



Tourist circuits to explore

ROUTE DE LA NOUVELLE-FRANCE

Route de la Nouvelle-France (New France Route) links Old Québec to the Côte-de-Beaupré and traces the path taken by inhabitants of the Côte-de-Beaupré when bringing their crops to Québec City.

As you follow the Route de la Nouvelle-France through Old Québec, Saint-Roch (the city's first working class neighbourhood) and Limoilou, the architecture of the local buildings testifies to the evolution of the city since the founding of the colony. Houses farther from the downtown core reflect the influence of French and English culture and the Québec spirit of innovation.

Many heritage structures and sites can be found along the Route de la Nouvelle-France, such as the colony's first windmill (1651), first pilgrimage site – namely the shrine of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré (1658) –, ancestral homes, root cellars and many other historical treasures.

The Route de la Nouvelle-France has been integrated into the "Route verte" provincial bike path network. It is also called the Marie-Hélène Prémont Bike Trail.

On foot, by bike or by car, follow the signs to the tourist route .

Get from the square in front of city hall (Place de l'Hôtel-de-Ville), where the outdoor market was located during the New France period, to L'îlot des Palais, and then to Gare du Palais.

From there, complete the tour by car, crossing the Saint-Roch and Limoilou neighbourhoods and the borough of Beauport until you get to chemin Royal, then avenue Royale. [Ad p. 50]

Québec City



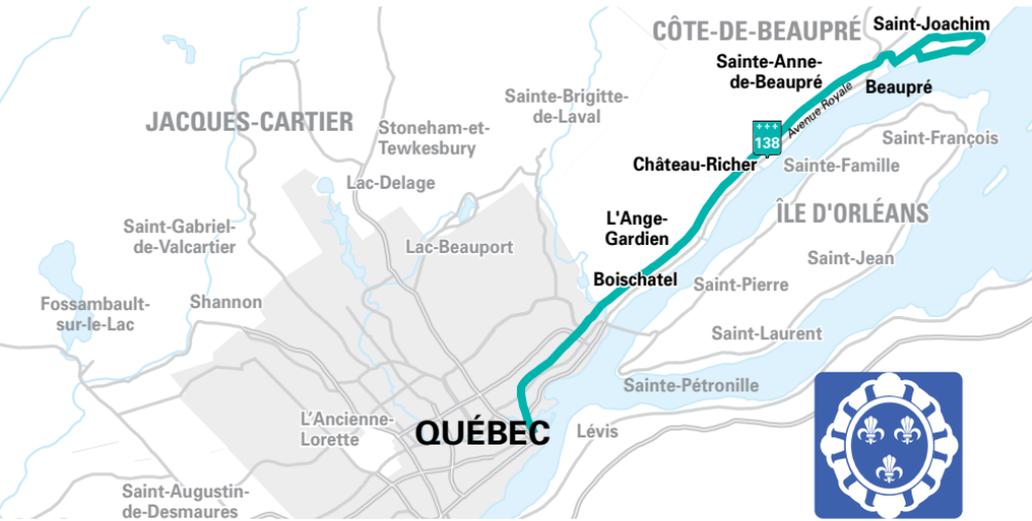
543,095 inhabitants

L'îlot des Palais



8, rue Vallière
418-692-1441 • www.ilotdespalais.ca

The entire history of New France and the brewing industry awaits you at l'îlot des Palais. In 18th century vaults, the exhibition *Revelations* tells the history: from the Jean-Talon Brewery to the intendant's palace, from the prison to the Boswell-Dow Brewery. Artifacts, archives, projections, rallies... gripping discoveries! Our outside activities: Old Québec UNESCO GéoRallies and On the Beer Trail with GPS or walking tour on our tablet. New puppet show for children: *Guignol and the Pig*. **Hours:** vary for general admission. Open year-round for groups of 15 or more.



Domaine de Maizerets



2000, boulevard Montmorency
418-666-3331 • www.domainemaizerets.com

Located on one of the first tracts of land granted in New France, this historical site with its vast gardens, is managed by the Société du domaine Maizerets. Many family activities are held here: cultural and educational exhibitions, tours of the gardens and arboretum, and outdoor and nature interpretation activities. Footpaths wind through the park and marsh. Rentals: sporting equipment and rooms in maison de Maizerets for special events.

Hours: equipment rental on-site throughout the year.

Beauport Heritage Site



The buildings at the Beauport heritage site feature architectural styles from different periods. There is a religious sanctuary called Parc des Martyrs (1927). In the Parc de la rivière Beauport, there are interpretation panels, protected trails and a waterfall. South of avenue Royale you will find the Bourg du Fargy district and Maison Girardin.

Bourg du Fargy (old district)



The old Bourg du Fargy, which was the Beauport institutional Centre in the 17th and 18th centuries, reflects the variety of architectural styles throughout the centuries on this heritage site. Also of interest are the Nativité-de-Notre-Dame parish church, built on the very spot where Beauport's first church was erected in 1676, a stone presbytery, the Memorial to the Builders, and the Congrégation de Notre-Dame's former Convent.



Bourg du Fargy

Maison Girardin (house) 📍

600, avenue Royale

418-641-6471, ext. 3 • www.sahb.ca/maisongirardin

Maison Girardin dates back to the early 18th century, though it owes its current appearance to renovations carried out between 1786 and 1807 by blacksmith Ignace Girardin. Acquired by the City of Québec in 1982, the house now serves as the historical interpretation centre of Beauport. There is a permanent exhibition on the craftsmen and industries that were central to Beauport's development, as well as a temporary exhibition in the summer.

Hours: June to August, closed Mondays. May, September and October, open Saturday and Sunday only. November to April, open upon reservation only. Reservations required for groups.

La Galerie de miniatures de Québec 📍 \$

674, avenue Royale

418-661-3398 • www.cafedelapostebrulerie.com

A fairy-tale universe of miniatures combining history, humour and magic crafted by miniature artist Micheline Grenier, a native of Beauport. Adults and children alike will be delighted by the countless details to discover among over one hundred miniatures on display in an environment worthy of the greatest museums. Visitors can take part in a "treasure hunt" and set out on an enchanting quest. La Galerie is a surprising and original hidden gem. **Hours:** open year-round.



Train de Charlevoix and Parc de la Chute-Montmorency

Parc de la Chute-Montmorency (waterfall) 📍 📶 \$ 🌳

5300, boulevard Sainte-Anne

418-663-3330 • 1-844-522-4883

www.sepaq.com/chutemontmorency

Open year-round, Parc de la Chute-Montmorency is just a few minutes from downtown Québec City. The waterfalls are 83 m (272') tall, a full 30 m (99') higher than Niagara Falls. Follow the panoramic route from the cable car station leading to the Manor, where you will find a restaurant, gift shop and interpretation centre. Take the footpath along the top of the cliff to the suspension bridge that affords a great view of the surrounding area. Walk down the 487-step staircase along the side of the cliff to get to the foot of the waterfall. Three via ferrata routes and a 300-m (984') double zip line are available for those seeking an adrenaline rush.

Hours: open year-round. [Ad p. 43]

Train de Charlevoix 📍 📶 \$ 🌳

Train Station Chute-Montmorency

5300, boulevard Sainte-Anne

418-240-4124 • 1-844-737-3282

www.traindecharlevoix.com

The Train de Charlevoix criss-crosses the St. Lawrence River's shore revealing otherwise inaccessible roads. Traveling between Québec City and La Malbaie over more than 125 km, the train stops in 7 towns and coastal villages. Whether it is for a short getaway with the kids or for a few romantic days, there are several scenarios to choose from. Friendly service: possibility to sample the terroir products from the appetizers and cocktails menu.

Hours: summer season, June to October.

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Boischatel 📍

7,703 inhabitants

L'Ange-Gardien

3,869 inhabitants

For more information:
www.routedelanouvellefrance.com

Château-Richer

4,021 inhabitants

Aux Trois Couvents



7976, avenue Royale, Château-Richer
418-824-3677 • 1-877-824-3677
<http://auxtroiscouvents.org>

This interpretation centre is located at the historical and archaeological site of the Château-Richer convents. Come tour the permanent exhibitions on the history of one of the first French settlements in North America. Attractions include the excavated foundations of the first two convents (built in 1694 and 1830) that can be seen inside the preserved convent built in 1907, a recreated classroom from 1912 and temporary exhibitions on the cultural identity of the Côte-de-Beaupré. **Hours:** June to September, open daily. October to May, Wednesday to Sunday.

Centre de généalogie, des archives et des biens culturels de Château-Richer



277, rue du Couvent, Château-Richer
418-824-3079

www3.telebecinternet.com/archives.chateau-riche

Did your ancestors come from Côte-de-Beaupré? We have the answer to that question, and possibly many others. History, archives and vintage photo buffs will appreciate consulting our reference tools on the province of Québec as a whole. Our qualified staff are there to assist you as required. **Hours:** July to October, Monday to Thursday. The rest of the year, Wednesday and Thursday.

Galerie d'art St-Aubin Marion



8361, avenue Royale, Château-Richer
514-942-2514 • www.galeriedartstaubinmarion.com

The work of two professional artists is on display: Yvon St-Aubin (one of his vivid landscapes of Charlevoix appeared on a Canadian stamp) and Louise Marion (whose art has been exhibited at the Louvre, likes to paint scenes of Old Québec and the Côte-de-Beaupré, as well as landscapes of Provence and Tuscany). **Hours:** May to October.



Chez Marie

8706, avenue Royale, Château-Richer
418-824-4347 • www.boulangeriechezmarie.com

Marie and her fourth generation family welcome you to their old stone homestead built in 1652. Outside, the 150-year-old bread oven is still in fine working order. Sample wonderful fresh bread with assorted jams and maple products on the premises. Reception room for 20 or more. Parking. **Hours:** open year-round.

Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré

2,856 inhabitants

Atelier Paré -**ÉCONOMUSÉE® of Woodcarving**

9269, avenue Royale, Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré
418-827-3992 • www.atelierpare.com

Wooden and fibreglass sculptures are on display at this ÉCONOMUSÉE®. Our artists seek to give voice to each block of wood so that it can tell the legend it keeps in its heart; every painted wooden sculpture represents such a legend. Visitors can watch the artists at work on sculptures that will be displayed in one of the indoor exhibits or outdoor garden. Gift shop where you can find handmade souvenirs.

Hours: May to October, daily. October to May, closed Mondays and Tuesdays. Open at other times for groups upon reservation.

Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré Shrine

10018, avenue Royale, Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré
418-827-3781 • www.sanctuairessainteanne.org

This basilica, the oldest pilgrimage site in North America, is dedicated to St. Anne, the grandmother of Jesus! The faithful have been flocking to this site for over 350 years, with over a million coming here annually. The paintings, mosaics, stained-glass windows, stone and wooden sculptures bear witness to Quebecers' faith in this saint. **Hours:** open year-round.

Beaupré

3,744 inhabitants

Saint-Joachim

1,497 inhabitants

Église de Saint-Joachim (church)

165, rue de l'Église, Saint-Joachim
418-827-4475 • presbstjoachim@bellnet.ca

Designated as an historic monument in 1959, this church is one of the oldest in the province of Québec (1779). Its architecture and the works of art are worth discovering, especially the gold sculptures by François and Thomas Baillairgé, who were responsible for the interior decoration. Parking. Recorded commentary available by pushing a red button at church entrance. **Hours:** May to October or upon reservation.

La Grande Ferme**(initiation to heritage centre)**

800, chemin du Cap-Tourmente, Saint-Joachim
418-827-4608 • www.lagrandeferme.qc.ca

This area of the Côte-de-Beaupré has a rich historical and archaeological heritage. This particular site features a century-old house (designated historical property) and the archaeological remnants of the village's first church (1685-1759), which was destroyed during an attack by the British. Different programs for adult groups, school groups and families. Various historical interpretation activities offered as well as a permanent exhibition. **Hours:** open to the public, August to October. Open year-round for groups, upon reservation.

Your Route
de la Nouvelle-France
tourist circuit ends here.



Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré Shrine