

**Outdoor Adventure (soft to extreme)**

**Fundy Trail:** Access to Long Beach is new! Spring 2016 will see a new section of the Fundy Trail Parkway open to the public with access to Long Beach, stretching for 2.5 km (1 1/2 miles) along the Bay. Rocks can range in size from sand to pebbles to cobbles to boulders and this beach has all of them. Have fun exploring this incredible beach accessible to all for the first time!

**Rockwood Park:** A new mountain bike skills park opened in October 2015. The Mountain Bike skills Park sits on an acre of property and includes a variety of obstacles and features designed to increase the skills and confidence of beginner mountain bikers. The park is an extension of the existing 26 km trail system that runs through Rockwood Park. The skills park has been built to meet IMBA standards and provide a challenging and rewarding experience for mountain bikers of all ages and abilities.

**Swim in river, lake and Bay of Fundy all in the same day!** Saint John is surrounded by beautiful bodies of water.

**Eldridge's Harley-Davidson Motorcycles (Cool Transportation Idea!)** offers those holding a valid motorcycle license an unforgettable experience: the chance to tour the Saint John region on two wheels! Rent a motorcycle and explore Saint John your way – with the wind in your hair and the sun at your back. Eldridge's is the only Authorized Harley-Davidson Rental location in the Maritimes.

**Culinary (chefs, unique eateries, etc.)**

**Rockwood Park and Britt's Pub:** Britt's Pub and Eatery, which has been operating in uptown Saint John for several years, will open a new location at the newly renovated club house at the Rockwood Park Golf Course. The pub will be open 12 months of the year, with snowshoeing and cross-country skiing being offered through DayTripping in the winter.

**Food Trucks at Tin Can Beach:** Every Wednesday food trucks set-up at Tin Can Beach, an area of waterfront in the south end of Saint John that was the former site of the Lantic Sugar Refinery and largely abandoned for years. The Atlantic Coastal Action Program helped organize some of the ecological restoration efforts that began in earnest last year at the beach including a beach clean-up, the removal of invasive species, and the planting of new trees. In the summer of 2015 the food trucks started setting up shop and bringing life back to the beach.

**Port City Royal:** Opened in early 2015, Port City Royal was shortlisted on Enroute Magazine's best new restaurants list. Chef and owner Jakob Lutes' uses local produce and meat from farmers across the Maritimes and even visits them personally to see how the products are grown, and the environment in which they are grown. The restaurant is located in a historic building on Grannan's Lane in uptown Saint John.

## **Culture**

**New Brunswick Museum:** *Wood, Wind, and Sail* - Parks Canada's Commemorative site for shipbuilding in all of Canada

**The International Sculpture Trail:** through New Brunswick and Maine is the perfect Two-Nation Vacation for art-lovers. Every two years, the city hosts an international sculpture symposium (Sculpture Saint John) where sculptors from around the globe transform 120-tonnes of New Brunswick granite into beautiful pieces of public art on the Saint John waterfront! The next symposium is scheduled for 2016.

Presently, there are sculptures all the way from Sussex to St. Stephen on the Canadian side. The Saint John area has 14 of these granite marvels! Continue across the border to visit amazing sculptures carved at the Schoodic International Sculpture Symposium in Maine.

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## **FARMERS' MARKETS - WE GOT 'EM YEAR-ROUND:**

### ***The Saint John City Market – Year-round***

Where can you find a DLT (dulse, lettuce and tomato) sandwich, sample some New Brunswick maple syrup, get the fresh catch of the day, chat with local artisans, grab a cup of local Java Moose coffee to go with a home-made dessert? At the Saint John City Market of course!

The Saint John City Market, Canada's oldest continuing farmer's market, was named Canada's Great Public Space in 2013 by the Canadian Institute of Planners. Locals and visitors alike love the diversity and intimacy of shopping at our local vendors, meeting friends and colleagues and enjoying the beauty of market. Saint John has a strong shipbuilding history and it's reflected in the design of the market's roof which could be mistaken for the inverted hull of a ship!

History buffs will enjoy chatting with Dave at Slocum & Ferris about the City Market ledger which kept track of goods arriving from suppliers down the St. John River and also has the signatures of a few notable visitors.

A full city block in length, the Market runs downhill from the "head of the Market" on Charlotte Street, gently sloping to the Germain Street entrance, a full 10 feet below. At both entrances hang the same gates that have swung closed at the end of each business day since 1880.

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### ***Queen Square Farmers' Market – Summer***

In 2010, organizers brought an open-air market to Queen Square in the south end of Saint John as a community-building initiative. The market has grown exponentially and brought pride back to the

community. Vendors include local artisans, farmers and crafters. You can visit the Queen Square Farmers Market every Sunday from mid-May through October. Get there early!

[facebook.com/QueenSquareFarmersMarket](https://www.facebook.com/QueenSquareFarmersMarket)

### ***Cedarcrest Farmers Market - Winter***

In early 2015, Cedarcrest Gardens introduced a farmers' market in their greenhouse! The market scheduled included every Saturday from January to the end of March when the greenhouse would be converted back for its traditional use. The response has been so positive that by the second weekend they had reached their capacity for vendors.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Cedarcrest-Gardens/157433087648547>

### **Fundy Fringe Festival**

Original, edgier material, non-traditional venues. Selection of participants is by lottery.

100% of the ticket revenue going to the performing companies. *Uncensored. Unjuried. Unlimited.* August 2016.

### **Buskers on the Bay**

Market Square will host the 26<sup>th</sup> Buskers on the Bay Festival bringing over 50,000 residents and visitors to the boardwalk and atrium. In 2015, the festival updated its name to reflect performances happening throughout the city (ie. Carleton Martello Tower) not just on the boardwalk. July 2016.

### **Public Art**

Saint John has one of, if not the, largest collection of public art in Atlantic Canada! Put on your walking shoes and enjoy a self-guided tour of public art throughout the uptown including several pieces by John Hooper, a life-sized bronze moose and a "Figurehead" adorning the City Market. And with over a dozen galleries within a 10 block radius, gallery-hopping is must in the city on the Bay. The city holds three official gallery hops each year – one in May, August and October.

### **Miscellaneous**

- The "**Summer in the Square**" music series with performances at the King's Square Bandstand.
- **In Pursuit mobile boutique** – based in Saint John but travels throughout the province.

### **Bragging Rights: "Here and Nowhere Else"**

#### **New Brunswick Museum**

- Whale sightings guaranteed - the only fully articulated Northern Right Whale skeleton (13.5 metres long) on display in Canada.
- The world's only permanent gallery of historic and contemporary New Brunswick fine art.

### **Stonehammer Geopark**

With a landscape created by the collision of continents, the closing and opening of oceans, volcanoes, earth quakes, ice ages and climate change, the Stonehammer Geopark includes geological stories from the late precambrian time a billion years ago to the most recent Ice Age, and almost everything in between - a playground has been created in Southern New Brunswick!

As *North America's first Global Geopark*, Stonehammer Geopark is about geology, but it is also about the people, society and culture. You can hike, kayak, rock climb, zip, eat and tour ... you'll have fun every step of the way! Here are some teasers to get you exploring in our geopark ...

- Witness where South America & Africa Collided ... Reversing Rapids boat cruise
- View the Birthplace of the Atlantic Ocean ... Fundy Trail Parkway - hiking
- Zip over the World Famous Reversing Rapids ... Reversing Rapids - ziplining
- Climb Volcanic Rocks ... Rockwood Park - rock climbing
- Dine from a Geologically Themed Menu ... Rockwood Park - gastronomical
- Uncover 13,000 year old Marine Creatures ... Irving Nature Park - hiking
- Meet Will Mathew and Hear what he Discovered ... New Brunswick Museum - interpretive
- Paddle in Sea Caves and Walk on the Ocean Floor ... St. Martins - kayak (can also hike)
- Feel the Spray of a Waterfall from your Kayak ... Lepreau Falls - kayak (can also hike)
- Paddle to Stromatolites on an Ice Age River ... Dominion Park (kayak)

### **Spa Chance Harbour**

Atlantic Canada's Nature Spa --Come enjoy and relax in our spacious wood-fired sauna or our steam room and rid your body of unwanted toxins. Continue your thermotherapy experience by taking a dip in our 103 degree hot pool nestled on the edge of the woods beside the beautiful waterfall. Don't forget to cool down by taking the plunge and become a member of our polar bear club!