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Mingan Archipelago
National Park Reserve

PETITE ÎLE AU MARTEAU



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Shining memories at Marteau



Canada

Did you know?

☞ **In the past**, the island was called **Walrus Island** after the tusked marine mammals that once populated the area.

Keep your eyes open! Several species of **arctic-alpine plants** live on the extraordinary **barrens** of this island, a rather unusual phenomenon given its geographical location and low altitude.

☞ When the lighthouse was built in **1915**, the island became a navigation reference point. Today, we can see the second lighthouse and its outbuildings.

☞ Mr. Rosaire Boudreau, who worked until 1987, was the island's last lighthouse keeper. Nowadays, the lighthouse is fully automated.

☞ The island inhabitants lived according to the seasons. They cultivated gardens, raised farm animals, harvested hay, and gathered eggs and berries... Much to the delight of their children!



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Get in touch with nature

Help us protect the delicate plant life. Use the **designated trails**, and stay in the **vegetation-free zone** when traveling along the coast.



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Seabirds and shorebirds are particularly sensitive to disturbances, especially during nesting and migration periods. While hiking, **be careful** and **stay far away** from birds.



Zone de nidification
d'oiseaux
Bird nesting
area



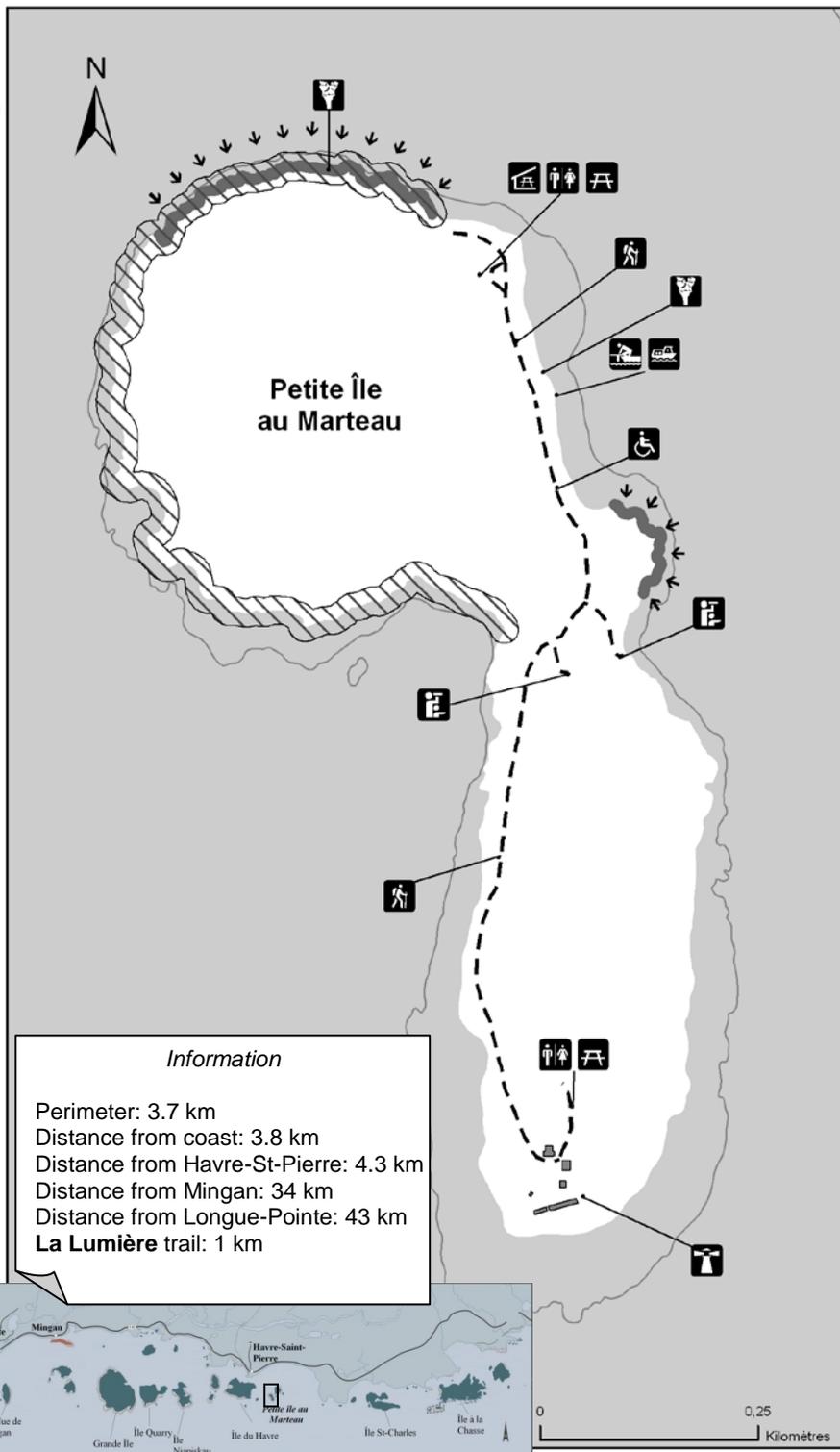
Please watch out for and respect the nesting areas identified by road signs.

Discover the beauty and history that surrounds you!



This island offers wheelchair accessible facilities.

For more information, visit a Parks Canada reception centre at Havre-Saint-Pierre or Longue-Pointe-de-Mingan, or call 418-538-3285 or 418-949-2126. In case of **EMERGENCY**, dial 1-888-762-1422.



Information

Perimeter: 3.7 km
 Distance from coast: 3.8 km
 Distance from Havre-Saint-Pierre: 4.3 km
 Distance from Mingan: 34 km
 Distance from Longue-Pointe: 43 km
La Lumière trail: 1 km

Think ahead...



Plan to spend approximately **30 minutes** to get to the lighthouse using the *La Lumière* trail.

Respect the natural surroundings. Avoid disturbing wildlife or displacing rocks, plants, fossils, etc.

For a pleasant visit, don't forget:

- Water
- Snacks
- Good walking shoes
- Windbreaker and raincoat
- Garbage bags (all waste must be brought back)
- Binoculars



ATTRactions AND SERVICES

- Kitchen shelter
- Wheelchair accessible
- Picnic area
- Lookout
- Wharf
- Boat stopover
- Monolith
- Lighthouse
- Hiking trail
- Washroom
- Area difficult to cross at high tide
- Area closed for nesting

FOR YOUR SAFETY



In the Mingan Archipelago, hiking along the coast is a wonderful experience, but there are also risks that you should be aware of:



Due to danger of falling rubble, avoid walking under overhanging rocks or stopping near cliffs.

Hiking during low tide is recommended in order to stay far away from the cliffs, but be aware that falling rubble can still be a hazard.

Some areas along the coast may be difficult to walk on, so watch your step!



The ebb tide leaves water and algae on rocks, making them slippery.

Hiking along the coast at high tide can be difficult in some places, because the water level covers previously dry land.



It is unsafe and forbidden to climb on the monoliths.

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Enjoy your visit!