

Québec Labrador Highway

A new highway loop itinerary through Eastern Canada.

New territories of unspoiled pristine wilderness and remote villages are yours to explore! The ultimate free-wheeling adventure.

Halifax - Baie Comeau / 796km / 10h 40m / paved highway

Routing will take you across the province of Nova Scotia, north through New Brunswick to a ferry crossing from Matane, QC (2h 15m) to Baie Comeau.

Baie Comeau - Labrador West / 598km / 8h 10m / two-thirds paved highway

Upgrading to this section of highway (Route 389) continues; as of the end of the summer of 2017, 434kms were paved. Work continues in 2018/19 on the remaining 167kms. New highway sections will open, one in 2018 and another in 2019; expect summer construction zones during this period. North from Baie Comeau Route 389 will take you pass the Daniel Johnson Dam, onward to the iron ore mining communities of Fermont, Labrador City and Wabush on the Quebec/Labrador border.

Labrador West - Labrador Central / 533km / 7h 31m / paved highway

Traveling east, all 533kms of Route 500 is paved (completed 2015). The highway affords you opportunities to view the majestic Smallwood reservoir and Churchill Falls Hydroelectric generating station on route to Happy Valley – Goose Bay, the "Hub of Labrador" and North West River for cultural exploration at the Labrador Interpretation Centre and the Labrador Heritage Society Museum. Happy Valley-Goose Bay is also the access point to travel to Nunatsiavut via ferry and air services or to the Torngat Mountains National Park.

Central Labrador - Red Bay / 542km / 9h 29m / partially paved highway

Going south on Route 510, you pass to the south of the Mealy Mountains and onward through subarctic terrain to the coastal communities of Port Hope Simpson and Mary's Harbour, the gateway to Battle Harbour National Historic District. Take a side trip on Iceberg Alley, Route 513, to St. Lewis, one of the best iceberg-viewing opportunities in NL, or take Route 516 to Cartwright and the Wunderstrands, a 54km stretch of sandy beach explored by Vikings and written about in their Sagas over 1,000 years ago!

This new section of highway Route 510 was completed during the summer of 2010, completing **a** new highway loop itinerary through Eastern Canada. Only 275kms of unpaved highway remains between L'Anse au Clair and Happy Valley-Goose Bay, a total distance of 613kms. Widening, resurfacing, and paving of this highway continues including the completion of scenic pull-offs and rest stops with information plaza signage. Paving of this new highway is now completed on the first 80kms southeast from Goose Bay towards Red Bay and 188kms north of Red Bay. In addition, further leveling/repaving of Route 510 from L'Anse au Clair towards Red Bay was also complete in 2018. Expect major construction zones and new paving north of Port Hope Simpson in 2019.

Red Bay - Blanc Sablon / 86km / 1h 44m / paved highway

At Canada's newest UNESCO World Heritage Site, the **Red Bay National Historic Site**, you can visit a Parks Canada operated interpretation centre for a glimpse back to the 16th century when Basque whalers operated a major whaling station out of this harbour. Route 510 continues through small fishing villages, alongside several terrific whale and iceberg viewing spots and **Point Amour**, the tallest lighthouse in Atlantic Canada, to Labrador's most southern community L'Anse au Clair. Just 6 kms further west is the town of Blanc Sablon, QC, your departure point for the ferry to the Island of Newfoundland (St. Barbe).

St. Barbe - Port-aux-Basques / 565km / 7h 31m / paved highway

Route 430 and later the TCH will take you down the west coast of Newfoundland through Gross Morne National Park onward to where you will catch the ferry back to Nova Scotia.



New Product Updates

NEW MEALY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK RESERVE

At 10,700 square kilometers of land, it is the largest National Park in Eastern Canada. Located adjacent to the Labrador towns Rigolet, North West River, Sheshatshiu, Happy Valley-Goose Bay and Cartwright, this new national park reserve will provide unique aboriginal cultural experiences and outdoor recreation activities such as canoeing, backcountry camping, and hiking. Most notable are new hiking and cultural experiences on the 50km long beach, the Wunderstrands offered by *Experience Labrador Tours* operating from Cartwright. Visit www.experiencelabrador.com/home

*NEW ACCOMMODATIONS AND EXPERIENCES * The Florian Hotel

This new 21-room modern hotel is located on the sandy beach shoreline in Forteau Bay overlooking the Strait of Belle Isle with breath-taking views of the Atlantic Ocean, icebergs and humpback whales. The upscale dining menu features local harvests and fresh seafood from local fisherman, paired with a selection of favorite wines and warm Labrador hospitality. Packaged experiences offered (iceberg and whale watching boat tours, guided salmon fishing, and *Dinner by the Sea*) Visit www.theflorianhotel.com

ENHANCED SERVICES Battle Harbour National Historic Site

A major overhaul of operations at **Battle Harbour National Historic Site of Canada** has been completed. All rooms and cottages have been renovated; now have private ensuite washrooms and new beds, linens, quilts and themed décor. One of the historic waterfront buildings has been renovated into a new kitchen and dining room which now features a new themed menu designed by a Red Seal Chef.

The new Wash House Spa opened in one of the waterfront properties; providing pedicures, manicure, and full-body treatments using locally produced, natural product from Indigena Skincare. "The Loft" is a new common area overlooking the waterfront properties; free wi-fi, licensed bar & evening entertainment. New programmed experiences have been introduced include sightseeing boat tours (whales, icebergs, resettled communities), ½ day hikes on adjacent islands, natural history tours, bread/bun lessons and new interpretative tours. Visit www.battleharbour.com















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