



Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island Permanent Trail #167

Atlantic Director's Walk 10 Km Rating 1A

**CVF Special Programs: Capital Cities, Lighthouse, Community, Murals,
Trans Canada Trail (Pavilion)**

This walk begins at the **Best Western Charlottetown Hotel**, 238 Grafton Street, Charlottetown C1A 1L5. **Directions:** From Highway 1 take the Grafton Street exit towards Downtown. The Best Western Hotel entrance Crowne Plaza Hotel is on your left after crossing Weymouth St. **Please Note:** The hotel is a Start Point on the map only. There is no "Walk Box" or information at this establishment.

This walk is also available for Dock & Walk cruise ship passengers.

This easy walk heads north on the graveled Confederation Trail and turns west across the experimental farm near the university. It continues through peaceful residential areas to Victoria Park and back to the historic downtown via and extensive boardwalk along the waterfront.

1. Leave the **Best Western** and turn right on **Grafton Street**. Cross Grafton at the first intersection. Be very careful with traffic. Use crosswalks and walk facing traffic where there are no sidewalks. Continue along Grafton Street to Edward Street, passing **Holland College** on your left.
2. Cross **Edward St** to **Joseph Ghiz Memorial Park** containing the **TCT Pavilion** for the **Confederation Trail (Trans Canada Trail)**, a multipurpose linear park extending for 350 km in PEI. It extends east and west on the rail corridor of the Canadian National Railway line, which operated until 1989. The trail takes you across Fitzroy Street and Longworth Avenue. Note the red brick building built in 1911 to house the **County Jail** (now occupied by the Pizza Delight restaurant). Follow the trail across Allen Street. **(1.6 km)**
3. Continue on the Confederation Trail through the grounds of the **Charlottetown Agricultural Research Station**. Up the hill to your right in a grove of mature hardwood trees is a large white house, **Ravenwood**, home of the Island Nature Trust. A side trip to Ravenwood can offer much excellent information on the natural history of PEI.
4. Turn left at **Ravenwood Drive** passing between fields. Keep to the right of the brick **Agricultural Canada** building, ending at **University Avenue**. The CBC station FM96.1 is seen to the left of the agriculture complex. Press the walk button and wait for the pedestrian signal to cross University Ave at KFC.
5. Walk on the right sidewalk along **Nassau Street** crossing several intersections until you reach the end at Edinburgh Drive. **(3.5 km)**
6. Turn left on **Edinburgh Drive**.
7. Turn right on **Belfast Street**.
8. Turn left on **Brittany Drive**, back to Edinburgh Drive.
9. Turn right on **Edinburgh**.
10. Turn right on **Colonel Gray Drive**.
11. Turn left on **Inkerman Lane** through a quiet wooded residential area back to Edinburgh Drive.
12. Turn right on **Edinburgh**.
13. Turn right on **Charlotte Drive** which becomes **Queen Elizabeth Drive**. Follow it until you reach

the beginning of the boardwalk at **Victoria Park. (5.9 km)** You will pass the **Brighton Beach Range Rear Light** on Queen Elizabeth Drive.

14. Follow the **boardwalk** with Victoria Park on your left and the Charlottetown harbour on your right. The boardwalk passes the cannon battery protecting the mouth of the Charlottetown Harbour. On the left is **Fanning Bank**, the residence of the Lieutenant Governor, named for Edmund Fanning, the first Lieutenant-Governor of PEI (1785-1805). In 1780 he had one hundred acres set aside for the future residence of the Queen's representative in PEI and Victoria Park.
15. At the end of the boardwalk, follow the sidewalk to **West Street**.
16. Turn right on **West St** just beyond **Beaconsfield Historic House**, home of the PEI Museum and Heritage Foundation. Beaconsfield was built in 1877 for ship owner James Peake. Many of the grand homes and churches built on PEI were designed by architect William Critchlow Harris, brother of the famous Victorian painter Robert Harris.
17. Follow **West Street** to the end and go left around the corner to the end of the block.
18. Turn right on **Rochford Street** for one short block.
19. Turn right again on **Sydney St**. Go to the end of the block towards the water with the **Atlantic Tourism & Hospitality Institute** on your left.
20. Rejoin the boardwalk along the waterfront and follow it to the end. (8.3 km)
21. At the end of the boardwalk follow the sidewalk up the hill, passing the armories of the **Prince Edward Island Regiment** on your left.
22. Turn right onto **Water Street**.
23. Turn right at **Pownal Street** to the **Charlottetown Yacht Club**. Follow around the harbour to the main entrance of the Delta Hotel.
24. Follow the boardwalk between the **Delta Hotel** and the **Artemus Lord Coast Guard** building. Continue behind the hotel to the **Quartermaster Marine Marina** and the quaint shops of **Peakes Quay** (seasonal). (For a side trip, follow the walkway around the Confederation Birthplace Commemorative Park next to the marina) (9.3 km)
25. Go left up **Great George Street** following the route to **Province House** walked by the Fathers of Confederation in 1864 for deliberations that resulted in the formation of Canada. Note the large slate blocks set in place to form part of the sidewalk. On the left is **St Dunstan's Basilica** opened in 1919 after five years of construction. The foundation is Wallace stone. Miramichi freestone is used in the upper portion. The interior has marble columns and vaulted ceilings. It is also well worth a visit.
26. Cross **Richmond Street** to Province House, which houses the Legislative Assembly of PEI.
27. Pass to the right of **Province House**. You walk through a grove of trees below which are rocks and boulders brought from each province and territory of Canada. You are now facing Grafton Street. **St Paul's Cathedral** is on your right.
28. Follow **Grafton Street** to the right, crossing Prince Street and Hillsborough Street to return to the **Best Western Charlottetown. (10.3 km)**

We hope you enjoyed your walk!

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