

# [Paddlefest! St. Andrews, New Brunswick](#)

<http://paddlefestnb.ca> Paddlefest is a Music & Outdoor Recreation Festival in the small seaside community of St. Andrews, New Brunswick. The 4 day festival combines music, art & beer and outdoor activities such as canoeing & kayaking for a long weekend of fun for music lovers and adventure seekers alike!

*Music / Art / Kayaking / Canoeing / Stand-Up Paddle-boarding / Workshops & Clinics / Kids Events / Beach Clean Ups / Yoga / Environmental Talks / Craft Market / Food Vendors / Local Beer & Cider / the Annual Paddlefest Brunch & more!*

[Click here for more info](#)

Ultimate RAPIDS Pass

\$150.00 (Early Bird Pricing)

- **Admission to All Official Paddlefest Venues\* (THURSDAY - SUNDAY)**

**\*subject to capacity / 19+ / 1 Person Per Pass**

[ON SALE FEBRUARY 15](#)

Main Stage Pass

May 16th - 19th, 2019

- **Admission to Main Stage (FRIDAY-SUNDAY) + Other Select Venues\***

**\*subject to capacity / 19+ / 1 Person Per Pass**

[ON SALE MARCH 7](#)

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## [22nd Annual Great Backyard Bird Count](#)

Anyone who has internet access can participate in this mid-winter birding event sponsored by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and National Audubon. All you have to do is:

- \*Count birds for at least 15 minutes at your favorite location(s).
- \*Record the highest number of each species seen at once.
- \*Enter your checklists on the GBBC website: [gbbc.birdcount.org/](http://gbbc.birdcount.org/) or on your eBird account.

Launched in 1998, the Great Backyard Bird Count was the first online citizen-science project to collect data on wild birds and to display results in near real-time. Since the merger with eBird, people from all over the world can now participate in this global event!

[www.downeastaudubon.org](http://www.downeastaudubon.org) for more info

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## [Five things to do on Campobello Island - New Brunswick, Canada](#)

Did you know that you can take a short day trip from the Machias Bay area of DownEast Maine and have lunch on a Canadian Island. Campobello Island is just a short bridge over a channel of water and is part of the Canadian province of New Brunswick. Just remember, you now need a passport or passport card to enter Canada.

1) Visit [Franklin Delano Roosevelt's summer house](#).

Admission to the park and the house and information center is free and there are tour guides to answer any questions that you may have.



2) Bike the many [bike trails](#) around the International and Provincial Parks

The trails and roads in the two island parks — Roosevelt Campobello International Park and Herring Cove Provincial Park - are very bike friendly and wind around the island highlighting beautiful vistas.



3) Go on a whale-watching adventure!

[Island Cruises Whale Watch](#) departs from Head Harbour Wharf daily in July through October (weather permitting).

Guaranteed sightings. Make sure you bring your binoculars, camera, warm outerwear even when warm on land it can be very cool on the ocean, and snacks and refreshments.



4) Play a round of golf

[Herring Cove Provincial Park Golf Course](#) -

One of two provincial courses in New Brunswick. Located on the Scenic Campobello Island minutes from the late U.S. president Franklin Delano Roosevelt's cottage.

Golf on one of New Brunswick's island treasures at the Herring Cove Provincial Park Golf Course. Situated on Campobello Island, this 9-hole Geoffrey Cornish design offers many challenging holes while providing a spectacular view of the Bay of Fundy. Golfers aren't the only ones who have grown to love the plush landscape once enjoyed by the Roosevelt family. Bald eagles can be spotted flying overhead while moose and deer are often seen frolicking about as the morning mist rises from the fairways

After your game of golf, be sure to enjoy a leisurely snack or quench your thirst at the licensed clubhouse located upstairs from the pro-shop. For course conditions and information call the Pro-shop - 506 752-7041.



5) Visit the [lighthouse](#) and [Marine Life Interpretation Center](#)

The Interpretation centre is opened from June until September from 10-5pm daily.

From the website:

The aim of the centre is to provide education on North Atlantic right whale biology, research and conservation, as well as local marine life on the Bay of Fundy shore. When open, the centre is hosted by 1-2 educational stewards who provide onsite interpretation. The site boasts an excellent view of the quaint town of Lubec, Maine, and harbour and gray seals as they congregate in the Lubec Narrows. Onsite is the Mulholland Lighthouse (an octagonal lighthouse built in 1885 to assist boats and ships through the Lubec Channel), a short walking path, and several picnic tables.



## [3 Great Places You Must Take Your Camera in DownEast Maine](#)

### **1. Machiasport Town Pier in Bucks Harbor.**





**1. Route 182 Frankin to Cherryfield in autumn**



**1. Campobello Island**



Travel Tip created by Maria in association with [Vacation Soup](#)

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## **[Summers End Folk Festival, August 18-19](#)**

Well, it's not REALLY the end of summer, is it?

Summers End Folk Festival is situated on the small island of Grand Manan, nestled in the south western corner of New Brunswick, Canada - the SEFF is a festival founded on creativity, the arts and bringing music into the community of Grand Manan.

Summers End Folk Festival, now headed into its eighth year was started with the hopes of being the basis of many ongoing opportunities and beginnings in the arts community on the Island. At the heart of the festival you'll find two things, a love for good music as well as the people of this community. This is our way of trying to do something positive and beautiful within the community.

Summers End is a festival spanning two days (August 18 + 19, 2017). We host a wide range of performers both new and established. This years festival will consist of 10-15 performers over two nights in an intimate outdoor setting, just steps away from the ocean.

The festival attracts anywhere from 400 - 600 attendees, both local and from abroad - for many people this is a chance to take in both amazing artists as well as some of the most beautiful scenery eastern Canada has to offer (the bay of Fundy is one of the seven wonders of the world!).

<http://summersendfolkfestival.tumblr.com/about> for more info.



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## **Roosevelt Cup Yacht Race - Aug 19 and 20th**

The Passamaquoddy Yacht Club sponsors several races per season. This one starts off Campobello Island and is a two day race, followed by one of the best parties of the year! Race awards, delicious food, good company! Starts at 4 pm EST at Prince Cottage in Roosevelt Campobello International Park.

<http://www.passamaquoddyachtclub.org/> for more info.

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## **Grand Manan Birding Festival**

Saturday, August 19, 2017 to Monday, August 28, 2017

Tour Duration: 10 days

Tour Price: \$2,975 CAD, \$2,530 USD

Single Supplement: \$545 CAD, \$465 USD

Tour Starts/Ends: Saint John, New Brunswick

+ 15% HST for Canadians, + 7.5% HST for non-Canadians

Guide: Jared Clarke

Number of Persons Limit: 12

Our birding New Brunswick & Grand Manan birding tour combines diverse bird life with beautiful panoramas of wildflowers, picturesque fishing villages and fabulous views of whales.

We visit Grand Manan Island when fall migration peaks for several groups of birds, and we could see well over 20 species of warblers, including a good chance for rarities like Prairie Warbler.

The interior forests support breeding populations of Black-backed Woodpecker, Spruce Grouse, White-winged Crossbill and Boreal Chickadee.

Seabirds are diverse; along with Black Guillemots and Northern Gannets, we are quite likely to see Great and Sooty Shearwaters, Razorbills, Atlantic Puffins, Common and Arctic Terns, and Northern Fulmars, and there is always a good chance of seeing jaegers, Storm-Petrels and Black-legged Kittiwakes.

We also take in the amazing shorebird concentrations of the Bay of Fundy, renowned for the highest tides on earth, and the sand dunes of Kouchibouguac National Park.

<http://www.eagle-eye.com/New-Brunswick-Birding-Tour> for more info

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# [St. Stephen Chocolate Festival](#)

Grab your passport and head to the land of all things chocolate!

Canada's Chocolate Town, St. Stephen, New Brunswick, will be hosting Chocolate Fest 2016 from Saturday, July 30th until Saturday, August 6th, 2016.

Save the dates and come out to Chocolate Fest 2016 to delight all of your senses and discover the wonder of chocolate as you enjoy...

New events this year !!

Chocolate-themed lunches and dinners

Family-friendly events, entertainment and competitions

Delicious and relaxed evenings with Choctails.

Testing your skills as you create your own 'hand-crafted' chocolates

Meeting our mascots, Chocolate Mousse and his lovely wife, Tiffany

Indulging in new and delicious experiences

This is one Festival that you will not want to miss!

<http://chocolate-fest.ca/site/> for more information

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# [St. Stephen New Brunswick](#)

If you have a current passport, St. Stephen is just over the river from Calais, Maine. It's a small town. It's a little gritty, like most of the rural towns in that area — on both sides of the border. If you pop over, you'll find a Tim Horton's for coffee and, of course, Timbits. St. Stephen is known as [Canada's Chocolate Town](#) so you really can't find anything bad to say about that. You can tour the chocolate museum and visit the Ganong candy shop. And if your vacation coincides with the annual chocolate fest (usually early August), all the better!

#downeasttravel #twonationvacation #newbrunswick #chocolate #timhortons #timbits #ststephen

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# [Whiting Store and Int'l Welcome Center](#)

You want to explore all that Down East Maine has to offer. You've wandered through the blueberry barrens in Jonesboro. You've maybe stopped for lunch or a bit of shopping in Machias and now you're still headed east. Just when you think, "Holy jeebers, where the heck am I going?" you'll come to a crossroads. To the right is the road to Lubec and Campobello Island. Straight ahead is the road towards Eastport, Calais and New Brunswick. At the fork is the Whiting Store and the International

Welcome Center. If you have any questions about the area, this is the place to get answers (and a spotless rest room, to boot). If you need snacks and provisions, the Whiting Store has it all, from staples to hot foods to a bit of gossip. Add in gas and wifi and you've got everything you need to get you ready to continue your adventure.

#Campobello #Lubec #Eastport #NewBrunswick #twonationvacation #whiting #vacationreststop  
#vacation