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Who Ate What in the Maritimes A Diagram of Pre-Contact Faunal and Floral Ecology  
The two charts offered here are taken from Bernard Hoffman's thesis, "The Historical Ethnography of the Micmac of the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries." Hopefully, this thesis will appear soon in book form, but we thought it was about time our readers had a chance to consider Hoffman's charts, especially the one above which indicates the extraordinary interconnectedness of life forms in the Maritimes. The chart on page 39 gives an idea of where some of the life forms fit into the scheme of subsistence in the run of the Micmac year. It is to be remembered that Hoffman is trying to reconstruct for us the interconnectedness that existed prior to the European invasion of North America. The following portion is from Father Biard's description of the Micmac annual food cycle. It is a brief seventeenth century account. It is taken as well from Hoffman's thesis: Father Biard: ... In January they have the seal hunting: for this animal, although it is aquatic, nevertheless spawns upon certain  
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