A Day in LaHave

Venturing down Highway #3 from Bridgewater will reward you with a scenic drive along the winding LaHave River. Your destination: the LaHave Ferry on Highway 332. As the last remaining cable ferry in Canada, this unique 5 minute journey gives you a perfect 360° view of life on the river.

Turning left as you drive off the ferry, a stop at LaHave Bakery is a must. Housed in a Victorian-era sea-trading centre in the 17th century French settlement of LaHave, the bakery produces traditional breads made from locally grown, fresh milled grains. Sandwiches, soups, coffee and other yummy treats await your road trip cravings. While you’re there, be sure to check out the LaHave Crafters Co-op for locally made treasures.

For a history lesson of the area, visit the National Historic Site of the first capital of New France between 1632 -1636, Fort Ste-Marie-de-Grace. Here the Fort Point Museum paints a picture of life for the new French settlers and their native hosts, the Mi’kmaq.

Now you have the choice to take your adventure to the left or the right.

Turning right and driving back towards Bridgewater on Highway 331, stop in at the various artist studios along the way, like the Fort Point Gallery, Pentz Pottery or Sattler’s Stained Glass. It’s a great opportunity to see how local artists have been inspired by their natural surroundings and gentle soul of the area.

Turning left on Highway 331, head to LaHave Islands. Sea-faring historians will be interested in the LaHave Islands Marine Museum with displays on traditional life in a fishing community. When it’s time to stretch your legs or indulge in a picnic, Crescent Beach awaits. With 2 km of white sand beach, it’s the perfect spot for building sand castles, a dip in the surf, a leisurely stroll or just relaxing on the shore, reflecting on a beautiful day in Lunenburg Region.

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