Twillingate

A Brief History

The area around Twillingate has been continually inhabited for about 3,500 years. The earliest known inhabitants were the Maritime Archaic people. Major finds of Maritime Archaic artifacts occurred in 1967 in Back Harbour, Twillingate where over 75 items were recovered from the site including projectile points, adzes and crystals.

In most recent times the Maritime Archaic people were supplanted in Twillingate by the Dorset Eskimos.

The French fishermen were likely the first Europeans to sight the Twillingate Islands as early as the 1500’s. They didn’t settle in the area but gave Twillingate its name, which is derived from the ‘word Toulinquet. With Twillingate’s good harbour and closeness to the rich fishing grounds it grew steadily over the next 100 years and became one of Newfoundland’s greatest fishing ports.

Still, Twillingate’s story remains a positive one. Since the 1970’s, the community has been linked to the mainland of Newfoundland by a modern causeway and the Road To The Isles.

Although the fishery is in decline, Twillingate has become one of the premier tourist attractions. Some of the old buildings, like St. Peter’s Church, still remain and the Twillingate and Durrell museums as well as the Prime Berth continue to preserve history.

But, perhaps the greatest attraction is the town’s natural beauty. Hundreds of people come each year to see the breath-taking sunsets, magnificent icebergs and the playful antics of pods of humpback whales and during their stay are treated to local hospitality and entertainment.
History of Harbour Lights Inn

The Harbour Lights Inn is a quaint, idyllic Bed & Breakfast located in the heart of the beautiful island town of Twillingate. The Harbour Lights Inn is a traditional house that was built during the 1800’s for the British customs collector Andrew James Pearce.

The house was elegantly restored and converted into the warm hospitality of an historic inn with ambiance and modern amenities for the enjoyment of its welcomed guests.

As you relax at Harbour Lights Inn, you can watch the fishing trawlers coming and going while the seagulls perform a ceremonial display of their urban rituals. The Harbour Lights Inn is equipped with a spacious sitting room, nine modern rooms and wireless internet a home away from home. Here, making you feel comfortable and at home is our priority.

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Touring Twillingate Waters

Sea stacks of Spillar’s Cove

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The way it used to be. Traditional putt-putt.

Natural Caves of Burnt Island

Hole in the Wall at Spillar’s Cove

Queen Victoria Rock

Beautiful Spillar’s Tickle

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4 p.m. & 7 p.m.
(sunset tour)

The M.V. Daybreak is wheelchair accessible, has washroom facilities and a heated galley. The tour takes you along some of the most rugged and picturesque coastline in Newfoundland and along the historic shoreline of Sleepy Cove Tickle.

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Trails

A. Lighthouse/Lower Head Trail
   Approx 4 miles form lighthouse past rugged cliffs, old copper mine, Sea Breeze Park, root cellars. Great view of Crow Head.

B. Lighthouse/Cockold's Point Trail
   Approximately 6 miles from lighthouse, past rugged coastline and sea caves. Great view of Twillingate Harbour.

C. Mutfords Cove/Twillingate Museum
   Approximately 3.5 miles past Devil’s Track, through Spencer Park, great beaches (with land once occupied by the Maritime Archaic Indians), to Twillingate Museum and St. Peter’s Church.

D. Hospital Pond Trail
   Approximately 1 mile. Wheelchair accessible, wild plants, flower garden, swimming beach.

E. Top of Twillingate Trail
   Approximately 2.5 miles to the highest point in Twillingate for a 360 degree view of the communities, shoreline, sea and icebergs.

F. Lower Little Harbour
   Approximately 3 miles to resettled community, old root cellar, 20 foot natural arch and beautiful Jones Cove.

G. Spiller’s Cove/Codjack’s Cove Trail
   Approximately 4 - 5 miles of rugged coastline, rock formations, sea stacks, geology and great beaches.

H. French Beach/Spiller’s Cove Trail
   Approximately 4 - 5 miles of rugged coastlines, rock formations, sea stacks, hole in the wall and great beaches.
Accommodations

05. **As the Crow Flies Vacation Home**
   barbhorth@hotmail.com
   884-1907

06. **Storyteller's Retreat**
   www.storytellersretreat.net
   884-2755

08. **Victoria Cottage**
   www.cricketfieldcottage.tripod.com
   884-2950

11. **Whistlers View Hospitality Home**
    www.whistlesview.com
    884-2118

13. **Paradise B&B**
    www.capturegaia.com/paradiseb&amp;b.html
    1 877 882-1999

14. **Net Loft Chalet**
    www.cricketfieldcottage.tripod.com
    884-2950

15. **Peyton's Woods R.V. Park, Campground & Cottages**
    Serviced sites and tenting
    peytonsrvpark@yahoo.com
    884-2000 / 5532

16. **Cricket Field Cottage**
    www.cricketfieldcottage.tripod.com
    884-2950

18. **Anchor Inn Hotel / Georgie's Restaurant/ Captains Pub**
    www.anchorinnmotel.ca
    1 800 450-3950

19. **Twillingate Museum & Crafts**
    884-2825

20. **St Peter's Anglican Church**


Restaurants

03. **Crows Nest Cafe**
    crownestdcave.blogspot.com
    893-2029

18. **Anchor Inn Hotel / Georgie's Restaurant/ Captains Pub**
    www.anchorinnmotel.ca
    1 800 450-3950

22. **Twillingate Adventure Tours / Seafood Cafe**
    Specializing in seafood and moose dishes
    884-5999 / 1 888 447-8687

30. **R&J Restaurant**
    Eat in or takeout, specializing in fish and chips and chicken and wedge fries.
    884-2212 31.

36. **Cozy Tea Room**
    Home-cooked meals and freshly baked goods daily.
    884-1466

38. **Newfie Fog Cafe**
    884-1633

Other Amenities & Attractions

01. **Country Outport**
    884-2233

02. **Seabreeze Copper Mine / Park**
    Day park and some overnight parking.

04. **Gorilla Face**

07. **Victoria Rock**

09. **Painting by Pearl**
    www.paintingsbypearl.com
    884-1467

12. **Wild Cove Reach**

17. **North 99 Bar and Pub**
    884-1301

19. **Twillingate Museum & Crafts**
    884-2825

20. **St Peter's Anglican Church**

23. **Ted Stuckless Fine Arts & Driftwood Gallery**
    124 Main St.
    www.tedstuckless.com
    1 866 884-5239/884-2568

24. **Isles Flower**
    884-2922
25. **Foodland** 884-2540
27. **Smith’s Lookout**
29. **Canada Post** 884-5912
32. **Boat Launch**
33. **RCMP 884-2811**
34. **ARP Pharmacy** 884-2345
35. **C&R Variety** 884-5680
37. **Liquor Store / AGA Variety** 884-2685

**Live Entertainment**

10. **All Around the Circle Dinner Theatre** Providing a traditional Newfoundland meal and a night of entertainment that leaves lasting memories. 884-5423 or 884-2687
28. **Back Room Session** Easy listening, contemporary folk, blues and original music 884-2928
28. **Twillingate Kitchen Party** Come enjoy a cup of tea, homemade treats & some inspirational music. 884-5399
28. **Split Peas** Seven women play & sing a wide variety of traditional Newfoundland music. 884-2282 / 884-2801

**South Island: 38 - 94**

**Accommodations**

40. **Above The Tickle Hospitality Home**
   www.twillingate.com/accommodations
   1 877 549-1809
41. **Iceberg Alley B&B**
   ktobrian@live.ca
   893-2008
43. **Cabins By The Sea**
   www.cabinsbythesea.com
   884-2 158
50. **Kelsie’s Inn**
   www.kelsiesinn.com
   1 888 884-1290
57. **Atlantic View Cabins** 884-5483
61. **Applewood Inn**
   www.applewoodinn.ca
   1 888 815-9420
66. **Toulinquet Inn**  
   www.bbcanada.com/9127.html  
   1 877 684-2080

67. **Hillside B&B**  
   www.bbcanada.com/nfhillside  
   884-1666

71. **Echoes of the Ocean**  
   www.echoesoftheocean.net  
   884-1523

72. **Crewes Heritage B&B**  
   www.bbcanada.com/9122.html  
   1-866-884-2723

73. **All Season B&B**  
   info@allseasonsbb.com  
   1 877 535-7829

77. **Captain's Legacy B&B**  
   www.captainslegacy.com  
   884-5648

79. **Whitsha Inn**  
   www.whitshainn.com  
   884-1907

84. **Sleepy Noggin B&B**  
   www.bbcanada.com/12220.html  
   1 877 471-6664

85. **Amber Retreat**  
   www.twillingate.com/accommodations  
   1 877 549-1809

**New World Island Accommodations**

- **My Outport Home**  
  primeberth@xplornet.com  
  884-2485

- **Northern Lights B&B**  
  northernlights@nf.sympatico.ca  
  629-3279

- **Serenity Cottage**  
  gtbarnes@nf.sympatico.ca  
  628-7432

- **Sunset B&B**  
  sunsetbandb@hotmail.com  
  1 877 628-5209

- **Beachside Estates**  
  629-7921

- **Betty's Patch**  
  sheilaings@eastlink.ca  
  628-7407
10. All Around the Circle Dinner Theatre: Mon. - Sat. Doors open at 6pm.

18. Karen Churchill Kitchen Party 8pm

15. Peyton’s Woods RV Park & Campground

Restaurants
42. J&J’s Fish Market  Fresh seafood daily and fish and chips.  884-5514
51. Mary Brown’s  Eat in or takeout chicken & fries.  884-5990
64. Pat’s Chip Wagon
65. Golden Restaurant  Specializing in Chinese & Canadian dishes.  884-2747
69. Iceberg Quest / Canvas Cove Cafe  884-1888

Other Amenities & Attractions
39. Waterside Fish Market  Cell: 884-7636 • Bus: 893-1411
44. George Hawkins Arena  884-5429
45. Trailer Dumping Station
46. Playground
47. Credit Union  884-2704
48. Notre Dame Agencies  884-5544
49. Twillingate Save Easy  884-2125
52. Highway Service Center / Ultramar  884-2533
53. Twillingate Auto Supplies  884-2391
54. Timbre Mart  884-2211
55. Greenthumb Nursery  884-2636
56. Paint Shop  884-2152
57. Ochre Pit
58. Natural Arches of Little Harbour
59. Twillingate Fishery and Heritage Centre  Fishing Tours  884-5925 / 2485
60. Skipper Jim’s Boat Tours & Observatory  www.skipperjim.ca  884-2336
62. Twillingate Esso  884-5916
63. Notre Dame Seafoods  884-1260
68. Fire Department 884-2224
70. Twillingate Island Boat Tours / Iceberg Man Tours / Craft Shop & Theatre 884-2242
74. Northeast Church Heritage Museum 884-2827
75. Twillingate Gallery  
   www.twillingategallery.com  
   884-9398
76. Seaside Variety 884-1102
80. Auk Island Winery  
   884-2707 / 1 877 639-4637
81. Marine Service Centre 884-2528
82. Durrell Museum & Crafts 884-5537
83. Stuckless Foodex / Canada Post 884-5306
86. Bear’s Head
87. Cobra Snake
88. Figure of Indian
89. Man Sitting on Cliff
90. Sea Stacks
91. Lava Dykes
92. Dinosaur Rock
93. Natural Caves at Burnt Island
94. Rose’s Tickle  
   Gilbert Manuel  
   gilbert@nf.sympatico.ca  
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Live Entertainment

70. Cameron Stockley Musical  Each summer since 2004, Twillingate Theatre Company has presented Cameron Stockley Musicals at the 90-seat theatre Cameron Hall. Shows are presented Monday, Wednesday and Friday @8 pm throughout the summer.  
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