Enjoying Historic Bonavista

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Bonavista is a pedestrian's delight. The streets were made for walking! Bonavista's trademark maze of narrow lanes and side streets has its roots in the early 19th century. By then, most of the waterfront property was occupied and locals began building houses and outbuildings back from the shore. Footpaths eventually became the roads you see today. Experience them the way they were meant to be experienced...on foot.

Wander

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Set aside some time to just wander. We can't predict where you'll end up, but with an active harbour, more than a thousand heritage buildings, century-old neighbourhoods with names like Mockbeggar and Canaille, and plenty of picture-perfect scenery, you're guaranteed to discover something memorable along the way.















Shop Local

Church Street is Bonavista's commercial centre. Historically, this is where public buildings churches, schools, halls - were built. As space along the waterfront was scarce, Church Street began to attract both new businesses and middle-class residents who didn't need waterside homes. Today, Church Street retains much of its historical character, with 20th-century commercial buildings squeezed in next to older houses. An increasing number of these have been restored and re-imagined as independent, locally-owned and operated businesses.



