

KOUCHIBOUGUAC NATIONAL PARK



ABOUT THE PARK:

Kouchibouguac is a fascinating mosaic of bogs, salt marshes, tidal rivers, sparkling freshwater systems, sheltered lagoons, abandoned fields and tall forests which characterizes the Maritime Plain Natural Region. Natural wonders abound in this Park that boasts the second largest tern colony in North America. As well, the 25 kilometres of shifting sand dunes are home to the endangered piping plover and witness to colonies of both harbour and grey seals that frolic in the sunshine on certain sections of the dunes.

HOW TO BOOK A VISIT:

To book a visit, call 506-876-2443 or email kouch.info@pc.gc.ca.

THE PROGRAMS:

BARRIER ISLAND DUNE WALK

A guided walk on the Dune habitat, its origin, its dynamics, its evolution. Students will learn about important colonizing plants. Explore the fauna: foxes, grey seals and coastal birds. Learn about the Piping plover, a Species at Risk that comes to nest there.

CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS:

Grade 8 Science

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- 311-11 - describe processes of erosion and deposition that result from wave action and water flow
- 311-9 - describe the interactions of ocean currents, winds and regional climate
- 311-8 - analyze factors that affect productivity and species distribution in marine and fresh water environments



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SALT MARSH WALK

A guided walk about the Salt Marsh habitat, its location and importance in the environment. Learn about important colonizing plants such as Spartinas (Cordgrasses) and some edible Plants. Students will be introduced to the fauna that visit or could be seen such as deer, insects and birds. Visitors learn the importance of human history related to this habitat.



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Grade 8 Social Studies

Theme One (Physical Setting)

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- 1.5 identify and trace population and settlement patterns affecting Atlantic Canadians from Aboriginal to early new-world migration to the present day

ACADIAN FOREST WALK

Visitors go on a guided walk in the Acadian Forest habitat and learn its importance in the environment. Explore important plant groups like trees. Learn about lichens, facultative and the fauna that lives in the forest such as mammals, reptiles and amphibians, insects and birds. Discover the importance of human history related to this habitat.

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