

Safety Tips...

- Think and practice safety on all waterways
- Wear your life jacket...the experts do
- Know your ability...and the waterway's demands
- Do not go out alone...there is safety in numbers
- Dress in layers or wear a dry/wet suit, depending on the weather
- Leave a float plan before you put in. Let someone know where you are putting in, taking out and when you will return
- Learn waterway reading
- Learn CPR and First Aid
- Learn use of ropes and other tying materials
- Learn self rescue (including deep water re-entry)
- Maintain your gear throughout the year
- Keep your body in good physical condition
- Know how to swim
- Watch for motorboats. Stay to the right and turn into the wake
- Check local weather report prior to leaving

Safety Equipment Checklist...

- Floatation gear
- Extra paddle
- First aid kit
- Insect repellent and sunscreen
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Sharp knife or axe
- Whistle, bailer, waterproof matches, compass and map
- Drinking water

Respect Our Property...

- Do not litter or pollute the water with trash or other waste. Pack out what you pack in
- Obey fire regulations
- Respect private ownership. Access to private lands should be by invitation only



Summerville Beach

The Summerville Beach area is a popular picnic destination with both a white sand beach and salt water lagoon. The area offers a wonderful picnic area, washrooms, change houses and unsupervised swimming. There are restaurants, gift shops, accommodations and other services within the local area.



For other brochures in this series, visit the Visitor Information Centres in Liverpool or Caledonia or contact:



Region of Queens Municipality

Region of Queens Municipality
Liverpool, NS B0T 1K0 Canada
Phone: 902-354-5741
Toll Free: 1-800-655-5741
info@regionofqueens.com
www.regionofqueens.com

QUEENS COUNTY THE ADVENTURE AWAITS...



BROAD RIVER

Broad River to Summerville Beach
For additional information go to

www.queens.ca
Beginner / Family

BROAD RIVER

BROAD RIVER PICNIC PARK TO SUMMERVILLE BEACH PROVINCIAL PARK

Routes whether for paddling, hiking, walking or biking are a great way to discover and explore "The South Shore's Great Experience." The outlined canoe trail has been designed to encourage people to learn more about waterways within the Region and provide an enjoyable boating experience.

Access

These directions proceed from Highway 103. Follow Highway 103 to Exit 20. Turn off Highway 103 at Exit 20 onto Route 3. Follow Route 3 southeasterly for approximately 1 km (1.6mi). Turn right off Route 3 onto Broad River Road. Follow Broad River Road approximately 1km (1.6mi) to a dead end. The picnic park/starting point is on your left.

Description

This scenic route, designed with family in mind, will follow the mixed growth shores of the beautiful Broad River from the end of Bear Hole Falls to the white sand shores of Summerville Beach. You will start your journey at a secluded picnic park nestled at the base of Highway 103 at the end of Broad River Road and proceed downstream for approximately 1km. The traveller is then encouraged to proceed northeasterly for up to 1km depending on tidal levels, exploring the shallows of an impressive saltwater lagoon and numerous tidal pools. After exploring this area, you are encouraged to travel toward the train bridge, visible throughout most of this journey. From the southwestern side of the train bridge, take the opportunity to hike the 1km-long white sands of Summerville Beach, picnic in the Summerville Beach Provincial Park, or just relax on the sand and listen to crashing surf.

Mileage: approx. 5km (3.2mi) return

Skill Level: Beginner

Difficulty: Easy to moderate

Notes and Precautions

It is recommended that less experienced users do not proceed past the train bridge as tidal currents and wave action can be very dangerous. Beware of sudden changes in current and water level due to tidal action. Also, beware when attempting to travel under the train bridge the channel can be obstructed with bridge supports and should be scouted first.

A canoe trail is a publically owned waterway. When flowing through private property please respect owner's rights. Courtesy and common sense are important for a safe and memorable trip.

