



Destination Acadie

Nova Scotia

Cape Breton Highlands National Park

Travel along the world-famous Cabot Trail. Head out for a hike on one of our 26 hiking trails such as the Acadian Trail, Le Buttereau, or Vieux chemin du Cap-Rouge that are just North of the bustling Acadian community of Chéticamp. Marvel at the beauty of the Acadian Forest as you wander through sugar maple, yellow birch, American beech, balsam fir and eastern hemlock. Spend a day at the beach, learn how to lobster boil, witness a breathtaking sunset over the Atlantic Ocean, or listen to stories of Mi'kmaw culture.



Fortress of Louisbourg National Historic Site

In the 18th century, Acadians were a great part of Louisbourg's cosmopolitan society. As servants, fishermen, artisans, merchants, and members of the elite, they played an active role in the bustling fishing centre. Some of the first Acadians to arrive in

Louisbourg were women who had married French officers from the Compagnies Franches de la Marine, originally stationed in Acadia. Louisbourg is also the birthplace of Jeanne Dugas, person of national historic significance. Today, the Fortress of Louisbourg is the largest historical reconstruction in North America, offering a wealth of experiences for visitors to enjoy.

Beaubassin – Fort Lawrence National Historic Site

Beaubassin is located in the heart of Sikniht, one of the seven traditional Mi'kmaw districts. There was an important Mi'kmaw community here when Acadians from Port Royal came in the 1670's to trade and to farm. By the mid-18th century, there was a large and prosperous village at Beaubassin (*beautiful harbour*) including a Catholic church and a mission for the Mi'kmaq. As of 1750 there were 1400 Acadians living in the village of Beaubassin and the surrounding communities.



Port-Royal National Historic Site

Surrounded by panoramic views, let your imagination soar as you walk along the shore of the Annapolis Basin, and gaze at the same horizon that the Mi'kmaq experienced for thousands of years. Dive into the early 17th century by exploring a reconstruction of the "Habitation", an enclosed wooden compound. Discover how Samuel de Champlain helped establish one of the earliest European settlements in North America in 1605.

Fort Anne National Historic Site

Overlooking the birthplace of the Acadian culture, Fort Anne is the first administered national historic site in Canada and is a present-day reminder of a time when cultures came together, in friendship and in battle, and defined the future of North America. Dive into the 17th and 18th centuries when a succession of Scottish, French, and English settlers clashed over this prize on the banks of Nova Scotia's Annapolis River, often drawing the Mi'kmaq into their conflict. Today, visitors can walk the earthen walls, explore the 1797 Officers' Quarters Museum and soak up thousands of years of Canadian history.

Grand-Pré National Historic Site

Located in the heart of the Landscape of Grand-Pré UNESCO World Heritage Site, in Nova Scotia's picturesque Annapolis Valley, Grand-Pré National Historic Site was once a thriving Acadian settlement. Today, it is the most significant memorial to the Great Upheaval and the resilience of the Acadian people. While visiting the site, reveal Grand-Pré's hidden stories on a guided tour, participate in culinary and artistic programs, immerse yourself in captivating presentations and exhibits, or explore the landscape on the new Harvest Moon Trailway. Majestic willow trees and old Victorian gardens will offer you a perfect place to picnic.

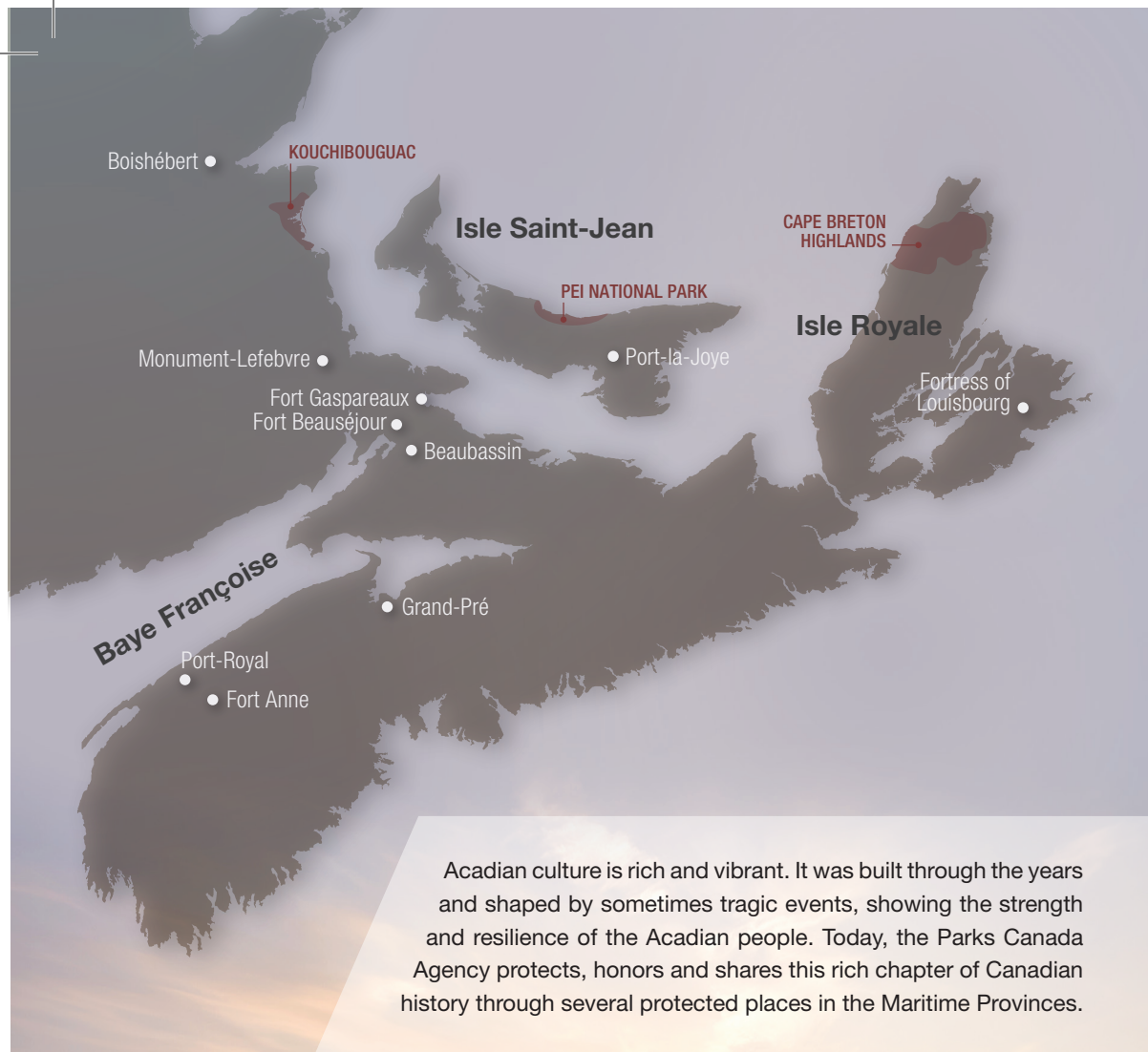
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Acadian culture is rich and vibrant. It was built through the years and shaped by sometimes tragic events, showing the strength and resilience of the Acadian people. Today, the Parks Canada Agency protects, honors and shares this rich chapter of Canadian history through several protected places in the Maritime Provinces.



Kouchibouguac National Park



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New Brunswick

Boishébert and Beaubears Island Shipbuilding National Historic Sites

For hundreds of Acadian refugees, these sites were a place of refuge and great tragedy. For shipbuilders from Scotland and Ireland, they were a place for economic opportunity. Experience the quiet majesty, restored natural trails and rich cultural history that encompass the island.



Monument-Lefebvre National Historic Site

A symbol of contemporary Acadie, this historic monument commemorates Father Camille Lefebvre and his initiative to create the first French language, degree-granting college in Atlantic Canada. Visitors can explore the various Acadian renaissance milestones, most notably those relating to education, religion, politics, the economy and cultural aspects of the past and the present.

Fort Beauséjour – Fort Cumberland National Historic Site

At the crossroads of natural and cultural history, travel back in time to when France and England fought for power in Acadie. Feel the courage, the fear and the struggles of the soldiers from long ago. The surrounding marshes and winds that sweep the landscape carry the echoes of a rich and tumultuous historic past, including the site of the first Acadian deportation.



Photo: André Audet

Kouchibouguac National Park

Discover a national park on New Brunswick's Acadian Coast where lush Acadian forests lead to colorful salt marshes and warm ocean beaches. Twenty five kilometers of golden sand dunes create sheltered estuaries and calm waters for all to enjoy. At night, this Dark Sky Preserve is a celestial masterpiece and each of these natural wonders intertwines with fascinating Mi'gmaq, Acadian and other settlers' cultures.



Prince Edward Island

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Explore this beautiful national park and let yourself be enchanted by miles of unspoiled beaches, seductive landscapes and the playful shorebirds flitting along the water's edge. Explore the stunning landscapes of the North Shore on your bicycle, stroll down a picturesque beach and let your spirit be carried forward by the gentle ocean breeze.



Skmaq – Port-la-Joye – Fort Amherst National Historic Site

Amongst the still visible ruins and with the help of interpretive panels, explore the history of the first permanent European settlement on Prince Edward Island. The grounds provide an excellent view of the countryside and the Charlottetown Harbour.



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