HUNT'S POINT



Path to beach with waterfront cottages

This pretty, sheltered cove has a fine sand beach that curves along the head of the harbour. Access is from a path at one end.

NOTE: There is also a small municipal beach with off-road parking on Route 3. It is now covered with boulders (2014) but it may change back again to sand.

For a good map and route details, see the PDF of **Paddle Lunenburg-Queens** (Page 41-43, Port Mouton) at the NS Coastal Water Trails home page.

Launch site rating Ea	Sy
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Launch site description Wide grass path provides access to the south end on the

sand beach. 10 m carry.

Amenities at site None. Roadside parking. Do not block sheds or wharfs.

Arriving by land Turn onto Hunts Point Wharf Road which ends at the

wharf. The path is about 20 m before the wharf and

somewhat hard to spot.

Arriving by sea Go past the large boulder breakwater toward the beach.

The path up to the road is at the south end of the beach.

Topographic Map Port Mouton 20 P 15 Page 84 in the NS Atlas

GPS reading

Lat 43º 57′ 06" Long 064º 46′ 02"

Nearby Services See www.regionofqueens.com

Hunt's Point Seaside Seafoods Restaurant.

Fisherman's Cove RV and Campground. Not waterfront. Hunt's Point Beach Cottages. Ocean View Cottages.

Captain's Quarters Cottages

Port Mouton Small store with restaurant, cottages, hostel

White Point White Pont Beach resort. Surf shop.

Summerville The Quarterdeck. Accommodations and dining

Liverpool Full range of services.

Kayak Tours and Rentals Liverpool Adventure Outfitters.

www.liverpooladventureoutfitters.com

MOOSE HARBOUR



Moose Harbour with Coffin Island in the distant mist.

This small scenic protected harbour is at the entrance to Liverpool Bay.

Launch site rating Easy. May be rough near breakwater.

Launch site description Wide slipway. Gravel and concrete above tide line.

Amenities at site Limited roadside parking. This an active fishing wharf so do

not block sheds or wharfs.

Arriving by land

Take School Road up past the hospital in Liverpool and out through Mersey Point. Look for turn off down hill to Moose Harbour.

Arriving by sea

The Western Head lighthouse is a dramatic landmark 3.2 km south of Moose Harbour. Turn inside a boulder breakwater toward a narrow channel into the harbour. Go through the channel, and the slipway is to your right.



Moose Harbour slipway

Topographic map Liverpool 21 A 02 Page 79 in NS Atlas **GPS reading**

Lat 44º 01′ 07″ Long 064º 39′ 55″

Owner Public

Nearby Services See www.regionofqueens.com

Liverpool Full range of services.

Kayak Tours and Rentals Liverpool Adventure Outfitters.

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PORT JOLI - PUBLIC WHARF ROAD



This launch site is at the end of the road near the entrance to Port Joli Harbour. It's a good launch site for exploring the stunning white beaches of the nearby National Park or a trip around to Port Mouton. For a good map and route details, see the PDF of Paddle Lunenburg-Queens (Page 40, Port Joli and Kejimkujik Seaside Park) at the Nova Scotia Coastal Water Trails home page. See also Parks Canada at www.pc.gc.ca

Gravel Ramp next to old breakwater

Launch site rating Easy

Launch site description Short gravel ramp sheltered by the breakwater.

Small cobblestone beach with sand at low tide.

Amenities at site None. Shoulder parking for about 3 vehicles. Washroom

at Seaside Park.

Arriving by land Travel down St. Catherine River Road past Kejimkujik

Seaside Park. Drive through the turnaround area to the

breakwater.

Arriving by seaLook for a long boulder breakwater on the east side of the

harbour about 1 km from the entrance. Turn in behind it.

Straight ahead is the ramp to the road.

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GPS reading

Lat 43º 50′ 26″ Long 064º 51′ 42″

Owner Public

Nearby Services See www.regionofqueens.com

Port Joli Thomas Raddall Provincial Park campground (see Launch site).

Harrison Lewis Centre. Group accommodations at Sandy Bay

Port Mouton Small store with restaurant, cottages, hostel
Hunt's Point Campground, accommodations and restaurants
Liverpool Full range of services. Kayak Tours and Rentals

PORT JOLI – DURHAM LANE





Durham Lane launch site

This launch site known locally as Port Joli Beach is near the head of sheltered Port Joli Harbour with its shallow waters and sandy bottom. This is an area of migrating geese and sea birds. Fine sand beaches ring much of this harbour. From here you could paddle over to explore Thomas Raddall Park (see Launch Site). For a good map and route details, see the PDF of **Paddle Lunenburg-Queens** (Page 36-38, Port Joli) at the NS Coastal Water Trails home page.

Launch site rating Easy

Launch site description Firm sand beach

Note: At low tide, the water is about 50 m from shore.

Amenities on site None. Parking for about 4 vehicles.

Arriving by land Travel down St. Catherine River Road 1.3 km (the road to

Kejimkujik Seaside Adjunct). Church on left. Look for

Durham Lane sign.

Arriving by sea Small sign and large boulder sea wall. Look for a break in

the dune grass indicating pathway.

Topographic Map Port Mouton 20 P 15 Page 84 in NS Atlas

GPS reading Lat 43º 52′ 06"

Long 064º 53' 20"

Owner Region of Queens Municipality

Nearby Services See www.regionofqueens.com

Port Joli Thomas Raddall Provincial Park campground (see Launch site)

Harrison Lewis Centre. Group accommodations at Sandy Bay

Port Mouton Small store with restaurant, cottages, hostel
Hunt's Point Campground, accommodations and restaurants
Liverpool Full range of services. Kayak Tours and Rentals

SUMMERVILLE BEACH



The north end of
Summerville Beach
looking toward the
Quarterdeck on a light
surf day.

This provincial park has a wide hard sand beach about 1 km long. It is not an ideal launch site as it is exposed and surfy. It also has a long carry on the board walk with sharp turns at the end (not easy with a 17 foot kayak). It is a good stopover if you need to stretch, use the washroom or have lunch at the Quarterdeck.

Launch site rating Moderate to difficult depending on surf.

Launch site description Carry along boardwalk to sand beach. Wide at low tide

Amenities at site Lots of parking, garbage, washroom.

Arriving by land Turn Off Highway 103 at Exit 20 and go about 1.3 km. Look

for park sign. The first boardwalk is the closest to beach.

The road past here is closed at dusk.

Arriving by sea Look for a long sand beach at the north side of Port

Mouton Harbour and the Quarterdeck

Topographic Map Port Mouton 20 P 15 Page 84 in NS Atlas

GPS reading

Lat 43º 57′ 10″ Long 064º 49′ 00″

Owner Province of Nova Scotia See www.novascotiaparks.ca

Nearby Services See www.regionofqueens.com

Summerville The Quarterdeck. Accommodations and fine dining.

Port Joli Thomas Raddall Provincial Park campground (see Launch Site).

Harrison Lewis Centre. Group Accommodations at Sandy Bay

Port Mouton Small store, accommodations and restaurant
Hunt's Point Campground, accommodations and restaurants
Liverpool Full range of services. Kayak Tours and Rentals

SW PORT MOUTON



White sand beach at old wharf site.

This lovely launch site gives access to Port Mouton Island and the Spectacle Islands or to a longer trip to the Kejimkujik Seaside Park. For good maps and route details, see the PDF of Paddle Lunenburg-Queens (Page 39-43, Port Mouton and Kejimkujik Seaside) at the NS Coastal Water Trails home page. Note: Popular Carter's Beach is a short paddle NW and worth a visit but not listed as a launch site as parking can be crowded and it is a longer carry.

Launch site rating Easy. Protected from SW winds.

Launch site description Short path to hard sand beach. Carry over a couple

boulders.

Amenities at site None. Roadside parking.

Arriving by land Take Exit 21 off Hwy 103 and drive about 6 km. Turn

down for Wharf Road (wharf now gone). Look for path

on the left.

Arriving by seaLook for a short rock breakwater about 2 km west of

Port Mouton Island. The beach is just west of that.

Topographic Map Port Mouton 20 P 15 Page 84 in NS Atlas

GPS reading

Lat 43º 53´ 39" Long 064º 48´ 06"

Owner Public Beach

Nearby Services See www.regionofqueens.com

Port Mouton Small store with restaurant, cottages, hostel

Port Joli Thomas Raddall Provincial Park campground (see Launch site).

Harrison Lewis Centre Accommodations at Sandy Bay

Hunt's Point Campground, accommodations and restaurants

Liverpool Full range of services.

Kayak Tours and Rentals Liverpool Adventure Outfitters.

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THOMAS RADDALL PROVINCIAL PARK



Day use beach

This large wooded provincial park has a day use area, campground, hiking trails, over 3 km of shoreline and lovely beaches. As a stopover on a longer trip, this is an ideal spot to have lunch and stretch your legs. This is also a fine place to camp if you want some amenities on your paddling trip. However it is a long carry (300m to 600 m) from the day use area or campground to the shore. If you just need a place to launch, the two launch sites across the harbour have much shorter carries. For a good map and route details, see the PDF of **Paddle Lunenburg-Queens** (Page 36-38, Port Joli) at the Nova Scotia Coastal Water Trails home page.

Launch site rating Varied. Day use beach may be surfy

Launch site description Firm sand beach. At low tide, the water is about 50 m from shore. A kayak cart is recommended to get from the parking areas to the shore. The trails are wide making use of a cart easy. The park caretaker may be able to help you with a tow in a wagon.

Amenities Parking for vehicles near trailheads. Showers, toilets, water. A large shelter in the campground has power, heat, tables, water and lights – a great place to dry out gear. See www.parks.gov.ns.ca for more details and a map of the park.

Arriving by land

Turn off Highway 103 in Port Joli down the East Port L'Hebert Road and go about 4 km. Look for the park sign. From the day use parking area, you can cart your boat to the beach (600 m) or the cove (400m).

Arriving by sea

The Park is on the west shore of the Port Joli Harbour. The day use beach is at the east end of a long curved sandy beach just past a grassy point. A wooden boardwalk marks the trail from the parking lot. It is also possible to land in a small cove just north of the beach which is more sheltered.

About 2 km further up the bay is where the main trail from the campground meets the beach. It is just past a string of large boulders at right angles to the beach.

Topographic Map

Port Mouton 20 P 15 Page 84 in NS Atlas

GPS reading for Day Use beach

Lat 43º 49′ 35″ Long 064º 52′ 53″

Owner Province of Nova Scotia

Nearby Services See www.regionofqueens.com

Port Joli Harrison Lewis Centre. Group accommodations at Sandy Bay next to Park

Port Mouton Small store with restaurant, cottages, hostel Hunt's Point Campground, accommodations and restaurants Liverpool Full range of services. Kayak Tours and Rentals

CENTRAL PORT MOUTON



This community (pronounced Port Ma-Tune) is a busy fishing port with a large breakwater and fish plant.
The protected ramp is a good site to launch into Port Mouton Bay to explore the islands and beaches.
For a good map and route details, see the PDF of **Paddle Lunenburg-Queens** (Page 41-43, Port Mouton) at the NS Coastal Water Trails home page.

Ramp near wharf at Central Port Mouton

Note: Popular Carter's Beach is a short paddle SW and worth a visit but not listed as a launch site as parking can be crowded and it is a longer carry.

Launch site rating Easy. Sheltered by floating wharf and breakwater.

Launch site description Wide, asphalt ramp.

Amenities at site Parking for about six cars. Be careful not to block

commercial activities.

Arriving by land Take Exit 21 off Hwy 103. Go about one km, then turn

left at sign "Central Port Mouton Breakwater."

Arriving by seaLook for a long breakwater as you approach Port

Mouton. Paddle along the west side of it past the two finger wharfs toward a small floating wharf. The ramp

is beside it.

Topographic Map Port Mouton 20 P 15 Page 84 in NS Atlas

GPS reading

Lat 43º 55′ 06" Long 064º 50′ 40"

Owner Managed by Port Mouton Harbour Authority

Nearby Services See www.regionofqueens.com

Port Mouton Small store with restaurant, cottages, hostel

Port Joli Thomas Raddall Provincial Park campground (see Launch site).

Harrison Lewis Centre Accommodations at Sandy Bay

Hunt's Point Campground, accommodations and restaurants

Liverpool Full range of services.

Kayak Tours and Rentals Liverpool Adventure Outfitters.

www.liverpooladventureoutfitters.com

EAST PORT L'HEBERT



This launch site is half way up a long (10 km) narrow wooded harbour. The harbour is mostly wilderness with small sand beaches along it for easy landing.

Launch site rating Easy

Launch site description Short narrow gravel ramp, somewhat steep

Gravel ramp at East Port L'Hebert

Amenities at site None. Parking for two cars

Arriving by land Turn down the East Port L'Hebert Rd. About 2 km past the

entrance to Thomas Raddall Park, turn right onto the East Side Port L'Hebert Rd. Turn left on Goose View Drive and go to the

end.

Arriving by sea A bit tricky to find by sea. The ramp is on the east side of the

harbour about 2 km past the Government Wharf. Look for a large wooden slipway with walkways on either side. The ramp is just

past that on a small point.

Note: There is no public access suitable for small boats at the Government Wharf.

Topographic Map Port Mouton 20 P 15 Page 84 in NS Atlas

GPS reading

Lat 43º 49′ 42″ Long 064º 56′ 02″

Owner Public

Nearby Services See www.regionofqueens.com

Port Joli Thomas Raddall Provincial Park campground (see Launch site).

Harrison Lewis Centre. Group accommodations at Sandy Bay

Port Mouton Small store with restaurant, cottages, hostel

Hunt's Point Campground, cottages and restaurant

Liverpool Full range of services. Kayak Tours and Rentals

GULL BAY



The beach at Gull Bay.

This is a wooded and undeveloped shoreline of beaches, streams, paths and fragile sand dunes.

Launch site rating Moderate to difficult due to surf and rocks. Launching or

landing not recommended in rough conditions.

Launch site description Sandy beach with rocks and gravel at low tide.

Shallow with a long carry at low tide.

Amenities at site None. Parking at 1) end of road (Right end of photo) or 2)

at end of sand track through woods (Left end of photo)

Arriving by land

This bay is on a loop from Liverpool out to Western Head. About 2 km past the Head, turn onto Sand Beach Rd and drive to the end. Launch here or continue on a dirt road /sand track through the woods to a turnaround. Do not drive on the sand track through dunes. This is a fragile grass ecosystem and you could also get stuck in the soft sand.

Arriving by sea This bay is about 3 km west of the Western Head light. Look for a large green house with a stone chimney on small point. Parking 1 is just west of this. Parking 2 is further down the beach where a grass path leads from the beach to the turnaround.

Topographic map Port Mouton 20 P 15 Page 84 in the NS Atlas

GPS reading (At Parking 2)

Lat 43º 59′ 16″ Long 064º 42′ 05″

Owner Unknown. Used by public.

Nearby Services See www.regionofqueens.com

Liverpool Full range of services. Kayak Tours and Rentals Liverpool Adventure Outfitters. www.liverpooladventureoutfitters.com