

Baie-Comeau, Quebec, Canada

A working port town punching above its weight — the St. Lawrence here is prime whale habitat, the church frescoes rival anything in Italy, and the Manicouagan hydroelectric complex is one of North America's great engineering feats.

Docked (deep-water pier) Typical call: 7-9 hrs Canadian Dollar (CAD) French (English spoken in tourism)

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Deep-water pier; ~1.5 km (20-min walk) to downtown. Free shuttle buses from terminal.

Best For: Whale watching, dam tours, Sainte-Amélie frescoes, boreal nature.

Walk to Center: 20 min along Pioneer Promenade; flat and easy.

Don't Miss: Sainte-Amélie Church — a vast ceiling fresco by Florentine-trained master Guido Nincheri.

Getting around: Taxi CAD \$10–15

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **St. Lawrence Whale Watching** — The confluence of the St.
- **Sainte-Amélie Church Fresco Tour** — This Baie-Comeau landmark is crowned by one of North America's largest church frescoes — a roughly 1,500 m² ceiling work by Florentine-trained artist...
- **Manic-5 Daniel-Johnson Dam Tour** — The world's largest multiple-arch-and-buttress dam sits 214 km north of town (2.5-hour drive).
- **Boisé de la Pointe-St.-Gilles Park** — A 432-acre urban forest right in town with groomed and wild hiking trails.
- **Gardens of the Glaciers (Jardin des Glaciers)** — An immersive multimedia attraction retracing the last ice age — glacier simulations, geological exhibits, and the story of how Baie-Comeau's...

BEST WALKS

- **Pioneer Promenade to Downtown** 1.5 km · 20 min · Flat — Follow the waterfront Pioneer Promenade from the cruise pier to Pioneer Park, then continue into downtown Baie-Comeau along Boulevard Lasalle.
- **Church Walk: St. Andrew's to Sainte-Amélie** 1 km · 15 min · Flat — Start at St.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				DAYLIGHT & MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 5:40AM–7:25PM · Jun 4:27AM–8:39PM · Aug 5:25AM–7:47PM · Sep 6:09AM–6:44PM · Oct 6:54AM–5:41PM	
Apr	39°	27°	11d		
Jun	64°	51°	12d		
Aug	70°	58°	12d		
Sep	61°	50°	12d		
Oct	50°	40°	13d		

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Take the free shuttle. The terminal is 1.5 km from downtown — the free shuttle bus saves the walk and drops you right at the action.
- Book whale watching early. St. Lawrence whale tours are the top excursion and sell out quickly in summer. Reserve before your cruise.
- Manic-5 is a full-day trip. The Daniel-Johnson Dam is 214 km away (2.5 hrs each way). Only do it if your ship offers an organised excursion — don't try to self-drive on a port call.
- Bring Canadian dollars. Most businesses accept credit cards, but small cafés and market stalls may prefer cash. USD is sometimes accepted at poor rates.
- French is the default. Baie-Comeau is a francophone city. Tourist venues and excursion operators speak English, but a few words of French go a long way.
- Layer up. Even in July, the St. Lawrence breeze can be cool. Bring a windproof jacket, especially for whale-watching on the water.

Baie-Comeau, Quebec, Canada — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



1 Mont Ti-Basse Local ski hill and outdoor activity center.

3 Pionniers Park Scenic waterfront park with walking paths and views.

P Cruise port / terminal

2 Ancienne Église catholique Sainte-Amélie à Baie-Comeau Historic Sainte-Amélie Catholic Church, a local landmark.

4 Belvédère Baie St-Pancrace Panoramic viewpoint overlooking the beautiful St-Pancrace Bay.