

# More To See and Do

## Scenic Waterfront Shopping District

Shopping in Annapolis Royal is a delightful adventure. Step back in time, and enjoy a leisurely shopping pace with friendly and personalized service. Explore quaint shops full of unique treasures. From Maritime art, crafts, curios and collectibles, to books, art, jewellery, clothes, shoes and antiques, you'll find something for everyone along "Canada's Oldest Thoroughfare".

Savour delicious specialties in fine restaurants, or choose take-out for a picnic. Stroll along the scenic waterfront boardwalk with its gentle breezes and spectacular view of Granville Ferry across the river.

## ARTsPLACE

This popular public art gallery hosts a year 'round schedule of art exhibits showcasing talented local and international artists. ARCAC also offers workshops, coffee houses and art talks with local and visiting artists. 902-532-7069, [www.arcac.ca](http://www.arcac.ca)

## Kayak Annapolis Royal

Kayak Annapolis Royal, located at Dunromin Campground, has kayaks, canoes, water bikes, a pedal boat and S.U.P boards to rent by the hour, or you can bring your own. A kayak training course and five different guided kayak tours, ranging from 2 to 8 hours, are also available. Reservations for tours are required. Prices/info: 902-532-2808, [www.dunromincampground.ca](http://www.dunromincampground.ca)

## Sport Fishing

The Annapolis Basin and lower Annapolis River are noted for striped bass, white bass, sea trout and white flounder. Public access is located off Hwy 1 near Power Plant.

## Sinclair Inn Museum Painted Room/Ghosts

A newly restored Painted Room and ten modern-day Ghosts are two of the highlights of the Sinclair Inn Museum. A National Historic Site and one of Canada's architectural and historic gems, portions date to 1710 or earlier, making it one of the oldest surviving wood-frame structures in Canada. One of the few dwellings from the French regime in Acadia (prior to 1713) in existence, it offers a unique opportunity to view original Acadian construction techniques.

The current building combines two older ones joined in 1781 by Fredrick Sinclair. It has operated under many names and owners, primarily as an inn and tavern. Site of the first Masonic Lodge meeting in Canada in 1738, the building has witnessed many important events.

See construction styles and techniques over 300 years, from clay walls of the original Acadians to wood paneling of the 1950s, a testament to the on-going legacy of Annapolis Royal. 902-532-0996, [www.annapolisheritagesociety.com](http://www.annapolisheritagesociety.com)

## Candlelight Graveyard Tours

7 nights a week, June 1 - Oct. 15. [www.TourAnnapolisRoyal.com](http://www.TourAnnapolisRoyal.com)

## French Basin Trail

This scenic 1.2 km easy walking trail, co-sponsored by Ducks Unlimited, is located in the heart of Annapolis Royal just 1 block from the traffic light. Encircling the picturesque Annapolis River, this easy trail provides improvement of the water quality, conservation of wildlife, public education and year-round eco-tourism fun for all ages.

## Fort View Golf Course in Annapolis Royal

Annapolis Royal is a golfer's paradise. Home to Fort View, one of the most scenic courses in Nova Scotia, two others are conveniently located within a short 30 minute drive. Open to the public, the beautiful course in Annapolis Royal features 18 holes, challenging, lined with apple trees and overlooks the Annapolis Basin, North Mountain and Fort Anne. Golf clubs and carts are available for rent. Founders House Dining and Drinks, located at the Golf Course, is open to the public. For green fees and golf info, visit [www.fortviewgolf.com](http://www.fortviewgolf.com)

## Ecotourism & Recreation

Enjoy a public swimming pool, golf, floating dock and boat launch at causeway, kayaking, wind-surfing, canoeing, bicycling, sport fishing, bird watching, hiking, tennis courts, baseball, soccer fields, a skateboard park and more! Stroll along the boardwalk in the National Historic District. Explore scenic hiking trails, the old rail line, Grist Mill and French Basin Trail. Cross country ski in winter. Raven Haven Beach, Mickey Hill Pocket Wilderness, Kejimikujik, Oaklawn Farm Zoo, Delaps Cove Wilderness Trail, Whale Watching and Bay of Fundy adventures are nearby. Town: 902-955-1205, County: 902-665-3022.

## Old St. Edwards Loyalist Church Museum

One of the earliest in Nova Scotia, the museum features early Loyalist artifacts. It is located in nearby Clementsport.

## Acadian / Mi'kmaq Heritage Tour

Explore the "Cradle of Acadie" with 10th generation Acadian Métis Alan Melanson, retired Supervisor of Interpreters for Parks Canada. Enjoy music, colourful stories and learn about making rappie pie. Alan's ancestors founded the Melanson Settlement (c.1664), now a National Historic Site.

Winner of TIANS' Hometown Pride Event of the Year Award, the Acadian Mi'kmaq Tour departs from the Annapolis Royal Lighthouse at 2 pm every Friday, June 28 - Sept. 6. \$10 Adults, \$5 (ages 13-18) and \$3 (12 & under). Enjoy a living-history experience in the birthplace of Acadie. No Reservations. 902-532-3035, [www.TourAnnapolisRoyal.com](http://www.TourAnnapolisRoyal.com)

## Annapolis Public Pool

Get your swim on all summer every day. Enjoy open swim, lane swim, lessons, parties, swim team and games. 62 Champlain Dr. 902-532-1777, [www.annapolispool.ca](http://www.annapolispool.ca)

## Action Jax

Family Fun Park with go-karts, batting cage, games arcade, battling balls & much more. [www.actionjax.ca](http://www.actionjax.ca)

## Oaklawn Farm Zoo

Nova Scotia's largest zoo, with one of the best displays of Big Cats in Eastern Canada, is located in Aylesford, only 45 minutes from Annapolis. Open daily. 902-847-9790, [www.oaklawnfarmzoo.ca](http://www.oaklawnfarmzoo.ca)

## Grist Mill

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- ❖ Oldest wood frame building in Canada now open to the public
- ❖ 2 original Acadian structures (built ca. 1708 & 1710) Joined 1781
- ❖ Rare example of pre-expulsion Acadian construction
- ❖ Home of Canada's first Masonic Lodge in 1738
- ❖ 300 years of architecture, history and living

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