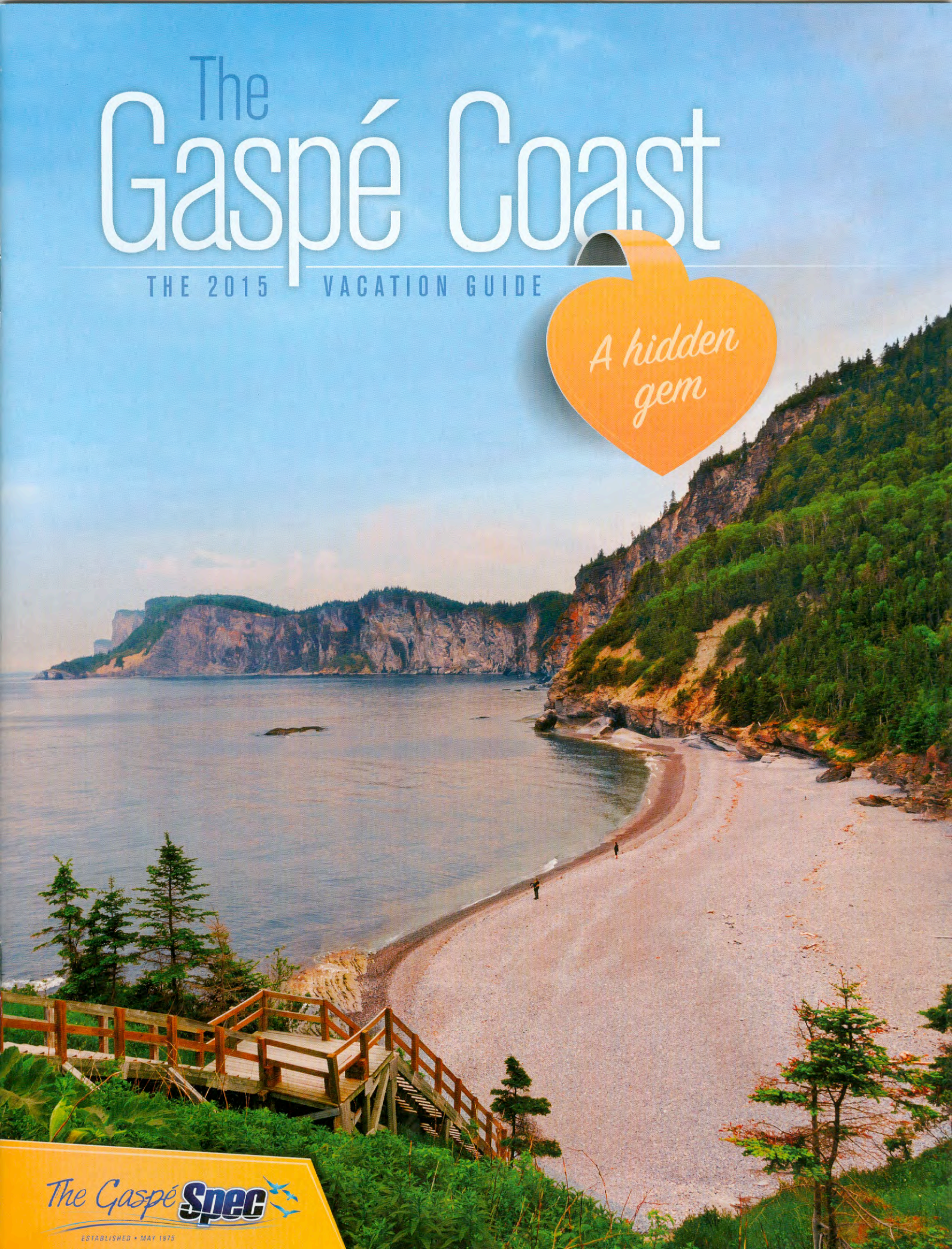
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A warm Welcome!

By **Diane Skinner-Flowers**

Welcome to the Gaspé Peninsula!

Bienvenue to our gorgeous vacation destination! The Gaspésie or Gaspé Peninsula, (pronounced Gaspay-zee or Gaspay) is an area of eastern Quebec. It is best enjoyed by car, camper, motorcycle and it is a cyclist's dream.

The Gaspé is a vast and unspoiled area; one bursting with beauty at every bend in the road. Highway 132 begins in Ste-Flavie at the north end of the peninsula, and circumvents the entire coast. This trip around the perimeter of the peninsula is 900 kilometres in length. But don't hurry along; savour the stunning scenery on this grand peninsula. It is just 560 kilometres east of Montreal, 350 kilometres east of Quebec City, 1100 kilometres east of Toronto, just north of New Brunswick, 4 hours by car from Maine and worth the drive!

Every year thousands of visitors journey here in search of the uncrowded, uncluttered and uncommercialized vacation experience. No place ever feels overcrowded. If there is something we have loads of, it is space. The vistas you see will include water, mountains, and forests. Our predominant colours are blue and green but so much more than that too. Azure, teal, slate, aqua, robin's egg, navy, indigo and more can more accurately describe our skies and water. The fields and forests will amaze you with their rich colours; including emerald, jade, kelly, lime, moss, olive and sage.

The middle of the peninsula, the 'spine', is part of the Appalachian Mountain Range which dips into the sea at the eastern tip of the Peninsula. Here the mountains are known as the Chic-Chocs. Abundant, unspoiled beaches - the saltwater of the Bay of Chaleur or the Gulf of St. Lawrence and pristine waters of the many rivers and lakes await you.

Lovely old homes can still be seen; examples of a bygone era. You will see homes that are painted in bright and cheery colours. In the warmer months you will see laundry flapping on the line. This in itself is a beautiful sight of a bygone era. Mountains, heritage homes, majestic and historic churches, quaint little towns and villages, clean air and water and a slower tempo - it all can be found here.

This year plan to travel to a destination right here in Canada that you may have overlooked. You will not have to lose money when exchanging to a foreign currency! You can experience the French and English flavour that has existed here for over 200 years. You will see a kaleidoscope of landscapes so do not forget your camera. You will treasure those photos which will remind you of an absolutely exquisite off the beaten path region. Come. You will be glad that you did.

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Pack up your troubles

You have made a decision

to come to the beautiful Gaspé for a vacation. Great decision. It's time to pack your suitcase or knapsack! Here are a few suggestions and tips.

Springtime is relatively short on the Gaspé due to its late arrival in May. Summer weather can be variable and the temperature in the summer is often influenced by the direction of the wind. West wind brings clear, mild air. The east wind blowing off the Labrador Current brings cold and rainy weather. Winds can change direction quickly, so if you are hiking or on the water, pack a waterproof and windproof jacket. Autumn on the Gaspé can be surprisingly sunny and warm, so pack layers of clothing. You might find walking poles helpful for navigating rocky beaches, steep hills or mountains.

If you want to observe birds and whales remember to pack binoculars. If you wish to hike bring along a knapsack, high energy food, a water bottle, a compass, and insect repellent. When travelling it is always a good idea to pack a first aid kit. Life vests are included when renting kayaks and canoes.

Just keep in mind that to fully enjoy the Gaspésie experience you will be spending lots of time outside. You might want to be active and indulge in activities such as golfing, swimming, hiking, and biking. Or you can enjoy just sitting back and relaxing and taking in the breathtaking sights and snapping loads of pictures. To fully savour the peninsula, you will want to spend at least a week here – or longer. Each little town is unique and every curve in the road offers a brand new experience.

Pack accordingly. Prepare to enjoy the outdoor beauty of this glorious peninsula.

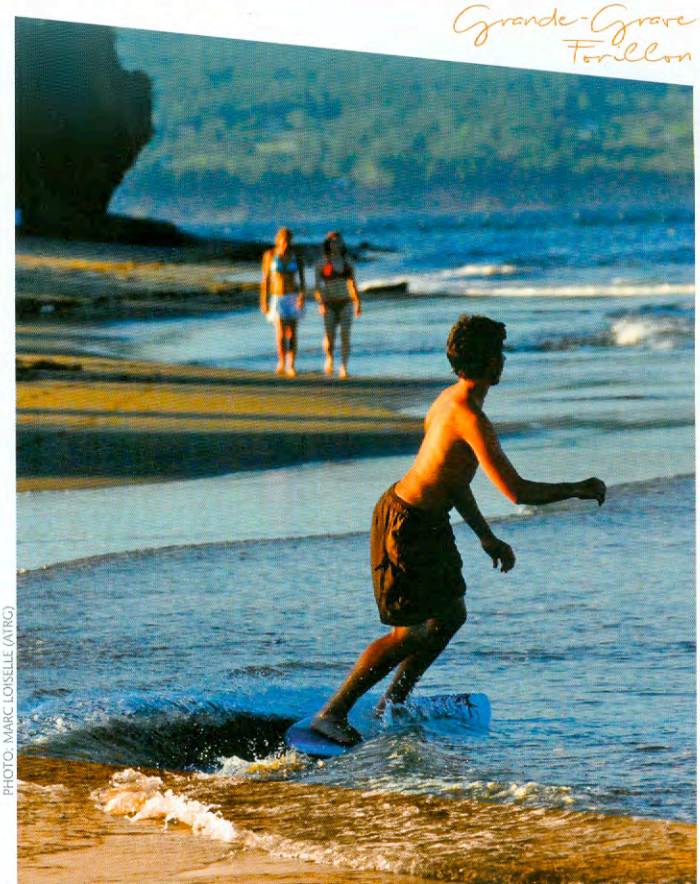

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Calendar of events

2015

MAY 28 - MAY 31 ***Rodéo professionnel de Paspébiac***

JUNE 24 ***Québec's National Holiday***
Saint Jean Baptiste Day, held annually on June 24.

JUNE 21 ***Nautical festival Carleton***

JUNE 26 - JULY 4 ***Festival en chanson de Petite-Vallée***
A musical event showcating up and coming French speaking artists and seasoned performers from across Québec.

JUNE 26 - 28 ***Rallye Baie-des-Chaleurs***
New Richmond

JUNE 30 TO AUG 1 ***Canada Day New Carlisle***

JULY 1 ***Canada Day***
Many communities along the Gaspé Coast will be celebrating the birth of Canada with festivals, parades and fireworks.

JULY 8 - AUG 12 ***Chapeau à nos artistes***
Bonaventure: Every Wednesday night, free shows, 8 p.m. Musée acadien du Québec.

JULY 15 - SEPTEMBER 15 ***Rencontres Internationales de la photographie en Gaspésie***
In the Gaspé region, viit photography exhibits and installations, both indoors and outdoors.

JULY 22 - 26 ***Pioneer Days in Gaspé***
A time for old friends to get together.

JULY 22 - 26 ***Bonaventure Western festival***
A family event featuring gymkhana competitions for riders of all ages, where camaraderie and sportsmanship reign.

JULY 23 - 26 ***Malbay Festival***

JULY 23 - 26 ***Hope - Festival blé d'inde (Corn Festival)***

JULY 27 - AUGUST 2 ***Douglastown Irish Week***
The Irish first arrived in Douglastown in 1791, Wiliam Kennedy carried with him the seeds of Ireland that have flourished in the area over the past 200 years. Its workshops endeavour to perfect the styles and trends in Irish music and dance.

AUGUST 5 - 9 ***Festival Musique du bout du Monde***
Gaspé: Major shows under the big top, entertainment for the entire family.

AUGUST 13 - 16 ***Shigawake Agricultural Fair and Music Festival***
The first Shigawake Agricultural Fair was held in 1909. The music festival presents well-known local artists and reveals the rich and diversified culture of the region.

AUGUST 27 - 30 ***Agricultural Fair***
New Richmond

AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 6 ***Bluegrass Festival***
New Richmond in the Gaspesian British Heritage Village. Bluegrass musix with a Gaspesian accent. Music, camping and activities for the entire family.

AUG 29-30 ***New Carlisle Family Fest***

SEPTEMBER 4 - 6 ***Festival Quad Matapédien***

SEPT 4 - 6 ***Symposium de peinture du weekend des arts***
Port-Daniel

SEPTEMBER 10 - 13 ***Raid international Gaspésie***
Chaleurs Bay

OCTOBER 2 - 4 ***Cascapedia-St. Jules Fall Festival***



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Double kayak	$35	Double kayak	$65
Canoe	$35	Canoe	$65

RENTAL OF PEDAL BOATS

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- **Food services nearby**
- **Kite shop** (sale and beginner's course)
- The « **Bay Gardens Tour** » (artistic gardens).

Information: **418-392-7722**

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The Taylor's Point Camping is located at the mouth of the Little Cascapedia River and along the shores of Chaleur Bay. Here you may explore nature in all its beauty, let yourself be enveloped by our relaxing setting within walking distance to the center of town. Open from May 16 to September 13, 2015. 125 campsites with full, partial and no amenities, shaded and non-shaded sites also available.

Information: **www.pinrouge.com/ete/** and follow the links for Taylor's Point Camping
Call: **418-392-5134** or **1-866-992-5134**

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Information: **418-392-5134** or toll free **1-866-992-5134** **www.pinrouge.com**

GASPESIAN BRITISH HERITAGE VILLAGE

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Information: **418-392-4487** **www.villagegaspesien.org**

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Information : **418-392-7075** or **www.villenewrichmond.com**

NEW RICHMOND PUBLIC MARKET

The New Richmond public market is open every Saturday throughout the summer from July 4 to September 5, 2015. Local products and artwork are featured.

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www.zecpetitecascapedia.com

HENDERSON BEACH

Un-supervised municipal beach, open from the end of June to mid-September, located in the scenic Black Cape area, to the east of the center of the Town of New Richmond.

EVENTS

RALLYE BAIE-DES-CHALEURS

June 26 to June 28, 2015. This world renowned rally is a key segment of the Canadian Rally Championship as well as the North American Rally Cup. A challenging course, skilled drivers, awesome cars, amazing crowd, a spectacular show and a festive atmosphere make this an excellent event to kick off the summer.
Information: **www.rallyebdc.com**
info@rallyebdc.com or **418-392-3544**

AGRICULTURAL FAIR

Equestrian events such as Gymkhana, team penning and horse hauling, family activities, games, small animals, country garden and crafts, judging, exhibitions and musical entertainment. August 27 to 30, 2015 at the "Fairgrounds" in New Richmond West.

Information: **ww.newrichmondfair.wikispaces.com**
James Martin (President): **418-392-5655**

BLUE GRASS FESTIVAL

Bluegrass and folk music festival, with more than 40 shows performed on 2 stages from August 30 to September 6, 2015. Information: **www.newrichmondbluegrass.com**
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So many things to do and see

Unpack those comfortable walking shoes

because today you may be visiting the cliffs at the Parc de Miguasha where some of North America's oldest fossils have been discovered. This includes '*Eusthenopteron foordi*,' a cross between a fish and amphibians that dates back 350 million years! Don't forget to use the binoculars you stashed in your bag to scan the waters of the Bay and Gulf to spot a whale or even a seal basking on a rock on a sunny day. If you are the adventurous type visit Cime Aventure in Bonaventure and rent a kayak or canoe. All Cime Aventure tours include basic instruction in paddling techniques and safety tips as well as the equipment needed to enjoy these activities. Casual clothing will be required for all sorts of outdoor activities.

A fascinating view of the history of the Gaspésie can be enjoyed at the Gaspesian British Heritage Village, New Richmond. This impressive site showcases the history and culture of Gaspesians of British ancestry and their contribution to the development of the Gaspé Coast. The village recounts the history of these settlers from the 1760's to the early 1900's. An interpretation centre, hiking trails, beach and playground will round out your visit. Be certain to bring along your bathing suit and a towel to fully enjoy the day.

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Paspébiac
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418 752-3449

New Richmond
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Carleton
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Grande-Vallée
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Municipalité de

NEW CARLISLE

Situated midpoint on the south side of the Gaspé Peninsula, this tree-lined community of 1,365 inhabitants was founded by the United Empire Loyalists in 1784. New Carlisle today boasts a harmonious mix of both French and English cultures. An important administrative center in the 19th century, New Carlisle is also well-known as the hometown of René Lévesque, an influential politician in Quebec and Premier of the province from 1976 to 1985. The mayor, councillors, and employees of the municipality, together with the residents, extend a warm welcome and sincerely hope your stay with us will be one of the highlights of your summer!

Among the attractions and services available to you are the following:

LODGING
- La Maison Blanche & Motel Bellevue.
- Hamilton Manor: Bed & Breakfast and Campground
- Camping: "Chalets - Camping Moulin Rouge". (In wooded area next to municipal beach.)
- Maison du Shérif Sheppard Bed & Breakfast

DINING FACILITIES
Restaurant Bellevue and Restaurant l'Heritage, Café Luna, Canteens on the beach and on Gérard D. Levesque Blvd.

NATURAL BEAUTY
Sandy beach-lined coast, 2 picturesque lakes at the end of Christie's Lane. Hiking to unique rock formation at Christie's Rock. Fascinating bird watching at Jean Paul Dubé Bird Sanctuary.

EVENTS
- Canada Day Festivities - June 30 - July 1
- Family Fest - August 29-30

VISIT
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For more information please contact the Town Hall at 418-752-3141

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Municipalité New Carlisle Municipality



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A vacation on the Gaspésie is just about guaranteed to reduce your stress levels. Sit back and relax. Or be as active as you want to be. This vacation is unstructured in the greatest sense. Make it what you want it to be. If you wish, you can stay an extra night or two whenever the feeling strikes you. Make sure your suitcase has enough clothing that you can go out in the rain or put on extra layers when you need them. If you want to experience the 'Gaspésie afterglow' when you return home after vacationing on the Gaspé you might want to think back, as you unpack your suitcase, to these memories.

So try to squeeze these experiences into your stay. Take in the gorgeous sights, breathe in the sea air and keep a slower pace. Stop to listen to the water lapping on the shore and skip rocks across the water. Spend a day or two just beachcombing, building a sandcastle and getting some of the sand between your toes. Enjoy some meals together, slow and unhurried, free of the pressures of time commitments. Sit to watch the sunset and take some photos that will remind you of a pleasant, peaceful vacation. Appreciate the flora and fauna of the Gaspé and breathe deeply. Notice and be impressed by the clean, open spaces. Nothing is cluttered. No place is overcrowded. Gaspé has been aptly defined as 'Grand Isolation.' Walk slower, sleep more soundly.

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The entire CASA team would like to wish you a memorable vacation. If you are in town, drop by our friendly office for a warm welcome to our beautiful area!

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There are over 2,000 kilometres of snowmobile trails on the Gaspé.

Mont Jacques Cartier is the highest point on the peninsula at 1268 metres.

Speaking of Jacques Cartier, the explorer visited the Gaspé in 1534.

Gaspé's most populated town is…Gaspé, with approximately 15,000 inhabitants. The next most populous towns are Chandler, Ste-Anne-des-Monts, Carleton-sur-Mer, New Richmond, Percé, Grande-Rivière, Paspébiac and Cap-Chat.

The mining of copper ore began in Murdochville in 1955.

The Gaspé Peninsula is 270 kilometres long.

In the years 1816 and 1817 a great and devastating famine struck the Gaspé Coast.

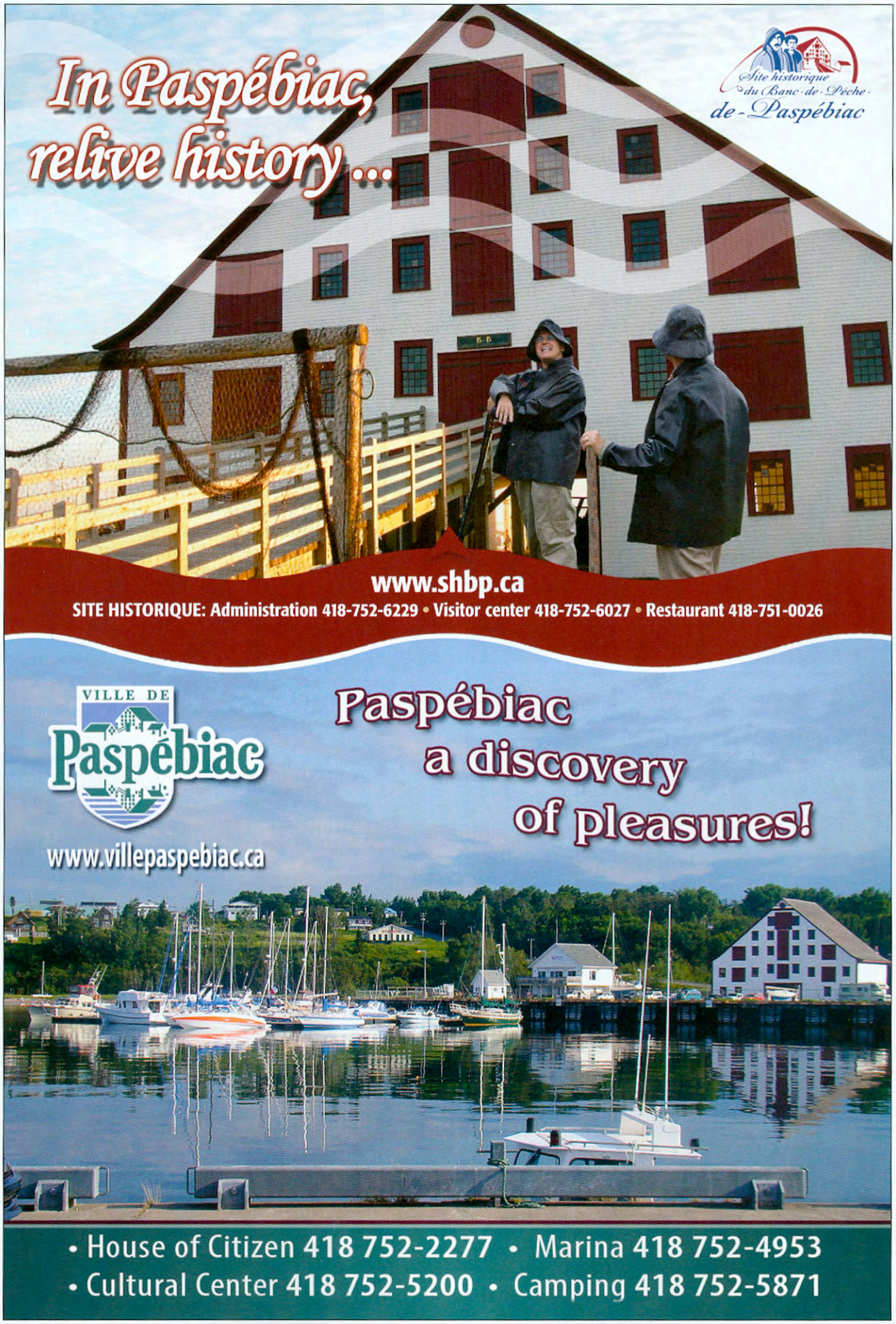
The railway from Matapedia to Gaspé was completed in 1911.

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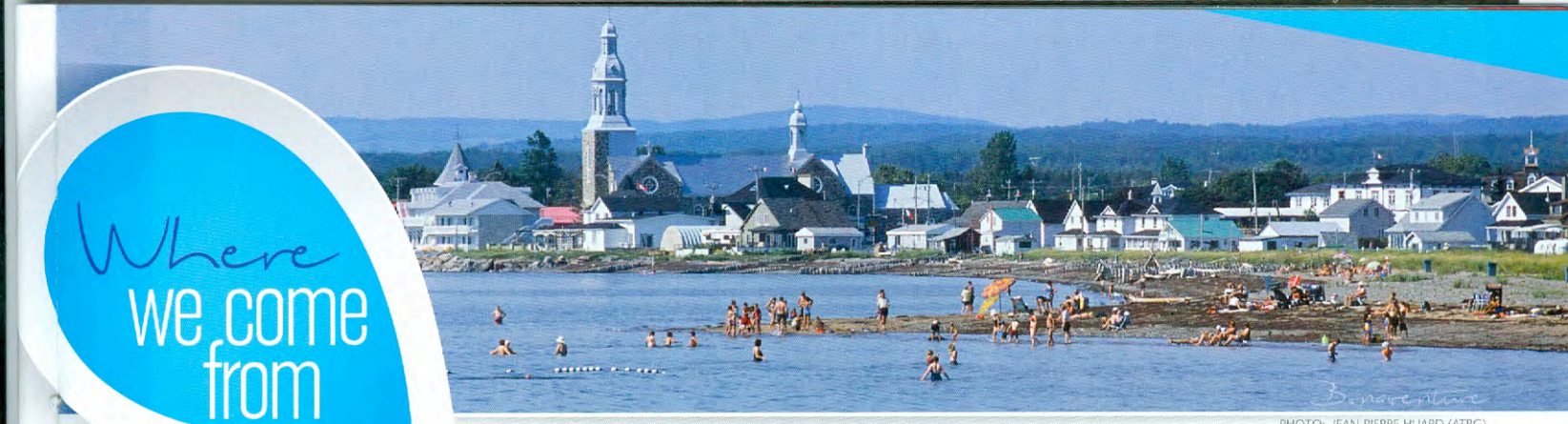


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Gaspé is an absolutely spellbinding destination - actually breathtaking! The Gaspé is Quebec's pudgy thumb of land cocked eternally towards Europe. The name comes from the MicMac Indian word gespec, "where the land ends."

The MicMac Indians settled here at least 8,000 years ago, long before jacques Cartier claimed the Gaspé for France in 1534.

Later, with immigration actively supported by the French Crown, seigneuries or land grants were made with the obligation of preparing the land for new immigrants and agriculture.

An early Acadian community was established at the mouth of the Bonaventure River because their ships could anchor in the natural, deepwater harbour without being seen from the sea. They constructed their homes in the woods near their farms and also built seaside cabins for summer fishing. Other Acadian communities were founded at Tracadigache (Carleton), Cascapedia and Paspébiac where they farmed, fished and established a logging industry based on the demand for red pine masts in Europe and the Caribbean.

Fishermen from the Channel Islands were among the earliest Europeans to visit North American offshore waters. Some believe that they crossed the Atlantic long before Columbus' voyages and that it was on their recommendation that Cabot sailed for Newfoundland in 1497. By the end of the 17th. Century, jersey merchants had established a lucrative triangular trade between New England/ Newfoundland, the Caribbean and Europe. Charles Robin, a jersey merchant, set up a fishing post at Paspébiac in 1767 after Canada passed to the English. Other fishing posts were set up along the Gaspé Coast and the Charles Robin Co. was instrumental in bringing jersey families to settle at Paspébiac, Port Daniel, Grande-Riviere, Percé, Gaspé and Grande Grave.

Coinciding with Charles Robin's return to Gaspésie was the influx of Loyalists from the American colonies. The greatest Loyalist immigration to Canada took place after the war ended in 1783. Loyalist groups established farming communities at New Carlisle, New Richmond and Douglastown. They were joined by waves of new immigrants in the 1840s when potato crops failed in Ireland and Scotland.

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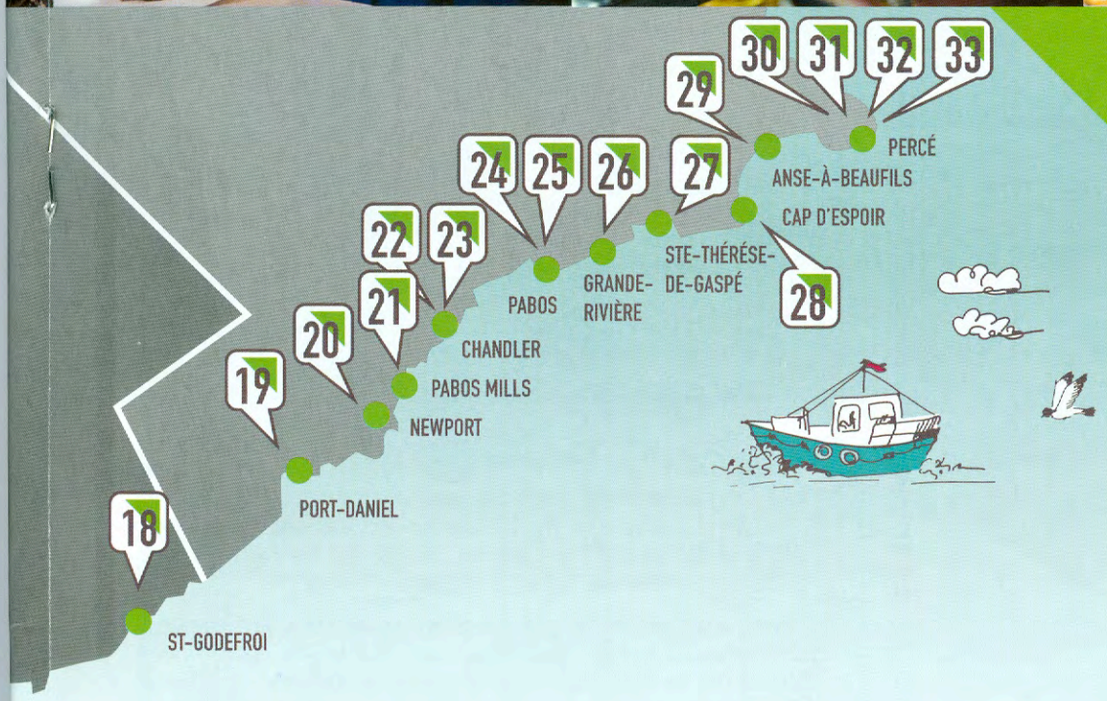
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Treat yourself to canoeing & kayaking

About 20 rivers all around the Gaspé Peninsula can be used for canoeing or kayaking. The most renowned are the Bonaventure, the Grand Cascapedia, the Matapedia and the Restigouche, but some of the smaller rivers are real jewels, like the Nouvelle, the Little Cascapedia, the Grand River and the Madeleine.

There are calm rivers and there are more turbulent streams. The lower section of the Bonaventure is relatively quiet, unlike the upper section. Some, like the Bonaventure and the Grand Cascapedia, are long enough to enable people to organize excursions of four to five days. Businesses located in Bonaventure and Matapedia offer holiday packages, including canoe rental.

Some rivers, like the Matapedia and the Grand Cascapedia, are located along highways for a good portion of their length, and other streams, like the Patapedia or the Bonaventure, run in wilder areas. There are rivers for all tastes.

For people who visit the Gaspé Peninsula early in the season, in May or before mid-June, some large brooks allow you to practice canoeing for a few weeks. It can be a real thrill, but for experienced people only.

Sea kayaking is growing in the area. Visitors can rent kayaks in Gaspé, Percé, Bonaventure, Carleton, and in many other places. Forillon National Park is a highlight for lovers of this sport, as are the Percé Rock and Bonaventure Island areas. Sea currents can be tricky for inexperienced visitors.



Shigawake is a farming and fishing community, settled in the 1800s by mostly Irish and Scottish people. To this day the majority of its residents are English-speaking, living in harmony with their francophone neighbours cultivating the land and harvesting the sea.

This lovely little pastoral village gets its name from the Micmac Chigouac, meaning "land of the rising sun". Indeed, the sun rises right out of Chaleur Bay here, turning the local sandstone cliffs a brilliant red.

At our tourist stop you will find families enjoying themselves playing baseball and volleyball. You can take advantage of our no service camping area. You will also appreciate strolling the footpaths through a beautiful cedar woods with lookouts on the Baie des Chaleurs & Fisherman's Wharf with picnic tables and benches. Enjoy our walking trail to the Shigawake waterfalls with picnic tables along the way.

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MIGUASHA

The palaeontological site of Miguasha National Park, in south-eastern Quebec on the southern coast of the Gaspé peninsula, is considered to be the world's most outstanding illustration of the Devonian Period known as the 'Age of Fishes'. Dating from 370 million years ago, the Upper Devonian Escuminac Formation (UNESCO) represented here contains five of the six fossil fish groups associated with this period. Miguasha Park conserves a fossil rich cliff with a worldwide reputation. • Nouvelle: 418-794-2475.



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Gesgapegiag is located at the 7th district of the old MicMac Nation. Point of interest is the unique WigWam church built in 1960.

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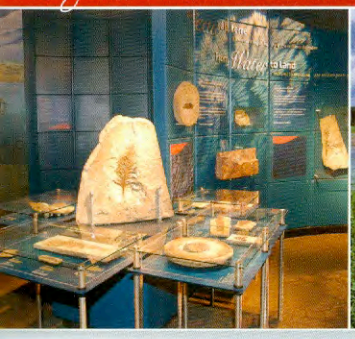
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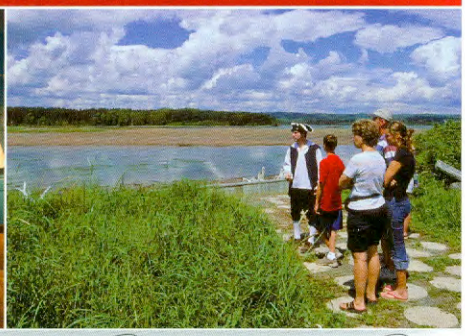
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This town is the birthplace of former Quebec Premier, René Levesque. Visit his life-size statue in the Municipal Park. New Carlisle boasts a harmonious mix of both French and English cultures. Take the Heritage Tour through the town where you will see such stately homes as the Hamilton House built in 1852 by Quebec legislative assembly member John-Robinson Hamilton. Behind the Hamilton House is the Caldwell House, the oldest home in New Carlisle. The new Kempffer Cultural Interpretation Centre opened its doors to the public in the spring of 2008, following a half-million dollar makeover spearheaded by local heritage enthusiasts. The house was built in 1868 by Loyalist descendants Robert Kempffer Jr. and his wife Sara Jane Langler. New this year along the boardwalk, near the harbour, the sculpture "Visage des Chaleurs." 418-752-3141





Parc du Bourg de Pabos

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PASPÉBIAC

In 1767 Charles Robin, from the Island of Jersey, chose this location to establish the headquarters of his cod fishing empire. Eleven buildings erected in 1783 make up the Historical Site (Site Historique du Banc-de-Pêche-de-Paspébiac) on the beach. • Paspébiac: 418-752-6229

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A photographer's dream

By Diane Skinner-Flowers

When you visit the Gaspé Peninsula you will want to bring along your camera because there will be unlimited opportunities to shoot some award winning photographs. You could be snapping pictures all day…and night! There is so much here on the Gaspé Peninsula that will wow you. On your journey you are sure to be awed by the picturesque valleys, sea and mountain landscapes, forests, bays and coastlines.

You must take at least a few photos of, arguably, one of the best known icons in North America – Percé Rock! Be assured you will find plenty more to inspire you. Perch yourself on a driftwood log on the beach and wait. Sooner or later something will motivate you. You see the water here has moods. One day it is tranquil and peaceful. The next day it may be gray and angry. The waters are changing constantly. Watch for the changing views.

Don't ignore the vistas of the majestic mountains or the lovely solitude of an icy cold stream which flows down from those mountains. Many birds can be spotted here on the Gaspé, including interesting varieties of shore and water birds. If you enjoy bird watching bring along a birdwatchers guidebook.

The Gaspé offers spectacular sunsets and also prospects for night-time photography. Opportunities abound for the up-close photographer - wild lupines, daisies, shells, beach rocks. All of these are just the beginning of the photographer's wonderland here on the Gaspé Peninsula.

You could return for another visit to create a specialized photo series of the peninsula. Possibilities include portfolios which focus on: churches, cemeteries, painted houses, historic homes, flora and fauna, sunsets, beaches, mountains and forests.

Unleash your photographic spirit. We can provide the inspiration here on the Gaspé Peninsula. Just don't forget your camera!



Wonder of the water



Of all the animals that have lived on our planet, the blue whale is, without a doubt, the biggest. Because an average blue whale measures 27 meters in length and weighs 100 metric tons, even the most gigantic dinosaurs from Jurassic could not take the title away from them. To date, the biggest known blue whale measured 33.2 meters and weighed approximately more than 145 tons.

The blue whale is found in Gaspé due to the abundance of food in the water around the peninsula, particularly in the Gaspé Bay. This mammal looks for aggregations of krill, a small crustacean that resembles a shrimp, and will gulp it down in just one bite with its enormous mouth. Its numerous whalebones allow it to filter seawater and keep only the food it will swallow later on.

However, the survival of this animal is in a very precarious state. Whaling, an activity man has engaged in for several decades, has constituted a serious threat to the species. Until May 3, 2002, the blue whale was considered a species of special concern. However, COSEWIC, the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada, has since changed the status to endangered. Thus, the blue whale has now reached the highest level of concern, and joins the belugas of St. Lawrence when it comes to their urgent need of protection.

Because this whale is no longer hunted, its biggest threats are collisions with ships, disturbances caused by the disrespectful observation of whales, entanglements of fishing gear and pollution.

"Les Graves" trail at Forillon National Park offers a breathtaking view of Gaspé Bay as well as the chance to watch these giants of the oceans and other whales come to eat. Those who wish to observe them from the sea can also take whale-watching cruises.

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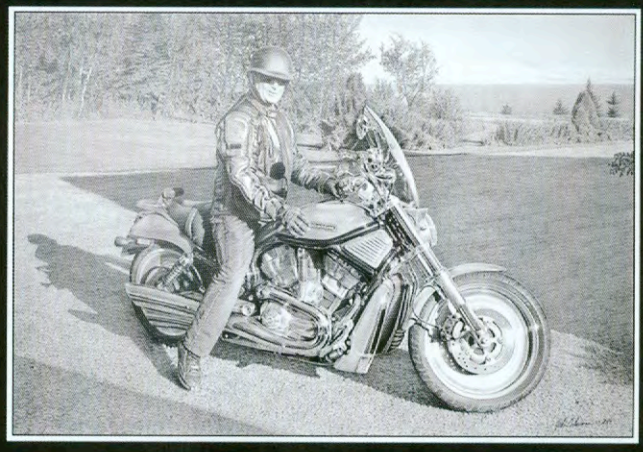




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The rock

No Gaspesian summer would be complete without at least one visit to Percé. All visitors and residents of the peninsula should deny themselves this pleasure. There is so much to do there. You are guaranteed to have a lovely, memorable day. Take a boat cruise to Bonaventure Island, around Percé Rock or whale watching. The shops are quaint with a variety of interesting goods, including jewellery, art and other souvenirs. A wide choice of restaurants is available from sandwich shops to finer dining. If you are the active sort you might wish to climb up to the lookout. There is deep sea fishing, sea kayaks, scuba diving, walking trails, bird watching and more. Percé Rock itself is one of the largest and most spectacular natural arches found anywhere. Percé Rock is a massive limestone stack which is approximately 450 metres long, 90 metres wide and 90 metres at its highest point. There were, at one time, two arches in the rock until the outer arch collapsed in 1845.



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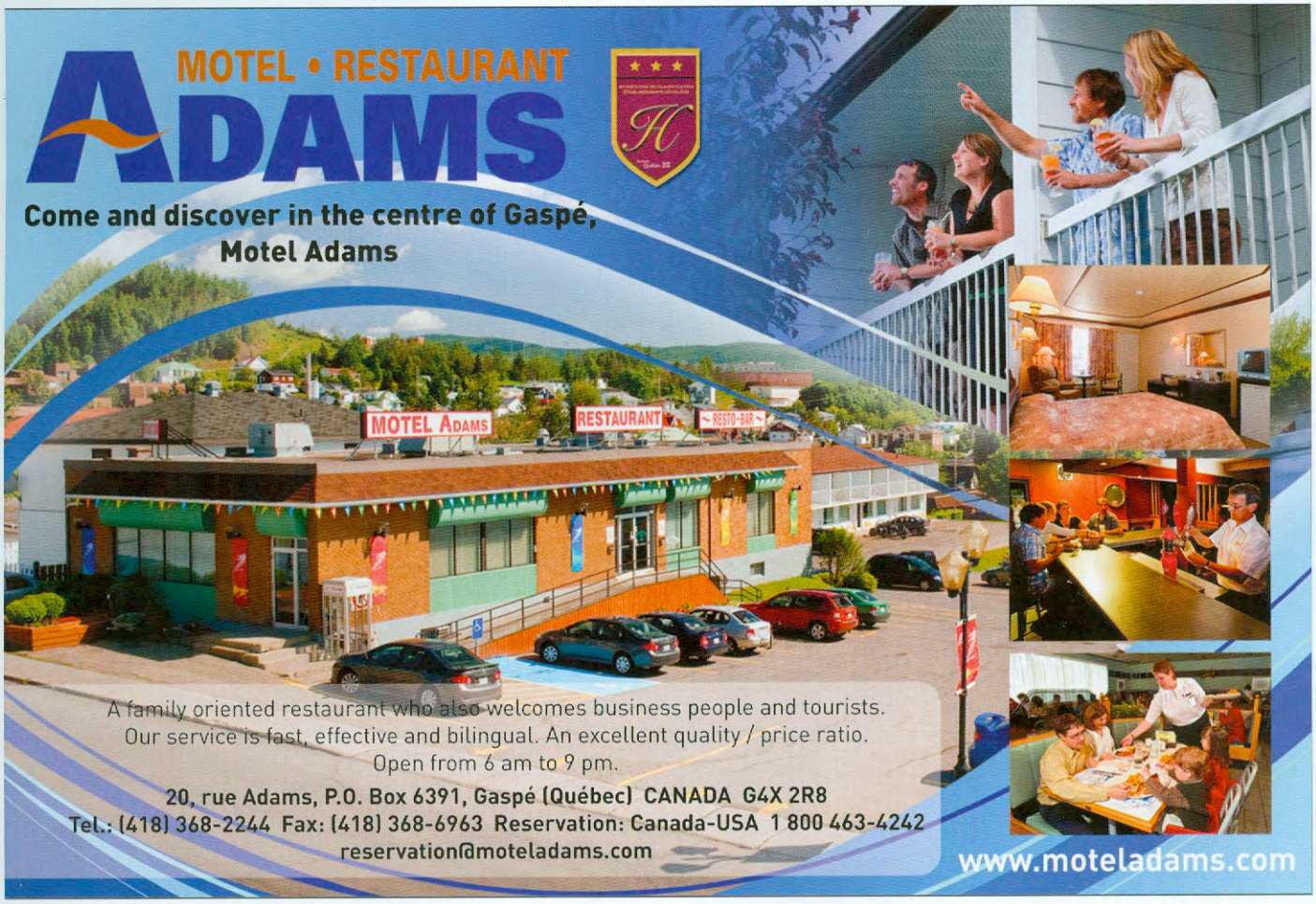
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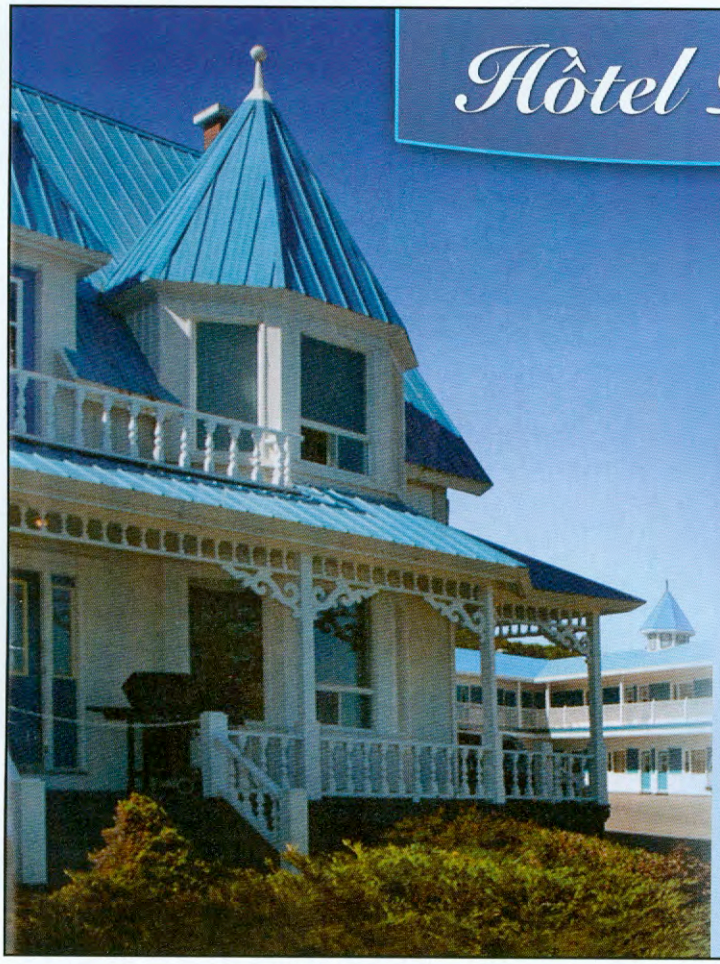
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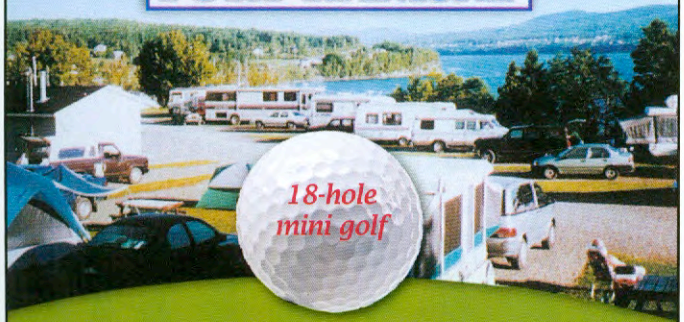
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L'Anse-au-Griffon, Cap-des-Rosiers and Forillon Park

In L'Anse-au-Griffon you must see Le Manoir Le Boutillier which was built in 1840 by an immigrant from Jersey, John LeBoutiller who was one of the most successful fish merchants of the time. It is a museum, boutique and has a café.

In Cap-des-Rosiers, on the tip of Forillon, there stands Canada's tallest lighthouse at app. 35 metres which was built in 1858. It is classified as a National Historic Site and is on top of a steep cliff. We took loads of photos and it was a foggy morning so it set the mood perfectly. Samuel de Champlain noted the settlement on a map in 1632. In 1847 the shipwreck of the Carrick occurred here and more than 130 Irish immigrants perished. The survivors of that tragedy settled in this area.

In 1970 the Government of Quebec, following an agreement with the Federal government for the creation of Park Forillon, expropriated a part of Cap de Rosiers thereby evicting families of fishermen who had lived there for generations. This remains a controversial decision and rightly so.

Forillon National Park is a peninsula which juts out into the sea and it is officially the end of the Appalachian Mountains. National Geographic identified the Gaspé as one of the top destinations in the world!

At Forillon Park the scenery is breath-taking. Don't forget to visit the Heritage Site and the Interpretation Centre there are large aquariums and exhibits.

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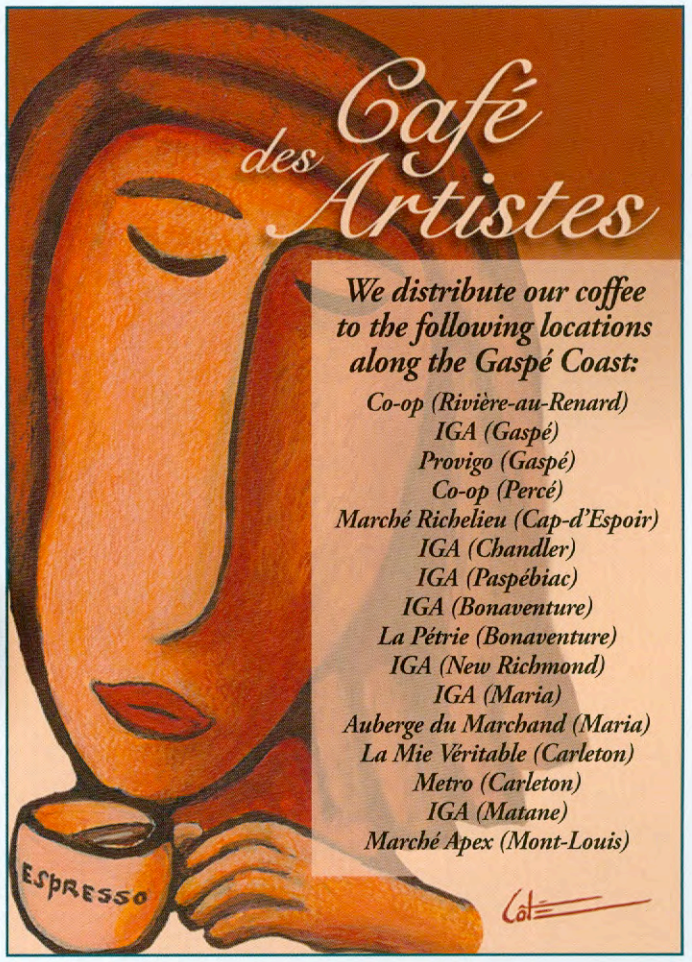






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