

THE GREAT ESCAPE

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My region,
my destination!

CHIBOUGAMAU AND CHAPAIS

NATURE AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

OBALSKI PARK

Take advantage of this stop in Chibougamau to get some fresh air! In the heart of the city, you will find the lac Gilman, where it is possible to rent boats, and from where a network of hiking and biking trails starts.



FAUNENORD

FaunENord is a team of enthusiasts who offer nature interpretation services. They will also guide you in picking mushrooms, making your own bag of Labrador tea, discovering the world of birds, observing carnivorous plants and tasting plants with a thousand and one flavours. Reservation required.



CENTRE DE VILLÉGIATURE MARINA DE CHIBOUGAMAU

This complex is unique in Chibougamau! Here, it is easy to enjoy the surrounding nature: rental of boats such as canoes, kayaks, paddle boards, motorboats... You can sleep in a chalet or camping. The bar and restaurant are open to all. It is the ideal place to do a multitude of activities. Should we add that lac Chibougamau is a huge playground for water sports enthusiasts?



CIRCUIT HISTORIQUE LE CHEMIN DES MINES

Over a distance of 7 kilometers, the historical circuit Le Chemin des Mines allows you to discover places, events, and individuals who have marked the mining history of the city of Chibougamau.

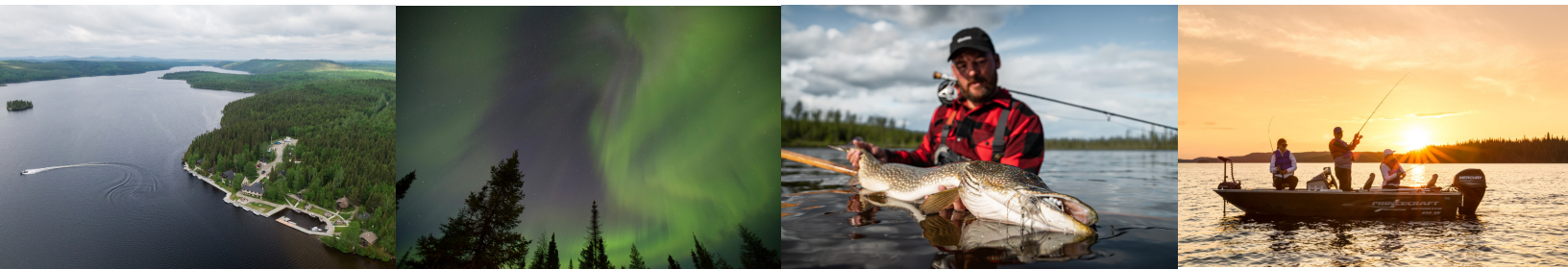
LAC GILMAN

Located a few steps from downtown Chibougamau, the municipal beach of lac Gilman is the perfect place to cool off and enjoy the beautiful summer days! In addition to swimming in clear, calm water, you can enjoy the nearby volleyball court and children's playground. To explore the lake, rent a boat (canoe, kayak, paddleboard, pedal boat). We invite you to discover a living nature through the stories of colorful characters. This tour is suitable for people of all ages.



RÉSERVE FAUNIQUE AMW

The lacs Albanel-Mistassini-and-Waconichi Wildlife Reserve is a great place for fishing enthusiasts looking for trophies and for those who love the great outdoors. In this territory of immensity, you will find the largest natural freshwater lake in Quebec, lac Mistassini, with a length of 176 km. In addition to fishing, rent a non-motorized boat to discover the surroundings in peace. Take a cultural workshop with a Cree artisan.



PARC OPÉMISKA

Parc Opémiska is not just a park! Formerly a mining site, this territory was revegetated in the 1990s to allow nature to regain its rights. It is thanks to the ashes of Chapais Énergie, a cogeneration plant located a few kilometers away, that this area was able to be reborn... from its ashes! Today, thanks to this more than original revitalization process, parc Opémiska is an ecosystem that stands out from the rest of the boreal forest. Dozens of bird species have been identified, making this park a paradise for birdwatchers. The trail will take you through this magnificent biodiversity sanctuary.



ARTS ET VITRAILS

Artist Jocelyne Grondin offers creative workshops throughout the summer. From 2h00 to 3h00, come and create a glass work. In the form of glass mosaic or glass fusion, you will spend a moment in a majestic environment, on the shores of lac Opémiska. In addition to offering you a souvenir made with your hands!



ON ROUTE DU NORD

BREATHTAKING LOOKOUTS AND REST AREAS

WORTHY STOPS

Take a break at km 131 to view the Broadback River.
At mile 234, you will find the Cree Memorial, a artwork by Tim Whiskeychan.
You will cross the mighty Rupert River at kilometer 238. It's a great place to have lunch!



RADISSON

THE ONLY NON-ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY NORTH OF THE 53RD
PARALLEL

ROBERT-BOURASSA GENERATING STATION

At the end of the route Billy-Diamond (formerly route de la Baie-James), discover the Robert-Bourassa hydroelectric facilities! From the power station - the largest in the world - located 140 meters underground to the dam as high as a 53-story building, these human constructions, like the nature surrounding them, dazzle by their gigantism. It is possible to visit the La Grande-1 and La Grande-2 power stations free of charge. Reservations are required.



TOUR RALLIES

Before or after your visit to the Robert-Bourassa generating facilities, download the Rallye des visites application to take part in two rallies in the Radisson area. The first one, "Radisson, from yesterday to today", will allow you to discover the fascinating history of Radisson by following a circuit of the village's landmarks. The second, "In the footsteps of the pioneers: the construction of the Robert-Bourassa development", will take you back in times.

ARTS ET TRÉSORS INOUÏS SHOP

You will definitely enjoy visiting this store which offers some of the finest examples of Aboriginal and Inuit art, jewelry, and artifacts. It's a great place to shop for souvenirs and to take a look around!



ANIMAL PAQUIN

Explore a variety of flora and fauna with your guide who has twenty years of experience. Follow him on the trail of wolves, bears, or matsutake mushrooms. Equipped with your camera, be ready to photograph the wild animals and the magnificent flora. Come and enjoy the omnipresent nature of Eeyou Istchee Baie-James!



ON ROUTE TRANSTAÏGA
HEART OF THE TERRITORY

MIRAGE AVENTURE

Fishermen and outdoor enthusiasts alike, escape to nature and enjoy the comfort and warmth that Mirage Adventure has to offer. This is where outdoor enthusiasts and thrill-seekers gather in all seasons to escape and experience unforgettable adventures.



ON ROUTE BILLY-DIAMOND

FROM SOUTH TO NORTH

WORTHY STOPS

Stop at the km 381 roadstop to refuel. Cafeteria, bathrooms and wifi on site.
The mighty Rupert River crosses the road at kilometer 257. Don't miss the short hiking trails and interpretation panels.
At kilometer 232, you can admire the Broadback River in all its splendour!

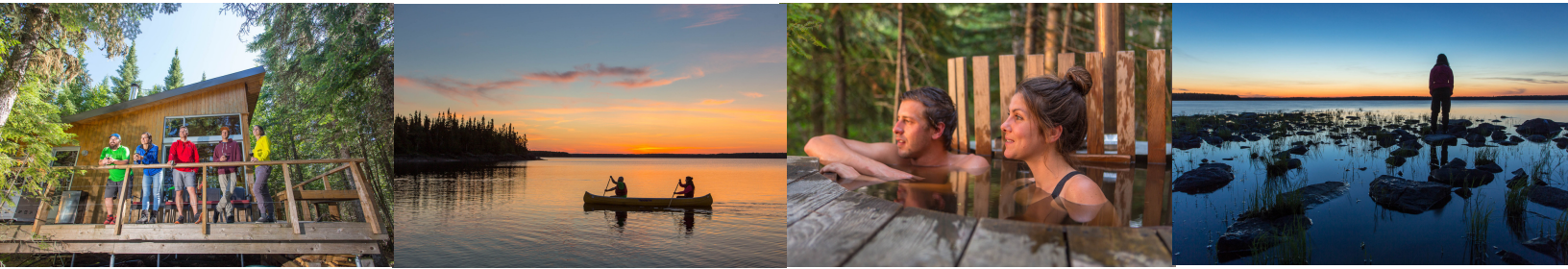


MATAGAMI

NATURE RETREAT

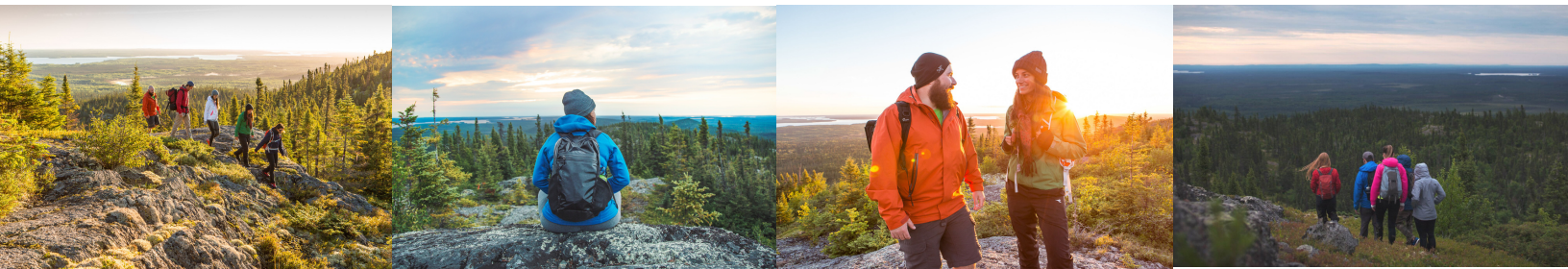
LES ÉCOGÎTES DU LAC MATAGAMI

A true oasis in the boreal forest, this ecotourism site includes yurts and eco-responsible chalets. With its sauna and Nordic spas, it is the perfect place to relax and enjoy nature: hiking in the forest, canoeing, kayaking, mushroom picking in the fall... Escape the urban frenzy and recharge your batteries on this enchanting site.



MONT LAURIER

At kilometer 10 of the route Billy-Diamond (formerly the route de la Baie-James), take one of the two marked trails that climb to the summit of Mont Laurier. You'll have a breathtaking panoramic view! Take advantage of your ascent to have lunch at the summit.



RÉSEAU BELL-NATURE

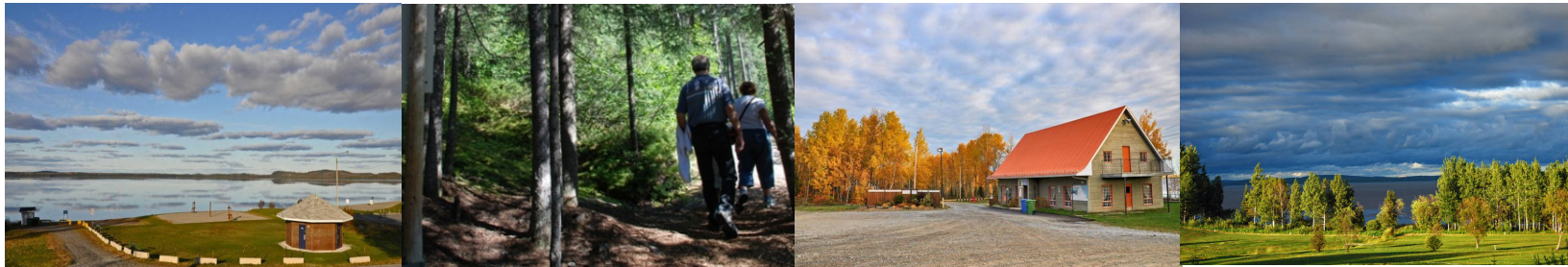
Located in the heart of downtown Matagami, the Bell-Nature trail network offers nearly 4 km of hiking trails, winter and summer!
Hike along the rivière Bell, which is calm in some places, and fiery in others, where beautiful waterfalls flow. Don't miss the water tower trail, where a lookout was built to admire the view above the trees.
No matter what time of year it is, this family-friendly network is one of the best ways to enjoy nature within walking distance of the city!



LEBEL-SUR-QUÉVILLON
CONVIVIALITY AND TRANQUILITY

MULTIPURPOSE TRAIL AND BEACH

Ride or walk the 26 km of groomed trail in complete peace of mind. The majority of the trail takes you to breathtaking panoramic sites around the lake. On your way back, take advantage of the beach or the boat rental available at the municipal campground.



NORTHERN LIGHTS

Wherever you go, winter or summer, look up to our magnificent skies. Look out for shooting stars, sunsets and who knows, maybe you'll have the chance to see the Northern Lights!

