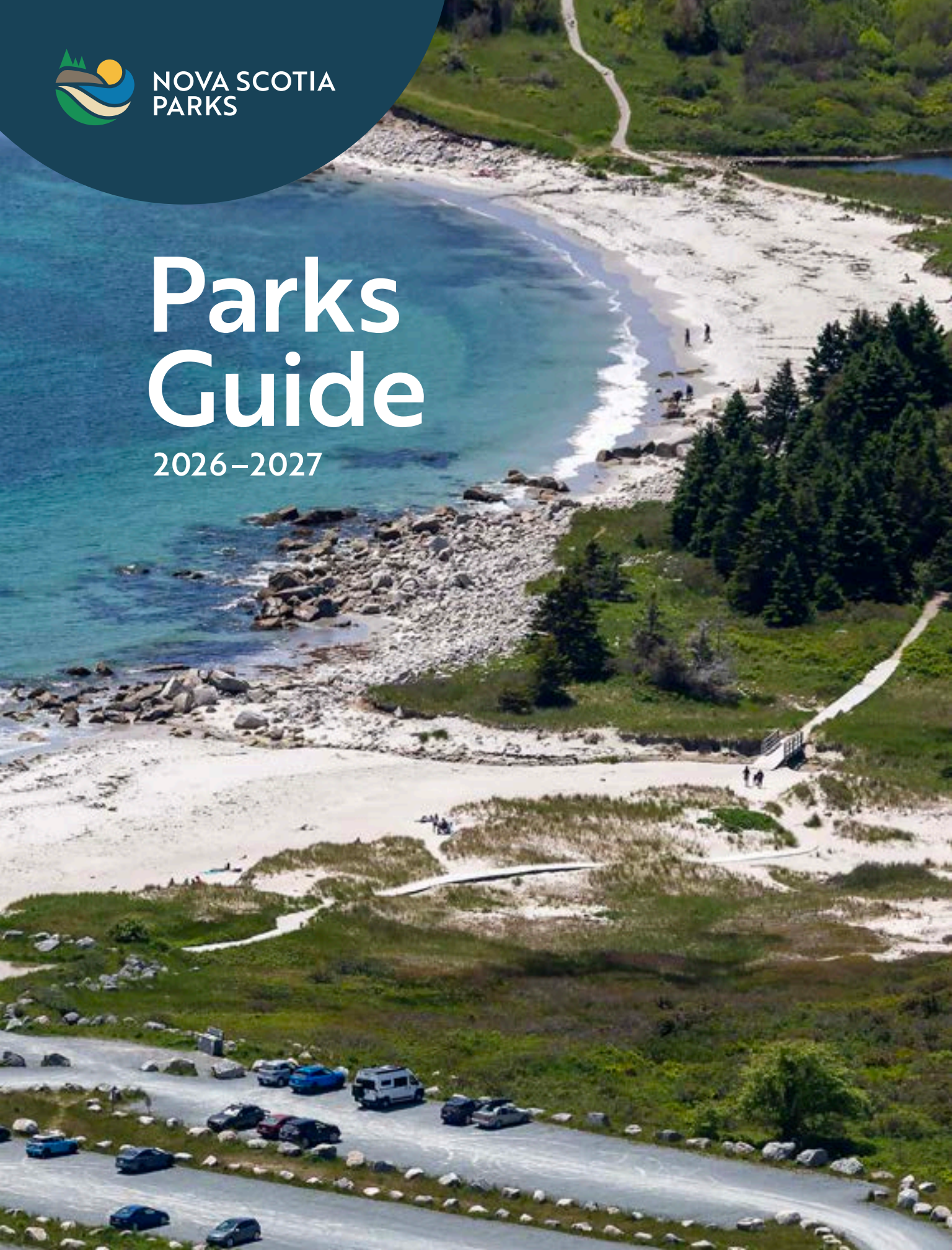




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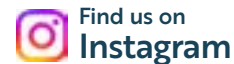
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 Bicycles	 Parking
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 Drinking Water	 Snack Bar
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 Facilities for the Disabled	 Swimming
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Welcome to Nova Scotia Provincial Parks



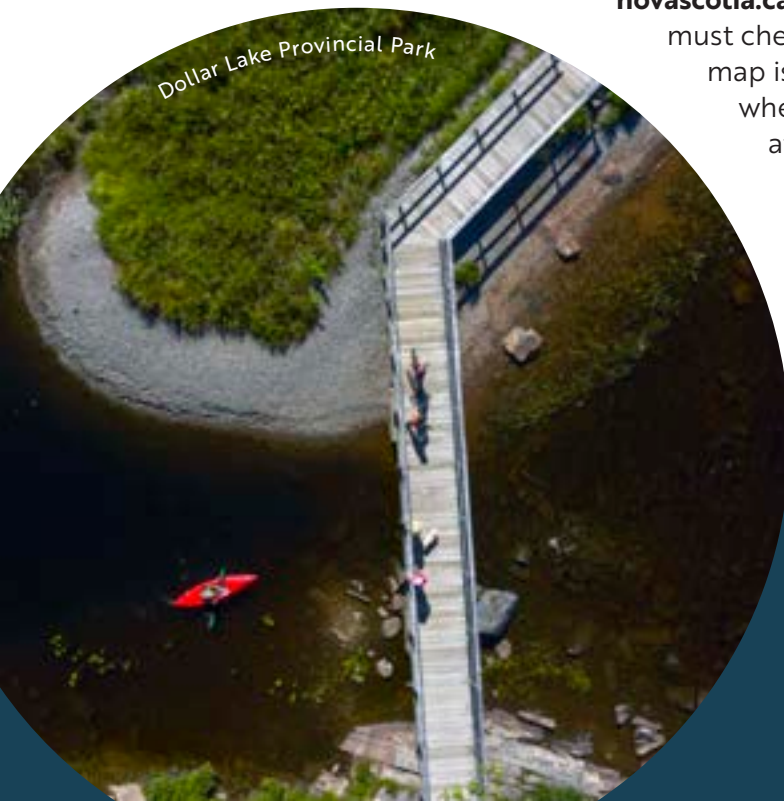
Nova Scotia parks provide opportunities to explore some of the most beautiful natural landscapes in the province. Use this guide to plan your adventures and take it with you to visit parks, beaches, and trails. With a wide variety of parks to choose from, there's space for everyone to relax and enjoy nature.

Nova Scotians and visitors value and appreciate all that provincial parks have to offer. In 2025, our parks welcomed more than one million visitors from around the world and recorded 103,690 overnight stays at campgrounds — a 9% increase over 2024.

We continue to invest in our parks through capital improvement projects to ensure high quality and reliable services. In 2025, we made upgrades to over 40 provincial parks — including campsites, washrooms, buildings, roads, trails, internet access, beach access, bridge repairs, and water and sewer systems. With these upgrades, the province is creating more opportunities for Nova Scotians and visitors from around the world to enjoy the province's natural beauty.

Infrastructure projects completed in 2025 include 31 serviced campsites at Blomidon, a new cabin at Cape Chignecto, accessible washrooms and change houses at several beaches and new parking lots at Crystal Crescent and Martinique beaches. New nature playgrounds were opened at Smileys and Mira River in 2025. Playgrounds at Five Islands and Thomas Raddall will be replaced in 2026.

Provincial parks follow the province's daily burn restrictions. This means fires are not permitted between 8 am – 2 pm daily. Each day, **novascotia.ca/BurnSafe** is updated at 2 pm and campers must check whether campfires are allowed. When the map is green, fires are permitted after 2 pm and when the map is yellow, campfires are allowed after 7 pm. If the map is red, campfires are not permitted. We encourage campers to plan ahead and bring a CSA approved camp stove that uses propane, natural gas, or other gas meant for these devices.



Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to stay engaged with what's going on at parks. Please visit **parks.novascotia.ca** for the most up-to-date information on upcoming events and important news.

Enjoy the 2026 season at our provincial parks.

Park Seasons for 2026 Camping Parks

PARK	TOURISM REGION	DATE
Amherst Shore ‡	Northumberland Shore	June 5 – Oct 12
Battery ‡	Cape Breton Island	June 5 – Oct 19
Blomidon ** ‡	Annapolis Valley	May 15 – Oct 12
Boylston *	Eastern Shore	June 5 – Sept 14
Cape Chignecto	Bay of Fundy	May 15 – Oct 12
Caribou-Munroes Island ‡	Northumberland Shore	June 5 – Oct 12
Dollar Lake ‡	Eastern Shore	June 5 – Oct 12
Ellenwood Lake ** ‡	Yarmouth & Acadian Shores	May 15 – Oct 12
Five Islands ‡	Bay of Fundy	June 5 – Oct 12
Graves Island ‡	South Shore	May 15 – Oct 12
Laurie *	Halifax Metro	June 5 – Sept 14
Mira River ‡ **	Cape Breton Island	May 29 – Oct 19
Porters Lake * ‡	Eastern Shore	May 15 – Oct 12
Rissers Beach ‡	South Shore	May 15 – Oct 12
Salsman *	Eastern Shore	June 5 – Sept 14
Smileys *	Bay of Fundy	June 5 – Sept 21
The Islands *	South Shore	June 5 – Oct 12
Thomas Raddall	South Shore	May 15 – Oct 12
Valleyview ‡	Annapolis Valley	June 5 – Oct 12
Whycocomagh * ‡	Cape Breton Island	June 5 – Oct 19

*Self-registration park **Self-registration from Sept 1 to closing ‡Some sites have electrical hook-ups

Provincial Beaches with Lifeguard Supervision June 27 – August 23, 2026

The Nova Scotia Lifeguard Service provides lifeguard supervision at the seventeen provincial beaches listed here. Lifeguards are on duty from 10 am – 6 pm daily in July and August, except for at Clam Harbour and Mavillette Beach where supervision is provided on weekends only. At each location, the supervised swimming area is marked by red and yellow flags on either side of the beach. At coastal locations, the supervised area can be changed based on conditions.

For up to date information, visit the NS Lifeguard Service website:
lifesavingsociety.ns.ca

Dollar Lake Provincial Park

SUPERVISED BEACH PARKS

Bayfield Beach, Antigonish Co.
 Bayswater Beach, Lunenburg Co.
 Clam Harbour Beach, Halifax Co.
 Dollar Lake Beach, Halifax Co.
 Dominion Beach, Cape Breton Co.
 Ellenwood Lake Beach, Yarmouth Co.
 Heather Beach, Cumberland Co.
 Lawrencetown Beach, Halifax Co.
 Martinique Beach, Halifax Co.
 Mavillette Beach, Digby Co.
 Melmerby Beach, Pictou Co.
 Point Michaud Beach, Richmond Co.
 Pomquet Beach, Antigonish Co.
 Port Maitland Beach, Yarmouth Co.
 Queensland Beach, Halifax Co.
 Rainbow Haven Beach, Halifax Co.
 Rissers Beach, Lunenburg Co.

Campfire Safety at Nova Scotia Provincial Parks



- Always check the daily fire restrictions to see if burning is allowed.
- Campfires are permitted using the approved provincial park firepit only
- Never light a fire anywhere else in a park outside of approved firepits
- Please keep campfires small and manageable
- Always supervise your campfire and never leave it unattended
- Be sure to set up tenting equipment away from sparks and fire
- Fires must be fully extinguished before checking out or leaving your campsite

Fees

All fees include applicable taxes.
Fees are subject to change.

Campsites (up to six people)

Unserviced \$26.50
(sites without electrical or water hook-ups)

Serviced \$35.30
(sites with electrical/water or electrical only hook-up)

Each Additional Person (in excess of six) \$2.35

Camping Permit

A camping permit includes up to 6 people and one vehicle. Fees apply for extra people, unless part of one family.

Additional Vehicle Parking (per day) \$8.25

Bunkhouse/Cabin (Cape Chignecto) \$58.90

Additional Person in Bunkhouse/Cabin \$11.75

Campsite at Cape Chignecto \$26.50

Senior's Discount (65 years & over) \$2.35

Veteran's Discount \$2.35

Reservation Fee \$8.95

Change/Cancel Reservation \$6.95

Firestarters (available at select parks) \$.25

Firewood (per bundle) \$5.00

Ice (per bag) \$2.50

RV/Trailer Sewage Disposal (non-camper) \$6.50

Wood and Ice

At full serve parks, wood and ice purchases can be made at the park office using credit, debit, or cash.

To purchase wood and ice at self registration parks, use the payment envelope at the Registration Kiosk and deposit it in the drop box.



Reservations

Making a reservation is easy. Reservations open April 8 and operate until park season ends in October.

- To make a reservation, visit parks.novascotia.ca to view park descriptions and site maps. Then book online using our secure internet reservation service. Or call 1-888-544-3434 from 9:00 am to 11:00 pm ADT (7 days a week) to speak to a reservation advisor. Service in French is available. Those outside North America can make reservations online or by calling 519-826-5301.
- Payment of fees is required at the time of booking.
- VISA, MasterCard and American Express are accepted for online and telephone reservations. Personal cheques and money orders are accepted for telephone reservations only.
- A campsite can be reserved for a minimum of one night and a maximum of 14 nights.
- Reservations can be made until 11 pm ADT on the day of your arrival.
- Please visit our website for more detailed information about reservation policies.

Group Camping

Eleven provincial camping parks offer group camping. Groups can make reservations beginning May 1 by telephoning the Department of Natural Resources district office closest to the park of their choice (see parks.novascotia.ca for phone numbers). For Blomidon, Cape Chignecto, Dollar Lake, Five Islands, Graves Island, Rissers Beach and Thomas Raddall, reservations can be made by calling the park once it opens for the season. For Smileys, The Islands and Whycocomagh, please call the Department of Natural Resources district office throughout the season to make group arrangements.

Special Events

Families or groups wishing to hold events such as weddings, reunions, corporate events, or picnics at provincial parks must contact the DNR office closest to the park of interest. For further information about organizing events at parks, please visit our website: parks.novascotia.ca

Greenhill Provincial Park



Services Available at Park Offices and Self Registration Kiosks

Campsite check in time is 2:00 pm at all camping parks.

Checkout for all parks is 1:00 pm. Please ensure your campsite is clean.

All parks are operational and staff are available:

Sunday to Thursday 9:00 am – 11:00 pm

Friday and Saturday 9:00 am – midnight

Sunday during long weekends 9:00 am – midnight

Cape Chignecto is operational 8:30 am – 8:30 pm.

FULL SERVICE PARKS

Amherst Shore	Five Islands	Arriving at the Park Please stop and register at the park when you arrive. When registering, you will need to have your vehicle information including, license plate number, make, and model. Check-in is required upon arrival for all campers, including those with a reservation.
Battery	Graves Island	
Blomidon*	Mira River*	
Caribou Munroes	Rissers Beach	
Island	Thomas Raddall	
Dollar Lake	Valleyview	
Ellenwood Lake*		

**From September 7 until closing these parks operate as self registration parks.*

SELF-REGISTRATION PARKS

Boylston	Smileys	Arriving at the Park All campers with a reservation can proceed directly to their site upon arriving at the park after the check in time of 2:00 pm. Please bring your campsite reservation as confirmation of your assigned site.
Laurie	The Islands	
Porters Lake	Whycomomagh	
Salsman		

Self-registration parks are operated and have staff available the same hours as other camping parks; however, the park offices are closed. Campsite registration and purchases of wood or ice can be done using the registration kiosk on-site.

If You don't Have a Reservation: Stop at the Registration Kiosk when you arrive. Look at the park map to note potential sites of interest. Open the yellow box and use the direct line telephone to the booking agent. The line operates 9:00 am until 11:00 pm. The agent will advise on site availability and cost. Provide the agent with your credit card number or put cash/cheque in a camping permit envelope (located in the kiosk). Complete the registration information on the envelope, seal the envelope and deposit it in the drop box.



Blomidon Provincial Park

To ensure everyone has a pleasant stay, please note the following Park Rules and Regulations:

Check In and Check Out Times

Check in time is 2:00 pm.
Checkout for all parks is 1:00 pm.
Please make sure that your campsite is clean.

Alcohol and Cannabis

Alcohol and smoking (including cannabis) are permitted on rented campsites only. Alcohol and smoking (including cannabis) are NOT permitted in day-use parks.

Camping Permits

- Campers must have a camping permit and must camp in designated sites.
- A camping permit is issued to an adult (19 years and older) who is staying at the campsite.
- A person who is 16 to 18 years of age may hold a camping permit if accompanied in the park by a person 19 years of age or older who accepts responsibility for the younger campers.
- A camping permit includes up to 6 people and one vehicle. Fees apply for extra people, unless part of one family.
- An extra vehicle needs a separate permit.
- A camping permit may be issued for up to 14 nights at the same campsite.
- A camping permit expires if a campsite is unoccupied for 48 hours.

Dishwashing

Some parks have a dishwashing station for your convenience, located near the restrooms with showers. If you choose to wash dishes at your campsite, please dump the water at the dishwashing station; not at your campsite. For those parks without a dishwashing station please dump the water at the restroom toilets. Dishwashing is not permitted at the restroom sinks or at the taps located within the park.

Dogs and Other Pets

Pets are welcome when owners act responsibly and follow the rules.

- Dogs must be kept under control at all times, on a leash no longer than 2.0 metres (6 feet), including at swimming areas.
- Owners must make sure that their dog does not make excessive noise or disturb other park users.
- Owners must clean up their dog's waste and place it in a garbage container. In the off-season, owners must remove their dog's waste from the park.
- Dogs and other pets are not permitted in public structures at the park or in any area designated as pet free. Public structures include washrooms, vault toilets, cooking shelters, change houses, yurts, and administrative and program buildings. Service animals are permitted in these areas.

Drones

Recreational use of drones is prohibited within provincial parks. Non-recreational users must apply to the Department of Natural Resources for a Letter of Authority to use a drone within a provincial park. Applications will be considered for the following purposes: commercial photography/videography, scientific monitoring/research, training, marketing/promotions and other purposes at the discretion of the Department.

Dump Station

Don't put anything other than the contents of your holding tanks or portable toilets into the dump station. Human waste and toilet paper are the only materials that can be dumped. Do not dump wipes. Do not dump directly onto the dump station's apron. If you make a mess or spill, be courteous and clean up after yourself with the water tap/hose provided at the dump station.

Firearms

Firearms are not permitted within the park.

Fires

Fires are allowed within campsite grills only. If the site you reserve does not have a grill, you cannot have a fire. No campfires are allowed between 8:00 am and 2:00 pm. Burn restrictions are updated daily at 2:00 pm. You must check the BurnSafe map to see if fires are permitted.

Firewood

Buy firewood locally to prevent the spread of invasive species. Moving firewood, even just a few kilometres, can spread invasive insects and diseases to our forests.

- Don't pack wood—buy it locally
- Burn it on site
- Leave un-used wood for the next camper
- Never take wood back home

Fireworks

The use of fireworks is prohibited.

Fishing

Fishing is permitted with a Nova Scotia sport fishing licence.

Garbage and Recycling

Practice waste sorting and recycling in accordance with provincial and municipal regulations. (Please note: regulations may vary between municipalities.) The required steps will

be posted at the park. Propane canisters and cylinders: never put these in the garbage.

Generators

Generators may be used between 9:00 am – 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm. If you require power outside of these hours, please book a campsite with electrical service.

Hunting and Trapping

No hunting or trapping within the park.

Noise

Quiet time is 10:30 pm to sunrise. Noisy parties and rowdy behaviour are not tolerated.

Regulations

The Parks Act and Regulations are enforced at all times. Those who fail to comply will be asked to leave the park.

Selling

Selling is not permitted in the park. Advertising or operating a business within the park requires a special permit.

Shelter Equipment

You are allowed up to three pieces of shelter equipment on your campsite, space permitting.

Showers

Showers are for registered campers only.

Traffic Speed

Speed limit within the park is 15 km.

Vehicles

A camping permit includes one vehicle. An extra vehicle requires a separate permit. Off-highway vehicles and unlicensed vehicles may not be operated within the park.

Visitors/Non-Campers

Visitors may enter the park until 10:00 pm. All guests must leave by 10:30 pm.

Tips for a safe stay

- Avoid insect bites by using insect repellent and wearing long sleeves and pants. Light coloured fabrics are less attractive to biting insects.
- Practice sun safety while visiting parks by seeking shade, slipping on protective clothing, slapping on a wide brimmed hat, sliding on sunglasses and slopping on sunscreen (SPF 30+)
- Supervise children, especially around water and playground equipment.
- Keep your distance from wildlife.
- Have family members tell you when they are leaving the campsite, where they plan to go and when they'll return. If someone does get lost, be able to give a physical description – weight, height, clothing, hairstyle and colour.
- Cook and store food carefully to avoid food-borne illness. Cleaning your picnic table after meals helps prevent odors which attract insects and wildlife.
- Keep valuables out of sight in a secure area. Better yet, leave them at home.



In Case of Emergency

An emergency evacuation plan has been prepared for all camping parks to ensure everyone can exit the park safely. The law requires that you obey directions given by park staff. Should you or a member of your group have an emergency, notify staff or call 911.

Parks are Natural Environments

Coastal Parks

- Use caution when walking along the beach as the tide comes in quickly. Check tide times before you head out.
- Cliff edges are constantly eroding. Approach cliff edges only at designated look offs. Obey all signs and stay behind barriers.
- Beware of currents when swimming in the ocean.

Wildlife Lives Here Year-Round

- Please respect wildlife and appreciate them from a distance. Do not tease or chase wildlife, or allow a dog to do so.
- Never feed wildlife. This can cause them to lose their natural fear of people.
- If you encounter a large mammal, do not approach it. Leave the area at once by slowly backing away in the direction from which you came.
- Avoid dune and beach areas where piping plovers may be nesting.



The Islands Provincial Park

Leave No Trace is about respecting and caring for wildlands, doing your part to protect our limited resources and future recreation opportunities. Once this attitude is adopted and the outdoor ethic is sound, the specific skills and techniques become second nature.



Accessible experiences and features at Nova Scotia Parks

Nova Scotia Parks are committed to promoting accessible and inclusive experiences so that everyone can enjoy nature. The types of accessible features at parks include beach access using mats, adaptive equipment available on-site, viewing areas, accessible fishing docks, washrooms, change houses, and parking.



Pomquet Beach Provincial Park

Each year we continue to make accessibility improvements to parks and beaches. Accessibility is considered from the start of all new construction projects and when upgrading older infrastructure it is retrofitted to be more accessible.

Beach access mats are in place seasonally at Caribou–Munroes Island, Clam Harbour, Dollar Lake, Ellenwood Lake, Heather Beach, Melmerby Beach, Mira River, Pomquet Beach, Point Michaud Beach, Port Hood Station, Rainbow Haven Beach, and Rissers Beach. At several of these locations, beach mats and adaptive equipment are provided by partner organizations including municipalities and recreational associations. Please visit our website for a complete list of accessible experiences at provincial parks.

The work to make our provincial parks and beaches more accessible to all visitors is ongoing. We are excited to continue this important work in 2026.



Pomquet Beach Provincial Park



The Islands Provincial Park



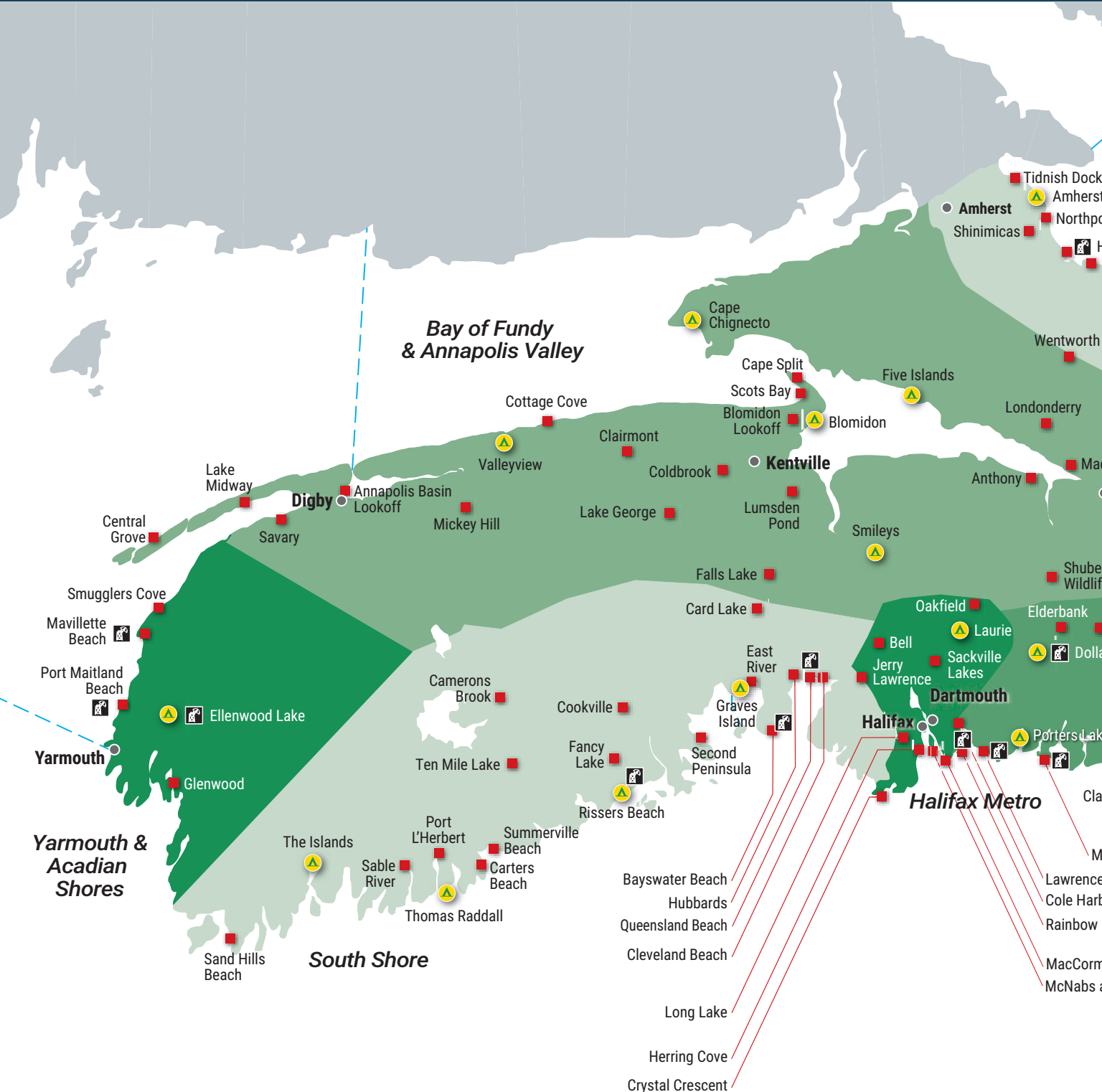
Martinique Beach Provincial Park



Pomquet Beach Provincial Park



Nova Scotia Provincial Parks Tourism Region Locator Map





- Provincial Park
- ▲ Provincial Campground
- Swimming (Supervised)
- City or Town

Martinique Beach
 Metown Beach
 Bour Heritage Park
 Haven Beach
 Snacks Beach
 and Lawlor Islands

LEARN 2 CAMP

Curious about camping...
but don't know where to start?

We can help! Join us for a fun and informative overnight camping experience and learn the ropes from the pros!

For more information:
parks.novascotia.ca



It should be second nature.
Please put waste in its place.



Keep Nova Scotia beautiful. Please sort waste properly while staying in our parks. <https://divertns.ca>

PUT WASTE IN ITS PLACE






FIRE RESTRICTIONS AT PROVINCIAL PARKS

During wildfire risk season (March 15 to October 15), no campfires are allowed between 8:00 am and 2:00 pm. Burn restrictions are updated daily at 2:00 pm

YOU MUST CHECK THE BURNSAFE MAP TO SEE IF FIRES ARE PERMITTED.



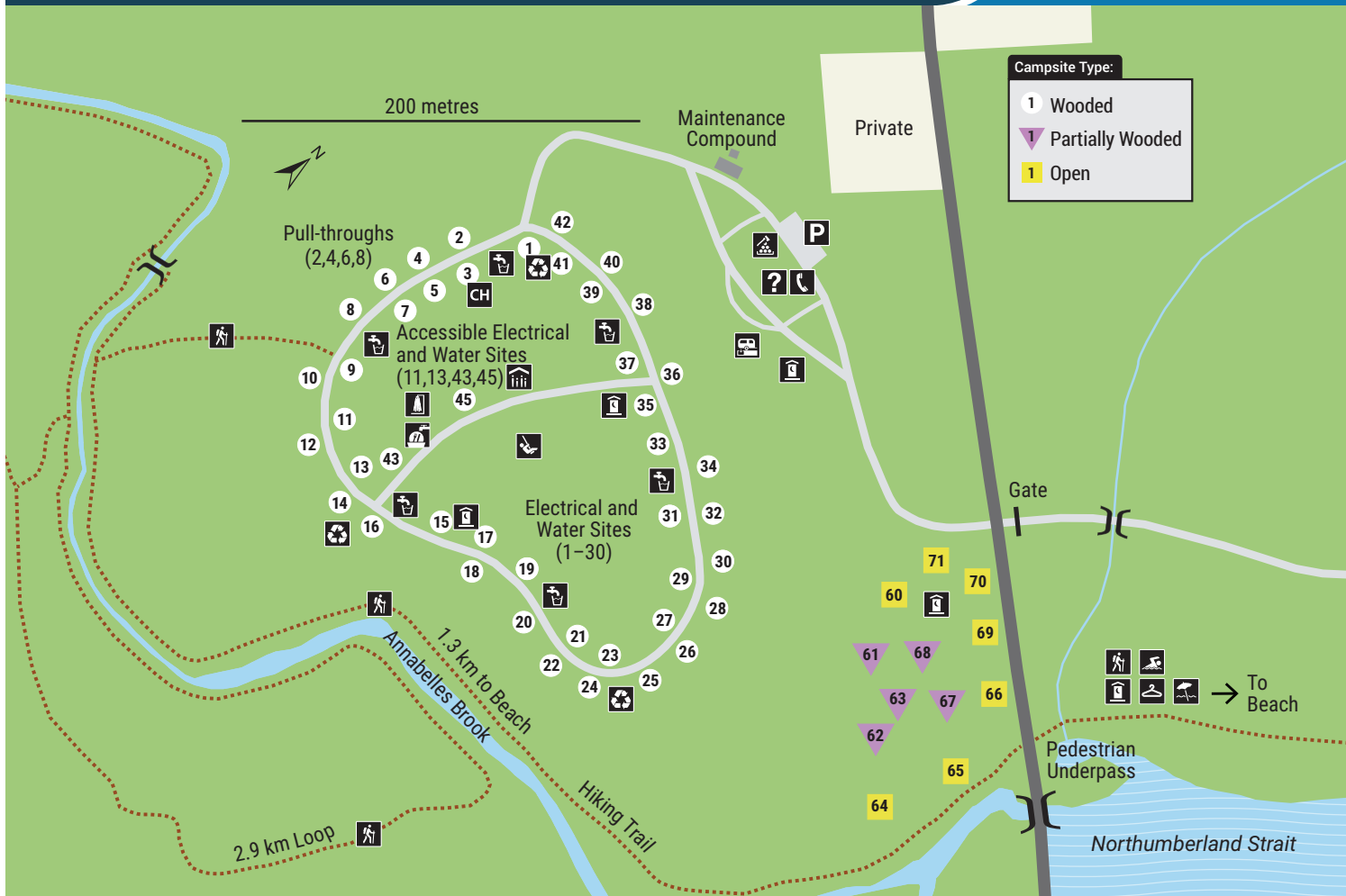
-  If the map is **GREEN**, burning is allowed after 2 pm.
-  If the map is **YELLOW**, burning is allowed after 7 pm.
-  If the map is **RED**, no burning is allowed.

Check online novascotia.ca/burnsafe or call 1-855-564-2876 to see if burning is allowed.

Amherst Shore Provincial Park

6596 Hwy 366, Amherst Shore, NS • 902-661-6002

OPEN
JUNE 5 – OCT 12



Campsite Types: 44 Wooded (32 with electrical and water including 4 pull-throughs and 4 accessible) / 5 Partially Wooded / 7 Open

Amherst Shore offers comfortable wooded campsites and lots of things to do. Many campsites at Amherst Shore now offer electrical and water services. There are three forested trails to explore, including a 1.3 km trail to the red sand/cobble beach. For more swimming opportunities, check out the nearby provincial beach parks just a short drive away.

Directions

From Highway 104, take Exit 3 and follow Highway 366 approximately 40 km (25 mi.) to the park entrance.

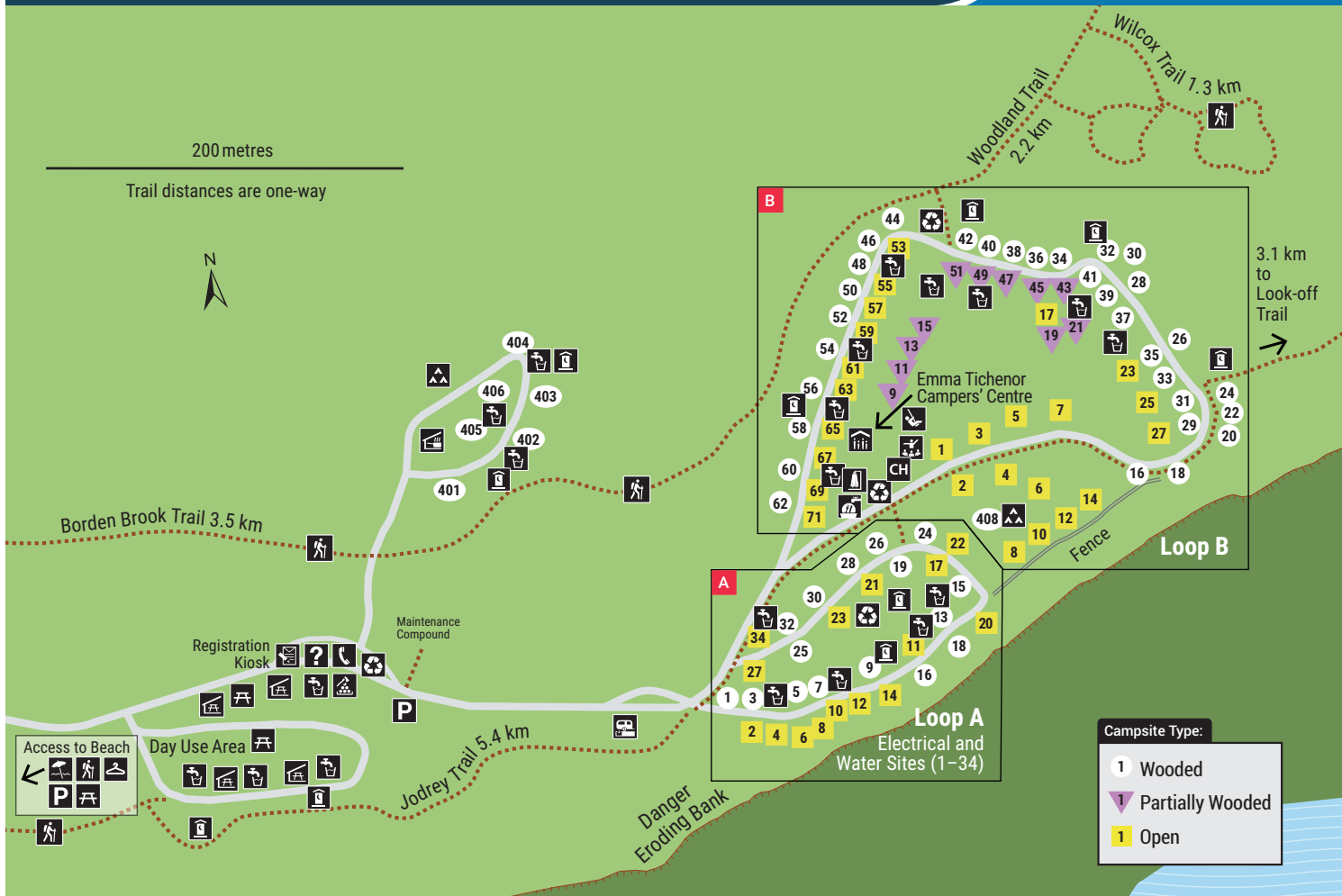
Nearby Attractions

Amherst	• Cumberland County Museum (36 km)
Oxford	• Visitor Information Centre (36 km)
New Brunswick	• New Brunswick Border (13 km)
Northport	• Northport Beach Provincial Park (7 km)
Port Howe	• Heather Beach Provincial Park (17 km)

Blomidon Provincial Park

3138 Pereau Rd., White Water, NS • 902-582-7319

OPEN
MAY 15 – OCT 12



Caution: Note tide times; don't get stranded on the beach. Approach cliffs only at designated viewing stations and stay behind the fence.



Campsite Types: 47 Open (11 pull-throughs) / 11 Partially Wooded (1 pull-through) / 40 Wooded (1 pull-through)

Blomidon rises 183 metres (600 feet) above sea level providing panoramic views of the Minas Basin and the world's highest tides. Upon arrival, stop at the beach and walk on the ocean floor. Enjoy hiking one of four trails featuring scenic lookoffs, hardwood forests and a series of waterfalls. Choose a campsite with a view or a private wooded site.

Directions

From Highway 101, take Exit 11 and follow Route 358 north through Canning to Pereau Road which ends at the park entrance.

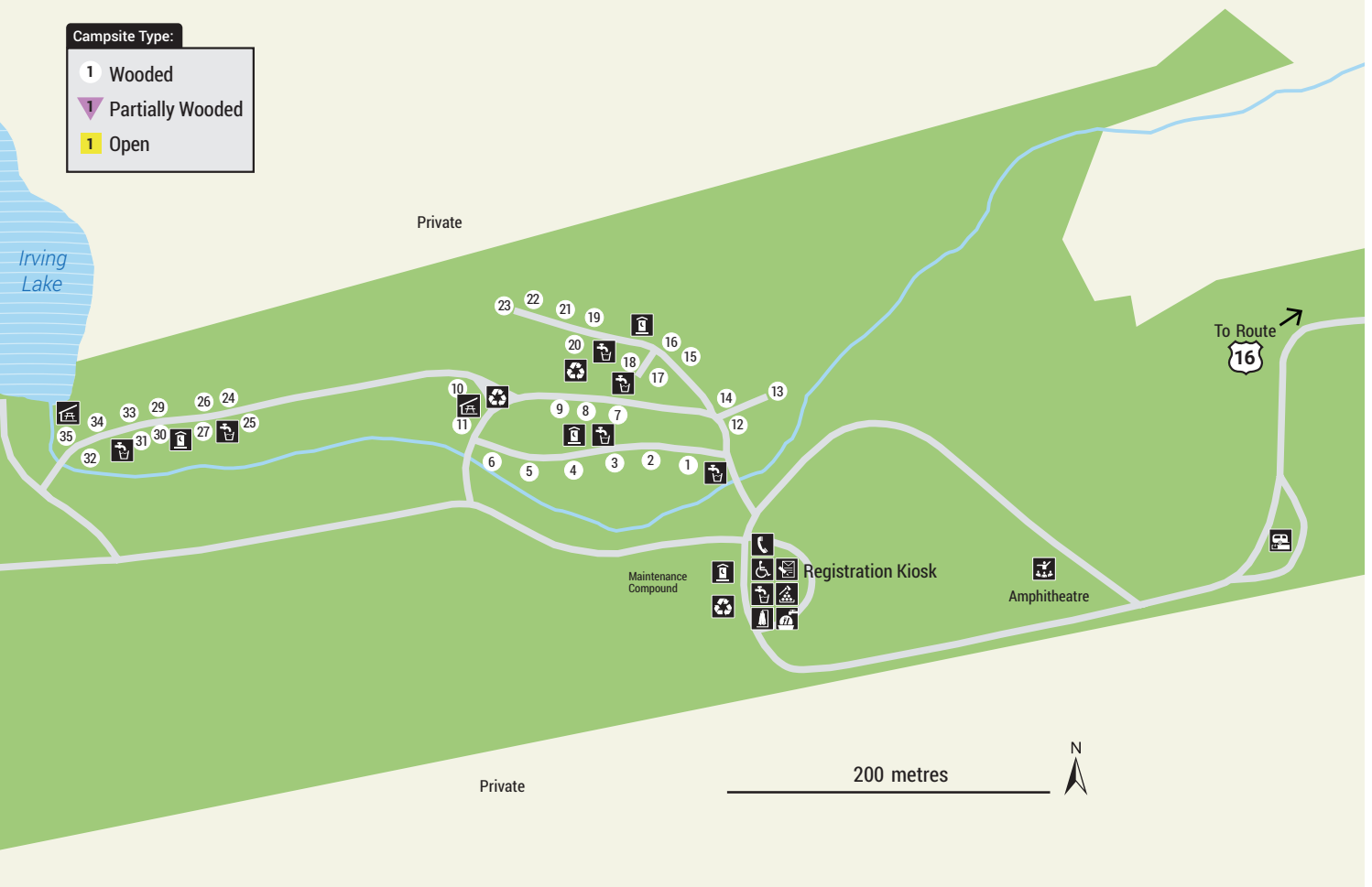
Nearby Attractions

The Look-off	• Blomidon Look-off Provincial Park (12 km)
Scots Bay	• Cape Split Hiking Trail (20 km)
Wolfville (29 km)	• Atlantic Theatre Festival • Robie Tufts Nature Centre
	• Randall House Historical Museum • Acadia Botanical Gardens
Grand Pre	• Grand-Pre National Historic Site (35 km)

Boylston Provincial Park

11131 Hwy 16, Riverside, NS

OPEN
JUNE 5 – SEPT 14



Campsite Types: 34 Wooded

Self-registration park

Boylston invites you to relax at its open and wooded hilltop sites in a peaceful setting overlooking the Milford Haven River. Bring your canoe and fishing gear as Irving Lake is stocked annually. While here, you're just minutes away from various historical attractions.

Directions

From Highway 104, take Exit 37 and follow Highway 16 south for approximately 28 kms (17.5 mi.) to the park entrance.

Nearby Attractions

Guysborough (7 km)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mulgrave Road Theatre• Guysborough Historical Museum• Guysborough Marina Boat Rental
Canso	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grassy Island National Historic Site (35 km)

Towering 185-metre high cliffs, sheltered coves, rare plants, and old growth forests can all be found at [Cape Chignecto Provincial Park](#). The spectacular scenery and the wilderness experience will bring you back time after time.

Eatonville Day-Use Area

Open May 15 – Oct 12

Don't forget your camera as you enjoy a day of outdoor adventure on two user-friendly trails that let you behold some of the province's best scenery. Enter via West Apple River Road. From there, take one trail to the Three Sisters sea stacks, and then take the other trail to Squally Point. Note: the Eatonville Visitor Centre is closed until further notice.

Directions

From Highway 104, take Exit 12. At Parrsboro, take Highway 209 to the park entrance. From New Brunswick on Highway 104, take Exit 4 to Highway 302 south to Highway 242 east. Then follow Highway 209 to the park entrance.

Check Out | Check In

Campsites: Check-out: 4:00 PM
(Please ensure your campsite is clean)

Cabins and bunkhouse: Check-in: 2:00 PM,
Check-out: 11:00 AM



Campsite Types:

All hike-in – 14 Open (12 kayak sites on beach) / 82 Wooded (4 cabins and 1 bunkhouse)
When booking online, select "Backcountry Hiking" or "Backcountry Kayaking" or "Bunkhouse" as your Reservation Type.

Backcountry Access

The backcountry is accessible only from the designated trailhead at Red Rocks unless park staff authorize an alternate route.

Camping for Kayakers

Camping is permitted at: Refugee Cove and Seal Cove.
Campers must register at the office.

Group Camping Available at the walk-in site.

Requests from groups will be addressed on a case-by-case basis.

Maximum group size: 12 persons, including tour guides.

Maximum tent capacity: 4 persons. Maximum number of tents:
3 four-person or 6 two-person tents. Each tent requires a campsite permit.

Be Careful

- The tidal range and steep coastal cliffs may trap unwary hikers. The tide rises and falls at a rate of one inch per minute.
- Hiking along the beach west of McGahey Brook is not permitted.
- Approach cliffs only at designated viewing areas. The cliff line is constantly eroding and may be unstable.
- Boil, filter or treat all water before consuming.

Respect The Environment

- Pack out all garbage and sort garbage and recyclables.
- Most trash can be eliminated by packing food in plastic bags instead of cans, foil and bottles.
- Do not put garbage in the outhouses.
- Outhouses are provided at all campsites. In other areas, dig a hole and bury human waste at least 100 metres (300 ft) away from streams and other sources of drinking water.
- Do not bathe or wash dishes in streams or other water sources.

Park Rules and Regulations

To ensure everyone has a pleasant stay, please note:

- No open fires are permitted at backcountry campsites. Fires are only permitted at designated walk-in campsites (fire grills) at New Year-mouth. Make sure your fire is out before you leave or turn in for the night.
- Occupancy is limited to one tent per pad (check with staff).
- Quiet time is 10:30 pm until sunrise.

Nearby Attractions

Cape d'Or (12 km)

Port Greville (20 km)

Parrsboro (45 km)

Joggins (45 km)

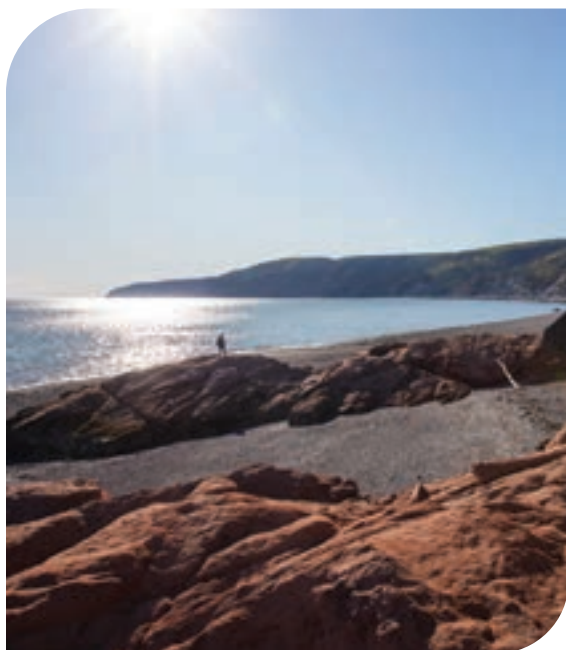
• Age of Sail Heritage Centre

• Fundy Geological Museum

• Ottawa House Museum

• UNESCO World Heritage Site

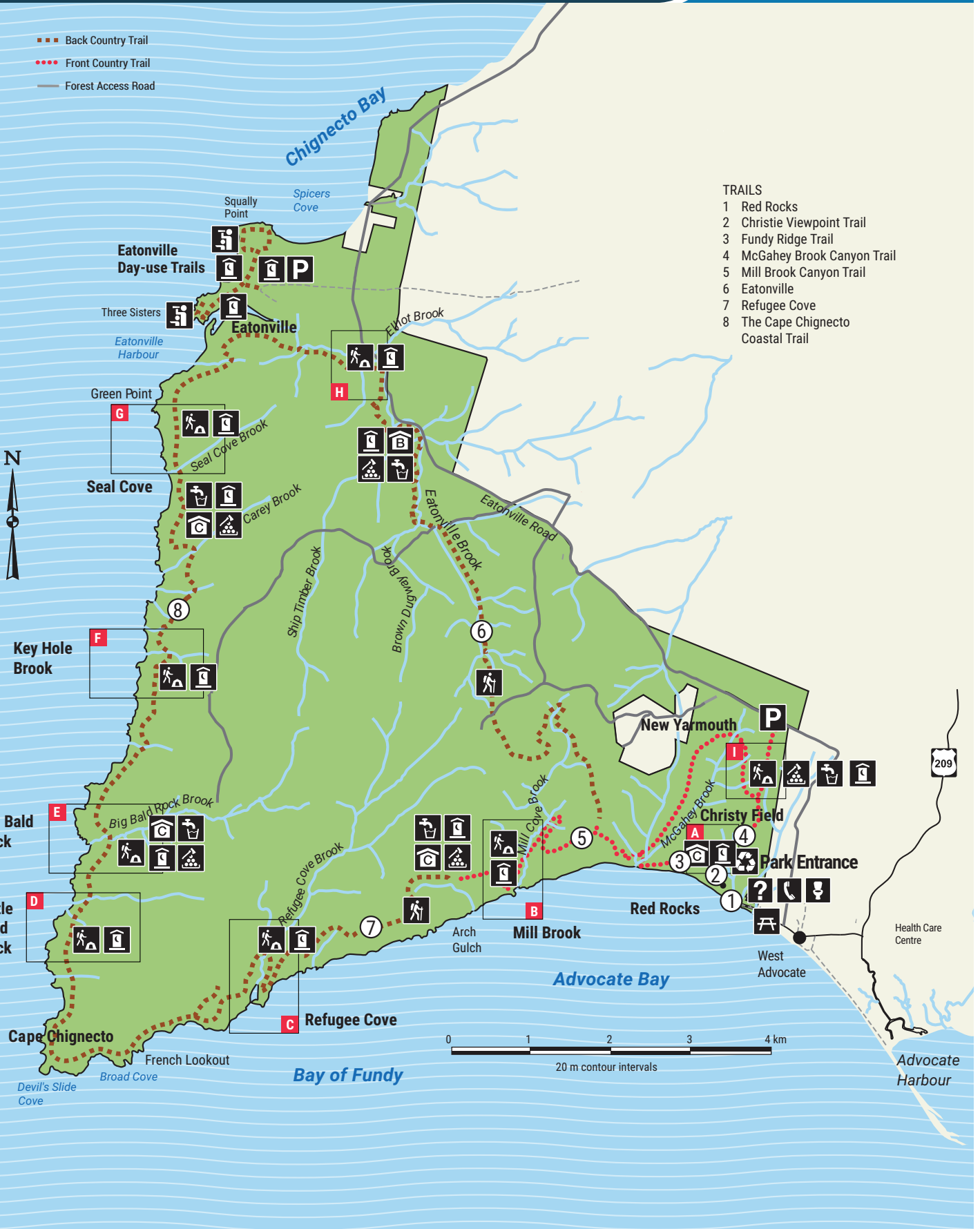
• Fossil Cliffs & Interpretive Centre



- Back Country Trail
- Front Country Trail
- Forest Access Road

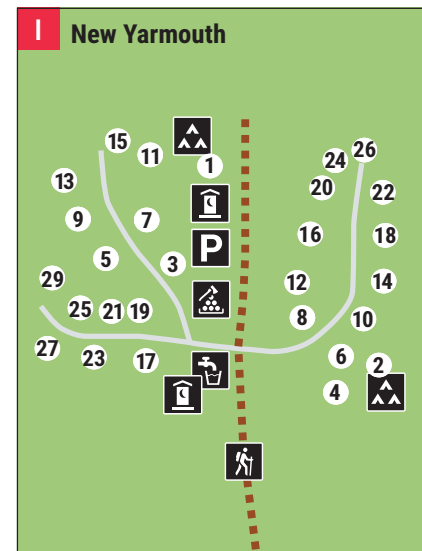
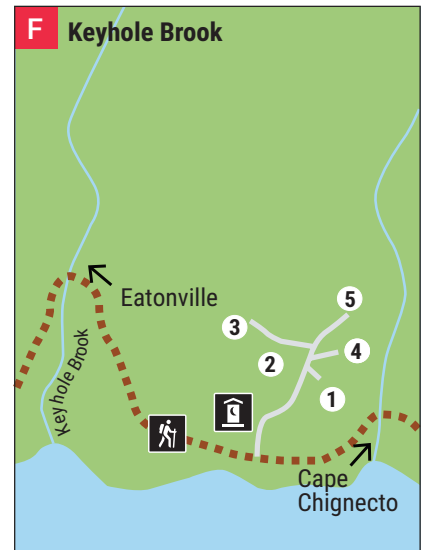
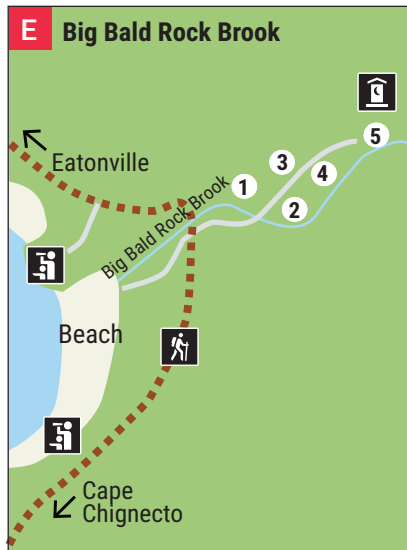
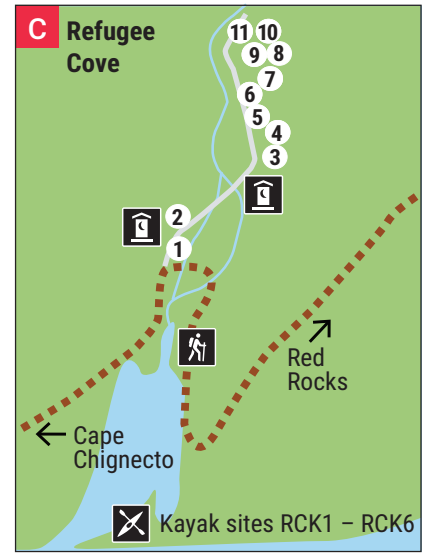
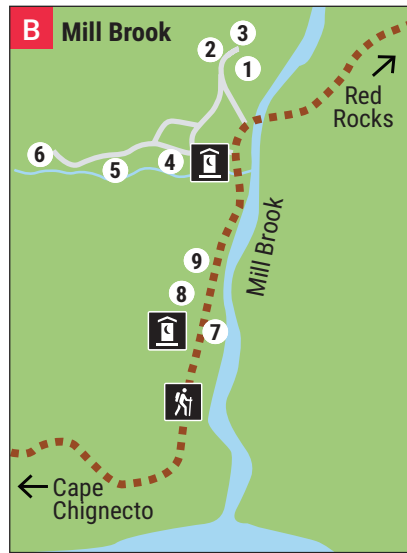
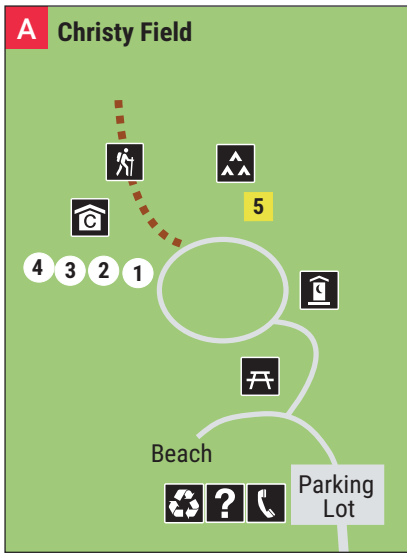
TRAILS

- 1 Red Rocks
- 2 Christie Viewpoint Trail
- 3 Fundy Ridge Trail
- 4 McGahey Brook Canyon Trail
- 5 Mill Brook Canyon Trail
- 6 Eatonville
- 7 Refugee Cove
- 8 The Cape Chignecto Coastal Trail



Campsite Type:

- 1 Wooded
- 2 Partially Wooded
- 3 Open



Caribou-Munroes Island Provincial Park

2119 Three Brooks Rd., Caribou, NS • 902-485-6134

OPEN
JUNE 5 – OCT 12



Campsite Types: 35 Open (20 with electrical and water) / 20 Partially Wooded (3 with electrical and water) / 39 Wooded (18 with electrical and water)

Like shoreline adventures? Love **Caribou-Munroes Island!** With its beautiful two kilometer white sand beach...the swimming is great, the beachcombing engaging, the paddling fun and the birdwatching won't disappoint. Lose your cares with a walk along the three kilometer coastal trail. Oh yes, there's places to bicycle too!

Directions

From Highway 104, take Exit 22 and follow Highway 106 to Caribou. Just before the ferry terminal turn right and then take a left onto Three Brooks Road (Route 6) to the park entrance.

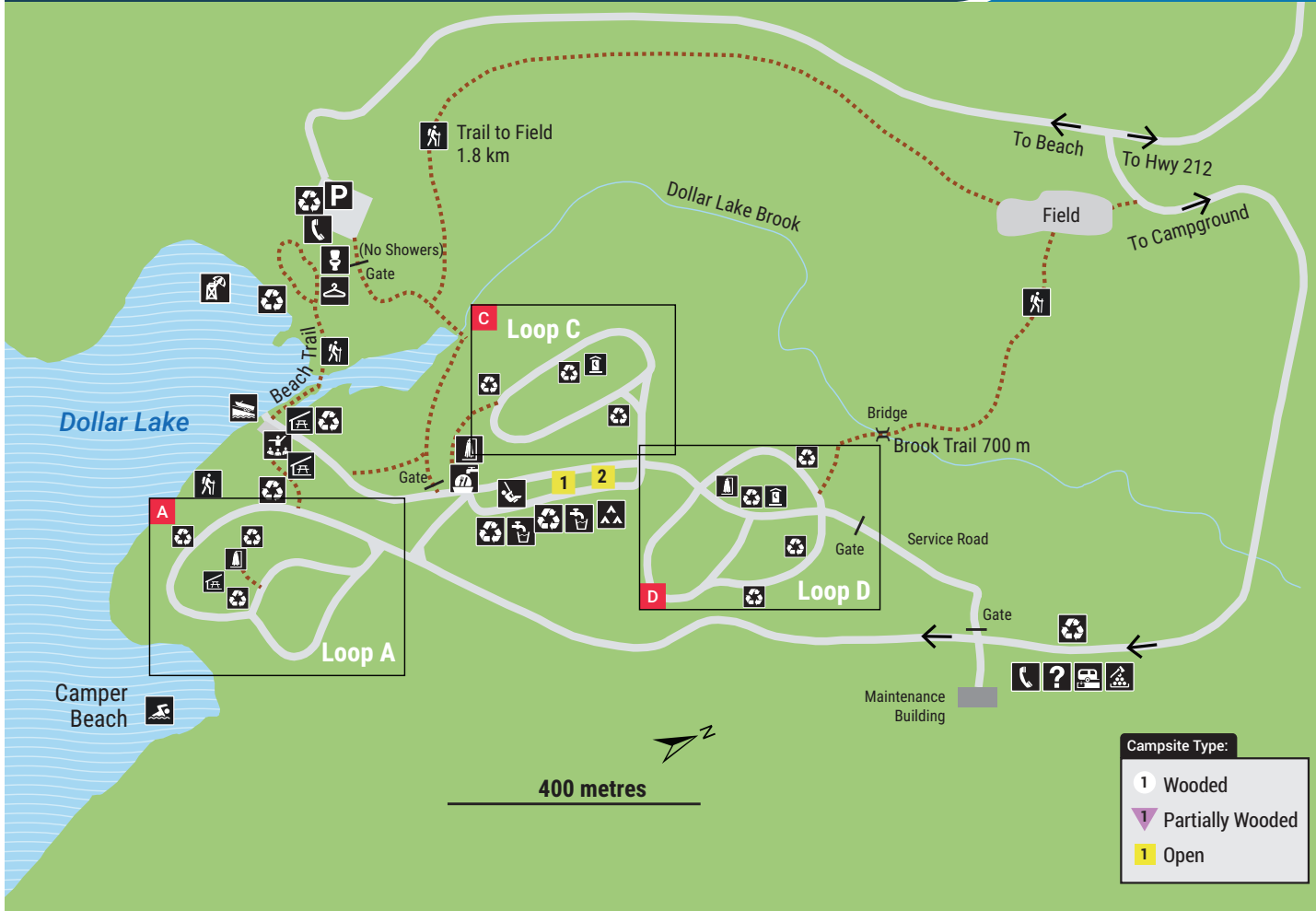
Nearby Attractions

Pictou (6 km)	• Hector Heritage Quay
	• Northumberland Fisheries Museum
Stellarton	• Museum of Industry (25 km)

Dollar Lake Provincial Park

5265 Old Guysborough Rd., Wyses Corner, NS • 902-384-2770

OPEN
JUNE 5 – OCT 12



Campsite Types: 36 Partially Wooded (15 with electrical and water in Loop C and 3 with electrical and water in Loop D, 8 pull-throughs) / 82 wooded (1 pull through, 16 with electrical and water in Loop C and 1 with electrical and water in Loop D).

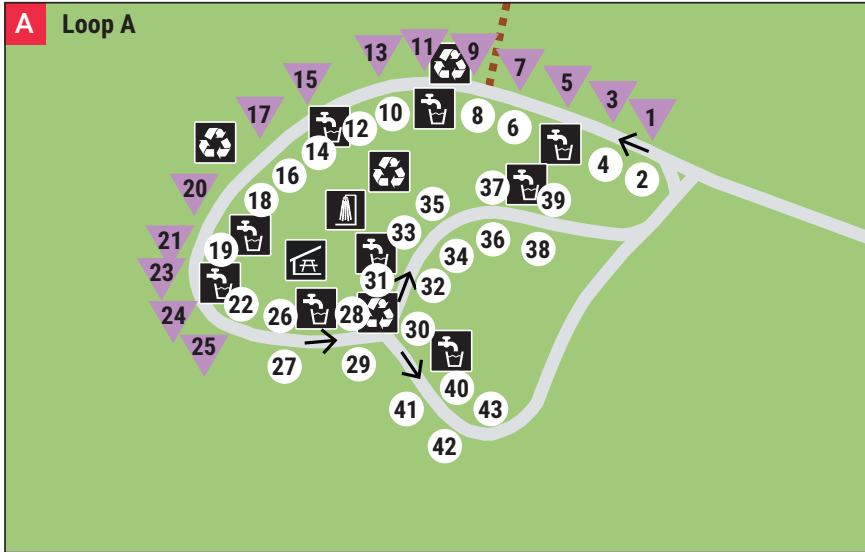
Approximately half an hour from Halifax, yet worlds away, **Dollar Lake** invites you to relax and enjoy nature. The lake offers swimming, paddling, boating, and fishing. Four walking trails provide good opportunities to see white-tailed deer, squirrels, hares, ruffed grouse and various birds, including loons. There's even a beaver lodge visible from the trail. In winter, the road and trail network provides great cross-country skiing.

Directions

From Highway 102. Take Exit 5A. Follow Route 212 approximately 20 km east to the park entrance.

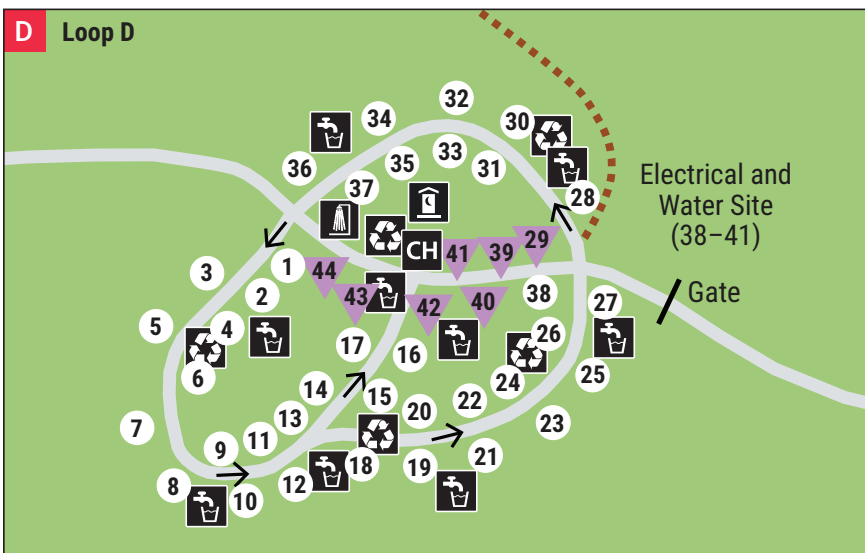
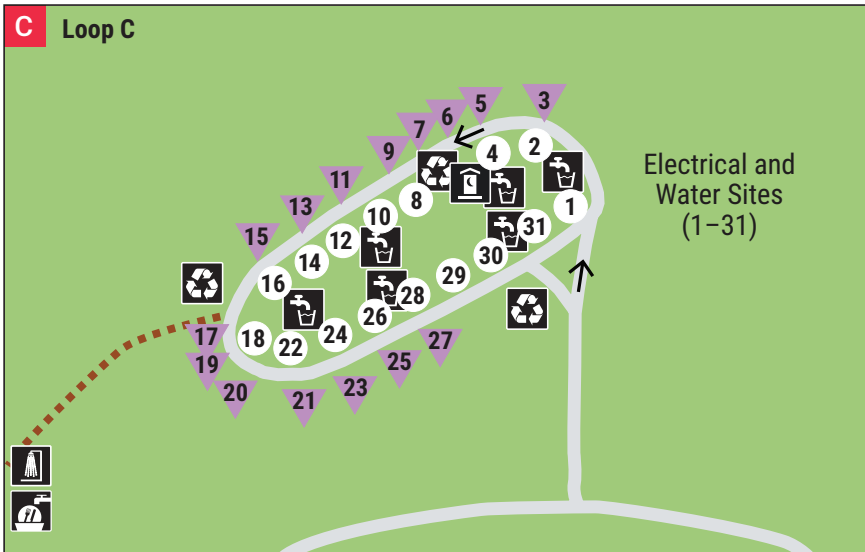
Nearby Attractions

Enfield	• Atlantic Canada Aviation Museum/Hfx. Intl. Airport (25 km)
Middle Musquodoboit	• Bicentennial Theatre (25 km)
Stewiacke	• Mastodon Ridge & Showcase Nova Scotia (30 km)
Meagher's Grant (8 km)	• River Oaks Golf Club (20 km)
Goffs	• Airlane Golf Club (20 km)



Campsite Type:

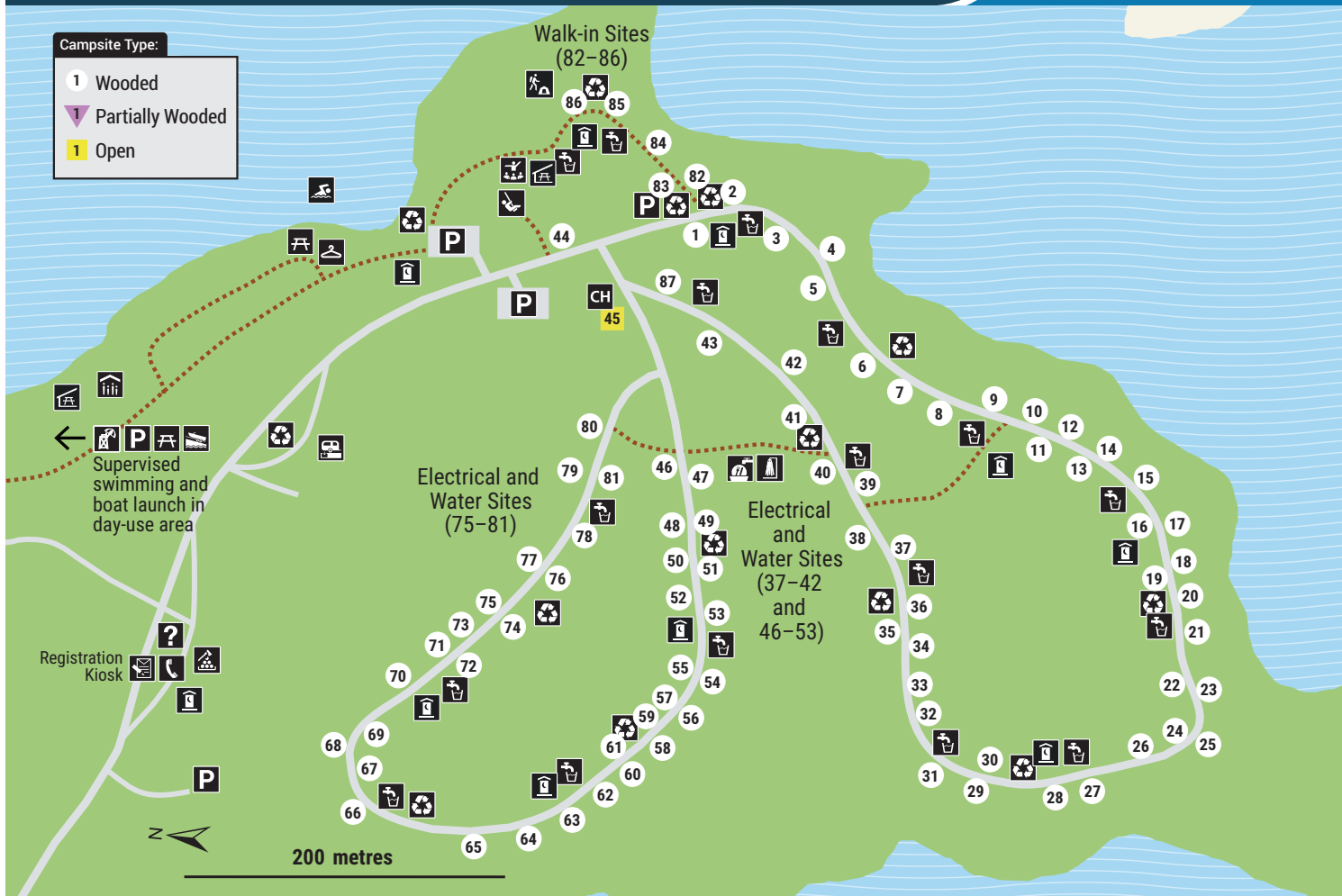
- 1 Wooded
- ▼ Partially Wooded
- 1 Open



Ellenwood Lake Provincial Park

1888 Mood Road, Deerfield, NS • 902-761-2400

OPEN
MAY 15 – OCT 12



Campsite Type: 1 Open (pull-through) / 86 Wooded (21 with electrical and water, 1 pull-through)

Make [Ellenwood Lake](#) your base when exploring the western part of the province. Enjoy a peaceful camping experience at our wooded sites; some with lakeside views. There are great stargazing opportunities. Take a swim along the 61 m (200 ft) long sandy beach, or go canoeing, kayaking or fishing. On land, unwind at a comfortable pace along the 1 km wooded trail or bicycle around the park. In winter, the road network provides great cross-country skiing as the Friends of Ellenwood maintain trails. There is a plowed path for walkers.

Directions

From Highway 101, take Exit 34 and follow Route 340 north for 6.5 km (4 mi.). Turn right on Saunders Road then right on Mood Road.

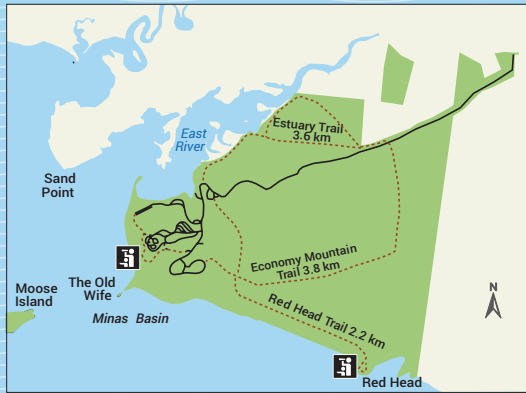
Nearby Attractions

- Yarmouth (15 km)
- Firefighters Museum of Nova Scotia
- Yarmouth County Museum
- Cape Forchu Lighthouse

Five Islands Provincial Park

618 Bentley Branch Rd. (Hwy 2), Five Islands, NS • 902-254-2980

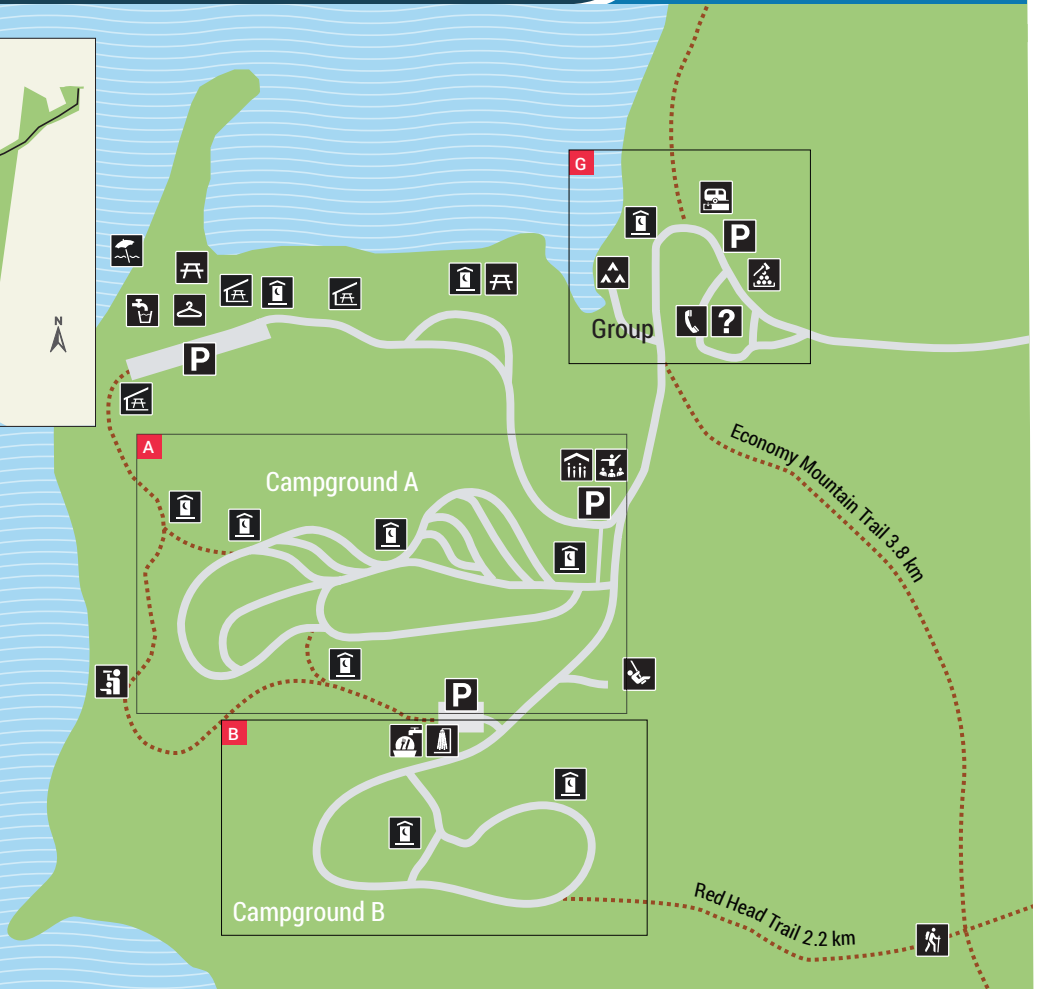
OPEN
JUNE 5 – OCT 12



Trail Distances are one-way



Minas Basin



Campsite Types: 73 Open (36 with electrical and water including 18 pull-throughs) / 19 Wooded

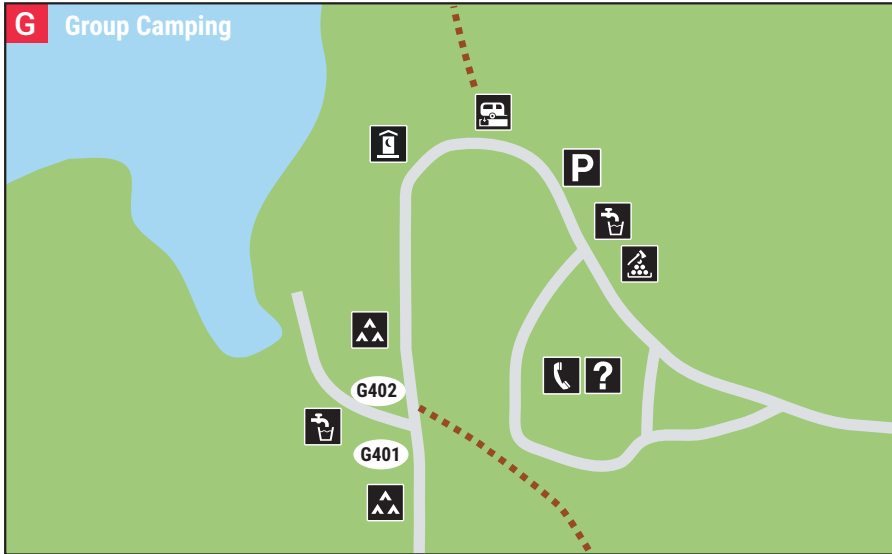
Tides, time and Mi'kmaq culture make **Five Islands** spectacular. Ninety-metre high cliffs and 225 million-year-old geological formations overlook the world's highest tides, while Mi'kmaq culture says Glooscap created the five islands. Spend days here hiking the forested and coastal trails, swimming and beachcombing the cobble/rocky coast, or kayaking to view the cliff formations. Make time to enjoy a picnic in the day-use area.

Directions

From Highway 104, take Exit 11 and follow Highway 2 to the park entrance. From New Brunswick, take Exit 4 off Highway 104 and follow Highway 2 to the park.

Nearby Attractions

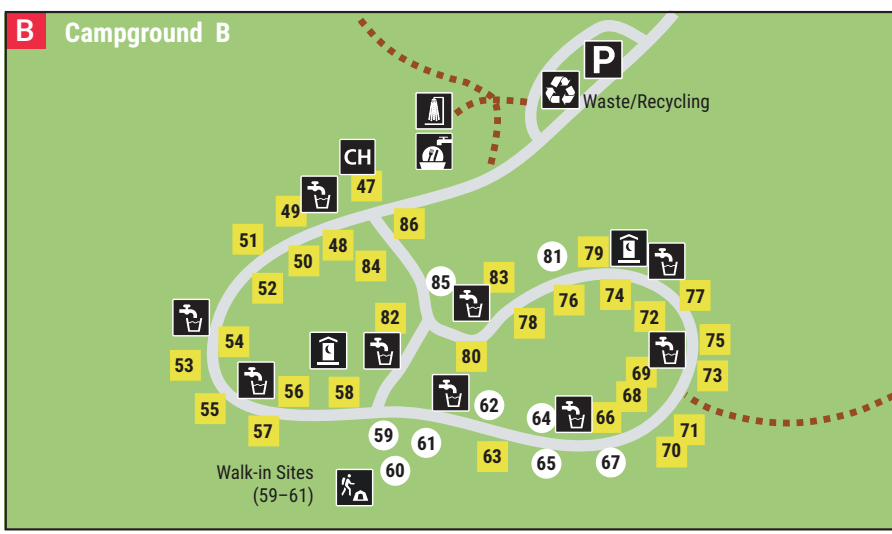
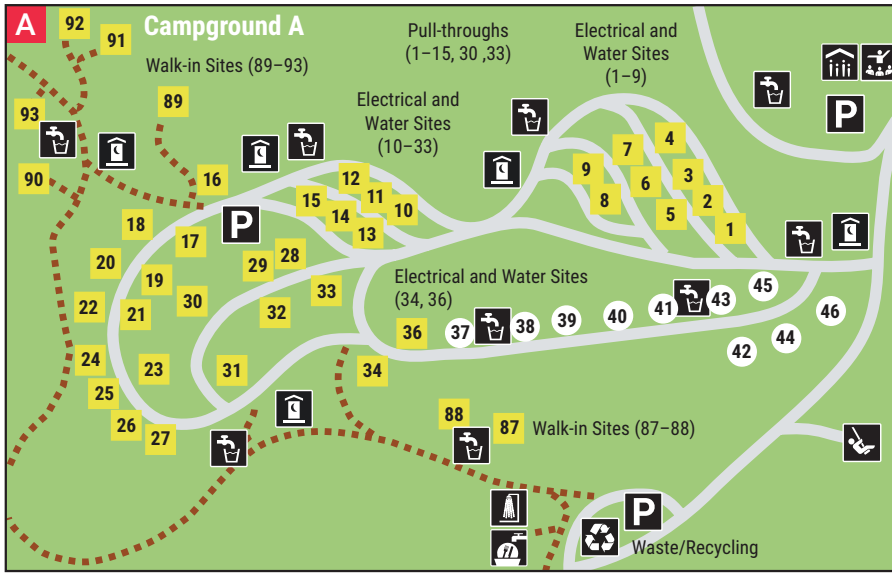
Economy	• Cobequid Interpretive Centre (10 km)
Parrsboro (23 km)	• Fundy Geological Museum
Joggins (65 km)	• Ottawa House Museum • The Ship's Company Theatre
	• UNESCO World Heritage Site • Fossil Cliffs and Museum



Campsite Type:

- 1 Wooded
- 1 Partially Wooded
- 1 Open

Caution: Approach cliffs only at designated viewing stations and stay behind the security fence. Tides and currents move quickly and can make swimming or walking the mud flats dangerous.



Graves Island Provincial Park

230 Graves Island Rd., East Chester, NS • 902-275-4425

OPEN
MAY 15 – OCT 12



Electronic entrance gate: Campers will be charged a \$3.00 deposit for an entrance swipe card (refundable upon check-out).

Campsite Types: 81 Open (33 with electrical and water) / 14 Wooded

Graves Island is a popular camping park in East Chester. Most campsites offer picturesque views of Mahone Bay and its sailboat traffic. Bring your walking shoes – you'll want to stroll the 3.2 km gravel trail, or ride your bike. There's rocky/coastal beach access, as well as a boat launch for kayaking, canoeing, boating, fishing or swimming.

Directions

From Highway 103, take Exit 7 and follow Route 3 south to the park entrance.

Nearby Attractions

Lunenburg (44 km)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DesBrisay Museum • Fisheries Museum of the Atlantic • Knaut Rhuland House Museum
New Ross	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ross Farm Museum (44 km)

Laurie Provincial Park

4949 Hwy 2, Grand Lake, NS

OPEN
JUNE 5 – SEPT 14



Campsite Types: 63 Wooded (1 with electrical)

Self-registration park

Looking for restful lakeside camping near metro Halifax's attractions? **Laurie** won't disappoint! Settle in amid the gorgeous pines. After a day in the city, unwind here with a refreshing swim, a peaceful paddle, a bike ride around the park, or a stroll along the trail. Explore the day-use park.

Directions

Southbound: From Highway 102, take Exit 7 and follow Highway 2 south to the park entrance. Northbound: From Halifax on Highway 102, take Exit 5 and follow Highway 2 north to the park.

Nearby Attractions

Enfield (10 km)	• Atlantic Canada Aviation Museum
	• Halifax Stanfield International Airport
Dartmouth	• Shubenacadie Canal/Fairbanks Centre (20 km)
Halifax (25 km)	• Citadel, Museums, Province House
	• Public Gardens • Sports Hall of Fame

Mira River Provincial Park

439 Brickyard Road, Albert Bridge, NS • 902-563-3373

OPEN
MAY 29 – OCT 19



Campsite Types: 50 Open (42 with electrical and water including 3 pull-throughs) / 39 Partially Wooded (11 with electrical and water including 6 pull-throughs) / 67 Wooded (6 with electrical and water including 1 pull-through, 1 pull-through)

Like the renowned river it's named after, **Mira River** is bound to leave an impression. There's lots to see and do here: canoeing, kayaking, boating, fishing, snorkeling, or swimming at the quiet cobble beach. Wildlife enthusiasts may spot fox, deer, ducks and loons. When you're ready to explore, you're just a short drive to Sydney, Glace Bay, and Fortress Louisbourg, one of the nation's historic gems.

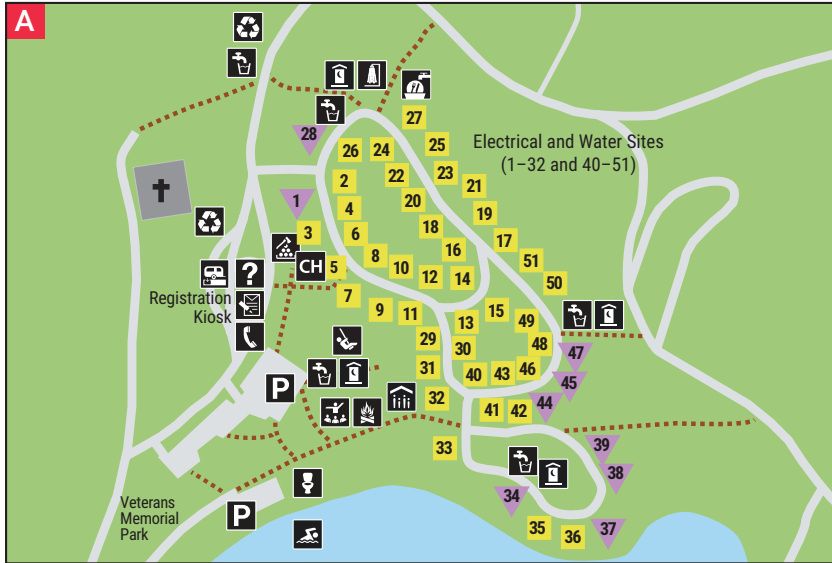
Directions

From Highway 125, take Exit 8. Follow Highway 22 south and turn left on Brickyard Road and drive 3 km (2 mi.) to the park entrance.

Nearby Attractions

Louisbourg	• Fortress of Louisbourg National Historic Site (12 km)
Marion Bridge	• Two Rivers Wildlife Park (25 km)
Glace Bay (30 km)	• Marconi National Historic Site
	• Miners Museum

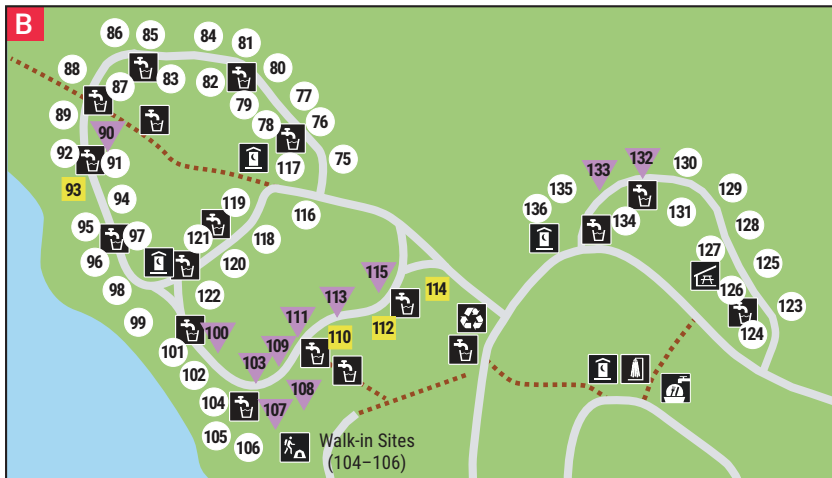
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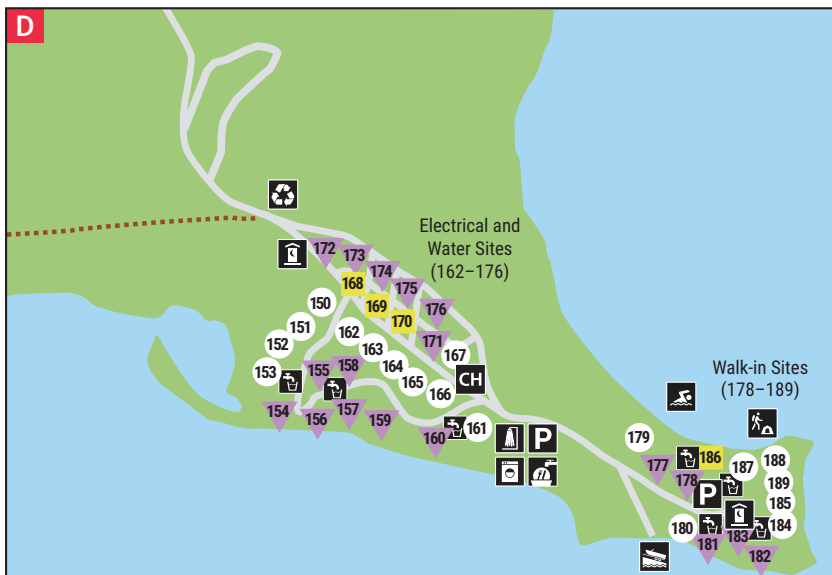
Campsite Type:

- 1 Wooded
- 1 Partially Wooded
- 1 Open

PENINSULA LOOP



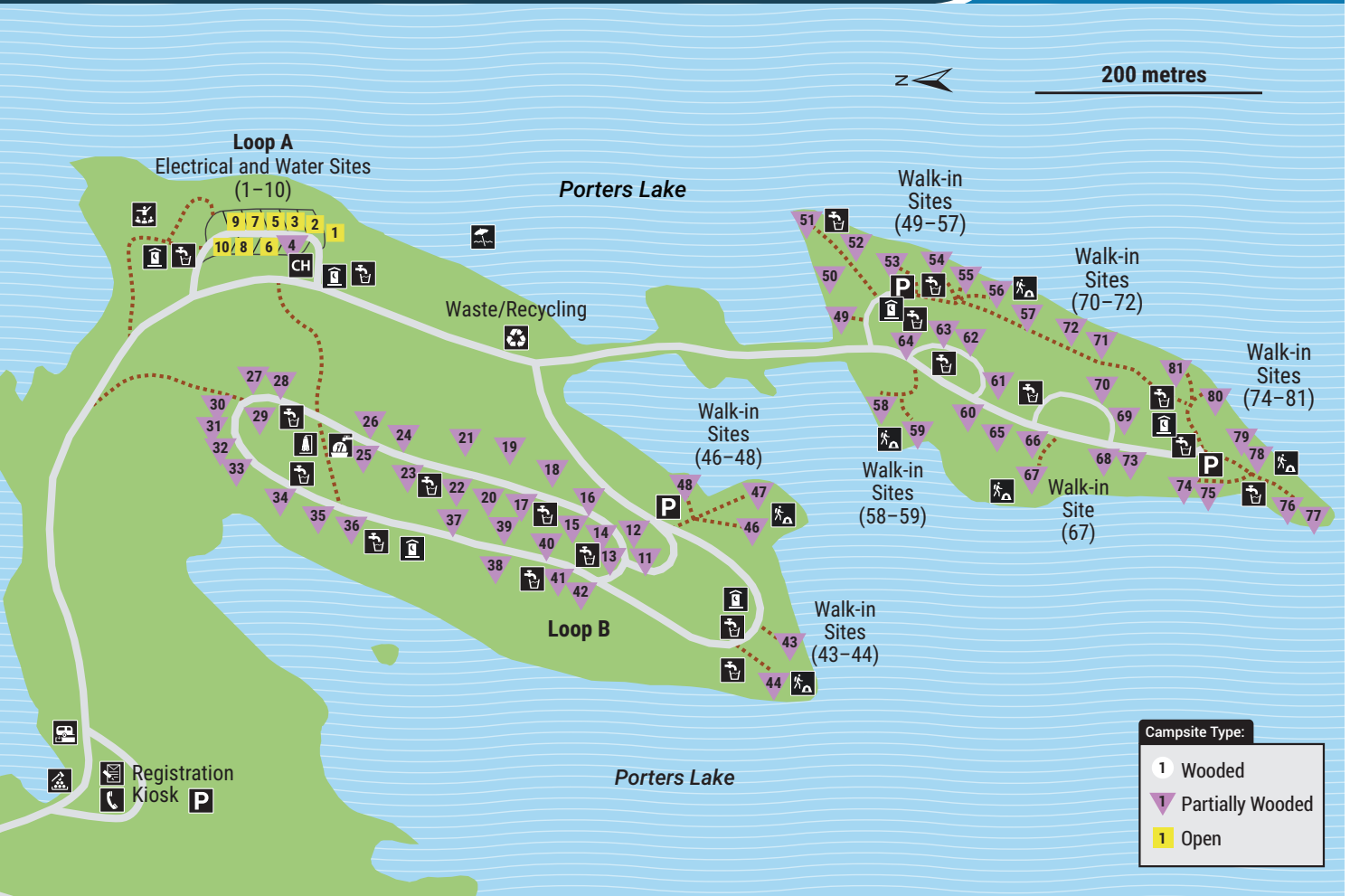
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Porters Lake Provincial Park

1160 West Porters Lake Rd., Porters Lake, NS

OPEN
MAY 15 – OCT 12



Campsite Types: 9 Open (9 pull-throughs with electrical and water) / 71 Partially Wooded (1 pull-through with electrical and water)

Self-registration park

Porters Lake is a welcoming base from which to access the Halifax area, and many Eastern Shore attractions. The park overlooks a large lake with easy canoe/kayak access. Wake to birdsongs, witness busy woodpeckers, or catch a glimpse of one of the many snowshoe hare that live here. Don't miss the nearby Cole Harbour/Lawrencetown Coastal Heritage Park System which provides access to hiking trails, sandy beaches, coastal salt marches and eroding headlands.

Directions

From Highway 107, take Exit 19 and travel 4 km (2.8 mi.) south on West Porters Lake Road to the park entrance.

Nearby Attractions

Porters Lake (5 km)

Musquodoboit Harbour

• Musquodoboit Railway Museum (21 km)

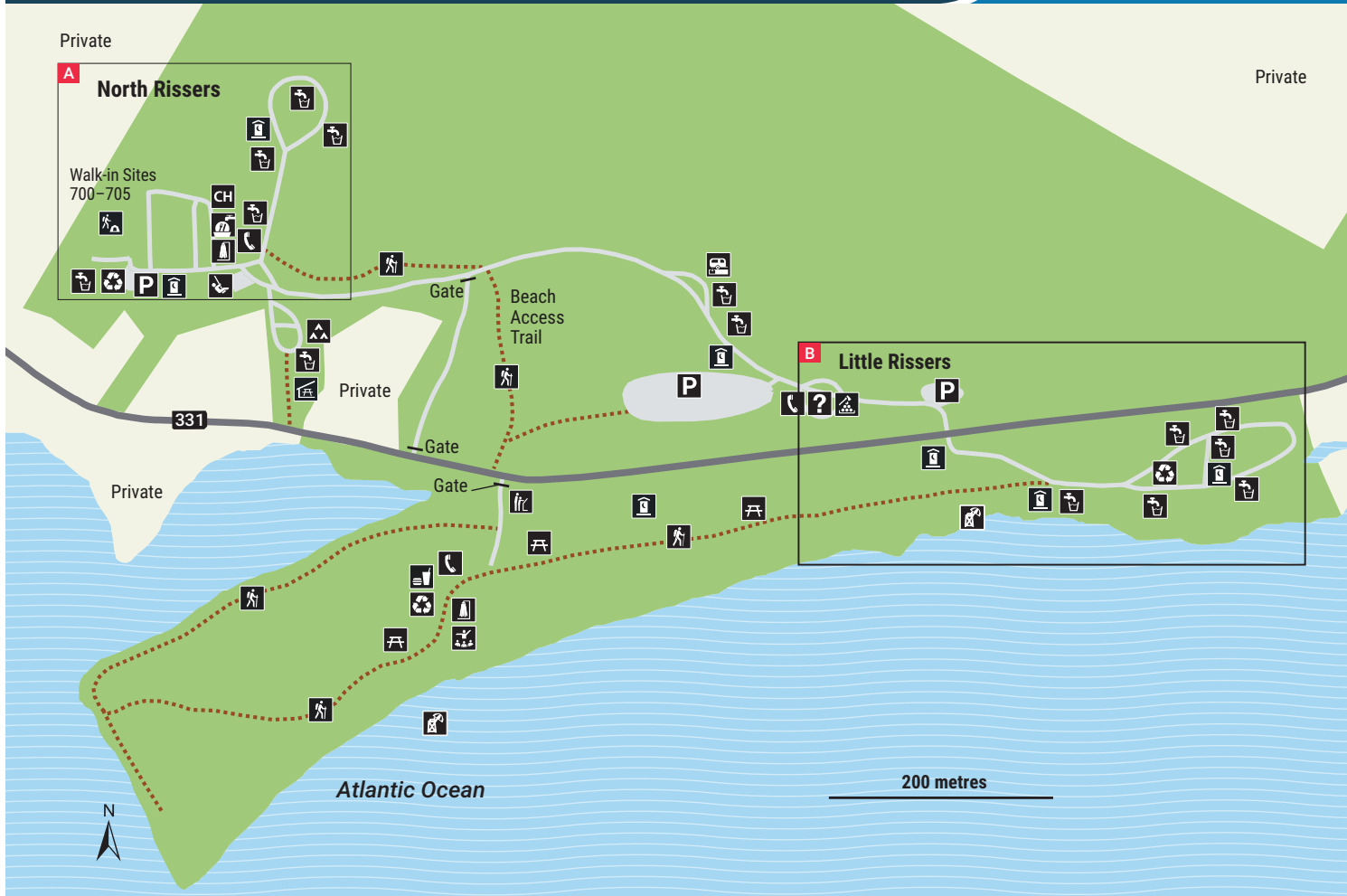
Shearwater/Eastern Passage (32 km)

• Fisherman's Cove • Shearwater Aviation Museum

Rissers Beach Provincial Park

5366 Hwy 331, Petite Riviere, NS • 902-688-2034

OPEN
MAY 15 – OCT 12



Campsite Types: 22 Open (18 with electrical and water including 13 pull-throughs) / 21 Partially Wooded (1 with electrical and water) / 27 Wooded (2 pull-throughs)

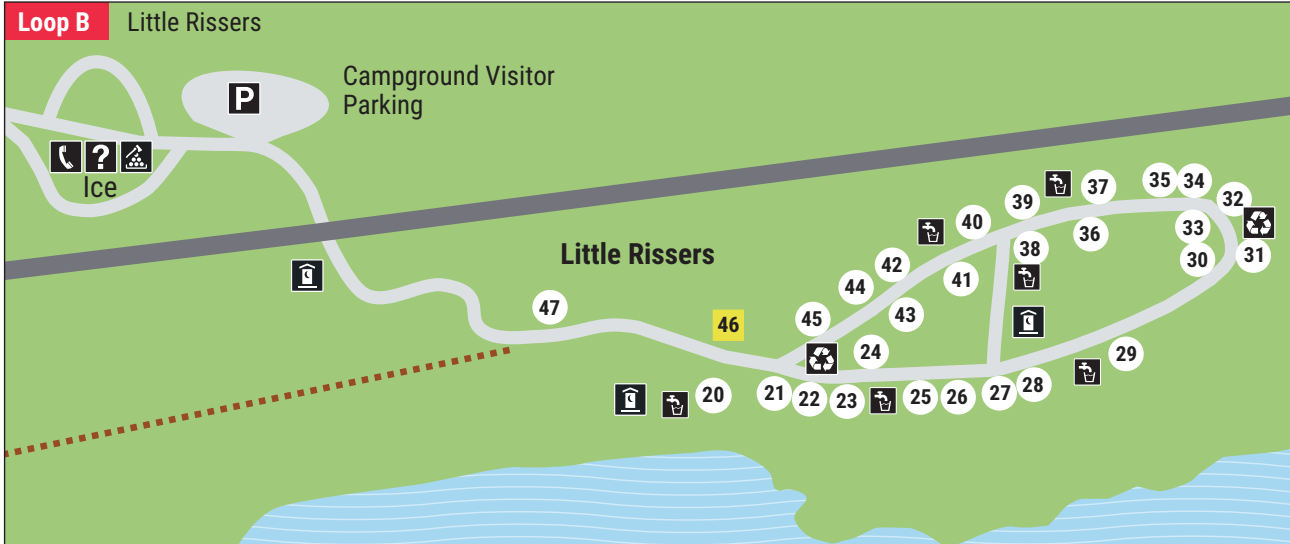
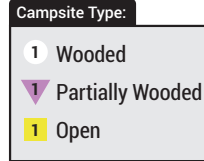
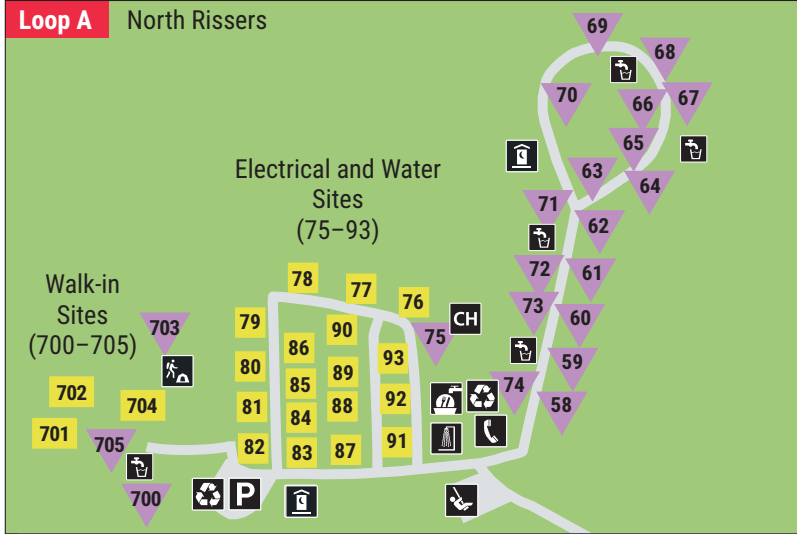
Rissers Beach is legendary for its white sand beach and selection of wooded sites that overlook the Atlantic. The north campground offers serviced sites, as well as walk-in camping opportunities. You'll find lots to do here: swim, canoe, kayak, fish, windsurf, dive, snorkel, beachcomb, watch shore birds...plan to stay for several days! **Caution:** Please protect the park's delicate dune system by using the boardwalks.

Directions

From Highway 103, take Exit 15 and follow Highway 331 approximately 14 km (9 mi.) south to the park entrance.

Nearby Attractions

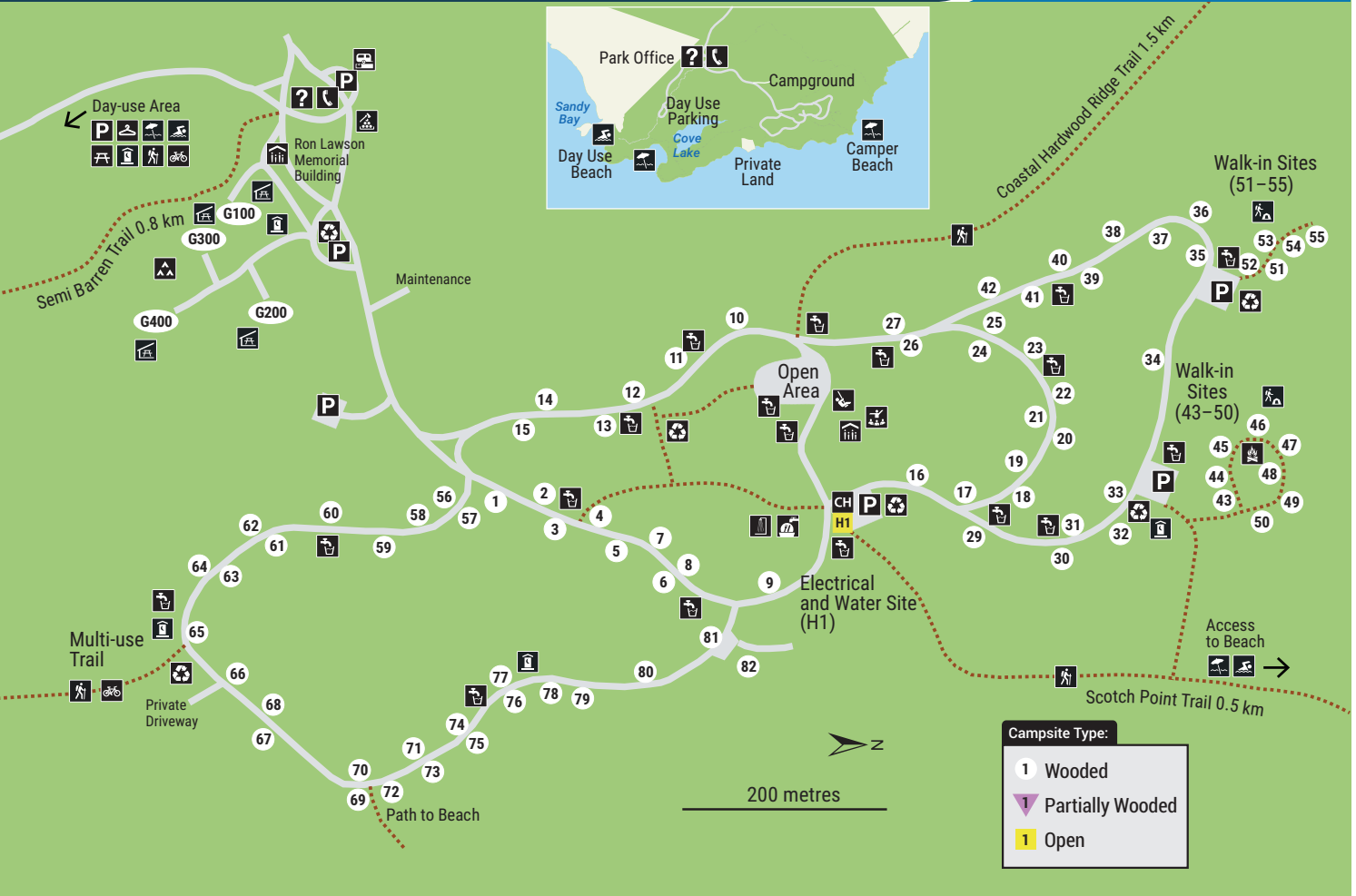
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| Bridgewater (30 km) | • DesBrisay Museum |
| Liverpool (50 km) | • Hank Snow Country Music Centre |
| Lunenburg | • Fisheries Museum of the Atlantic (50 km) |



Thomas Raddall Provincial Park

529 Raddall Park Rd., Port Joli, NS • 902-683-2664

OPEN
MAY 15 – OCT 12



Campsite Type: 1 Open with electrical and water / 81 Wooded (1 pull-through)

Thomas Raddall may be off the beaten path but there's no shortage of things to do. Both white sand and rocky beaches invite swimming, beachcombing, canoeing and kayaking. Hike or bicycle along a diverse trail network to see fascinating geology, forests, barrens and the intriguing plants and animals that call these areas home. **Caution:** Help protect the dune system, and piping plover nesting areas, by walking close to the water's edge or on established trails.

Directions

Take exit 22 from Highway 103 and proceed to the East Port L'Hebert Road and proceed to the park entrance

Nearby Attractions

Liverpool (32 km) • Hank Snow Country Music Centre
• Liverpool Historical Walking Tours
• Rosignol Cultural Centre

Shelburne • The Dory Shop Museum (40 km)
• Black Loyalists Heritage Society (45 km)

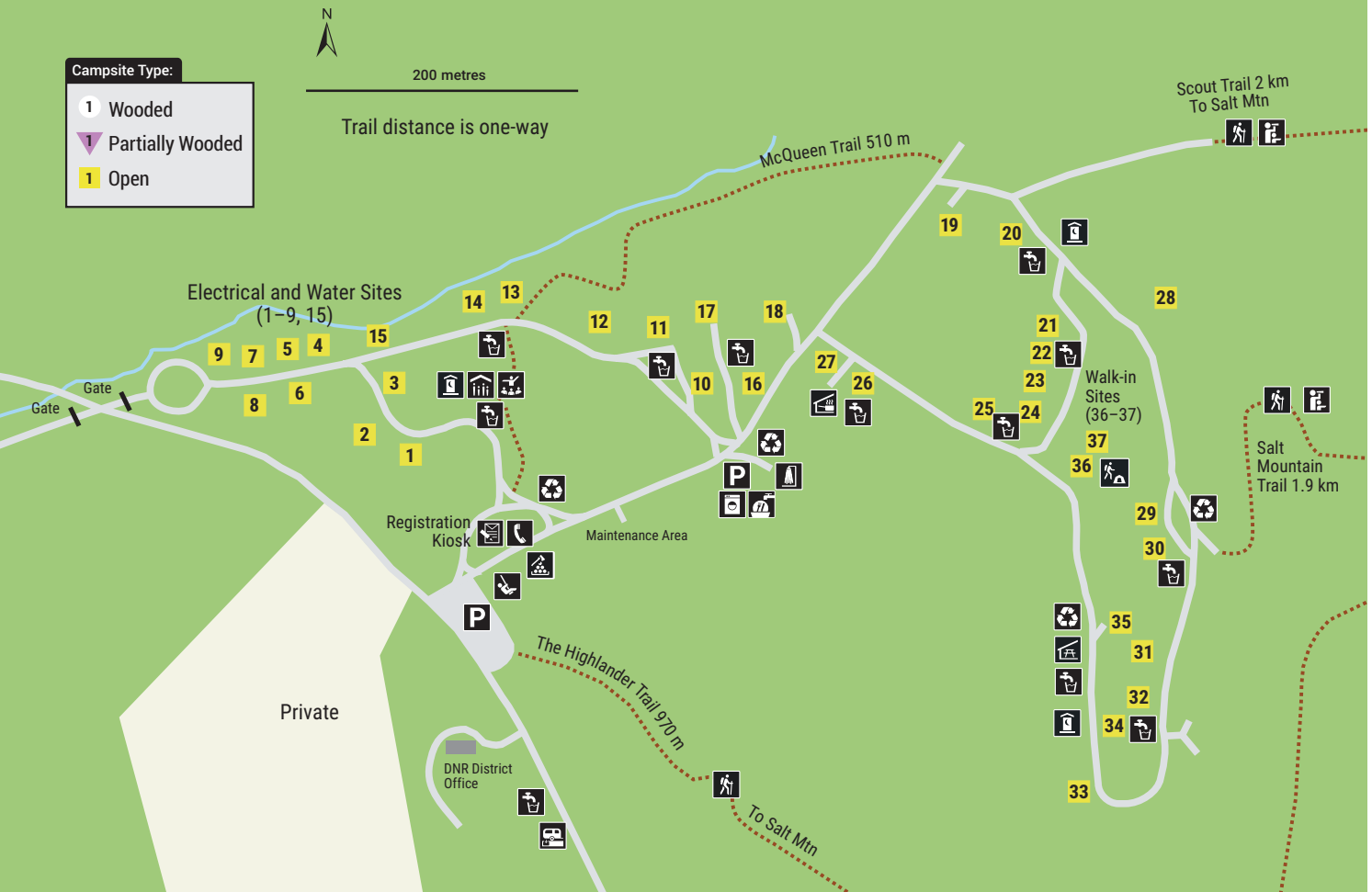
Kejimikujik Seaside Adjunct (10 km)

Liverpool Golf & Country Club (17 km)

Whycocomagh Provincial Park

89 Provincial Park Rd., Hwy. 105, Whycocomagh, NS

OPEN
JUNE 5 – OCT 19



Campsite Types: 37 Open (10 with electrical and water)

Self-registration park

Whycocomagh appeals to both doers and dreamers. Walkers and hikers can challenge themselves on the invigorating trails to the top of Salt Mountain, while paddlers can ply the quiet waters of Whycocomagh Bay. Those seeking restful refuge will enjoy the spectacular views of land and lake, or marvel at bald eagles as they soar over the water.

Directions

On Highway 105, just east of Whycocomagh, take Provincial Park Road to the park entrance.

Nearby Attractions

Orangedale	• Railway Station Museum (12 km)
Baddeck	• Alexander Graham Bell National Historic Site (35 km)
Inverness	• Horse Racing and Golf (40 km)
Iona	• Highland Village Museum (40 km)

Outreach Programs for 2026

Self Guided Park Tours

Do you want to learn more about provincial parks and the natural values and history that makes each park unique? We have a self-guided program that is available in three parks this summer – Battery, Porters Lake and Graves Island provincial camping parks. The program is a series of QR codes you will find around the park and on the trails that you can scan with your phone to find out more information about the location you are in. This activity can be done at your own pace any time you want.

Look for these signs along designated trails. More information is available at the park office or with the campground host.

We want your feedback! Let us know what you liked about the program and any suggestions for improvement. You will be entered into a draw to win 2 nights of camping, one entry per person.



Battery Provincial Park

Mavillete Beach Provincial Park



Summer Pop-up Information Tent

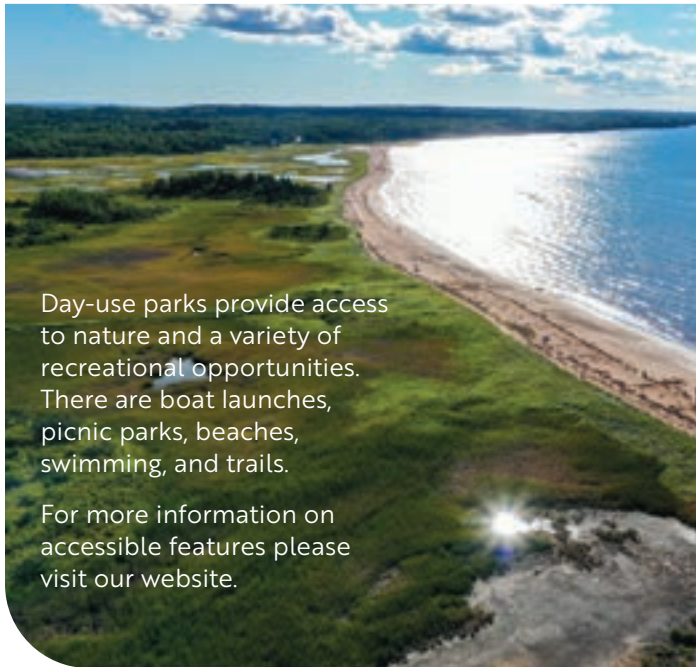
In July and August, pop-up information tents will be at select coastal day-use parks, providing a range of information from the recent storms and coastal impacts to sustainable park planning and infrastructure. Stop by the tent to learn more about the local wildlife found in and around provincial parks and how you can help prevent wildfires and enjoy parks safely. You will find our knowledgeable staff under a pop-up tent or walking the park and beach and they will be happy to answer you questions and get your feedback. Follow Nova Scotia Parks on Facebook and Instagram for more information on the pop-up locations.

CANADA'S PARKS DAY SATURDAY JULY 18, 2026

Parks Day is celebrated by national, provincial, and municipal parks. Check parks.novascotia.ca to learn more about upcoming events during the 2026 season.



Caribou-Munroes Island Provincial Park



Day-use parks provide access to nature and a variety of recreational opportunities. There are boat launches, picnic parks, beaches, swimming, and trails.

For more information on accessible features please visit our website.

- Unless otherwise posted, day-use parks close one hour after sunset.
- No admission fee
- Open fires, camping and consumption of alcoholic beverages are prohibited.
- Dogs must be leashed.
- Swimming is unsupervised (unless otherwise noted), and at your own risk.
- Supervised swimming, where offered, is July-August (subject to change). See page 2 for a list of supervised beaches.

Off-season use:

Visitors are welcome to explore parks in the off-season. However, there are no staff, services, winter maintenance or parking. Please be good stewards of the environment and pack-in, pack-out.

Halifax Metro

Crystal Crescent

Three white-sand crescent beaches or take a 10 KM hike (each way) to Pennant Point.

223 Sambro Creek Rd., Sambro

Herring Cove

Short, rugged coastal hike, just 15 minutes from Halifax. Enjoy the fresh ocean air and remember to keep off the slippery black rocks.

John Brackett Drive, Herring Cove

Jerry Lawrence

Accessible opportunities on Lewis and Round Lakes; latter stocked with brook and rainbow trout.

4775 St. Margarets Bay Rd (Hwy 3) Upper Tantallon

Laurie

Quiet lakeside setting offering canoeing, water skiing, fishing and swimming.

4949 Hwy 2, Grand Lake

Long Lake

St Margarets Bay Road – small carpark (HRM). Dunbrack Street – large carpark with access to the 5 KM long graveled Lakeview Trail.

Two entrances: St Margarets Bay Rd and 10 Dunbrack St

MacCormacks Beach

Stroll the boardwalk and see beautiful views of McNabs, Lawlors and Devil's islands and Halifax Harbour.

1641 Shore Rd, Eastern Passage.

McNabs and Lawlor Islands

Old forts and dwellings, intriguing wildlife, and 22 KM of trails, all within view of the city. No drinking water.

Halifax Harbour (Commercial boat service from various points in HRM.)

Oakfield

Small beach. Popular boat launch. Ample parking and recreation area.

366 Oakfield Park Rd, Oakfield.

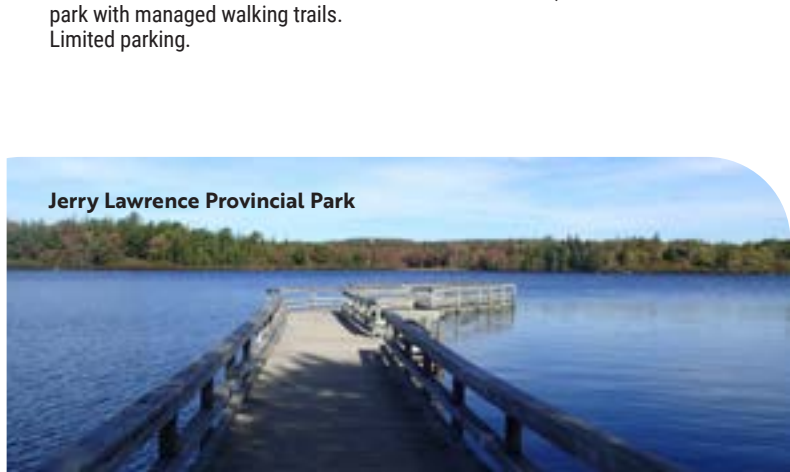
Sackville Lakes

Forested natural environment park with managed walking trails. Limited parking.

440 First Lake Dr, Lower Sackville.



Crystal Crescent Provincial Park



Jerry Lawrence Provincial Park

South Shore

Bayswater Beach

White-sand beach.



4015 Hwy 329, Bayswater
(Hwy 103, Exit 7).

Camerons Brook

Shaded rest area under a canopy of pine and hardwoods.



7900 Hwy 8, South Brookfield.

Card Lake

Small beach near a canopy of softwoods.



3895 Hwy 14, Card Lake
(Hwy 103, Exit 8).

Carters Beach

White-sand beach.



Two entrances: 166 Carters Beach Rd and 661 Central Port Mouton Rd

Cleveland Beach

Attractive sandy beach. Limited parking.



8878 Hwy 3, Queensland
(Hwy 103, Exit 6).

Cookville

Access to the LaHave River for water sports.



1119 Hwy 10, Cookville.

East River

Picturesque stop on a sheltered ocean cove.



2177 Hwy 3, East River
(Hwy 103, Exit 7)

Fancy Lake

Freshwater beach access for swimming or non-motorized craft.



854 Conquerall Mills Rd.,
Conquerall Mills.

Hubbards

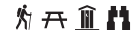
Convenient boat launch 3 KM west of Queensland Beach Provincial Park



Hwy 3, Hubbards.

Port L'Hebert

A 2.1 KM looped trail through hardwoods and granite boulders with coastal view.



11183 Hwy 103, Granite Village.

Queensland Beach

Popular beach. Limited parking.



9600 Hwy 3, Hubbards.

Sable River

Pine canopy over picnic area. Brook changes direction with the tide.



140 West Sable River Rd, Sable River.
(Hwy 103, Exit 23)

Sand Hills Beach

A 2.5 KM white-sand beach and protected dune system. Please use boardwalks and marked paths.



28 Sand Hills Beach Park Rd.,
Villagedale. (Hwy 103, Exit 29)

Second Peninsula

Softwood forested park with ocean views.



781 Second Peninsula Rd.,
Second Peninsula. (Hwy 103, Exit 10)

Summerville Beach

A 1 KM sandy beach backed by dunes and an open saltmarsh. Please keep on designated paths to protect piping plover habitat.



7533 Hwy 3, Summerville Centre.

Ten Mile Lake

Relax beneath a pine/hemlock stand.



3933 Hwy 8, Middlefield.

Yarmouth & Acadian Shores

Glenwood

Relaxing park located on Rickers Lake.



5570 Hwy 3, Lower Argyle.
(Junction of Hwys 3 and 103)

Mavillette Beach

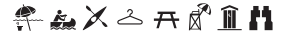
Sandy beach backed by fragile dune system. Extensive sand flats at low tide. No picnic tables.



295,336,395 John Doucette Rd.,
Mavillette.

Port Maitland Beach

Sand and cobble beach.



3297 Shore Rd, Port Maitland.
Hwy 101 (Exit 33)

Smugglers Cove

Site reputedly used by rum runners in the early 1900s.

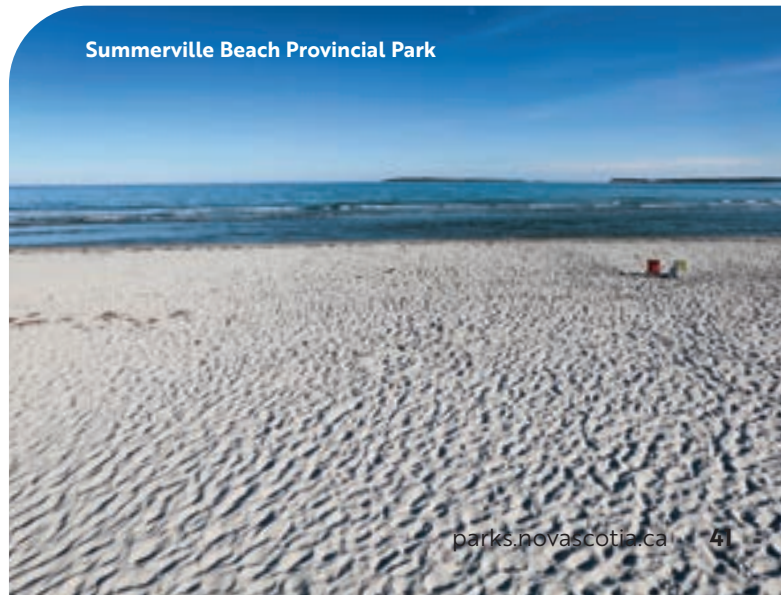


7651 Hwy 1, Meteghan.

Mavillette Beach Provincial Park



Summerville Beach Provincial Park



Day-use Parks

Bay of Fundy & Annapolis Valley

Annapolis Basin Look Off

Scenic views of the Annapolis Basin.



260 Shore Rd, Digby.

Anthony

Red sand beach on Cobequid Bay. Wharf for viewing opportunities.



6889 Hwy # 215, Lower Selma.

Blomidon Look Off

On a clear day see a panoramic view of five counties.



3374 Hwy 358, Arlington.

Cape Split

Significant landmark overlooking the Bay of Fundy. Minas Basin Trail is 6.2 KM one way and Scots Bay Trail is 7 KM one way, including look-off visits. Wear sturdy footwear and layered clothing. Stay on the trail.



Carry plenty of drinking water. 999 Cape Split Rd, Scots Bay.

Central Grove

Located on Long Island, 0.8 KM trail leads to view of the Bay of Fundy.



1731 Hwy 217, Central Grove.

Clairmont

Relax in the shade under a stand of red pine.



1405 Hwy 1, Kingston. (Hwy 101, Exit 16 or 17)

Coldbrook

Relax under a canopy of pine; located near take-out restaurants.



7073 Hwy 1, Coldbrook, Hwy 101, Exit 14

Cottage Cove

Overlooking the Bay of Fundy, 13 KM north of Middleton.



11935 Shore Rd, Port George.

Eatonville

One KM trail leads to Three Sisters, 1.5 KM trail leads to Squally Beach.



2375 Eatonville Road

Falls Lake

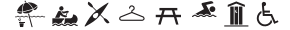
Swimming and access for non-motorized watercraft.



1541 New Ross Rd Hwy 14, Vaughan.

Lake George

Fresh water sandy beach; non-motorized boating.



125 North River Rd., Lake George.

Lake Midway

Roadside park with seasonal trout fishing.



7600 Hwy 217, Lake Midway

Londonderry

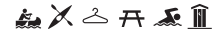
Wayside memorial park with an interpretive display on site of former iron works.



1776 Station Rd., Londonderry (Hwy 104; Exit 11)

Lumsden Pond

Small park offering easy access for swimming.



2530 Corcum Burns Rd., Black River.

MacElmons Pond

A 1 KM trail meanders through old fields, pine forest and alongside the pond.



219 MacElmon Rd., Lower Onslow.

Mickey Hill

Gravel trail, boardwalks, steep staircases lead to river.



7956 Hwy 8, Graywood. (Hwy 101; Exit 22)

Savary

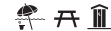
A picturesque site overlooking St. Mary's Bay. Beachcomb along the rocky shoreline.



7401 Hwy 1, Plympton.

Scots Bay

Watch the world's highest tides rise and fall.



16 Wharf Rd., Scots Bay.

Shubenacadie Provincial Wildlife Park

Woodland setting featuring 30+ species of native animals and birds. Waterfowl and wetlands displays.



149 Creighton Rd, Shubenacadie.

Cape Split Provincial Park



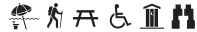
Mickey Hill Provincial Park



Northumberland Shore

Arisaig

Discover four million years of earth history through fossils.



5704 Hwy #245 Arisaig.

Bayfield

Sand and pebble beach; supervised swimming on weekends.



151 Bayfield Beach Rd, Bayfield. (Hwy 104, Exit 36)

Beaver Mountain

Impressive view of Antigonish and Cape Breton Island. Trail system is 6 KM long; some paved.



472 Beaver Meadow Rd, James River (Hwy 104, Exit 30).

Blue Sea Beach

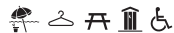
Sand and cobble beach for swimming.



660 Blue Sea Rd, Malagash Point.

Fox Harbour

Small sandy beach on warm water.



865 Fox Harbour South Rd, Wallace.

Greenhill

Magnificent view of the Pictou County farmlands below.



209 Dan Fraser Rd, Green Hill. (Hwy 104, Exit 20)

Gulf Shore

Hilltop setting overlooking the Northumberland Strait. Sandy beach.



1033 Gulf Shore Rd, Gulf Shore.

Heather Beach

Located on the warm waters of the Northumberland Strait. Limited parking.



700 Heather Beach Rd, Port Howe.

Melmerby Beach

Popular 2 KM sandy beach. Ample parking.



6280-6380 Little Harbour Rd. Little Harbour (Hwy 104; Exit 25)

Northport Beach

Red sand beach (accessible by stairs) to warm water.



7722 Hwy 366, Northport.

Pomquet Beach

Best example of dune succession in NS. Tea room near the park; various summertime activities.



432 Pomquet Beach Rd, Pomquet. Hwy 104; Exit 35 or 36

Powells Point

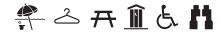
Sandy and rocky beaches and the warmest salt water in Nova Scotia.



8049 Pictou Landing Rd, Little Harbour.

Rushtons Beach

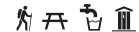
Popular beach on warm salt water. Salt marsh attracts a variety of birds.



723 Hwy 6, Brule.

Salt Springs

Nestled against the banks of the West River.



2532 Hwy 4, Salt Springs. Hwy 104 (Exit 19)

Shinimicas

Take a break under stately elms along the banks of the Shinimicas River.



5252 Hwy 6, Shinimicas.

Tatamagouche

Near most Village of Tatamagouche attractions.



2664 Hwy 6, Tatamagouche.

Tidnish Dock

Historic site of eastern terminus of proposed rail transport of ships between Fort Lawrence and Tidnish.



821 Tidnish Head Rd, Tidnish.

Waterside Beach

Long sandy beach on warm water; seldom crowded.



649 R. Grant Rd, Caribou River.

Wentworth

Scenic views year-round along a small meandering river. Trails connect to Cobequid Mountain. Popular birding location.



14160 Hwy 4, Wentworth. Hwy 104 (Exit 7 or 11)

Rushtons Beach Provincial Park



Blue Sea Beach Provincial Park

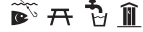


Day-use Parks

Cape Breton

Barrachois

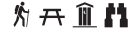
Formerly a farm, this park is situated on a knoll under a canopy of trees.



2315 Route 223, Ironville.

Ben Eoin

Look-off with a view of East Bay.



5549 Hwy 4, Ben Eoin.

Cabots Landing

Scenic views of Pollets Cove-Aspy Fault Wilderness Area. Historic cairn commemorates the landing of John Cabot.



1904 Bay St. Lawrence Rd, Sugarloaf.

Cape Smokey

Spectacular views of the coast and highlands. Ten KM (return) trail takes approx. 4 hours to hike.



40301 Cabot Trail, Cape Smokey.

Dalem Lake

A 2.2 KM trail encircling the lake and a white-sand beach.



220 New Dominion Rd, Boularderie.

Dominion Beach

Sandy beach.



48 Lower Mitchell Avenue, Dominion.

Groves Point

Sand and pebble beach on warm salt water.



1055 Hillside Boularderie Rd, Groves Point. Located 5 KM (3 mi) south of Hwy 105.

Irish Cove

Roadside park on a hill overlooking Bras d'Or Lake.



16165 Hwy 4, Irish Cove.

Lake O' Law

Inland park offering swimming and carry-in boating. Accessible fishing dock.



4830 Cabot Trail Hwy 19, Lake O'Law.

Lennox Passage

Two KM of trails, and a lighthouse to explore.



2313 Hwy 320, Isle Madame.

Mabou

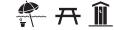
Panoramic view of the Mabou Valley.



11925 Hwy 19, Mabou.

MacCormack

Overlooking Bras d'Or Lake. View of picturesque Plaster Cove.



2481 St. Columba Rd., Iona.

Petersfield

Cultural history park overlooking Sydney Harbour. Seven KM of trails.



1126 Westmount Rd, Sydney.

Point Michaud Beach

Sandy beach, backed by sand dunes and cranberry bogs. Surfing opportunities.



3796 Hwy 247, Point Michaud

Pondville Beach

A 1 KM sandy beach, backed by gentle dunes, a large lagoon and salt marsh.



219 Pondville North Rd., Arichat.

Port Hood Station

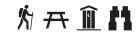
Cobble beach with adjacent white-sand beach.



8657 Hwy 19, Port Hood.

St Anns

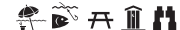
A 500 m trail offers scenic views of saltmarsh, bay, and softwood forest.



51475 Cabot Trail, St. Anns.

Trout Brook

White sand beach on the shores of Lake Ainslie.



2535 Hwy 395, Trout Brook.

Uisge Bàn Falls

A 2.6 KM (round trip) trail amid hardwoods to a spectacular 15 m waterfall.



715 North Branch Rd. Baddeck Forks. Hwy 105 (Exit 9)

West Mabou Beach

Natural environment park with large sand beach and dune system. Walking/hiking trails.



1757 Little Mabou Rd, Mabou.

Point Michaud Provincial Park



Lake O' Law Provincial Park



Eastern Shore

Black Duck Cove



1409 Little Dover Road, Little Dover

Day-use park with a small sandy beach and a 3.5 KM (2 mi.) shoreline walking trail.

Clam Harbour



158 Beach Rd, Clam Harbour.

Long, wide sandy beach with supervised swimming on weekends.

Cole Harbour Heritage Park



256 Bissett Rd., Cole Harbour

Features 7 main trails (7.9 KM total) which highlight the area's heritage and natural flora and fauna, as well as woodlands, fields and salt marsh shoreline.

Elderbank



5819 Hwy 357, Elderbank.

Non-motorized access on the Musquodoboit River.

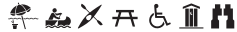
Lawrencetown Beach



Lawrencetown Beach, 4348 Lawrencetown Rd

Sand and cobble beach. Noted surfing area. Strong riptides and currents. Swimmers must exercise caution.

Lochiel Lake



13575 Hwy 7, Lochiel Lake

Quiet setting with wooded and open areas overlooking the lake.

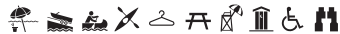
Marie Joseph



1420 Hwy 7, Liscomb Mills.

Picturesque roadside park with a view of offshore islands.

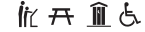
Martinique Beach



2389 Petpeswick Rd., East Petpeswick.

Crescent, white-sand beach. Protected area for piping plover. Limited parking on weekends.

Moose River Gold Mines



The park commemorates the 1936 Moose River mine disaster.

6740 Mooseland Rd., Moose River Gold Mines

Musquodoboit Valley



Day-use park bordering the Musquodoboit River.

11685 Hwy 224, Middle Musquodoboit.

Port Shoreham Beach



Sand and cobble beach.

1720 Hwy 344, Port Shoreham.

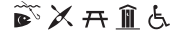
Rainbow Haven Beach



Popular beach in Cole Harbour-Lawrencetown system.

2249 Cow Bay Rd (Hwy 322)

Sherbrooke



Softwood forest beside the St. Marys River.

8407, Hwy 7, Sherbrooke.

Spry Bay



Roadside stop overlooking the bay.

19310 Hwy 7, Spry Bay.

Taylor Head



Wind swept peninsula with a variety of habitats, geological features, scenic look-offs, and secluded beaches.

20140 Hwy 7, Spry Bay.

Tor Bay



Picturesque rocky point looking out to the Atlantic; sandy beach.

650 Hwy 316, Tor Bay.



Clam Harbour Provincial Park



Refugee Cove,
Cape Chignecto Provincial Park



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