

Discover our treasure: the wreck of the Machault

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Make the Big Decisions



Step into the Council Chamber and experience life as an officer. You'll learn more about the organization and tactics of France's rescue mission... a mission of the utmost importance.



Admire a Priceless Treasure

The wreck of the Machault is one of only three 18th century French frigates discovered to this day. Its state of preservation is simply remarkable. Admire the imposing wood and iron structure of a warship sent from France to bring supplies to and defend its colony from the Americas.

Visit a fascinating exhibition about the ultimate naval battle at the Restigouche River estuary when British and French forces faced off in the fight to take possession of North American territory.

Learn about the journey and the fate of five merchant ships and their escort, the frigate the Machault, sent by France in its last efforts to support its colony following the surrender of Quebec in 1759.

Marvel at Its Precious Cargo



Discover the numerous artefacts uncovered by Parks Canada's underwater archeologists. You'll learn about the daily lives of people from New France in the 18th century, and about the role that the Acadians and Mi'gmaq played in this mission for the colony.

Join the Crew



From July 1st to August 31 inclusively, come and enjoy a guided tour in costume! A period character will help you relive the last naval confrontation between France and Great Britain through their eyes.

Make the Most of this Unique Site!



Make the most of the site's exceptional location overlooking the Restigouche River and take the time to enjoy a picnic.

Take some time out to relax in one of the red chairs specially reserved for you.

Don't forget to buy some souvenirs!



Birch bark canoe

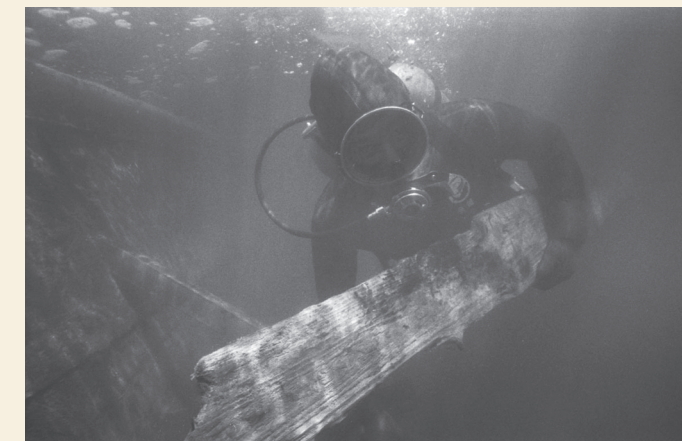


Parks Canada, in collaboration with Listuguj, have included a birch bark canoe handcraft by Mi'gmaq artisans to the exhibition.

Opening hours

Mid-June until Thanksgiving:
Every day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Admission Fees



Recovery of a hull plank of the Machault (1969)

Getting There

The Battle of the Restigouche National Historic Site is located:

- 3 km to the west of Pointe-à-la-Croix (QC), on Route 132
- 7 km from Campbellton (NB)



From Gaspé: 350 km
From Québec: 530 km
From Bathurst (NB): 130 km

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