

**On the Land and in the Sea: A Resource Guide to Nova Scotia's Agriculture,
Aquaculture and Fisheries Destinations and Activities, 2007**

Agricultural and Fisheries Education

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Evangeline Trail

Annapolis Royal Historic Gardens

PO Box 278, Annapolis Royal
Nova Scotia B0S 1H0
Telephone: 902-532-7018
Fax: 902-532-7445
Web site: www.historicgardens.com

This 10-acre provincial botanical showcase is located in the beautiful town of Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia. The theme gardens and displays reflect the history of the area. Special features include the Victorian Garden, Governor's Garden, Rose Collection, Innovative Garden and Acadian Cottage and Garden. Open mid-May to mid-October. Admission charged (off-season by donation).

Blair House Museum

Kentville Agricultural Centre
Kentville, Nova Scotia B4N 1J5
Telephone: 902-679-5333

The Blair House Museum is comprised of two principal exhibits: a history of the Kentville Research Station and a history of the fruit growing industry in Nova Scotia. It is operated by the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association and is open Monday-Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. during the summer months. The house is named after the first superintendent of the Research Station, Dr. William Saxby Blair. The museum offers the visitor a well-rounded look at the Nova Scotia apple industry - both past and present.

Lady Vanessa Fisheries Exhibit

34 Water Street
Digby
Telephone: 902-245-4950

Fully restored 30 m wooden scallop dragger permanently mounted on the waterfront boardwalk. Visitors can walk through from bow to stern. Many exhibits and a 40 minute video on fishing, complete with underwater footage. Admission. Open May 15 - October 15.

Prescott House Museum

1633 Starr's Pt. Road
Port Williams, Nova Scotia B0P 1T0
Telephone: 902-542-3984
Web site: prescott.museum.gov.ns.ca

Both a national and a provincial site. This gracious Georgian house was built by the Hon. Charles Prescott in 1812. Prescott was a merchant and horticulturist who introduced better varieties of apples and helped established the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association. The gardens and grounds in this lush part of the Annapolis Valley provide a lovely spot to picnic and relax. Admission charged.

Sunrise Trail

Ballantyne's Cove Tuna Interpretive Centre

Ballantyne's Cove

Telephone: 902-863-1101

Web: museum.gov.ns.ca/musdir/ballantynescove.htm

Interpretive panels describing life cycle of tuna, history of tuna fishing; video; life-size model of tuna. Fresnel lens from 1800's lighthouse. Open Jun 1–Oct 30.

Balmoral Grist Mill Museum

RR #4, Tatamagouche

660 Matheson Brook Road

Nova Scotia B0K 1V0

Telephone: 902-657-3016

Fax: 902-657-3016

Web: museum.gov.ns.ca/bgm

This wonderful grist mill near Tatamagouche has been in production since 1874. It is located in a picturesque gorge on Matheson's Brook. The mill boasts a Scottish kiln where oats are toasted using maple wood as fuel, giving the oats a flavour that guarantees the best Scottish oatcakes. At the Museum Shop, you can purchase freshly ground flour and baked goods made with the mill's products. Admission charged.

Fraser Mills Fish Hatchery

Hwy 104 to Rte 316

Telephone: 902-783-2926

Spring Stocking List: www.gov.ns.ca/fish/sportfishing/stocked/list.shtml

Fall Stocking List: www.gov.ns.ca/fish/sportfishing/stocked/fall_list.shtml

The visitor interpretation centre, located in the hatchery building, provides an opportunity to learn more about the hatchery and other aspects of recreational angling in Nova Scotia. Visitors can view photographs, posters, artifacts and displays on a variety of subjects. Open year round 9 am to 4 pm daily.

Northumberland Fisheries Museum

71 Front Street

Pictou

Telephone: 902-485-4972

Web: www.northumberlandfisheriesmuseum.com

Guided tour of over 2000 fishing related artifacts that pay tribute to the fishing industry and the fisher folk all along the Northumberland Strait. Contains an original fisherman's bunkhouse. Admission. Open May 15 - October 15, 9am to 6pm daily.

Sugarmoon Farm Maple Products and Pancake House

Alex MacDonald Road

Earlton

Telephone: 902-657-3348 or 1-866-816-2753

Web: www.sugarmoon.ca

Sugar Moon Farm is a working maple farm and woodlot. We produce quality food in a manner that supports local agriculture and community, and respects land and water. To this end, we buy local, use a composting system for our public washrooms and employ draft horse power on our farm. We've joined a network of gifted artisans in Atlantic Canada called the Atlantic Economusee Network "Artisans at Work". Sugar Moon Farm is a maple farm for all seasons: learn about the history and craft of maple sugaring in the sugar camp, hike up through the sugar woods, enjoy our famous buttermilk pancakes in the log pancake house, check out our maple retail area.

Wild Blueberry and Maple Center

PO Box 338

105 Lower Main Street, Oxford

Nova Scotia B0M 1G0

Telephone: 902-447-2908

Fax: 902-447-2485

Web www.town.oxford.ns.ca/center.htm

The Wild Blueberry and Maple Center showcases the wild blueberry and maple industries in our region. The self-guided tour covers the natural history, harvesting, processing and uses static and interactive displays and a (glass encased) live beehive. Products for sale.

Cape Breton Island

Highland Village Museum / An Clachan Gàidhealach

4119 Hwy 223

Iona, NS B2C 1A3

Telephone: 902-725-2272

Fax: 902-725-2227

Web: museum.gov.ns.ca/hv/

The Highland Village is a 43-acre museum and cultural center dedicated to the culture of the Gaelic speaking Scot that settled in Nova Scotia. Part of the museum contains a farm area including interpretive barn and period farm animals including highland cattle, Soay sheep, pigs, etc. Open June 1 to mid October, daily, 9:30 am - 5:30 pm.

MacDonald House Museum

3458 Hwy 395

East Lake Ainslie

Telephone: 902-258-3317 or 902-258-2850

Web: www3.ns.sympatico.ca/paulinemacl/index.html

150 year old farmhouse. Our Display Barn contains wagons, sleighs, carts and other items used by farmers in the area. See a thrashing machine used to prepare the grain for the farm. Looms and spinning wheels also on display. Admission. Open daily in the summer months.

Margaree Salmon Museum

60 East Big Intervale Rd

North East Margaree, Nova Scotia

Telephone: 902-248-2848, 248-2765, 248-2623

Web: museum.gov.ns.ca/musdir/margareesalmonmuseum.htm

Through audio, visual and verbal interpretation, we promote the conservation of the Atlantic salmon and trout. Exhibits relate to salmon angling on the Margaree River. Open June 15 - Oct. 15, 9am-5pm.

La Pirogue Fisheries Museum

Cheticamp Nova Scotia

Telephone: 902-224-3349

Web: cbmuseums.tripod.com/id58.html

Exhibits and interactive displays n the fishing industry of the area, Acadian homestead, and Gallery of the Sea. Open May through October 9 am - 9 pm daily. Admission charged.

Main-a-Dieu Fisherman's Museum

886 Louisbourg-Main-a-Dieu Road, Main-a-Dieu

Web: museum.gov.ns.ca/musdir/main-a-dieufishermensmuseum.htm

Visit the ship replica and see and read about the local history of fishing in Main-a-Dieu and area - the lobsterland of the Maritimes. Admission free. Open daily, 9am to 6pm.

Marine Drive

Fisherman's Life Museum

58 Navy Pool Loop

Jeddore Oyster Ponds

Telephone: 902-889-2053

Web site: museum.gov.ns.ca/flm

Experience the warmth and welcome... Sense the pleasures, imagine the hardship of an inshore fishing family and a way of life that still survives ; close to the sea and close to the land. Open June 1 - October 15. Mon- Sat 9:30 am - 5:30 pm, Sun 1-5:30 pm.

Memory Lane Heritage Village

Clam Harbour Road

Lake Charlotte, Nova Scotia

Rte. #7

Telephone: 1-877-287-0697

Web: www.heritagevillage.ca

We offer a “living history” experience on a four acre site which includes 14 rescued and restored buildings. Those relating to agriculture or fisheries include: small-hold barn, boat builder’s shop, fish store shed, clam factory and period garden. All buildings represent the 1940s period and are animated by local volunteers who lived and worked in these industries. Open 11 am to 4 pm everyday June 15 to September 15. Heritage dinners are served every Saturday from 6pm to 8:30 pm by reservation only.

Admission charged.

Sherbrooke Village

PO Box 295

Sherbrooke, Nova Scotia B0J 2C0

Telephone: 902-522-2400

Fax: 902-522-2974

Web site: www.sherbrookevillage.ca

Sherbrooke Village portrays life in a rural Nova Scotia village between 1860-1914. During this period agriculture was important to all communities. The village contains a farm yard display with various animals on site. Open June 1st - October 15th, 9:30 am - 5:00 pm, 7 days a week. Admission charged.

St. Mary's River Association, Education & Interpretive Centre

8404 Hwy 7. 0.5 km from Sherbrooke Village

Telephone: 902-522-2099

Web museum.gov.ns.ca/musdir/saintmarysriverassociation.htm

Exhibits related to salmon angling on the St. Mary's River. A/V presentation on fishing and conservation. Large fish tank. Admission by donation. Open June 1-October 15 9:00am-5:30pm October 16-May 31 by appointment. Admission charged.

Halifax Metro

Cole Harbour Heritage Farm Museum

471 Poplar Drive. Cole Harbour

Dartmouth

Telephone: 902-434-0222

Fax: 902-434-0222

Web: www3.ns.sympatico.ca/farmmuseum

The museum interprets 200 years of market gardening on the outskirts of Halifax; marketing produce in the city; using the nearby saltmarsh for fishing, clam digging, hunting, cutting salt hay; evolution of small local dairies selling milk products door-to-door and at the Halifax City Market. There is a large garden on site, a small complement of farm animals and an assortment of agricultural tools and equipment as well as an archive and large photo collection. Open May 15 - October 15.

Fisherman's Cove

30 Government Wharf Road

Eastern Passage, NS B3G 1M7

Phone: 902-465-6093

Web: www.fishermanscove.ns.ca

Set in a working fishing village, Fisherman's Cove provides interpretation of the fishery (past and present), a fresh and salt water aquarium with local marine species; marine based educational experience (eg. puppet show, traditional music).

Lighthouse Route

Barrington Woolen Mill Museum

2368 Hwy #3

Barrington Nova Scotia

Telephone: 902-637-2185

Web: museum.gov.ns.ca/bwm

Experience a water powered mill with an ocean view. Discover how wool was made into warm clothes and blankets a hundred years ago. June 1 - Sep. 30, Mon. to Sat. 10 am to 6 pm, Sun. 1-6 pm. Admission charged.

The Dory Shop Museum

Dock St. Shelburne

Telephone: 902-875-3219

Web museum.gov.ns.ca/dory

Step into this authentic harbour-side dory factory and experience the world of the famous Grand Banks fishery, 1880 to 1971. June 1 - September 30, daily 9:30 am to 5:30 pm. Admission charged.

Fisheries Museum of the Atlantic

68 Bluenose Drive, Lunenburg Waterfront

Telephone: 902-634-4794 or 1-866-579-4909

Web: museum.gov.ns.ca/fma

The museum is based in a former fish processing plant. It celebrates the rich fishing heritage of Atlantic Canada through our vessels at the wharf, exhibits and visitor activities. The aquarium provides the opportunity to explore the world of sea creatures which have been the basis of the Atlantic coast fishery. All vessels, exhibits and activities are manned by retired fishermen and informed interpreters. Open daily May - mid October, 9:30 am to 5:30 pm (til 7:00 pm Jul/Aug), as well as off season hours.

McGowan Lake Fish Hatchery

Telephone: 902-682-2576

Spring Stocking List www.gov.ns.ca/fish/sportfishing/stocked/list.shtml

Fall Stocking List: : www.gov.ns.ca/fish/sportfishing/stocked/fall_list.shtml

Raceways, hatchery building, interpretive centre, intake control house and nature trail. About 1,000,000 trout fry are hatched annually. Open daily, year-round.

Milton Blacksmith Shop Museum

PO Box 572, Milton, Nova Scotia B0T 1P0

Telephone: 902-350-0268

Web: museum.gov.ns.ca/musdir/miltonblacksmithshopmuseum.htm

The Milton Blacksmith Shop was built in 1903 and houses a wide array of equipment and tools of the farrier, blacksmith and wheelwright trades which accurately represent the work done here in over 70 years of service to the community. The museum has on display a number of items which are agricultural in nature - plows, seeders, harrows, wheelbarrows, hoes, grubbers, scythes, etc. Open June - October. Check for hours and dates. Admission \$1 for adults.

Ross Farm Living Museum of Agriculture

RR#2, 4568 Hwy 12,

New Ross

Telephone: 902-689-2210

Fax: 902-689-2264

Web Site: museum.gov.ns.ca/rfm

Ross Farm Museum is a 24-hectare (60-acre) historic, working farm illustrating pioneer farm life of rural Nova Scotia. The site and interpreters portray the operations of a typical family farm from the late 1800's to early 1900's. Growing cereal crops and livestock and operating a farm kitchen garden are part of the operations, but the site also has an active program showing other skills typical of this area. These activities include coopering, woodlot management, ox handling and training, ox shoeing, black smithing, and family life skills. Ross Farms also offers exhibits of farm equipment used throughout Nova Scotia. Visitors can see animals from historic breeds such as Canadian horses, oxen, Cotswold and Southdown sheep, and Berkshire pigs and rare poultry breeds, including Cochins and Hamburgs. Open year round, check for hours. Admission charged.

Wile Carding Mill Museum

242 Victoria Road

Bridgewater

Telephone: 902-543-8233 Off season 902-543-4033

Web: museum.gov.ns.ca/wcm

This water-powered mill operated at the height of sheep shearing in the late 1800s. People arrived by ox-cart with their bags of wool to have it carded for spinning, knitting, weaving or made into batts for wool beds and quilts. Hands on program with costumed interpreters. Admission. Open June 1 - September 30. Check for hours. Admission charged.

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