

River Hebert - Joggins Area

Featuring:

- Joggins Fossil Cliffs and Centre
 - Heritage Models Centre
 - Minudie Interpretive Park
- River Hebert Tidal Bore Park
- Maccan Tidal Wetlands Park

The quiet rural communities of Maccan, River Hebert, and Joggins mark the beginning of the **Fundy Shore Scenic Drive**. In Maccan, across the railroad track and on the immediate right is the **Tidal Wetlands Park**. Interpretive panels at the look-off describe the tidal bore phenomenon. Another opportunity to view the tidal bore as well as bird life is at **River Hebert Tidal Bore Park**. Twice a day, a tidal bore is created as the incoming tide meets with the outward flow of the river. This temporarily reverses the flow of the river causing a small wave of water to move up-stream.

River Hebert is home to a unique attraction - the **Heritage Models Centre**. The Centre displays local historical buildings built to scale depicting the heritage of the area. Adjacent to the Model Centre is a kiosk of local artifacts with written and pictorial information on the area.

In nearby Minudie (10km/6mi from River Hebert on the Barronsfield Rd.) a **restored one-room schoolhouse** holds a collection of photos and artifacts of Amos "King" Seaman. This gentleman was a 19th century merchant and industrialist. As well, the **Minudie Interpretive Park** offers an outstanding view of the extensive hay marshes, first dyked by the Acadians in the 17th century.

Further along is the community of Joggins. Here, swept by the remarkable tides of the Bay of Fundy, are some of the finest examples in the world of carboniferous fossils. These exquisitely preserved fossils are exposed by the constant erosion of the immense Joggins sea cliffs and can be found lying scattered on the cobblestone beach below. It is here in the mid-nineteenth century that Sir Charles Lyell and Sir William Dawson made their great discovery- *Hylonomus lyelli*, the world's oldest known reptile preserved in one of many fossilized Lycopod tree trunks that can still be seen imbedded high in the cliffs today. With a visit to the newly constructed **Joggins Fossil Centre** you will view fossilized material from the cliffs including a vast array of plant, animal and trace fossils from the Carboniferous Period. The world class Interpretation Centre incorporates "Green Technology" throughout and also

Joggins Fossil Cliffs



features a gift shop, Visitor Information Centre, and both an indoor and outdoor café. Enjoy daily on-site interpretation as well as tours of the Fossil Cliffs and beach. The Joggins Fossil Cliffs has been submitted for consideration as a UNESCO World Heritage Site with potential inclusion on the World Heritage list in the summer of 2008.

Following Route 242 to Route 209 will lead to Cape Chignecto, Apple River, Advocate, Cape d'Or, Spencer's Island and Port Greville where the Fundy Shore Drive rejoins the Glooscap Trail and Parrsboro on Highway 2.



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when you can
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