorboating

- Fishina
- Scuba diving
- Horseback riding
- **Tennis**
- ★ Winter activities
- Q Xplorers activities
- Mobile guided tours
- Red chairs





A protected area of 536 km² of nature and activities within your reach.

DON'T MISS

- Kilometres of marked trails on foot, cross-country skis or snowshoes.
- Paddling majestic lakes while watching for wildlife (by staying away!).















Saint-Jean-des-Piles – 190 km from Montreal; 160 km from Québec City; 60 km from Trois-Rivières I 1-888-773-8888 parks.canada.ca/mauricie | @MauricieNP #LaMauricieNationalPark





The greatest concentration of monoliths formed by erosion in Canada.

DON'T MISS

- Discovering the wonders of the Marteau islands with a guided stand up paddle expedition.
- Experiencing Grande Île during a sea kayak expedition lasting four days and three nights.













Havre-Saint-Pierre | 418-538-3285 parks.canada.ca/mingan | @MinganNPR





A mountainous peninsula bordered by the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Gaspé Bay.

DON'T MISS

- Venturing to Land's End by foot or bicycle.
- Enjoying the pleasures of the sea: a whale watching cruise, sea kayaking, fishing and bathing.





















Gaspé | 418-368-5505 parks.canada.ca/forillon @ForillonNP | #ForillonNP



Obadiiwan-Fort Témiscamingue

A former trading post and open-air museum now under shared governance with the First Nations.

DON'T MISS

- Visiting the Obadjiwan exhibition on the history of the fort and the age-old presence of the Algonquins.
- Admiring the splendour of the outdoor sites: the view of the lake from the beach, the enchanted forest and the 12 scenes of life and trades at the trading post.



West Duhamel - 460 km from Ottawa: 660 km from Montreal | 819-629-3222 parks.canada.ca/temiscamingue @NHSinQC | #FortTemiscamingue



Manoir Papineau

This elegant manor offers a glimpse into the life of one of the most remarkable politicians of the 19th century.

DON'T MISS

- Discovering the life of Louis-Joseph Papineau, patriot and defender of democracy.
- Exploring this enchanting site, the oak tree, the family museum, the granary and the funeral chapel, then discover the manor in a different way with the Tales from the Shadow experience.



Montebello – 80 km from Ottawa; 130 km from Montreal | 819-423-6965 parks.canada.ca/papineau @NHSinQC | #ManoirPapineau



Carillon Canal

View the tallest lock in Canada with a guillotine gate weighing over 200 tons.

DON'T MISS

- Watching a boat drop 20 metres in 40 minutes thanks to 19th century British Army Engineering ingenuity.
- Enjoying a picnic on the sunny banks of the Ottawa River.









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Ask us!









Canada's first fortified lock canal, the remains of a fort and a thousand-year-old passageway.

DON'T MISS

- Exploring the Soulanges Canal by kayak, paddleboard or bicycle with the ArchéoTour.
- Discovering a scale model of the site and observing surprising remains, a blockhouse and artefacts with 7 000 years of history.











Coteau-du-Lac - 50 km from Montreal 450-763-5631

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The Fur Trade at Lachine

A stone warehouse, witness to the golden age of the fur trade and exchanges between European voyageurs and Indigenous peoples.

DON'T MISS

- Being enchanted by the exhibition, touch the furs and retrace the journey of the Indigenous, trappers, voyageurs and merchants of the time.
- Experiencing life as a voyageur in a rabaska on the Lachine Canal or enjoying the peace and quiet of the park and the multifunctional trail.



Lachine - 12 km from Montreal 514-637-7433 | parks.canada.ca/fur @NHSinQC | #FurTradeLachine





Canada's busiest lock. This canal links Lac Saint-Louis and Lac des Deux Montagnes at the mouth of the Ottawa River.

- Sailing on a historic waterway: a paradise for recreational boaters and an adventure for kavakers.
- Taking a stroll or enjoying a meal at one of the many restaurants along the boardwalk.









Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue – 40 km from Montreal 514-457-5546

parks.canada.ca/canalsteanne facebook.com/QCCanals #SteAnneDeBellevueCanal



Sir George-Étienne Cartier

This house in Old Montreal was home to one of the key politicians in the creation of Canadian Confederation.

DON'T MISS

- Exploring a sumptuous mansion, the only Victorian house open to the general public in Montreal.
- Browsing contemporary exhibitions that invite you to reflect on the workings of power and the creation of a country. In December, take a festive guided tour as part of Victorian Christmas.



Montreal | 514-283-2282

parks.canada.ca/cartier @NHSinQC | #Sirgeorgeetiennecartier





This waterway offers a green 14.5 km path lined with echoes of an industrial past.

DON'T MISS

- Following history along one of the world's most beautiful paths.
- Taking advantage of the activities and flavours offered in the city around the canal.

















Montreal | 514-283-6054

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Fort-Lennox

A rare example of a 19th century British fortification built on an island.

DON'T MISS

- Crossing the River Richelieu by boat, observe the flora and fauna, enter the fortification via the drawbridge and follow the guide on a tour.
- The Passages, Experiences of this Island exhibition and discovering the human history of this unique site.



Saint-Paul-de-l'Île-aux-Noix 60 km from Montreal | 450-291-5700 parks.canada.ca/lennox @NHSinQC | #FortLennox





A nearly 20 km canal linking the municipalities of Chambly and Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu.

DON'T MISS

- Enjoying the canal by bike, on foot or aboard your pleasure craft.
- Admiring the locking manoeuvres that are still done manually.



















Chambly - 30 km from Montreal 450-658-4381

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An amazing French stone fort from the 18th century on the banks of the Richelieu River.

DON'T MISS

- Entering the fort and discovering the different aspects of a soldier's life.
- Cycling or walking along the grounds, finishing your visit with a picnic on the grass.











Chambly – 30 km from Montreal 450-658-1585

parks.canada.ca/chambly @NHSinQC | #FortChambly



15 Saint-Ours Canal

The opening of the canal in 1849 allowed boats to navigate between New York and Montreal.

DON'T MISS

- Discovering Darvard Island: have a picnic and enjoy a stay in oTENTik tent.
- Observing a unique engineering project that allows fish to bypass the dam known as the Vianney-Legendre fishway project.













Saint-Ours - 75 km from Montreal 450-755-8140

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Forges du Saint-Maurice

Canada's first industrial village and ironworks.

DON'T MISS

- Experiencing Diabolus ex machina, the audio tour by Fred Pellerin available on the Parks Canada app.
- Discovering the little-known world of blast furnace workers with the immersive 1600°C Trial by Fire.















Trois-Rivières – 140 km from Montreal; 130 km from Québec City 819-378-5116

parks.canada.ca/forges @NHSinQC | #ForgesStMaurice





Louis S. St-Laurent

The birthplace of Canada's 12th prime minister, renowned for his integrity.

DON'T MISS

- Immersing yourself in the rural atmosphere of the general store and discovering period items that are still part of your everyday life.
- Exploring the house where Louis S. St. Laurent was born, strolling through the garden, playing croquet, and taking the Chemin des Cantons tourist route.





Compton - 170 km from Montreal 819-835-5448

parks.canada.ca/stlaurent @NHSinQC | #LouisStLaurent





Fortifications of Québec

The only fortified city north of Mexico and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

DON'T MISS

- Learning about its history while touring iconic locations in Old Quebec.
- Exploring the military and social history at the Artillery Park and discovering the Dauphine Redoubt.







Québec City | 418-648-7016

parks.canada.ca/fortifications @QCFortifications | #QCFortifications





Saint-Louis Forts and Châteaux

The official residence of French and British governors between 1620 and 1834.

DON'T MISS

- Exploring the remains of the scene of important diplomatic relations and alliances, including those with the Huron-Wendat Nation.
- Admiring the artifacts found during archaeological digs.







Québec City | 418-648-7016 parks.canada.ca/saintlouis @QCFortifications | #DufferinTerrace





Cartier-Brébeuf

Jacques Cartier's meeting place with the Iroquoians during his second voyage to New France.

DON'T MISS

- Discovering this enchanting site in the heart of Quebec City using the Parks Canada app.
- Bringing a picnic and enjoying the many family events offered.











Québec City | 418-648-7016 parks.canada.ca/cartierbrebeuf @QCFortifications | #CartierBrébeuf





Lévis Forts

The last standing British fortification on Canadian soil, created to protect the city of Quebec.

DON'T MISS

- Visiting vaulted tunnels, underground firing rooms, a powder magazine and casemates.
- Discovering Fort No. 1 and bringing the kids to play dress up.









Lévis - 25 km from Québec City 418-835-5182

parks.canada.ca/levis @levisforts | #LévisForts





Important gateway to Canada and quarantine station between 1832 and 1937.

DON'T MISS

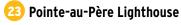
- Getting your medical examination and visiting the disinfection building.
- Exploring the imprint left by the Irish immigrants while discovering must-see attractions.



Departure from Berthier-sur-Mer 50 km from Québec City 418-234-8841

parks.canada.ca/grosseile @grosseileandtheirishmemorial | #GrosseÎle





One of the most important navigational aid stations in Canada.

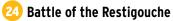
DON'T MISS

- Climbing to the top of one of the tallest lighthouses in the country.
- Visiting *River Sentinels*, a new exhibit about the keepers and the pilots of the St. Lawrence River.



Rimouski | 418-724-6214 parks.canada.ca/pointeauperelighthouse





The site of the last naval confrontation between France and Great Britain for the possession of the North American territory.

PSIM T'NOO

- Discovering the remains of the wreck of the Machault, which laid underwater for more than 200 years!
- Visiting the site accompanied by a period-costumed employee.



Pointe-à-la-Croix | 418-788-5676 parks.canada.ca/restigouche



Saguenay-St. Lawrence Marine Park





25 Saguenay-St. Lawrence Marine Park

A marine protected area that covers diversified ecosystems with exceptionally rich flora and fauna.

- Visiting one of the 21 sites of the Discovery Network sites located around this marine protected area.
- Soaking up the splendor of the marine park on a sea excursion by boat or kayak.



418-235-4703

parks.canada.ca/saguenay and marinepark.gc.ca | #SSLMarinePark





Nestled in the cliff at the mouth of the Saguenay Fjord is a hidden treasure that offers a spectacular view of the marine park.

- Taking the footbridge along the coast and admire the view of the Saguenay Fiord.
- Watching belugas roam the mouth of the Saguenay river and learn more about them with the activity Whales at Risk, its our move!





parks.canada.ca/saguenay





Baie-Sainte-Catherine – 465 km from Montreal; 210 km from Québec City 418-237-4383 (in season) 418-235-4703 (off-season)





A former lighthouse station that invites you to discover the whales.

DON'T MISS

- Looking at the marine mammals coming to feed just a few metres away from you.
- Participating in *The Ups and Downs of the Sea* Shore and learning about the fascinating animals that inhabit the coastline.



Bergeronnes – 245 km from Québec City; 500 km from Montreal 418-232-6751 (in season) 418-235-4703 (off-season) parks.canada.ca/saguenay





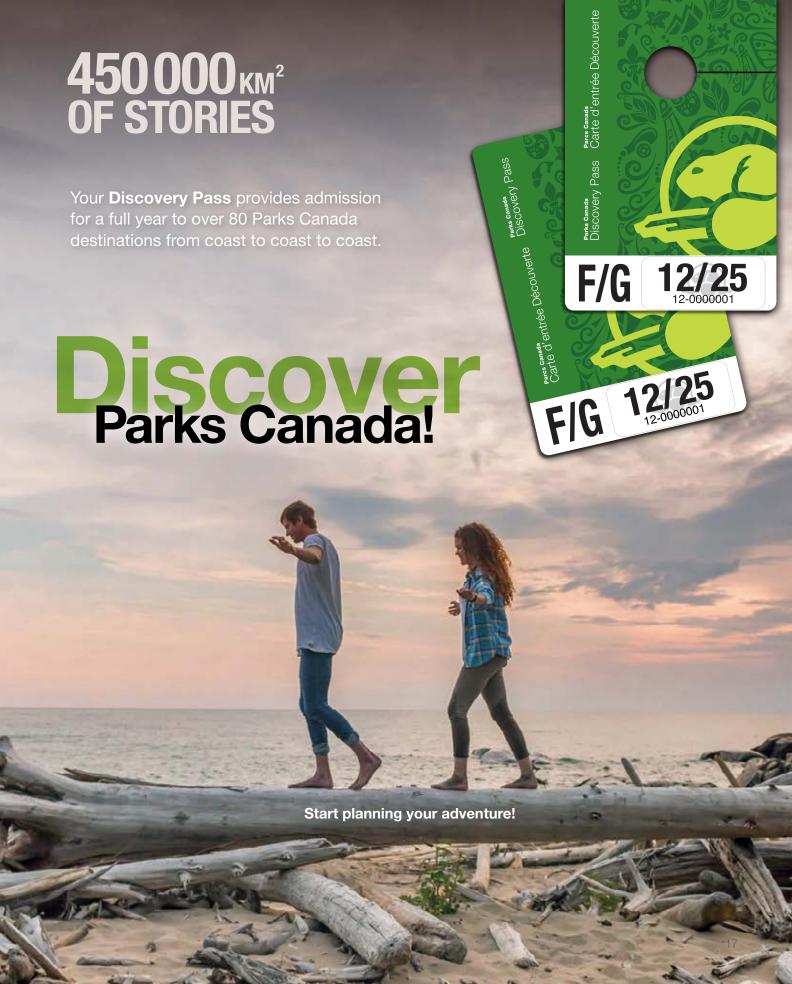
A fascinating aquatic universe to discover, from invertebrates to the largest marine mammals.

- Visiting the exhibit and participating in activities that reveal the beauty and secrets of marine life.
- Braving the cold waters of the St. Lawrence and discovering the colourful sea floor by snorkeling!



Les Escoumins | 505 km from Montreal: 250 km from Québec City 418-233-4414 (in season) 418-235-4703 (off-season) parks.canada.ca/saguenav





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