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Each year, Roots, Rants & Roars is held within the Discovery UNESCO Global Geopark. The geology of our region has a major impact on the food we harvest, forage, and serve.







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# FESTIVAL ITINERARY

Friday, September 19, 2025

# Presents The Forage

10:20 a.m. Meet at the entrance of Elliston Municipal Park.

10:30 a.m. You'll explore the rugged coastline and lush landscapes and learn to identify and harvest Newfoundland's wild ingredients.

12:30 p.m. Taste the wild at Elliston Beach.
Forager Shawn Dawson and Chef Nick Van Mele

# THE FORAGE MENU

# **Chaga Chai Latte**

Foraged chaga, chai tea, chai spice mix, foraged maple syrup, condensed milk.

### Wild Pickles & Preserves

Pickled fiddle heads, pickled chanterelles, pickled knotweed, nettle pesto, dandelion capers, alder butter, fireweed jelly, pickled quail eggs, grilled bread.

## Forager's Salad

Beach greens, wild berries, forager's vinaigrette, parmesan.

# Wild Mushroom Soup

Hedgehogs, chanterelles, sweet tooths.

# Pineapple Weed Upside-Down Cake



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# Friday, September 19, 2025

# Ocean Choice International Presents COD WARS

**Opening Reception** 

5:00 p.m. Registration opens at Elliston Municipal Park

Artisan Market opens

6:15 p.m. Park gates open

Reception begins

Ian Brown & Gabe Roberge

Steve Quinton

Cocktail by Collingwood Spirits and Wine

Performance by Evan Weeks

7:00 p.m. Welcome: Noah Cappe, Host

Marilyn Coles-Hayley, Tourism Elliston Chairperson

**Cod Wars** 

7:15 p.m. Cod Wars begin

Competing Chefs

Margaret Abbott & Amber Fitzgerald

Crystal Anstey
Mark McCrowe

Chris Chafe

Shaun Hussey

Todd Perrin

7:30 p.m. Wine sampling by Collingwood Spirits and Wine

Performance by Rube & Rake

9:00 p.m. Performance by Andrew Rodgers

9:30 p.m. Cod Wars voting ends

10:20 p.m. Crowning winner of Cod Wars

10:40 p.m. In the Dark

10:50 p.m. Performance by Rum Ragged

12:15 p.m. Shuttles depart

# COD WARS MENU

# **Opening Reception**

Merasheen Bay oysters, a boutique cocktail oyster with a burst of lingering salinity on the front and a mélange of seawood notes

Steve Quinton

Sai Ua Herval Sausae with Nam Prik Noom

Ian Brown & Gabe Roberge



## **Cod Wars**

Gazebo 2 Insalata di Baccala Pane Rustico Grigliato

Crystal Anstey, Wild Island Kitchen

**Gazebo 3** Pan Fried Cod, Basial Aioli, Potato Chorizo Hash, Lamb Quarters Salad, Bakeapple Scrunchion Vinaigrette.

Mark McCrowe, My Home Kitchen TV

**Gazebo 4** Asian Flavoured Cod Sausage on a New England Style Buttered Bun, Smoked Cod Skin (Bacon Bits), Local House

Made Condiments.

Margaret Abbott & Amber Fitzgerald, Gallows Cove Kitchen

Gazebo 5 Salt and Vinegar Seasoned Tempura Fried Cod with Smoked

Potatoes, Bacon Puree, Charred Onions and Candied Lemon.

Chris Cafe, Vu Resto & Bar

**Gazebo 6** Smoked & Poached Cod, N'duja Broth, Mangalitsa Fat Emulsion.

Shaun Hussey, Chinched

Gazebo 7 Corned Cod Cheeks, Wilted Greens, Poached Baby

Potatoes, Puttanesca Sauce, Cold Water Shrimp Crumb.

Todd Perrin, Rabble

# S'more Late Night Station



Fresh Baked Cookies with Homemade Marshmallow and Chocolate by Newfoundland Chocolate Company.

Aaron McInnis, Happy Belly Cakery

# Saturday, September 20, 2025

# **Edible Newfoundland and Labrador**

**Presents** 

# THE HIKE

11:15 a.m. Welcome and explanation of The Hike: Noah Cappe, Host

Performance by Ben Dooley

11:30 a.m. The Hike begins

The Beach

Sterling Cummings & Makenzie Pavka

Performance by Jesse Smith

**Neck Road** 

Dale Mackay & Christopher Cho

Performance by Evan Weeks

**Puffin Site** 

Duff Goldman and Geof Manthorne

Wine sampling by Collingwood Spirits and Wine

edible

Performance by Rube & Rake

**Look Off Point** 

Kristen Livingston & Jordan Anderson

Craft beer sampling by Dildo Brewery

Performance by Jason Ryan

**Fish Flakes** 

Roary MacPherson & John Higgins Performance by Tyler Humby

2:30 p.m. The Hike stations close

## **Dessert Picnic**

2:00 p.m. The Dessert Picnic at Gary Baker Memorial Park begins

**Aaron McInnis** 

Tiffany Waye

Hilarie Vatcher

Duff Goldman and Geof Manthorne Coffee & Wild Island Tea station

Performance by Sherman Downey

2:30 p.m. Duff's Root Cellar Cake Showdown

3:30 p.m. Shuttles depart

**Dessert Picnic ends** 



# POINTS OF INTEREST

- 1 Elliston Town Hall
- 2 Nanny's Root Cellar Kitchen/Orange Hall
- 3 St. Máry's Anglican Church
- 4 Elliston United Church
- 5 John C. Crosbie Sealers Interpretation Centre
- 6 Post Office
- 7 Elliston Adventure Crafts/Visitor Information Centre
- 8 Home From the Sea, Sealer's Memorial
- 9 Puffin Viewing Site & Discovery UNESCO Global Geosite
- ★ Root Cellars & Discovery UNESCO Global Geosite



# THE HIKE CHEF STATIONS

- A Sterling Cummings & Makenzie Pavka
- B Dale Mackay & Christopher Cho
- C Duff Goldman and Geof Manthorne
- D Kristen Livingston & Jordan Anderson
- E Roary MacPherson & John Higgins
- F Aaron McInnis
  - Tiffany Waye
  - Hilarie Vatcher
  - **Duff Goldman & Geof Manthorne**

# THE HIKE MENU

The Beach Snow Crab Temaki - Brown Butter, Ponzu, Chive & Kake

Udon - Fresh Noodles, Local Mushrooms, Beach & Wild

Greens, Onion

Sterling Cummings & Makenzie Pavka

Neck Road Creamy Polenta, Roasted Lobster Mushrooms, Corn, Black

Garlic Chili Oil

Dale Mackay & Christopher Cho

Puffin Site Newfoundland Chicken Schnitzel Sandwich \*SPICY\* and

Korean Potato Salad

Duff Goldman and Geof Manthorne

Look Off Point Lamb Neck Chili - Seaweed-Braised Lamb, Cornbread,

**Bakeapple Butter** 

Kristen Livingston & Jordan Anderson

**Fish Flakes** Grilled NL Sausage with a kick of East Coast spice, hand

cut fries cooked in beef tallow and finished with NL salt.

Roary MacPherson & John Higgins, Culinary Collective Ltd. 2024 King of Cod

# **Browning Harvey**

**Presents** 

# THE DESSERT PICNIC

Fresh Partridgeberry Scones and Homemade Lemon Honey Butter

Aaron McInnis, Happy Belly Cakery

Spiced Blueberry Cake with a Screech Caramel Sauce

Tiffany Waye, Quintal Cafe

BROWING HEAD LTD.

Strawberry Rhubarb Cannolis. Local Berries, Rhubarb, Pollen Nation Farm Honey and Spruce Tip Syrup Mascarpone Filling Dipped in Chocolate

Hilarie Vatcher, No. 4 Cathedral

Cardamom Pistachio Ladoo Russian Tea Cakes & A Celebration of Roots, Rants & Roars Cake

Duff Goldman and Geof Manthorne, Charm City Cakes

# **Dildo Brewing Co.**

# **Presents**

# THE FEAST

5:00 p.m. Registration opens at Elliston Municipal Park

6:15 p.m. Park gates open

Welcome cocktail by Newfoundland Distillery

NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR

Reception Red Curry Soup Performance by Breakwater

Performance by The Navigators

7:00 p.m. Welcome: Noah Cappe, Host

The Feast Begins

7:45 p.m. Performance by Sherman Downey

9:00 p.m. Performance by The Ennis Sisters

12:30 p.m. Shuttle bus departs

10:45 p.m.



# THE FEAST MENU

**Soup** Red Curry Root Vegetable with Wild Mushroom Dumpling

Nick Van Mele, Grounds Cafe

**Bread** Potato Bread with Shallot Butter

Matthew Swift, Terre

Salad Farm & Foraged Greens, Whipped Honey Mascarpone, Confit Field

Vegetables, Crow Berries, Wildflower Honey Vinaigrette, and

Candied Moose Bacon

Nathan Hornridge, Pollen Nation Farm

Appetizer Fall Corn and Wild Mushrooms

Matthew Swift, Terre

**Fish** Deep Fried Fish Cakes with Sauce Gribiche

Ross Larkin & Celeste Mah, Portage

Pork Roasted Whole Hog, Honey & Pineapple Weed Basting, Purred

Parsnips, Fire Charred Cabbage, Miso Brown Butter

Steve Quinton, Q's BBQ

Lamb Cevapcici with Tzatziki, Cherry Tomatoes & Pickled

Vegetables

Nick & Katie Walters, Merchant Tavern

**Desserts** Dark Chocolate Chantrelle Creme Brulee, Candied Gold

Hilarie Vatcher, No. 4 Cathedral

Wine Albino Armani Corvara Pinot Grigio Valdadige

The scent is intriguing, with intense notes of lime, pear and aromatic herbs such as mint and sage. In the mouth it is mineral and complex, fresh and persistent.

**Albino Armani Pinot Noir** 

Its warm and silky texture offers aromas of small red fruits and violet that evolve into a masterpiece of balsamic notes, truffles and licorice. On the palate, it is fresh, elegant and well balanced, recalling the typical bouquet of this varietal.

# SHUTTLE SCHEDULE



Friday, September 19, 2025

# **Trinity Shuttle - Pick Up**

4:25 p.m. Saint Paul's Anglican Church

4:40 p.m. Port Rexton Foodex

5:05 p.m. Seaport Inn

5:10 p.m. Catalina Convenience & Gas Bar

5:20 p.m. Bonavista Hotel

# Bonavista Shuttle - Pick Up

4:40 p.m. Bonavista Social Club

5:00 p.m. Harbour Quarters5:10 p.m. Bonavista Town Hall

5:20 p.m. Ocean View Restaurant

5:25 p.m. Former Tremblett's Convenience

5:45 p.m. Home From The Sea

BOTH shuttles leave Elliston Municipal Park at 12:15 a.m. Bonavista shuttle will make an extra stop at Bonavista Brewing for anyone that would like to keep the party going.





# Saturday, September 20, 2025

# Trinity Shuttle - Pick Up

9:40 a.m. Saint Paul's Anglican Church

9:55 a.m. Port Rexton Foodex

10:15 a.m. Seaport Inn

10:20 a.m. Catalina Convenience & Gas Bar

10:30 a.m. Bonavista Hotel

# **Bonavista Shuttle - Pick Up**

9:40 a.m. Bonavista Social Club

10:00 a.m. Harbour Quarters
10:10 a.m. Bonavista Town Hall

10:20 a.m. Ocean View Restaurant

10:25 a.m. Former Tremblett's Convenience

10:45 a.m. Home From The Sea

# BOTH shuttles leave Elliston Municipal Park at 3:30 p.m.



# Saturday, September 20, 2025

# **Trinity Shuttle - Pick Up**

4:35 p.m. Saint Paul's Anglican Church

4:55 p.m. Port Rexton Foodex

5:15 p.m. Seaport Inn

5:20 p.m. Catalina Convenience & Gas Bar

5:30 p.m. Bonavista Hotel

# Bonavista Shuttle - Pick Up

4:40 p.m. Bonavista Social Club 5:00 p.m. Harbour Quarters

5:10 p.m. Bonavista Town Hall

5:20 p.m. Ocean View Restaurant

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5:45 p.m. Home From The Sea

BOTH shuttles leave Elliston Municipal Park at 12:30 a.m. Bonavista shuttle will make an extra stop at Bonavista Brewing for anyone that would like to keep the party going.

# **MERCHANDISE**

Explore our exclusive Roots, Rants and Roars merchandise – a perfect way to savour the festival's essence long after the last bite.



# ARTISAN MARKET

This year's market opens Friday at 5:00 pm and again Saturday at 10:00 am. Come browse the host of artisans and local producers who will be displaying and selling their fine handmade goods.



# **BAR MENU**

Elevate your festival experience with Cellar Bucks! Purchase these convenient currency units at our merchandise booth to savor cocktails, wine, cider, and beer at the bar hassle-free.

# Also available, a selection of non-alcoholic beverages.

2 Cellar Bucks

Iceberg Vodka (1 oz.)
Iceberg Rum (1 oz.)
Stalk & Barrel Canadian Whiskey (1 oz.)



Dildo BREWING CO

Dildo Light 16 oz draft
Red Ale 16 oz draft
Session IPA 16 oz draft
Crandemic 16 oz draft

Pink Lemonade Radler 473 ml can

3 Cellar Bucks



Selection of ready to drink cocktails



Orchard and Vine 355ml can



Pablo Claro Chardonnay - 5 oz Pelee Island Pinot Noir Reserve - 5 oz

 $4^{\frac{\text{Cellar}}{\text{Bucks}}}$ 

Albino Armani Corvara Pinot Grigio - 5 oz Bagatelle Cabernet Franc - 5 oz







