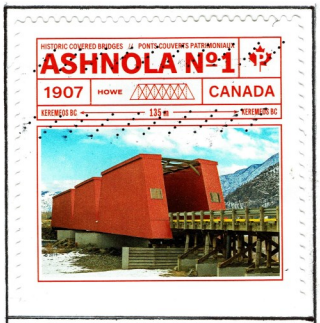
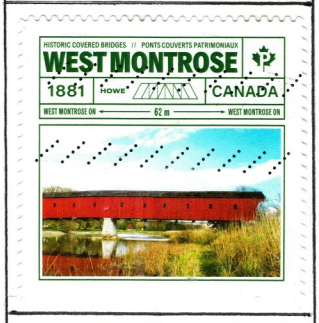
Canada

Historic Covered Bridges

On June 7, 2019 Canada Post issued a set of 5 historic covered bridges, 1 each in British Columbia, Ontario and New Brunswick and 2 in Quebec. The date of construction, type of truss, with diagram, and length were included with each bridge photo.

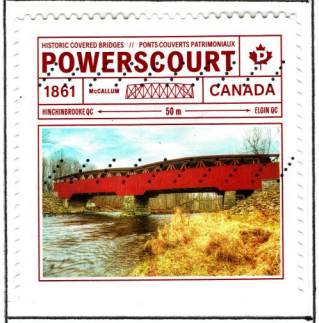


Ashnola No. 1, at West Keremeos, BC is the sole survivor of 5 covered Railway bridges over the Similkameen River. Built in 1907, its 3 spans measure 400'/135 m. It carried the Great Northern Railway from Oroville, WA to Keremeos, BC.



West Montrose, 25 km. w. of Guelph, ON, aka 'Kissing Bridge', was built in 1881, 2 spans - 198'/62 m. across the Grand River. It is now a National Historic Site.

I saw it in 1970, 1980 and 1997.



Powerscourt, sw of Montreal, QC is a 2 span, 180'/50' bridge built in 1861 over the Chateauguay River.

I saw this bridge in May, 2005.

Of 1000 cbs in QC in 1900, fewer than 100 remain.

Félix-Gabriel-Marchand, aka The Red Bridge, near Fort Coulonge, nw of Montreal, QC. Built in 1898, its 6 spans stretch 500'/152 m. across the Coulonge River.

I was here Apr. 2004, June, 2005, Sept. 2013.

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Hartland Bridge, NB is the other covered bridge in the set.

I saw it in July 1985 and Sept. 1999.