Council for Anglophone Magdalen Islanders

Brion Island



Brion Island consists of 670 hectares of land and is located 16 kilometers north of the Magdalen Islands.

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An Island rich in heritage and culture for Magdalen Islanders

Brion Island was discovered by Jacques Cartier in June of 1534. Primarily the lighthouse keepers and the Dingwell family inhabited

the island during the 1800 and 1900's. After permanent settlers deserted it. the Island became seasonally inhabited for fishing until the beginning of the 1970's.



The Dingwell House

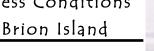
Brion Island Ecological Reserve

In 1984, the Government of Quebec acquired Brion Island for conservation purposes. Brion Island became an ecological reserve in 1988 and currently the Ministry of *développement* durable, de l'environnement et des Parcs authorizes access solely for management, research and educational purposes. Presently, ninety percent of the island is being protected as an ecological reserve.

The Council for Anglophone Magdalen Islanders (CAMI), a non-profit organization, has been responsible for the management of Brion Island since 1998. Within the limits of the protocol agreement signed with the Ministry of développement durable, de l'environnement et des Parcs, CAMI with the help of its partners continues to put in place the access and surveillance rules, as well as the educative program: Sentry of the Gulf, Keeper of Time.



Access Conditions for Brion Island



Authorized access to ecological reserves is limited to scientific

research and educational purposes. In order to improve Brion Island's natural environment, access to the Island must be controlled. Your cooperation is essential if access to the Island is to be maintained!!

All who plan to visit Brion Island are requested to notify CAMI 2 days in advance by contacting Samantha Goodwin at (418)985-2116 or visiting the Brion Island Information Booth located at Grosse-Ile wharf.

Costs:

* Access Fee: \$10.00 per person

All who visit Brion Island are required to pay an access fee. (A 2 day prior notice is requested.)

Camping for standard tent , outside the reserve: \$25.00 per night (3 night maximum) (A 2 day prior notice is required)

* Educational guided visit in the ecological reserve: \$35.00 per person (A 2 day prior notice is required)

* These fees are payable at the Brion Island information booth at Grosse-Ile wharf. (Cash only)

These fees will enable CAMI employees to remain on the Island to greet visitors, as well as install communication and first aid equipment. It will also help maintain and develop the Island's infrastructures such as the cabin, toilets and docking system.