

In Port

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Charlottetown, PEI

Background

According to Micmac legend, the island was formed from a large scrap of red clay that remained after the "Great Spirit" made the rest of the world. The creator fashioned the lump of earth into a crescent shape, endowed it with great beauty and some of his finest landscape work, and then dropped it into the Gulf of St. Lawrence, according to the tale. The indigenous people called their home *abegweit* ("land that rides on the surf").

Prince Edward Island's first colonial settlement was established in 1720 when 300 French settlers arrived. The community was called *Port la Joye* and if was the kernel for the community that would later become Charlottetown. The port grew.

In 1864, a momentous meeting in

What's Ashore

CONFEDERATION LANDING

The old waterfront is included in the historic celebration of the founding of Canada. The dock at the foot of Great George Street is the hallowed site upon which the Fathers of Confederation landed for the historic 1864 meeting. In summer, costumed actors recreate the arrival scene to the delight of nationalist onlookers. Relive Canadian history at **Founders' Hall Complex**. The heritage attraction offers a self-guided audio tour through the **Time Tunnel**. The interactive exhibits begin at the 1864 Fathers of Confederation meeting which resulted in Canada's birth. The center is a short walk from the pier.

PROVINCE HOUSE

Preserved as a National Historic Site, the three-story Province House was the 1867 meeting place for the Fa-

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Port Particulars

Islanders are not shy about voicing their opinions to Canada's federal leaders in Ottawa. The latest controversy came with the 1997 opening of Confederation Bridge, linking the island to the mainland. A mixed blessing, the bridge increased accessibility. In their merchant hats, islanders welcome the increased commerce, but there is well-founded fear that the island may be "loved to death." In typical PEI humor, citizens have quipped that they would have to "catch the bridge" to the mainland.

Going Ashore: The ship is scheduled to dock at Cruise Ship Wharf, near the foot of Prince Street*

Shop til you drop along Queen Street Mall in the center of Charlottetown

Currency: Canadian *dollar*

Info: Water Street near the pier

In Port Shopping

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Charlottetown included delegates from all remaining North American British colonies. Heading the agenda, the topic of forming a union was a point of excitement and fear among those in attendance. The gathering was a success, and three years later, the Dominion of Canada was formed. The date, July 1, is remembered in the annual *Dominion Day* celebrations. Ironically, PEI leaders feared their comparatively tiny voice would be lost in the cacophony of the union and initially refused to join. Canada's smallest province held out until 1873 to ratify the pact!

With change coming, islanders decided it was time to settle the hated absentee land ownership situation. The *Land Purchase Act* of 1875 required the PEI government to buy the land from the British gentry. The pact ensured owners would be compensated. With losses of the American Revolution still a fresh memory, the aristocrats readily accepted.

Unfortunately, the island did not fare well in the ensuing years. As other shipbuilding and fishing centers lured young people away, potato farming was finally left as the only viable enterprise. A downward spiral eventually threatened to ruin the economy, so the Canadian government brought in WWI industry to save it. Ottawa continued to give aid even after the war, and today, farming, fishing and hospitality thrive. ✱

Net: Queen Street Mall
 others of the Canadian Confederation. Marking the center of the capital, the unassuming building is revered among patriotic Canadian citizens, although it seems an unlikely place for the creation of one of the world's largest nations. At the time, Canada was smaller. Delegates included representatives from PEI, Québec, Nova Scotia, recently formed New Brunswick, and Ontario. A repeating documentary recounts the historic meeting.

ST. PAUL'S AND ST. DUNSTAN'S

Completing the civic center quadrangle, St. Paul's Anglican Church was a much more important structure in the colonial days than it is now. The structure was built in 1896 to replace the earlier two churches that had been lost or destroyed. The first was built in the mid-18th century and some of the interior décor was preserved from that period.

The imposing St. Dunstan's Basilica, one of Canada's largest Catholic Churches almost overshadows St. Paul's. The structure's three spires are Charlottetown landmarks, pointing the way to the city center. The lovely German-crafted rose window is quite detailed.

BEACONSFIELD HISTORIC HOUSE

In keeping with the historic theme of Charlottetown as Canada's birthplace, the Beaconsfield house has

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Historic Footprints

- c1000AD Leif Ericsson and others visit Newfoundland and Labrador. Settlement is established at L'Anse aux Meadows.
- 1497 Venetian Giovanni Caboto (*aka* John Cabot) lands at Newfoundland and claims Cape Breton Island in the name of King Henry VII.
- 1504 Earliest settlements of Breton fishermen in Newfoundland.
- 1534 Jacques Cartier explores the North American coast and writes about the Mi'kmaq people
- 1535 Cartier, inadvertently names Canada by misunderstanding the native word *Kannata* ("a grouping of small huts (village)") to be the local place name.
- 1666 Canada's first census counts 3,215 non-native inhabitants in 668 families. Native families are not even counted.
- 1753 George Washington marches into *Monogahela*. French troops stop him.
- 1783 *Treaty of Paris*. Under American Revolutionary War peace terms, France cedes North American possessions to Britain.
- 1812 War of 1812. The 49th parallel is the Canadian-US border – still the world's longest undefended border.
- 1851 George Coles, first elected Premier of PEI, leads a successful struggle to establish responsible government.
- 1864 Fathers of Confederation meet at Charlottetown (Province House).
- 1867 Canada is made a sovereign nation under the *British North America Act*. Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick are united as the Dominion of Canada. Sir John A. Macdonald is the first prime minister.
- 1908 Lucy Maud Montgomery publishes her novel *Anne of Green Gables*.
- 1917 SS *Prince Edward* begins scheduled crossings between Borden and Cape Tormentine
- 1962 The first section of Montréal's underground city is built as an experimental design geared toward inclement weather.
- 1965 Maple leaf flag (Feb. 15).
- 1967 Expo '67 in Montreal. De Gaulle is asked to leave after *Vive Quebec Libre* speech.
- 1980 Quebec votes down sovereignty. *O Canada* is the official national anthem.
- 1987 The House of Commons narrowly defeats proposed restoration of capital punishment. The first Canada-US Free Trade Agreement is signed.

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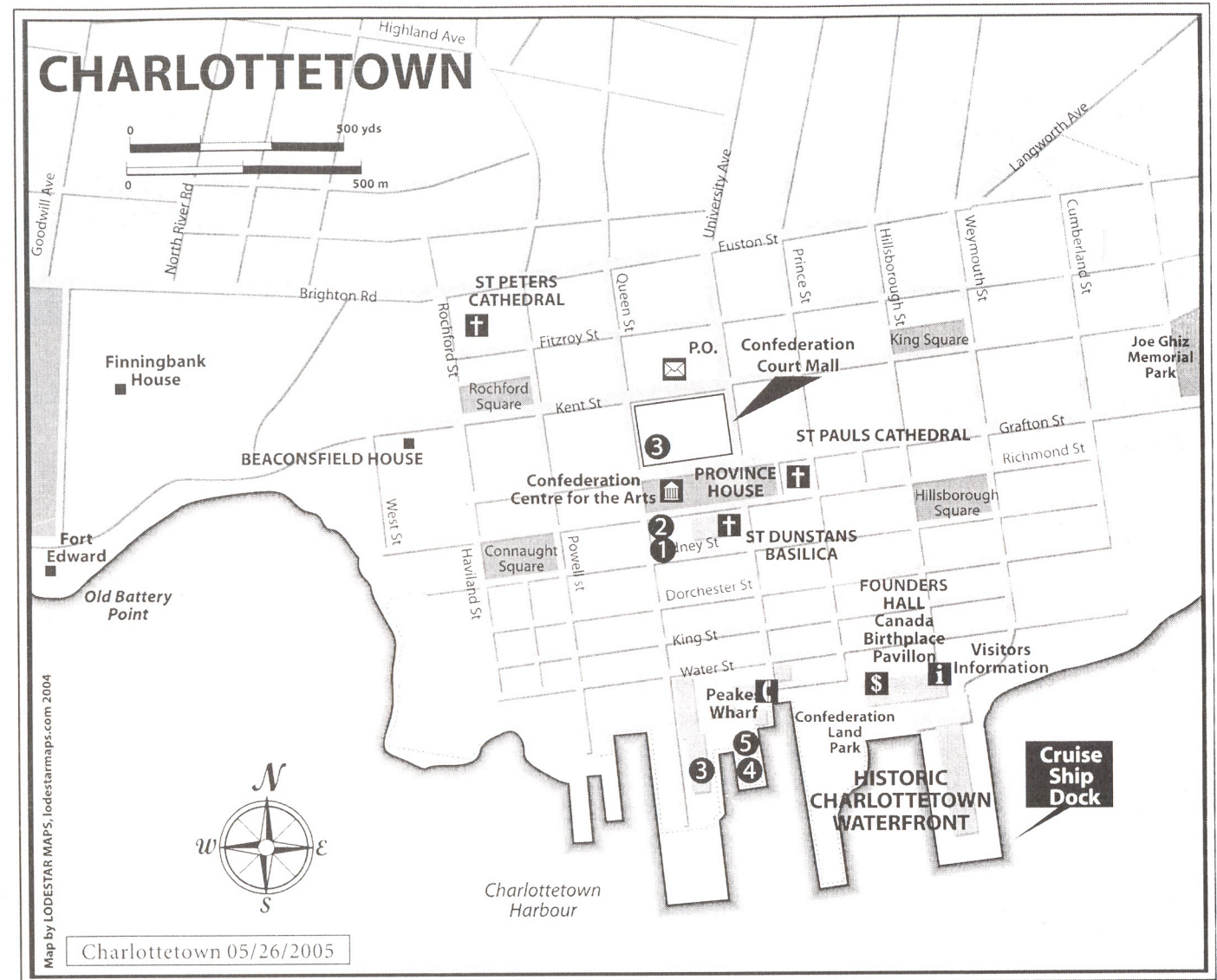
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been lovingly restored to mint mid-19th century condition. WC Harris, the architectural Harris brother (the other, Robert Harris, painted the historic *Meeting of the Fathers of Confederation*), designed the home for successful shipbuilding magnate James Peake, Jr. The garden is as well maintained as the home and from the upper floor you can enjoy an excellent view of the harbor. The home opens daily in summer, but closes on Mondays during winter months. Victoria Park, just west of the home, is one of the city's fine public grounds. Residents are fond of picnicking on the grounds and joggers often use the paths.

FORT AMHERST PORT LA JOYE

The Fort Amherst Port La Joye National Historic Site is the island's most honored site. On the outer Northumberland Strait shore, away from the sheltered inner harbor, PEI's first permanent European community was established in 1720. The fort fell to British control four decades later, but a French presence was firmly established and the Acadian influence remains today. A video presentation in the visitor center recalls the original settlers and the hardships they faced, and hiking trails traverse the grounds. The old cannons that face the sea were once the main protection for the approach, though only the earthen foundations of the fort remain.



CAVENDISH

Cavendish, at the western edge of PEI National Park, is the island's most popular destination. First stop is **Lucy Maud Cavendish Home**, where the author grew up. Her mother died suddenly, so she came to Cavendish to live with her grandparents. The house is gone, but the haunting foundation and white

2. ANNE OF GREEN GABLES CHOCOLATES

You will find it impossible to resist the sweet temptations offered at Anne of Green Gables Chocolates. All of our chocolates are made with the freshest ingredients at Avonlea Village on Prince Edward Island. These island recipes have been passed down for generations and result in

4. COASTAL CULTURE

Coastal Culture located at Peake's Wharf just 500 yards along the waterfront is where you will find Atlantic Canada's largest and finest selection of souvenir and themed T-shirts and clothing. Coastal Culture carries a great selection of Prince Edward Island memorabilia and gifts. This great little store is

ORWELL CORNER

The Orwell settlement is a restored 19th-century farming village. An open-air museum, the town was named after Sir Francis Orwell, a colonial-era British Plantations Minister. Visitors are welcomed into a living documentary of period lifestyles in a typical mid-1800s island community. There is a local smithy, antique schoolhouse and a lovely old farmhouse in town. Some of the buildings are replicas, but they all look authentic. The historic graveyard recalls early (mostly Scottish and Irish) immigrants. Native son Sir Andrew Macphail is honored at his former home for his achievements in several fields, including medicine and journalism. The remarkable man also wrote a novel (*The Master's Wife*) about local immigrants and developed new potato varieties that thrived in the island climate.

VICTORIA

The single most interesting thing about Victoria is that there is nothing particular for visitors to see. One of the island's most charming communities, the small port has remained unaltered since the 19th century. Wander the charming lanes and enjoy browsing for island crafts and local artwork in the town's boutiques. There are no chain stores – everything is refreshingly small and locally owned. The old homes and shore side lighthouses will make you glad you brought your camera.

picket fence entice you into a museum dedicated to her life. Of course you can buy a copy of *Anne of Green Gables* in the gift shop (and all over the island). The sweet red-haired girl who, like Lucy Maud, was orphaned at an early age has enchanted generations of young readers. ✱



Guaranteed Stores

1. THE ANNE OF GREEN GABLES STORE

Famous throughout the world for the portrayal of turn-of-the-century life on Prince Edward Island, the beloved novel "Anne of Green Gables" is revered as a Canadian literary classic. Written by Lucy Maud Montgomery and published in 1908 the novel became an instant success. "Anne of Green Gables" was translated into a dozen languages and became an international bestseller. Step back in time at The Anne of Green Gables Store. A store dedicated to the life and times of Anne of Green Gables and her creator LM Montgomery. You will find a selection of "All things Anne" and many other cherished keepsakes of your visit. Located at 110 Queen Street, this is store not to be missed on your visit to Prince Edward Island! Be sure to enter the Raffle to Win a gift basket with an assortment of Anne products!

our premium chocolates. You will also find old fashioned candy, Chocolate and Brown Sugar Fudge, various assorted boxes of chocolates and much more. Drop in and we will be happy to offer you a taste of Prince Edward Island's finest chocolate. Located at 100 Queen Street. Enter the Raffle to Win a box of Anne Chocolates, yum!

3. COWS

Cows, now 17 years old started as a simple idea, produce and sell great tasting ice cream with the "staff" wearing shirts of whimsical cow designs. This attracted so much attention new stores and a whole line of whimsical items was born. Stop by one of our Cows locations and browse through souvenirs emblazoned with colorful and playful bovine images. The popular line of Cows sportswear includes golf shirts, ball caps, fleece jackets and sweatshirts. You will also find fun cow beach towels as well as adorable stuffed cows. Try the delicious super premium ice cream and the special homemade waffles cones, a truly gourmet treat. With flavors such as wowie cowie and moo crunch, who could resist! With two locations to serve you, at Peake's Wharf and on Queen Street next to the Confederation Court Mall.

where you will find quality clothing items such as the famous Tilley hat, authentic Greek Fisherman's Caps, Royal Robbins shorts and Canadian made ladies Parkhurst sweaters. Lots of items for kids are available including t-shirts, toys, and books. This is also the spot for postcards featuring the beautiful scenery of Prince Edward Island. Be sure to visit Coastal Culture where a great atmosphere and a friendly staff await you.

5. P.E.I. DIRT SHIRT™

The Original PEI DIRT SHIRT. Prince Edward Island's only Dirt Shirt dyed with dirt. Founded in 1997 the idea was simple "The island's rich red earth has long been known to stain clothing, instead of trying to get it out, why not help put it in." Their collection of items includes t-shirts, sweatshirts, PEI DIRT BAGS, beach towels, golf shirts, golf towels, hats, tank tops, accessories and more! This is the ultimate souvenir item to take home from Prince Edward Island. Located at Peake's Wharf. Enter the Raffle to Win an Original PEI DIRT SHIRT!

