Maritime Day 09 August 31, 2010 VERY hot (36 degrees C/ 90 degrees F) & hazy

We left around 10:00 am after a breakfast together on the picnic table. It was already getting too hot to enjoy sitting outside! It was a short 3 hour drive to the Village of Levis, across the river from Quebec City. We are staying at a B&B named Au Gré Du Vent. It is a lovely 3 story house built in the 1890s. Thank goodness it is air conditioned and each room has a bathroom!

We walked into town (the owner told us it was a short 10 minute walk—obviously we don't walk at her pace!) and found an elegant restaurant called L'Intimatic. We loved our meals of salmon, pasta 7 chicken stir-fry. Apple cake (homemade & moist) topped off the meal! On the way back to our B&B we stopped at a Chocolateria & a local deli/grocery shop. Fun to see what the locals buy!

Again, a 10 minute walk (more like 20, including at least 200 stairs downhill!) to the ferry boat to take us across the river to Quebec City. The ferry was only \$5.50 per person round trip! Once in the city we walked about a bit, got brochures at the Visitor Center, ate ice cream, watched boats come & go from the dock, and finally took a horse & carriage tour ride at 7:00pm. We had tried earlier in the day but because it was so hot the horses were not allowed to work!

The ferry ride back was cool & refreshing! A hot shower & a good night's sleep followed!