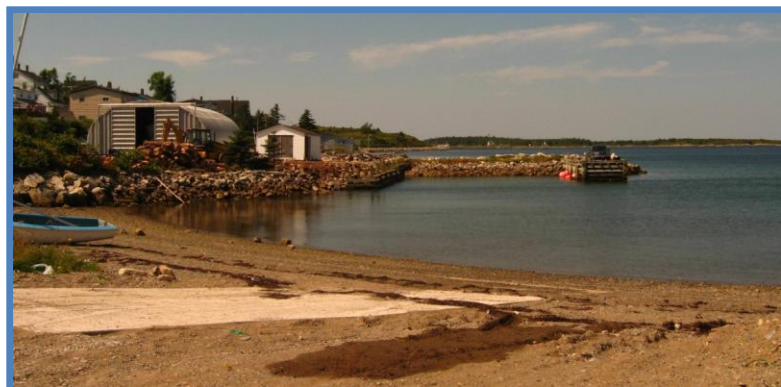


CANSO MARINA



This ramp and the other one at the government wharf give easy access to group of islands just 1 km offshore. The closest is Grassy Island, once a busy fishing mecca and now a National Historic site. You can also paddle up the Tickle (a narrow channel) between Canso and Durells Island or further afield to wilderness areas.

Canso marina ramp

For detailed route information, see "Eastern Shore, Whitehead to Canso" Sea Kayaking in Nova Scotia by Scott Cunningham (revised 2013). Note: There are more possible launch/landing site around Glasgow Head to the east. Follow a long dirt road past the hospital to a cobble beach.

Launch Site Rating Easy

Launch Site Description Concrete ramp gravel beach. Very sheltered.

Amenities at site Parking, washrooms

Arriving by land East end of Union Street.

Arriving by sea Just to the west of a very long breakwater. Quonset hut and small marina nearby.

Topographic map number 11 F 07

GPS reading

Lat 45° 20' 05"

Long 060° 59' 07"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

RV Park at marina

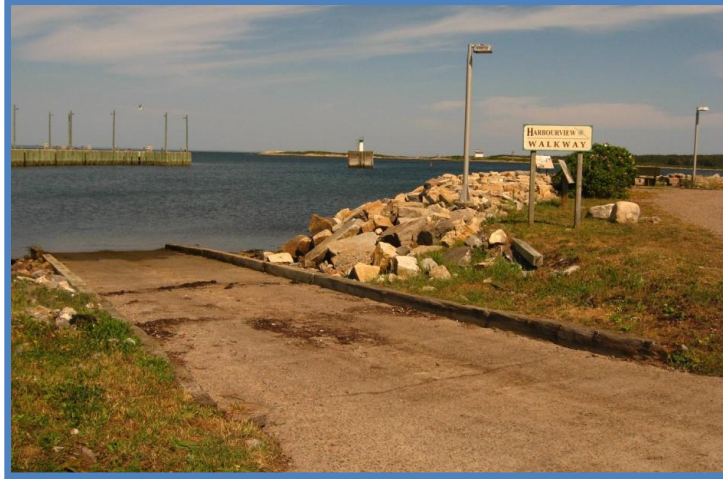
Coop grocery store, HV Bakery and Café on Main street near Government Wharf

Canso Islands National Site www.pc.gc.ca/eng/lhn-nhs/ns/canso/natcul.aspx

Waterfront camping Fox Island www.seabreezecampground.com

Guysborough County nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

CANSO GOVERNMENT WHARF



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Public ramp in Canso

Launch Site Rating Easy

Launch Site Description Concrete ramp

Amenities at site Lots of Parking, Benches, Trails

Arriving by land Follow Main Street east along the water to the wharf.

Arriving by sea Look for a long wharf and light poles.

Topographic map number 11 F 07

GPS reading

Lat 45° 20' 15"

Long 060° 59' 41"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

Coop grocery store, HV Bakery and Café, Whitman Wharf House B and B

Canso Islands Historic Site www.pc.gc.ca/eng/lhn-nhs/ns/canso/natcul.aspx

Fox Island, Waterfront camping www.seabreezecampground.com

Guysborough County nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

CANSO - The Tickle



Launch site viewed from the bridge

Gravel ramp near bridge

The Tickle is a delightful 2 km channel between Canso and Durells Island lined with homes and wharves. The government wharf ramp at the east end of the Tickle is an easier launch site with more parking. This one is about half way along. From here you could paddle around the island or back to town.

Launch Site Rating	Moderate
Launch Site Description	Short carry down grassy stone bank to gravel shoreline
Amenities at site	None. No Parking. Unload then park on other side of bridge.

Arriving by land Take the Tickle Road out of town headed west. Look for road to island and bridge. Launch is on the left before the bridge. Hard to see from the road.

Arriving by sea Look for the only bridge across the channel. The launch site is on the west side of the bridge on the mainland.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 20' 24"
Long 061° 00' 57"

Owner Public Shoreline

NEARBY SERVICES

Coop grocery store, HV Bakery and Café on Main street near Government Wharf

Canso Islands National Site www.pc.gc.ca/eng/lhn-nhs/ns/canso/natcul.aspx

Waterfront camping Fox Island www.seabreezecampground.com

Guysborough County nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

FOX ISLAND MAIN



The shoreline here on Chedabucto Bay is much straighter than the Atlantic coast. It invites paddling on calmer days along a coast of cliffs and gravel beaches. A nearby campground with wide views of the bay makes for a good base camp.

Beach at Fox Island Main

Launch Site Rating	Easy to moderate depending on surf.
Launch Site Description	Small protected beach. 20 m carry.
Amenities at site	None. Off road parking. Campground .5 km east.

Arriving by land Turn off Route 16 onto "Fox Island Main Road". The beach is at a T in the road about .5 km along.

Arriving by sea About 1 km south of Fox Island which is the only visible island along here. Look for a small beach with a house on either end.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 20' 33"
Long 061° 06' 33"

Owner Public beach

NEARBY SERVICES

Fox Island	Seabreeze Campground. Turn right at T and go about 500m. Waterfront camping with small store, cottages and launch site www.seabreezecampground.com
Half Island Cove	Smalls store and gas
Canso or Guysborough	Groceries and other services
Guysborough County	nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

HALF ISLAND COVE



This little cove is a pretty spot though it requires a carry down the bank to launch. Launch sites to the east or west may be easier.

The beach and abandoned breakwater at Half Island Cove

Launch Site Rating Easy shoreline launch with a short haul down the bank.

Launch Site Description Wide gravel beach. The nearby wharf is no longer in use and it has no ramp or other access next to it.

Amenities at site

None. Shoulder parking. Nearby store and gas.

Arriving by land Turn off Route 16 down past the store on Half Island Cove Wharf Road. Keep left where the road splits. Stop along the beach before the wharf.

Arriving by sea Just west of a small headland, look for a breakwater

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 21' 13"

Long 061° 11' 36"

Owner Public beach

NEARBY SERVICES

Small store and gas

Hanham's 902-358-2675

Fox Island

Water front camping www.seabreezecampground.com

Canso or Guysborough

Groceries and other services

Guysborough County nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

PHILIPS HARBOUR



This harbour is a small cute protected cove with a few cottages. Boat tours are available from here and a cottage rental.

Launch at this small cobble beach.

Launch Site Rating Easy

Launch Site Description Cobble beach. 15 m carry

Amenities at site None. Limited Parking.

Arriving by land Turn off Route 16 just east of Queensport down "Beach Lane"

Arriving by sea A small island with a eye catching lighthouse is about 2 km west. The harbour is somewhat narrower at the entrance.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 20' 58"

Long 061° 14' 27"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

Shore to Sea Cottage and boat tours (down Carter Road on other side of harbour) 902-358-2836

Half Island Cove Small store and gas

Fox Island Waterfront camping with small store, cottages and launch site
www.seabreezecampground.com

Canso or Guysborough Groceries and other services

Guysborough County nseashore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

QUEENSPORT WHARF



Queensport has three possible launch sites but this is the easiest. The nearby island lighthouse is a compelling short paddle away. The shoreline here is fairly straight and unprotected.

Ramp next to government wharf in Queensport

Launch Site Rating Easy.

Launch Site Description Gravel ramp.

Amenities at site Garbage. Lots of Parking

Arriving by land In Queensport, turn down "Hendsbee Wharf Road" .

Arriving by sea About 1.2 km SE of Queensport Lighthouse. Look for a wharf and boats.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 20' 43"

Long 61° 15' 22"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

Philips Harbour

Half Island Cove

Fox Island

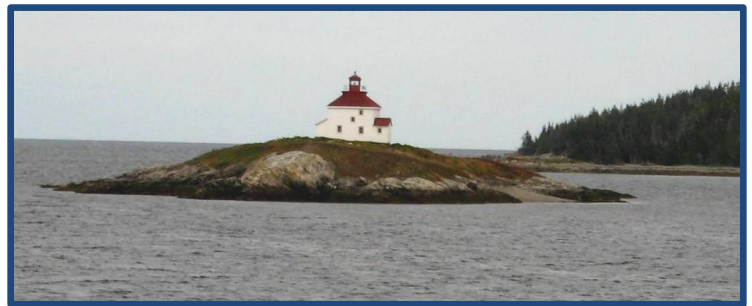
Shore to Sea Cottage and boat tours Carter Road

Small store and gas

Waterfront camping with small store, cottages and launch site
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Canso or Guysborough Groceries and other services

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Queensport Lighthouse

QUEENSPORT DAY PARK



Queensport Day Park

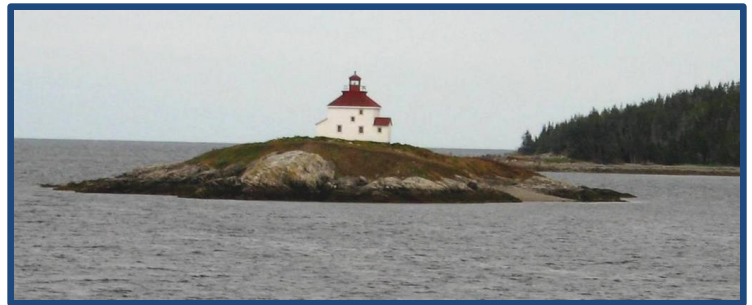
Launch Site Rating

Easy. May be a long carry.

Launch site Description Gravel shoreline.

Amenities at site

Parking, Garbage Cans, Port a Potty ,
Picnic Tables, Interpretive display,
grassy area for sorting gear



Queensport Lighthouse

Arriving by land The park is along the main Route 16 in Queensport.

Arriving by sea About 1 km SSE of the lighthouse. Look for where river empties onto beach and small park.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 20' 20"

Long 061° 15' 56"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

Philips Harbour

Half Island Cove

Fox Island

Shore to Sea Cottage and boat tours Carter Road

Small store and gas

Waterfront camping with small store, cottages and launch site

www.seabreezecampground.com

Canso or Guysborough

Groceries and other services.

Guysborough County nseashore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

QUEENSPORT- Roadside Beach



This gravel beach is just west of Queensport.

The shoreline here is fairly straight and unprotected. The nearby island lighthouse is a compelling short paddle away. This launch is easy but parking is limited (see below). The launch at the Queensport wharf is easier. The next launch/landing site to the west is 13 km away at Dort's Cove. It may be possible to land at Half Way Cove if you have to and cross the beach and lagoon behind it to the road.

Launch Site Rating

Easy to moderate depending on surf.

Launch Site Description

Fine gravel beach close to road.

Amenities at site None. Limited parking for one car on gravel path to beach. Or unload there, then park across road on Queensport Loop.



Queensport Lighthouse

Arriving by land Narrow path at east end of beach. Hard to see from highway. Pull off at east end of Queensport Loop. Path is across the road.

Arriving by sea Look for gravel beach 1 km west of lighthouse.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 20' 47"

Long 061° 17' 08"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

Philips Harbour

Shore to Sea Cottage and boat tours Carter Road

Half Island Cove

Small store and gas

Fox Island

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Canso or Guysborough

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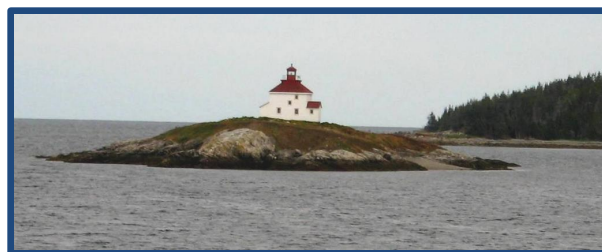
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Lat 45° 20' 47"

Long 061° 17' 08"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

Philips Harbour

Shore to Sea Cottage and boat tours Carter Road

Half Island Cove

Small store and gas

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Canso or Guysborough

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DORT'S COVE



Cobble beach at Dort's Cove.

This cove is at the mouth of the Salmon River, a wide inlet about 3 km long. A sand beach (in distance above) stretches across much of the river entrance. The actual launch area is a cobble beach accessed by a hard to spot short road. A few trailers are camped there. Cook's Cove, about 3 km west, is an easier launch site.

The next launch/landing site to the east is 15km away at Queensport. It may be possible to land at Half Way Cove if you have to and cross the beach there and lagoon behind it to the road. If heading into Guysborough Harbour, be aware of currents at the narrow entrance.

Launch Site Rating	Easy to moderate.
Launch Site Description	Exposed cobble beach. 10 m carry.
Amenities at site	Port-a-potty. Garbage. Limited off road parking.

Arriving by land About 600m east of the Salmon River bridge look for a break in the guardrail . A short gravel road leads to the parking area. Across from house #8771.

Arriving by sea Look for a trailers and a small yellow sign east of the bridge.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 21' 10"

Long 061° 27' 55"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

Guysborough (Town) - Full range of services. Restaurants, pub, B and B, Bolyston Provincial Park. Camping.

Fox Island Waterfront camping with small store, cottages and launch site
www.seabreezecampground.com

Guysborough County nseashore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

COOK'S COVE



This picturesque cove is close to Guysborough Harbour, a sand beach to the east and Salmon River Inlet.

If heading into Guysborough Harbour, be aware of currents at the narrow entrance.

Fine sand beach at Cook's Cove makes an easy launch site.

Launch Site Rating Easy

Launch site Description Narrow sand beach beside wharf. Grassy ramp. Short carry.

Amenities at site None. Off Road Parking. Do not block wharf.

Arriving by land Beside Route 16 about 4 kms south of downtown Guysborough

Arriving by sea Look for wharf in a small cove on west shore before entrance to Guysborough Harbour.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 22' 03"

Long 061° 29' 23"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

Guysborough (Town) - Full range of services

Restaurants, pub, B and B,

Camping at Bolyston Provincial Park.

Guysborough County nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

GUYSBOROUGH MARINA

Guysborough is a small town with an attractive waterfront. The marina is in a group of colourful buildings that include a pub, café and kayak rental. From here you can explore the protected 6 km pastoral harbour lined with homes, hardwoods and fields. If heading out of Guysborough Harbour, be aware of currents at the narrow entrance.



The ramp is visible to the left of the wharf.

Launch Site Rating Easy. Launch then park elsewhere nearby.

Launch Site Description Concrete ramp. \$3 fee.
www.guysboroughmarina.com

Amenities at site Parking, Garbage Cans, Washroom, Shower



Arriving by land Behind yellow café. Look for Guysborough Marina sign.

Arriving by sea Look for brightly coloured buildings and ramp near floating docks.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 23' 30"

Long 061° 29' 50"

Owner Marina

NEARBY SERVICES

Guysborough - Full range of services Restaurant/bakery/pub/café on street above marina.

Kayak rentals at Skipping Stone Café

Bolyston Campground and Picnic Park

www.novascotiaparks.ca

Fox Island Seabreeze Campground

www.seabreezecampground.com

Guysborough County nseasternshore.com

and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

GUYSBOROUGH - Mussel Cove



Small marina at Mussel Cove

This very protected cove with a small opening is tucked in behind the golf course just north of Guysborough. From here you can explore the protected 6 km pastoral harbour lined with homes, hardwoods and fields.

If heading out of Guysborough Harbour, be aware of currents at the narrow entrance.

Launch Site Rating Easy

Launch Site Description Gravel beach. 5 m carry down grassy hill.

Amenities at site None. Parking 5-6 cars. Grassy area for sorting gear.

Arriving by land Turn onto Ferry Lane just north of Guysborough. Near the Golf Clubhouse, turn left at #89 and take the first left about 300 m to the end.

Arriving by sea Look for a waterfront golf course just north of town. Continue around the point and look for a narrow entrance to the cove.

Topographic map number 11 F 06, 11 F 05

GPS reading

Lat 45° 24' 13"

Long 061° 30' 21"

Owner Lloyd Hines. Privately owned. Allows people to launch there.

NEARBY SERVICES

Guysborough - Full range of services.

Bolyston Campground and Picnic Park

Fox Island Seabreeze Campground

Guysborough County nseashore.com

Restaurant/bakery/pub/café on street above marina. Kayak rentals at Skipping Stone Café
www.novascotiaparks.ca

www.seabreezecampground.com

and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

BOLYSTON PROVINCIAL PARK



This lovely wooded waterfront picnic park has long views down harbour. The camping area is on the hill across the road.

From here you can explore the protected 6 km pastoral harbour lined with homes, hardwoods and fields.

NOTE: Avoid the bridge area at the harbour head due to strong currents.

This picnic site at the park gives easy water access.

Launch Site Rating Easy

Launch Site Description Gravel shoreline. 10 m easy carry.

Amenities at site Parking, Pit Toilets, Garbage Cans, Picnic Tables, Water, Trails.

Arriving by land Look for the park sign on Route 16 near the head of the harbour. On entry turn to your left to north end of park.

Arriving by sea Look for a long board walk to an island near the head of the harbour on the west side. This picnic site is just south of that about 70 m.

Topographic map number 11 F 05

GPS reading

Lat 45° 25' 35"

Long 061° 30' 34"

Owner Province

NEARBY SERVICES

Bolyston Campground and Picnic Park www.novascotiaparks.ca

Bolyston Quik Way on Route 16 400m from intersection with Route 344.

Guysborough Full range of services Restaurant/bakery/pub/café.

Kayak rentals at Skipping Stone Café

Guysborough County nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

BOYLSTON MARINA



This is an easy launch near the head of the harbour. From here you can explore the protected 6 km pastoral harbour lined with homes, hardwoods and fields.

NOTE: Avoid the bridge area at the harbour head due to strong currents.

Ramp at Boylston Marina

Launch Site Rating Easy

Launch Site Description Concrete ramp and gravel beach.

Amenities at site

Off road parking, Garbage Cans, Picnic Table

Arriving by land A short distance down "Eastside Harbour Road" off Route 316.

Arriving by sea Look for floating dock and boats at head of harbour.

Topographic map number 11 F 05, 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 25' 56"

Long 061° 30' 14"

Owner Private "Use at own risk" sign.

NEARBY SERVICES

Bolyston Campground and Picnic Park www.novascotiaparks.ca

Bolyston Quik Way on Route 16 400m from intersection with Route 344.

Guysborough Full range of services Restaurant/bakery/pub/café.

Kayak rentals at Skipping Stone Café

Guysborough County nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

LIME COVE



This distinctive cove with its white streaked rock face is about half way the east side of the harbour. From here you can explore the protected 6 km pastoral harbour lined with homes, hardwoods and fields.

If heading out of Guysborough Harbour, be aware of currents at the narrow entrance.

Launch from the roadside at Lime Cove.

Launch Site Rating Easy

Launch Site Description Gravel beach shoreline. Short haul down bank.

Amenities at site None. Shoulder parking.

Arriving by land Look for the beach right by the Lime Cove sign.

Arriving by sea Look for the white rock face.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 24' 57"

Long 061° 29' 37"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

Bolyston Campground and Picnic Park www.novascotiaparks.ca

Quik Way on Route 16 400m from intersection with Route 344.

Guysborough - Full range of services. Restaurant/bakery/pub/café.

Kayak rentals at Skipping Stone Café

Guysborough County nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

HADLEY COVE

This launch is about two kms. inside the harbour entrance on the east side. From here you can explore the protected 6 km pastoral harbour lined with homes, hardwoods and fields. If heading out of Guysborough Harbour, be aware of currents at the narrow entrance.



Hadley Cove Beach

Launch Site Rating Easy

Launch Site Description Curved gravel beach.

Amenities at site None. Shoulder parking.

Arriving by land Turn off Route 16 at Bolyston and go down East Side Harbour Road about 5km. and turn right onto Parker Harts Rd. a short distance.

Arriving by sea This sand lined cove is directly east across the harbour from Guysborough. Land at the head of the cove near a small stream.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 23' 56"

Long 061° 28' 35"

Owner Public shoreline

NEARBY SERVICES

Guysborough - Full range of services. Restaurant/bakery/pub/café in Guysborough

Kayak rentals at Skipping Stone Café

Bolyston Campground and Picnic Park www.novascotiaparks.ca

Quik Way on Route 16 400m from intersection with Route 344.

Guysborough County nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

PORT SHOREHAM PROVINCIAL PARK

This park gives access to a long sand beach stretching to the east around a large pond (Ragged Head Pond). This invites paddling along this coast and carrying over to explore the pond. The coast here has little shelter and is exposed to winds and waves off Chedabucto Bay.



Long sand beach overlooking the bay.

Launch Site Rating	Easy to moderate depending on waves.
Launch Site Description	Coarse sand beach. 20 m carry along boardwalk from parking lot.
Amenities at site	Lots of Parking, Pit Toilets, Garbage Cans, Picnic Tables, Change rooms. Closed at dusk.
Arriving by land	Off Route 344 in Port Shoreham. Look for Park signs
Arriving by sea	Look for 5 km long curved bay with beach and picnic tables toward the east end.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 25' 19"
Long 061° 23' 53"

Owner Province

NEARBY SERVICES

Bolyston	Campground and Picnic Park www.novascotiaparks.ca
Bolyston	Quik Way on Route 16 400m from intersection with Route 344.
Guysborough	Full range of services Restaurant/bakery/pub/café. Kayak rentals at Skipping Stone Café
Guysborough County	nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

WELSH BEACH

This beach is east of Port Shoreham Park and also gives access to the long beach around Ragged Head Pond. It is a shorter carry to the water than in the park and unlike the park does not close at dusk if you are planning an overnight trip.



The coast here has little shelter and is exposed to winds and waves off Chedabucto Bay.

The cobble shoreline here has big views of the bay. Ragged Head is visible in the top left.

Launch Site Rating Easy to moderate depending on waves.

Launch Site Description Exposed cobble beach. Short carry.

Amenities at site No Amenities. Limited Parking

Arriving by land This beach is in between Port Shoreham and Manasett Lake communities in the NS Atlas book. Look for a sign saying "Welsh Beach Road" and drive 600m to the end.

Arriving by sea Just east of distinctive low headland in photo above.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 25' 40"

Long 061° 21' 20"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

Bolyston Campground and Picnic Park www.novascotiaparks.ca

Bolyston Quik Way on Route 16 400m from intersection with Route 344.

Guysborough Full range of services Restaurant/bakery/pub/café.

Kayak rentals at Skipping Stone Café

Guysborough County nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

Port Hawkesbury Full range of services

ST. FRANCIS HARBOUR

This beach is not a great launch site but may be useful for an emergency exit. It has no shelter and is exposed to winds and waves from Chedabucto Bay.



Long curved beach at St Francis Harbour

The beach area has long trenches and looks like it has been excavated for gravel. The harbour itself appears to be blocked by sand bars. The next easy access to the north is 12 kms. away at Sand Point.

Launch Site Rating Easy to moderate depending on waves.

Launch Site Description Long cobble beach.

Amenities at site None. Lots of Parking. Grassy areas for sorting gear.

Arriving by land Off Route 344 turn down "Grady's Beach Road" (a rough road) and go 1.3 km to the end

Arriving by sea

Just north of eroding drumlin cliffs (see above) with a large harbour behind the sand bars. Also a few cottages and dead trees on the beach.

Topographic map number 11 F 06

GPS reading

Lat 45° 26' 29"

Long 061° 17' 56"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

Bolyston Campground and Picnic Park www.novascotiaparks.ca

Bolyston Quik Way on Route 16 400m from intersection with Route 344.

Guysborough Full range of services Restaurant/bakery/pub/café.

Kayak rentals at Skipping Stone Café

Guysborough County nseasternshore.com and www.municipality.guysborough.ns.ca/visitors

Port Hawkesbury Full Range of services

SAND POINT



Gravel shoreline at Sand Point.

There are two launch sites at Sand Point - this one and nearby Eddy Pt Marine Park. Both provide access to the upper reaches of Chedabucto Bay. This is a straight exposed coastline.

Launch Site Rating Easy to moderate depending on waves.

Launch Site Description Gravel beach around a small pond.

Amenities at site None. Off road parking

Arriving by land Turn down "Sand Point Road" and go 500 m. (NOTE: In the NS Atlas the community is called Sand Point and the point is called Eddy Point. The road sign name is used here.)

Arriving by sea Look for large striped white and orange marine sign above.

Topographic map number 11 F 11

GPS reading

Lat 45° 31' 13"

Long 061° 15' 07"

Owner Public Shoreline

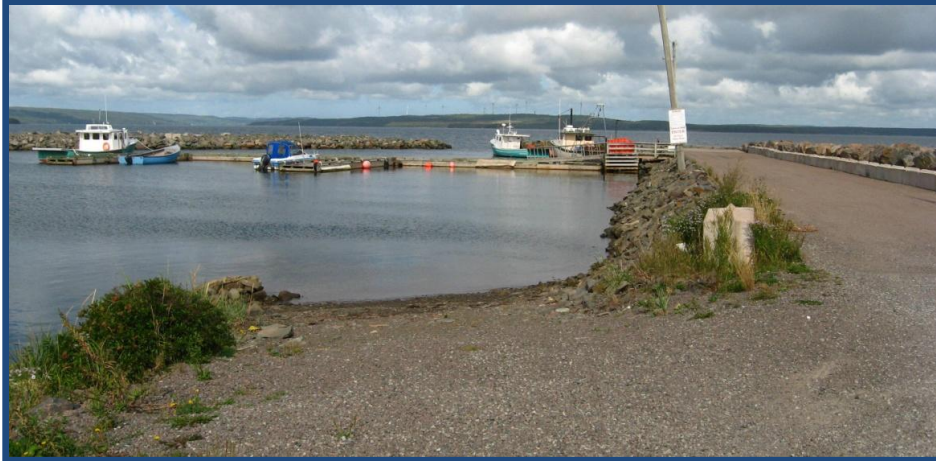
NEARBY SERVICES

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EDDY POINT MARINE PARK

There are two launch sites at Sand Point - this one and one off Sand Point Road. Both provide access to the upper reaches of Chedabucto Bay. Two small breakwaters, floating docks and ramp is the extent of the "marine park". It does offer a sheltered spot to launch or land along an exposed coast.



The next launch site north is 15 km away in Mulgrave on the Strait of Canso. The Strait has a straight coastline, large industrial areas with marine terminals and ships of all sizes passing through.

Ramp at Eddy Point Marine Park.

Launch Site Rating Easy.

Launch Site Description Gravel Ramp.

Amenities at site None. Parking,

Arriving by land Look for park sign at Sand Point community.

Arriving by sea Look for breakwaters and floating docks.

Topographic map number 11 F 11

GPS reading

Lat 45° 31 ' 14"

Long 061° 15 ' 46"

Owner Public

NEARBY SERVICES

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MULGRAVE - Venus Cove Marina

This appealing little park and marina has two launch sites and attractive Visitor Information Centre. It gives access to the Strait of Canso which has a straight coastline, large industrial areas with marine terminals and ships of all sizes passing through.



Narrow gravel ramp at the west end of the park.



Concrete ramp at the east end of the park.

Launch Site Rating	Easy
Launch Site Description	One gravel ramp and one concrete ramp in small cove.
Amenities at site	Parking, Garbage Cans, Picnic Tables. Benches. Boardwalk. Visitor Information Centre.
Arriving by land	Just past the sign for Mulgrave (heading south) turn onto Loggie Road. Marina visible from Route 344.
Arriving by sea	Look for park north of Mulgrave marine terminal. Large boat-like building behind park.

Topographic map number 11 F 11

Gravel ramp GPS reading

Lat 45° 36' 54"

Long 061° 23' 32"

Concrete ramp GPS reading

Lat 45° 36' 56"

Long 061° 23' 23"

Owner Municipal

NEARBY SERVICES

Auld's Cove Gas, motel and restaurants.

Port Hastings Motels and restaurants.

Guysborough and Port Hawkesbury Full Range of services

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