

What to Do in the Area Bridgeview Lane Cottage Rentals

Bridgeview Rentals wants you to have the best possible time while renting our cottage. We have created this guide to assist you in learning about the area. Please note that these are only a few of the attractions, we encourage you to use the links below to find even more great ideas for your perfect vacation.

Useful Websites

http://www.novascotia.com/events Search by Northumberland Shore https://www.cumberlandcounty.ns.ca/explore-cumberland.html http://www.novascotia.com/see-do/outdoor-activities http://www.novascotia.com/travel-guide Northumberland Travel Guide https://trails.gov.ns.ca https://parks.novascotia.ca/content/parks-by-region – search Northumberland Shore

Check the websites of local Areas for current events and festivities that may be occurring during your stay

- Cumberland County Nova Scotia
- Tatamagouche
- Oxford
- Amherst

- Pugwash
- Malagash
- Springhill
- Parrsboro

TIDES

Be prepared for you water activities by using this website to know when it will be High and Low Tide. <u>https://www.tide-forecast.com/locations/Pugwash-Nova-Scotia/tides/latest</u>

CAMPFIRES

Check before you have a campfire to be sure that there are no restrictions <u>https://novascotia.ca/burnsafe/</u>

For your Necessities

LOCAL MARKET

Just across the river from the cottage is the Sunrise Country Market for soft and hard ice creams, groceries, gifts, local beef and meats, convenience store items and fresh baked-on-site goods. https://www.facebook.com/Sunrise-Country-Market-173324226068379

SEAFOOD

Across the street from the market is Chase's Lobster Pound with fresh live or cooked lobster and other seafood. You can call ahead to request it to be cooked for you at exactly the right time for your dinner! https://www.facebook.com/Chases-Lobster-Ltd-357056104333494

FIREWOOD

If you wish to purchase firewood, the closest vendor is the Market, but a little further up the road from the market is Sunrise Salvage with a 'kiosk' at the end of their driveway that typically has larger bags of wood for only \$5/bag. Lighters are available at the cottage but you may wish to bring fire-starters and/or newspapers from home.

In the Village of Pugwash – 7 minutes away

<u>Groceries</u>: Co-Op. A full service neighbourhood grocery store offering a home-style bakery, farm fresh produce, full-service meat department with butcher, seafood and ready to serve take home meals from Our Kitchen

Alcohol: Nova Scotia Liquor Commission (Same parking lot as the Co-Op)

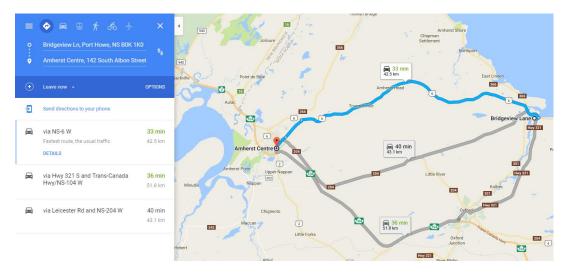
<u>Supplies</u>: There are two Home Hardware stores in Pugwash. When you come to the fork in the road, the one to the left by the gas station sells household items that may be useful for you if you have forgotten something. The one to the right, near the Co-Op, is mainly construction materials.

O'Brien's Pharmacy - 98 Water Street

Farmer's Market on Saturday mornings from the end of June to late September.

Closest 'significant' plaza area:

Amherst - 33 minutes away. Full mall, restaurants, movie theatre, coin operated Laundromat, Kent, McDonald's, Walmart, Canadian Tire, Sobeys, etc.



Local Eateries

East on route 6

- Sandpiper Restaurant licensed and literally walking distance away!
- Nelly's Grill & Dairy Bar amazing desserts and family friendly menu

Pugwash (also east on route 6) - 7 minutes by car

- Sheryl's Bakery & Café Huge portion sizes of sweets, great coffee, homemade bread etc.
- The Chesnutt Café and Chatterbox Café
- GK's Pizza
- MacFarlane Lantern Restaurant 11054 Hwy 6, 902-305-4242

In Oxford:

Pizza L'amore - 5216 Main Street Oxford. 902-447-3900 Donairs, pizza, fish & chips

Village Of Pugwash Facilities

Public tennis and basketball courts (sports equipment can be borrowed from the storage shed at the cottage) On the corner of Russell Street / Prince Albert Street

Disc Golf

- 2846 Crowley Road Sunset Community Centre
- 349 Miller Road

Water Street & Eaton Park area.

Wheelchair accessible boardwalk, playground, Peace Garden, beach volleyball. Docks are put out in the summer and are a favourite place for kids to jump into the water.



Laundry:

If laundry facilities are required there is a Not For Profit social enterprise called The Sunset Community which provides coin operated machines and/or wash, dry and fold service (for \$6). You may wish to call ahead for hours: 902-552-2199. 18 Water Street, Oxford.

LOCAL BEACHES

Heather Beach Provincial Park - 6 minutes away

A supervised beach (July and August) with warm ocean water which makes it a popular beach on weekends!



Gulf Shore Provincial Park - 12 minutes away

Gulf Shore Provincial Park is a beautiful picnic park on a hilltop overlooking the Northumberland Strait, 5 km north of Pugwash in the Northumberland Shore region. Picnic tables can be found in an open field, some are sheltered. The park has a sandy beach with warm water.



North Port Beach Provincial Park – 14 minutes away

Not too busy. Great for kids to dig in the sand when the tide is out. Great for a swim anytime. Picnic tables, lots of nice lawn and change houses/outhouses for your use.

Blue Sea Beach – 38 minutes away 651 Blue Sea Road, Malagash Point

Tidnish Dock Provincial Park - 27 minutes away

A great beach to visit when the tide is out. Lots of muscles, oysters and often there are seals out on the point. Interesting history signs and rubble from a railway that was never finished. Great picnic areas, decent outhouses, running water and change rooms. Visit the Keystone Bridge and Art Gallery the same day, they are all in the same area. <u>https://parks.novascotia.ca/content/tidnish-dock</u>

Nearby is **Keystone Bridge** (suspension bridge) On Head Road, just past the Tidnish Bridge Art Gallery. Turn onto the dirt road. It is a short stroll to this bridge (stay to the left on the path).





Shinimicas Provincial Park is perfect for family picnics and games. Lots of trees for shade and space for children to run and play. https://parks.novascotia.ca/content/shinimicas

Amherst Shore Provincial Park, there is fine dining at the Inn nearby if you are looking for a gourmet meal.

https://parks.novascotia.ca/content/amherst-shore

PLACES TO GO – THINGS TO DO

Thinkers Lodge - 9 minutes away, in Pugwash.



Located in the mouth of the Pugwash River Estuary, Thinkers Lodge was declared a National Historic Site in 2008. The Pugwash Conferences of Science and World Affairs got their start here in 1957 when Cyrus Eaton hosted 22 scientists from both sides of the Iron Curtain to discuss the threat of nuclear weapons.

Seagull Pewter Factory Outlet - 8 minutes away.

On 9926 Durham Street, Pugwash (before you cross the bridge into town) Seagull Pewter products are created, designed and handcrafted in Pugwash.

The Alphabet Store – 24 Water Street in Oxford. <u>https://www.facebook.com/GJDEEnterprises/</u>

The Alphabet Store is a top quality gift shop that carries a wide range of goods that include: Nova Scotia blueberry products; Nova Scotia tartan gifts; a year-round Christmas section; vintage reproduction wind-up toys; and beautiful blueberry jewellery.

Paw Life Coffee If you are a coffee lover and/or a pet lover consider stopping in at Paw Life Coffee located at 4597 Hwy 366 in Tidnish. <u>https://www.facebook.com/pawlifecoffee/</u>

SeaSheall BeachWear & Gifts – 10163 Durham Steet Pugwash

Basic Spirit - Located on Rt 6, just west of the Village of Pugwash, it carries a great collection of fine handcrafts, home decor, fashion accessories, jewelry, fudge and other gift items.

Jost Winery – 31 minutes away



The largest of Devonian Coast Wineries' vineyards, Jost Vineyards is nestled in the gentle hills and sheltered coastal inlets of the Northumberland shores. The longest operating and largest winery in Nova Scotia, Jost Vineyards is a pioneer of the Nova Scotia wine industry producing distinctive wines and styles, which have won hundreds of national and international awards. There is a lovely restaurant on site. Check their website for special events.

Springhill Miner's Museum – 36 minutes away

This is off the beaten trail but well worth the drive. This mine is a must to understand the history of the miners and what their families went through day to day sending them off to work and not knowing if they will return home.

The Anne Murray Centre - 34 minutes away, on Main Street in Springhill. BOM 1X0 The Anne Murray Centre showcases the incredible life and times of Springhill's internationally acclaimed songstress. Step into the remarkable story of this Canadian icon and take an intimate look at her humble beginnings, flight to fame, and enduring contributions to the world of music.

Lismore Sheep Farm – 53 minutes away - 1389 Louisville Road, River John, B0K 1N0 During late spring, summer and fall the barn is open for visitors to see the sheep and lambs up close. There is an interpretive display and a market on Sundays with local artisans, tractor rides and live music.

Shelby Ranch –25 minutes away - 1337 Fox Harbour Road, Wallace Guided 1.5 hour trail rides for beginner to advanced riders at Fox Harbour Resort with gorgeous forest and ocean-side views. 4 trail ride times each day and a Pony Corral for ages not old enough to explore the trails. www.shelbyranch.ca

Rudderstick Boat Tours - Boating tours on beautiful Northumberland Strait on board the 42 foot, totally refurbished "Final One". You can book 2 to 2.5 hour tours or charter the Final One for a full 8 hour day of fun on the water. Phone 902-890-0388, look them up on Facebook or email rudderstickboattours@yahoo.com

Tatamagouche & Malagash Area - We suggest you explore the quaint village of Tatamagouche.

https://villageoftatamagouche.com/tourism/what-to-do/

Tatamagouche Brewing Co. – 35 minutes away



A family owned and operating microbrewery located in the heart the heart of Tatamagouche. In 2014 they converted an old butcher shop into a community brewery where they make small batches of organic, tasty handcrafted beer.

The village also has a chocolate shop, bakery, butcher and other local artisans. A coin operated Laundromat is on 285 Main Street.

Tatamagouche Main Street Shops:

If you like chowder, we highly recommend **The Chowder House**.

Village Gift Shop (above the Guardian drug store)

Jamieson's General Store

Jamieson's General Store is North Shore's Local source for all your locally sourced products. Filled with products from Nova Scotia and Canada that showcase what our beautiful North Shore has to offer.

The Tatamagouche Road Train

Enjoy a scenic tour around the village of Tatamaouche. The train is operated by volunteers and payment is by donation. Check the schedule here: <u>http://www.tatamagoucheroadtrain.ca/ride-the-train/</u>



Vista Bella Farm and Malagash Cidery - Open Seasonally for u-picks & cider tasting. Boasting over 50 varieties of apples, pears, cherries, plums, honeybees. Pumpkin u-pick as well.

Train Station Inn 21 Station Rd, Tatamagouche (Although this is an Inn, and 'competition' for our business it's worth pointing out their unique restaurant and café.) The century old Train Station and railway cars are located centrally within Tatamagouche. The station itself and its spacious cabooses and boxcars offer a unique boutique hotel, dining and shopping experience.



Remember Adventures Buggy Bike Rentals to explore the Trans-Canada Trail. Picnic lunch package options. **2 Kayaks available for rent** by the hour. RememberAdventures.ca

Ocean Lane Bowling – Sports Bar 0- 45 Lake Road, Tatamagouche. B0I 1V0. 902-657-3202

Sutherland Steam Mill Museum - If you love things mechanical and innovative, this is the place for you. 3169 NS-326, Tatamagouche, NS B0K 1V0 <u>https://sutherlandsteammill.novascotia.ca/</u> (also a trailhead for the Short Line Trail)

Hiking / Biking Trails

The TransCanada Trail System runs through Cumberland County. Also check cyclenovascotia.ca

The Lazy Bay Trail in East Wallace at 45 North Shore Road, Malagash is a 3 km walking / hiking loop trail along two brooks and 800 meters of coastline.

Pugwash Peace Trail System - 2169 Crowley Road. (12 mins away) 3km trail

Six Mile Brook Trail

The 10 km (full loop) Six Mile Brook Trail can be accessed from Grant Road in Millsville, from the Willis Cemetery, and from the Weeks Quarry off the Stillman Road. When the water levels are up the trail can be challenging in that there are multiple brook crossings to be made along a 2 km section between the MacLachlan Bothy and the Quarry Kiosk. A historical and scenic hike with a little bit of everything!

Nelson Memorial Park

This 47-acre picnic park is situated in a quiet, natural setting beside Tatamagouche Bay, playgroun, picnic shelters, paths through the woods and along the ocean, floral garden projects. Address: 153 Loop of Highway 6, Bayhead

Location: 2 km west of Tatamagouche via Highway 6; 55 km north of Truro via Route 311. From Highway 6 on the west side of Tatamagouche, follow the blue and white signs to the park.

Wallace Bay National Wildlife Area - 15 minutes away

A 4 km loop trail along diked wetlands, in an important migration and breeding habitat for waterfowl. There are numerous bird watching opportunities along the way, including a view blind at 1150 meters.

Wallace River Railway Swing Bridge

18 minutes away. Route 6, Wallace River.



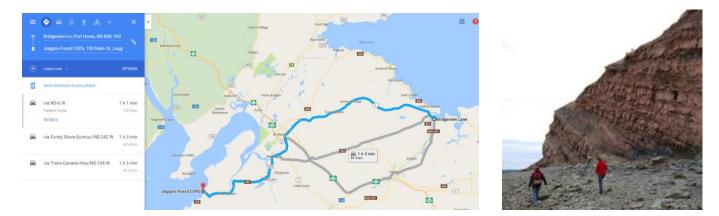
The Wallace River Railway Swing Bridge is a part of a walking trail maintained by the Cumberland Trails Association and also part of the Trans Canada Trail. The bridge structure is a historic site, it is considered significant for it's rare structural design and components. It is a 7.4 kilometer lightly trafficked out and back trail, good for all skill levels. The trail is primarily used for hiking and walking and is best used from April until October. Dogs are also able to use this trail.

Short Line Trail stretches 107 km between the towns of Oxford (Cumberland County) and Pictou (Pictou County). **Butter Trail** is a 5km section of the rail trail in Tatamagouche. 24 Station Road, Tatamagouche is the main trailhead.

A Little Farther Away...

The Joggins Fossil Cliffs – 1 hour away

These magnificent layers of rock — 15 km (9.3 mi) of traversable coastal cliffs — reveal the world's most complete fossil record of the Coal Age (300 million years ago), when lush forests covered Joggins and much of the world's tropics.



Tidal Bore Rafting



Powered by the world famous Bay of Fundy tidal bore, Nova Scotia's tidal bore rafting tours are unlike any other rafting experience on the planet. Imagine floating on a calm, peaceful river taking in the scenic cliffs one moment, and seeing it transformed into raging rapids the next. Twice a day when the tide change, the bore temporarily reverses the flow of the river, creating incredible roller coaster rapids. Various vendors provide this experience. <u>http://www.novascotia.com/see-</u> do/outdoor-activities/rafting

Note: Our family did rafting through **Wild Waters Rafting** during Labour Day weekend 2017. <u>http://www.wildwatersrafting.com</u> We had a GREAT time and would definitely recommend this vendor.

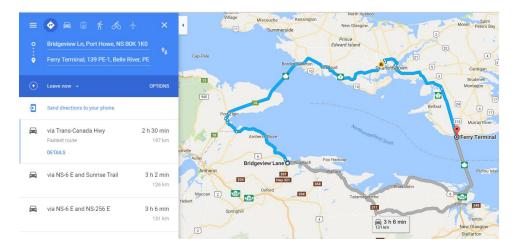
Pictou - Ship Hector - 1 hr 30 mins

The Hector Heritage Quay is home to the Ship Hector, a full sized replica of the original ship which brought the first wave of immigrants from Scotland to Nova Scotia in 1773. Go below deck to see the living conditions these hardy souls call home during almost 11 weeks at sea.

www.shiphector.ca 33 Caladh Avenue. Pictou, Nova Scotia B0K 1H0 Ph: (902) 485-4371

PEI

You can get to PEI by bridge (1 hour away) or by ferry (1.5 hours away). More information about ferry schedules and the cost to use the bridge can be found here: <u>https://www.tourismpei.com/</u>



Hopewell Rocks Park, NB - 1 hour, 45 mins away

If travelling from the U.S., Quebec or Ontario this is a great location to stop along the route. We recommend planning your travel to arrive at high or low tide and then staying for the day or returning on your way out of the province at the opposite tide schedule so you can see experience both.



You can kayak on the ocean at high tide and walk on the ocean floor at low tide (plan a long day if you are doing both in the same day). This formation is famous for the "flower-pot rocks"

Golfing

There are 5 courses within approximately 30 minutes of the cottage!

Northumberland Links Golf Course - 15 minutes away

Overlooking the beautiful Northumberland Strait, Northumberland Links is one of Atlantic Canada's most picturesque and challenging layouts. Don't let its length fool you...prevailing winds, rolling fairways, well-placed bunkers and lightning fast greens make it a true test and enjoyable experience. The ocean scenery combines with the beautiful landscaping of the grounds to create an atmosphere perfect for a round of golf. The bentgrass greens are designed to challenge even the most serious players.

Fox Harbour Resort - 24 minutes away

(This location also has a spa)

Championship Course

Designed by Graham Cooke, the course is an inspired blend of Scottish links and traditional parkland golf, and was named Best New Golf Course in Canada by Golf Digest on its opening, Canada's Top golf Resort in 2011 also rated Top 20 Golf Resorts in North America and the Caribbean.

9 Hole Executive Course

When time is of the essence, challenge your short game skills on the small scale wonder of the resort's championship course. Drawing on the natural trademarks of the East Coast, the Par 3 Short Course may be smaller in size but the golfing experience is certainly not compromised.

Wallace River Golf Course - 20 minutes away

Located on the beautiful Wallace River the 9 hole course combines both the natural beauty of water and land coming together with a relaxing at home atmosphere for a round of golf. The 2881 yards (White Tees), Par 36 course offers a challenge to even the most experienced of golfers, the landscape and design of the fairways will make it a true test and enjoyable experience.

Amherst Golf Club - 28 minutes away

The Amherst Golf Club is located in a pastoral setting with views of the Tantramar marsh. It provides high quality golf and an outstanding service to visitors and residents. The club also offers professional instruction from a PGA of Canada Pro for those who want to improve their game. The 18 hole golf course combines the natural beauty of the Maritimes with a challenging open course. It boasts fast greens and very lush fairways which can be found in immaculate condition.

Springhill Centennial Golf Club

2770 Valley Road, Springhill. Springhillgolfclub.ca