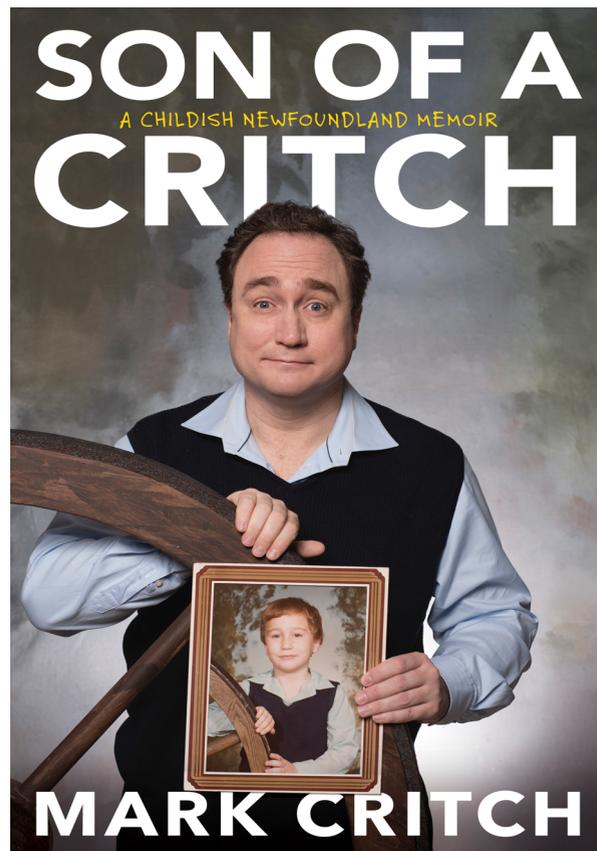


Laugh Off Winter with Mark Critch

*Available Spring Season
Two or Three Night Stay
(April 19 - 22, 2019)*



Author and comedian **Mark Critch** arrives on Fogo Island to help laugh off winter over Easter weekend, April 19 - 22, 2019 at Fogo Island Inn.

Mark Critch is one of the most recognizable faces in Canadian comedy and has won multiple awards for both writing and performance. For fourteen years, he has starred on CBC's flagship show, **This Hour Has 22 Minutes**. As an anchor and "roving reporter," he has brought celebrities and politicians to Canadian living rooms across the nation. He is the host of CBC's **Halifax Comedy Festival** and has written for and appeared in CBC's world-renowned **Just for Laughs** series. This humorous second installment of the Inn's Laugh Off Winter series will include a reading from Mark's recently-published memoir, **Son of a Critch**, a heartfelt and outrageously funny look back at his formative years growing up in 1980s Newfoundland.

Mark, who grew up along the Trans Canada Highway, has never been to Fogo Island. For his inaugural visit, he will join the annual community Easter Egg Hunt and participate in an old-fashioned square dance as part of his Island Orientation. Guest stays over the weekend will also include a Friday evening reception, a copy of Mark Critch's book, *Son of a Critch*, outdoor excursions, and a post-supper reading in the Gathering Hall.

*The full-board, two- or three-night **Laugh Off Winter with Mark Critch** itinerary includes: all meals, full use of the Inn's facilities, an Island Orientation with a Community Host, outdoor excursions, a Friday evening welcome reception, and a post-supper Q&A and book reading. To secure your stay, call International Reservations at **+1 709 658 3444**, US & Canada Reservations at **+1 855 268 9277** or email reservations@fogoislandinn.ca*

Sample 3-Night Itinerary

DAY 1 - Friday, April 19, 2019 – Good Friday

AFTERNOON

Arrive on Fogo Island and allow the Island to reveal itself on the drive through outport communities as you make your way off to your refuge, Fogo Island Inn.

Check into Fogo Island Inn, a traditional yet contemporary masterpiece of modern architecture and design. The Inn was named as Travel & Leisure's Top Resort Hotel in Canada, 2017 and 2018 - among the country's best hotels from coast to coast.

5:30PM

Welcome reception in the lounge hosted by Mark Critch.

SUPPER

Good Friday Seafood Supper is served in our Dining Room. Enjoy the abundant offerings brought to our shores by the Labrador Current while the waves of the Atlantic crash just beyond your table setting..

LATE EVENING

After supper, unwind in the Lounge to the sounds of live local musical entertainment.

DAY 2 - Saturday, April 20, 2019

DAYBREAK

Greet the sun as she rises and find a handmade wooden Daybreak Tray outside your door, filled with coffee or tea and fresh pastries. Linger.

7-10AM

Breakfast is served in the Dining Room at your leisure.

10:30AM

Accompany Mark Critch on a hike to the Great Auk—a flightless bird that once lived on the nearby Funk Islands. Embrace the wind and sea by ambling along the coastline toward Joe Batt's Point, passing the Long Studio and spectacular views of the North Atlantic Ocean.

DINNER (LUNCH)

Lunch is served back at the Inn in the Dining Room.

AFTERNOON

Join Mark Critch in a light-hearted round of traditional square dancing, or embark on an Island Orientation with a Community Host. Be prepared for fresh perspectives and insights, stories and laughter during your half-day outing being led in your discovery of this “salty Narnia” by the people of the place, whose sense of self comes from deep historical ties to landscape and seascape.

SUPPER

Supper is served in the Dining Room, where the provenance of every meal is inspired by the seasonal tastes of the outport terroir. Everything coming out of the kitchen is intended to feed more than your hunger.

EVENING

Convene in the Gathering Hall for a reading from Mark Critch’s humorous memoir, *Son of a Critch*, followed by a Q&A.

LATE EVENING

Take in the comforts of the Inn itself: rooftop saunas and outdoor hot tubs, the cozy Heritage Library, and the in-house Cinema are all yours to enjoy.

DAY 3 - Sunday, April 21, 2019 – Easter Sunday

DAYBREAK

Start the day with a Daybreak Tray of hot drinks and freshly baked treats just outside your door.

7-10AM

Breakfast is served at your leisure in the Dining Room, overlooking the wild North Atlantic.

MORNING

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt throughout the Inn's public spaces and the Island's windswept landscapes will have guests "on the hop" scouring every nook and cranny. Look out for edible Easter surprises made possible only by the Easter Bunny and laugh along with Mark Critch as he joins in on the fun.

DINNER (LUNCH)

Dinner (lunch) is served In the Dining Room at your leisure.

AFTERNOON

Follow your fancy in the afternoon: rest up body and soul at the Inn beside a wood-burning fireplace with a soothing cup of hot chocolate (or something stronger). Or opt for outdoor pursuits like hiking or birdwatching, observing nature's pristine landscapes just beginning their spring thaw.

SUPPER

Supper is served in the Dining Room.

EVENING

Relax in our rooftop sauna and outdoor hot tubs gazing into the infinitely starry sky, sit by a roaring fire in the Library, or take in a favourite flick in the Cinema.

DAY 4 – Monday, April 22, 2019

DAYBREAK

Enjoy your departing Daybreak Tray.

7 – 10 AM

Fortify yourself with a farewell breakfast served in the Dining Room.

DEPARTURE

Depart Fogo Island Inn for the journey homewards.

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