

NEWFOUNDLAND'S FRENCH SHORE

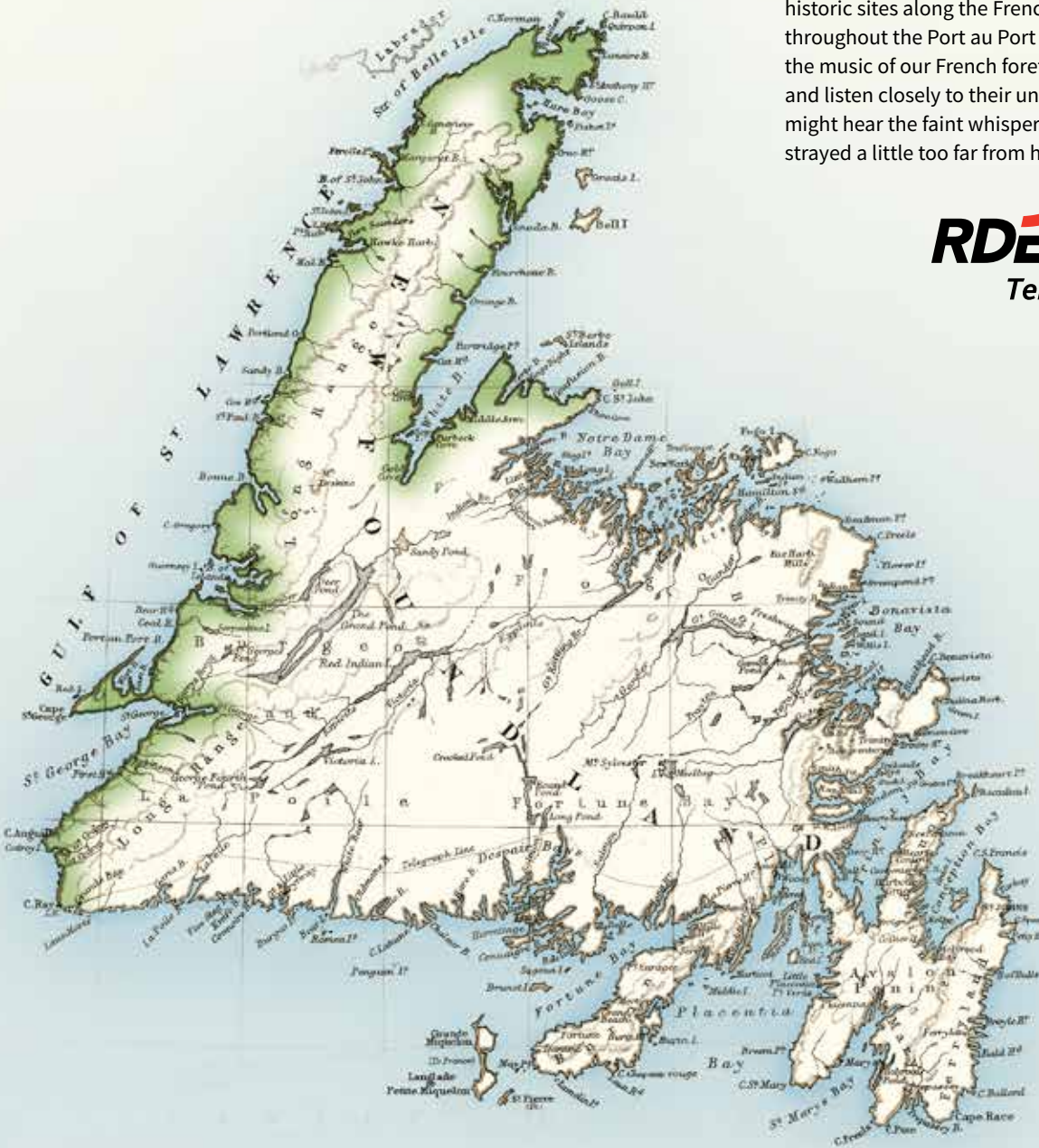
MUSEUMS, PARK, ATTRACTIONS & FESTIVALS

It may be renowned for its immense natural beauty, but Newfoundland's history is about as colourful as the characters that inhabit it. Evidence suggests a European presence on our shores as early as the sixteenth century, and none were more steadfast in their insistence on staying put than the French.

Not content to share the waters between Point Riche and Cape Bonavista with the British, as stipulated by 1713's Treaty of Utrecht, the French demanded, and won, exclusive fishing rights between Cape Ray and Cape St. John – the new *French Shore* as defined in 1783's Treaty of Versailles. Until the Entente Cordiale of 1904, the French would enjoy a relatively peaceful existence on the new *French Shore*, their presence proving an indelible contribution to Newfoundland's cultural mosaic.

Today, this rich legacy is celebrated in multiple museums and historic sites along the French Shore, as well as in festivals throughout the Port au Port peninsula. So come dance to the music of our French forefathers, sample their cuisine, and listen closely to their unique *Newfoundland French* – you might hear the faint whisper of a wayward seafarer who strayed a little too far from home.

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MUSEUMS

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OUTPORT MUSEUM

La Scie

A glimpse into rural outport life in the 1940s.

50 CENTURIES' INTERPRETATION CENTRE

Bird Cove

Artifacts from several local prehistoric cultures.

CAPE RAY LIGHTKEEPERS HOUSE

Cape Ray

Artifacts from Paleo-Eskimo First Nation.

CERCLE DES MÉMOIRES

Mainland

Experience everyday life of the first settlers of Mainland, Cape St. George and Black Duck Brook.

DARK TICKLE WILD BERRY ECONOMUSÉE

Dark Tickle

Jams, sauces, vinegars, teas, drinks and chocolates from unique wild berries.

DR. HENRY N. PAYNE COMMUNITY MUSEUM

Cow Head

Longest running museum on the west coast of Newfoundland.

FRENCH ROOMS CULTURAL CENTER

Port Au Choix

Sites include Point Riche Lighthouse, French fishing boat (chaloupe) and french bread oven. Learn about the resettlement era through film and display.

PORT AU CHOIX INTERPRETATION CENTRE

Port au Choix

Original artifacts, interactive exhibits; hiking trail and seasonal archaeological site.

FRENCH SHORE INTERPRETATION CENTRE

Conche

Highlights authentic French sites throughout the French Shore. Home to the French tapistry.

OUR LADY OF MERCY MUSEUM

Port au Port West

Largest wooden structure in Newfoundland. Tinsmithing tools, furniture and religious artifacts.

RAILWAY HERITAGE MUSEUM

Port aux Basques

Learn about the history of the Newfoundland railway.



PARKS

Gros Morne National Park
Arches Provincial Park
Barachois Pond Provincial Park
Blow Me Down Provincial Park
J.T. Cheeseman Provincial Park
Codroy Valley Provincial Park
Grand Codroy Provincial
Park Reserve
Main River Waterway
Provincial Park
Pistolet Bay Provincial Park
Sandbanks Provincial Park
Sir Richard Squires
Memorial Provincial Park
T'Railway Provincial Park
Piccadilly Head Regional Park
Boutte du Cap Park
(No Supervision)
Pirates Haven RV park



FRENCH SHORE ATTRACTIONS

PORT AU PORT PENINSULA

ALPACAS OF NEWFOUNDLAND

Newfoundland and Labrador's first alpaca farm. Gift store and interpretation centre.

ACADIAN MONUMENT

Boutte du Cap Park, Cape St. George

Only Acadian Monument in Newfoundland, traditional bread oven open to public, limestone cliffs.



FESTIVALS

UNE LONGUE VEILLÉE

Cape St. George and Mainland

Music/dance festival and BBQ.

LADY OF LOURDES PARISH GROTTO

Inspired by the miracle in which the Our Lady appeared before a young girl in Lourdes, France.

OUR LADY OF MERCY CHURCH

Port au Port West

The largest wooden structure in Newfoundland. Designed in 1910.

UN PLAISIR DU VIEUX TEMPS

Black Duck Brook

Traditional music/dance festival with games, camping.

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