



Roosevelt Campobello International Park

When Franklin Delano Roosevelt, in whose memory the Park was created, came to Campobello as a child, it was to pursue the orderly summer adventures available to a well-to-do Victorian family. When he came as a young husband whose third son was



born on the island, it was to taste the excitements of childhood from the perspective of manhood and to pass on to his children the same challenges and rewards he had known. And finally, when he came as President of the United States, it was to take new strength and composure from Campobello's air and land, from the sea around it, and from the memories of ease his "beloved island" awoke in him.

- Edmund S. Muskie, May 1, 1975



Franklin D. Roosevelt - as a child, a young man, and as President - spent many enjoyable vacations on Campobello Island in New Brunswick's Bay of Fundy. His magnificent 34-room residence is today the centre of Roosevelt

Campobello International Park. Established in 1964 by international agreement, the Park commemorates President Roosevelt and serves as a symbol of friendship between Canada and the United States.

Roosevelt's early associations with Canada were reinforced by the close ties of World War II, during which the leaders of both countries, FDR and Mackenzie King, led their nations. FDR held Prime Minister King, who contributed greatly to the joining of Canada and the United States in support of the war effort, in great esteem. The close friendship of King with British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Roosevelt was one of the cornerstones of the Allied effort.

The Park's Visitor Centre offers a short video, interpretive displays, and beautiful flower gardens. In the Roosevelt Cottage,



knowledgeable guides provide interpretation and answer questions about the cottage, its historic furnishings, and the Roosevelt family.

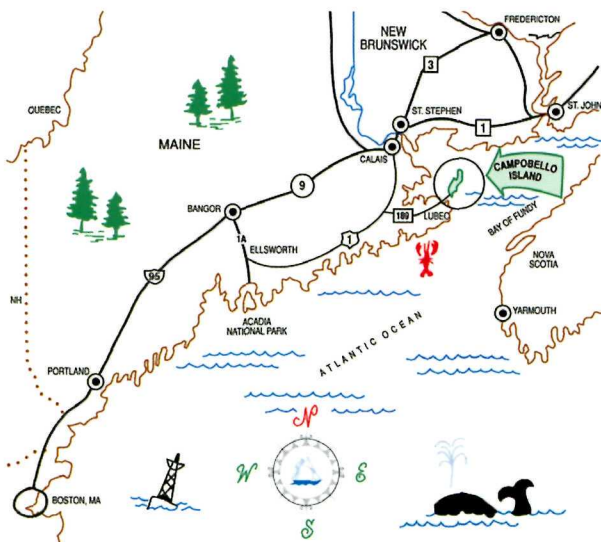
In addition to several other period summer homes, the Park's 1,134 hectares (2,800 acres) also preserve an extensive natural area containing beautiful vistas, craggy cliffs, thick glacial deposits, peat bogs, beaches, picnic sites, and walking trails. Here, visitors continue to enjoy the scenic values, uncrowded conditions, and balsam-scented forests that drew FDR to his "beloved" island.

The Natural Area comprises much that was characteristic of Campobello and fascinating to the Roosevelts and other summer residents of the resort era. Views from the Natural Area's observation decks, scenic hikes along the Park's walking trails,

interesting geology, and varied plant and animal life are as attractive today as they were one hundred years ago.

The Visitor Centre and Roosevelt Cottage open the Saturday following Victoria Day (the Saturday prior to U.S.

Memorial Day). Although the Roosevelt Cottage closes Canadian Thanksgiving (U.S. Columbus Day), the Visitor Centre remains open until October 31. Hours are 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ADT, seven days a week. There are no admission or use fees. Camping is not allowed; the Park is day use only. The Visitor Centre, first floor of the FDR Cottage, Eagle Hill Bog pathway, and Friar's Head Observation Deck are accessible to the disabled.



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