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North America's 8 Best Island Escapes

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Îles de la Madeleine



Think you know all *abooout* Canadians, eh? Not likely! Dive into a unique facet of Canada's fascinating French-speaking Quebecois culture on this one-of-a-kind island. Located in the middle of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the Magdalene Islands (as they are known in English) are a lush archipelago rich in white-sand beaches and amazing red cliffs. Locals are legendary for their warm hospitality, and visitors will enjoy delicious seafood, local artisans, hikes, and cycling routes. Best of all, if you visit in March, you can see hundreds of thousands of harp seals give birth to their pups on nearby ice floes in the gulf. (Photo via Jean-Guy Lavoie)