

# Welcome

Parks Canada welcomes you to Green Gables, Lucy Maud Montgomery's Cavendish National Historic Site of Canada.

*"Commemorating L.M. Montgomery as a person of national historic significance."*



L.M. Montgomery, circa 1908  
Parks Canada Collection

## Site Map



## Green Gables and L.M. Montgomery

Green Gables has become famous around the world as the inspiration for the setting in L.M. Montgomery's classic tale of fiction, *Anne of Green Gables*. In real life, this farm was the home of David Jr. and Margaret Macneill, brother and sister, who were cousins of Montgomery's grandfather.

Although L.M. Montgomery never lived at Green Gables, she grew up nearby with her grandparents. She came to know her cousins' farm through her explorations of the surrounding woodlands and places she discovered and named such as Lover's Lane and the Haunted Wood.

## Lucy Maud Montgomery's Cavendish National Historic Site of Canada

In 2005, The Site of L.M. Montgomery's Cavendish Home and Green Gables, Prince Edward Island National Park were declared a new National Historic Site of Canada. The two sites commemorate the cultural landscape associated with the formative years and early career of world renowned author L.M. Montgomery. Many places within this landscape held special meaning for the author, and she drew inspiration from this peaceful setting throughout her writing career.

In addition to your visit to Green Gables, visit the beautiful, natural setting of the author's Macneill grandparents homestead, where she lived for half of her life, and where she wrote *Anne of Green Gables*. Listen to a history of her life, told by the Macneill descendants, who live on, own and tend this authentic site. It is within walking distance of Green Gables, going east along Route 6. Tickets may be purchased at the Green Gables Visitors Centre or at the site of the homestead.

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Photo of Lover's Lane circa 1900  
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## *During Your Visit...*

Parks Canada protects and presents Canada's natural and cultural heritage for the benefit of all Canadians now and in the future. While at Green Gables, take advantage of the many opportunities to learn more about the life and times of L.M. Montgomery, nationally and internationally renowned author of *Anne of Green Gables*. Begin with a brief orientation film at the Visitor Centre. Then, be prepared to take a step back in time to explore the imaginary world of Anne. The house and grounds have been restored and decorated as Montgomery described in her novel, and depict a typical Prince Edward Island farm of the late 1800's. View an exhibit, take a relaxing stroll on one of our interpretive trails, or participate in a guided activity (offered mid-June to late August). Our knowledgeable staff will be happy to answer your questions.

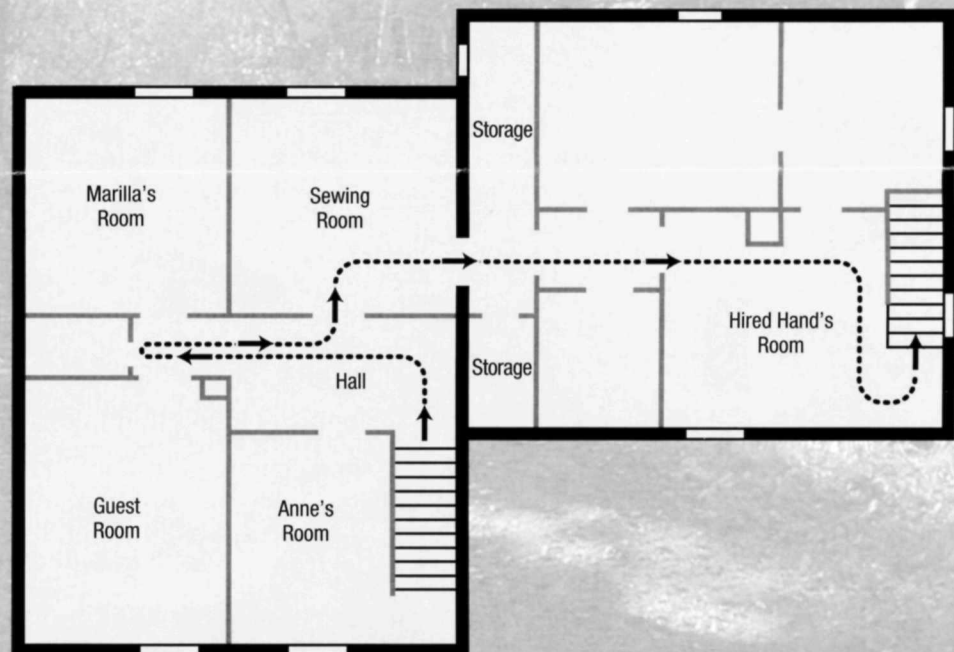
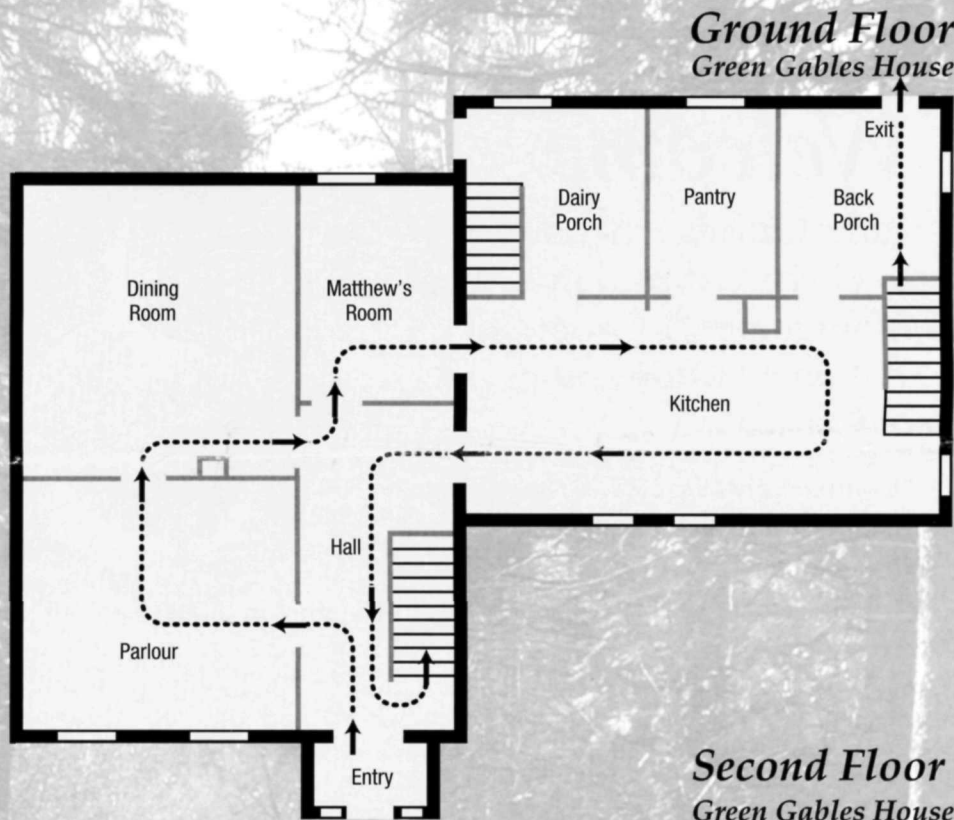
## *Reminders*

Smoking, food and beverages are not permitted inside any of the buildings.

Only pets on leashes are permitted on the grounds; animals, with the exception of guide dogs, are not allowed inside the buildings.

You can help us preserve the cultural resources found at Green Gables by not handling historic objects or sitting on furniture or equipment. You can help us keep the ecosystem healthy by respecting trees and their surroundings. Writing on trees, carving into them or peeling their bark can damage or kill them. Please allow plants to grow where you find them, so that wildlife may benefit and others may enjoy. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Lover's Lane, present day  
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## *Groups*

We appreciate advance notice for organized groups.

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