Reflective by car

Circuit découverte: au coeur du territoire de Sainte-Catherine-de-Hatley

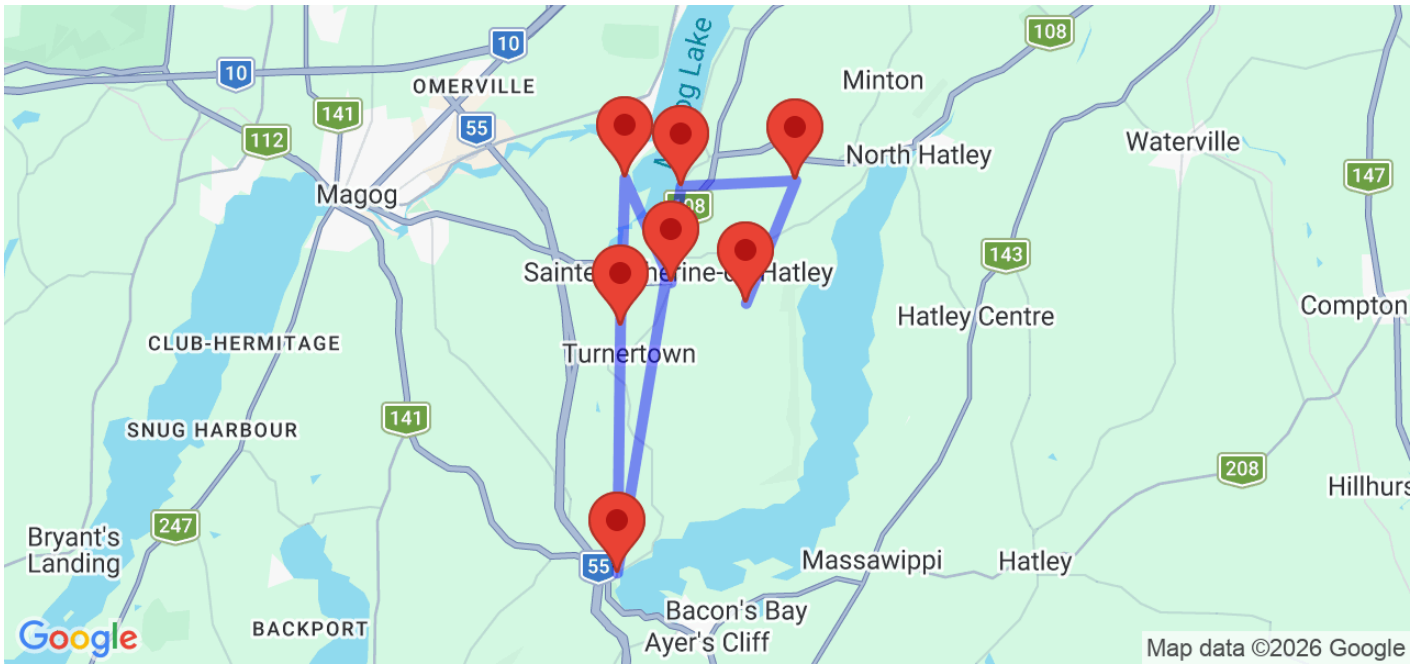
Across six stopping points, let yourself be carried away by the breath of the hills, the lakeshore, and horizons that stretch as far as the eye can see. A land rich in history and nature, to be discovered by car or by bike.

Distance
37.1 km

Duration
40 min

Starting location

Chalet des loisirs
85, rue de la Grande, Sainte Catherine de Hatley, (QC) J0B 1W0



*Please note that this is not an accurate itinerary. For navigation purposes please refer to Google Maps or the preview map on the website.

Itinerary

Reflective

De l’Aiglon Park

Visit the park’s lookout for a panoramic view of Mount Orford and the Lake Magog Valley.

This small 1,100 m² park owes its name to a former nearby crêperie, itself inspired by “the Eaglet,” the nickname of Napoleon’s son. A true natural lookout point, it offers an exceptional view of the marsh, Lake Magog, and several peaks: Mount Orford, Owl’s Head, Jay Peak, Elephant Mountain, and Sutton Mountain. A must‑stop for cyclists after climbing the hill!

Address

De l’Aiglon Street, Saint-Catherine-de-Hatley

Services

- Rest area
- Observation point

Walking/Hiking

Île du Marais de Katevale

We can't say it enough—this place is magnificent! Recognized as one of the most exceptional natural heritage sites in the region, the marsh was designated a protected sanctuary in 1984. It covers 150 hectares and offers four kilometers of trails accessible year-round, including a section built on a former railway line from the Waterloo–Sherbrooke route, which operated from 1884 to 1888.

The marsh is an important refuge for biodiversity, home to more than 190 species of birds as well as painted and snapping turtles.

Difficulty	Distance	Dogs
Easy	4 km	Dogs allowed

Starting location

l'île du Marais
425 Rue des Sapins, Sainte-Catherine-de-Hatley, QC J0B 1W0

Services

- Rest area
- Observation point
- Parking

Contact

- info@iledumarais.org
- Website

Cultural

Parc Honoré-Langlois

This park pays tribute to Honoré Langlois, son of Louis‑Joseph Langlois, one of the first settlers to clear land in Sainte‑Catherine‑de‑Hatley. Acquired by the municipality around 1980 to serve as a sports field, the site was for many years the preferred location for celebrating Quebec's National Holiday (Saint‑Jean‑Baptiste Day).

Address

l'île du Marais
425 Rue des Sapins, Sainte-Catherine-de-Hatley, QC J0B 1W0

Cultural

Mais où est donc le Pont Couvert à Sainte-Catherine-de-Hatley?

Built in 1928, the Sainte‑Catherine covered bridge spanned Misseau Creek. Its walls were used as posting space for auctions and elections, and it was a popular gathering place for smelt fishing. Decommissioned in 1970, it was ultimately destroyed by arson in 1985. Today, the Covered Bridge Rest Area offers a place to relax and access to a trail along the water.

Address

l'île du Marais
425 Rue des Sapins, Sainte-Catherine-de-Hatley, QC J0B 1W0

Reflective

Parc Monseigneur-Vel

In 1944, parish priest Mgr Origène Vel purchased land to establish a summer camp for young offenders. In 1962, the Salesian College built Camp Savio there for disadvantaged youth, now known as Aux Berges Dominique‑Savio. Across from the site, the Odanak Islands are renowned for their magnificent white pines and the presence of the bald eagle.

Address

l'île du Marais
425 Rue des Sapins, Sainte-Catherine-de-Hatley, QC J0B 1W0

Services

- Rest area
- Water refill station
- Observation point

Cultural

Théâtre Piggery : de porcherie à théâtre!

A former piggery operated for nearly 50 years, the Piggery Theatre was converted into a summer theatre in 1965 by Arthur and Jeannette Virgin. Christopher Plummer performed there, and Donald Sutherland served on its board of directors.

For more than 25 years, the McKinven family has ensured its continuity: today, the Piggery Theatre is primarily a music venue hosting both French and English-speaking artists, while preserving its warm, rural atmosphere.

Address

l'île du Marais
425 Rue des Sapins, Sainte-Catherine-de-Hatley, QC J0B 1W0

Services

- Parking
- Restrooms

Contact

- 18198422431
- piggerymedia@gmail.com
- Website

Reflective

Vue sur la côte du piedmont à Sainte-Catherine-de-Hatley

Since 2011 hikers can explore a remarkable area, marked by breathtaking views of the municipality's two large lakes. More than 700 hectares have been permanently protected, and 17 kilometers of trails are accessible free of charge. The route winds through a mature forest, crosses streams and wetlands, and leads to Lake Massawippi.

Address

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