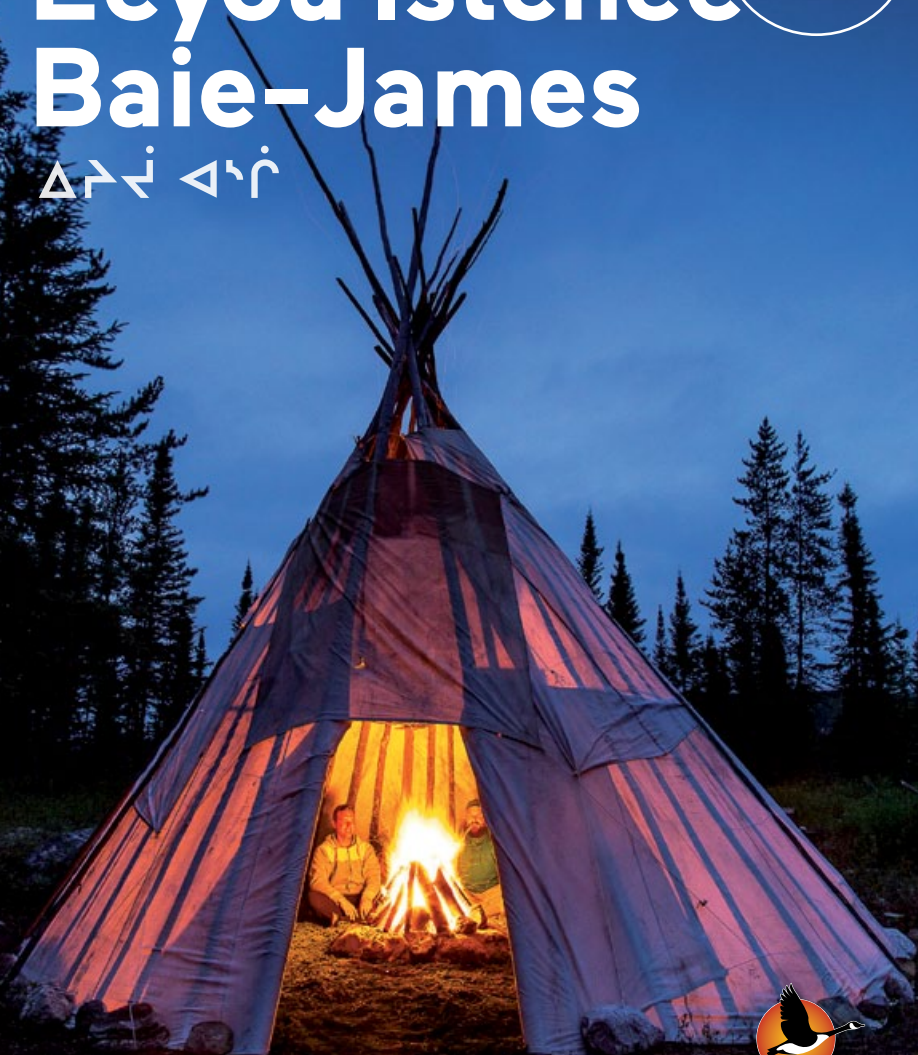


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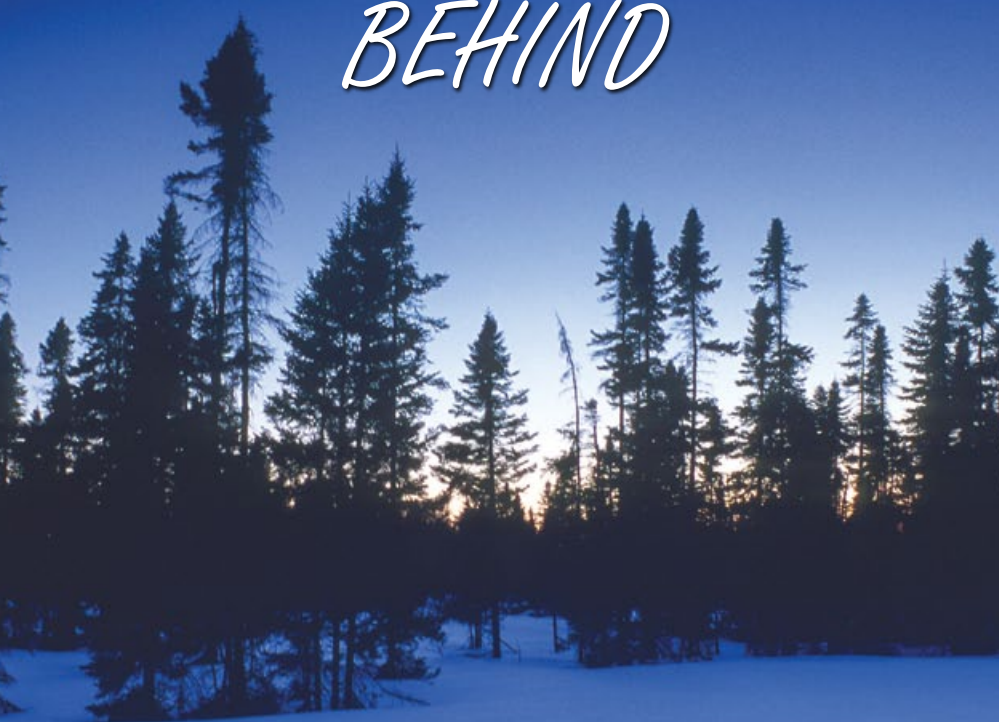
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Chibougamau regional tourism information office

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900, boul. Quévillon
819 755-4826, ext. 226
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experience**

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a unique territory**

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James Bay Walleye Festival



Festival en août



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Pow-wow

**Witness
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In addition to a diversity of wildlife, the forest is home to many edible and healing plants.

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Parc Obalski

Welcome to the land of northern lights

Here is where it's
happening year-round!

Eeyou Istchee Baie-James, a measureless territory

Venture higher and farther and you will see this vast region for what it is: a magnificent and uniquely impressive land where there is much to discover.

Eeyou Istchee Baie-James

Listen, look around and take a deep breath as you enter an imposing territory. Eeyou Istchee Baie-James is awe-inspiring. You will be seduced by these wild yet

inviting large open spaces, with the sumptuous scenery and the colorful horizon, the vibrant boreal forests and the taiga, the fiery rivers and the immense lakes that hold abundant huge fish. Here nature rules, seasons dictates.



Kayaking in Chisasibi

The development of **Complexe La Grande** The project of the century

In the early 70s, as the demand for energy was increasing, the Québec Government undertook a vast construction site called “the project of the century” which aimed at harnessing some of the Eeyou Istchee Baie-James’ rivers. Thus in 1972, the construction of the Complexe La Grande started including the largest underground hydroelectric power plant in the world: La Grande-2, renamed Robert-Bourassa Generating Facility. Altogether, the 8 power plants built at that time generate today almost half of the province’s electrical energy.



This project would lead in 1975 to the signature of the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement between the Grand Council of the Cree, the Nunavik Inuit, the provincial and federal governments, Hydro-Québec and the Société de développement de la Baie-James. Later on, Québec Premier Bernard Landry, and the Grand Chief of the Grand Council of the Crees Ted Moses would sign the La paix des braves in Waskaganish on February 7 of 2002.



Mont Laurier

Between the 49th and the 55th parallels

Words cannot truly describe Eeyou Istchee Baie-James: infinite skies to watch without ever growing weary, the silence broken only by the singing birds, the fragrances of the boreal forest. Being at Eeyou Istchee Baie-James is like sitting at the front row of nature’s spectacles.

Nature as you’ve never seen it before

Eeyou Istchee Baie-James is almost as large as Germany stretching on 350 000 km² where nature and culture meld into one. Its population invites you to discover this jewel accessible by road, by airplane or even by snowmobile. Two communities live here: the Cree with nearly 17 000 inhabitants and the Jamesian with 16 000 people.



Cloudberry

From the boreal forest to the taiga

The boreal forest represents the most significant vegetation dominated by the black spruce. As kilometers go by to the North, the boreal forest gives place up to the taiga characterised by damp lowlands and rocky plateaux covered with lichen.

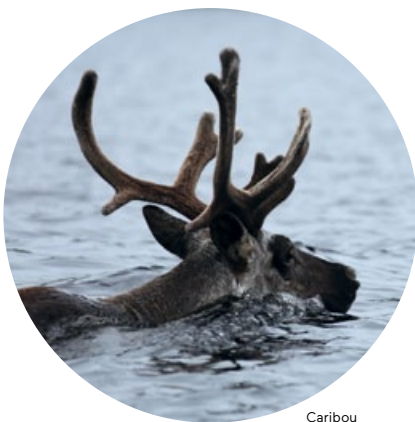
The monts Otish massif is characterised by cuestas which are high plateaux with drops as high as 750 meters on only one side. The Cree name this mountain E'weewach, meaning "where the waters come from" since many important rivers begin their course there.

The region is also rich of a complex hydrographic network that includes roaring rivers and inland seas such as Lac Mistassini. Making 2 335 km², it is the largest natural soft water lake of the province.

Unique fauna and flora

Seemingly quiet, the forest shelters nearly 40 mammal species: wolves, lynxes, foxes, bears, moose and many more. And in the sky or perched on a branch, the Canada geese, the snow geese, the ptarmigans, and in particular the loons provide the soundtrack of Eeyou Istchee Baie-James. King of the tundra, the caribou leaves Nunavik every year and migrates to Eeyou Istchee Baie-James in search of new pastures. Nature photographers will be conquered.

There is also a wealth of underwater life: trophy size walleye, northern pike, speckled trout and lake trout make the region a true paradise for recreational fishermen.



Caribou

DISTRIBUTION OF ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES IN QUÉBEC



Eeyou Istchee
the Nation Land

Today's Cree have kept a strong relationship with their traditional way of life, their culture and their language. The transmission of their knowledge is done quite naturally in deep respect of their traditions.



The Cree

The Cree have occupied the territory for nearly 5 000 years, settling here and there in the past with the seasons and the animal migrations. Small and big game hunting as well as fishing allowed them to have enough food throughout the year and to make clothing, tools, snowshoes and their shelters.



Anna Bosum,
Nuuhchimi Wiinuu

NDOOHEENOU

A nomadic hunting people



Traditional cooking in Chisasibi

« The Elders are still telling the legends and tales learned from their grand-parents ».

Living the Cree aboriginal culture



At the beginning of the 17th century, the habits of the Cree people were significantly changed with Europeans contacts. Since the demand for furs increased, trapping became a very important activity and, as a result, the nomadic life was abandoned. Today, most of the fur-trading posts have become the sites of the actual communities: **Mistissini, Oujé-Bougoumou, Waswanipi, Waskaganish, Eastmain, Wemindji, Nemaska, Chisasibi and Whapmagoostui.**

Hunting, fishing and trapping remain the most important activities as can be witnessed during “Goose Break” and “Moose Break”. For two weeks at spring and at fall, families return to the nomadic way of life on their trapping lines. Gathering berries, small fruit, and other plants is also an ancestral way of life that remained alive.



The James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement signed in 1975 has bestowed upon the Cree an exclusive or shared access to the territories that were once occupied by their communities only, and where they can continue practicing their ancestral activities.

Travel safely – You are responsible of your own safety!



» The following tips will help you to fully enjoy your trip in all safety:

1 Make sure your car is in good condition

When traveling on gravel roads, bring a full size spare tire mounted on a rim (a spare tire alone is not enough).

2 Locate the refuelling points* on your route, and on each occasion, refuel and resupply on food and water.

* Check for the opening hours of those refuelling points, some of them have limited hours of service!

3 Let your family and friends know your schedule and itinerary.

4 Since the territory is poorly covered by mobile phone network, it is recommended to have a satellite transmission device (satellite telephone or beacon).

Make sure you carry the following equipment:




First aid kit; prescribed and non-prescribed medications; food and drinking water; windshield washer liquid; air compressor; kit for puncture repair; fire extinguisher; reflective road triangles; survival kit (matches, candles, flashlight, blankets). In winter, gas line anti-freeze, shovel, sleeping bags, snow broom and extra warm clothing.

**For your safety, it is strongly suggested to subscribe to a medical assistance and ground and air transportation:
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1 866 673-3838**


For more information on the security on the territory, refer to the following link:
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**Carl Young, Indiana (USA),
summer 2019**



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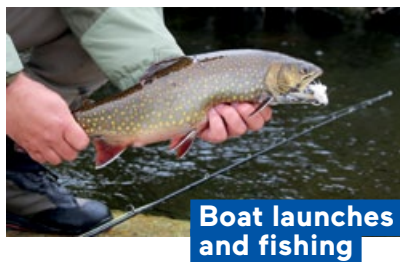
Quite impressive rest areas!

Rivière Rupert



Trails

Wemindji



Boat launches and fishing



Rustic sites

Rustic site



Rustic sites



Boat launches



Fishing



Lookout



Trails

Places to enjoy an exceptional pause

All of the places listed in this grid include dry toilets and picnic tables.

You can stay overnight in your tent or recreational vehicle in the rest areas that offer rustic sites.

A voluntary contribution is suggested.

(Rustic sites p. 117)

Rest areas



ACCESS ROAD	KM #	SERVICES
ROUTE DE LA BAIE-JAMES		
Rivière Bell rest area	KM 2	
Tourist information office	KM 6	
Rivière Waswanipi	KM 38	
Lac Goéland	KM 48	
Rivière Waswanipi (access lac Olga)	KM 48	
Lac Ouescapis	KM 80	
	KM 135	
Lac Rodayer	KM 189	
Rivière Broadback	KM 232	
Waskaganish road	KM 237	
Rivière de Rupert	KM 257	
Cascades Rupert	KM 257	
Halte des Passages	KM 274	
Lac Mirabelli	KM 323	
Relais routier	KM 381	
Rivière Eastmain	KM 395	
Rivière Opinaca	KM 411	
Chaîne de Lacs	KM 440	
Vieux Comptoir	KM 464	
Lac du Vieux Comptoir	KM 467	
Lac Miron	KM 503	
Wemindji Route	KM 518	
Lac Yasinski	KM 542	
Rivière Castor	KM 561	
Lac Duncan	KM 574	
ROUTE TRANSTAÏGA		
Lac Sakami	KM 56	
Exutoire Sakami	KM 59	
Réservoir Robert-Bourassa	KM 62	
Rivière Pontois	KM 203	
	KM 308	
	KM 358	
ROUTE 167		
Access road	KM 102	
ROUTE DU NORD		
Halte Cheniapiscau	KM 132	
Lac Mesgouez	KM 221	
Halte Rivière Rupert	KM 238	
Collines Lescar rest area	KM 286	
Lac Boisrobot	KM 381	
ROUTE 109		
Halte des Collines Cartwright	KM 157	
ROUTE 113		
Lac Waswanipi	KM 190	



Cree Nation of
Oujé-Bougoumou

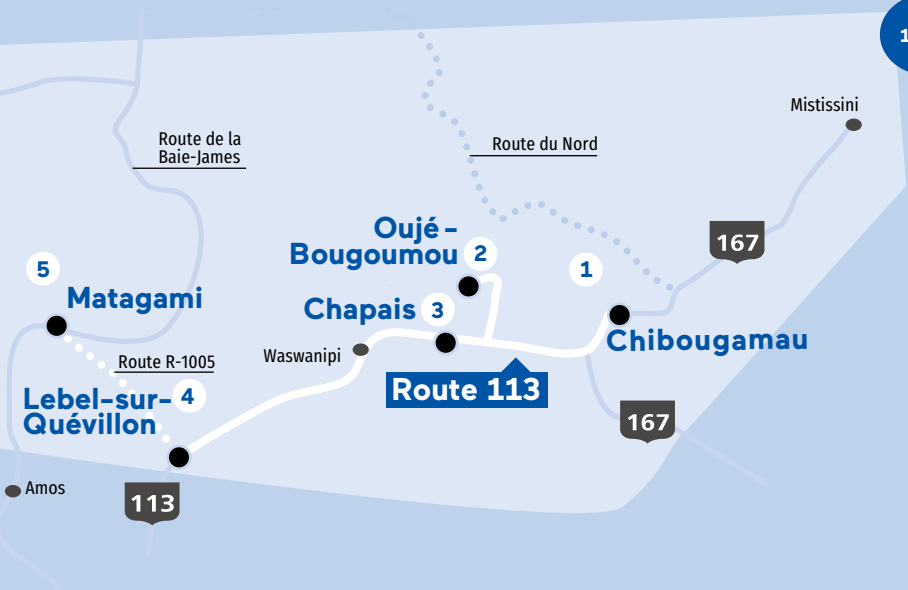
The 49th parallel Tour

This tour propose a perfect balance between nature and culture to discover the South of the region. As you go through the boreal forest, you will discover hidden natural treasures. Taste the rich flavours of the boreal forest like our famous mushrooms amongst others the Matsutake, the small fruits and the Labrador Tea. Enjoy meeting the Cree Nation of Oujé-Bougoumou and discover their rich, vibrant and age-old culture and its fascinating story.

4 days

422 total km*

*Some sections are gravel



1

Chibougamau

- Parc Obalski
- FaunENord



2

Oujé-Bougoumou

- Aanischaaukamikw Cree Cultural Institute
- Nuuhchimi Wiinuu
- Guided visit of the community



4

Lebel-sur-Quévillon

- Beach
- Municipal camping
- Multifunctional trails



3

Chapais

- Mont Springer trails
- Lac Campbell trails
- Camping Opémiska



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Matagami

- Outdoor equipment rental
- Les Écogîtes du Lac Matagami
- Lac Matagami recreational area
- Camping du Lac Matagami



Eco-cruises in Wemindji

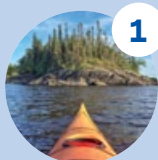
The Grand Tour

This itinerary takes you to the four corners of Eeyou Istchee Baie-James. As kilometers go by, the boreal forest gives place up to the taïga as you will reach the highest northern point accessible by road in Québec: Chisasibi. You will be impressed by the wealth of the Cree culture and by the amazing engineering behind hydroelectric dams.

7 days

1820 total km*

*Some sections are gravel



1

Matagami

- Les Écogîtes du Lac Matagami
- Lac Matagami recreational area
- Outdoor equipment rental



2

Route de la Baie-James

- KM 232: Rivière Broadback rest area
- KM 257: Rivière Rupert rest area
- KM 395: Rivière Eastmain rest area



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Wemindji

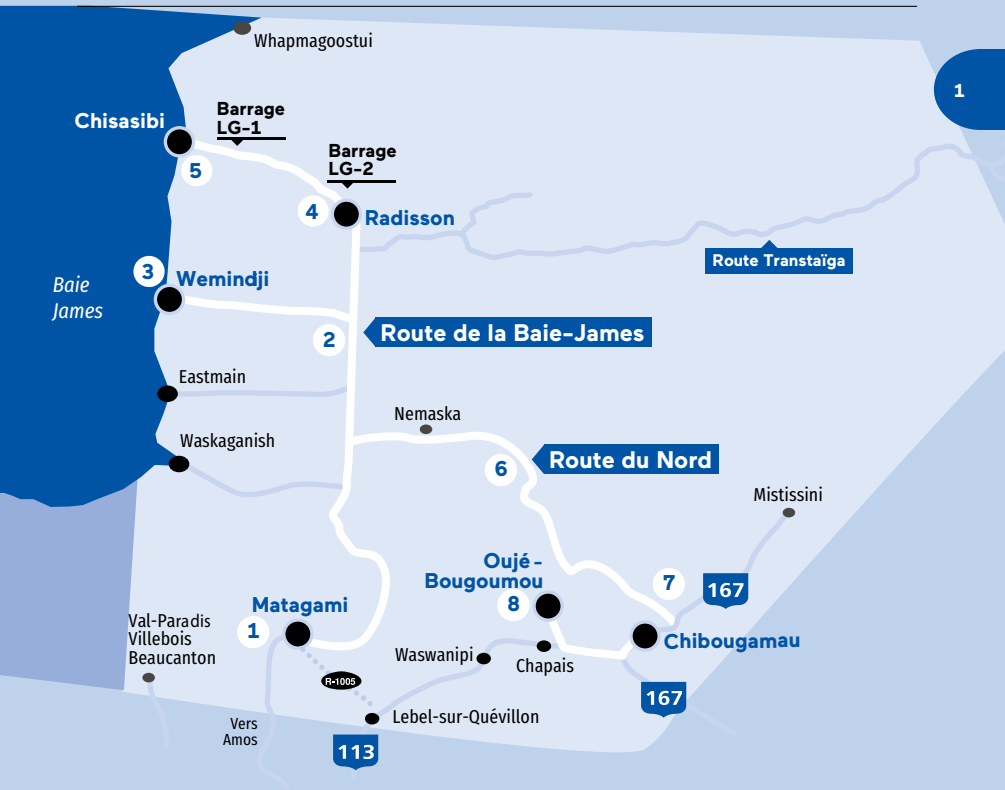
- Eco-cruises with Wiinipaakw Tours
- Kayak on the Rivière Maquatua
- Guided visit of the community



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Radisson

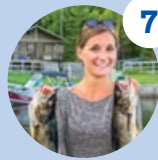
- Robert-Bourassa Generating Facility (LG-2)
- La Grande-1 Generating Station (LG-1)
- Boutique Arts et Trésors inouïs



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Chisasibi

- Cultural and Heritage Center
- Guided visit of the community
- Visit of the Fort Georges Island
- Access to the James Bay



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Wildlife Reserve of Lacs Albanel-Mistassini-et-Waconichi

- Boats rental (canoes, paddle boards, motor boats, etc.)
- Camping de la Baie Pénicouane
- Fishing at the Lac Waconichi



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Route du Nord

- KM 131: Rivière Broadback
- KM 234: Cree Memorial Monument (access road 9 km)
- KM 238: Rivière Rupert rest area

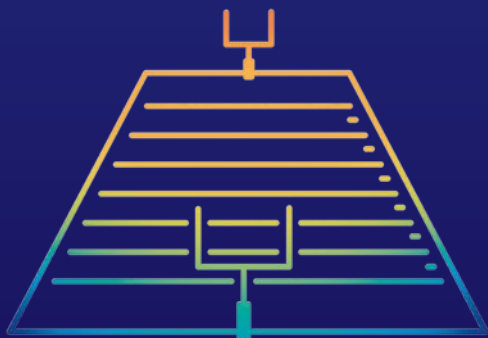


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Oujé-Bougoumou

- Aanischaaukamikw Cree Cultural Institute
- Nuuhchimi Wiinuu
- Guided visit of the community

Each giant step is the size of two football fields!



Lots to discover at Robert-Bourassa generating facility and La Grande-1 generating station!

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Welcome to Baie-James!

Radisson: A fascinating destination north of the 53rd parallel!

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Venture into the heart of the taiga and discover the splendours of northern landscapes and colossal hydroelectric facilities. You'll be blown away by the scale of the Robert-Bourassa development, home to the biggest underground generating station in the world, and you'll get a real charge out of the 53-storey-high dam and the spillway known as the giant's staircase. At La Grande-1 generating station, you'll be wowed by the huge structures built in a vast natural landscape.



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Eeyou Istchee James Bay
Regional Government

Locality of Radisson

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Route de la Baie-James

Matagami, Waskaganish, Nemaska, Eastmain, Wemindji, Radisson, Chisasibi and Whapmagoostui

From South to North, this 620 km-long road goes across an isolated territory, where services are limited and access difficult in the event of an emergency, so be well-prepared.

This is a paved road that is ploughed in winter. The Cree communities of Waskaganish, Eastmain, Wemindji, Nemaska and Chisasibi are accessible by road.



Refuelling!

- Be sure to fuel up at these locations:
- KM 0: Matagami
 - KM 381: Rest stop
 - KM 589: La Grande-Rivière Airport
 - KM 617: Locality of Radisson

Eeyou Istchee James Bay Regional Government

Via routes 111, 109, 167, 113 and 393

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The Eeyou Istchee James Bay Regional Government is a joint regional government between the Cree and the Jamesian which mandate is to ensure the management of the category III lands. In 2012, The Gouvernement du Québec and the Cree Eeyou Istchee signed the historic Agreement on Governance in the Eeyou Istchee James Bay Territory, which enabled the establishment of a real partnership between the Cree and the Jamesian.

The Eeyou Istchee Baie-James territory is majestic, magnificent and unique. On the Route de la Baie-James, we suggest that you stop at the many rest stops to do some fishing, amongst others. Rushing rivers are very present. You are invited to meet the Cree people and discover a rich culture.

Route 109 – KM 133 Lac Paradis

Lac Paradis is a beautiful lake of a very pronounced jade green.

Route 109 – KM 157

Halte Cartwright rest area

You're at the intersection with the road that leads to Joutel. Toilets.

Matagami



Population 526

Via route 109, route de la Baie-James km 0

Town of Matagami

819 739-2541 – matagami.com

Matagami, which means "where the waters meet" in Cree, is a place that brings together two different worlds.

At the 50th parallel, at the western gateway into the region of Eeyou Istchee Baie-James, you'll find Matagami with its sparkling lakes, endless wide open skies, centenerian forest, and the chiselled outline of Mont Laurier crowned with taïga.

Whether you're a passionate angler or hunter, an open-air enthusiast or just passing through our beautiful region, Matagami has a great deal to offer, including a wide range of activities for all tastes and interests.

Matagami, founded in 1963, owes its origin to mineral exploration. However, the Matagami territory was occupied long before the arrival of Europeans.

KM 0: Matagami

Don't forget to fill the tank, since this is the last gas station before the rest area at KM 381.

KM 2: Pont de la rivière Bell (bridge)



Mont Laurier



great
OUTDOORS

Matagami

www.matagami.com

**KM 6:****Eyeyou Istchee James Bay Regional
Tourism Information Office**

819 739-2030, poste 20300

Open all year round, 24 hours a day. Tourist guides and other publications are available. Toilets.

KM 10: Mont Laurier

Climbing Mont Laurier will take your walk through varied ecosystems which represent all the riches of the Northern territory. From the summit, you will have a 360 degrees view on the lakes and forests surrounding the town of Matagami. Blueberries and Labrador Tea leaves will recompense your efforts as you pick them along the way. Access to the trails is free and located at KM 10 of Route de la Baie-James.

KM 27: Les Écogites du lac Matagami (8 km)
p. 115**KM 37: Camping du lac Matagami (2 km)**
p. 117**KM 38: Rivière Waswanipi**

Toilets.

**KM 48: Lac Goéland, Lac Olga (10 km)
and Rivière Waswanipi****Lac Goéland Adventure Outfitter** p.105**KM 80: Lac Ouescapis (2.5 km)**

Toilets.

**KM 135****KM 189: Lac Rodayer**

Toilets.

**Km 201****KM 232: Rivière Broadback**

Here, a long time ago, began the Mer de Tyrell Interpretive trail. Toilets.

KM 237: Road to Waskaganish (gravel) 

Rivière Rupert rest area

Eastmain ᐃᕐᕐᕐᕐ

Population 781

Eastmain Cree Community

819 977-0211 – eastmain.ca

The Hudson Bay Company referred to the whole eastern shores of James Bay and Hudson Bay as "East Main."

Eastmain still bears the historic name given to the mainland of the eastern shores of James Bay.

Today, Eastmain is a growing community nestled along the south shores of the Rivière Eastmain. Its modest size allows visitors to bask in a truly traditional Cree environment while having access to all the amenities of modern life.

What Eastmain lacks in population (as it is the smallest of the Cree Communities) it more than makes up for with friendliness and hospitality. The people of Eastmain are warm and enjoy welcoming visitors.



KM 381



Rest stop KM 381

Société de développement de la Baie-James

819 638-8502 – sdbj.gouv.qc.ca

Diesel, convenience store. 24/7. General mechanical service. Meeting-room rental. Room and board for business people. Renovated rooms. Satellite TV and use of showers.

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Km 395:

Rivière Eastmain (3 km)



You will find that because of the diversion of the Rivières Eastmain and Opinaca to Rivière La Grande, the flow in Eastmain is minimal. This most impressive-bridge of the 11 bridges along Route de la Baie-James won an architecture and engineering prize. Toilets.

Km 411: Rivière Opinaca



Toilets.

KM 440: Chaîne de lacs (3 km)



Toilets.



Km 444

KM 464:



Halte rivière du Vieux comptoir

You will discover one of the biggest culverts in the world: 16-m wide by 80-m long.

KM 467: Lac du Vieux comptoir



Toilets.

Km 503: Lac Miron (1,5 km)



Toilets.

KM 518:

Rest area and access road to Wemindji (gravel)



You are 95.5 km from Wemindji. Toilets.



Bridge over the Rivière Eastmain

Wemindji ᐃᐅᓂᓴ

Population 1539

Wemindji Cree Community

819 978-3737 – 819 978-0264 – 819 978-7492

wemindji.ca

Tourism officer: Tyler Coonishish

Wemindji takes its name from the Cree word meaning "Painted Hills" or "Ochre Mountains" which make up the colourful backdrop of this community.

In 1959, after its relocation from its original home on an island in the Old Factory Bay, Wemindji turned into an energetic and thriving community.

Many activities throughout the year give visitors a reason to make the journey to Wemindji. Guided visits to explore the coast of James Bay and the islands are available, while the opportunity will be present to view migratory birds, seals, beluga whales and more!

Discovering Wemindji, is like finding a hidden treasure. The inhabitants will make you feel welcome and their culture and traditions are fascinating.



Km 542: Halte lac Yasinski



Toilets.

Km 544: Route Transtaiga crossing (gravel)

This gravel road is 666 km long.

Km 561: Rivière au Castor



Toilets.

Km 574: Lac Duncan (8 km)



Toilets.



Km 589:

La Grande-Rivière Airport

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Km 600: Route de Chisasibi (paved road)

You are 90.5 km from Chisasibi.



Wemindji



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wemindjiturismo.ca

Chisasibi ᓇᓂᓂᓂᓂᓂ



Population 5000

Chisasibi Cree Community

819 855-2878 – chisasibi.org

Tourism officer: Edward Bearskin

Chisasibi name means "Great River" in Cree.

Situated on the south shore of Rivière La Grande you will find the modern community of Chisasibi. Here the boreal forest merges with the taiga and the waters of James Bay mix with those of Hudson Bay.

Originally, the community was located on nearby Fort George Island, where every summer, a week-long cultural festival known as Mamoweewod takes place. A short ferry ride from the mainland will make you discover an area rich in history and culture. Adventurers looking to spend a couple of nights in a traditional bush camp will be delighted to know that locals are available to guide you and share their incredible legends.

Chisasibi is the last of the Cree communities in Eeyou Istchee Baie-James that is accessible by road.

Chisasibi Cultural and Heritage Center

819 855-3311



Visits, guided or not, are offered for visitors who wish to get a better understanding of the Cree history as People of the Grande Rivière. **p.84**

Mihtuhkaan and Miichiwaahp

Elders Camp located by the route de la Baie-James that is open for visits during specific times of the year. Living culture, ancestral teachings and organize traditional activities are shared.

Fort George Island – Visit of the site

Fort George Island is our former community. The island is filled with memories and is a popular site for leisure, relaxing, peace and quiet. It is also a place of coming together at a community event called Mamoweewod that takes place during the month of July. During this period activities are proposed

Upichiwiw – Heritage Site

The name means narrows at the rapids and is located at the First Rapids-LG-1 site. Interpretive and Information Panels describe the area and river as used by our people and illustrate the significance and importance of this place as a social gathering and birthplace.

School Group Visit

School age visits, and provide educational/cultural activities are proposed at Centre and mihtuhkaan; Elders share their wisdom and knowledge.

photos: ©Annie-Claude Robarge



CHISASIBI ᓇᓂᓂᓂᓂᓂ

Visit the most northern community accessible by road, enjoy the beautiful sunset and the majestic northern lights by the shores of the James Bay and experience the Cree culture of the Chisasibi Eeyou.

Chisasibi Tourism, Edward Bearskin, Tourism Coordinator / 819 855-2878 ext. 502 / edwardbearskin@chisasibi.ca



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Robert-Bourassa Generating Facility (LG-2)

the largest underground hydroelectric power plant in the world.

Tour of the major dams

Giant's staircase

THE GIANT'S STAIRCASE It's huge!

Each of the ten steps of the spillway is large enough to accommodate two football fields! Each step is 10 metres high.

Radisson

Population 300

Via route de la Baie-James Km 617

Radisson

819 638-7777 – localiteradisson.com

Radisson, which sits on a hill at the very end of Route de la Baie-James, is located in the heart of the taiga. Founded in 1974 to accommodate the workers involved in the "project of the century," Radisson is the only non-Native community located north of the 53rd parallel.

Located in the heart of La Grande hydroelectric complex, Radisson constitutes the site of the largest underground hydroelectric power plant in the world and called the Robert-Bourassa Generating Facility (LG-2).



Hydro-Québec Tour of the major dams

Natural Areas Interpretation Centre

(Free guided visit)

Pierre-Radisson Complex

66, rue Des Groseillier

819 638-8486 – 1 800 291-8486

hydroquebec.com/visit

Hydro-Québec is one of the largest electricity company in North America. It generates, transports and distributes virtually all of the electricity consumed in Québec. More than 99% of its production comes from hydroelectric power plants of which half of it from La Grande Complex. Hydro-Québec invites you to its interpretation centre to complement the guided tour. This permanent exhibition proposes an outlook on the natural and human ecosystems of the Baie-James territory. You can also expand your knowledge on nature, and on electricity production and transport.

Schedule: open year-round. Average length of the visit: 30 minutes. Free admission.



Giant's staircase

Historical visits: Rally of visits

Discover the astonishing history of Radisson with the new circuit from our free application Rally of visits. How many students can the Radisson School accommodate? Who is the eldest in the town? Where is located City Hall? As you walk along the proposed itinerary, you can explore at your own rhythm the town of Radisson which was built during the big Baie-James hydroelectric works. To do on the first morning before the visit of the Robert-Bourassa Generating Facility.

Schedule: starting June 15, 2020, year-round. Free admission. The application is not available in English.

40th anniversary

Robert-Bourassa Generating Facility (LG-2)

(Free guided tour)

Departure: Pierre-Radisson Complex

66, rue Des Groseilliers

819 638-8486 – 1 800 291-8486

hydroquebec.com/visit – 

The Robert-Bourassa Generating Facility celebrates this year its 40th anniversary. In October 1979, Québec Premier René Lévesque granted the commissioning of the first turbine-generator unit.

Come and admire these installations of international reputation! Hydro-Québec offers a free guided visit of the Robert-Bourassa Generating Facility. The power plant is located at 137 metres underground. Since it is undergoing repairs, you might have the chance to have a closer look to part of an enormous turbine-generator unit.

As part of a bus tour, you will discover the spillway known at the giant's staircase, and you'll get a real charge out of the 53-storey-high dam. Absolutely amazing.

Schedule: June 15 to August 28, 2020. Mondays and Tuesdays at 1 p.m. Thursdays and Saturdays at 9 a.m. Visitors must register 15 min. in advance. Visitors must reserve 48 hours in advance. Photo identification required. Average length of tour: 3 1/2 hours. Admission free.



Robert-Bourassa Generating Facility (LG-2)

Must also see LG-1

Centrale La Grande-1 Generating Station... run of the river!

La Grande-1 Information Centre
819 638-8486 – 1 800 291-8486
hydroquebec.com/visit

Move toward the shore of the James Bay and stop to visit the LG-1 power plant at approximately 45 minutes from Radisson.

The visit starts at 9 a.m. and offers the possibility of watching a video on the environmental studies realized with the Aboriginals and the developments near the plant. This run-of-river power plant is also the theater of many developments for the fauna and the flora. An example of the outstanding expression of human creative genius with the greatest respect for nature.

Plan to stop at the Upichwin site near a traditional fishing area and at the Chisasibi Heritage and Cultural Centre.

Site opened from June 15 to August 28th, 2020.

Arts et Trésors Inouïs

65, rue Des Groseilliers
819 638-6969 – artinunat.com

The boutique offers an experience in Aboriginal cultures through traditional crafts. An opportunity to appreciate and enjoy Amerindian and Inuit art. Schedule: open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Mondays.

Whapmagoostui

Population 1550



Whapmagoostui Cree Community

819 929 3364

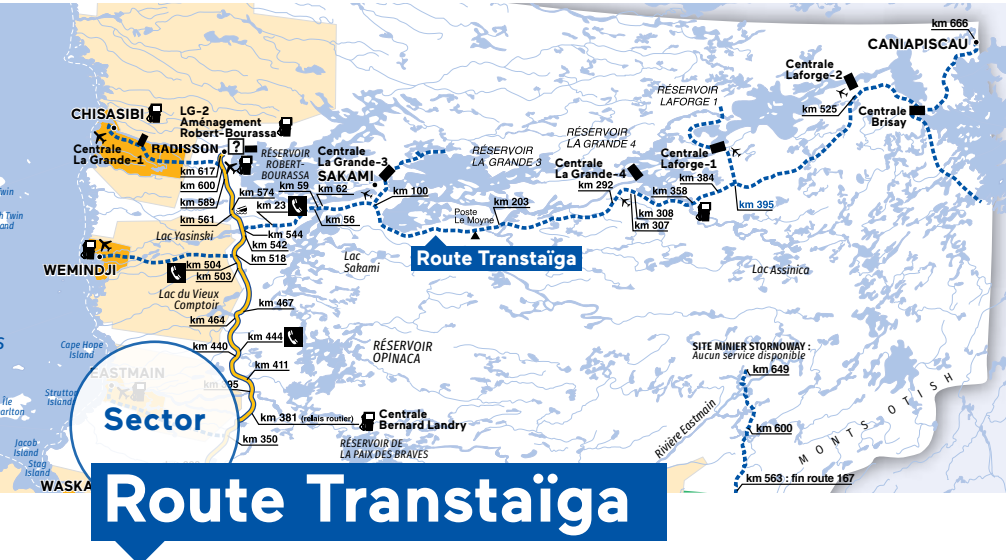
Tourism officer: Frankie Dick

Whapmagoostui means "place of the beluga."

Whapmagoostui is the most northern Cree community located north of Eeyou Itstchee at the mouth of the Grande rivière de la Baleine, directly on Hudson Bay in Nunavik. Approximately 900 Cree and 650 Inuit live in proximity to Kuujjuarapik. The location is only accessible by air (Kuujjuarapik Airport) and, at the end of the summer, by boat.

Whapmagoostui is located 250 km north of the nearest Cree community, Chisasibi. Traditional Aboriginal and activities are suggested.





Building the La Grande Complex required construction of an east-west road, the Route Transtaïga. In all, Route Transtaïga is about 666 kilometres long. This gravel road starts a few dozen kilometres south of La Grande Airport and leads to the facilities at La Grande-3, La Grande-4, Laforge-1, Laforge-2, Brisay, not accessible to the public and, finally, the Caniapiscau diversion structures (666 km).

This road runs through a remote location with very few services. You must be well-prepared before setting off.

 **Refuelling!**

ATTENTION! Be sure to fuel up at these locations:
Mirage Adventure Outfitter
(at KM 358 on the Route Transtaïga) – 1 866 339-6202
Open year-round. Gas, diesel, lodging, restaurant.



Caribou on the route Transtaïga



☎ KM 31

Not open to public. Public phone is available at the home of Hydro-Québec employees.

KM 56: Lac Sakami rest area



Toilets.

KM 59: Exutoire Sakami



Toilets.

KM 62: Robert-Bourassa Reservoir



A vast man-made body of water, the reservoir was created to supply the Robert-Bourassa hydroelectric plant. It was built between 1974 and 1978 in the valley of La Grande Rivière which supplies the reservoir. Its surface covers 2,835 km² and the volume of water is estimated at 61.7 km³. Toilets.

☎ KM 96: Public phone

In the home of Hydro-Québec employees.

KM 100: Access Road to LG-3



Hydro-Québec interpretation scenic lookout. 54 km away from the Sakami settlement and 30 km from the LG-3 power station (not open to the public). La Grande-3 is a power plant and a dam erected on La Grande Rivière (1984).

KM 203: Rivière de Pontois



Toilets.

☎ KM 292: La Grande-4 Airport

Not accessible to the public. Public phone available from 7 a.m to 4 p.m.

☎ KM 306: Public phone

In the home of Hydro-Québec employees.

KM 307: Keyano Camp access road (1 km)

Not accessible to the public.

☎ KM 308: Hydro-Québec's scenic lookout

Public phone at the home of Hydro-Québec employees.

KM 311: Access road to the LG-4 power plant (5 km)

The development of La Grande-4 represents a hydroelectric power plant and a dam erected on La Grande Rivière (1986). The plant is not open to the public.

KM 358: Mirage Adventure Outfitter



Open year-round.

☎ KM 395: Access road to the Laforge-1 power plant

LaForge-1 is a hydroelectric power plant and a reservoir built on the Rivière Laforge, an affluent of La Grande Rivière managed by the Société d'énergie de la Baie-James on behalf of Hydro-Québec. This power plant has an installed capacity of 878 MW, and was built as part of Phase 2 of the Baie-James project (1994). The plant is not open to the public.

KM 525: Access road to the Laforge-2 power plant (6 km)

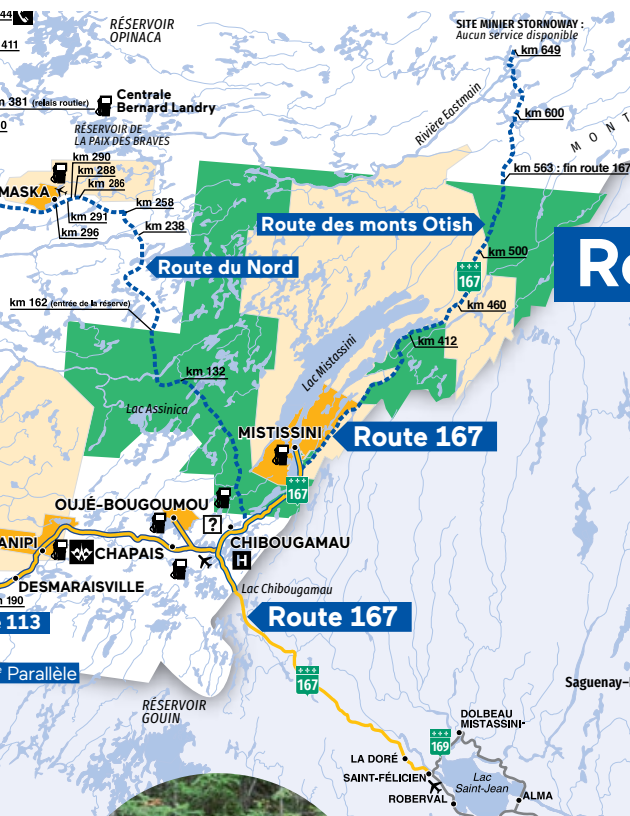
Hydro-Québec interpretation scenic lookout. The Laforge-2 power plant is a hydroelectric power plant and a dam erected on the Rivière Laforge, an affluent of La Grande Rivière (1993). The plant is not open to the public.

☎ KM 582: Centrale Brisay

Hydro-Québec interpretation scenic lookout. Public phone is available at the home of Hydro-Québec employees. The Centrale Brisay is a hydroelectric power plant erected at the outlets of the Caniapiscou reservoir. The plant is not open to the public.

KM 666: Caniapiscou reservoir, dam of Caniapiscou and Duplinter spillway

The Caniapiscou reservoir is a dammed lake forming the most eastern part of the Hydro-Québec La Grande hydroelectric complex. It has two dams and forty-one dikes, and has a surface of 4,318 km². To the north of the reservoir, the Duplinter spillway will discharge waters into the Rivière Caniapiscou if needed (1976 and 1983).



Sector

Route 167

Chibougamau, Mistissini

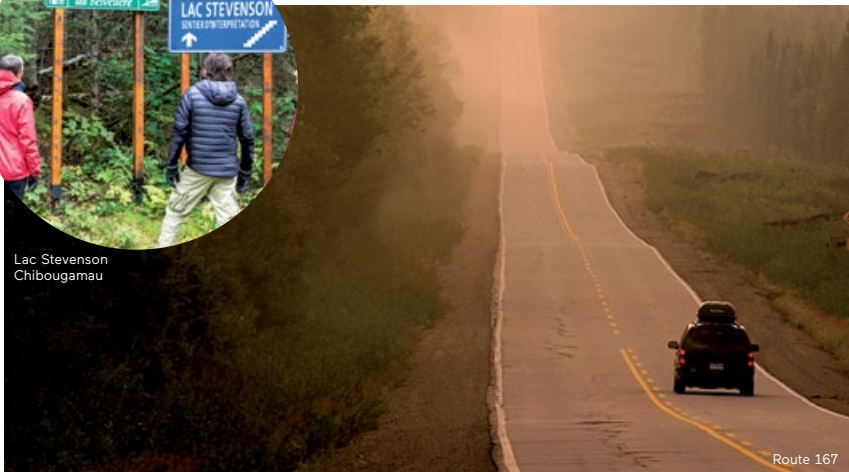
Route 167 is a paved road that connects La Doré, northwest of Lac-Saint-Jean, to Chibougamau. It leads to Route 113, Route du Nord and Mistissini.

Refuelling!

ATTENTION! Fill up the gas tank at La Doré before you begin your trip. The next gas station is 200 km away, in Chibougamau.



Lac Stevenson
Chibougamau



KM 33

Ashuapmushuan Wildlife Reserve starts here.

KM 39**KM 51****KM 66****KM 84: Road access to Obedjiwan****KM 86: 49th parallel****KM 89****KM 98****KM 102**

Rest area, toilets.

**KM 113: Rivière Chigoubiche****KM 130: Rivière Ashuapmushuan****KM 141****KM 178: End of Ashuapmushuan Wildlife Reserve****KM 187 on route 167: The region of Eeyou Istchee Baie-James starts here****KM 189: Rivière Dufresne**

Lac Dufresne.

KM 199: Rivière Audet**KM 211: Chemin de la baie de Queylus**Centre de villégiature Marina Chibougamau. [p.116](#)**KM 214: Chemin du lac Merrill****KM 219: Chemin du lac aux Dorés****KM 220: Route 113 crossing****KM 223: Sentier du bonheur**[p.94](#)**KM 227: Chemin Campbell****KM 229: Éco-camping Chibougamau** [p.116](#)

Chibougamau

KM 230

Population 7610

**Town of Chibougamau**418 748-2688 – ville.chibougamau.qc.ca**Chibougamau lives up to its name, which means "meeting place."**

Nestled deep in a natural setting on the edge of the Eeyou Istchee Baie-James region, Chibougamau is a magical place where untamed nature and urban life meet. Located at the core of a transport network with convenient road and air access, Chibougamau is a city that is easy to get to and great to live in. With its proximity to the North and the South and mingling of natural setting and urban life, Chibougamau lives up to its name, which means "meeting place." The presence of urban infrastructure and proximity of wild nature allow for a broad range of open-air activities: swimming, hiking, skiing, and trail-busting thrills for ATV and snowmobile fans.

Cultural tour: Chibougamau, birth of a city at the 49th parallelbaladodecouverte.com

This self-guided cultural tour, titled Chibougamau, naissance d'une ville au 49^e parallèle ("Chibougamau, a city emerges on the 49th parallel"), is provided free of charge via the BaladoDécouverte mobile application. The tour features a wealth of historical information enabling participants to travel in time over a distance of 2 kilometres in the town centre.



Sentier du bonheur

Geomorphological sites

At these two very popular sites located in the city, visitors can see the traces of past glaciers and volcanic eruptions. With its interpretation panels, even amateurs can enjoy this educational outing. Parc Leblanc on Rue Leblanc. Parc Allard on Rue de Billy.

Historical circuit Le Chemin des Mines

This tour of approximately 10 km includes 7 interpretation panels that showcase the sites that marked the history of mining in the city of Chibougamau. The first panel is located in front of City Hall and the tour map is available at the Tourist Information Centre.

KM 231: Lac Gilman

This lake is located in the heart of Chibougamau.

Km 237

Centre plein air Mont-Chalco p.96,98

KM 238

This road leads to the boat launch (federal dock) at Lac Chibougamau.

KM 242: Lac aux Dorés

This body of water, covering an area of 40 sq. km, is separated from neighbouring Lac Chibougamau by the Péninsule Gouin. It is the source of the Rivière Chibougamau, a tributary of the Rivière Nottaway.

KM 243: Chemin du lac Chibougamau Nord

This large body of water is located a dozen kilometres to the southeast of the city. It is 35 km long and covers 206 sq. km. It is the source of the Rivière Chibougamau and is dotted with small islands. It also features large and deep bays, which account for its irregular configuration. Lac Chibougamau is located immediately to the southeast of Lac aux Dorés. The two lakes are almost

completely separated by the Gouin peninsula and are connected only by a small and sinuous passage.

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KM 252: Registration Rupert centre

Nibiischii Corporation – Assinica Wildlife Reserve and Albanel-Mistassini-and-Waconichi Wildlife Reserve p.106

1584, route 167 Nord
418 748-7748 – nibiischii.com

Less than 100 metres from this junction, on your left, is the Registration Rupert Centre for the wildlife reserves in Eeyou Istchee Baie-James.

KM 304: Road to Mistissini

16 km to the left.



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Mistissini ᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ

Population 4543

Mistissini Cree Community

418 923-3461, ext. 288 – mymistissini.com

Tourism officer: Conrad Mianscum

Mistissini the Cree word for "Big Rock."

Mistissini, takes its name from a massive boulder that served as an important reference point for countless generations. Our community is situated on the south-east shores of Lac Mistassini—the largest natural freshwater lake in the province of Québec.

Visit us at the tourism office to get information on all available trips, including world-renowned fishing excursions on Lac Mistassini and Rivière Rupert. The modern Mistissini Lodge offers 20 rooms all facing Lac Mistassini.

Lac Mistassini

mistassinilake.com

At 161 kilometers long and 19 wide, this majestic body of water is Québec's largest freshwater lake. The Mistassini Lake Outfitting Camps Association invites you to visit and enjoy the site.



Osprey Lodge



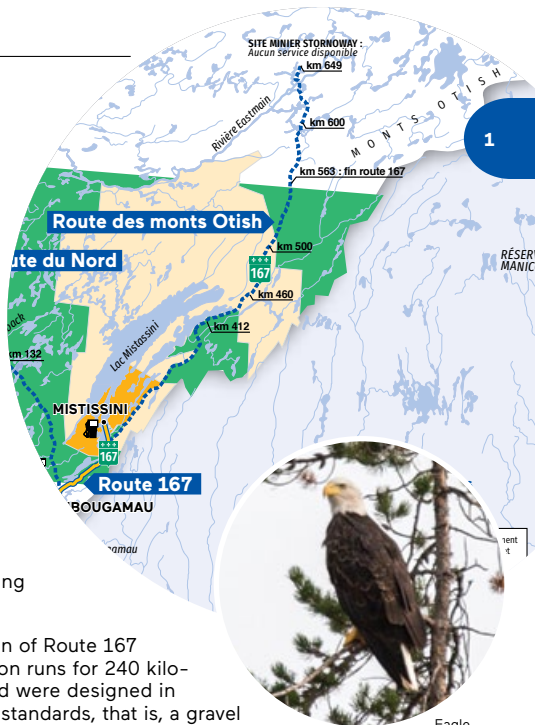
Mistassini Outfitting Camps

Route des monts Otish

Route des monts Otish is an isolated road with no services that is difficult to access in the event of an emergency.

If you take this road, be careful and stay alert. Comply with road regulations in effect along the route: speed limits, hunting and fishing zones. Keep in mind that this roadway is under multiple jurisdictions, including the Nibiischii Corporation and the Cree Nation of Mistissini since a part of this area is category II land, with the last section in category III land. You must contact the appropriate organizations to obtain the information you need to pursue your fishing and hunting activities. [p.104](#)

The Route des monts Otish is the extension of Route 167 North starting at Lac Albanel. This extension runs for 240 kilometres: the first 143 kilometres of the road were designed in accordance with Ministère des Transports standards, that is, a gravel two-lane roadway on which the speed limit is 70 kilometres an hour. The last 97 kilometres of the roadway were built by the mining company, Stornoway, in compliance with Ministère des Transports standards for mining roads, that is, a single-lane road with a speed limit of 50 kilometres an hour. It ends at the Stornoway mine site (this is not accessible to the public and no services are available on site).



Eagle



Chibougamau



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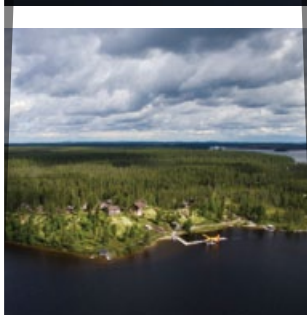
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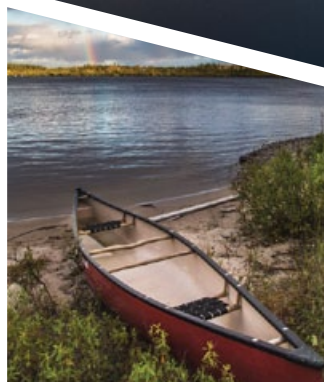
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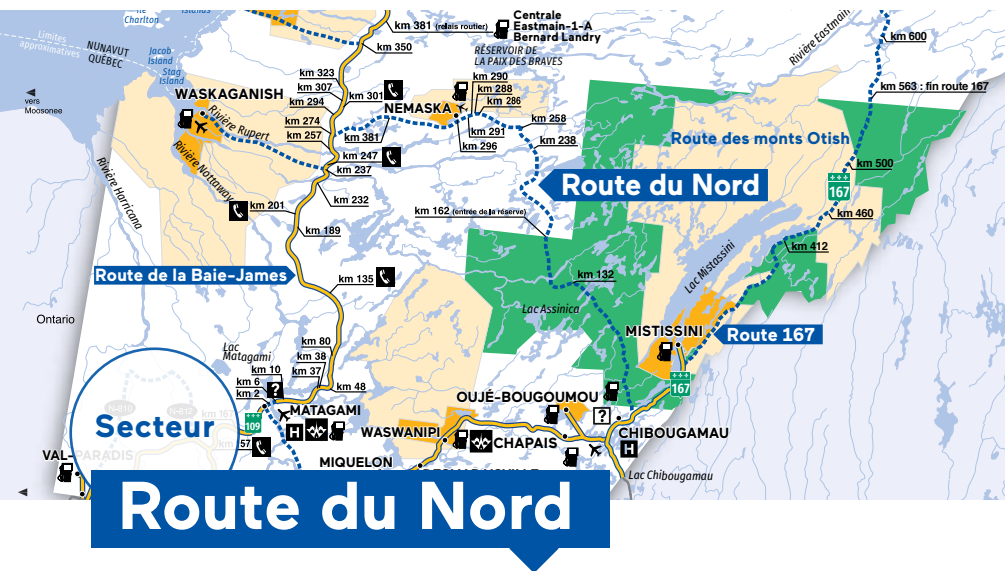


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407 km of gravel road which makes it possible, from Chibougamau, to reach the Route de la Baie-James and the coastal Cree Communities as well as Radisson.

Refueling!

At the Némiscau Substation (km 290 on La Route du Nord)
819 672-2548. Gas station and restaurant.
Make sure to check the opening hours.

KM 298: Nemaska (10 km)
Gas station and convenience store 819 673-2559, open 7/7
Direct payment, Visa and Master Card credit cards accepted.
Restaurant at Nemaska Lodge (819 673-2615).
Make sure to check the opening hours.

Route 167 – Km 252 : Route du Nord (km 0)

As you turn left to go on the Route du Nord, you are entering the territories of the Albanel-Mistassini and Waconichi and the Assinica Wildlife Reserves

KM 4: Waconichi chalets

Access way to the chalets of the Lac Waconichi managed by the Nibiischi Corporation.

KM 31: Baie Pénicouane (8 km)

At 8 km from the intersection, you will find the camping site of the Baie Pénicouane, an extension of the Lac Mistassini. A camping ground and a boat launch managed by the Nibiischi Corporation.

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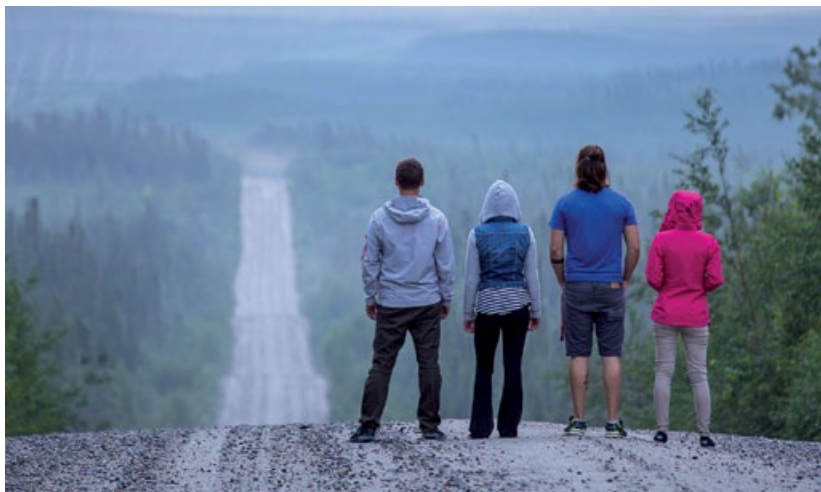
KM 39: Assinica Wildlife Reserve

You are now entering the Assinica Wildlife Reserve. The word comes from the Cree Asinikaw, which means "filled with stones".

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KM 43: Attention! Fork ahoy!

Take a left toward Némiscau substation (242 km).

**KM 62: Rivière Brock****KM 66: Lac Samuel-Bédard****KM 98: Lac Regneault****KM 131: Rivière Broadback**

If you stop near the bridge; you can see a small road on the left leading to the riverbank. This is one of the major rivers flowing into James Bay.



Cree Memorial Monument

KM 132: Chéniapiscau rest area

Toilets.

KM 162: End of the Assinica Wildlife Reserve**KM 221: Lac Mesgouez**

This lake is a vast enlargement of the Rupert, a river which flows into the James Bay thru the Baie Rupert. It is 50 km long, 4 km wide, and has a surface area of 132 km². Toilets.

KM 234: Cree Memorial Monument (9 km)

Designed by Cree artist Tim Whiskeychan, this sculpture stands on a hill overlooking the Rupert Dam and reservoir. In the words of local tallyman, Walter Jolly, "from here, you can see the whole story." The monument commemorates those buried under the reservoir. It also honours the Eeyou – Eenu people who have inhabited this land for millennia, the animals who helped them flourish and the river which was their home and highway.

KM 238: Rivière Rupert rest area

The Rivière Rupert is fed by Lac Mistassini and Lac Albanel and their tributaries. Toilets.

KM 241: Rivière Bras de Rupert

KM 258: Albabel Substation

Turn left to reach Némiscau substation and the Cree Community of Nemaska.

KM 286: Collines Lescar rest area

Scenic lookout with a great view of the valley and Némiscau substation. Toilets

KM 288: Hydro-Québec's Némiscau Transformer Substation

KM 290: Poste Némiscau

KM 291: Access Road to Poste Némiscau

It is also here that is found the road leading to the hydroelectric development site of Eastmain-1, the renamed Bernard-Landry power plant, at approximately 70 km. The site is not open to the public. .

KM 296: Némiscau Airport

KM 298: Access Road to the Cree Community of Nemaska (10 km)

You will be in category II land once you have driven 2 km past the intersection, which means that hunting and fishing are prohibited without a pass from a Cree Outfitter.

Nemaska ᓂᓴᓂ

Population 731

Nemaska Cree Community

819 673-2512 – nemaska.com
Tourism officer: Joshua Iserhoff

Nemaska means "where there is plentiful fish."

The Cree Nation of Nemaska is the capital of the Cree Nation of Eeyou Istchee; is the home of the Grand Council of Crees of Eeyou Istchee and the Cree Nation Government.

The original homeland of Nemaska was on the shores of Lac Némaska of Rivière Rupert and due to historic changes in the Cree Nation from the signing of the James Bay and Northern Québec Agreement, the community is now located on Lac Champion.

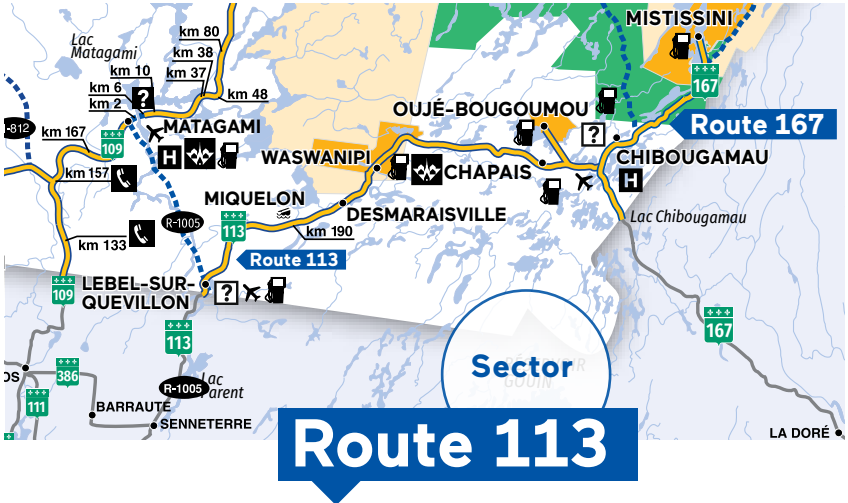
KM 381: Lac Boisrobert

Toilets.

KM 407: End of the Route du Nord

You have reached the Route de la Baie-James at KM 274.





Oujé-Bougoumou, Chapais, Waswanipi, Desmaraisville, Lebel-sur-Quévillon

The junction with Route 113 is located on Route 167 northbound (from La Doré) at KM 220. This road goes through the Cree community of Oujé-Bougoumou (25 km from Route 113), Chapais, the Cree community of Waswanipi and Desmaraisville.

Near Lebel-sur-Quévillon, a forest road (R-1005) takes you to KM 6 from Route de la Baie-James and to Matagami. Route R-1005 is 106 kilometres long, including 88 kilometres of gravel road.



KM 367: Route 167 and Route 113 (junction)**KM 365: Baie Demers****KM 364: Lac David****KM 361: Rivière Chibougamau****KM 360: Chibougamau Airport**

(2.5 km from the road)

KM 359: Lac Buckell**KM 358: Lac Dulieux**

Gîte de la Rivière (Bed & Breakfast)

KM 349: Lac Scott**KM 347: Oujé-Bougoumou Cree Community**

(26 km from the road)

Oujé-Bougoumou ▷◁▷◁

Population 750

Oujé-Bougoumou Cree Community418 745-3911 – ouje.ca

Tourism officer: Ron Simard

Oujé-Bougoumou means "the place where people gather."

The community is located on the shores of Lac Opémiska and has a long history but the village itself is relatively new. Over a period of 50 years, residents were forced to relocate seven times to make room for mining activities. In 1995, on the occasion of the United Nations' 50th anniversary, Oujé-Bougoumou was awarded a prize designed to recognize 50 communities from around the world that embody the values and goals of the U.N.

You are invited to acquaint yourself with the Cree Nation's history and be inspired with their lifestyle. Oujé-Bougoumou is proud to be hosting visitors from all around the world.

Aanischaaukamik Cree Cultural Institute p. 85**Auberge Capissit Lodge** p. 114**Cultural village and guided tours****KM 344: Lac Laura****KM 340: Rivière Chibougamau****KM 335: Town of Chapais**

Chapais



Population 1690

Town of Chapais418 745-2511 – villedechapais.com

The town of Chapais is surrounded by forests and lakes and provides access to a huge territory where visitors can pursue outdoor activities year-round.

If you like to hunt partridge or big game, if you dream of travelling to a hidden-away spot for great sport-fishing or want to go snowmobiling on a regulated trail network or hiking or biking in splendid natural surroundings, Chapais is sure to deliver an unforgettable experience.

In town, you can enjoy a picnic at Parc de la Chute and play with the kids at the inter-generational park. Also, be sure to visit the outdoor mini mining museum located at the town's eastern gateway.



Campbell Trail



Lac Campbell and Mont Springer Trail

The Lac Campbell Trail, which begins at the eastern gateway to the city, is a must for all hiking enthusiasts. Interpretation panels on the area’s wildlife and vegetation and lookouts can be found along this nature trail that leads to the summit of Mont Springer.

Commemorative Park for the Fire of 1980

At the western end of boulevard Springer, a commemorative park was built in the very spot where 48 people from Chapais died in a fire during the New Year’s Eve celebrations of 1980. Some 500 metres west of this location, a memorial was erected in the Catholic cemetery as a tribute to the victims. The monument is lit at night as a sign of eternal remembrance.

Native cemetery

Next to the Catholic cemetery, there is a Cree Nation cemetery. It is located in a pinewood forest and was designed in accordance with Cree traditions.

Chapais

Naturally Grandiose

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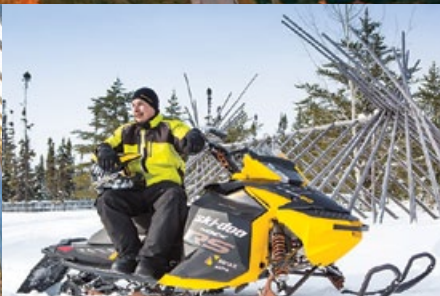
TOURISM

The Cree community of Ouje-Bougoumou invites you to discover the Cree millennial culture with its world-class museum and its community recognized by the United Nations for its unique architecture.

Discover, with multiple outdoor activities our great nature in company of your aboriginal hosts.

*See our 5 hours, 1 or 2 nights' packages
in summer, autumn and winter*

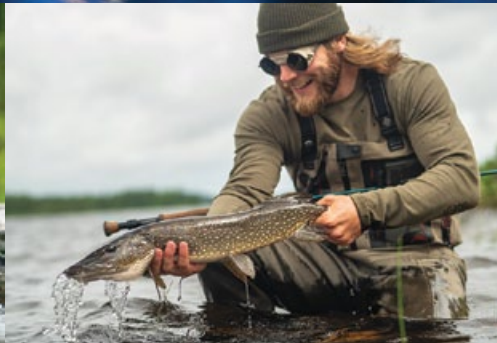
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[KM 326: Camping and Lac Opémiska](#) p.115

[KM 242: Waswanipi Cree Community](#)

Waswanipi

Population 2080

Waswanipi Cree Community

819 753-2587 – waswanipi.com

Tourism officer: Irene Otter

Its name means "light on the water," a reference to the traditional use of lanterns or torches to lure fish.

Waswanipi is the most southerly of the Cree communities. The community of Waswanipi offers all of the essential services needed for enjoyable day-long visits, and can help you plan your activities. Visitors will be enchanted with this cultural destination, where many people was trilingual – they speak English, French, and, of course, Cree!

Miquelon and Desmaraisville

The hamlet of Miquelon lies along Rivière O'Sullivan, which connects lacs Waswanipi and Pusticamica. The town was named in honour of Jacques Miquelon, Québec minister for lands and forests in 1960.

A small town, Desmaraisville, was established next to the Canadian National rail line; it was named in honour of Monsignor Aldée Desmarais, former bishop of the Diocese of Amos.

Lebel-sur-Quévillon

Population 2191



Town of Lebel-sur-Quévillon

819 755-4826 – lsq.quebec

The city of Lebel-sur-Quévillon is centrally located in the Baie-James region in an enchanting setting by Lac Quévillon. It's a surprising place to get to know as much for its hunting and fishing as for its hiking trails and 26 kilometres of bike paths. It's truly a perfect setting for people who love the great outdoors and wide-open spaces. Come to Lebel-sur-Quévillon and enjoy an urban experience in unspoiled natural surroundings.



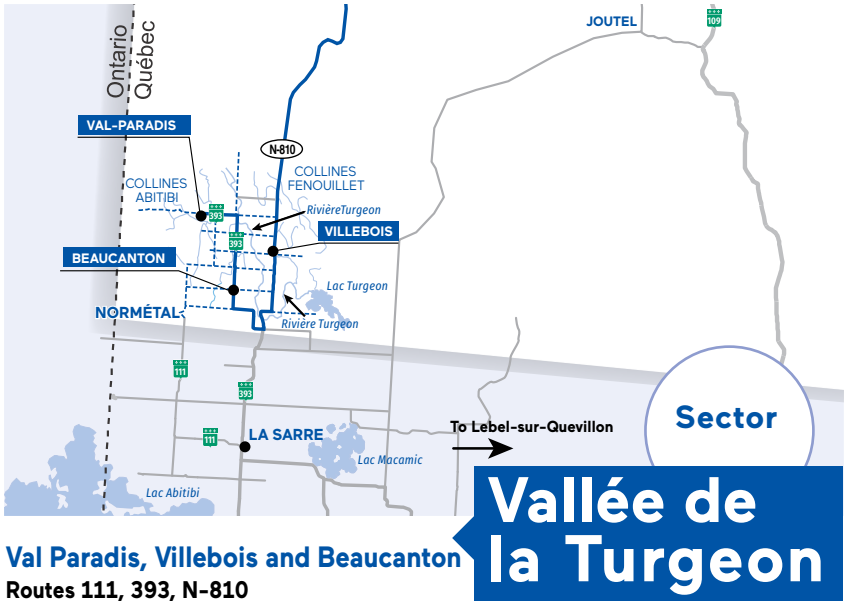
Lebel-sur-Quévillon

Le cœur de la Jamésie

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www.lsq.quebec



Val Paradis, Villebois and Beaucanton

Routes 111, 393, N-810

Route des conquérants

The Vallée de la Turgeon is located 25 km north of the 49th parallel, bounded to the west by the Abitibi Hills and to the east by the Fenouillet Hills where the Mont Fenouillet horse-riding camp can be found.



Val-Paradis

Population 155

Locality of Val-Paradis

819 941-4441 – valcanton.ca

Founded in 1952, the settlement of Val-Paradis colonized and the land cleared by people who had lost their livelihoods in the 1929 economic crisis. Since there were no roads, the first settlers arrived by barge on the Rivière Turgeon.

Val-Paradis and Beaucanton amalgamated in 2001 to become Valcanton.

An audio tour (in French) titled « Une balade en auto avec Raoul Duguay »

819 941-4441

Find out about the history of the settlement through testimonials from the past.

For sale in the locality and at the Dépanneur G. Bergeron convenience store in Val-Paradis (\$10).

Church

The church of Val-Paradis was erected and inaugurated in 1986, with a chapel dedicated to St. Benoît Labrie.

Vestiges d'autrefois Museum

M. Alfred Fortin – 819 941-4481



Porte de la Baie-James of Villebois

Beaucanton

Population 152

Locality of Beaucanton

819 941-4441 – valcanton.ca

The Beaucanton Community was founded in 1935 and built by settlers from the southern parts of the province of Québec in the hope of a better life. This locality is notorious for its many covered bridges.

Val-Paradis and Beaucanton amalgamated in 2001 to become Valcanton.

Lac Pajegasque Campground

campingpajegasque.com

The camping ground is located on the shores of a lake that features a sandy beach. People say it's the most beautiful beach in the region. [p.116](#)

Covered bridges Site

tourismeturgeon.com

Getting there:

Pont des Souvenirs: as you arrive in Beaucanton (rang 2 and 3) turn right.

Pont Maurice-Duplessis: from Beaucanton, drive northward and at the first crossroad (rang 4 and 5) turn right.

Pont Taschereau : from Beaucanton, drive northward and at the third road (rang 8 and 9) turn right.

Pont Pionniers: from Beaucanton, drive northward and at the third crossroad (rang 8 and 9) turn right.

Church

The church of Beaucanton is made of fieldstones in the Dom Bellot structural style and was built between 1940 and 1948.



Covered bridge Maurice-Duplessis

Villebois

Population 157

Locality of Villebois

819 941-4441 – villebois.qc.ca

The community of Villebois is located at the south-west door of the territory, at the limits of the 49th parallel. The agricultural and forestry resources attracted the first settlers in 1935. On board La Rosanna, a type of boat called a barge, they crossed the Rivière Turgeon to go clear the forestland in that part of the country. A replica of "La Rosanna" is found as you enter the community. Villebois is the homeland of the renowned nurse Blanche Pronovost (Caleb's daughters).

Porte de la Baie-James

The gateway to Baie-James is also where the Route des Conquérants starts. As late as the 1960s, there was still no road leading into the region. It was at this time that an organization consisting of business people from La Sarre and Villebois wagered that the road to the region's economic development would start in their localities. It appeared to be a kind of race, since several localities were also wishing that the future route would go through their own towns. To make it there, as you arrive in Villebois, keep straight in a northerly direction.

Festival du cheval de la Baie-James

As part of this festival, campers and horses share the same grounds at the Camping équestre du mont Fenouillet. [p.77](#)

The region of the Vallée de la Turgeon stands out with its natural heritage where one can practice many outdoors activities both in winter and summer.

tourismeturgeon.com

Interpretive trails and nautical audio tour at the Lac Imbeau forest

tourismeturgeon.com

Explore geological formations and a former slash-and-burn agricultural site. [p.89](#)

Canoe tours at Lac Turgeon and Rivière Turgeon.

tourismeturgeon.com

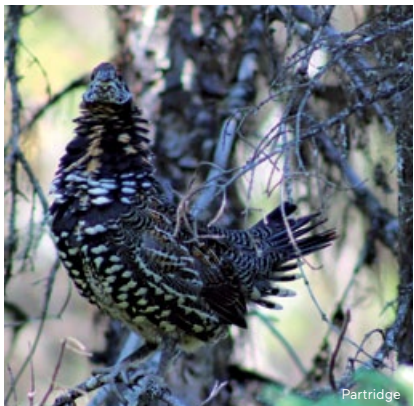
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Covered bridge Taschereau



Kayaking on Lac Imbeau



Partridge





Fort George Island / © Annie-Claude Roberge

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Travel by Experience



Vibrant Cities and Festivities

Here is an opportunity to meet the people who live in the magnificent region of Eeyou Istchee Baie-James. There are multiple arts, cultural, and sport events for you to choose from. The Cree are a welcoming people who gladly share the many activities and events held in their communities.



Festival en août

Before travelling, if needed, please see the calendar of activities on our website to know the dates.

Events

April 17 to 19, 2020

40th Interregional Bowling Tournament Invitation

Chibougamau

418 748-7286 – 418 770-1897
eric.loiselle78@gmail.com –

This major competition attracts more than 300 men and women representing various cities in Québec. Total prize money exceeds \$25,000.

May 15, 2020

Music Festival La Débâcle musicale de Chibougamau

Chibougamau

418 770-4917 – ladebacle.org –

A festival of musical discoveries. Three professional music bands take to the stage one after the other at various indoor venues in the centre of Chibougamau.

June 21, 2020

National Aboriginal Day

Chibougamau

418 748-7667 – eenoukamikw.ca –

The day begins with the Walking Out Ceremony; games, talent shows, and arts and crafts. A feast is held, and everyone is invited.



Bowling Tournament Invitation

June 2020

Waswanipi Day

Cree Community of Waswanipi

819 753-2550 –

Come join the fun. Games for everyone. There is also a talent show and music performances along with many food vendors and traditional crafts made by local people.

June 25 to July 4, 2020

James Bay Walleye Festival

Chapais

1 877 846-2020 – festivaldudore.com –

The largest walleye-fishing tournament in Quebec! Nearly \$150,000 in prizes and grants. In addition to fishing, the Festival provides 10 days of activities for all visitors, young and old, along with many shows.

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Mistassini Pow-wow



Mistassini Pow-wow

Eastmain
819 977-0211

Chisasibi
819 855-2878

Wemindji
819 978-7144
819 978-3737

Mistissini
August 21
to 23, 2020
418 923-3466
418 923-3115

Waskaganish
819 895-8650
819 895-8901

June 2020

Nemaska's Fishing Derby

Cree Community of Nemaska

819 673-2244

Passionate anglers, both professional and amateur, are invited to this event held in the majestic setting of Lac Champion.

July 2020

Annual Gathering Nemaska

Cree Community of Nemaska

819 673-2244

Annual gathering at the Old Nemaska post, the original settlement of the Nemaska Ee'nouch. All are welcome.

July 2020

Mamoweewodow

819 855-2878

Cree Community of Chisasibi

A cultural festival held on Fort George Island, the original site of the community. The program includes several traditional activities and performances in celebration to the culture and the history.

Winter or summer, Cree or Jamesian events are lively and thrilling!



James Bay Walleye Festival

July 2020

Festival nautique

Lebel-sur-Quévillon

819 755-4826 – lsq.quebec

Beach volleyball tournament, fishing tournament, various activities.

End of July, 2020

Cree Nation Fitness Challenge Nemaska

Cree Community of Nemaska

819 673-2244

Come and cheer Nemaska's competitors as they compete in various races in cycling, running, swimming, canoeing and portaging.

July 10 to 12, 2020

Mistissini's Fishing Derby

Cree Community of Mistissini

418 923-3461

Passionate anglers, both professional and amateur, are invited to this event held in the majestic setting of Lac Mistassini.

July 18 and 19, 2020

Cree Nation Fitness Challenge Mistissini

Cree Community of Mistissini

418 923-3461

Two full days in Mistissini, various fitness challenges of running, biking, swimming and portaging.

Before travelling, if needed, please see the calendar of activities on our website to know the dates.



July, 2020

Circuit SXQC Motocross

Chibougamau

418 770-7750 – clubmxchiboum@outlook.com –

Club MX Chibougamau welcomes the SXQC tour – a motocross tour on a supercross track. The track includes highly technical jumps and bumps and sequences. The tour is made up mainly of professional athletes from Quebec, elsewhere in Canada, the United States, Sweden, and other countries.

July, 2020

Chiwetawu

Cree Community of Waswanipi

819 753-2550

The festivities surrounding this event bring together the local population at the former site of the Community and include traditional activities, square dancing, music, camp-outs, and a feast.

End of July, 2020

Wemindji Old Factory Bay

Cree Community of Wemindji

819 978-3030, poste 1200

Settlement originally known as Old Factory Bay, located 45 km south of Wemindji. In the Cree language, it is called Paakumshumwashtikw, a reference to Old Factory Bay, which used to be called "New Post."

July 30 to August 2, 2020

Festival en août

Chibougamau

418 748-2688, poste 2252
ville.chibougamau.qc.ca –

The Festival, held in August in downtown Chibougamau, features four days of entertainment for the entire family, and good times with friends.



Festival en août

September 2020

Festival du cheval de la Baie-James

Villebois

819 333-2560

You are invited to participate in beautiful hikes, a dinner in the forest, games and rides and sleigh rides. Bar and restaurant services. Music in the evening.

November 28 and 29, 2020

Le Salon des Arts en Nord

Chibougamau

418 748-4682 – 

You are invited to discover and meet artists and artisans who showcase their works, which make great gifts for yourself or your loved ones.



Festival du cheval Baie-James



Le Salon des Arts en Nord

January 2021

Super rallye Minounes

Chibougamau

418 748-3065 – 418 770-7890


motoneigechibougamau.ca

This day for a vintage snowmobiles rally will be ending with a prize-giving evening.

February 2021

Défi polaire Baie-James

Chapais

418 770-1939 – 

A vintage and modern snowmobile ride of approximately 60 kilometers is capped-off with dinner and entertainment.

March 2021

CVM Tour

Chibougamau

418 770-7750 – clubmxchiboum@outlook.com

Chibougamau hosts the most spectacular stage of the CVM tour, an event in which amateur ARV, snowmobiling, and motocross athletes compete in a national-class ice oval. Three categories per class: youth, intermediary, and professional.



February 2021

Festival Folifrets Baie-James

Chibougamau

418 770-8176 – festivalfolifrets.com

Take part in an excursion featuring vintage snowmobiles, in the cross-country event and in family activities. Some 345 km of adrenaline through the boreal forest and \$50 000 in prizes and grants.

March 2021

Carnaval d'hiver de Beaucanton

Valcanton

819 941-2101

Snowmobile rally, crowning of the queen, various games, music, and activities.

March 2021

Festilotte en lumière

Chibougamau

418 748-4441 – faunenord.org

Ice-fishing festival that is free of charge and environmentally friendly. This is an event that showcases cooperation, learning, respect for the environment, the sustainable use of resources, and family activities.

A promotional banner for the Festival Folifrets Baie-James. On the left, a vertical text reads "55TH EDITION". Below it, "WINTER 2021" is written. The central logo features a snowman character holding a snowflake, with the text "FESTIVAL FOLIFRETS BAIE-JAMES" and a silhouette of a snowmobiler. On the right, a large crowd of people in winter gear is shown, with a blue circular callout that says "MORE THAN \$50 000 IN PRIZES AND GRANTS". At the bottom right, the website "www.FESTIVALFOLIFRETS.com" is displayed.

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Culture and Living History



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Artists and artisans from the Cree and Jamesian communities draw inspiration from their vast and breathtakingly beautiful region. They come from everywhere in the region. Take the time to meet with them, and let their imagination and know-how work their magic on you. Explore and discover surprising, original, and one-of-a-kind works of art. Among other creations, discover traditional handmade larch decoys, a true Cree icon and art object.



Tim Whiskeychan



Johanne T. Godin

**Art is still alive
and well between
the 49th and the
55th parallels**



Harold Bosum

Artisans's Associations

Chibougamau

Les Arts en Nord

418 748-4682

Les Arts en Nord: 50 artists and artisans from Chapais, Chibougamau, and Mistissini offer a wide variety of products that are functional or decorative. These products are made from wood, textiles, metal or glass. Other products include paintings, drawings, and texts and songs. This group of artists and artisans contributes to cultural life in the region and organizes a crafts fair every year. Looking for something original for a special occasion? Give them a call!



Karen Belleau

Oujé-Bougoumou ᐅᓴᓄᓂ

The Cree Native Arts and Crafts Association

418 745-2444 – cnaca.ca

Membership-driven organization open to all people practising or interested in the arts in Eeyou/Eenou Istchee. The people of Eeyou/Eenou Istchee have a special relationship to the land, which we call "sacred." Our sacred relationship with the land is at the core and at the heart of who we are as a nation. The arts and crafts we produce today is a reflection of Cree culture.



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OUR MISSION

To diversify and grow a sustainable arts and crafts culture economy in Eeyou Istchee involving partnership among Cree artists, artisans and Cree entities that will protect, preserve, promote and enhance the heritage of the Eeyou Nation while both encouraging contemporary means of expression and maintain Cree culture, Cree values, Cree traditions and Cree skills.

CNACA'S PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- Gateway information centre
- Grant programs
- Training and education program
- Arts promotion program
- Community arts and marketing program

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Arts and crafts

Workshop visit

▶ **Jocelyne Grondin**
Arts et Vitrail

SOME
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OFFER CREATION
WORKSHOPS;
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▶ **Harold Bosum** ◀
Traditional
artisan

▶ **Anne-Marie Allard**
Artist-painter

▶ **Charles Chabot** ◀
Artisan sculptor

▶ **Alain Lortie**
Sculptures and installations

▶ **Stéphanie Thompson** ◀
Professional painter

Chapais

Jocelyne Grondin, Arts et Vitrail

418 745-2404 – artsvitrail.com

A lover of glass and words, she creates messages in glassware that speak of love and happiness. Hers are thoughtful creations that combine colour and light. Perfect for occasions when only a handmade gift will do.

Chibougamau

Anne-Marie Allard, painter

424, rue Bordeleau
418 748-4682 – amallard.artacademie.com

Her works (acrylic and watercolour) evoke light, water, and the vastness of northern lands. Her work is available for purchase to all visitors at her studio.

Pierre Bureau, pastellist

418 748-4642 – pierrebureau.com

Pastellist for 41 years, he explores the beauty of sunlight filtered through cloud, the northern lights, nebulae and imaginary worlds.

Maxime Charron, photographer

418 770-5812 – maxphotochib.weebly.com

A passionate events photographer who specializes in festivals and shows. Thanks to his photos, you can relive and share unforgettable moments.

Emmanuelle Gendron, artist-educator

418 905-3055 – emmanuellegendron@gmail.com

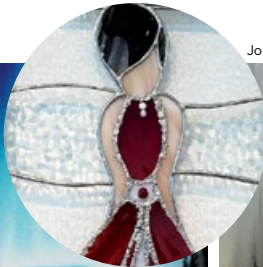
Prior to her creations, Emmanuelle uses a camera to capture the ambiance of the Canadian boreal forest. On canvas, Gendron reproduces the atmospheric variations seen and interpreted in her photographic clichés.

Isabelle Leroux, abstract acrylic painting

418 518-0510 – 418 748-2077
leroux_isabelle@hotmail.com



Pierre Bureau



Jocelyne Grondin



Emmanuelle Gendron



Tonne de vie, Alain Lortie



Nellie Wapachee



Anne-Marie Allard

Johanne T. Godin, handmade quilts

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A passionate artisan who will surprise you with her fabrics, textures, and bold creations and show you how to recognize the art of hand-stitching.

Guy Lalancette, writer

418 748-4682
litterature.org/recherche/ecrivains/lalancette-guy-990/

His 6 novels, published by VLB Éditeur, have won prizes or were finalists for 4 major national and international awards. Available for sale at Librairie Ungava in Chibougamau.

Charles Chabot, L'Or de Chez-Nous

23, 3^e avenue – 418 748-3558

This artisan creates works of art with minerals found in the region, including pyrite, garnet, sulphides, and gold. His creations are available at the Tabagie Merrill shop and at his home.

Jasmine Gagné, artisan, Nature boréale

418 770-7949 – natureboreale.com

Completely natural beauty products (face and body) are made and sold here, featuring natural resources found in the boreal forest. Online boutique.

Alain Lortie, sculptures and installations

418 770-1454 – alainlortie.art

His work illustrates reflexions on the meaning of life, giving shape to invisible thoughts that hinder, haunt or inspire us to press ahead.

Eastmain ᐃᓴᑲᐱᐅ

Duane Shanush, sculptor

819 977-5309

Thanks to his unique talent, he has been able to master the subtle art of sculpting moose antlers. In addition, he can combine traditional processes and contemporary art practices to create highly polished works of art that have earned him much admiration. He also devoted his time to knife-crafting and stone-carving.

Matagami

Stéfanie Thompson, professional painter

66, chemin de la baie Dunlop
819 638-9264 – stefaniethompsonpeintre.com

Professional painter and resident of Matagami, Stéfanie Thompson is known for the flamboyant and unique style of her creations inspired by the North.

Mistissini ᑲᓴᑲᐱᐅ

Angela Moar, traditional artisan

819 748-5106 – angelamoar@hotmail.com

Angela carries on the traditional art of making moccasins, mittens and slippers from moose hide. She also creates traditional clothing for the Walking Out ceremony.



Deborah Ratt



Tamarack Decoys, Harold Bosum

Nellie Wapachee, embroidery

581 579-0101 – nelliewgray@gmail.ca

Nellie puts in practice her mother's teachings to create mittens, gloves, moccasins, and slippers, either beaded or embroidered, made from moose hide. She also creates traditional clothing for the Walking Out ceremony.

Ruby Moar, traditional artisan

819 527-7016

Artisan who makes, among other creations, moose hide bags. She also creates traditional clothing for the Walking Out ceremony.

Nemaska ᐅᐅᐅᐅ

Yvonne Neeposh, embroidery

819 673-2112

This dynamic artisan, whose career spans five decades, continues to produce articles made from embroidered moose hide, including vests, mittens, mukluks, and slippers.

Ouje-Bougoumou ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ

Harold Bosum, traditional artisan

418 770-6075 – h31bosum@hotmail.com

Harold Bosum is a Cree artist from Oujë-Bougoumou. He specializes in making tamarack goose decoys and miniature birch bark canoes.

Waskaganish ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ

Tim Whiskeychan, professional painter

819 354-1846 – tcwhis_1268@hotmail.com

Tim Whiskeychan is a Cree artist with 25 years of experience whose work is widely reproduced and exhibited. He produces concepts for murals, monuments and other important projects. He also designed the Royal Canadian Mint's five-dollar coin.

Waswanipi ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ

Deborah Ratt, traditional Beadweaver

514 910-5955 – creations.jewels@gmail.com

Deborah has mastered the art of beading both in the contemporary and the Native traditional sense. She showcases her creations at many exhibitions and events across Quebec.

Whapmagoostui ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ

Natasia Mukash, artist-painter

819 929-3088 – society6.com/natasiemukash

Natasia is a visual and digital artist as well as a painter. She draws her inspiration from her community and her culture.

Saige Mukash, ink work

819 929-3088 – society6.com/saigemukash

This artisan draws her inspiration from her culture, dreams, and Cree legends. She works in various media but mainly photography, ink, and bead-weaving.

Chisasibi ᐱᓴᓯᓴ**Chisasibi Cultural and Heritage Centre**

2, Fort George Road
819 855-3311

The boutique sells all sorts of art and craft objects that are hand-made by some of the Cree people in the community.

Museums**Chisasibi** ᐱᓴᓯᓴ**Chisasibi Cultural and Heritage Centre**

2, Fort George Road
819 855-3311

Chisasibi Cultural and Heritage Centre is a place of cultural renewal, honouring ancestral values through Aayaanischaa representing cycles of reciprocal learning, knowledge, and connecting generations-past, present and future.

We celebrate our living culture, share our heritage through exhibitions, storytelling, song, language, and traditional activities. Enjoy the artistic craftsmanship at our gift shop and hear “our story” as the People of the Great River!

Hours: Monday to Friday from 9 a.m to 5 p.m (closed from noon to 1 p.m.).

Oujé-Bougoumou ᐅᓴᐅᓴ**Aanischaukamikw Cree Cultural Institute**

205, Opemiska Meskino
418 745-2444, poste 2002 – creeculturalinstitute.com

Aanischaukamikw flows from the knowledge that Cree culture must be celebrated, practised, and shared in keeping with the vision of our Cree Elders. It represents their commitment and past efforts to preserve Cree culture and language and how we understand our unique ancestral relationship to the land.

Aanischaukamikw is a museum, archival centre, library, teaching centre, and cultural centre, and a virtual hub designed for interactivity. It is also a public space of learning, experience and celebration of Cree culture. For schedule, consult the website.



Aanischaukamikw
Cree Cultural
Institute

We remember the traditions

Chisasibi Cultural and Heritage Centre



Great Outdoors

Generous nature,
vast territory

Mirage Adventures Outfitters

Nature Interpretation

Enjoy the experience of taking part in an activity in a teepee or enjoy a stay in a traditional accommodation such as an aschiukamikw. Go on an exploratory tour to learn about mushrooms as well as carnivorous and medicinal plants.

Eeyou Istchee Baie-James

FaunENord



Chibougamau
418 748-4441 – faunenord.org

FaunENord is a team of passionate individuals that provides nature interpretation services across the whole region. They will help you pick mushrooms in



Mushrooms

the wild, make your own Labrador teabags, explore the world of birds, discover carnivorous plants, and savour absolutely.



Bear

Réseau d'observation de la biodiversité du Nord-du-Québec

Eeyou Istchee Baie-James
418 748-4441 – faunenord.org

Le Réseau d'observation de la biodiversité Nord-du-Québec is northern Québec's biodiversity watch network and an absolute must for anyone interested in exploring wildlife and vegetation in Eeyou Istchee Baie-James.

This varied network is a gateway to the region's amazing biodiversity and its mixing of two cultures. Each Cree and Baie-James community provides access to sites and trails that showcase specific natural features, cultural traits, and interesting historical events. The network's information brochure is available on the website.



Boat Excursions

Wemindji

Cree community of Wemindji



Wemindji Tourism
819 978-3030, poste 1200
Reservation 418 745-3888 – 1 855 745-3888
reservations@voyagekseibj.com

Head out on a boat excursion along the shores of James Bay. An experienced guide will lead you to Paint Hill or Walrus Island. We also invite you to take advantage of the hiking trails and enjoy the stunning diversity of flora and fauna. Come and explore traditional Cree summer camps and learn about the history of Wemindji.

Waskaganish and Wemindji

Wiinipaakw Tours Solidarity Cooperative

Wiinipaakw Tours Solidarity Coop is the first tourism cooperative to be established in Eeyou Istchee. Its mission is to develop sustainable coastal tourism in the region in accordance with Cree culture and values and in harmony with nature. The Coop's flagship products are wildlife and nature-watching and exploration of the Cree's vibrant culture and way of life.

Wiinipaakw Tours offers boat tours: come and watch wildlife (polar bear, seal, caribou and beluga) and visit sites of historical and cultural interest.



Excursions in the forest

Matagami

Les Écogîtes du lac Matagami



10, chemin de la baie Anita
KM 27, Route de la Baie-James (8 km)
819 739-8231 – ecogiteslacmatagami.ca

Come and experience life the Nordic way. Take part in seasonal traditional activities. Discover the richness of the land in the North thanks to a trek in the woods. Learn to pick wild mushrooms. Take part in survival workshops in the forest and join a Matsutake treasure hunt.

Radisson

Animal Paquin enr.

514 891-4648 – animalpaquin.info

A tailor-made trip for photographers to observe the wolves, caribou, birds and nature. An expedition to explore and soak up the great outdoors on land or on the water. Like a dream come true, watch the entrancing dance of the northern lights under a canopy of stardust. Our activities are offered in all seasons. Come discover life with us deep in the woods.

Aboriginal Experiences

Oujé-Bougoumou

Nuuhchimi Wiinuu

Information: 418 770-4144

Reservation: Voyages Eeyou Istchee Baie-James Travel
418 745-3888 – 1 855 745-3888

voyageseibj.com

Nuuhchimi Wiinuu is a Cree natural camp based in Oujé-Bougoumou. The Cree community is located near Chapais and Chibougamou with a population of approximately 900 people. It represents also an ecotourism site on the shore of Lac Scott. The owners, Anna and David are the elders of the community and are happy to welcome you for a total immersion of Cree culture and a magical experience as you live among the Cree in Eeyou Istchee Baie-James, all four seasons.



Wemindji

Guided tour of the Community of Wemindji

Information: 819 978-3030, ext. 1200

Reservation: Voyages Eeyou Istchee Baie-James Travel
418 745-3888 – 1 855 745-3888

voyageseibj.com

Reception following by an excursion within the Cree Nation of Wemindji with a Cree guide. You will learn all about the origins of Wemindji and visit the buildings that house, respectively, the community's band council and the Cree Trappers Association. Length of the tour: 3 hours.

Equipment rental

Chibougamau

Centre de villégiature Marina Chibougamau

7, chemin du lac Chibougamau Sud

418 748-2720 – marinachibougamau.com

Canoe, kayak, board paddle, pedal boat and motor boat rental.

Municipal beach

418 748-2688, poste 2235 – ville.chibougamau.qc.ca

Canoes and kayaks rentals.

Matagami

Centre de la vie active

100, place du Commerce

819 739-4566 – matagami.com

Equipment rental available: bikes (road and mountain), canoes, kayaks, winter sports equipment (skis, snowshoes, boots), golf equipment, tennis racket. Opening hours: visit the website.

Lebel-sur-Quévillon

Municipal campground

819 755-4825, poste 226, off season: ext 22

819 739-4566 – lsq.quebec

Nautical equipment and boat rental.

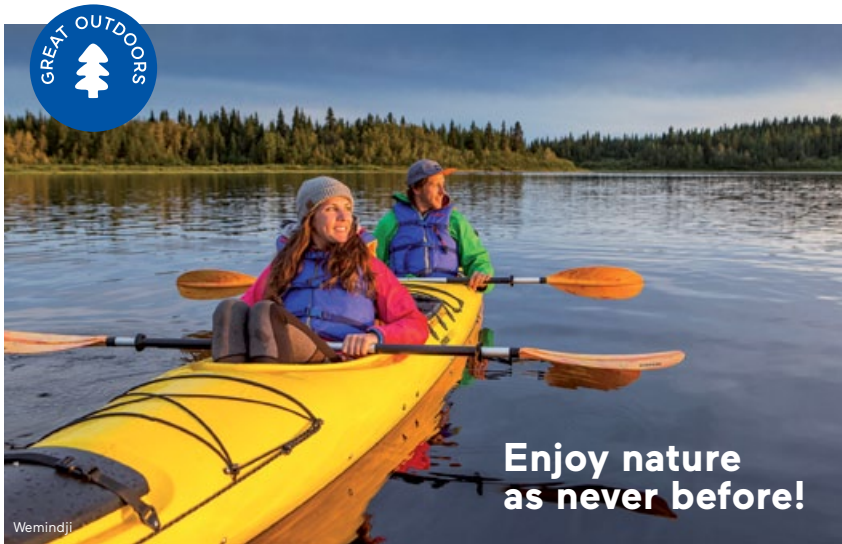
Wemindji

Cree Community of Wemindji

Reservation: 418 745-3888 – 1 855 745-3888

reservations@voyageseibj.com

Daily rentals of canoes and kayaks for excursions without a guide on the tranquil Rivière Maquata.



Water activities

Vallée de la Turgeon

Lac Imbeau audio-interpretive circuit

Valcanton – 819 941-4441 – tourismeturgeon.com

Using a virtual guide, come browse the interpretative water circuit. The circuit lasts 1 hour and 30 minutes and includes 12 audio information capsules. Digital players are available for rental at the Lac Pajegasque camping grounds.

Canoe-access course in the Vallée de la Turgeon

Villebois – 819 941-4441 – tourismeturgeon.com

Vallée de la Turgeon offers numerous canoe and kayak courses that also provide visitors with a glimpse into Baie-James's history and natural treasures.

The Lac Turgeon Tour

23 km, 1-2 days, easy

A magnificent lake in the boreal forest with a wealth of stunning natural sites. Enjoy a rest on one of the many islands among ancient cedar trees several hundred years old.

The Pioneers Circuit

25 km, 1-2 days, easy

Walk in the footsteps of the first pioneers in Vallée de la Turgeon, who arrived in or around 1935. The tour takes you across a pastoral landscape featuring many vestiges of colonization, including four covered bridges.

The Rivières Turgeon and Boivin

74 km, 3-4 days, easy to moderate

The circuit includes several rapids with convenient portage sites as well as camping grounds. It also offers safe and easy access for rowing and paddling enthusiasts who love variety.

Chibougamau

Canoe run on Lac Gilman

Audio Interpretation Tour "nature speaks"

418 748-2688 – ville.chibougamau.qc.ca




If you like canoeing or kayaking, you are invited to take part in an audio interpretation tour titled "Nature speaks" on a canoe. The tour is offered for all age groups.

To download the audio tape, visit the website of the city of Chibougamau in the section Loisir.



Public beaches

The quality of the water at these beaches is monitored by the Ministère de l'Environnement; some include lifeguards. All other locations provide access to the water without lifeguard services. Access is free of charge.


Beaucanton, Lac Pajegasque

Camping lac Pajegasque   
819 941-2666 (campground) – 819 941-2080 (off season)

Chapais, Lac Opémiska

Camping Opémiska  
418 745-3428



Chapais, Lac Cavan

Lac Cavan Municipal Beach 
418 745-2511



Chibougamau, Lac Gilman

Chibougamau Municipal Beach (lifeguard)   
418 748-2688, poste 2235

Label-sur-Quévillon, Lac Quévillon

Label-sur-Quévillon Municipal Beach (lifeguard)  
819 755-4826 poste 226 (campground)
poste 223 (off season)

Matagami, Lac Matagami

Camping du lac Matagami  
819 739-8383 (campground) – 819 739-2030 (off season)

Cycling

Several kilometres of bike paths are offered on the territory. See Hiking and Cycling.

Aerotourism

Radisson

Hélicoptères Canadiens

819 638-7904 – mcote@whapchiwem.com

High-class tourism (ex. flyover Robert-Bourassa Generating Facility LG-2). Helicopter transport, charter flights, medical evacuation service, mining exploration, recreational flyovers, specialized services, across Baie-James and elsewhere in Canada.

Golf

Chibougamau

Chibougamau-Chapais Golf Course

130, rue des Forces-Armées
418 748-4709 – golfchibougamau.com

Nine-hole, 36-par golf course. Length: 3391 yards
Restaurant, practice zone, equipment rental, golf carts.





Motorcycle Tourism

ATVs

Please note that you must be an ATV club member to use these trails.

Chapais

Club quad Les Lynx du Nord

418 770-7372 – leslynxdunord@hotmail.com

The ATV Club offers a total of 56 kilometres of trails at various locations: Chapais-Lac Cavan (7.6 km), Chapais-Opémiska (12.9 km), and Chapais-Pont Saint-Jean (35.44 km). The latter segment is part of the trail that connects Chapais and Chibougamau. A patrol team is available, upon reservation, for groups that require assistance and support.

Chibougamau

Club VTT de Chibougamau

418 770-3823

Vallée de la Turgeon

Club quad du Vrai Nord

819 841-2112 – jac.raytv@hotmail.com

In the Villebois and Valcanton region, 350 km of regulated trails. A picnic spot and camping grounds are accessible in the Lac Imbeau and Mont Fenouillet areas.

Motorcycle Tourism

quebecamoto.com

Live a unique experience as you travel along Route de la Baie-James or Route Transtaiga. Discover the various tours in the moto booklet.

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Family Activities

Chibougamau

Giant chess set

651, 3^e rue – 418 748-2225

Chess set with one-metre-high pine-shaped plastic pieces. Located on the mini-golf course; rental services available on site.

« Mini-golf à son meilleur »

651, 3^e rue – 418 748-2225

A renovated 18-hole course. Can be reserved for tournaments, children's parties, and other events. Open 7/7 from May to September. Refreshments offered onsite.

Planétarium Quasar

Bibliothèque de Chibougamau

601, 3^e rue


418 748-2688, poste 2323 – 418 748-4642

The Planétarium Quasar is a unique prototype created in 1996, to discover the constellations of our Northern sky. A real simulator of the starry sky! It proposes a new background with its shining stars and with a darker sky. Duration of the visit: approximately 60 or 90 minutes. Free admission.

Salle de quilles Bolorama Inc.

160, avenue Lafontaine

418 748-7286 – 418 770-1897

eric.loiselle@gmail.com – 

Eight lanes. Bowling balls and shoes available for rental. Reserve for children's parties, group events, and fundraising activities. Bar and reception room. Open 7/7.

Club de curling Opémiska

418 745-2511

curlingopemiska.ca

Entirely renovated in 2010, the Club de curling Opémiska enables now all payers, from beginners to professional, to benefit from modern curling rink and facilities. What a nice activity with family or friends to enjoy all year-round!



Wemindji

Hiking and Cycling

Come and discover a vast and surprising region

Some hiking trails are also used by cyclists.
Be sure to find out more.

Difficulty

● : Easy ■ : Intermediate ◆ : Difficult

N.B. Vigilance hunting season

Location

Route 113 Sector

Lac Cavan Trail

Chapais – 418 745-2511

Lac Campbell Trail

Chapais – 418 745-2511

Mont Springer Trail

Chapais – 418 745-2511

Multifunctional trails

Lebel-sur Quévillon – 819 755-4826

Trail			Services and activities
Length (km)	Difficulty	Access Period	
5	●	May to October	🚶🚲
4,8	● ■	Open year-round	🚶🚲🚴
10	● ■	Open year-round	🚶🚲🚴🚵
26	●	May to October	🚶🚲🚴



Mont Laurier

**Some hiking trails are also used by cyclists.
Be sure to find out more.**

Difficulty

● : Easy ■ : Intermediate ◆ : Difficult

N.B. Vigilance hunting season

Location**Route 167 Sector****KM 237 – Parc Obalski Trails**

Chibougamau – 418 748-4441 – ville.chibougamau.qc.ca
Repertory of outdoors maps available.

KM 223 – Sentier du bonheur

Chibougamau – 418 748-2935

Route de la Baie-James Sector**Recreational Area of Lac Matagami**

Matagami – 819 739-4566 – matagami.com

Bell-Nature Trails

Along Rivière Bell and rapids.

Matagami – 819 739-4566 – matagami.com

Route de la Baie-James, KM 232 Trail

Along Rivière Broadback

819 739-2030, poste 20300 – greibj-eijbrg.ca

Route de la Baie-James, KM 257 Trail

Along Rivière Rupert

819 739-2030, ext. 20300 – greibj-eijbrg.ca

Route de la Baie-James, KM 395 Trail

Leads to the Rivière Eastmain bridge.

819 739-2030, ext. 20300 – greibj-eijbrg.ca

Route de la Baie-James, KM 467 Trail

Halte Lac du Vieux comptoir (Rest Area)

819 739-2030, ext. 20300 – greibj-eijbrg.ca

Hudson Ecologic Trail

Radisson – 819 638-7777 – localiteradisson.com

Vallée de la Turgeon Sector**Trails near Lac Imbeau**

Relics of the last glacier

Val Paradis – 819 941-4441 – tourismeturgeon.com

Trails among the Fenouillet Hills

Villebois – 819 941-4441

tourismeturgeon.com

	Trail			Services and activities
	Length (km)	Difficulty	Access Period	
KM 237 – Parc Obalski Trails Chibougamau – 418 748-4441 – ville.chibougamau.qc.ca Repertory of outdoors maps available.	37	■	Open year-round	🚶🚴🚰🛶
KM 223 – Sentier du bonheur Chibougamau – 418 748-2935	2.5	●	Open year-round	🚶
Recreational Area of Lac Matagami Matagami – 819 739-4566 – matagami.com	30	■	Open year-round	🚶
Bell-Nature Trails Along Rivière Bell and rapids. Matagami – 819 739-4566 – matagami.com	3.5	●	Open year-round	🚶🚴🚰🛶
Route de la Baie-James, KM 232 Trail Along Rivière Broadback 819 739-2030, poste 20300 – greibj-eijbrg.ca	1	●	May to October	🚶
Route de la Baie-James, KM 257 Trail Along Rivière Rupert 819 739-2030, ext. 20300 – greibj-eijbrg.ca	0.5		May to October	🚶
Route de la Baie-James, KM 395 Trail Leads to the Rivière Eastmain bridge. 819 739-2030, ext. 20300 – greibj-eijbrg.ca	0.9		May to October	🚶
Route de la Baie-James, KM 467 Trail Halte Lac du Vieux comptoir (Rest Area) 819 739-2030, ext. 20300 – greibj-eijbrg.ca	0.7		May to October	🚶
Hudson Ecologic Trail Radisson – 819 638-7777 – localiteradisson.com	10	● ◆	May to October	🚶🚴🚰🛶
Trails near Lac Imbeau Relics of the last glacier Val Paradis – 819 941-4441 – tourismeturgeon.com	12	■	May to October	🚶🚴🚰
Trails among the Fenouillet Hills Villebois – 819 941-4441 tourismeturgeon.com	20	● ◆	May to October	🚶🚴🚰

Winter beyond the 49th parallel



**You don't care for winter?
That's only because you haven't
seen the region of Eeyou Istchee
Baie-James under a blanket of snow.
Here, we don't defy winter - it is always welcome!
Come and explore our magnificent region!**

Mont Cardinal

Snowshoeing and Cross-country Skiing

There is every reason to play outside in winter! Many cross-country ski and snowshoe trails welcome winter enthusiasts to enjoy the cold season and the splendid snowy sceneries.

	Snow-shoeing			Cross-country skiing				Services and activities
	Length (km)	Number	Difficulty	Length (km)	Number	Difficulty	Skate skiing	
Levels of difficulty ● : Easy ■ : Intermediate ◆ : Difficult								
Location								
Route 113								
Lac Campbell Trail Chapais – 418 745-2511	4.5		●					☎ h s X
Mont Springer Trail Chapais – 418 745-2511	10		■					☎ h s X
Club de ski de fond 2 temps Lebel-sur-Quévillon – 819 755-4826, poste 226	4.2		■	25		■		
Route 167								
KM 237 – Parc Obalski Trails Chibougamau – 418 748-4441 – ville.chibougamau.qc.ca	37	2.5	● ■			■ ◆	✓	☎ h s X
Mont-Chalco Trails Chibougamau – 418 748-7162 – montchalco.ca	27		● ■ ◆	27	2	● ■		☎ h s X
Route de la Baie-James								
Recreational Area of lac Matagami Matagami – 819 739-4566 – matagami.com	30		■					☎ h s X
Réseau Bell-Nature Trails Matagami – 819 739-4566 – matagami.com Along rivière Bell and rapids.	3.5		■					
Club de ski de randonnée Nordic Trails Matagami – 819 739-4566				20	2	● ■		☎ h s X
Eyou Istchee James Bay Regional Government 819 739-2030, ext. 20300 – greibj-eijbrg.ca	1		●					
KM 232 Along rivière Broadback.								
KM 257 Trail Along Rivière Rupert Cascades Rupert (waterfalls)	0.5		●					



Difficulty

- : Easy
- : Intermediate
- ◆ : Difficult

Location

Route de la Baie-James

KM 395 Trail Leads to the Rivière Eastmain bridge.
819 739-2030, ext. 20300 – greibj-eijbrg.com

Hudson Ecologic Trail

Radisson – 819 638-7777 – localiteradisson.com

Vallée de la Turgeon

Trails among the Fenouillet Hills

Villebois – 819 941-4441 – tourismeturgeon.com

Radisson

Snow-shoeing			Cross-country skiing				Services and activities
Length (km)	Number	Difficulty	Length (km)	Number	Difficulty	Skate Skiing	
0.9		●					
			10.5	2	● ■		☰ ☱
20							☱



Snowshoe walk on Lac Chibougamau

Winter pleasures in Nuuhchimi Winuu

Downhill Skiing

Lifts A : Chairlifts B : T-bar C : Rope tow

Trail rating:

- : Easy ■ : Intermediate ◆ : Difficult
- ◆◆ : Extremely difficult

Ski Resort

Chibougamau

Mont Chalco Activities Outdoor Centre

264, route 167 – 418 748-7162
montchalco.ca

Mountain				Services
Number of trails (night skiing)	Vertical drop (m)	Lifts	Difficulty	
11	88	A B C	●3 ■4 ◆2 ◆◆2	☒ X

Additional Activities

Chibougamau

Attractions Boréales Baie-James

418 618-4088
baiejames@attractionsboreales.com

Sleep one night (or more) in a genuine Mongolian yurt in the heart of the boreal forest. On the shores of Lac Antoinette, Attractions Boréales offers a Nordic experience on an enchanting site for a stay in family, in couple or with friends. Go for a walk or do some snowshoeing, as you discover the surrounding area and get captivated by the beauty and serenity of the place.



Attractions Boréales Baie-James yurt

Plenty of snow RIGHT INTO APRIL!

In our region, where winter is a steady presence year after, you'll find over 1,100 km of trails.

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Snowmobile

Centre de villégiature Marina Chibougamau

Suggested Circuits

**Boreal
Adventure**
180 km

**The
Conqueror**
1400 km

**Beautiful
Discoveries**
950 km

[escapelikeneverbefore.com/
snowmobile](http://escapelikeneverbefore.com/snowmobile)

To help you plan your trip,
get a free copy of the
snowmobile trail map
and information
on trail conditions at :
escapelikeneverbefore.com
or call **1 888 748-8140**




Snowmobile Clubs and Relay

Chibougamau

Club d'auto-neige de Chibougamau

418 748-3065 – 418 770-7890

motoneigechibougamau.ca – 

Centre de villégiature Marina Chibougamau

7, chemin du lac Chibougamau Sud
KM 211, Route 167

418 748-2720 – marinachibougamau.com – 

Accessible directly by snowmobile trail 93 and has private and secure parking for vehicles and trailers. Package available.

Chapais

Club motoneige de Chapais (Heated relay)

581 445-2103

KM 331, Route 113 / 4 km from Chapais toward Lebel-sur-Quévillon Open every day. Restaurant. Parking for vehicles and trailers.

Matagami

Club motoneige de Matagami

clubmotoneigematagami@tlb.symptico.ca – 

Lebel-sur-Quévillon

Club de motoneige de Lebel-sur-Quévillon

clubmotoneigelsq@hotmail.com – 

Heated relay. Breakfast on Sunday. Tube sliding and lift to Mont Surprise.

Sale, parts and service

Chibougamau

Sports plein air Chibougamau

870, 3^e rue

418 748-3134 – sportspleinair.com

Specializes on nautical and motor sports and offers a wide selection of off-road motorbikes, snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, watercraft, and boats.



Hunting and Fishing

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Category I and II lands

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Chisasibi	819 855-2878
Eastmain	819 977-0211
Nemaska	819 673-2512
Mistissini	418 923-3466
Oujé-Bougoumou	418 745-3911
Waswanipi	819 753-2587
Waskaganish	819 895-8650
Wemindji	819 978-0264
Whapmagoostui	819 929-3384

Category III lands

As is the case elsewhere in Québec, hunting and fishing activities are permitted. There is, however, one exception: you cannot trap or hunt fur-bearing animals. In addition, certain species of fish, such as coregonids, are reserved for First Nations. North of the 52th parallel, non-residents of Québec must call on the services of an outfitter to pursue hunting or fishing activities.

Licences and regulations

To hunt or fish in Northern Québec, you have to comply with the Act Respecting Hunting and Fishing Rights in the Baie-James and New Québec Territories.

For complete regulations or more information, contact:

Minister of Forests, Wildlife and Parks
 Direction régionale du Nord-du-Québec
 951, boulevard Hamel Est, Chibougamau
 418 748-7701 – mffp.gouv.qc.ca

Offices/Wildlife protection officer

Chibougamau - 418 748-7744
 Label-sur-Quévillon - 819 755-4603

Radisson - 819 638-8305

Chisasibi - 819 855-2894

Matagami - 819 739-2111

Whapmagoostui - 819 929-3863

Fédération des pourvoires du Québec

1 800 567-9009 – pourvoires.com

Nibiischii Corporation Wildlife Reserves

418 748-7748 – nibiischii.com

Hunting and Fishing Gear

Centre 2 MRC – Quincaillerie Home Hardware and Sport Excellence

191, 3^e rue, Chibougamau
418 748-8137 – marc2mrc@live.ca

Hunting and fishing licences; various type of equipment; fishing, hunting and camping.

Le relais du Lac Caché – Pétro-Canada

1253, route 167 Sud, Chibougamau
418 748-6432 – relaislaccache.com

Permits for hunting and fishing. Convenience store and gas station. Fishing equipment. Open 7/7.

Distribution Nord-Sélect

4, rue Nottaway, Matagami
819 739-3883

Fishing, hunting, and camping equipment. Hunting and fishing licences. Guns and ammunition. Clothing. General store. Open 7/7.

Distribution Radis-Nord

57, avenue des Groseilliers, Radisson
819 638-7255

Hunting and fishing licences. Diverse fishing, hunting, and camping equipment. Hunting game registration. Clothing. Convenience store and gas station. Open 7/7.

Bedabin Gas Esso

7, Poplar Street, Waswanipi
819 753-2249

Gas station, convenience store, grocery, confectionary, automotive products, hunting gear. Open 7/7.

Sibi Gas Station

81, Beaver Road, Wemindji
819 978-3508

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Louis-Jolliet Camp



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Pomerleau Fishing Camps



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348, chemin du lac Chibougamau Nord, Chibougamau
418 748-1205 – 418 770-5453
pourvoirie-pomerleau.com

Located near Chibougamau and easily accessible by car, the outfitter provides a service with a guide and a pontoon, full day or half-day. Packages are also available. You will find cottages, a boat launch and a dock, as well as a freezer.

Broadback Fishing Camp



Operating location: Lac Assinica, Rivière Broadback
418 745-2322 – broadback.ca

The Broadback Fishing Camp offers a unique and authentic experience to all the fishermen, beginner or experienced. The all-inclusive formula gives the fishermen freedom to focus on what matters: fishing! Packages including lodging, meals, boat and guide service.

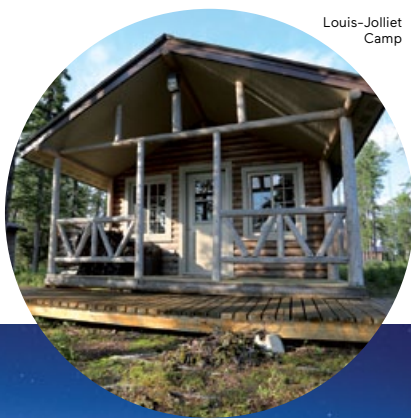
Outfitters in Eeyou Istchee Baie-James are renowned for their excellence.

Osprey Lodge



Operating location: Lac Mistassini
GPS: N 50° 55'35" W 73°37'15"
187, Main Street, Mistissini
418 923-3466, poste 1 – 418 923-3461, poste 228
418 770-6331 – mistassinilake.com

Let our experienced guides take you on the majestic Lac Mistassini in a sector reserved for the outfitter's use. Packages include transport to the site, lodging, meals, boats, and guide service.



Louis-Jolliet
Camp



Broadback Fishing Camp

Louis-Jolliet Camp

Operating location: Rivière Rupert
187, Main Street, Mistissini
GPS: N 51° 2'55" W73° 46'7"
418 923-3466, poste 1 – 418 923-3461, poste 228
418 770-6331 – mistassinilake.com

The guides will take you to unbeatable places to catch your speckled trout, gray trout, northern pike and walleye on the Rivière Rupert. Packages include transport to the site, lodging, meals, boats, and guide service.

Adventure lac Goéland Outfitter

Operating location: Lac Goéland
GPS : N 49° 87833 W 76° 82474.
819 442-3119 – lacgoeland.com

Located near Matagami, the outfitter offers various packages, boats, lodging in cottages, and guide service.

Mirage Adventure Outfitter

Operating location: Transtaïga
KM 358, route Transtaïga
GPS: N 53° 77360 W°72.87420
1 866 339-6202 – 819 854-5151
mirageaventure.com

Let's meet at one of the outfitter's unique sites for an unforgettable fishing experience! Various services are offered onsite such as lodging, air transport, boat rental, and guide service.

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Osprey Lodge



Mirage Adventure Outfitter



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1584, Route 167 North
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AMW Wildlife Reserve

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FaunENord

418 748-4441 – faunenord.org

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418 770-7949 – natureboreale.com

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418 770-6483 – moissonboreale.com

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Matagami

Les Écogîtes du lac Matagami

10, chemin de la baie Anita
KM 27, Route de la Baie-James (8 km)
819-739-8231 – ecogiteslacmatagami.ca

Boreal forest flora is rich and varied and includes carnivorous, edible, and medicinal plants, edible and medicinal mushrooms, herbs, and spices. In the company of an experienced guide, enjoy a tour of the woods and learn to identify, pick, clean, and cook wild mushrooms, including chanterelle, morel, bolete, Matsutake, and pholiota. Also, you can reserve a meal of local produce, for a catered event or a community meal.





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Les Écogites du lac Matagami

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Accommodation and Places to Eat

Accommodation

Whether you wish to stay in a comfortable renovated hotel, or a night under a yurt in the midst of the forest, or a warm welcome in a bed-and-breakfast, you will find an accommodation that will please you in Eeyou Istchee Baie-James.



Auberge Mistissini

Price range

\$:	Under \$75
\$\$:	\$75-100
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▼ Classified by type of Accommodations

Bed and breakfasts

Route 167

Chibougamau

Gîte Chibougamau Aventure

23, chemin du lac Caché
418 770-8726

4 units – \$\$\$ – 📶 🚰 🚿 🛏

Gîte de la Rivière

18, chemin du lac Dulieux
418 748-7063 – 418 770-1890

gitedelarivierechibougamau.com – 📘

3 units – \$\$ – 📶 🇺🇸 🇩🇪 🛏

Gîte Le Domaine de la Mine d'Or

349, chemin des Mines
418 748-1212 – 418 770-8978

giteminedor.com – 📘

5 units – \$\$ – \$\$\$ – 📶 🛏

Gîte l'Antre-Temps

29, chemin du lac Caché
418 748-3886 – giteantre-temps.com

2 units – \$\$ – 📶 🛏

Access to a kitchenette, all-included.

Vallée de la Turgeon

Villebois

Grap & Gram B&B Gîte

3729, de l'Église

819 941-2230 – 📘

4 units – \$\$ – 📶 🛏 🇺🇸

Open access to the kitchen, the veranda, and the swimming pool.

Route de la Baie-James

Matagami

Le Gîte de la Belle Rivière

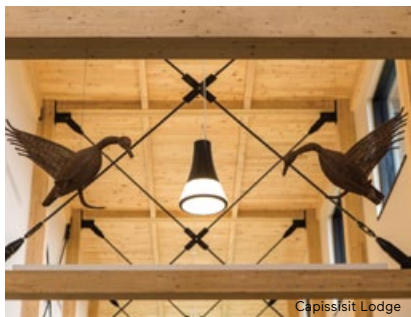
30, rue Bell

819 739-2822 – 819 739-8139 – 📘

5 units – \$\$\$ – 📶 🇺🇸 🛏



Gîte le Domaine de la Mine d'or



Capissisit Lodge


Hotels





Route de la Baie-James

Matagami

Hôtel Matagami

99, boul. Matagami
819 739-2501 – 1 877 739-2501

hotelmatagami.com – 


58 units – \$\$\$\$ –    

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Waskaganish

Auberge Kanio-Kashee Lodge

✍️ **

7, JSC Watt Street
819 895-2005 – 

24 units – \$\$\$\$ –  

Gas station and convenience store.




Eastmain

Eneyaauhkaat Lodge

✍️ ***

30, Riverside Road
819 977-2220





eneyaaauhkaatfrontdesk@outlook.com – 

20 units – \$\$\$\$ –   

Relais Routier KM 381

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KM 381, route de la Baie-James
819 638-8502


20 units – \$ –    




Wemindji

Maquatua Inn

✍️ ***

22, Gilpin Road

819 978-3166 – maquatuainn.ca – 

30 units – \$\$\$\$ –   




Radisson

Auberge Radisson

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66, avenue Des Groseilliers
819 638-7201 – 1 888 638-7201

aubergeradisson.com

40 units – \$\$\$\$ –   





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Motel Carrefour La Grande

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53, avenue Des Groseilliers

819 638-6005 – carrefourlagrande.ca

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Radisson (cont'd)

Motel Baie-James ★

49, rue Iberville
819 638-7363 – 819 638-9123
alain.jean@aljanet.ca
20 units – \$\$\$ – 📶

Chisasibi

Auberge Maanitaaukimikw ✍️

419, Saataayau Road
819 855-3434 – 1 844 855-3434
aubergechisasibi.ca – 📶
9 units – \$\$\$ – 📶 @ ac ☕ 🍷
Full breakfast.

Hôtel Waastooskuun Inn ✍️ ★★★

1, Aschishtuu Road
819 855-3333 – 1 844 855-3335
waastooskuun.com – 📶
40 units – \$\$\$ – 📶 AC
Continental breakfast.

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Route 167

Chibougamau**Le Relais du Lac Caché – Pétro-Canada** ★

1253, route 167 Sud
418 748-6432 – relaislaccache.com
22 units – \$\$\$ – 📶 AC 📺
Gas station and convenience store.

Auberge Boréale ★★

926, 3^e rue
418 770-3988 – 418 748-3283 – 📶
14 units – \$\$\$ – 📶 @ X 📺
Open year-round.

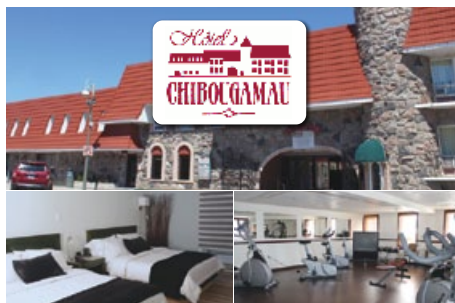
Hôtel Chibougamau ★★★

473, 3^e rue
418 748-2669 – 1 855 948-2669
hotelchibougamau.com – 📶
60 units – \$\$\$ – \$\$\$ – \$\$\$ – 📶 AC ☑️ 📺 📶

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Hôtel-Motel Nordic ★★

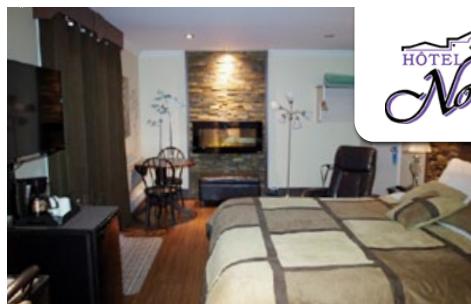
966, 3^e rue – 📶
418 748-7686 – 1 888 748-6673 – motelnordic.com
52 units – \$\$\$ – 📶 AC ☑️ 📺 📶 📶
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



Auberge Mistissini Lodge 

24, Amisk Street
 418 923-2333 – mistissinilodge.com – 
 20 units – \$\$\$\$ –    


Route 113

Chapais

Hôtel Opémiska  **

101, boul. Springer
 418 745-2828 – 1 855 745-2828
hotelopemiska.com – 
 12 units – \$-\$\$\$ –    






Label-sur-Quévillon

Motel du Lac  **

1017, boul. Quévillon
 819 755-4333 – 1 855 826-2001
moteldulac.ca – 
 43 units – \$-\$\$\$ –    





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Motel Iris  **

56, rue des Trembles
 819 755-3300 – moteliris.ca – 
 6 units – \$\$\$ –    

Oujé-Bougoumou



Auberge Capissisit Lodge  ***

1, Wastawshkootaw Meskino
 418 745-3944 – 
 24 units – \$\$\$\$ –   

Route du Nord

Nemaska

Nemaska Motel and Restaurant  *

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Chalets and Rental Units

Chibougamau

Centre de villégiature Marina Chibougamau ★

7, chemin du lac Chibougamau Sud
 KM 211, route 167
 418 748-2720 – marinachibougamau.com –
 9 chalets – \$\$\$\$ – \$\$\$\$ –

9 cottages that can accommodate a family or group of 2 to 6 people (2 or 3 bedrooms) on the edge of Lac Chibougamau.

Chalets Waconichi ★

418 748-7748
nibiischii.com –

Route de la Baie-James

Radisson

Location Radisson ★

819 638-9177 – 514 907-4545
locationradisson.com
 8 units \$ – \$\$\$\$ \$ \$

Houses or rooms available for short or long-term rental. All included. Bed linen, towels, hygiene products available on request.

Non-traditional accommodation

Route de la Baie-James

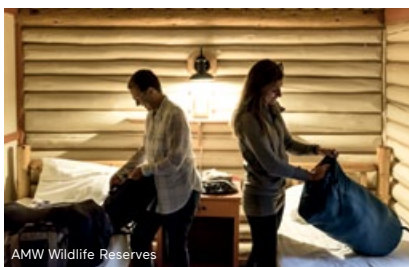
Matagami

Les Écogîtes du lac Matagami ★

10, chemin de la baie Anita
 KM 27, route de la Baie-James (8 km)
 819 739-8231 – ecogiteslacmatagami.ca –

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Campgrounds

Vallée de la Turgeon

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Camping lac Pajegasque ★ ★ ★

1, chemin du lac Pajegasque
819 941-2666 – Off season: 819 941-4111
campingpajegasque.com –

54 sites –

Route 113

Chapais

Camping Opémiska ★ ★

107, chemin du lac Opémiska
418 745-3428 – camping-opemiska.com –

173 sites/Non-drinking water. A trailer (caravan) is available for rental. –

Label-sur-Quévillon

Camping municipal de Label-sur-Quévillon ★ ★

900, boul. Quévillon
819 755-4826, ext. 226, off season: ext. 223
lsq.quebec –

77 sites –

Route 167

Chibougamau

Éco-Camping Chibougamau ★

512, route 167 Sud – 418 748-7276, ext. 222
Off season : 418 748-4441, ext. 221
faunenord.org

44 sites / 2 or 3 services. Non-drinking water, bottles of water on sale on the site. –

Centre de villégiature Marina Chibougamau ★ ★

7, chemin du lac Chibougamau Sud
418 748-2720 – marinachibougamau.com –

34 sites/Camp site with 3 services. Non-drinking water.

Camping de la Baie Pénicouane

418 748-7748 – nibiischii.com
27 sites – ad p.106

Camping du lac Albanel

1584, route 167 Nord
418 748-7748 – nibiischii.com
45 sites / \$33-45 – ad p.106

Route de la Baie-James

Matagami

Camping du lac Matagami

★★★

Km 38, route de la Baie-James
819 739-8383 – 819 739-2030, ext. 20300
greibj-eijbrg.com

85 sites – 🏠 🚐 🚗 🚚

Radisson

Camping Radisson

★

198, rue Jolliet
819 638-8687 – Off season : 819 638-7777
localiteradisson.com – [f](#)

18 sites – 🏠 🚐 🚗 🚚



Rivière Rupert Rest area

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Rustic Sites

Several rustic sites are offered on the Eeyou Istchee Baie-James territory for those who love nature and wilderness. During your stay in the region, you will find here tranquillity and serenity. You might want to enjoy the rest areas on the Route de la Baie-James, the Route du Nord, the Route Transtaïga and Route 113. These areas will accommodate recreational vehicles and tents, and free spaces are offered, but a voluntary contribution is suggested.

Boat launching ramps are also available. Moreover, fishing and walking activities are possible and lookouts have been prepared in some places. All the rest areas and rustic sites are equipped with dry toilets.

The region's road stops and rustic sites are listed on page 29 of this guide.

You have your camping equipment?

If you don't make it to your destination, night is coming and you are tired, you can stop...



Places to Eat

Many options are offered to have a pleasant meal in Eeyou Istchee Baie-James. You will find family restaurants, large restaurant chains and small restaurants where you can taste the local gastronomy.

Price range

\$:	Under \$15
\$ \$:	\$15-30
\$ \$ \$:	\$31-50
\$ \$ \$ \$:	Over \$50

Meals

- 1: Breakfast
- 2: Lunch
- 3: Supper

Route 113

Label-sur-Quévillon

Bistro Bar Henrietta Maria

Motel du Lac, 1017, boul. Quévillon
819 755-4333 – 1 855 826-2001 – moteldulac.ca
\$ – 1 – ¥

Specialties: Continental breakfast.

Pizzeria Label-sur-Quévillon

103, rue Principale Sud
819 755-4376
\$ – \$ \$ – 2,3

Specialties: Variety of pizzas, chicken, fries.

Oujé-Bougoumou

Auberge Capissit Lodge

01, Wastawshkootaw Meskino
418 745-3944 – 
\$ \$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: European and American.

Waswanipi

Waswanipi Cafeteria

7, route 113
819 753-2320
\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Canadian food.



Route 167

Chibougamau

Aki sushi et Aki thai

418, 3^e rue
418 748-4888
\$ – \$ \$ – 2,3

Specialties: The restaurant specializes in Thai cuisine and fresh sushi. Bring your own wine. Closed on Sunday.

Au Petit Bedon

466, 3^e rue (located in the Place Le Chaînon mall)
418 748-6045
\$ – 1,2,3


Specialties: No-fry restaurant. Daily menu and à la carte menu. The crab-lobster club sandwich is available year-round, and Pierre's fettuccine is absolutely delicious!

Restaurant Le Borée

926, 3^e rue
418 770-3988 – 418 748-3283
\$ – \$ \$ – 1,2,3 – ¥

Specialties: Menu of the day, à la carte menu, pizza, chicken, pasta, seafood, filet mignon. Open year-round.


Centre de villégiature Marina Chibougamau


7, chemin du lac Chibougamau Sud
418 748-2720 – marinachibougamau.com – 
\$ – \$ \$ – 1,2,3 – ¥

Specialties: Daily menu, à la carte menu, special menus for groups, Québec cuisine, family atmosphere.



L'endroit caché, Chef Nath's restaurant


441, 3^e rue
418 952-7422 – 

\$ – \$\$\$\$ – 1,2,3 – 

Specialties: Gastronomic meals with local flavors, including sea food, fish and meal. By reservation only. "Lunch box" formula available.

Le Coq rôti

453, 3^e rue
418 748-1144 – coqroti.com

\$ – \$\$ – 1,2,3 – 

Specialties: Table d'hôte or à la carte menu, rotisserie, pizza, ribs, pasta, children's menu and group menu. Traditional breakfast with smoked salmon; fresh fruits, and renewed healthy breakfast.

Restaurant Chez Julie

541, 3^e rue
418 748-7444

\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Restaurant with benches, dining room, daily menu. Homemade French fries.

Restaurant Louka


586, 3^e rue
418 748-2232

\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Various menu of the day choices throughout the week. Breakfast also served. Varied and affordably priced menu.


Restaurant chez Raymonde


858, 3^e rue
418 748-4800

\$ – \$\$ – 1,2,3 – 

Specialties: Menu of the day. Pasta, pizza, chicken, spare ribs. Fast service and family atmosphere. Bring your wine.

Pub royal

502, 3^e rue
418 930-9938 – 

\$ – \$\$ – 2,3 – 

Specialties: Bistro-type cuisine. Budget-friendly and varied menu that includes burgers, pasta, and tartar. Welcoming and relaxed atmosphere. Wide selection of draft and imported beer. Sports events on TV and festive ambiance.

Subway

343 3^e rue

418 748-6661

\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Make-your-own sandwiches, salads, and soups. Service at the counter.

Mistissini**Adel's Restaurant**

127, Mistissini blvd
418 923-3201

\$ – \$\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Canadian food. Closed Sunday.

Tim Hortons

200, Main Street
418 923-2909

\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Fast food, soup, sandwich, donut, muffin and coffee. Drive-through service.

Route de la Baie-James**Chisasibi****Miichiwaap Restaurant**

13, Maamuu Street
819 855-2426

\$ – \$\$ – 1,2,3

Daily menu and à la carte menu, pasta, grill, pizza. Family atmosphere and fast service.



Chisasibi

Retro Daze Café

10, Fort George Road
819 855-1847 – [f](#)
\$ – 2,3

Specialties: Chef's specialties, chicken wings, spaghetti, sandwiches.

Eastmain

Eneyaauhkaat Lodge

30, Riverside Road
819 977-2220 – 1 844 977-2220
eneyaauhkaatfrontdesk@outlook.com – [f](#)
\$ – \$\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Canadian food.

Eeyou Istchee Baie-James

Relais routier KM 381

KM 381, route de la Baie-James
819 638-8502
\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Cafeteria style, daily menu.

Matagami

Hôtel Matagami

99, boul. Matagami
819 739-2501 – 1 877 739-2501
hotelmatagami.com – [f](#)
\$\$ – 1,3 – ¥ P ☰

Specialties: Canadian food.

Radisson

Auberge Radisson Bistro-lounge 53° parallèle

66, avenue Des Groseilliers
819 638-7201 – 1 888 638-7201
aubergeradisson.com – [f](#)
\$\$ – 3 – X ¥ ☰ P

Specialties: Features a bistro-lounge (the 53th parallel). Menu of the day and à la carte. Continental breakfast. Grilled steak, seafood, and fish. Also a bistro menu that includes tapas. Reservation recommended.

Resto chez Mika

53, avenue Des Groseilliers – [f](#)
819 638-6005 – 819 638-4827 – carrefourlagrande.ca
\$ – \$\$ – 1,2,3 ☑

Specialties: Canadian food, Québec traditional cuisine, à la carte menu, pasta, grilled food, fish, family atmosphere.



Waskaganish

Auberge Kanio-Kashee Lodge

7, JSC Watt Street
819 895-2005
\$ – \$\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Canadian food.

Jacob's Restaurant

50, Smokey Hill Street
819 895-8821
\$ – \$\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Canadian food.

Tim Hortons

8, JSC Watt Street
Affiliated with Northern Express (general store)
819 895-8865
\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Fast food, donut, muffin and coffee.

Wings & Things

220, Missisicabi Street
819 895-4332
\$ – \$\$ – 2,3

Specialties: Fries, burgers, chicken wings, hotdogs and appetizers.

Wemindji

Maquatua Inn

22, Gilpin Road
819 978-3166 – maquatuainn.ca
\$\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Canadian food.

Route du Nord

Nemaska

Nemaska Hotel & Restaurant

2, Lake Shore Road
819 673-2615
\$ – \$\$ – 1,2,3

Specialties: Canadian food (closed Saturday and Sunday).

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Centre Infotouriste in Montréal, Québec, Rigaud, Rivière-Beaudette or Dégelis (permanent visitor information centres that provide a rang of tourist services and products)

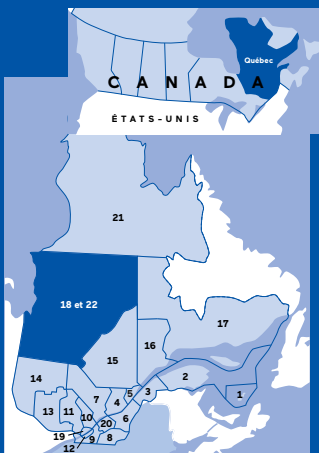
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Québec 

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Bars, Casinos and Purchasing Alcohol

You must be at least 18 years old to enter bars, pubs, nightclubs and casinos, as well as to purchase or consume alcohol (be prepared to produce ID if asked). Wines and spirits are sold through the Société des alcools du Québec (SAQ), the provincial liquor board. Beer is available at grocery and convenience stores, which also stock a limited selection of wines.

Currency Exchange

There are numerous exchange offices in Québec's main urban centres. Airports also offer exchange services. Some businesses accept American money, but tend to offer a less competitive rate than the exchange offices.

Driving in Québec

Since Canada uses the metric system, speed limits and distances are posted in kilometres per hour (km/h) and gasoline is sold by the litre (l). It is illegal to transport or use radar detectors in Québec.

Cell phones

Use of a cell phone is prohibited while driving.

Drugs and Driving

This Act introduces a zero-tolerance principle when it comes to drugs and driving by prohibiting anyone from driving a vehicle if there is a detectable presence of cannabis or any other drug in that person's saliva. Offenders are subject to an immediate 90-day suspension of their driver's licence.

« According to the law, you must be at least 21 years old to purchase or consume cannabis (be prepared to produce ID if asked). The legislation also includes other measures, such as the prohibition from consuming drugs (cannabis or any other drug) in a road vehicle, on an off-road vehicle or on a bicycle. »

Winter tires

From December 1st to March 15, all taxis and passenger vehicles registered in Québec must be equipped with winter tires. This requirement also applies to rental passenger vehicles in Québec.

Road conditions

For information on road conditions or other aspects of trip-planning, call 511 or 1 888 355-0511, or visit quebec511.info.

Tourist routes

The official tourist routes are clearly marked with blue signs. They are designed to highlight the attractions of the regions through which they pass, and to enable visitors to discover the extent of Québec's natural and cultural treasures. quebecoriginal.com/routes

Tourist signage

In Québec, tourist regions and directions to services, attractions and activities are indicated by blue road signs. For more information, visit panneaubleu.com or tourisme.gouv.qc.ca/signalisation (in French only).

Village-relais accredited services

If you feel like taking a break or require assistance while on the road, look for the Village-relais signs. These point to villages that, together with local businesses, offer a range of accredited services and a safe and pleasant place to stop. villages-relais.qc.ca

Voltage

In Québec, the standard voltage is 110 volts/60 cycles, as it is throughout North America. Since the outlets cannot accommodate European plugs, you will need to bring or buy an adaptor.

Making a Comment or Conveying Dissatisfaction

If you wish to comment on or are dissatisfied with the tourism services you received in Québec, please contact : Alliance de l'industrie touristique du Québec 1 877 686 8358, option 7
comment@alliancetouristique.com

Canadian Currency

The legal currency in Québec is the Canadian dollar (CAD), which is divided into 100 cents. Bank notes are available in denominations of 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 dollars, and coins in denominations of 5, 10 and 25 cents as well as 1 and 2 dollars. Bank cards and major credit cards are also accepted almost everywhere.

Tipping

Tipping is customary in restaurants, bars and taxis. The amount, which is not included in the bill, is generally equivalent to 15% of the total bill before taxes. For quick tip calculations, Québécois normally add up both taxes. Tipping bellhops or porters is at your discretion (generally, \$1 per bag).

Taxes

Québec has two taxes : the 5% federal goods and services tax (GST), and the 9.975% Québec sales tax (QST). An accommodation tax of 3.5% of the room price per night also applies in our region.

Emergencies

Urgence

Emergency: 911, 310-4141 or *4141
(from a cell phone)

Info-Santé (medical advice)

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Québec Poison Control Centre

1 800 463-5060

Assistance service for medical transport

Air medic

1 866 673-3838 – airmedic.net

Useful information

Transportation



Air Travel

Air Creebec

1 800 567-6567

aircreebec.ca

Air Creebec is recognized for its expertise and experience in aviation. The airline offers flights connecting Montréal, Chibougamau, and all the Cree communities in the region.

Air Inuit

1 800 361-2965

airinuit.com

Air Inuit is a regional airline that provides essential air transport services for both passengers and merchandise. The carrier also offers charter operations and emergency services in northern Québec and locations in the rest of Canada and in the United States. Flights are available from Montréal to La Grande (Radisson).

Charter flights

Air Inuit

1 800 661-5850

Hélicoptères Canadiens

819 638-7904

Autobus Messier

418 748-2120

Airports

Chibougamau–Chapais

418 748-2211

Chisasibi

819 855-2715

Eastmain

819 977-0212 / 0351

La Grande – Radisson

819 638-8847

Montréal–Trudeau

1 800 465-1213

Nemaska

819 673-2121

Waskaganish

819 895-8876 / 8355 / 8703

Wemindji

819 978-0215 / 3132

Whapmagoostui

819 929-3634



Buses

Autobus Messier

418 748-2120

Autobus Maheux

866 307-0002

autobusmaheux.qc.ca

Autobus Maheux-Cree

819 855-2977

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maheux-cree.com

Terminus Chapais

418 745-2778

Terminus Chibougamau

418 748-2842

Terminus Chisasibi

819 855-2977

Terminus Label-sur-Quévillon

819 755-3518

Terminus Matagami

819 739-2501

Terminus Waswanipi

Terminus Montréal

514 842-2281

Terminus Québec

418 525-3000

» The Maheux-Cree bus that travels to Chisasibi stops at the junctions of each community on the Route de la Baie-James.

Transports



Taxis

CHIBOUGAMAU

Taxi Co-op

418 748-7651

Taxi Diamond

418 748-7725

Taxi Henri-Paul

418 770-7830

CHISASIBI

Martin Hunter Taxi

819 855-2414

Rupert's Taxi

819 855-5820

RADISSON

819 638-9160

WASKAGANISH

Taxi Andrew Salt

819 895-2053

Taxi Whiskeychan

819 895-4867 / 4834

WEMINDJI

Atsynia Taxi Services

819 978-7644 / 7677

WHAPMAGOOSTUI

Pepababo Taxi

819 929-1519

Health



Hospitals

Chapais

418 745-2591

Chibougamau

418 748-2676

Chisasibi

819 855-9011

Eastmain

819 977-0241

Label-sur-Quévillon

819 755-4881

Matagami

819 739-2515

Mistissini

418 923-3376

Nemaska

819 673-2511

Oujé-Bougoumou

418 745-3901

Radisson

819 638-8991

Villebois-Valcanton

819 941-3007

Waskaganish

819 895-8833 / 8837

Waswanipi

819 753-2511

Wemindji

819 978-0225

Whapmagoostui

819 929-3307

Services



Convenience stores

CHAPAIS

Marché Tradition

116, boul. Springer

418 745-2556

Grocery, wine, beer and takeout.

CHIBOUGAMAU

IGA

466, 3^e rue

(located in the mall Le Chaînon)

418 748-2682

Grocery, wine, beer and takeout.

Météo

meteo.gc.ca

Reporting poachers

1 800 463-2191

Forest Fire Protection Society (SOPFEU)

1 800 463-3389

Services



Gas stations and convenience stores

CHIBOUGAMAU

Super Sagamie Pétro-T

970, 3^e rue
418 748-4414

Gas station, coffee and muffin counter, convenience store, videos, baits and other items for fishing and hunting. Adjacent to the McDonald's restaurant.

Pétro-Canada

1253, route 167 Sud
418 748-6432

Gas station, diesel, convenience store, accommodation. Open 7/7.

CHISASIBI

Chisasibimi Gas Bar

59, Fort George
819 855-2622

Gas station, grocery, automotive products.

Pimiiukimikw Gas (Petronor)

6, Chisasibi Road
819 855-2427
petronor.ca

Gas station. Open 7/7.

EASTMAIN

Stajune Garage & Gas Bar

Km 2, Eastmain Road
819 977-2141

Gas station. Open 7/7.

MISTISSINI

Pimi-Plus Esso

284, Queen Street
418 923-2727

Gas station, convenience store, automotive products, grocery. Open 7/7.

Chiiwetin Gas Crevier

200, Main Street
418 923-2949

Gas station, convenience store, automotive products, grocery. Open 7/7.

NEMASKA

Nemaska Gas Bar

24, Chishtaatihkw Street
819 673-2559

(after hourd, 819 673-3915)
Gas station, snacks, sandwiches, confectionary, automotive products. Open 7/7.

OUIJÉ-BOUGOUMOU

Oujé Casey's Gas Dépanneur

110, Ouje-Bougoumou Meskino
418 745-3211

Gas station. Open 7/7.

RADISSON

Distribution Radis-Nord Inc.

57, avenue Des Groseilliers
819 638-7255
Gas station and convenience store. Open 7/7.

Aéroport La Grande Rivière

KM 589
819 638-9104
petronor.ca
Gas station.

WASKAGANISH

Trans-Arctic Gas Station

22, Smokey Hill
819 895-8900
Gas station. Open 7/7.

WASWANUPI

Bedabin Gas Esso

7, Poplar Street
819 753-2249
Gas station, convenience store, grocery, confectionary, automotive products, hunting gear. Open 7/7.

WEMINDJI

Sibi Gas Station

81, Beaver Road
819 978-3508
Gas station, convenience store, grocery, confectionary, automotive products, hunting gear. Open 7/7.

ROUTE DE LA BAIE-JAMES

KM 381 Rest Stop

KM 381
819 638-8502
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Hébergement, restauration, dépanneur et dépannage mécanique.
Station-service 7/7, 24/24.

Local and regional development centres

Administration régionale Baie-James
819 739-4111

Attraction Nord
418 748-1141
baiejames.ca

Caisse Desjardins de Chibougamau
418 748-6461 • 1 866 748-6461
Desjardins.com/caisse_chibougamau

Centre de services de Chapais

Centre d'entrepreneurship nordique
877 748-3847
entrepreneurshipnordique.ca

Développement Chibougamau
418 748-6060
developpementchibougamau.org

Eeyou Economic Group
819 753-2560

SADC Chibougamau-Chapais
418 748-6477
sadccc.ca

SADC de Matagami
819 739-2155
sadcdematagami.qc.ca

Tourism

Table touristique de la Vallée de la Turgeon
819 941-4441
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Amos-Harricana Tourism
819 727-1242 • 1 800 670-0499
ville.amos.qc.ca/visiter

Tourisme Autochtone Québec
418 843-5030
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Oujé-Bougoumou Tourism
418 745-3911
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Mistissini Tourism
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Waskaganish Tourism
819 895-2250, poste 3237

Waswanipi Tourism
819 753-2587, poste 353

Wemindji Tourism
819 978-3030, poste 1200
wemindjiturism.ca

Whampagoostui Eeyou Enterprise Development Corporation
819 929-3384, poste 246

Wabannutao Eeyou Development Corporation
819 977-0355

Miscellaneous

TrakMaps
877 861-8725
trakmaps.com
Bathymetric and topographical charts and maps. Quad and snowmobile trails. Print and digital charts for Garmin and Lowrance GPS.

Teaching Institutions

Centre de formation professionnelle de la Baie-James
418 748-7621 • cfpbj.ca

Cree School Board de la Baie-James
1 866 999-2764 • cscree.qc.ca

Commission scolaire de la Baie-James
418 748-7621
csbj.qc.ca

Service aux entreprises et aux collectivités
418 748-3903
seccol.com

Accessibility



Québec for All : Accessibility for People with Disabilities

514 252-3104

www.LeQuebecPourTous.com

Kéroul assesses the accessibility of different businesses based on a set of criteria recognized by Tourisme Québec. Its platform Québec for All offers a wide range of cultural and tourist information for visitors with reduced mobility.



The accessible rating means that the establishment meets all the accessibility criteria and offers a satisfactory visitor experience for the majority of people with reduced mobility.



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Tourist and Leisure Companion Sticker

vatl.org

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Companion Leisure Card (CAL)

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Legend of pictograms

 Accommodation	 Deluxe accommodation	 Indigenous content	 Pull through
 AEQ-Certified (Aventure écotourisme Québec)	 Downhill skiing	 International Airport	 Quad
 Air conditioning	 Electricity	 Interpretation	 Regional Airport
 Animation	 Electricity 30 amps	 Kitchenette	 Rest area
 Authentic First Nations	 Elevator	 Licensed Restaurant	 Restaurant
 Beach	 Equipment rental	 Lookout	 Sauna
 Beach: supervised swimming	 Evaluation pending	 Microwave	 Seasonal operation
 Boat ramps	 Fishing	 Mini fridge	 Seasonal visitor information centre
 BYOB	 Fitness room	 Meeting room	 Shared bathroom
 Campground	 Free WiFi	 Mountain biking	 Shared cuisine
 Convenience store	 Gas station	 Paid admission	 Snowshoeing
 Comfort station	 Golf	 Patio	 Snowmobiling
 Cross-country skiing	 Hiking	 Permanent visitor information centre	 Village-relais accredited service
 Community hall	 Horseback riding	 Pet friendly	 Washer-Dryer
 Cycling	 Hospital	 Playground	 Wharf
	 Hunting	 Private bathroom	 Wildlife watching
	 Ice	 Propane	

Be dazzled by the vastness of the territory



Eeyou Istchee Baie-James Regional Map

Legend

- Territory outside
- Region
- Wildlife reserve
- Water access and river
- Category I lands
- Category II lands
- Category III lands
- Regional road
- Asphalted road
- Gravel road
- Town and communities
- Village relais accredited service
- Permanent information centre
- Seasonal information centre
- Airport
- Airfield
- Fuel
- Hydroelectric power station
- Roadside rest area
- Hospital
- Public phone

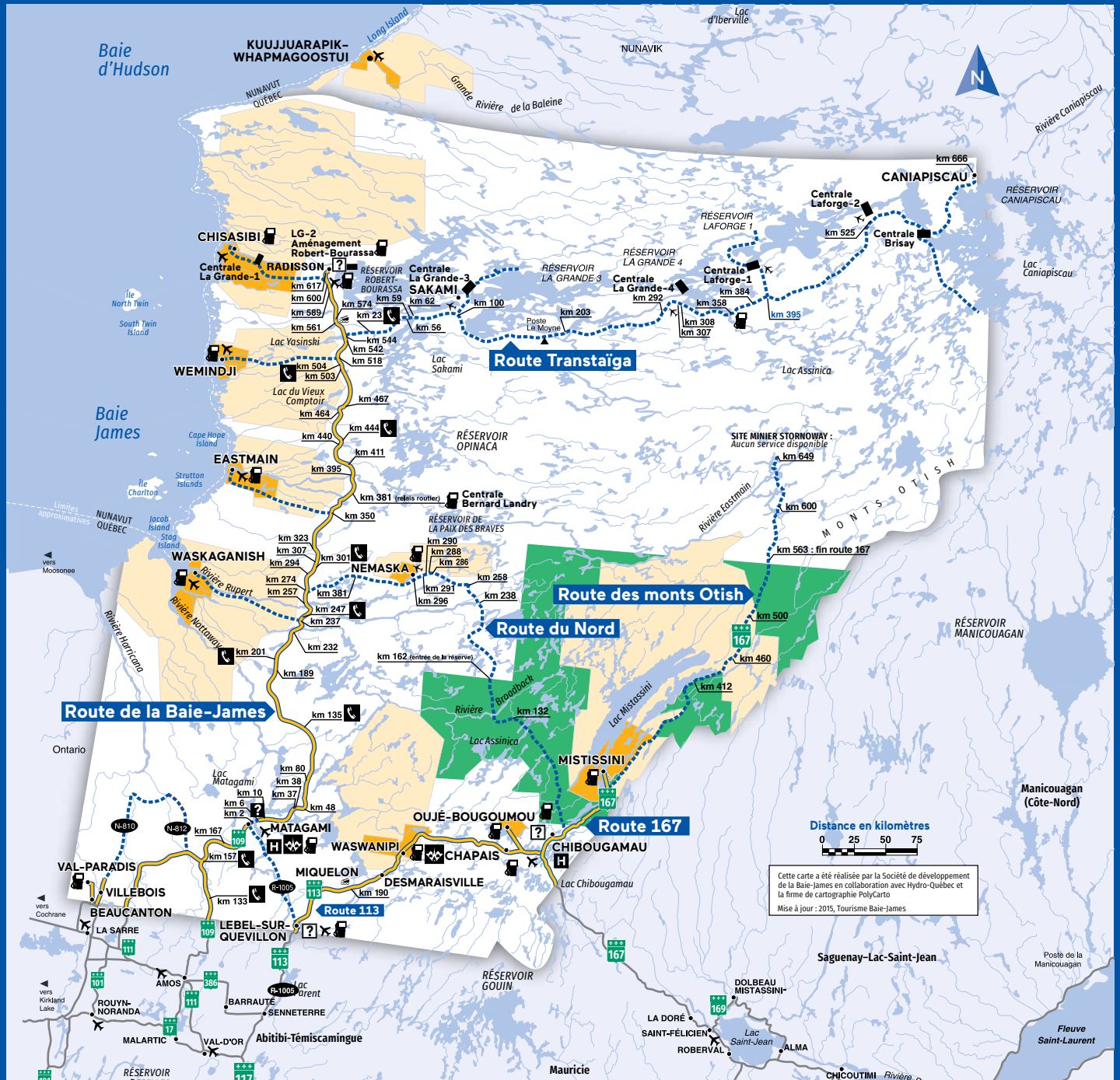
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Category I, II lands

Lands are reserved for native purposes. We ask that you contact the appropriate band council in order to obtain authorization to camp, fish or hunt. [p.101]

Category III lands

On category III lands, as elsewhere in Québec, hunting and fishing activities are allowed, with one exception: you cannot hunt or trap fur-bearing animals there.



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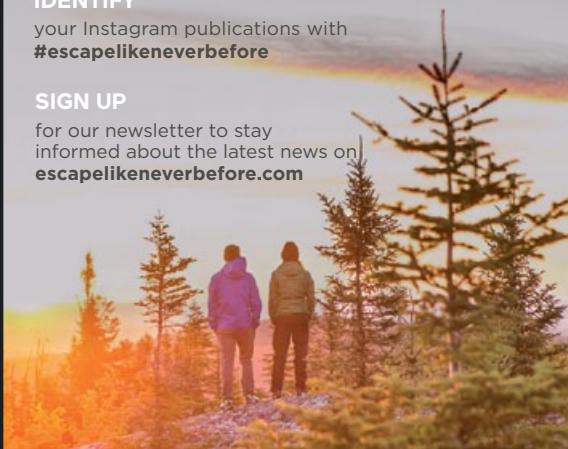
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