

Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada

Canada's oldest incorporated city sits where the Saint John River meets the Bay of Fundy — twice a day the river literally reverses course, and cruise ships dock minutes from a walkable uptown full of Victorian brick and a market that's been running since 1876.

Docked (pier)

Typical call: 7-9 hrs

Canadian Dollar (CAD)

English

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date:

Arrive:

All aboard:

Excursion:

Notes:

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Marco Polo or Diamond Jubilee terminal; 5-min walk to uptown

Best For: Reversing Falls, Bay of Fundy whale watching, historic uptown

Walk to centre: 5 minutes flat from all three berths

Don't Miss: Saint John City Market — oldest farmers' market in Canada (est. 1876)

Getting around: **Taxi** CAD \$10–20 · **Rideshare** Uride · **Hop-on hop-off** Big Pink Hop-On Hop-Off Bus

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Reversing Falls Rapids** — The Bay of Fundy's massive tides push the Saint John River backwards twice a day — whirlpools, standing waves, and a complete flow reversal.
 - Bay of Fundy Whale Watching** — Humpback, finback, and minke whales feed in the nutrient-rich Bay of Fundy waters.
- Uptown Historic Walking Tour** — Trinity Royal Preservation Area protects blocks of Victorian brick and sandstone rebuilt after the Great Fire of 1877.
 - Saint John City Market** — Canada's oldest continuously operating farmers' market (1876) fills a stunning barrel-vaulted iron building.
 - St. Martins Sea Caves & Covered Bridges** — Drive 45 minutes to the fishing village of St.

BEST WALKS

- Uptown Core Loop** 1.5 km · 30-40 min · Easy, flat — From the cruise terminal, walk up to King's Square, cut through to the Saint John City Market on Charlotte Street, browse the stalls, then loop back via Germain Street...
- Harbour Passage Waterfront Trail** 4 km return · 1-1.5 hrs · Easy, paved — Harbour Passage is a paved multi-use 'red brick road' trail that follows the inner harbour west from the cruise terminals.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		46°	33°	12d
Jun		64°	52°	13d
Aug		71°	60°	10d
Sep		66°	54°	9d
Oct		57°	46°	11d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:38AM–8:10PM · Jun 5:36AM–9:13PM · Aug 6:25AM–8:30PM · Sep 7:03AM–7:34PM · Oct 7:40AM–6:38PM

Representative sunrise/sunset — 2025, 15th of each month; local civil time including DST (America/Moncton). Source: Astral; not a forecast or climate average.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Check the tide table. The Reversing Falls is far more impressive at high tide — Saint John Tourism publishes a daily tide schedule. Ask at the terminal or check online before you go.
- Canadian dollars preferred. Most uptown shops and the City Market accept USD and credit cards, but you'll get better value paying in CAD. ATMs are a 5-min walk from the pier.
- Layer up. Saint John's Bay of Fundy location means fog and cool winds even in summer. A light jacket is always a good idea, especially for whale-watching zodiacs.
- Eat lobster. New Brunswick lobster is fresh and cheap compared to what you'd pay at home. The City Market and nearby restaurants on Princess Street are the easiest spots to grab it.
- Reversing Falls needs transport. It's about 3.5 km from the pier — a short taxi, the trolley tour, or the Big Pink Bus are all easy options. Walking via Harbour Passage is possible but the route turns industrial and hilly, so it adds real time.
- Ship time vs. local time. Saint John is on Atlantic Time (UTC-3 summer), one hour ahead of Eastern. Confirm your all-aboard time against local clocks at the terminal.

Saint John, New Brunswick, 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.



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| 1 King's Square | Historic public park in the city center, shaped like a Union Jack. | 2 Wolastoq Park | Scenic waterfront park along the Saint John River. |
| 3 Saint John Jewish Historical Museum | Museum preserving Saint John's Jewish history and heritage. | 4 Saint John Public Gardens | Beautiful historic Victorian-era public gardens with diverse plants. |
| 5 Three Sisters Lamp | Unique historic street lamp, a beloved local landmark. | 6 Breakout Saint John | Interactive escape room challenge for groups and families. |
| 7 Blueberry Hill Nature Preserve | Nature preserve with trails for hiking and scenic views. | P Cruise port / terminal | |