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Complete tour: 57 km (34.2 miles), excluding outlying areas.

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Tour starts in the heart of Old Québec.

Ask for the Route de la Nouvelle-France (New France Route) map—it will lead you on a breathtaking journey! For more information: www.routedelanouvellefrance.com.

New France Route


This route linking Old Québec to the Beauqué Coast traces the path taken by inhabitants of the Beauqué Coast when bringing their crops to Québec City.



As you follow the New France Route through Old Québec, Saint-Roch (the city's first working class neighbourhood) and Limoilou, the architecture of the local buildings testify to the evolution of the city since the founding of the colony. Houses farther from the downtown core reflect the influence of French and English culture and the Québécois spirit of innovation.

Many heritage structures and sites can be found along the New France Route, such as the colony's first windmill (1651), first pilgrimage site—namely the shrine of Sainte-Anne-de-Beauqué (1658), ancestral homes, root cellars and many other historical treasures.

Watch for the small panels installed along this route and explore four centuries of Québec history.

- ▶ *From Place de l'Hôtel-de-Ville, in front of the city hall, where the great outdoor market was located during the New France era, walk down côte de la Fabrique and turn left onto rue Saint-Jean. Continue down Saint-Jean, turn right onto côte du Palais and walk to the end of the street. Turn left onto rue des Remparts and walk down the slope until you get to an intersection. Take either rue Saint-Nicolas or rue des Vaisseaux-du-Roi to rue Saint-Paul. Cross the street to get to the parking lot of Gare du Palais on the corner of rue St-Paul and boulevard Jean-Lesage where a rout map of the tour is located. You will need to drive the rest of the way. From the parking lot, turn left onto rue Gare-du-Palais. Drive straight through the intersection, and you will be on rue Saint-Roch. Turn right on rue du Pont and follow the tourist route signs  through the Saint-Roch and Limoilou districts until you get to chemin de la Canardière. Drive down de la Canardière until you get to chemin Royal, in the borough of Beauqué.*

You can now take boulevard Henri-Bourassa south to get to **Beauqué Bay**.

J-2 **Baie de Beauport**

Bus: 400 (summer)

- ■ ■ 1, boulevard Henri Bourassa C.P. 53060 CPS de la Canardière, Québec G1J 5K3
418-266-0722 www.baiedebeauport.com

Newly refurbished recreational site along the St. Lawrence affords a gorgeous view of the river, Île d'Orléans and Québec City. Many activities may be practised here: canoeing, kayaking, sailing, beach volleyball and soccer, kite surfing, sailboarding and water games. Equipment for these activities may be rented or stored onsite. Sailing school and summer camp for children. Snack bar with healthful menu. Zodiac excursions on the St. Lawrence River. Banquet hall may be rented for groups from 40 to 400 for special events, wedding receptions or press conferences. **Schedule:** from May 30 to November 15: from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. up to September 7, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. up to October 18 and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. up to November 15.

Beauport Historic Area

- 📍 The historical district of Beauport has over 550 buildings from different periods reflecting a number of architectural styles. To the left, a religious sanctuary called **parc des Martyrs** (1927). To the right, **parc de la rivière Beauport**. Interpretative panels along the river tell of the flour, nail and linseed oil mills and the distillery/brewery once located there. Thanks to Beauport's rich substratum, quarries and lime kilns were common in the area at one time. A little farther north, the **Centre de loisirs La Cavée** at 69 rue Juchereau. The offices of the river enhancement committee, which provides guided tours upon request, are located there. **Parc des Cascades**, a park with groomed trails that follow the river, is also to the north. On the wall of maison Rainville, located at 589 avenue Royale, you will see the **Fresque Desjardins**. This fresco is like a snapshot of the historical and cultural events marking Beauport's past. The bourg du Fargy district and Maison Girardin are on the other side of the street. One of the characteristics of avenue Royale is that the houses are built at an angle to the street, like the teeth of a saw.

J-2 **Bourg du Fargy**

- ■ ■ (Québec / Borough of Beauport)

- 📍 An important part of this historical borough, the old bourg du Fargy district illustrates how a variety of architectural styles spanning several centuries can blend harmoniously. In the 17th and 18th centuries, this area comprised Beauport's administrative centre. Southwest of the Girardin house stands the Nativité-de-Notre-Dame parish **church**, built in 1916. Beauport's first church was erected at this very spot in 1676. An innovative way to honour Québec City's 400th anniversary was implemented in the laneway dedicated to the community's leaders and founding families. The nearby stone **presbytery** (1903) is in French Provincial style. The **convent** of the Congrégation de Notre-Dame (1886) lends its name to the street on which can be seen a number of Victorian houses, whose roofs, elaborate cornices and the alignment of their turreted façades reflect the expansive urbanization and evolving nature of the bourg du Fargy at the beginning of the 20th century. To the west of the Girardin house stands the Marcoux house (1670). Both buildings are of the same architectural style. The barn behind the Marcoux house, is a reminder of Beauport's rural past.

J-2 **Maison Girardin**

Bus: Métrobus 800

- 600, avenue Royale C. P. 57033, Québec G1E 7G3
418-641-6471 www.sahb.ca

- 📍 Located across from the Victorian houses at the heart of the bourg du Fargy district, maison Girardin boasts an impressive history that reaches back to the 18th century. Two wooden homes were successively built on the site, the first shortly after 1701, and the second in the 1760s. A smithy was added between 1782 and 1784. Ignace Girardin built the first stone house on this site between



1784 and 1807, which was the Girardin family home for about 150 years. Named a historical monument in 1977, this house contains a permanent exhibit on the historical district of Beauport, its heritage buildings and founding families, as well as a reconstructed mid-nineteenth century kitchen. Multimedia presentation. **Schedule:** June to September, Tuesday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The rest of the year upon reservation only. **Guided tours.** Reservations required for groups. **Free admission.**

- ▶ **Maison Tessier-dit-Laplante (1867)**, a listed building located at number 2328, avenue Royale (route 360), a few km eastward, is a good example of traditional architecture where elements of typical English style have been integrated. The Saint-Louis-de-Courville presbytery and Mediterranean-style church (1917) are also located nearby.
- ▶ Further east you come to **parc de la Chute-Montmorency** (historical site), an ideal stopover and resting spot worth visiting, and from which to take in the superb views on Québec City, the St. Lawrence River and the bridge crossing over into Île d'Orléans. Stay on avenue Royale for a full Côte-de-Beaupré tour.

Côte-de-Beaupré

Visitors to this vacationing and holidaying area will discover heritage and natural tourist sites of exceptional "back-to-roots" importance. There are nine communities here, where settlement began as early as 1636. Many buildings bear witness to the evolution of architectural practice with regard to Québec dwelling requirements over a 4-century span. Discover Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré Shrine, oldest pilgrimage destination in North America.



Yves Tessier

Côte-de-Beaupré is also very popular with travellers who value **recreational, tourist and outdoor activities**, due to the exceptional quality of nature and outdoor locations, such as Mont-Sainte-Anne, for instance. Delicious **locally-grown produce** dining and sampling, very often direct from the growers' farm, are also assured during your stay.

Boischatel population 6,242

Western gateway to Côte-de-Beaupré, you'll be amazed by the remarkable vista on the majestic St. Lawrence River as well as by the natural beauty and quietness of this location.

M-5 Maison Vézina

171, des Grenadiers, Boischatel G0A 1H0
418-822-3183 www.maisonvezina.ca

Next to Montmorency Falls Park. Built between 1715-1730, Maison Vézina is a magnificent ancestral stone home. Interpretation centre onsite tells the story of eight generations of the Vézina family up until today and describes what life was like in the countryside under the French Regime. Includes accounts of the occupation of the grounds by General Wolfe's forces during the siege of Québec City in the summer of 1759. Art gallery and exhibition hall for work by regional artists. **Guided tours** available upon reservation. Parking. **Schedule:** June 18 to September 16, daily, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. September 17 to June 17, Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

L'Ange-Gardien population 3,499

Admire the bucolic, pastoral landscape reminiscent of agricultural activity here since the New France era. Do not miss the two 17th century procession chapels in the centre of the village.

Château-Richer population 4,015

First parish erected in North America, cradle of many Québécois settler families. Justifiably proud of its 400-year history, of inestimable value.

N-5 Moulin du Petit Pré

7007, avenue Royale, Château-Richer G0A 1N0
418-824-7007 www.moulin-petitpre.com

- 🏠 A visit to the Petit Pré Mill located at Château-Richer on the New France Route is like taking a trip through time. This flour mill still uses the big overshot wheel built in 1695 by Bishop François de Laval to turn the heavy millstones. Now restored, the mill continues to grind wheat into flour, just like in centuries past. A variety of services available in a country setting **guided tour** for individual and upon reservation for groups, of the old flour mill, one-of-a-kind reception hall in the mill attic; group meals; boutique; ample free parking for cars and buses. **Schedule:** mid-April to mid-October, daily, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Moulin du Petit Pré

N-5 Musée des Frères Maristes

7141, avenue Royale, Château-Richer G0A 1N0
418-824-4215

Visit the two museums owned by the Marist Brothers of Château-Richer. One tells about the 125-year history of the Marist Brothers of Canada, and the other highlights the Brothers' religious heritage and the history of their missions abroad. A wonderful opportunity to learn more about the history of this religious order here and around the world. Everyone welcome. **Schedule:** Tuesday to Sunday, from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. **Free admission.**

N-5 Centre d'Interprétation de la Côte-de-Beaupré

7976, avenue Royale, Château-Richer G0A 1N0
418-824-3677, 1-877-824-3677 www.histoire-cotedebeaupre.org

- 🏠 Located at the former Château-Richer convent (built in 1907), this interpretation centre hosts a permanent exhibition on the history of the Beaupré Coast, the cradle of French civilization in North America. Other attractions at the site include the excavated foundations of the first two convents raised here (in 1694 and 1830), a recreated classroom from the past and a number of cultural activities that can help you learn more about this delightful site. **Schedule:** 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. mid-May to early September: every day; rest of the year: Monday to Friday. Reservations required for groups. **Admission:** adult: \$6; senior: \$5; student: \$4; child (17 years and under): free; Monday: free. Price for groups: on call.



N-5 Centre de généalogie, des archives et des biens culturels de Château-Richer

277, rue du Couvent, Château-Richer G0A 1N0
418-824-3079 www3.telebecinternet.com/archives.chateau-richer

History and genealogy centre located on a promontory with a breathtaking view. Exhibition featuring reproductions of paintings and photographs, old maps and a video presentation. Our genealogy centre provides visitors with a variety of reference tools to search for their ancestors. Personnel on hand to assist you. **Schedule:** July and August, daily, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. September and October, Monday to Friday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Off-season, Wednesday and Thursday, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Please contact us about our opening hours, as they may vary during the off-season. **Free Admission.**

N-5 Érablière Sucre d'art

8516, avenue Royale, Château-Richer G0A 1N0
418-824-5626

Visit our traditional sugar shack. Discover the traditional way of making maple products. Specialities: certified organic maple syrup, maple vinegar, maple mustard, maple and cranberry jelly, maple and red chile jelly. December: Christmas market at Marché du Vieux-Port. Parking. **Schedule:** June to Thanksgiving (2nd Monday of October), daily, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. **Free admission** and tasting.

N-5 Chez Marie

8706, avenue Royale, Château-Richer G0A 1N0
418-824-4347 www.boulangeriechezmarie.com

Marie and her fourth generation family welcome you to their old stone homestead built in 1652. Outside, the 150-year-old bread oven is still in fine working order. Sample wonderful fresh bread with assorted jams and maple produce on the premises. Reception room for 20 or more. Parking. **Schedule:** Daily, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. **Free admission.**


N-5 Albert Gilles Copper Art & Museum

■ ■ 7450, boulevard Sainte-Anne, Château-Richer G0A 1N0
418-824-4224 www.albertgilles-copper-art.com

Copper... A breathtaking family passion! Be our guests! From our architectural realisations throughout the world, to our exclusive creations, jewellery, plates, lamps, trays, tables... 80 years of "Savoir-faire" that will astonish you! And that we present in a unique way in North America. Experience the unveiling of "Repoussé" work. Be a witness of a disappearing millenary art with our two museums (A. Gilles creator of the doors at the Basilica of Sainte-Anne de Beaupré). **Schedule:** May to October, daily from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. November to April, daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Free admission.**

N-5 Musée de l'abeille - Honey Economuseum®

■ ■ 8862, boulevard Sainte-Anne, Château-Richer G0A 1N0
418-824-4411 www.musee-abeille.com

 The honey economuseum invites people of all ages to see what the "buzz" is about. Watch bees at work and discover what really happens inside a hive. Visit the exhibits. Sample mead and honey products onsite. Boutique featuring products from the hive. Parking. **Schedule:** open year-round. **Guided tour** from June 24 to Labor day. **Admission:** 0 to 5 years: free; 6 to 12 years: \$2.66; 13 years and over: \$4.21. Free admission at the museum.

Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré population 2,874

Many attractions and services are available to visitors in this community. Worthy of note as you enter, the ancestral architecture of many buildings, and the agricultural heritage of Côte Sainte-Anne.

N-4 Atelier Paré - Ecomuseum® of Woodcarving

9269, avenue Royale, Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré G0A 3C0
418-827-3992 www.atelierpare.com

The joie de vivre of famous Québec legends is brought to life in wooden and fibreglass sculptures. Our artists seek to give voice to each block of wood so that it may tell the tale it keeps near to its heart; every painted wooden sculpture represents such a tale. Visitors can watch the artists at work on sculptures that will be displayed in one of the indoor exhibits or in the ecomuseum's garden. Gift shop where you can find handmade souvenirs. In 2011, the ecomuseum will celebrate its 68th anniversary. Storyteller available at a minimal cost. **Schedule:** May to October, daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; October to May, Wednesday to Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (closed on Monday and Tuesday). **Free admission**, but donations are accepted. Open at other times for groups upon reservation.



Atelier Paré,
Micheline Lévesque

N-4 Musée Edison du Phonographe

■ 9812, avenue Royale, Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré G0A 3C0
418-827-5957 www.phono.org/beaupre.html

Dedicated to the phonograph invention in 1877 by Thomas Alva Edison, the museum exhibits more than 250 cylinder phonographs. It has three tinfoil phonographs dating back 1878-1880. It boasts prestigious machines such as a three cylinder juke-box; some are unique pieces like a wax cylinder phonograph alarm-clock. The museum has cylinder recordings of now disappeared celebrities' voices: Thomas Alva Edison, Pope Leon the 13th, Theodore Roosevelt, Enrico Caruso and Sarah Bernhardt. Parking. **Schedule:** daily, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. upon reservation. **Admission:** adults: \$5; senior citizens, students, groups: \$4; children (7 to 12): \$2.50; (0 to 6): free. **Guided tours** in English.

► *Turn right onto rue Régina at the traffic light.*

N-4 Shrine of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré

10018, avenue Royale, Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré G0A 3C0
418-827-3781 www.sanctuairesainteanne.org

ts The Shrine of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré, located only 20 minutes from Québec City, welcomes more than a million visitors annually. For over 350 years, people of all ages have been gathering at this Shrine dedicated to Saint Anne, the grandmother of Jesus. Through the beauty of numerous artistic masterpieces (paintings, mosaics, stained-glass windows, stone and wooden sculptures), discover the extraordinary history of Saint Anne, as well as the important role she played in the faith of our people. Liturgical celebrations, including daily Mass, are offered. Other services include: daily Mass, a cafeteria, a gift shop, lodging, an audioguide in four languages, etc.

At the **Saint Anne Museum**, discover the rich history of devotion to Saint Anne. Admire many works of art, as well as the largest collection of ex-votos in North America. **Schedule:** the Sanctuary is



Shrine of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré



open daily. The opening hours varies according to the seasons. For more information, visit our website or contact us. **Free admission.**

N-4 Cyclorama de Jérusalem

■ 8, rue du Sanctuaire, Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré G0A 3C0
418-827-3101 www.cyclorama.com

An eye-witness journey into biblical times through seeing the world's largest panorama. On exhibit at Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré since 1895, this gigantic work of art, measures 14 meters in height (45 feet) and 110 meters in circumference (365 feet). It creates an extraordinary 1,540 sq. meters of illusion that gives spectators the impression that they are themselves in Jerusalem and reliving the crucifixion. See the entire city and the surrounding countryside at the four cardinal points from the observation gallery. French and English narration. Upon reservation: Spanish, Russian, Italian, German, Portuguese, Arabic, Mandarin, Japanese. Free parking. **Schedule:** from May to end of October, daily, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. **Admission** (taxes included): adults: \$9; children (7 to 16 years): \$6; (6 years and under): free.

► *Back onto Avenue Royale, drive eastward into Beaupré.*

Beaupré population 3,233

Located between Mont Sainte-Anne and majestic St. Lawrence River, Beaupré offers lavish natural settings and a large range of attractions and activities centered on adventure, environmental, and tourist packages. **Mont-Sainte-Anne**, on the World Cup downhill ski Championship events circuit, is a 4-season resort providing outdoor and nature outing opportunities in a magnificent setting. Mountain biking, hiking, cross-country skiing, mountain gliding, and camping are but a few of the activities available on this location. Cable car rides are also offered, for breathtaking views on the surrounding countryside.

O-4 Canyon Sainte-Anne

■ 206, Route 138 Case postale 2087, Beaupré G0A 1E0
418-827-4057 www.canyonsa.qc.ca

🗺️ Astonishing! Explore a spectacular and vertiginous canyon grooved in the rock by the imposing and magnificent St. Anne Fall. Go across three suspension bridges, which one is among the highest in Québec, at 60 m above the gorge for "suspensational" emotions! Discover giant potholes, the cascades of the mini-canyon, the 1.2 billion year-old rocks full of rainbows and have fun with our Enchanted Stone's Games. Easy and accessible paths for the whole family. For the more adventurous, try the giant zip line and the Pothole via ferrata. Great winner of "Attraction Canada" for a perfect great nature day out! **Schedule:** May 1 to June 23 and September 4 to October 21: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. From June 24 to Labour Day: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Last admittance to site: 1 hour before closing.

► *Still on Route 360, drive through the underpass and you will soon see the paper mill located at the mouth of Sainte-Anne river. Drive towards Saint-Joachim and Cap-Tourmente.*



Canyon Sainte-Anne,
Compagnie McNicoll

Saint-Joachim population 1,336

Where the first farm settlement in the St. Lawrence River valley was established, is also a migratory bird stopover, providing precious bird watching opportunities for the famous snow geese as they flock down to rest and feed in this location, well-known for its diversity.

- ▶ *Turn right at the crossroads with rue de l'Église.*

0-4 Église de Saint-Joachim

165, rue de l'Église, Saint-Joachim G0A 3X0
418-827-4475

Classified as an historic monument in 1959, this church is one of the oldest in the province of Québec (1779). Its architecture and the works of art are worth discovering, especially the gold sculptures by François and Thomas Baillairegé who were responsible for the interior decoration. Parking. Recorded **commentary** available by pushing a red button at church entrance. **Schedule:** May 15 to October 15, daily, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. or upon reservations. **Free admission.**

Next to the church is an interpretation signpost titled "Archéo-vision", first of a series of eight, providing information on the time span covering the Amerindian to Jacques Cartier, Champlain and Mgr de Laval period; signs posted from April to October.

- ▶ *At the end of this street, turn right and drive along the road to Cap-Tourmente. On the right-hand side, civic number 800 brings you to Centre d'initiation au patrimoine - La Grande Ferme, a heritage land interpretation centre.*

0.4 Centre d'initiation au patrimoine - La Grande Ferme

800, chemin du Cap-Tourmente, Saint-Joachim G0A 3X0
418-827-4608 www.lagrandeferme.qc.ca

This enchanting site features a listed century-old house, an interpretation billboard with information on this location and its surroundings, and archaeological remnants of the village's first church. Different programs for adults groups, social clubs and schools are offered. Our activities include horse-drawn carriage rides, a theatrical presentation of 19th century rural life, legends and songs. Enjoy an excellent meal served in a country-style family atmosphere. Special historical exhibit from August to October. **Schedule:** open to the public from August to October. Open year-round for groups upon reservation.

- ▶ *About 2 km further down the road, you come to the **Cap Tourmente National Wildlife Area**, a nature preserve, hiking and bird watching centre. Other activities available.*
- ▶ *Upon leaving Cap Tourmente, turn right and drive 8 km westward, across the village and over the bridge, then follow directions to Route 138 via rue Prévost. **Your Route de la Nouvelle-France tour ends here.***

Saint-Ferréol-les-Neiges (route 360) population 2,748

Plenty of outdoor leisure activities at this holiday destination "par excellence". Enjoy strolling through groomed trails, some skirting the Sainte-Anne-du-Nord River, or practice your golf swing on our fairways.

0-4 Les Sept-Chutes, site d'interprétation et de plein air, site de production hydroélectrique

- 4520, avenue Royale, Saint-Ferréol-les-Neiges G0A 3R0
1-877-724-8837, 1-877-724-8837 www.septchutes.com



📍 Located along the Sainte-Anne-du-Nord river in the municipality of Saint-Ferréol-les-Neiges, Les Sept-Chutes is one of the most breathtakingly beautiful natural sites in Québec. Hike along 5 km of groomed trails and observe the cascading from 20 lookout points. Visit the historic village as well as the hydroelectric installations, in operation since 1916. Knowledgeable guides will provide you with information on all aspects of the site. Picnic and recreation areas are available. **Schedule:** open daily from May 21 through October 10, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. **Admission** (taxes not included): adults (18 and over): \$10.50. Seniors (65 and over): \$9.50. Students (18-21 with ID): \$9.50. Junior (6-17): \$7.50. Children (5 and under): free. Families (2 adults and 2 children): \$27.50. Group rates and packages available upon request.

Saint-Tite-des-Caps (route 138) population 1,448

Eastern gateway to Côte-de-Beaupré, Saint-Tite-des-Caps offers a remarkable vista on the majestic Laurentian mountain chain running by the village. This community is very popular with outdoor enthusiasts in search of unique nature getaway destinations.

0-3 Musée du coquillage

■ 274, route 138, Saint-Tite-des-Caps G0A 4J0
418-823-2747 www.chaletmuseedescaps.com

Come explore the world of shelled animals and learn how these fascinating creatures live, feed and reproduce. 2,000 species of shells from around the world. 5,000-piece collection. Exhibition hall measures 2,000 sq. ft. Gift shop with shells, jewellery, etc. **Schedule:** daily, from September 23 to June 1, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and from June 2 to September 22, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. **Admission** for museum: adults: \$6; children: \$3.

Québec

Borough of Sainte-Foy-Sillery-Cap-Rouge



3300, avenue des Hôtels, Québec, Qc G1W 5A8
Exit 133 from the bridges

Québec

Borough of La Cité-Limoilou



835, avenue Wilfrid-Laurier, Québec, Qc G1R 2L3
Access via Grande Allée Est



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Business hours

Summer: June 24th to 1st Monday of September, daily, 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Autumn: 1st Tuesday of September to 2nd Monday of October, daily, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Winter and Spring: Mid-October to June 23rd, Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



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