



THE SHOPS OF CHESTER

Chester, an historic seaside village, is the perfect destination for Nova Scotia travelers looking to spend an afternoon drifting in and out of unique shops discovering the work and wares of local artisans and entrepreneurs.

Visitors can't help feeling inspired by the creativity and energy behind each item in our shops. If you're shopping for a one-of-a-kind wedding gift, a signature piece for your home, a "just because" surprise gift for that person who is difficult to please, packable gifts or fine art: Chester has it all.

Less than an hour's drive from Halifax, Chester is also noted for sailing, golf, live theater productions, and its relaxing lifestyle. Wander our picturesque streets and lanes dotted with rose covered arbours and majestic old trees or stroll along our two harbours and watch the sailboats glide by. Enjoy lunch at one of our delicious cafes, stay for dinner and make a full day of it, or stay for a while at one of our B&B's or inns.

There is so much to see and do in Chester. We look forward to seeing you here soon!



AMICUS GALLERY

Amicus Gallery has an intertwined exhibit of wonderful fine art from the area with pottery made at the gallery by Paula MacDonald. The windows are dazzling with a collection of stain glass panels which invite you in to a collection of other fine craft including jewellery, wood bowls and birds, designer knits and kaleidoscopes. **20 Pleasant Street • 902-275-2496** www.amicusgallery.ca

BLACK MARKET BY THE SEA

Black Market by the Sea is our seasonal sister shop to the Black Market Boutique in Halifax. A sweet little import boutique with clothing, jewelry and handicrafts hand picked from around the globe. Bought and sold with heart. **36 Queen Street • 902-423-5724** [facebook.com/blackmarketboutique](https://www.facebook.com/blackmarketboutique)

BLUE SHUTTERS ANTIQUES & LOCAL ARTISTS GALLERY

Multiple dealers and artists in one shop means a great variety of Antiques, Collectables, Art and Vintage Decor! Next door to Graves Island Provincial Park. Open June–October. **3176 Highway #3, East Chester • 902-275-5359** or by appt. 902-275-3333 or bobinayoung@gmail.com



FLOWERS, FLOWERS, FLOWERS OF CHESTER LTD.

Offering a variety of products including fresh cut bouquets, vase and container arrangements, fruit and goody baskets and seasonal plants and botanicals. **34 Pleasant Street • 902-275-5707** www.flowersofchesterltd.net

GOING COASTAL FINE ARTS AND FURNISHINGS

Going Coastal is a Fine Art and Reclaimed Furniture Store inspired by coastal living, buying local and the art of reclaiming, repurposing and recycling. The gallery is over 95% local and has many eco-friendly products, the gallery offers a large selection of local art and services of commissioned reclaimed furniture. **41 Queen Street • 902-273-3343** goingcoastal@hotmail.ca



JIM SMITH - FINE STUDIO POTTERY

A feast for the eyes and the soul, Jim's gorgeous, sensual pottery is a delight to display and a joy to use. Jim is widely recognized as one of Canada's most acclaimed contemporary ceramic artists. The showroom shelves in his charming studio are brimming with luscious and lyrical vases, platters, bowls and serving dishes. **Corner of Duke and Water Street 902-275-3272 • www.jimsmithstudio.ca**



CHESTER GOLD & SILVER

A full-service precious metals dealer with over 20 years of experience, we buy and sell investment grade coins and bars produced by the Royal Canadian Mint, the US Mint and other recognized refiners from around the world. Investors and collectors of all ages and experience are welcome. No appointment is required. We'll also pay you excellent rates for your old and unwanted jewellery, silverware and estate items. **34 Queen Street • 902-980-0278** Chestergoldsilver.com



CHEZ GLASS LASS

World class fused glass. Absolutely original one-of-a-kind brightly coloured fused glass dinnerware, accessories and gifts. **63 Duke Street • 902-275-5545** Toll-Free: 1-866-755-9555 • www.kilnart.ca

LIGHT MY FIRE STUDIO

At Light My Fire Studio you can: Dip a candle Share a smile Buy a distinctive gift Learn about candle making Hear some history When will you stop by? **59 Duke Street 902-275-5800 or 1-866-739-5800 • www.chestercandles.com**



LUNA SALON SPA & BOUTIQUE

Luna is a full service salon and spa in the heart of Chester offering a complete range of esthetics, hair and nail services. Luna also offers registered massage therapy and non-surgical procedures to refresh your appearance by trained medical professionals. In our boutique you will find retail hair care, skin care and a selection of hand bags, scarves and jewelry. **65a Duke Street • 902-273-5862** facebook.com/Luna-salon-spa-and-boutique



OCEANVIEW GARDEN CENTRE

One of the largest full service ornamental flower and plant retail greenhouses in Nova Scotia. Whether you are looking for home and garden décor or great gift ideas Oceanview is the place to find unique giftware. **4392 Highway #3, Chester 902-275-2505 • www.plantcrazy.ca**

VALVERDE STUDIO/GALLERY

Original art and limited edition fine art prints by internationally renowned artist José Antonio Valverde-Alcalde who makes his home in Chester. We are open by appointment. **31 King Street • 902-275-5341** www.valverdestudiogallery.com



THE VILLAGE EMPORIUM

Under one historic roof visitors can find a fun and widely varied selection of locally crafted and 'from away' goods. From souvenirs to jewellery to books to soaps and much more... we almost have it all. Something for everyone at surprisingly reasonable prices! **11 Pleasant Street • 902-275-4773** www.villageemporiumns.com

31 WESTGATE SEASIDE

31 Westgate Seaside is the second full service furnishings and lighting shop of renown East Coast design duo, Colin Blanchard and Kenneth McRobbie. Both Chester and Halifax shops feature exclusive designer brands such as Ralph Lauren Home, John Derian, John Robshaw and the new 31 Westgate Classics line, along with tablewares, rugs, art, books, and one-of-a-kind home accents... for the very best in seaside living. **41 Queen Street • 902-273-3188 • www.31westgate.com**



STAY AND DINE IN CHESTER



THE FO'C'SLE PUB

The Oldest Pub in Nova Scotia and affectionately known as "Chester's Living Room", The Fo'C'sle is an inviting restaurant and bar that welcomes year-round & summer "locals" as well as those just passing through. Depending on where you sit, you're in a former grocery store, stable, inn or tavern dating back to 1764. **42 Queen Street • 902-275-1408** www.focslechester.com

KIWI CAFÉ

At the Kiwi Café, we're seriously passionate about good food and good coffee. We offer international themes with interesting flavours and the freshest of local ingredients. Enjoy delicious, homemade baked treats, wonderful soups and lunches, and our famous all-day breakfast. Open for breakfast and lunch. **19 Pleasant Street • 902-275-1492 • www.kiwicafechester.com**



MECKLENBURGH INN

Casual chaos with character... breakfast included. This historic bed and breakfast was built in 1902, the same year the Chester Yacht Club was established. An oasis in the heart of the village, two blocks from the shores of Mahone Bay. We have offered accommodations to yachtsmen and travellers for over two centuries. **78 Queen Street • 902-275-4638** www.mecklenburghinn.ca

THE ROPE LOFT - RESTAURANT, PUB & MARINA

Located in Chester's front harbour, you have the choice of two decks overlooking the ocean. We are known for our light-cream based shellfish chowder, fresh local lobster, scallops & mussels washed down with one of our local wines. Choose from ten of our draught beer, many local; great with a Rope Loft burger. We have vegetarian and gluten free choices. Save room for our renowned Oatmeal Cake, a perfect ending. **36 Water Street • 902-275-3430 • www.ropeloft.com**



RELAX AND PLAY IN CHESTER

CHESTER ART CENTRE

The Chester Art Centre is the only year round visual arts organization in the Municipality of Chester. We offer classes, workshops, lectures, exhibitions and events. Make art a part of your life. **60 Queen Street • 902-275-5789** www.chesterartcentre.ca

CHESTER CURLING CLUB

Try curling - Canada's other national sport! • **190 Pig Loop Road info@chestercurlingclub.ca • www.chestercurlingclub.ca**

CHESTER GOLF CLUB

A Truly Unique Seaside Golf Experience. • **220 Golf Course Road 902-275-4543 • www.chestergolfclub.ca**

CHESTER PLAYHOUSE THEATRE

The best place for live entertainment on Nova Scotia's South Shore. The Summer Theatre Festival during July and August presents the best in professional theatre productions six nights a week. **22 Pleasant Street • Toll free: 1-800-363-7529 902-275-3933 • www.chesterplayhouse.ca**



CHESTER YACHT CLUB

Host of Canada's largest Keel Boat Regatta. **21 South Street • 902-275-3747 • www.chesteryachtclub.ca**



KAYAK SHACK

Providing access to front and back harbors, as well as our beautiful islands, Chester's Kayak Shack provides a perfect activity for your day. This is a truly positive athletic adventure in one of the most scenic destinations, in Nova Scotia. It's a perfect way to witness the pristine environment of our coastline. Wildlife abounds! Rentals of Stand Up Paddle boards, row boats, bicycles and canoes are also available. Kayak tours are scheduled daily. All safety equipment and basic instruction is included. **106 Duke St./89 Water St. • 902 980-0522** www.kayakshack.ca

YEAR-ROUND FUN IN CHESTER

Who said there is nothing going on in Chester in the off-season? Guess again! In fact, many believe our best seasons are fall and winter. In the fall, the leaves begin their annual transformation into a kaleidoscope of colors and don't miss winter when our streets are lined with festive wreaths, our shops are decorated with twinkling trees, and our Shop Local campaign is in full swing.

ANNUAL GINGERBREAD COMPETITION DISPLAY

Experience Chester's Gingerbread House Competition held mid Nov. to mid Dec. and don't miss the Gingerbread Houses displayed at local merchants throughout the village. For details visit: facebook.com/gingerbreadfestivalchester,ns