

EXPLORE THE WATERWAY: 5 EASY, FAMILY-FRIENDLY HIKES

Five family-friendly adventures along the Shubenacadie Waterway, perfect for an excursion with young children and grandparents.

1 HISTORY HIKES AT SHUBIE PARK

54 Locks Rd, Dartmouth

History Hikes are led by knowledgeable Shubenacadie Canal Commission volunteers. The 40-minute guided walk will introduce you to the Shubenacadie canal. May-October; check the website for times and meet at the Shubie Park Trailhead.

2 VIVIEN'S WAY

Shubie Trailhead at 1027 Waverley Rd, Dartmouth

Vivien's Way is a short (400 m) trail that runs through the woods along the shore of Lake Charles, providing quiet lakeside look-offs and plenty of places to rest. Access by walking 1 km along the Lake Charles Trail from the Shubie Park trailhead. Not serviced in winter.

3 OAKFIELD PARK

366 Oakfield Park Rd, Oakfield

Oakfield Park is a day-use provincial picnic park located on Shubenacadie Grand Lake. The Oakfield Park Path is a 4 km loop around the park, traversing fields and wooded areas. Not serviced in winter.

4 LOCK 6 PARK

66 Arrowhead Dr, Enfield

Lock 6 Park begins with a wooden boardwalk showcasing a rich sedge marsh. Next, you will come across the abandoned lock itself and then follow the trail through the mixed forest. The trail is perfect for all-terrain strollers. Not serviced in winter.

5 FUNDY TIDAL INTERPRETIVE CENTRE

9865 Highway 236, South Maitland

The Fundy Tidal Interpretive Centre lookoff provides a front-row seat for the tidal bore. Be sure to stop into the interpretive centre and take in the 1 km Wetlands Trail along the former railway bed. Not serviced in winter.



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