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2022 Activities

INTERPRETIVE ACTIVITIES

Interpretive activities are presented as short capsules.

DATES	LOCATION	THEMES	MEETING POINT	
Daily From June 6 to September 16	Île aux Perroquets	Une île, un phare, des oiseaux Find out more about the history of the island's lighthouse keepers and the seabirds that kept them company.	Journey to the island from the Longue-Pointe-	
	Île Nue de Mingan	Au-delà des apparences, une île riche Immerse yourself in the human and natural history of this island.	de-Mingan beach with local boat operators*	
Daily From June 13 to September 30	Île Quarry	Une mosaïque d'habitats Enter a mosaic of habitats (seashore, forest, barrens, bogs and cliffs).	Journey to the island from the Havre-Saint-Pierre	
	Île Niapiskau	La formation des monolithes Discover the origin of the ancient monoliths.	marina with local boat operators*	

^{*} See "Nautical activities and transportation" section

EXHIBITS

LOCATION	TITLE
Havre-Saint-Pierre Reception and Interpretation Centre (Portail Pélagie-Cormier)	Life stories from the Mingan Islands
Longue-Pointe-de-Mingan Reception and Interpretation Centre	Islands in the sea
Île aux Perroquets	Life on Perroquets

MINGAN THISTLE

ACTIVITÉ	DESCRIPTION
GARDEN VIRGINIA (CLOSE TO THE MARINA, HAVRE-SAINT-PIERRE)	Here is your chance to observe beautiful plants such as the Mingan thistle, the Gulf of St. Lawrence dandelion and the sparrow's egg lady's slipper, even if you don't end up going to the islands. Learn more about Brother Marie-Victorin who stayed in the Minganie between 1924 and 1928, and discover the ties that connected him to the locals.
SOS THISTLE GAME (PORTAIL PÉLAGIE-CORMIER, HAVRE-SAINT-PIERRE)	All are welcome to play the game SOS Thistle. As you play, learn more about the Mingan thistle, this rare plant which is at risk of extinction. Playing this game is easy! It features the Mingan thistle and is played in the same way as Snakes and Ladders. Each square on the board is linked to interesting information provided in a booklet. Check it out to learn more about this magnificient plant!
WHERE TO SEE THE MINGAN THISTLE	During the last few years, Parks Canada's biologists have been busy at work with the intention to preserve the Mingan thistle. It is possible for you to observe some plants in their natural environment on Île Niapiskau or Île du Fantôme. The Grenier Boréal, in Longue-Pointe-de-Mingan, has a "chardonnier", a garden where thistle seeds were planted by students from the village's school.





PARKS CANADA ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS

To complement your visit, different Parks Canada activities and programs are at your disposal.



RED CHAIRS

Several adirondack-style red chairs are placed in special locations on the islands and on the mainland, allowing you to take some time to contemplate nature. Enjoy these exceptional views! #sharethechair

PARKS CANADA SHOP

Memories await! Would you like to bring back some souvenirs of your stay at the Mingan Archipelago? We have a bunch of products, which will certainly please every member of your family! Visit one of our shops, located in our Reception and Interpretation Centres.



CLUB PARKA

Parka is the proud founder of Club Parka, a series of activities which encourage preschoolers to explore, discover, learn and have fun. Club Parka offers families with young children a value-added experience, a first step in creating a long-term relationship between our youngest visitors and Parks Canada. Get your booklet at one of our Reception and Interpretation Centres.



XPLORERS

The Xplorers program is an excellent way for kids aged 6 to 11 to discover Parks Canada sites with their families. The content for each booklet uses fun, interactive, and site-specific activities to guide kids to different locations at a site and encourages them to interact with the world around them. Get your booklet at one of our Reception and Interpretation Centres.



PERFECT PICNIC

Our twist on "take-out": Everything tastes better when you eat it outside! We partnered with local restaurants to offer you a Perfect Picnic! Pick up a ready-made lunch and let nature design your dining space.

GEOCACHING

You're invited to join the world's largest treasure hunt. Download the Geocaching® app to discover the locations of the geocaches near you. With the help of some hints, go find them, sign the logbook and enter your discovery in the app. You will find a few geocaches in the Mingan Archipelago.



For the full island experience, why not spend the night on one of the islands of the archipelago? There are options to suit every taste: wilderness camping, oTENTik tents, Ôasis accommodations or a 4-star accommodation.

ISLANDS	CAMPGROUNDS	NUMBER OF SITES
Île à la Chasse	e à la Chasse Havre à Landry	
	House ou Courage	2
Île du Havre	Havre au Sauvage	4 Ôasis
	Anse des Noyés	4
Île Niapiskau	Anse du Noroît	6
Îla Ouarra	Baie de Quarry Est	6 oTENTik tents
Île Quarry	Baie de Quarry Ouest	8
Grande Île	Havre à Petit-Henri	2 Ôasis
Granue ne	Barachois à Montpetit	4
Île Nue de Mingan Île Nue de Mingan		2

- Opening season: Mid-June to Mid-September. Baie de Quarry Ouest campground is accessible until September 30th. It is possible to camp before and after these dates. Contact our Reception and Interpretation Centres.
- Camping permit IS mandatory.
- Please note that you may have some distance to walk from the wharf to get to the campgrounds. Contact our Reception and Interpretation Centres for more information.
- There are outhouses and a wood shelter near the campsites. Firewood is supplied.
- There are no restaurants on the islands and drinking water is not provided.

CAMPGROUND

Enjoy a peaceful stay and experience a journey of discovery. Campsites are equipped with a tent platform, a picnic table and a cooking fireplace and are available on six different islands.

OTENTIK TENT

Enjoy a furnished, heated and lit accommodation, a cross between a tent and a rustic cabin. Built on a raised floor and attached to a small patio, the oTENTik tent is also equipped with a barbecue with a side burner (propane included). Each unit can accommodate up to six people.

GROUP CAMPING

On Île du Havre, in Anse des Noyés, there are two campsites especially designed for organized or school groups. Each site can accommodate 12 to 25 people and is equipped with picnic tables, a cooking fireplace and three tent platforms.

ÔASIS

Make it a memorable family experience or couple's getaway in a teardrop-shaped 'duplex'. Each unit is equipped with a convertible table/bed on the main level that can accomodate two adults (maximum) as well as a suspended hammock loft above, perfect for two children or one adult (maximum 180 kg). A barbecue with a side burner is available on site (propane included).





- Canada to plan your access to the islands (additionnal fees apply).
- Visit one of our Reception and Interpretation Centres at least one hour prior to your departure to get your camping permit (mandatory).
- Arrive at the dock or beach at least 30 minutes prior to your departure time.
- Make sure you know when and where the boat will pick you up on the day of your return to the mainland.
- Group camping: \$5.25 / person / night (minimum 12 people)
 Free for children under 6
- oTENTik tent: \$128 / night
- **Ôasis:** \$128 / night
- > Fire permit: \$9.25 / permit / night (mandatory)
- Park entrance fees: see the fee schedule at the back of this document
 - * Fees shown are subject to change.

CAMPING RESERVATION POLICY

Reservation is recommended Online: www.reservation.pc.gc.ca

By phone: 1-877-737-3783

Reservation, change or cancellation fees

Online: \$11.50 | By phone: \$13.50 This fee is non-refundable.

Reservation fee is charged per stay (a series of consecutive nights) for each site.

- If campers do not return at the expected time, voluntarily or otherwise, applicable fees for site rental and daily admission will be charged upon their arrival, based on the length of their extended stay.
 Authorization required. Other fees may apply.
- > In case of cancellation, fees will be charged.

FOR AN OPTIMAL EXPERIENCE, DON'T FORGET TO BRING:

- Food and drinking water for at least two extra days (we recommend 2 litres per day per person).
- Your kitchenware, cutlery and dishes.
- A good sleeping bag, warm waterproof clothes and hiking boots.
- A small axe and some matches.
- > An adequate communication device and a first aid kit.

4-STAR ACCOMMODATION

Treat yourself to an eco-friendly overnight stay at Auberge de l'île aux Perroquets. Tuck in for the night in one of the two lightstation houses.

Information or reservation:

Corporation de l'île aux Perroquets

Phone: 418-949-0005 or 1-855-717-7657

Email: info@ileauxperroquets.ca Website: www.ileauxperroquets.ca





In total, 80 km of trails spread over nine different islands will allow you to discover the life by the sea, the heart of the islands, the forest, the barrens and the peat bogs. Step by step, on the trails or along the beaches, soak in the moments and discover intriguing natural sculptures while admiring this exceptionnal setting!

Leaflets for self-guided tours as well as tide tables are available at our Reception and Interpretation Centres.

Shoreline hike or name of the trail	Island	Length / Approximative duration	Туре	Level
Shoreline hike	Grosse île au Marteau*	4.1 km / 1 hour 30 minutes	loop	intermediate
La Lumière Trail	Petite île au Marteau	1.1 km / 30 minutes	linear	easy 🐁
Shoreline hike	Île du Havre	17.2 km / 8 hours	loop	intermediate
Campanules Trail	Île du Fantôme	0.7 km / 25 minutes	linear	easy
Poète Jomphe Trail	Île Niapiskau	0.3 km / 15 minutes	loop	easy
Samuel Trail	Île Niapiskau	4.4 km / 2 hours	linear	intermediate
Les Falaises Trail	Île Quarry	1.2 km / 45 minutes	linear	easy
Le Petit Percé hike	Île Quarry	3.8 km / 2 hours	loop	intermediate
Les Cypripèdes hike	Île Quarry	10.8 km / 5 hours	loop	intermediate
Anse des Érosions Trail	Île Quarry	0.6 km / 15 minutes	linear	easy
Shoreline hike	La Grande Île	27.2 km / 12 hours	loop	intermediate
Shoreline hike	Île Nue de Mingan**	9.0 km / 4 hours	loop	easy
Trail hike	Île aux Perroquets**	0.3 km / 10 minutes	linear	easy

- * As of July 1st only. Book now with boat operators as the number of authorized hikers is limited. Note that a section of Grosse île au Marteau's shoreline is not accessible in order to assure visitors security and to protect nesting birds from disturbances.
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FOR YOUR SAFETY

Hiking along the shoreline is a great way to explore the Mingan Archipelago, but please, be aware of the following risks:



Falling rocks are a hazard near the cliffs. When possible, keep a safe distance, avoid walking beneath overhanging rocks and do not stop at the base of cliffs. Hike around low tide to stay away from the cliffs. Even with these precautions, be aware that falling rocks may sometimes be unavoidable and dangerous.



Please proceed with caution. Some areas along the shoreline may present difficult walking conditions and may cause you to fall. At low tide, water and seaweed on the rocks create slippery conditions. Hiking along the shoreline can be difficult at high tide as water may block the trail.



Climbing on the monoliths is dangerous and prohibited.



Nautical activities and transportation

The Mingan Archipelago National Park Reserve is only accessible by boat.

The boat operators mentioned in this brochure provide a variety of transportation services to the islands. Through an agreement with Parks Canada, these operators must respect the itineraries and schedules as well as ensure a high standard of service.

It is strongly recommended that you contact these service providers for more information or to make reservations. A minimum number of passengers is required for the trips to take place.

Note: It is prohibited to access the park with boat operators who do not hold a business license issued by Parks Canada.

NOTICE

Some contractors offer activities outside of the park. These activities, including navigation around the park, are the sole responsibility of the contractors concerned.

Parks Canada is not responsible for accidents or incidents that may occur during activities outside the park boundaries.

Contact the boat operator to learn more about maritime conditions before your departure (recommended).

BE INFORMED!

Before setting out to enjoy sea activities in the archipelago, make sure you have all the equipment and information you need. This will contribute to your safety and enhance your experience.

- Make sure you have an adequate communication device. Mobile phone coverage is limited in the park.
- Visit the slgo.ca website to view the "Mingan Atlas of Currents" (ocean currents around the Mingan islands).
- Ask about the mandatory equipment that you need to bring for your sea expedition.
- Get the tide tables and topographic maps from our Reception and Interpretation Centres.
- > Visit charts.gc.ca to get nautical charts.
- Make sure you know the other specificities related to navigating in the archipelago.



Boat operators

DEPARTURES FROM HAVRE-SAINT-PIERRE

Services Maritimes Boréale

1010 Promenade des Anciens

Havre-Saint-Pierre

Phone: 418-538-2865 or 1-866-538-2865 (toll free)

@ServicesMaritimesBoreale

www.smboreale.com

Boats:

Marsouin III (12 passengers)
Capitaine Yockell (36 passengers)

Le Perroquet de Mer and Le Calculot (47 passengers each)

Cruise / sea excursion with stopover on Île Niapiskau

From June 6 to 12

Departure: 8:00 a.m. | Duration: 2 hours 15 minutes Departure: 3:00 p.m. | Duration: 2 hours 5 minutes

From June 20 to August 21

Departure: 8:00 a.m. | Duration: 2 hours 15 minutes Departure: 3:00 p.m. | Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes

From August 22 to September 9

Departure: 8:00 a.m. | Duration: 2 hours 15 minutes Departure: 3:00 p.m. | Duration: 2 hours 5 minutes

Cruise / sea excursion with stopovers on Île Quarry and on Île Niapiskau

From June 6 to 12

Departure: 10:30 a.m. | Duration: 4 hours 10 minutes

From June 13 to October 8

Departure: 10:30 a.m. | Duration: 4 hours 30 minutes

From June 20 to September 9

Departure: 12:00 p.m. | Duration: 4 hours 30 minutes

Cruise / sea excursion with stopovers on Île du Fantôme, Île Niapiskau and Île Quarry

From June 20 to August 21

Departure: 8:15 a.m. | Duration: 6 hours 15 minutes

Excursion to île à Calculot des Betchouanes with stopover on Petite île au Marteau

From June 20 to August 21

Departure: 8:00 a.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

Duration: 4 hours

Water taxi for campers and/or hikers

From June 13 to September 9

Destination: Petite Île au Marteau, Grosse Île au Marteau

and Île du Havre

Departures: 8:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., 5:00 pm

Destinations: Grande Île, (campers only), Île Quarry and

Île Niapiskau Departure: 9:30 am

Destination: Île Quarry and Île Niapiskau (campers only)

Departure: 12:30 pm

Destination: Île à la Chasse (campers only)

Departure: flexible hours

From June 10 to September 30

Destination: **Île Quarry** (campers only)

Departure: 10:30 a.m.



Croisières du Capitaine Richard

Havre-Saint-Pierre marina

Havre-Saint-Pierre

Phone: 418-538-3375 or 418-566-3312

1 Croisières du Capitaine Richard

Boat:

La Mariner V (12 passengers)

Tailor-made cruise with stopovers on 3 or 4 islands

Destinations: Île Quarry, Île Niapiskau, Île du Fantôme,

Petite Île au Marteau

From June 5 to September 30

Departure: 8:15 a.m. | Duration: all day long



Boat operators

DEPARTURES FROM LONGUE-POINTE-DE-MINGAN

Excursions du Phare

126 de la Mer St.
Longue-Pointe-de-Mingan
Phone: 418-949-2302 or 1-877-949-2302 (toll free)

Excursion aux îles Mingan
www.minganie.info

Boats:

Le Phare I and Le Phare II (12 passengers each)

June 6 to September 16

Sea excursions with stopovers on Île aux Perroquets and Île Nue de Mingan

Departures: 8:00 a.m., 11:45 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Duration: 3 hours 30 minutes

Sea excursions with stopovers on Grande Île, Île Nue de Mingan and Île aux Perroquets

Departure: 8:00 a.m. | Duration: 5 hours 45 minutes Depending on boat availability

Water taxi for campers and/or hikers

Destination: Île aux Perroquets (hikers only), Île Nue de Mingan, occasionally Grande Île and Île Quarry

Departures: flexible hours



Entreprises touristiques Loiselle

109 and 207 de la Mer St.
Longue-Pointe-de-Mingan
Phone: 418-949-2307 or 1-866-949-2307 (toll free)

@entrepriseloiselle
www.tourisme-loiselle.com

Boats:

Le Macareux and Le Perroquet (12 passengers each)

From June 6 to September 16

Sea excursion with stopovers on Île aux Perroquets and Île Nue de Mingan

Departures: 8:00 a.m., 11:45 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Duration: 3 hours 30 minutes

Sea excursion around Île aux Perroquets and Île Nue de Mingan

Departures: flexible hours Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes

Water taxi for campers and/or hikers

Destination: Île aux Perroquets (hikers only), Île Nue de Mingan, occasionally Grande Île and Île Quarry

Departures: flexible hours





Nautical Activities

SEA KAYAKING

Noryak Aventures

Route 138, Km 1201 (Auberge de la Minganie)

Havre-Saint-Pierre
Phone: 418-949-2707

• @Noryakaventures
www.noryak.ca

* Guided hikes, gourmet meals and interpretation

Full-day excursion

Romaine river bay

From the beginning of June till the end of September Departure: 9:00 a.m. | Duration: 6 hours

Île aux Perroquets (upon resquest)

From June 1 to August 15

Departure: flexible hours | Duration: 6 to 8 hours

Grande Île and/or Île Quarry

On July 2, 8, 10, 15, 17, 23 and 30 and August 6, 12, 19 and 26

Departures: 9 a.m. | Duration: 8 to 9 hours * Round-trip transportation by boat

Tailor-made excursion (upon resquest)

From the beginning of June till end of September Departures: flexible hours | Duration: flexible

Base camp excursion on Grande Île

Includes: Training, kayaking and camping equipment, guiding service and meals.

* Round-trip transportation by boat

Duration 4 days / 3 nights

Departures: July 4, 11, 18 and August 8

Duration 6 day / 5 nights

Departures: June 26, July 24 and 31

Duration 8 days / 7 nights

Departures: June 1

Quatre natures (departure from Quebec City)

8480, chemin Royal Ste-Pétronille

Phone: 418-271-7234

@quatrenatures

www.quatrenatures.com

7-day travel packages (group of 12 persons maximum)

Departure: July 23

5-day sea kayaking excursion in the Mingan Archipelago, departing from Montreal or Quebec City.

STAND-UP PADDLEBOARDING

Les vagues - Loisirs marins

1740, de l'Anse St. Havre-Saint-Pierre Phone: 418-553-3849 • @lesvagueshsp

Equipment available for rent

Excursion SUP Marteau

www.lesvagues.ca

Departure: 6:00 a.m., depending on weather conditions

Duration: 5 to 6 hours

Transportation by boat possible depending on weather

conditions

Group class

Initiation

Departure: flexible hours | Duration: 2 hours

SUP Zen

Departure: flexible hours | Duration: 1 hour

SUP Fit

Departure: flexible hours | Duration: 45 minutes

L'Exode

Includes: equipment, workshops, activities, healthy meals and snacks, transportation and accommodations (Ôasis or camping on Île du Havre).

Duration: 4 days / 3 nights

Departure: June 9



SCUBA DIVING

Services Maritimes Boréale

1010 promenade des Anciens

Havre-Saint-Pierre

Phone: 418-538-2865 or 1-866-538-2865 (toll free)

@ServicesMaritimesBoreale

www.smboreale.com

Water taxi for scuba divers

From June 6 to October 8 - Marsouin III

Departures: flexible hours, depending on the availability of the

* You must have your own diving equipment. Air station available for filling tanks.

A CONSERVATION TEAM DEDICATED TO THE PROTECTION OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

THE DECLINE OF BATS

Populations of several bat species have been declining in Canada since the emergence of white-nose syndrome, a disease which affects bats during the winter season. This disease has progressed slowly to the Mingan Archipelago where it was first observed in the summer of 2018.

The conservation team has been using bioacoustic recording stations to monitor bat species found on the Mingan Islands every summer since 2015. In the summer of 2022, for the eighth consecutive year, nine recording stations will be deployed on five islands. Echolocation calls are recorded with ultrasound devices and converted into sonogram data, which makes it possible to identify the species to which calls belong. Since 2015, five different bat species have been identified, including two species that are endangered in Canada, the Little Brown Myotis and the Northern Myotis.



MONITORING SEABIRD COLONIES

The Mingan Archipelago is well known for its population of seabirds. The Atlantic Puffin is certainly the most popular one, but we can find other species along the coastal cliffs. Indeed, a large number of Common Murres, Razorbills and Black-legged Kittiwakes are nesting in these coastal ecosystems. They are present in two sectors, that is at Île à Calculot des Betchouanes and at Île aux Perroquets and its surroundings.

Having healthy seabird populations is an important element of coastal ecosystems and they are monitored periodically by the conservation team at the Mingan Archipelago National Park Reserve. The number of breeding pairs of each species are counted every five years. This survey will determine the trend of these seabird populations in order to evaluate the health of the ecosystems in the park.



Many rare plant species can be found in the Mingan Archipelago, thanks to its geological, climatic and geographical characteristics. Some of these distinctive plants are monitored by the conservation team every five years.

In 2022, four species will be monitored: woolly alpine chickweed, hybrid twisted-stalk, and two ferns: mountain bladder fern and smooth woodsia. In total, 15 colonies spread over five different islands will be visited by the park's biologists. Each colony is visited to document its persistence and health status, as well as to estimate the number of plants. Historically, populations of these four species have been generally stable or increasing, which is a good indicator of the ecological integrity of the barrens ecosystem in the archipelago.

THANK YOU FOR RESPECTING THIS FRAGILE AREA:

- Use only established trails or keep to areas with no vegetation when walking along the coastline.
- Respect the Code of Ethics for Seabird Observation and Navigation in the Mingan Archipelago.
- Make sure to read and obey park regulations.
- Bring your garbage back with you after your stay in the park.
- Avoid feeding the animals.
- Leave your drone at home.





PRESENCE OF SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS

Surveillance cameras are used in this national park for wildlife conservation purposes. Are you concerned about protecting your privacy? We are too. That's why we delete visitor images taken by our cameras. However, if the images show illegal activities that may have serious impacts on wildlife or that jeopardize visitor safety, they may be used for enforcement purposes.



Come meet our Visitor Services Attendants. They will be happy to give you more information on our activities and services. Let them make your visit a memorable one!

BUSINESS HOURS

Reception and Interpretation Centres Parks Canada Shops		Reception Centres	
Havre-Saint-Pierre 1010 Promenade des Ar Portail Pélagie-Cormier Phone: 418-538-3285 June 6 to 12: June 13 to 19: June 20 to August 21: August 12 to Sept. 17: Sept. 18 to Sept. 30:	12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Aguanish 250 Jacques-Cartier Road Phone: 418-533-2228 June 5 to 18: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. * Opened six days a week, closed on Fridays June 19 to Sept. 10: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. * Opened seven days a week Sept. 11 to Oct. 1: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. * Opened five days a week, closed on Thursdays and Sundays	
Longue-Pointe-de-M 625 Centre St. Phone: 418-949-2126	lingan	Baie-Johan-Beetz 16 Tanguay St. Phone: 418-539-0243	
June 13 to August 21: August 22 to Sept. 9:	8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	June 15 to Sept. 4: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	

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Visit our Website

parkscanada.gc.ca/mingan

FEES

Entrance fees	Daily	Seasonal (before June 30)	Seasonal
Adult	\$6.25	\$15.75	\$31.50
Senior (65 and over)	\$5.25	\$13	\$26.25
Youth (17 and under)	Free	Free	Free
Family / Group (max. 7 persons)	\$12.75	\$39.25	\$62.75

- > Park users must pay entrance fees to the access the islands.
- > For customers of boat operators, these fees will be charged when buying your ticket at the boat operator kiosk. For campers, these fees will be charged when you obtain your camping permit at the Reception and Interpretation Centres in Longue-Pointe-de-Mingan and Havre-Saint-Pierre.
- > GST and QST included.

Toll-free information services: 1-888-773-8888

Report violations: 1-888-862-1422

EMERGENCY: 1-888-762-1422