

Saskatchewan Travel Guide



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A woman with long hair, wearing a dark cap with a circular logo, is smiling and looking towards a campfire. The fire is bright and glowing, with marshmallows on sticks being roasted. The background is dark with some trees and a few warm, out-of-focus lights, suggesting a nighttime outdoor setting.

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Northern Lights & Waterways



Unlimited Lakes & Parkland



Prairie Life & City Lights



Living Skies & Badlands

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Saskatchewan at a Glance

Quick Facts

- » Saskatchewan's population reached 1,132,505 in 2021.
Source: Statistics Canada, 2021 Census of Canada
- » The capital city is Regina, with a population of 249,217 (metropolitan). The largest city is Saskatoon, with a population of 317,480 (metropolitan).
Source: Statistics Canada, 2021 Census of Canada
- » Saskatchewan has 20 national parks and historic sites, 39 provincial parks and historic parks and 76 accredited regional parks.
- » Saskatchewan covers 651,900 sq. km – one-half of the province is covered by forest, one-third is farmland and one-eighth is freshwater.
- » Saskatchewan is located in the heart of North America, neighbouring the provinces of Manitoba and Alberta. To the south, it borders the American states of Montana and North Dakota. To the north is the Northwest Territories.
- » The Cypress Hills reach 1,392 m above sea level, the province's highest elevation point.
- » Saskatchewan's principal export industries are mining, oil and gas, agriculture, manufacturing and tourism.



National Distinctions

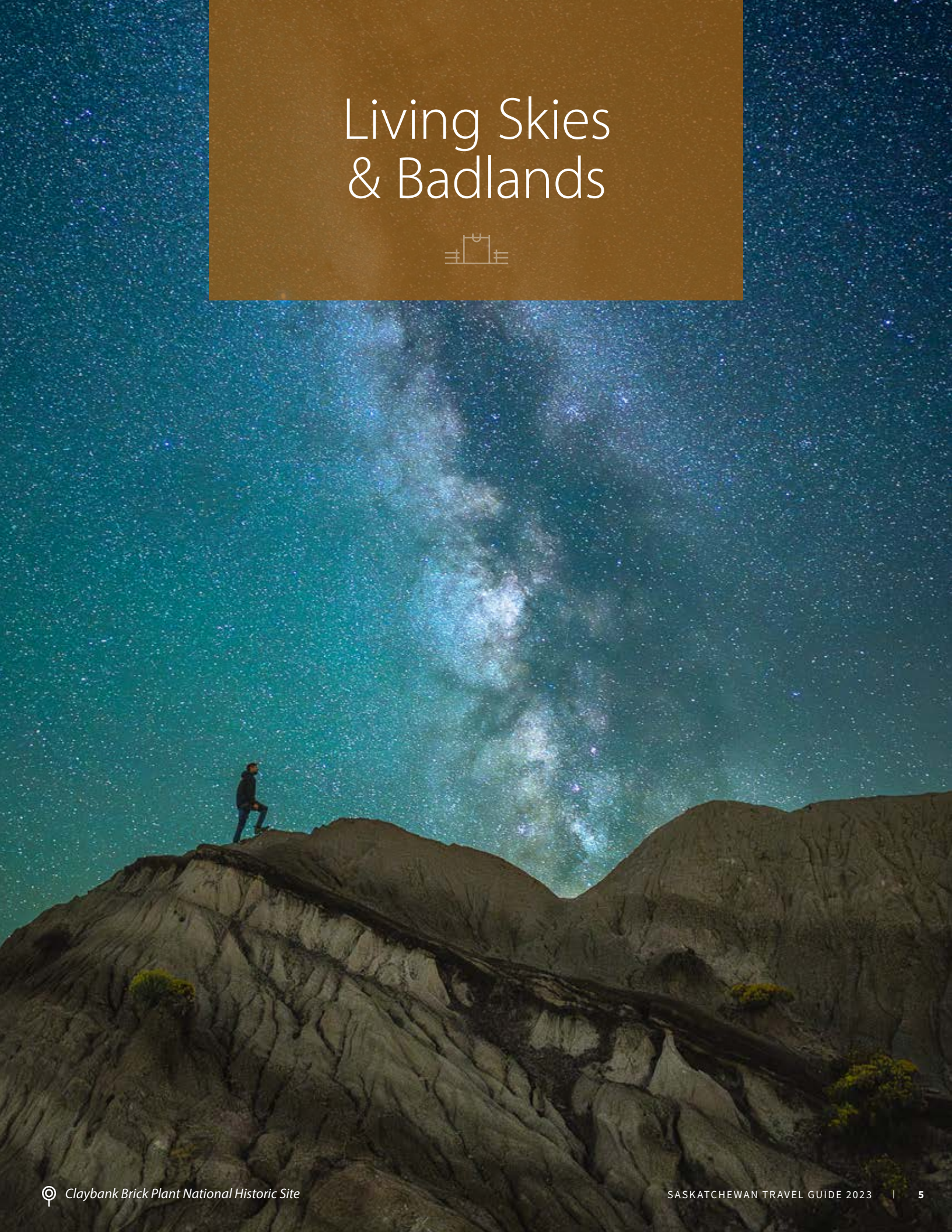
- » Saskatchewan is home to Canada's only training academy for Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) recruits, in Regina.
- » Scotty, the world's largest *T. rex* skeleton was excavated near Eastend in 1994-95. It is one of only 20 such discoveries in the world.
- » The Athabasca Sand Dunes are the most northerly major sand dunes in the world, and among the largest in North America.
- » The Canadian Light Source, a stadium-sized synchrotron light research facility, is located on the University of Saskatchewan campus in Saskatoon.
- » Saskatchewan supplies more than one-third of the world's total exported durum wheat and is the world's top exporter of lentils and dry peas.
- » Nineteen archeological dig sites unveil the past at Wanuskewin Heritage Park, a national historic site that echoes the stories of Indigenous peoples who have gathered here for as long as 6,400 years.

Flying time from	To Regina	To Saskatoon
Vancouver, BC	2 hours	2 hours
Calgary, AB	1 hour 25 min	1 hour 15 min
Edmonton, AB	1 hour 30 min	1 hour 10 min
Winnipeg, MB	1 hour 10 min	1 hour 30 min
Toronto, ON	3 hours 20 min	3 hours 35 min



 Athabasca Sand Dunes Provincial Park

Living Skies & Badlands




































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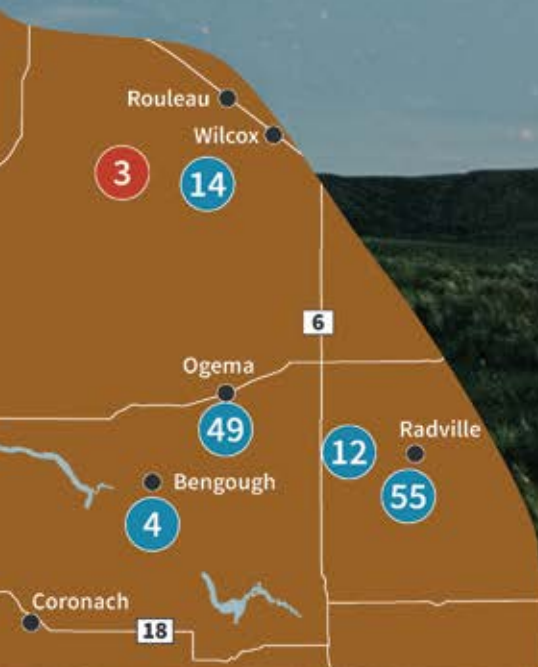


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-  Provincial Park / Historic Park
-  Regional Park
-  Trans-Canada Highway
-  Highway
-  Trans-Canada Highway Number
-  Highway Number
-  Park
-  Water Body

PARK LIST

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|  Claybank Brick Plant National Historic Site and Massole Clay Canyons |  Eston Riverside Regional Park |
|  Fort Walsh National Historic Site |  Jean Louis Legare Regional Park |
|  Grasslands National Park – West/East Block |  Kindersley Regional Park |
|  Our Lady of the Assumption Co-Cathedral Notre Dame de l'Assomption |  Lac Pelletier Regional Park |
|  Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park – West/Centre Block |  McLaren Lake Regional Park |
|  Danielson Provincial Park |  Notukeu Regional Park |
|  Douglas Provincial Park |  Ogema Regional Park |
|  Saskatchewan Landing Provincial Park |  Outlook & District Regional Park |
|  St. Victor Petroglyphs Provincial Historic Park |  Palliser Regional Park |
|  Wood Mountain Post Provincial Historic Park |  Pine Cree Regional Park |
|  Antelope Lake Regional Park |  Prairie Lake Regional Park |
|  Assiniboia Regional Park |  Radville-Laurier Regional Park |
|  Bengough & District Regional Park |  Shamrock Regional Park |
|  Cabri Regional Park |  Thomson Lake Regional Park |
|  Ceylon Regional Park |  Wood Mountain Regional Park |
|  Dunnet Regional Park | |





Treeosix Adventure Parks

Eyes to the Sky in the Cypress Hills



When the glaciers retreated, they missed a spot in the southwestern corner of the province, leaving a forested plateau towering high above the plains below at **Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park**. The unexpected mountain-like oasis on the border between Saskatchewan and Alberta reaches an elevation of 1,392 m above sea level, marking the province's highest geographical point.

Views

The mix of landscapes – towering hills, lush lodgepole pine and white spruce forests, and fescue prairie and wildflowers – provides breathtaking views. Take a driving tour to some of the park's most scenic spots, including Lookout Point and Bald Butte in the Centre Block. In the West Block, experience a Saskatchewan sunset from the Conglomerate Cliffs.

In this wilderness area, pack your tent, supplies and your horse. In addition to two quiet, rustic campgrounds with few amenities, there is an equestrian campground with corrals. On horseback, witness spectacular vistas as you explore a portion of the Trans Canada Trail to see the Hidden Conglomerate Cliffs.



Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park – West Block





 Fort Walsh National Historic Site

Trails

The Trans Canada Trail transects the park. In the Centre Block, this trail covers over 16 km of rugged countryside and will challenge the seasoned hiker. With an extensive network of trails in this area of the park, visitors can hike the backcountry to see nature untamed or navigate relaxing self-guided trails with interpretive signage. Paved trails provide quick access between the campgrounds and the beach, resort and swimming pool in the core area.

Camping

Wake up to the heady aroma of the lodgepole pine forest in one of the park's seven front-country campgrounds that range from basic to full-service (Pine Hill Campground opened in 2022). For a fully equipped camping experience, stay in one of the two Camp-Easy tents. After a full day of swimming at the pool or beach and stand-up paddleboarding or canoeing on Loch Leven, swap stories and make s'more-filled memories with your family around a crackling evening campfire.

Ziplining

For those feeling adventurous, one of the popular attractions in the park allows you to experience its beauty (and the forest canopy) by zipline. **Treesix Adventure Parks** also offers an outdoor climbing wall, treetop drop, 18-hole disc golf course, electric fat bike rentals, slackline course and mini-zips for the little ones.



History

At **Fort Walsh National Historic Site**, find out what life was like in a working fort during a time that shaped the history of Western Canada. The fort was a North West Mounted Police (NWMP) post established in 1875 and played a key role in imposing law and order in the West. Staff in period costume relay stories about the lawless days of rotgut whiskey runners and Canada's role in the aftermath of the Battle of the Little Bighorn.



 Conglomerate Cliffs



 Dark Sky Observatory

Dark Skies

The brilliance of the night sky will amaze you if conditions are right for stargazing in this designated Dark Sky Preserve. Public programs and special astronomy events are held at the Dark Sky Observatory each summer.



Grotto Gardens Family Fun Farm

Maple Creek:

THE MODERN WEST

Get the full flavour of southwest Saskatchewan hospitality with a visit to the **Maple Creek** area. The community has held the titles of Canada's Greatest Western Town and Friendliest Town in Saskatchewan.



Historic Reesor Ranch

Stroll the sidewalks and browse shops among the Heritage District. Guided historical walking tours can be arranged through the **Maple Creek Visitor Centre**, which is in the 1910 Union Bank of Canada building.

Pop into **The Daily Grind Roastery and Coffee Shop** for a freshly brewed fair trade coffee. This gathering place for locals and tourists alike has a rustic country



Cypress Hills Winery

feel and serves down-home cooking and baking, while selling specialty items and giftware.

Relive your childhood at **Cowtown Kids Toy & Candy**. With a focus on selling high-quality traditional and nostalgic toys, it has the distinction of being the largest independent toy store in Saskatchewan.

Stop by **Rafter R Brewing's** taproom to enjoy a pint or flight of its craft beer brewed onsite, or sample some **Cypress Hills Winery** fruit wine or mead at its new tasting bar, bistro and gift shop, located north of Maple Creek. Under new ownership, the winery continues to use recipes developed by the Bohnets – its founders – to achieve the same great taste that customers know and love.

Housed in a red cedar log barn, **Grotto Gardens Family Fun Farm** has a bakery, market, gift shop, saskatoon berry orchard and petting zoo. However, the family-run agri-tourism business is best known for its popular goat yoga, alpaca walks and farm train tours.

Year round, the welcome mat is rolled out at **Historic Reesor Ranch**, a century-old working guest ranch located just outside of the West Block boundary of **Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park**. Explore the surrounding hills on a horseback trail ride or ATV tour. At the end of the day, gather around a crackling campfire to swap stories, while enjoying cowboy poetry by the local bard.



The Daily Grind Roastery and Coffee Shop



📍 Harbor Golf & RV Park

Stay and Play at Lake Diefenbaker



📍 Saskatchewan Landing Provincial Park

Lake Diefenbaker, southern Saskatchewan's largest lake and premier recreation area, boasts some of the most dramatic shorelines in the province. Ragged cliffs, rolling hills and big sandy beaches with shallow waters make it the perfect destination for your next stay and play vacation.

Camping, glamping and more



Three provincial parks are located along the lake's shores: **Saskatchewan Landing**, **Douglas** and **Danielson**, all with their own beaches, campgrounds and plenty of nearby amenities. **Palliser Regional Park** is another great choice for an afternoon at the lake. Park your RV, tent or enjoy a fully equipped camping experience in one of two Camp-Easy yurts at Douglas Provincial Park. **Glamping Resorts Ltd.** offers luxury safari tents at Saskatchewan Landing Provincial Park. Some fixed-roof accommodations include **Sarah's Cove Condo Rentals at Harbour Inn** in Elbow and **Mainstay Inn** at Riverhurst.

On the water

Glide along the 800 km of shoreline as the wind catches your sail on Lake Diefenbaker. **Living Sky Sailing School** offers tours and excursions or sailing lessons. Launch your boat and spend the day on the lake. With wide-open water and secluded bays and coulees, it is the ideal spot for watersports enthusiasts.



📍 Lake Diefenbaker

Tee off!

In Elbow, hit some golf balls at **Harbor Golf & RV Park**, an 18-hole championship course situated on the bluffs overlooking the lake and marina (**Lakeside Marina Service**). You can also enjoy scenic vistas and panoramic views while teeing off at **Sask Landing Golf Resort** and the desert-like, links-style **Sage View Golf Course** at Palliser Regional Park.

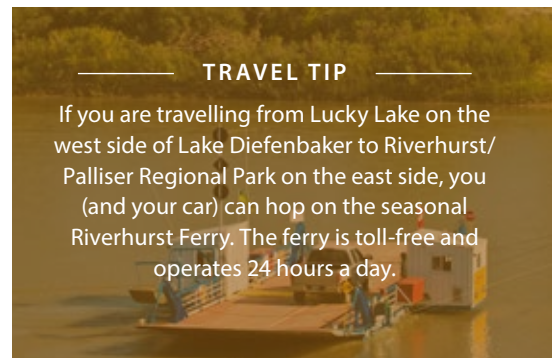
Reel one in



Head out for a day of fishing and reel in a record-breaking catch. Renowned for its trophy-sized rainbow trout, Lake Diefenbaker is also known for the diversity of species found in its waters, including walleye, northern pike, burbot, yellow perch, whitefish and lake trout.

TRAVEL TIP

If you are travelling from Lucky Lake on the west side of Lake Diefenbaker to Riverhurst/Palliser Regional Park on the east side, you (and your car) can hop on the seasonal Riverhurst Ferry. The ferry is toll-free and operates 24 hours a day.



DID YOU KNOW?

Lake Diefenbaker is a manmade wonder created by the construction of the Gardiner and Qu'Appelle Valley Dams in the late-1960s. Learn more at the **Gardiner Dam Interpretive Centre**, which is located in Danielson Provincial Park on Hwy 44. The centre features visual interpretive displays, souvenirs, tourist information, food service and a vintage film on the construction of the dam. **Gardiner Dam** is also a starting point for the 125-km **Chief Whitecap Waterway** (Trans Canada Trail) that takes you through the beautiful South Saskatchewan River valley to the city of Saskatoon.



Photographing Grasslands National Park

© Grasslands National Park



Unique Views and Endless Horizons

One of Saskatchewan's two national parks, **Grasslands National Park** is a 730-sq. km expanse of grassy hills, river valleys and endless horizons. Massive vistas make the park a "must capture" destination for any landscape photographer.

Both sections of the park offer unique views and finding scenery to photograph is no challenge. Some sights are right out of the car window via the 20-km Ecotour Scenic Drive. Other destinations will take more effort to hike.

In the West Block, the short trail to 70 Mile Butte is somewhat steep and culminates in a broad perspective of the Frenchman River Valley. Broken Hills Trail is a longer endeavour that boasts one of the few 360-degree panoramas of the park. The rugged path of Otter Basin is a challenging

trail that takes you to the highest elevation in the park.

The East Block offers distinctly wild vistas set apart by an eroded landscape with exposed history. Drive the paved 11-km Badlands Parkway and enjoy one of the six scenic viewpoints or hike the Valley of 1,000 Devils route to venture into the heart of the badlands.

Abundant Wildlife in the West Block

Wildlife photographers will be drawn to the abundant wildlife in the West Block. This section is home to the park's free-roaming bison population. Travelling on the Ecotour Scenic Drive is a good way to cover some ground looking for a herd. Stop at any of the seven pull-offs to view information panels that provide interpretation of the prairie landscape.

If you don't encounter bison from the road, consider taking the Timbergulch Trail. The 15-km loop ventures through some of their preferred territory. Remember that these are wild animals, so maintain a distance of at least 100 m when on foot near bison.

Deer and pronghorn are often spotted in the park. The combination of hills, buttes and exposed treeless areas make the grasslands a great place for observing animals.



The West Block is also the only natural habitat in Canada for the black-tailed prairie dog. There are many colonies across the park where you can find the rodents. Top Dog and Larson colonies are accessible on the Ecotour Scenic Drive. A few others like Monument A and Police Coulee colonies are found alongside trails.

A few species of animals in the park make their homes in vacant burrows. A keen lens might spot a rattlesnake, black widow spider or burrowing owl. Burrowing owls are crepuscular, so the best time to spot them is at dusk and dawn.

Largest Dark Sky Preserve in Canada

Astrophotographers will appreciate that Grasslands National Park is the largest and darkest Dark Sky Preserve in Canada. It is easy to lose sight of familiar constellations with so many stars visible to the naked eye. Long exposures with a camera will reveal an expanse of ancient light.



Learn more about
astrophotography in Canada's
largest Dark Sky Preserve.



Parks Canada recommends the Belza Day Use Site, Two Trees Trail, Frenchman Valley Campground, Rock Creek Campground or the parking areas along the Badlands Parkway for car-accessible stargazing and astrophotography. It is advised to limit your travel at night because the terrain can be difficult. Watch for deer and other animals crossing the roads.

Your compositions can be made more interesting by placing subjects in the foreground. Remnants of early ranching life, such as the Larson Homestead, can be found close to the Frenchman Valley Campground. The impressive landscape on the horizon can also elevate the interest of your photos.

Network, learn and share with other night sky photographers and astronomers. Grasslands National Park hosts Beyond the Big Dipper events, in partnership with the Royal Astronomical Society.

Remember to do your research and take safety precautions when photographing the grasslands. Enjoy the wildlife, land and sky.



Plan Your Trip

GRASSLANDS NATIONAL PARK:

- » Located in southwest Saskatchewan, near Saskatchewan-Montana border; West Block – approx. 150 km S of Swift Current; East Block – approx. 215 km S of Moose Jaw

ACCOMMODATIONS:


- » Frenchman Valley Campground (West Block) – RV/tent/oTENTik sites
- » Rock Creek Campground (East Block) – RV/tent/oTENTik sites
- » Backcountry camping (West Block/East Block)
- » Equestrian camping (West Block/East Block)
- » The Crossing at Grasslands (Val Marie)
- » The Convent Inn (Val Marie)
- » Sky Story Bed & Breakfast (Val Marie)
- » The Sanctuary Inn (Val Marie)

AREA ATTRACTIONS:

- » Prairie Wind & Silver Sage (Val Marie)

Walk the path of relaxation and meditation at
The Crossing at Grasslands.






I've always said it's never about the first bite, it's always about the last bite. Oftentimes, it's the last bite that leaves you with the longest impact.

— CHEF GARRETT "RUSTY" THIENES, HARVEST EATERY AND THE BLIND BOAR

Driving for Dinner: Harvest Eatery and the Blind Boar

 Harvest Eatery and the Blind Boar

 Nestled in the southwest corner of the province in the town of **Shaunavon** sits **Harvest Eatery and the Blind Boar**, an award-winning restaurant that attracts guests year round from all over. With a focus on cooking with regional and seasonal ingredients from local suppliers, Harvest Eatery is the ideal place to enjoy a slow, relaxed dinner, alongside Saskatchewan-made spirits and craft beer.

Owned by chef Garrett "Rusty" and Kristy Thienes, the restaurant opened in 2013. Rusty says he wanted to offer a true farm-to-table experience, which inspired Harvest Eatery's concept and menu.

"Before we opened, I'd been stewing on the idea for a while. The big thing for me was that at restaurants in many large urban settings, they are preaching farm-to-table, but the farms are an hour outside the city," he said. "Here, we're literally 10 km from where the meat is raised, or we're just 10 metres to the butcher across the street. So, the big lure for me was that at that time, nobody was doing [this]."

Rusty's approach has certainly paid off, and the restaurant has received much recognition over the years. Its first year open, Harvest Eatery won the Rookie

of the Year Award at the Saskatchewan Tourism Awards of Excellence, followed by a nomination for the Service Excellence Award in 2014. Both Kristy and Rusty are also past CBC Future 40 recipients.

The bulk of the menu is built around reimagined comfort food classics, but with a local twist. Bison, Lake Diefenbaker steelhead trout and Saskatchewan Speckle Park beef all make regular appearances on the menu, and then there's incredibly creative Saskatchewan-inspired dishes like pasta with wild boar ragu, or smoked duck breast served with creamed lentils and a saskatoon berry relish. For Rusty, being creative with ingredients found in the province is an important part of providing a memorable dining experience.



"Our goal is not reinventing the wheel, just reimagining the wheel. That's how I approach food," he said. "When you eat my food, even if it's fancy, it's still a hug. And that's how I want you to feel. I've always said it's never about the first bite, it's always about the last bite. Oftentimes, it's the last bite that leaves you with the longest impact. When you leave, that's all you're thinking about."

In addition to dinner, Harvest Eatery offers catering with options for both buffets and plated meals. It also has party packages, including a gourmet in-home dining experience with Rusty. It's a great way to bring a little bit of the Harvest Eatery magic into your own home. "Even though we want people to drive to us, now we are able to drive to them too," Kristy said.



Make it a day trip or a weekend

Turn a meal at **Harvest Eatery and the Blind Boar** into a day trip or a weekend and explore what the **Shaunavon** area has to offer.

WHERE TO STAY:

- » The **Canalta Hotel** in Shaunavon has standard rooms and rooms with kitchenettes, which are a great option for families.

WHAT TO SEE/DO:

- » For your daily coffee fix, stop by **Meeting Grounds Coffee House**, which is just down the street from Harvest Eatery. Its beans come from Phil + Sebastian Coffee Roasters in Calgary, plus there is a small lunch menu with options that are from Harvest Eatery.
- » Next, head to **The Ole Blacksmith Shop**, where you'll find tons of antique and collectible items. The outside of the shop even looks like an old-fashioned western store, so you can't miss it!
- » If you are looking to do a little retail shopping, visit **Studio South West Salon & Shop**, which is both a hair and beauty salon and a charming boutique for men's and women's clothing and footwear.

BONUS POINTS:

- » Just a 25-minute drive from Shaunavon is the **T.rex Discovery Centre in Eastend**, which is home to the world's largest *Tyrannosaurus rex* fossil ever discovered, known as Scotty. Open seasonally, there's also a prehistoric mammal gallery, theatre, fossil lab and plenty of activities to enjoy.

Hear Chef Garrett "Rusty" Thienes describe his vision for Harvest Eatery and the Blind Boar.



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Great Sand Hills

Discover Southern Saskatchewan's Natural Attractions

Saskatchewan's varied landscape is on full display in the south. This part of the province features legendary badlands, unique forested areas, fertile farmland and some of the largest tracts of untouched grassland. Appreciate Saskatchewan in all of its glory as you discover the natural attractions that make this province so unique and beautiful.

Big Muddy Badlands/ Castle Butte

The **Big Muddy Badlands** are sprawling, intricate hills, valleys and caves that once served as a place of refuge for Chief Sitting Bull. Later, they were a hideout for legendary outlaws Sam Kelly, Dutch Henry and the Sundance Kid. A relic of the Ice Age, **Castle Butte** rises 60 m above the surrounding landscape. It's a striking formation that served as a landmark for Indigenous peoples, members of the North West Mounted Police and early Canadian settlers. Castle Butte is on private land but accessible to the public from June 1 to November 1. **Coronach Visitor Centre and Big Muddy Tours** offers full- and half-day guided tours of the badlands, outlaw caves and local Indigenous sites. Pre-booking is required, and visitors use their own vehicle.



Great Sand Hills

Located north of Trans-Canada Hwy 1 near the village of **Sceptre**, the **Great Sand Hills** rise five storeys above the prairie landscape. The rolling sand dunes cover more than 1,900 sq. km. Mule deer and sharp-tailed grouse live among the native prairie trees, shrubs and grasses in this unique region. A directional map to the dunes is available in Sceptre at the Rural Municipality of Clinworth office or the **Great Sandhills Museum & Interpretive Centre**.

Avonlea Badlands

Discover the **Avonlea Badlands** on a pre-booked tour guided by **Avonlea Heritage Museum** staff. Housed in a 1912 CN train station, the museum has a variety of themed rooms that depict an old-time Main Street. Additional buildings include CN Cook Car, St. David's Anglican Church and the Pioneer Display Building.

Massold Clay Canyons/Claybank Brick Plant National Historic Site

Located in the hills near **Avonlea**, the **Claybank Brick Plant National Historic Site** is an impressive example of early-20th century industrialism. The site has remained virtually unchanged since 1914. Brick made at the plant graces the facades of many notable buildings in Saskatchewan and across Canada.



Castle Butte

Learn more about the site's rich history, as well as the workings of the plant, in the interpretive centre. Explore the scenic lands surrounding the site and hike the **Massold Clay Canyons** – the clay pits used in the manufacturing of the bricks. End your visit to the national historic site with a delicious pie or meal at the Bunkhouse Café.

Wood Mountain Uplands

Rockglen lies in the beautiful **Wood Mountain Uplands** – unglaciated hill country with treed valleys and a large variety of wildlife. Visit the **Rockglen Visitor Centre** to learn about the rich geological history, including the formation of the uplands, as well as the area's fossils, Indigenous artifacts (guided Sitting Bull tours are available) and flora and fauna species. The centre is home to a museum, gallery, tearoom with wheelchair-accessible deck, as well as a fully serviced RV park. For a spectacular view of the surrounding countryside, hike the Burning Hills Trail, located 2 km south of town. The Yost Wildlife Hike, currently under development, will feature two marked multi-purpose trails (horseback riding, hiking and cross-country skiing) with interpretive information.

St. Victor Petroglyphs Provincial Historic Park

The more than 300 rock carvings in **St. Victor Petroglyphs Provincial Historic Park** are among Saskatchewan's great unsolved mysteries. Carved between 500-1700 A.D., they are the only known petroglyphs on the Canadian Plains that are etched upon a horizontal surface.



Early morning or near sunset are the best times to view the glyphs from the public lookout point. The site is fenced, and pre-arranged tours are offered by the Friends of St. Victor Petroglyphs. The group established a small interpretative centre in **St. Victor** (2 km from the site) called Monarch Lodge. Displays highlight the petroglyphs, as well as archeological artifacts and paleontological specimens from the local area. It also features an exhibit on the arrival of the Métis in the area, complete with a full-sized replica of a Red River Cart. A Dakota tipi is located beside the centre, as well as a mud-plastered house from the late-1880s.

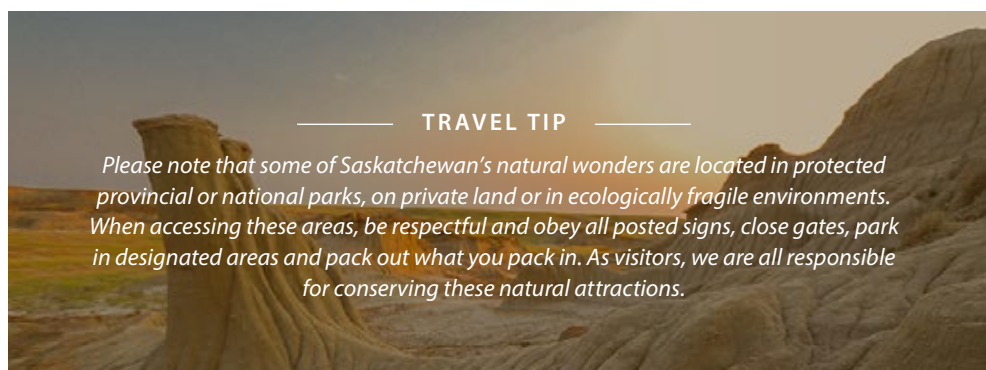
Jones' Peak

For the best view of the ancient landscape surrounding **Eastend**, drive up to **Jones' Peak** just outside of town and witness this magnificent panorama. It offers a breathtaking view of the river valley and surrounding land, and is a popular lookout for spotting birds and wildlife. Maps and information about driving tours of the area are available on the Town of Eastend website.



Old Wives Lake Nature Area

Near **Mossbank**, the **Old Wives Lake Nature Area** is a designated Migratory Bird Sanctuary and part of the Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network. Old Wives Lake is the second largest saline lake in Canada and one of the best bird watching spots. In spring and fall, numerous bird species rest and feed here during migration. It is a stopping point for several at-risk species, including the piping plover and long-billed curlew. A 2.4-km walking trail winds through natural terrain. A viewing deck, gazebo and picnic areas complete the trail.



TRAVEL TIP

Please note that some of Saskatchewan's natural wonders are located in protected provincial or national parks, on private land or in ecologically fragile environments. When accessing these areas, be respectful and obey all posted signs, close gates, park in designated areas and pack out what you pack in. As visitors, we are all responsible for conserving these natural attractions.

Some additional stops:

- Aust's General Store *Dig Beaver*
- Whitemud Clay *Eastend*
- Wallace Stegner House *Eastend*
- Dean Francis at Sagebrush Studios *near Leader*
- Willow Bunch Museum & Heritage Society/Willow Bunch Giant *Willow Bunch*
- Trigo Food + Drink *Lafleche*
- Great Wall of Saskatchewan *Smiley*
- Ancient Echoes Interpretive Centre *near Herschel*

Leader

At Alive Sky Lodge, guests can choose between a room in the main lodge or the luxury suite inside a metal grain bin. Other options include the two-storey Bohemian Grain Bin, the Cowboy Bunkhouse, and the Schoolee in the Coulee, a converted school bus.



Alive Sky Lodge
ROSETOWN



La Reata Ranch
NEAR KYLE

La Reata Ranch is an authentic working cattle and guest ranch, located in the Saskatchewan River valley, on the shores of Lake Diefenbaker. For a real Canadian cowboy experience, visitors stay in western-style cabins and take part in horseback riding for pleasure or help with ranch work. Other stops near Kyle: Clearwater Drive-In Theatre



Nightjar Diner Co.
SWIFT CURRENT

Swift Current's Nightjar Diner Co. is reinventing the prairie diner with its elevated menu that includes classic favourites, alongside some non-traditional items like steam buns and pork belly. Other stops in Swift Current: Swift Current Museum & Visitor Centre, Art Gallery of Swift Current and Black Bridge Brewery

Eastend

Built in 1918-1919 in the Francophone community of Gravelbourg, this national historic site features magnificent stained-glass windows from France and an arched ceiling painted by Monsignor Charles Maillard, whose works also adorn the walls. Other stops in Gravelbourg: Café de Paris



Our Lady of the Assumption
Co-Cathedral Notre Dame de l'Assomption
GRAVELBOURG

Herschel

Rosetown

Outlook

Kyle

Saskatchewan
Landing
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CURRENT



Saskatchewandering with Andrew Hiltz

Saskatchewanderer Andrew Hiltz has travelled across the province. Here are some of his top stops and favourite hidden gems, as well as a few locations that are still on his Saskatchewan bucket list.



*Wolf Willow Winery
/ Camp Wolf Willow*
NEAR OUTLOOK

With views of the South Saskatchewan River, tour the orchard, participate in some fruit wine tasting and enjoy pizza on the patio at Wolf Willow Winery, one of Saskatchewan's newest wineries. Stay overnight and glamp in a luxury canvas or wooden A-frame tent at Camp Wolf Willow. Other stops near Outlook: Terrace Dining Room (Broderick)



Glamping Resorts Ltd.
SASKATCHEWAN LANDING PROVINCIAL PARK

Camp out in style in luxury safari tents at Glamping Resorts Ltd. in Saskatchewan Landing Provincial Park.

The Shurniak Art Gallery in Assiniboia holds the extensive and permanent collection of founder William Shurniak, amassed during a lifetime of world travel. Seven gallery rooms feature exhibitions of international and Canadian paintings, sculptures and artifacts.



Shurniak Art Gallery
ASSINIBOIA



Solo Italia Fine Pasta Inc.
OGEHA

Solo Italia brings a taste of Italy to Saskatchewan with its authentic wood-fired pizza. Though not a sit-down restaurant, it attracts people from far and near for its Naples-style pizza that cooks in minutes. Other stops in Ogema: Southern Prairie Railway, Deep South Pioneer Museum and Bud's BBQ



Gravelbourg

Assiniboia

Ogema

Willow Bunch

Big Beaver





SaskPower Windscape Kite Festival flies high



 SaskPower Windscape Kite Festival

Every summer, just a few minutes outside of Swift Current, hundreds of volunteers, organizers and celebrity kitefliers come together to create an incredible spectacle in the sky.



The 17th **SaskPower Windscape Kite Festival** takes place from June 24-25, 2023. The outdoor festival attracts kitefliers from across North America and overseas to show off their creations and delight visitors of all ages.

Surprisingly, many kite festivals are not organized with children in mind, but Windscape Kite Festival founder Shann Gowan felt that including children's programming would make the festival stand out and add a dash of joy to the event.

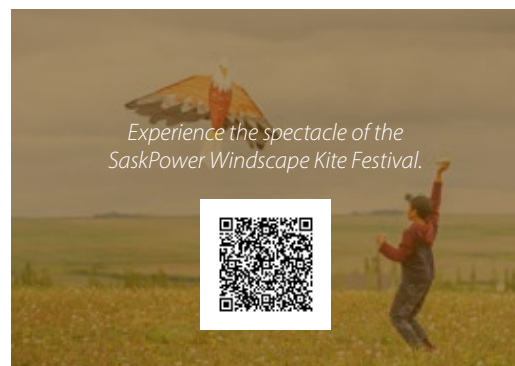
"I imagined a festival that was different," Gowan said.

With that in mind, the event features several child-friendly activities, including a bubble station, button making area, straw bale maze, face painting booth and an obstacle course. Best of all is a kitemaking workshop, where kids and families learn to make, decorate and fly their own kites.

"It engages everybody, from little kids getting their face painted to teenagers who want to learn how to fly sport kites, to grandma who wants to sit on a lawn chair and watch the spectacle," Gowan said.

The big draw, of course, is the plethora of kites that adorn the sky for two full days, ranging from colourful diamond kites to maneuverable sport kites and beautiful creations that resemble dragons and octopuses. Fliers typically try to outdo themselves and come up with something new and impressive each year.

The high-flying fun happens in conjunction with the **Long Day's Night Music Festival**, which runs from June 22-25, 2023 and features world, rock, funk and blues music. The concert organizers invite the public to "celebrate four of the longest days of the year with great music under the living skies in Swift Current."



Experience the spectacle of the
SaskPower Windscape Kite Festival.



EVENTS CALENDAR

Long Day's Night Music Festival
Swift Current • June 22-25, 2023

Cars in the Hills 2023
Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park • June 24, 2023

River and Rail ArtVenture
Outlook • June 24-25, 2023

SaskPower Windscape Kite Festival
Swift Current • June 24-25, 2023

Frontier Days Regional Fair and CCA Rodeo
Swift Current • June 28-July 1, 2023

Wood Mountain Sports & Stampede
Wood Mountain • July 7-9, 2023

Mossbank Old Wives Lake Festival
Mossbank • July 14-16, 2023

Shaunavon Boomtown Days
Shaunavon • July 14-16, 2023

2023 Sask Landing Walleye Tournament
Saskatchewan Landing Provincial Park •
July 15-16, 2023

Assiniboia Polkafest
Assiniboia • July 21-22, 2023

Dino Days Weekend
Eastend • July 21-23, 2023

Gateway Festival
Bengough • July 21-23, 2023

**Annual Riverhurst Bean Festival
Communities in Bloom**
Riverhurst • July 22, 2023

Living Sky Casino Ribfest 2023
Swift Current • August 4-6, 2023

Fossil Fever
Grasslands National Park • August 15-19, 2023

Saskatchewan Summer Star Party
Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park •
August 16-20, 2023

Saddle Up at Sask Landing
Saskatchewan Landing Provincial Park •
August 19, 2023

Creek Classics 2023 Annual Show N Shine
Maple Creek • August 19, 2023

**Western Canadian Hilltop
Sheepdog Trial 2023**
Mankota • August 24-27, 2023

**Southern Cruisers' Annual Fall Car Show
& Shine**
Assiniboia • September 16, 2023

Heritage Day
Radville • September 16, 2023

Beaver Flat 50
Saskatchewan Landing Provincial Park •
September 16, 2023

Ranchman's Ridin' & Recitin'
Swift Current • September 23, 2023

For more information about events in the province, visit
tourismsaskatchewan.com/things-to-do/events.



Contact organizers for the latest event information.

Prairie Life & City Lights





PRAIRIE LIFE & CITY LIGHTS

LEGEND

- Major City
- City
- Town
- Highway
- Trans-Canada Highway Number
- Highway Number

Major City

City

Town

National Park /Historic Site

Provincial Park /Historic Park

Regional Park

Highway

Trans-Canada Highway Number

Highway Number

Park

Water Body

Trans-Canada Highway




PARK LIST

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| 1 Batoche National Historic Site | 15 National Doukhobor Heritage Village | 16 Echo Valley Provincial Park | 32 Lucien Lake Regional Park |
| 2 Battle of Tourond's Coulee/ Fish Creek National Historic Site | 18 Saskatchewan Legislative Building and Grounds (National Historic Site) | 17 Fort Carlton Provincial Park | 33 Macklin Lake Regional Park |
| 4 Doukhobor Dugout House National Historic Site | 19 Seager Wheeler Farm National Historic Site | 19 Good Spirit Lake Provincial Park | 34 Mainprize Regional Park |
| 5 Esterhazy Flour Mill National Historic Site | 20 Wanuskewin Heritage Park | 23 Katepwa Point Provincial Park | 35 Manitou & District Regional Park |
| 6 Fort Battleford National Historic Site | 2 The Battlefords Provincial Park | 25 Last Mountain House Provincial Historic Park | 38 McNab Regional Park |
| 7 Fort Espérance National Historic Site | 3 Blackstrap Provincial Park | 28 Moose Mountain Provincial Park | 40 Melville Regional Park |
| 12 Government House | 5 Buffalo Pound Provincial Park | 30 Pike Lake Provincial Park | 42 Meota Regional Park |
| 14 Motherwell Homestead National Historic Site | 7 Cannington Manor Provincial Historic Park | 32 Regina Beach Recreation Site | 43 Moose Creek Regional Park |
| | 10 Crooked Lake Provincial Park | 33 Rowan's Ravine Provincial Park | 44 Moosomin & District Regional Park |
| | | 37 Touchwood Hills Post Provincial Historic Park | 46 Nickle Lake Regional Park |
| | | 3 Atton's Lake Regional Park | 56 Redberry Lake Regional Park |
| | | 5 Biggar & District Regional Park | 57 Saltcoats & District Regional Park |
| | | 6 Big Manitou Regional Park | 58 Sandy Beach Regional Park |
| | | 11 Carlton Trail Regional Park | 60 Silver Lake Regional Park |
| | | 13 Craik and District Regional Park | 65 Suffern Lake Regional Park |
| | | 15 Eagle Creek Regional Park | 67 Valley Regional Park |
| | | 17 Esterhazy Regional Park | 68 Wakaw Lake Regional Park |
| | | 19 Glenburn Regional Park | 69 Waldheim Regional Park |
| | | 21 Ituna & District Regional Park | 71 Welwyn Centennial Regional Park |
| | | 23 Kemoca Regional Park | 72 Whitesand Regional Park |
| | | 28 Last Mountain Regional Park | 73 Wilkie Regional Park |
| | | 29 LeRoy Leisureland Regional Park | 75 Woodlawn Regional Park |
| | | 30 Leslie Beach Regional Park | 76 York Lake Regional Park |





 Nutrien Wonderhub

Family-Friendly Fun in Saskatoon

Looking to keep the kids busy this summer? Saskatoon is full of places where children can have a great time (and the grown-ups can relax a little bit too!). There are plenty of indoor and outdoor options to entertain them.

Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park & Zoo

Set down a blanket and have a family picnic, catch your first fish, ride the new Kinsmen Express II train (wheelchair accessible), and meet the many denizens of the **Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park & Zoo**. Visit the Kinsmen Bear Exhibit and you may see grizzly bears Mistaya and Koda wrestling, digging or playing in their pond. At the Nutrien Ark, Arctic wolves Nuna, Anori and Inneq and Kazi the Snow Leopard will amaze and delight your children.



Nutrien Playland at Kinsmen Park

Celebrate the magic of play at **Nutrien Playland at Kinsmen Park**. Take a ride on the ferris wheel for a bird's-eye view of the city, twirl around on the colourful carousel or hop aboard the modern-day freight train for a park tour. Watch the kids play on the mini-zipline, dig in the sand or cool down on the splash pad. It is the perfect spot for a hot weekend day or weekday afternoon.


Nutrien Wonderhub

Nutrien Wonderhub is the first and only children's museum of its kind in Saskatchewan. At this state-of-the-art facility, children and their grown-ups can enjoy more than 25,000 sq. ft. of interactive exhibits, programs and opportunities for playful learning. The Cosmic Commotion exhibit is a truly tactile experience. Kids can pop through holes in the climbing structure's web-like surface, or swing from dangling crocheted pods.



 Remai Modern



 Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park & Zoo



 Western Development Museum

The Stoked Centre

At **The Stoked Centre**, rip around on high-speed electric go-karts, fly high on the 200-ft. zipline, challenge yourself on the two-storey SkyTrail rope course, or bowl a few games at the new 10-pin bowling alley.

Feature at River Landing. This attraction was designed with the local geography and natural and cultural heritage in mind.

Remai Modern


Remai Modern, considered one of North America's most visionary art galleries, boasts the world's largest collection of Picasso linocut prints. From the outside, the gallery makes a bold statement with its award-winning architecture. Step through the doors and explore the impressive modern and contemporary art exhibits. It also has regular kid-friendly programming, including stroller tours and the Cameco Children's Play Area.



River Landing (Meewasin Valley)

Pack up the kids and head down to the river, where you can cool off on a hot Saskatoon summer day at the **Saskatchewan River Basin Water Spray**



 Nutrien Playland at Kinsmen Park

Prairie River Cruises

See Saskatoon from the water on the top deck or inside the heated cabin of **The Prairie Lily**. Let **Prairie River Cruises** be your guide as you enjoy the beautiful scenery of the South Saskatchewan River. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon sightseeing tour with your family and gain a unique perspective of the city.




Western Development Museum

Imagine yourself washing clothes on a scrub board, stoking the fire in the cook stove and shopping in the general store as you explore the lives of Saskatchewan's early settlers at the **Western Development Museum – Saskatoon**. 1910 Boomtown, the life-size re-creation of a main street from yesteryear, also boasts a priceless collection of antique automobiles and a working exhibit, the Boomtown Café.

Wanuskewin Heritage Park


With the aim of advancing the understanding and appreciation of the evolving cultures of the Northern Plains people, **Wanuskewin Heritage Park** tells the story of 6,400 years of history. Walk back in time as you follow the Path of the People, explore the Trail of Discovery or climb to the east prairie along the Trail of the Bison. Follow the Bison Viewing Trail to the lookout point to see the Plains bison herd that was recently reintroduced to its ancestral homeland. For the kids, a new interpretive playground was designed to incorporate the historical significance of the site and the many Indigenous nations that gather here.



 **Hearth Restaurant**

Hearth Restaurant finds a new home at the Rемаi Modern



 **Remai Modern**

Thayne Robstad and Beth Rogers know how lucky they are.

The couple opened Hearth Restaurant in Saskatoon's Avalon neighbourhood in 2018, placing an emphasis on Saskatchewan-sourced cuisine featuring simple and delicious ingredients. The establishment rapidly became known as one of the city's most exciting dining spots, thriving even through pandemic restrictions. Last year, Hearth landed a spot on Canada's 100 Best Restaurants, one of only two Saskatchewan restaurants to make the list.



Hearth recently made the leap from its Melrose Avenue location to the Rемаi Modern on the banks of the South Saskatchewan River, placing it within one of the city's top attractions.

When asked to speculate about the restaurant's success, chef and co-owner Thayne Robstad is quick to answer. "At the top of the list is luck and timing. We were extremely privileged to be able to do what we did... we are very grateful and very happy for our success."



Of course, anyone who has sampled one of Robstad's dishes or experienced a meal at Hearth knows there is more to it than luck. The move to the Rемаi Modern can be seen as the culmination of years of hard work, dedication and skill.

Robstad and Rogers came up through the Saskatoon culinary scene. They met in 2008, and subsequently travelled and worked in restaurants in Vancouver and Toronto. In 2014, they moved back to Saskatoon with the goal of starting their own business.

"We had no money and no equipment and no leaseholds, so we started catering and using our friends' kitchens to prep items and run events out of. Over time, it was like a little snowflake tumbling down a hill and gained momentum," Robstad explained.

"And then we started to really ponder a restaurant in a brick-and-mortar location in about 2016, I believe, and in 2018, we opened Hearth on Melrose Avenue here in Saskatoon. We didn't really know what to expect. We were hoping to serve about 30 people a day. That was the plan."

The move to the Rемаi Modern came about at a time when Robstad and Rogers were becoming aware that they wanted to grow their business beyond the walls of their Melrose Avenue location. The availability of the space in the Rемаi Modern seemed to come along at just the right time.

"There was the idea of opening separate concepts and different food-based businesses that might be interesting to us.



The other option was to just make Hearth bigger. And we had no option for that at our [Melrose Avenue] location. So, we were just kind of testing the waters a little bit, trying to imagine what that would even look like and right around that time, the request for proposals at the Rемаi came along. It was lightning fast. We had to make this proposal, which we had never done before, in two weeks," Robstad explained. "But every time the two of us imagined Hearth sitting on the banks of the South Saskatchewan River looking out into this beautiful jewel box of our city, just to be right in the middle of it, it felt so right."

On its website, Hearth describes its offerings as "ingredient-forward" cuisine, a philosophy that emphasizes simplicity and terroir. Robstad and Rogers employ Saskatchewan suppliers for many of their ingredients. They have a particular fondness for foraged chanterelle mushrooms, an ingredient so central to their menu that Hearth's logo is a pair of delicately rendered chanterelles. Like any dedicated Saskatchewan fungus hunter, they refuse to disclose the exact location of their trove.

"[Chanterelles] are our favourite ingredient, no doubt about it," Robstad said. "We have them heavily sprinkled across our menu. It's on our design, our website, our shirts. Beth and I searched for the elusive chanterelle grounds in Saskatchewan for a couple of years before we figured out how to find them, and when we found our first chanterelle, we held each other and cried 'Yeah, we did it. Oh my God.' It was a great moment."



Chanterelles are the centerpiece of their most popular dish, an appetizer that lets diners savour the unique taste of the mushrooms. Also popular is the Fish Fry, a plate of freshwater Saskatchewan fish that echos the experience of a shore lunch.

"We try to be a quintessentially Saskatoon restaurant. In a day and age where you can get any products you want from any part of the world at any time and do anything with it, we try as best as we can to use Saskatchewan ingredients and cook the kind of food that our grandmas made. We want to connect with people and give a definition of what Saskatchewan food might look like. Better. Always better than the day before. That's the goal."

If Hearth stays on its path to success, restaurantgoers will be lucky to land a reservation on Friday nights.





Plan an urban dining tour in Saskatoon and Regina

Saskatchewan's two largest cities continue to surprise and impress with a full menu of familiar and upcoming culinary establishments. Here is a sampling of places to check out on your next urban dining tour.

SASKATOON

Odd Couple

📍 228 20th Street West

Riversdale is home to a great lineup of restaurants, but **Odd Couple** stands out for the simplicity and deliciousness of its cuisine, which fuses Cantonese, Vietnamese and Japanese techniques with Canadian favourites.

Little Grouse on the Prairie

📍 167 3rd Avenue South

Part of the Grassroots Restaurant Group, **Little Grouse on the Prairie** has been known for its exquisite Italian cuisine and its rustic-but-sophisticated ambience. Diners can choose from the menu, but the best way to experience Little Grouse's food is to order the four- or seven-course *alla famiglia* option, which offers a delicious sampling of the entire menu.

Hometown Diner

📍 210 20th Street West

Sometimes traditional diner food is exactly what you need. Located in Saskatoon's Riversdale neighbourhood, **Hometown Diner** offers great breakfast dishes made with care and high-quality ingredients. Dishes range from a plate of bacon and eggs to the Ukrainian Brekkie and the refreshing Mediterranean Bowl. Throw in a honey lemon margarita and you've got yourself a proper weekend brunch.

Primal

📍 423 20th Street West

Primal prides itself on creating time-honoured Italian food and handmade pasta using Saskatchewan heritage grains and meats. Owned by well-known Saskatoon restaurateurs Kyle Michael and Christie Peters, Primal was also featured on Canada's 100 Best Restaurants 2022.



Odla Restaurant & Market/ Farm One Forty

📍 801 Broadway Avenue

Arlie and Brett LaRoche of **Farm One Forty** teamed up with chef Scott Dicks to create **Odla Restaurant & Market** – a farm-direct restaurant and market – with a seasonal menu of delicious dishes. The restaurant emphasizes tradition, simplicity and sustainability – and the food is amazing.

POP Wine Bar

📍 334 20th Street West

Looking for a unique natural wine to go with oysters or a charcuterie board? **POP Wine Bar** is one of Saskatoon's newest and most exciting places to go for a light snack and a glass of bubbles in the Riversdale neighbourhood.

Bannock Express

📍 1205 22nd Street West

Warning: Browsing the menu of **Bannock Express** will cause instant hunger pangs. Owner Rachel Smith moved to a new location in 2022 to accommodate her growing business, and it's easy to see why when you try one of her breakfast sandwiches or chef specials. Her bannock-centric meals are satisfying and delicious.

REGINA

Skye Café & Bistro

📍 2903 Powerhouse Drive

Located at the Saskatchewan Science Centre, **Skye Café & Bistro** offers an international menu made with locally grown ingredients. New chef Jssel Hysuik, formerly of Sprout Catering, is carrying on the café's tradition of lunches, brunches and Friday dinners.

Crave Kitchen + Wine Bar

📍 1925 Victoria Avenue

Practically a Regina institution, **Crave Kitchen + Wine Bar** has brought fine dining and Saskatchewan ingredients to restaurant goers since 2006.

Caraway Grill

📍 1625 Broad Street/2072 Aurora Boulevard

Caraway Grill offers exceptional Indian food at the edge of Regina's downtown, with an additional location in the east end of the city and one in Saskatoon.

Homestead Bar à Vin

📍 338C University Park Drive

There are wine bars, and then there's **Homestead Bar à Vin**. Owner Josh McLean started the restaurant as a way of sharing his love of natural wine and fine cuisine.



Avenue Restaurant

📍 100 - 2201 11th Avenue

Avenue Restaurant is a beautifully designed fine casual dining establishment in downtown Regina. Its carefully crafted cocktails and delicious food earned it a place on Canada's 100 Best Restaurants list.

Bar Willow

📍 3000 Wascana Drive

Bar Willow, located on the shore of Wascana Lake, boasts the best view in the city. From the restaurant's expansive outdoor patio, enjoy the sunset over the Saskatchewan Legislative Building as you sample the extensive wine menu and snack on elevated casual fare.





Tunnels of Moose Jaw

12 Hours in Moose Jaw:

CANADA'S MOST NOTORIOUS CITY

I'm just going to come out and say it:
Moose Jaw is my favourite city in the province.

Why, you ask? If I had to explain it in one word, it would be Wakamow – 20 km of trail stretched across 500 acres of valley. The urban park stole my heart from the moment we met.

But my love for the city goes deeper than the nature that runs through it. It's the laid-back charm of the downtown – the heritage buildings, murals and boutique-style shops. The city begs to be photographed. And the cherry (or should I say cherries) on top are its food, art and history.

Oh, Moose Jaw and its notorious history that conjures images of a colourful past involving gangsters (Al Capone allegedly spent time here).

Because I think you'll like Moose Jaw as much as I do, I built you an itinerary that's guaranteed to make you fall in love with the city as quickly as I did. Let's get started.

You have 12 hours in Moose Jaw. Your time starts now.



10 a.m.: Step back in time at the **Tunnels of Moose Jaw** with a themed tour that explores local legend. Beneath downtown streets, immerse yourself into the world of Prohibition-era bootleggers in the *Chicago Connection Tour*, or experience the life of a Chinese immigrant working at an underground laundry on the *Passage to Fortune Tour*. **Bunker 24** is a new tour (wheelchair accessible) that tells the story of Canada's growth as a nation following the Second World War. The backdrop is a 1950s Cold War bunker, and you are entering your first day of training as a new recruit.

12 p.m.: Enjoy art and lunch at the **Yvette Moore Gallery**. Housed in the restored 1910 Land Titles Building, the gallery showcases the work of the internationally renowned painter, along with creations from over 40 western Canadian artisans. Its onsite restaurant, **The Gallery Café**, serves classic prairie cuisine with an artistic take.

2 p.m.: Breathe in fresh air as you wander the trails of **Wakamow Valley**. The lush parkland and natural habitat

Go underground to learn the history of Canada's Most Notorious City at the Tunnels of Moose Jaw.

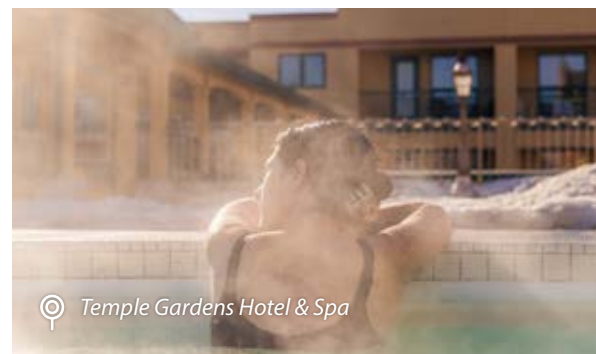


is home to a variety of flora and fauna, including over 190 species of birds.

3:30 p.m.: Relax and unwind at **Temple Gardens Hotel & Spa**. One of the city's most famous attractions draws visitors from far and near with its therapeutic geothermal mineral water pool and spa.

5:30 p.m.: Uncover the history of the local alcohol industry in Saskatchewan from the 1870s to today during a wine and dine experience with **Prairie Bee Meadery**, in partnership with **Grant Hall Hotel**. Sample cocktails and shop for your favourite products in the showroom of Saskatchewan's first craft meadery. Then make your way to the **Little Chicago Steak House** in the hotel for some fine dining.

8:30 p.m.: Enjoy a beverage at **Rosie's on River Street**. You've earned it.



Temple Gardens Hotel & Spa

TRAVEL TIP

If you want to extend your visit and spend the night, the accommodation properties listed are great options.

DID YOU KNOW?

You can relive history with a ride on the only operating steam locomotive in Saskatchewan at the **Western Development Museum – Moose Jaw**. Transportation is the theme of the museum, which dedicates part of its aviation exhibit to the **Canadian Forces Snowbirds 431 Air Demonstration Squadron**.



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Grant Hall Hotel



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Top Attractions in Regina

Located in the southern part of the province, Saskatchewan's capital city is teeming with must sees and dos. Plan a vacation to the Queen City and visit these top attractions.

Wascana Centre

Cool off from the Saskatchewan summer heat as you paddle out on a canoe, kayak or stand-up paddleboard to one of Wascana Lake's many constructed islands, or take a leisurely cruise with **Ferry Boat Tours**. **Wascana Centre**, one of the largest urban parks in North America, is an oasis in the middle of the city and an excellent venue for walking, cycling and jogging. The park is also home to the 104-hectare Wascana Lake Migratory Bird Sanctuary, where you might spot some wild creatures, from painted turtles and wetland birds to pelicans and cormorants.

Royal Saskatchewan Museum

Move over, Megamunch. There is a new dinosaur in town. In 2019, the **Royal Saskatchewan Museum's** newest star attraction made its debut. Scotty, the world's largest and oldest *Tyrannosaurus rex*, calls the Regina museum its second home (the first is the **T.rex Discovery Centre in Eastend**). This scale replica is so massive that it required major redevelopment of the museum to allow for two-storey viewing of the dinosaur skeleton. Another new exhibit – *HOME: Life in the Anthropocene* – explores the human condition and its impact on the world.

The museum's First Nations Gallery reflects the history and traditions of Indigenous peoples and their relationship with the land for over 10,000 years.

Saskatchewan Science Centre

Igniting the scientific curiosity of young and old, the **Saskatchewan Science Centre** has more than 185 hands-on exhibits featuring history, nature and technology. It is also home to the IMAX movie theatre and Atom + Geek Science Shop.





RCMP Heritage Centre

The **RCMP Heritage Centre** brings to life one of Canada's oldest and most iconic stories, the story of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP). While the museum is modern, its setting on the grounds of the RCMP Academy, "Depot" Division, is steeped in history. Established in 1885, "Depot" Division is considered the "Cradle of the Force," with all RCMP members from across Canada receiving their training in Regina. Explore over a century of history, from the formation of the North West Mounted Police in 1873 to the modern-day Mountie. In the exhibit hall, check out the Musical Ride virtual reality experience or get behind the wheel of the driving simulator.

MacKenzie Art Gallery

Spend a leisurely afternoon browsing works of art at the **MacKenzie Art Gallery**, Saskatchewan's oldest public art gallery. Located in the T.C. Douglas Building, the gallery features thought-provoking creations from around the world, with nearly 5,000 pieces in its permanent collection. Wander through the 24,000 sq. ft. of gallery space



 Saskatchewan Science Centre

and then stop in The Gallery Shop to purchase locally made, handcrafted and thoughtfully curated giftware.

Saskatchewan Legislative Building

Constructed in 1912, the **Saskatchewan Legislative Building** is one of the grandest buildings in Western Canada. Designed by the Maxwell Brothers of Montreal in Beaux-Arts style, the building was constructed with Manitoba Tyndall stone and 34 types of marble. View the grand staircase, rotunda, galleries and Legislative Assembly Chamber during a guided tour, offered multiple times daily. Learn about the vision that early leaders had for the province and the many famous Canadians who are a part of Saskatchewan's political legacy. To discover points of historical interest on the grounds near the Saskatchewan Legislative Building, take a 45-minute self-guided tour through Wascana Centre.


Government House

Experience life in turn-of-the-century splendour and admire its Victorian-era elegance while exploring **Government House**, which was built in 1891 to house the Lieutenant Governor of the Northwest Territories. Now it's home to a museum, a conservatory and formal Edwardian Gardens. Engaging tours, programs and exhibits will take you back in time.

Learn more about the discovery of Scotty, the world's largest Tyrannosaurus rex, and other fossils found in southern Saskatchewan from the researchers at the Royal Saskatchewan Museum.





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Kichiota Indigenous Destinations:

SPECIAL PLACES FOR MANY PEOPLES


Saskatchewan's first Indigenous tourism corridor – **Kichiota Indigenous Destinations** – is a partnership between Whitecap Dakota First Nation, Wanuskewin Heritage Park and Beardy's & Okemasis' Cree Nation. The first of its kind in Canada, the corridor offers a variety of experiences that highlight the history and traditions of Northern Plains Indigenous cultures.

The name Kichiota has roots in both Cree and Dakota languages and is described as "a coming together of Indigenous languages, creating a whole greater than the sum of its parts." There is no direct translation, but applied to this unique partnership, the meaning of the name becomes "special places for many peoples."

Whitecap Dakota First Nation

Soak in the spectacular views of the award-winning golf course and South Saskatchewan River valley from the indoor rooftop pool at the newly built **Dakota Dunes Resort & Casino**. Located south of Saskatoon, the 155-room resort stands as a tribute to its Indigenous heritage with angular window trims and exterior



 Wanuskewin Heritage Park

wood panels echoing the traditional tipi. This thoughtful nod to the culture carries through to the hotel's guest rooms by way of art and design.

The full-service resort also includes a 10,000-sq. ft. conference centre, the Moose Woods Home Fire Grill, which offers a farm-to-table dining experience, and an exhibit corridor leading to the curated Wanuskewin Gift Shop, where you can purchase unique, handcrafted items made by local First Nations artisans.

While enjoying a stay at the resort, hit the gaming floor at the Dakota Dunes Casino,

pull out the clubs for a round at the 18-hole Dakota Dunes Golf Links or book an authentic Indigenous cultural experience through Dakota Dunes Adventures.

Wanuskewin Heritage Park

A gathering place for all nations of the Northern Plains for over 6,400 years, **Wanuskewin Heritage Park** is the longest-running archeological dig site in Canada. This flagship attraction is also on its way to UNESCO World Heritage Site designation.

Walk back in time as you follow the Path of the People, explore the Trail of Discovery or climb to the east prairie along the Trail of the Bison. Follow the Bison Viewing Trail to the lookout point to see Wanuskewin's growing herd – all descendants of the last 1,000 bison on the prairies before near-extinction in the 1870s.

Through the centre's immersive programming and expanded exhibits, learn about the cultural significance of the animal, as well as the role they played in a major archeological find. Bison activity was credited with uncovering a 1,200-year-old petroglyph. Careful excavation revealed the stone tool used to carve the rock image, as well as three additional petroglyphs.

Taste traditional Indigenous cuisine with a contemporary twist at the refreshed restaurant, or browse the well-curated gift shop and art gallery. Experience a special evening at one of the park's popular Han Wi Moon dinners. The outdoor dining event treats guests to a decadent meal

made from foraged and locally sourced ingredients, served at sunset, followed by a campfire with storytelling.

Other cultural experiences include archeological tours, native plant walks, and tipi sleepovers.

Beardy's & Okemasis' Cree Nation

Pêmisika Tourism invites visitors to experience Cree culture and hospitality, and hear untold stories of Saskatchewan's past while visiting Beardy's & Okemasis' Cree Nation.

Overnight glamping, Indigenous cuisine (discover the secrets of making bannock!) and cultural performances and dancing are just some of the tourism offerings that will be available in 2023.

A 30-km portion of the Trans Canada Trail runs through the community and connects to **Fort Carlton Provincial Park**. The scenic, forested trail is the backdrop for hiking, horseback riding, mountain biking and ATV adventures.

Hear Dr. Ernie Walker share the story of how the bison at Wanuskewin Heritage Park helped uncover a major archeological discovery at the site.



Dakota Dunes Golf Links



Dakota Dunes Resort & Casino



📍 Rowan's Ravine Provincial Park

Pick a Park



At these 11 provincial parks and recreation sites in central and southeast Saskatchewan, opportunities abound for boating and watersports, fishing, canoeing, kayaking and sunny summer days at the beach. Find that perfect spot to pitch a tent at one of the great campgrounds, explore the park on a nature hike or hit some balls at a nearby golf course.

1 | Good Spirit Lake Provincial Park

📍 Good Spirit Lake, 48 km NW of Yorkton

Accommodations: camping (Camp-Easy sites – one tent and two yurts), **Good Spirit Golf Resort**

Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, golfing (Good Spirit Golf Resort), hiking (Trans Canada Trail), disc golf, mini golf (**PAR-TICI-PUTT Mini Golf & Rentals**), fishing, boat/equipment rentals (**PAR-TICI-PUTT Mini Golf & Rentals**)

2 | The Battlefords Provincial Park

📍 Jackfish Lake, 39 km N of North Battleford

Accommodations: camping, **Jackfish Lodge Golf & Conference Centre**

Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, golfing (Jackfish Lodge Golf & Conference Centre), hiking, mountain biking, **Sask Aquatic Adventures**, mini golf (**Lakeshore Mini Golf**), disc golf, fishing, boat rentals (**Beachside Boat Rental**)



📍 Buffalo Pound Provincial Park



📍 Moose Mountain Provincial Park

3 | Blackstrap Provincial Park

📍 Blackstrap Lake, 40 km SE of Saskatoon

Accommodations: camping (Camp-Easy sites – two yurts)

Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, hiking, birdwatching/wildlife viewing, mountain biking, disc golf, **Sask Aquatic Adventures**, fishing

4 | Pike Lake Provincial Park

📍 Pike Lake, 30 km SW of Saskatoon

Accommodations: camping (Camp-Easy site – one yurt), **Night Owl Camping Cabins**

Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, hiking, swimming pool/waterslide (wheelchair accessible), birdwatching/wildlife viewing, mini golf (**Pike Lake Minigolf**), disc golf, bike rentals (**Aurora E-Bike Rentals**), fishing

5 | Moose Mountain Provincial Park

📍 Kenosee Lake, 23 km N of Carlyle

Accommodations: camping, **Kenosee Inn and Cabins**

Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, golfing (**Golf Kenosee**, **White Bear Lake Golf Course** – outside of park), hiking, birdwatching/wildlife viewing, mountain biking, fishing, disc golf, horseback riding (**Kenosee Lake Riding Academy**), mini golf (**Masters Mini Golf**), boat/equipment rentals, **Prairie Dog Drive-In Theatre**, **Cannington Manor Provincial Historic Park**



📍 Blackstrap Provincial Park



📍 Katepwa Point Provincial Park

6 | Echo Valley Provincial Park

📍 Echo Lake/Pasqua Lake, 8 km W of Fort Qu'Appelle

Accommodations: camping (Camp-Easy sites – three yurts)

Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, fishing, hiking, birdwatching/wildlife viewing, mini golf (**Echo-Par Mini Golf**), golfing (**Echo Ridge Golf Course** – outside of park), **Saskatchewan Fish Hatchery**

7 | Katepwa Point Provincial Park

(day-use park – no entry fee)

📍 Katepwa Lake, 17 km SE of Fort Qu'Appelle

Accommodations: **Sundays Log Cabins**, **Katepwa Beach Hotel**

Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, fishing, hiking, golfing (**Katepwa Beach Golf Club**), disc golf, birdwatching/wildlife viewing

8 | Crooked Lake Provincial Park

📍 Crooked Lake, 40 km N of Broadview/Trans-Canada Hwy 1

Accommodations: camping (Camp-Easy site – one yurt)

Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, fishing, hiking, birdwatching/wildlife viewing, golfing (**Last Oak Golf and Country Club** – outside of park at Cowessess First Nation)



📍 The Battlefords Provincial Park

9 | Buffalo Pound Provincial Park

📍 Buffalo Pound Lake, 33 km NE of Moose Jaw

Accommodations: camping (Camp-Easy sites – two yurts; hammock camping)

Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, mountain biking (**Fresh Trails Mountain Bike Skills**), hiking, swimming pool (wheelchair accessible), birdwatching/wildlife viewing (**Nicolle Flats Interpretive Area**), mini golf (**Squirrely Putt & Play**), disc golf, fishing, bison herd

10 | Rowan's Ravine Provincial Park

📍 Last Mountain Lake, 46 km NW of Craven

Accommodations: camping, **G & S Marina Outfitters**

Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, fishing, hiking, birdwatching/wildlife viewing, **Wild Waves Waterpark**, mini golf (**Rowan's Ravine Mini Golf Course**)

11 | Regina Beach Recreation Site

(day-use park – no entry fee)

📍 Last Mountain Lake, 50 km NW of Regina

Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach (accessible with a beach mat and floating beach wheelchair), **Sask Aquatic Adventures**, fishing, hiking, birdwatching/wildlife viewing, golfing (**Regina Beach Golf Club**)

TRAVEL TIP

For provincial parks reservations, visit parks.saskatchewan.ca or call toll-free **1-833-7SK-PARK (1-833-775-7275)**.

For general inquiries, call toll-free **1-800-205-7070**.



📍 *Mac the Moose*



📍 *Cochin Lighthouse*



📍 *Eiffel Tower Park*



📍 *World's Largest Bunnock*

Hidden Gems and Roadside Attractions

It's time for a road trip! You'll find surprising sights and welcoming communities down the highways and back roads of Saskatchewan. Watch for these hidden gems and selfie-worthy roadside attractions on your travels.



📍 *Sesula Mineral and Gem Museum and Rock Shop*

Cochin Lighthouse



A landlocked prairie province is the last place you'd expect to find a lighthouse, but if you take a trip to **Cochin**, you'll see one with your own eyes. The **Cochin Lighthouse** was built in 1988 on Pirat Hill overlooking Jackfish and Murray lakes. Climb the 153 steps up the hill to visit the structure and you will be treated with an amazing view of the surrounding landscape and vast prairie skies.

World's Largest Bunnock



If you don't know what a bunnock is, take a trip to **Macklin** and check out the **World's Largest Bunnock** sculpture that

doubles as a tourist information centre. A bunnock is the anklebone of a horse and used in a game of the same name. Each year, the town hosts a world championship tournament that draws more than 1,000 competitors.

Sesula Mineral and Gem Museum and Rock Shop



Remember the childhood thrill of finding a beautiful stone at the beach or just off a forest path? At the **Sesula Mineral and Gem Museum and Rock Shop** in **Radisson**, relive that fascination and discover a trove of gems and minerals. The museum also has Canada's only baby

T. rex on permanent display. Launched in 2016 by Judah Tyreman, who was just 12 years old at the time, and his little sister Avi, the museum is a treat for rock lovers or anyone who enjoys spending time discovering something unusual and new.

Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum



Take a photo with Canada's biggest bat at the **Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum** in **Battleford**. With over 4,000 archival materials, the museum displays the province's rich baseball history dating back to 1879.



UNIQUE ROADSIDE ATTRACTIONS

As your road trip continues, watch for these larger-than-life roadside attractions along the way:

- » Mac the Moose (*Moose Jaw*)
- » Eiffel Tower Park (*Montmartre*)
- » World's Largest Coffee Pot (*Davidson*)
- » Lesia – Canora's Welcome Statue (*Canora*)
- » World's Largest Red Paper Clip (*Kipling*)

Visit the Valley:

A DAY TRIP TO LUMSDEN



FOOD AND DRINK

Free Bird

Free Bird's philosophy is "common food done uncommonly well." Serving brunch, lunch and dinner, the menu features unique takes on fried chicken, shrimp tacos, pizza and burgers.



Last Mountain Distillery

Are you curious to find out exactly how a handful of grain becomes a glass of spirits? Take a tour of **Last Mountain Distillery** with owners Colin and Meredith Schmidt, who will walk you through the process and even let you in on the secret of their dill pickle vodka (hint: it's dill). Tours are available on

Saturdays from 12 to 5 p.m. Pick up a bottle of spirits made from Saskatchewan grain on your way out.



Over the Hill Orchards and Winery

Not far from Lumsden is **Over the Hill Orchards and Winery**, a certified organic fruit grower. The orchard may be best known for its tangy Prairie Cherry products and selection of fruit wines. Take in a tour or tasting or indulge in a gourmet



meal prepared by a guest chef at one of its weekend Supper in the Orchard events. Visitors are also welcome to stop in and pick up a bottle of wine, a package of Prairie Cherry Chocolates or a gluten-free pie.

Iron Bridge Brewery

Iron Bridge Brewery is a family-run, small-batch brewery that opened its taproom doors in 2020. It serves its own beer, along with other Saskatchewan-made craft beer and wines, and has a limited food menu on offer.



Jane Dough's Bakehouse and Coffee Company

Jane Dough's Bakehouse and Coffee Company is a bakery specializing in simple, soul-warming baking and daily breakfast and lunch menus – think carrot cake and soups and stews served in hollowed-out bread bowls. Its owner, Jane, sources all of her ingredients locally, and everything is made-from-scratch. The bakery's cinnamon buns are a local favourite.

SHOPPING

Thr3e Clothing Connection

On James Street, **Thr3e Clothing Connection** offers a curated collection of trendy and timeless styles for everyday wear, and has racks and racks of beautiful and stylish clothes, shoes and accessories for women.

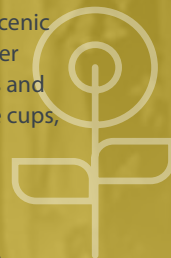


The Painted Parasol Gift & Toy

The Painted Parasol Gift & Toy is an eclectic boutique shop that offers an assortment of fine products, including home decor, giftware, jewelry, bath and body products, local arts and crafts, toys, candy and baby items.

Lumsden Florist

Lumsden Florist is a quaint little shop located in scenic downtown Lumsden. It offers unique, quality flower designs, a wide selection of plants, DIY workshops and kits, and gift options, such as throw pillows, coffee cups, jewelry and purses.



OTHER STOPS

While daytripping, visit these market gardens located in the picturesque Qu'Appelle Valley between Lumsden and Craven:

Corn Maiden Market at Lincoln Gardens


Corn Maiden Market at Lincoln Gardens, a garden centre and country market, has fresh produce and herbs, locally made jams, honey and baking, as well as a gift shop, corn maze and pumpkin patch onsite.


Frontier Gardens


Further down the road, **Frontier Gardens** has been a popular market garden for over 50 years, with its saskatoon berry U-pick and pumpkin patch.





 9 Mile Legacy Brewing Company

 Crossmount Cider Company

 High Key Brewing Co.

On Tap:

20 BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES ACROSS SASKATCHEWAN



Is it possible to have too much of a good thing? At Saskatchewan's many breweries and distilleries, you'll find award-winning spirits, crisp ciders, ales brewed with locally grown ingredients, as well as an overall level of quality born from passion and commitment to craft.

1 Black Fox Farm & Distillery

 Saskatoon

Black Fox Farm & Distillery was started by John Cote and Barb Stefanyshyn-Cote with the intent of connecting people to agriculture. The Cotes grow 90 per cent of their ingredients on the farm. Acres of fresh fruit, flowers and grains are harvested and distilled into award-winning gin, whisky and liqueurs. Book a tour of the farm, just a short drive from **Saskatoon**, and sample a spirit or liqueur in the tasting room.

2 Bushwakker Brewpub

 Regina

Head to **Regina's** Warehouse District and enjoy a locally made brew and a bite to eat. Over the last few years, the city's craft brewing scene has become an attraction all its own. Award-winning **Bushwakker Brewpub** serves its signature beers with next-level pub grub.

3 9 Mile Legacy Brewing Company

 Saskatoon

9 Mile Legacy Brewing Company was named after the nine-mile stretch between the founders' family farms. Several of the beers on offer are brewed in collaboration with restaurants, sports teams, event organizers and other breweries. In 2023, the brewery has plans for expansion and a new location.

4 Armoury Brewing Company

 North Battleford

Established in 2018 in the restored historic armoury building in **North Battleford**, **Armoury Brewing Company** is described as having a great atmosphere and great beer. Fill a growler or sit in for a pint or flight in its taproom.

5 Nokomis Craft Ales

 Nokomis

Nokomis Craft Ales does one thing and one thing only: make simple and staggeringly good ales with quality ingredients. The Nokomis Brown Ale, with its blend of sweetness and roasted barley flavours, is a testament to the sheer craft that goes into craft beer. Fill your growler at the brewery in **Nokomis**, or enjoy its beers at restaurants and bars across the province.

6 Malty National Brewing Corp.

 Regina

Close to **Regina's** downtown, **Malty National Brewing Corp.** has its assortment of creative brews on offer. The micro-brewery specializes in small-batch IPAs, stouts and unusual ales. Check out its taproom and try a sample.



 Honey Pot Distillery



📍 District Brewing Co.

7 | Crossmount Cider Company

📍 Saskatoon

Established in 2016, **Crossmount Cider Company** has grown into the largest craft cider company on the Prairies, producing hard apple cider from 100 per cent Canadian apples. Tour the apple and pear tree orchard and taste six delicious flavours of cider. Find it at pubs and liquor stores around the province, or visit the cidery for tastings and tours.

8 | High Key Brewing Co.

📍 Saskatoon

High Key Brewing Co. makes traditional ales and porters, with surprising seasonal beers like the Pomegranate Pale Ale. Find High Key's brews at bars, restaurants and liquor stores across the province, or visit its new taproom on 23rd Street E.

9 | Rebellion Brewing Co.

📍 Regina

Rebellion Brewing Co. believes that drinking great beer can make you a rebel. If that's true, then Rebellion's beers will have you calling for anarchy in no time flat. Its inventive brewers are always coming up with something new with limited seasonal offerings.

10 | Prairie Sun Brewery

📍 Saskatoon

On Broadway Avenue, **Prairie Sun Brewery** has a reputation for excellent beer made with Saskatchewan-influenced flavours. Its beers are a series of unconventional and flavourful brews that will expand both your mind and your palate.

11 | Lucky Bastard Distillers

📍 Saskatoon

Curious about the story behind this **Saskatoon** distillery's name? Hint: It has to do with a winning lottery ticket. Spend an evening with friends at an event, tour the 15,000-sq. ft. facility or take a cocktail class and sample some **Lucky Bastard Distillers** products, including cocktail-ready spirits, liqueurs and bitters.

12 | Bandits Distilling Inc.

📍 Weyburn

Bandits Distilling Inc. produces a range of spirits including vodka, gin and 12 flavours of moonshine. Visit the locally owned and operated craft distillery near **Weyburn** for a tasting tour.

13 | Shelter Brewing Company

📍 Saskatoon

Shelter Brewing Company labels itself as a "nano brewery," with four core brews and three rotating taps available at its warm and inviting taproom on 2nd Avenue in downtown **Saskatoon**. Shelter's beer is only sold from its taproom, so take the time to drop by and try a glass, or purchase some cans to go. Have a taco or three while you're there – drinking can be hungry work.

14 | Paddock Wood Brewing Co.

📍 Saskatoon

Paddock Wood Brewing Co. was established in 2002, and is one of Saskatchewan's first major microbreweries. Its unique and refreshing brews can be found bottled, canned and on-tap in liquor stores and restaurants across the province. Stop by the brewery for a chat and a case of beer!

15 | Stumbletown Distilling

📍 Saskatoon

One of **Saskatoon's** newest distilleries, **Stumbletown Distilling** boasts the first vodka made with 100 per cent locally grown Saskatchewan purple wheat. Its full-service cocktail bar showcases the unique variety of spirits it produces. Pick up a bottle at the distillery during a tour or tasting or find Stumbletown at liquor stores across the province.

16 | District Brewing Co.

📍 Regina

Located in the Warehouse District, **District Brewing Co.'s** tasting room is the perfect place to sample its craft beers or tour the facility for a first-hand look at the brewing process.

17 | Better Brother Brewing Co.

📍 Saskatoon

Identical twin brothers opened **Better Brother Brewing Co.** in the City Park neighbourhood in 2020. With floor-to-ceiling windows in the taproom, patrons can catch a glimpse of the brewing process. Pair your favourite beer with something from its light fare menu.

18 | Homebound Brewery Inc.

📍 Warman

Homebound Brewery Inc. in **Warman** is 100 per cent brewer-owned and operated. Sip on one of its small-batch craft beers in the cosy taproom, on the patio or take some brews to go.

19 | 21st Street Brewery

📍 Saskatoon

Specializing in small-batch craft beers, **21st Street Brewery** blends tradition, creativity and boldness to produce an unmatched selection of local brews. Stop by the brewery, based out of the Hotel Senator in downtown **Saskatoon**, and enjoy a cold glass straight from the tap.

20 | Honey Pot Distillery

📍 Moose Jaw

Located near **Moose Jaw**, **Honey Pot Distillery** is a family-owned beehive-to-bottle micro-distillery and pub. It serves vodka and whikie (unaged whisky) spirits made from the honey produced by its hardworking bees. It offers a unique and cosy atmosphere, cocktails and a full menu of delicious appetizers and smoked meats.

**Remember to drink responsibly and always plan a safe ride home.*

Hear John Cote and Barb Stefanyshyn-Cote explain what makes Black Fox Farm & Distillery's award-winning spirits uniquely Saskatchewan.





Fort Carlton Provincial Park



Fort Battleford National Historic Site

and the site of the Battle of Batoche – where residents defended their land during the 1885 Northwest Resistance. Visitors are urged to plan ahead and check the Parks Canada website, pc.gc.ca, for hours of operation.

Duck Lake Regional Interpretive Centre

Through exhibits, activities and displays of artifacts, stories are shared about the Northwest Resistance and First Nations, Métis and settler history in 1870-1905. The centre features a 24-m tower and viewing platform, sculpture court and picnic area.

Fort Carlton Provincial Park

At **Duck Lake**, turn west on Hwy 212 to reach **Fort Carlton Provincial Park**. An important station for the Hudson's Bay Company and negotiation site for Treaty 6, Fort Carlton caught fire and was destroyed during a hasty evacuation that took place during the Northwest Resistance. Today, the site features a reconstructed palisade, trade store, fur and provisions storage, clerks' quarters and tipi encampment. Interpretive programming and hands-on activities are offered during the summer.

On the Trail of History

The Louis Riel Trail is a 364-km route from Regina to Saskatoon to Prince Albert. The highway is named in honour of Louis Riel, who led Métis and allied First Nations in defense of their land during the 1885 Northwest Resistance. Riel was captured by government forces and brought to Regina, where he stood trial and was executed for treason. Sites along the Louis Riel Trail mark episodes in the resistance and highlight stories of Métis and First Nations peoples.

Batoche National Historic Site

At **Rosthern**, turn east onto Hwy 312, then onto Hwy 225, to visit **Batoche National Historic Site**. View history through the experiences of Métis residents who farmed along the South Saskatchewan River and had their way of life disrupted in the late 1800s. Guided and self-guided summer tours pass by remaining homes, the restored St.-Antoine-de-Padoue church and rectory,



Batoche National Historic Site

TRAILS OF 1885

These national historic sites and provincial historic parks are a part of the transprovincial **Trails of 1885** initiative (trailsof1885.ca). Here are a few additional Saskatchewan sites that make up the trail:

- » Fort Battleford National Historic Site
- » Humboldt & District Museum
- » Humboldt & District Gallery
- » Original Humboldt Site
- » The Marr Residence National Historic Site
- » RCMP Heritage Centre
- » Battle of Tourond's Coulee/Fish Creek National Historic Site

For the Birds



Saskatchewan is located on the North American Central Flyway, one of the four major migratory bird routes on the continent. As such, there are enough opportunities for birdwatching that a dedicated birder could spend a summer spotting our feathered friends.

Last Mountain Lake National Wildlife Area

The **Last Mountain Lake National Wildlife Area** is home to the oldest bird sanctuary in North America. Over 200 species migrate through the area, while others nest here. Facilities on the north end of the lake include self-guided trails, an observation tower and picnic site. The **Last Mountain Bird Observatory**, run by Nature Saskatchewan, is located in **Last Mountain Regional Park** and is Saskatchewan's only bird monitoring station.

Quill Lakes International Bird Area

Wynyard and **Foam Lake** each have facilities that showcase the **Quill Lakes International Bird Area**, which contains Canada's largest saline lake and sees more than a million waterfowl, shorebirds and songbirds each year. It is a renowned birdwatching location. The **Quill Lakes Interpretive Centre**, in Wynyard, provides visitors with information about local nature viewing sites, as well as area history and folklore. The **Foam Lake Visitor Centre** offers interpretive displays and information about nearby nature and walking trails. The **Foam Lake Heritage Marsh** has three viewing areas with walking trails and lookout points where visitors can spot wildlife and birds – sandhill cranes, great blue herons, swans, pelicans and more.

Saskatchewan Burrowing Owl Interpretive Centre

The **Saskatchewan Burrowing Owl Interpretive Centre** in **Moose Jaw** offers the chance to observe these unique birds up close. On the endangered species list since 1995, burrowing owl numbers continue to diminish. Visitors can walk through the interpretive centre exhibit and view a native prairie garden. The centre also has onsite interpreters.

Redberry Lake Biosphere Region

The **Redberry Lake Biosphere Region** is one of 19 UNESCO biospheres in Canada, and the only one located in Saskatchewan. The deep, magnesium sulphate lake is a protected Federal Bird Sanctuary. An expansive watershed is a nesting and feeding spot for migratory birds, including endangered whooping cranes. In addition to the saline lake, the environment includes freshwater lakes, natural prairie, ponds, marshes and aspen groves. Nearly 200 bird species have been spotted in the area. The region is a designated Important Bird Area and offers many birdwatching opportunities along its winding trails.



Ravine Ecological Preserve/ Yellowhead Flyway Birding Trail


A 2.8-km trail traverses a variety of habitat from aquatic to parkland in the **Ravine Ecological Preserve** in **Yorkton**.

The 20-acre nature preserve also has a 500-ft. floating boardwalk, gravelled pathways, frog pond and an arboretum with trees native to Saskatchewan that add to the trail's interest. The preserve is part of the **Yellowhead Flyway Birding Trail** network, which comprises prairie and valley trails in Yorkton and surrounding area, including the **Cherrydale Birding Trail** (Yorkton), **Kaposvar Birding Trail** (Esterhazy), **Leflay Birding Trail** and **Sawkey Bird & Nature Trail** (Saltcoats), and **Carlton Trail Regional Park Trail** (Spy Hill).

Nicolle Flats Interpretive Area

Located on the southeast side of **Buffalo Pound Lake**, the **Nicolle Flats Interpretive Area** is home and a stopover area for a great variety of wildlife. Experience the beautiful scenery and the sounds of wildlife, while hiking the winding nature trails that vary in length from 1.5-8 km. In the summer, spot pelicans, blue herons and black-crowned night herons and other species. The marshy wetland is important as a staging area for ducks during fall migration.






Erin Kinder creates a world of surprises, new discoveries and memorable experiences

I love hearing visitors say how this place brings them back to quieter times. It evokes memories and feelings of nostalgia.

— ERIN KINDER, KINDER SURPRISES ANTIQUES




Erin Kinder is an entrepreneur and storyteller whose passion for antiques is rivalled only by pride of place and a deep affection for Saskatchewan. These qualities, along with hard work and determination, drive the success and growth of **Kinder Surprises Antiques**, near **Davidson**.

Operating a business is in Kinder's DNA. Her family owned gas stations in Davidson, so she developed a strong work ethic at an early age. Waitressing and pumping gas provided valuable experience and taught her the importance of delivering great customer service.


Business ownership was always a dream, but pursuing it would come after working in the corporate world and living in New Zealand for several years. While there, she was inspired by how the country prioritizes tourism. "New Zealand's tourism economy is huge," Kinder said. "Everywhere you go, the aim is to provide great experiences for travellers."

Recipe for growth

In 2014, she opened Kinder Surprises Antiques on her farm outside of Davidson. A century-old, hip-roofed barn was given new life as a place where people could shop, visit and reminisce about bygone days. By 2018, it was evident that her vision for creating a destination business and bringing more visitors to the area was working. An award for marketing brought profile to the operation. Her social media activities gained a large, loyal following, mostly female, and drove increases in visitation and sales.



"When I started Kinder Surprises Antiques, it was just me working here and I was only open on Sunday afternoons," she said. "Now, we are open five days a week,



from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Last season, I had myself and three part-time staff, plus contractors for labour, mowing lawns, etc. We welcomed over 5,000 visitors from all over Saskatchewan, and people from almost every province signed our guest book."

Kinder acknowledges that she was able to avoid some of the fallout of the pandemic. This was due to the set-up of her property and procedures to maintain a safe, comfortable environment. "At the onset of COVID, I made the decision to double down, and focus intensely on providing a safe place where people could visit. And they did because it is such a big space with numerous buildings and wide-open doorways. Business almost doubled."



Building a village

Part of the novelty and attraction of Kinder Surprises Antiques is its evolution. The property now resembles the main street of a prairie town. Its collection of buildings includes a one-room schoolhouse that was relocated from Eston. Most recently, Kinder acquired a 112-year-old Roman Catholic Church and moved it onto the property. "I've made it a big priority to invest in and save old buildings," she said. "That's really resonated with people. It all makes for really unique experiences in a gorgeous setting. People can visit and it doesn't have to cost them anything. There is no entry fee and the only exchange is if they buy something. It's a formula that's working."

Saskatchewan proud

Kinder's passion for the province comes through in her conversations with customers, in activities on social media and through the mentoring she offers to women entrepreneurs. "I love Saskatchewan and I'm so happy to share it," she said. "I love hearing visitors say how this place brings them back to quieter times. It evokes memories and feelings of nostalgia. So often, visitors can be brought to tears when they visit the one-room schoolhouse. It's just a really special experience to be able to share that with so many people."

Shop Local in Rural Saskatchewan

When it comes to shopping off the beaten path in Saskatchewan, you'll find charming small-town storefronts and warm, welcoming shopkeepers everywhere. Pop in on your way through or plan a day trip to one of these hidden gem boutiques.

Becky's Place

📍 *Fort Qu'Appelle*

Becky's Place is a unique Indigenous-owned retail and craft shop located in **Fort Qu'Appelle**. Purchase beaded gifts, ribbon skirts and shirts, star quilts and blankets, original art and carvings from local artisans.

Freba Pottery

📍 *Dafoe*

Located along Highway 16, near **Dafoe**, **Freba Pottery** is a small roadside store, where visitors can browse the selection of handcrafted pottery by Marea Olafson and purchase items on the honour system. Freba Pottery also has an online store and pottery subscription boxes.

Hand Wave Gallery & Craft Shop

📍 *Meacham*

For almost four decades, the **Hand Wave Gallery & Craft Shop** in **Meacham** has been showcasing the work of Saskatchewan craftspeople in gallery exhibitions. Mediums include pottery, textiles, woodwork, jewelry, sculpture, art books, stained/fused and blown glass, prints, photography, quilting and others.

Sisters' Boutique & Bistro

📍 *Montmartre*

After stopping for a selfie at **Montmartre's** popular replica of the Eiffel Tower, visit **Sisters' Boutique & Bistro** to find women's clothing and accessories, locally consigned art, jewelry, collectibles, and rustic pieces of furniture.

The Little Glass Hut

📍 *Lebret*

In **Lebret**, **The Little Glass Hut** is a studio and retail shop that features handcrafted stained glass, stepping stones, pottery, quilting, photography, paintings and jewelry.

The Sinking Canoe Antiques

📍 *Indian Head*

The **Sinking Canoe Antiques** houses a well-curated collection of antiques and an intriguing selection of collectible items in a quaint red cottage barn in **Indian Head**.

Prairie Girl Gallery & Gift Boutique

📍 *Moosomin*

Prairie Girl Gallery & Gift Boutique is a gallery, boutique and art centre located in the historic McNaughton Building in **Moosomin**. Stop in and browse original artwork by owner, artist and musician Eli Barsi, along with handmade crafts by Saskatchewan artisans.





Saskatchewan's heritage on display in our small cities



📍 Yorkton Brick Flour Mill

Saskatchewan's smaller urban centres are rich in historical and cultural attractions. Visit these communities and learn more about the past, the character of this province and the people who call it home.

Yorkton

Yorkton is a main commercial hub for east central Saskatchewan and one of the major centres of Ukrainian settlement in the province. At the Yorkton branch of the **Western Development Museum**, *100 Years of Saskatchewan History* is on display. See an actual settler shack preserved for visitors and learn the sad story of the Humeniuk carved figures. Community pride and support drove an ambitious restoration of the **Yorkton Brick Flour Mill**, which offers guided tours in the summer months (online booking required). Storyboards on the grounds highlight milestones in the mill's history and share insights on pre-settlement times. The **Godfrey Dean Art Gallery** features contemporary works from Saskatchewan artists. Learn more about the city's heritage on a self-guided walking tour of Yorkton. Maps and information are available through **Tourism Yorkton**.



Melville



📍 Melville Railway Museum

The **Melville Heritage Museum** is housed in the historic Luther Academy. The 1913 collegiate Gothic-style building houses more than 10,000 artifacts displayed over three floors. Features include a chapel, library and rooms dedicated to railway, military and sports history. A relocated Grand Trunk Pacific station serves as the **Melville Railway Museum**. Out front is a CN steam locomotive, Grand Trunk Pacific flat car and CN old-style caboose, while indoor exhibits include telegraphs and other communications equipment.

Estevan

The **Estevan Art Gallery & Museum** has an impressive permanent collection with two components: fine art in the form of prints and paintings; and artifacts relating to North West Mounted Police (NWMP) history. The province's oldest NWMP detachment post was relocated to the museum grounds. The **Souris Valley Museum** focuses on human history and life in southeast Saskatchewan. Indoor exhibits recreate settings from the past – a post office, bank, general store and settler homes, and include an Indigenous Peoples exhibit. The museum grounds feature a schoolhouse, homestead shack, vintage harvest cook car, and heritage mining display.



Weyburn

The **Weyburn and Area Heritage Village** replicates an early-1900s village community through its collection of buildings and artifacts. The **Soo Line Historical Museum and Tourism Information Centre** highlights stories and history of the area and includes the largest private collection of silver known to exist – 5,000 items are on display.

Lloydminster

Spend the day exploring Lloydminster's historic downtown and take a selfie in front of one of the many colourful murals during an ArtWalk. Impressive public art can be found throughout the border city, which straddles the boundary of Saskatchewan and Alberta. The new location of the **Lloydminster Museum & Archives** (formerly Lloydminster Cultural & Science Centre) features a permanent gallery dedicated to the history of Lloydminster and region. The facility also has a temporary gallery to host travelling exhibits and a gift shop.

North Battleford

View powerful images of the Northern Plains Cree through the art of renowned Indigenous artist Allen Sapp at the **Allen Sapp Gallery/The Gonor Collection** in **North Battleford**. Sapp's real-life depictions of his past have been seen around the world and earned the late artist provincial and national recognition, including the Order of Canada. At the North Battleford branch of the **Western Development Museum**, tour a working 1920s-era village and farm with a fully preserved grain elevator.

📍 Allen Sapp Gallery/The Gonor Collection

Soak in the healing waters at Manitou Beach



Billing itself as the “Dead Sea of Canada,” **Manitou Beach** is a resort town built on the shores of the mineral-heavy waters of Little Manitou Lake. Located roughly midway between Regina and Saskatoon, and only a few minutes from the town of Watrous, Manitou Beach is the perfect place for a relaxing beachside afternoon or therapeutic weekend getaway.



According to legend, the lake’s reputed healing properties were discovered by a group of Indigenous people travelling through the area. Some of the members of the group, suffering from smallpox and fever, stopped at the lake and discovered that the water relieved their symptoms and restored them to full health.

Today, Little Manitou Lake is renowned for its ability to soothe and rejuvenate bathers. Unlike any other water body in North America, Little Manitou Lake draws people from around the world for its intense mineral concentration and remarkable buoyancy – it is impossible to sink in this water. Take a dip and try it for yourself.

To experience the healing waters in an indoor setting, visit **Manitou Springs Resort & Mineral Spa**. Relax and unwind as you soak in the heated mineral pool. Next stop: Serenity Massage & Esthetics, the resort’s full-service spa. The 105-room

 Danceland


hotel also has a gift shop, fitness centre, and a few dining options, including a poolside café and expansive outdoor patio, along with Water’s Edge Restaurant and Lounge, which has panoramic views of the lake.

Only four blocks from the spa is **Danceland**, a little piece of history in the modern world. Built in 1928, the old-fashioned dance hall was a popular attraction for Saskatchewanians looking for an evening of fun. It’s one of the few remaining dance floors built on a cushion of horsehair, which is said to give an unparalleled dance experience. Kick up your heels at one of the weekend events featuring polka, Latin and big band performances.



These attractions are only a start. Spend an afternoon exploring the resort village, including its unique beachfront eateries and shops. The **Little Manitou Art Gallery** displays the work of more than 100 Saskatchewan artists in five pavilion galleries – all in a garden setting. The gallery also hosts live music performances every Saturday in July and August.

With its eclectic cultural attractions and nostalgic hidden gems that reflect the spirit of a time when excursion trains brought vacationers to the area for relaxation and entertainment, Manitou Beach is sure to provide you with a getaway that will restore and recharge your mind and body.

 Oda Coffee + Wine Bar Little Manitou Art Gallery

DID YOU KNOW?

Salty Cinema Drive-In Theater (formerly Jubilee Drive-in Theatre) has been screening blockbusters since the 1950s. One of the last drive-in theatres left in Saskatchewan, it’s an experience straight out of an earlier time – but with the pristine quality of digital projection. The theatre also has a 24-seat indoor facility.

North Battleford



Blaine Lake



Beaver Grill Express
NORTH BATTLEFORD

Take in a curling game while enjoying delicious Asian and Canadian food at Beaver Grill Express. North Battleford's top-rated Asian restaurant is located on the second floor of the Northland Power Curling Centre. Other stops in North Battleford: Dejma's Curry House

Rosthern

Wakarusa

Cudworth



Martensville

SASKATOON

St. Denis

Back2Nature Wellness and Adventures offers an "inner journey in the outdoors" with the goal of cultivating self-awareness, mindfulness and deepening the connection with oneself through guided wellness adventures. It offers wood-burning barrel cedar sauna experiences, glow and overnight stand-up paddleboarding (SUP) tours, as well as all-inclusive multi-day retreats.



Back2Nature Wellness and Adventures
SASKATOON AND AREA

Blackstrap Provincial Park



Little Kahuna's Beach Café and Tiki Bar
BLACKSTRAP PROVINCIAL PARK

Not far from Saskatoon, Champêtre County is a country-themed resort and event space that makes guests feel as if they've been transported back in time. Cozy ranch accommodations, family-friendly activities, a small animal barn, saloon and café make Champêtre County the perfect venue for a wedding, retreat, family reunion or just a weekend getaway. Other stops near St. Denis: Wander's Tiny Farm



Champêtre County
ST. DENIS

No beach experience is complete without a tiki bar – even in Saskatchewan. With its relaxing beachside atmosphere, Little Kahuna's Beach Café and Tiki Bar provides tasty concession fare and colourful cocktails, designed by Saskatoon's Lucky Bastard Distillers. Located in Blackstrap Provincial Park, the café is open from May long weekend to September. Other stops at Blackstrap Provincial Park: Blackstrap Glamping Resort

With its mobile approach, The Wandering Market is at the heart of the shop local movement. The Moose Jaw business delivers products from over 180 Saskatchewan producers – fresh, locally grown, farmed, baked and handcrafted goods – to doorsteps across the province weekly. Other stops in/near Moose Jaw: Moose Jaw Cultural Centre and Mae Wilson Theatre, Moose Jaw Trolley Company and Glamping Resorts Ltd. (Buffalo Pound Lake)



The Wandering Market
MOOSE JAW

Buffalo Pound Lake

Moose Jaw

Saskatchewandering with Andrew Hiltz

Saskatchewanderer Andrew Hiltz has travelled across the province. Here are some of his top stops and favourite hidden gems, as well as a few locations that are still on his Saskatchewan bucket list.



**Wheatland Express
Excursion Train**
CUDWORTH/WAKAW

The Wheatland Express Excursion Train runs on the Wheatland Railway short-line along Hwy 2 between the towns of Cudworth and Wakaw. Enjoy dining, entertainment and the pleasure of relaxing and watching the rolling prairie landscape go by. Themed rides include tasting excursions, murder mysteries and maybe even a train heist. In 2022, Wheatland Express added a wheelchair-accessible car for passengers with limited mobility. A sleeper car experience offering overnight accommodation packages is in development. Other stops near Cudworth and Wakaw: **Wakaw Lake Regional Park** and **Dancing Sky Theatre** (Meacham)



Italian Star Deli
REGINA

100 grams of deli meat. 50 grams of provolone. Feta cheese, basil pesto, banana peppers, spicy house-made bomba spread and fresh, locally made bread. Put them together and you get Italian Star Deli's "legendary" sandwiches. After 57 years, the Italian Star Deli has moved to a larger location, with specialty grocery items, ready-to-go meals, a hugely expanded deli section and an espresso bar. Other stops in Regina: **Regina Farmers' Market**, **Cedar Creek Gardens** and **Milky Way Ice Cream**

Some additional stops:

- Betty's Diner *Plaine Lake*
- Youth Farm Corn Maze *Rosthern*
- Carzan Local Market *Southey*
- Barn Playhouse *near Martensville*
- Happy Hollow Corn Maze *near Lumsden*
- The Grotto *Vibank*
- Cork & Bone Bistro *Moosomin*
- Sunnyside Dairy *Martensville*
- Station Arts Centre *Rosthern*

For a nostalgic way to spend a summer evening, watch a movie on the big screen at one of the province's drive-in movie theatres. Saskatchewan is home to five theatres that are preserving this retro pastime. Opened in 1954, Twilite Drive-In Theatre in Wolseley has been an area attraction for decades. Other stops in Wolseley: **Swinging Bridge**



Twilite Drive-In Theatre
WOLSELEY




Moosomin



Game Day in Saskatchewan

Cheer loud for your team on game day in Saskatchewan! **Regina** is home to the Canadian Football League (CFL)'s **Saskatchewan Roughriders Football Club** and **Saskatoon** is where the **Saskatchewan Rush Lacrosse Club** takes on its opponents in the National Lacrosse League (NLL).



 Saskatchewan Roughriders

Mosaic Stadium that opened in 2017. In the Saskatchewan Roughriders' century-long history, the team has won four Grey Cup Championships: in 1966, 1989, 2007 and 2013.

For a game schedule or to buy tickets, visit riderville.com.

Saskatchewan Rush

Feel the excitement as the Saskatchewan Rush takes to the field at **SaskTel Centre** and welcomes NLL teams from across North America. The season runs from December to April.

Saskatchewan Rush games are fast-paced and energetic, with plenty of music and spectacle. There's nothing like being in a sold-out arena watching an intense game surrounded by passionate fans.

Rep your favourite lacrosse team with some official Saskatchewan Rush merchandise from The FEZ – the Fan Experience Zone.

Since the team's move to Saskatchewan from Edmonton in 2016, it has won the Champion's Cup twice – in its inaugural season in Saskatoon and in 2018.

For a game schedule or to buy tickets, visit saskrush.com.

Saskatchewan Roughriders

You can tell when it is game day in Regina because people are wearing their favourite team's colours – green and white. For a real sense of Regina's community spirit, take in a Saskatchewan Roughriders football game.

"Rider Pride" is a phenomenon well worth experiencing. Fans flock to Saskatchewan

Roughrider games all over Canada, but there's nothing quite like sitting in **Mosaic Stadium**, surrounded by cheering fans wearing helmets carved from watermelons. Take home a game day memento with a visit to the Rider Store.

In 2022, the 109th Grey Cup was hosted in Regina, marking the fourth time the championship game was held in the city, and the first time it was played at the new

EVENTS CALENDAR

RCMP Sunset Retreat Ceremonies 2023

(RCMP Academy)

Regina • June 30-July 1, 2023

SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival

Saskatoon • June 30-July 9, 2023

Doukhobor Dugout House National Historic Site 2023 Season Opening: Variety of Culture

Blaine Lake • July 1, 2023

Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan Festival presented by Nutrien

Saskatoon • July 4-August 20, 2023

Yorkton Exhibition Summer Fair

Yorkton • July 5-8, 2023

North American Chuckwagon Championship

Lloydminster • July 6-16, 2023

Spirit of Manitou Studio Trail

Watrous • July 8-9, 2023

Lloyd Ex Fair

Lloydminster • July 12-15, 2023

Regina International Fringe Theatre Festival

Regina • July 12-16, 2023

Saskatchewan Festival of Words

Moose Jaw • July 13-16, 2023

Country Thunder Saskatchewan

Craven • July 13-16, 2023

Poundmaker Indigenous Performance Festival

Poundmaker Cree Nation • July 18-22, 2023

Back to Batoche Days

Batoche National Historic Site • July 20-23, 2023

The Queen City Ex (REAL District)

Regina • August 2-6, 2023

Saskatoon Fringe Festival

Saskatoon • August 3-12, 2023

Macklin World Bunnock Championship Tournament

Macklin • August 4-6, 2023

Mid Summer's Art Festival

Fort Qu'Appelle • August 5, 2023

Saskatoon EX

Saskatoon • August 8-13, 2023

Manitou Beach Chainsaw Carving Festival

Manitou Beach • August 10-13, 2023

Regina Folk Festival

Regina • August 11-13, 2023

North West Territorial Days

The Battlefords • August 16-18, 2023

Lloydminster Canadian Professional Chuckwagon Finals

Lloydminster • August 16-20, 2023

Piapot Traditional Powwow

Piapot First Nation • August 18-20, 2023

Rock the River

Saskatoon • August 18-20, 2023

Shake the Lake Outdoor Music Festival

(Conexus Arts Centre)

Regina • August 25-26, 2023

Regina Dragon Boat Festival

Regina • August 25-27, 2023

Saskatoon Fireworks Festival

Saskatoon • September 1-2, 2023

SaskExpo Regina

Regina • September 23-24, 2023

Canadian Western Agribition

Regina • November 20-25, 2023

Carlyle's Dickens Village Festival – 20th Anniversary

Carlyle • December 1-2, 2023

2024 Brier, presented by AGI

Regina • March 1-10, 2024

For more information about events in the province, visit tourismsaskatchewan.com/things-to-do/events.



Contact organizers for the latest event information.

Unlimited Lakes & Parkland






UNLIMITED LAKES & PARKLAND

LEGEND

City	Highway Number	National Park/Historic Site
Town	Park	Provincial Park/Historic Park
Highway	Water Body	Regional Park

PARK LIST

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| 8 Fort Livingstone National Historic Site | 8 Clarence-Steepbank Lakes Provincial Park | 31 Porcupine Hills Provincial Park |
| 9 Fort Pelly National Historic Site | 15 Duck Mountain Provincial Park | 36 Steele Narrows Provincial Park |
| 11 Frenchman Butte National Historic Site | 18 Fort Pitt Provincial Park | 38 Wildcat Hill Provincial Park |
| 17 Prince Albert National Park | 20 Great Blue Heron Provincial Park | 7 Big River Regional Park |
| 4 Bronson Forest Recreation Site | 21 Greenwater Lake Provincial Park | 8 Brightsand Lake Regional Park |
| 6 Candle Lake Provincial Park | 26 Makwa Lake Provincial Park | 10 Canwood Regional Park |
| | 27 Meadow Lake Provincial Park | 16 Emerald Lake Regional Park |
| | 29 Narrow Hills Provincial Park | 20 Hudson Bay Regional Park |
| | | 25 Kipabiskau Regional Park |
| | | 27 Lake Charron Regional Park |
| | | 31 Little Loon Regional Park |
| | | 36 Martins Lake Regional Park |
| | | 39 Meeting Lake Regional Park |
| | | 41 Memorial Lake Regional Park |
| | | 45 Morin Lake Regional Park |
| | | 47 Nipawin & District Regional Park |
| | | 52 Pasquia Regional Park |
| | | 61 St. Brieux Regional Park |
| | | 62 Struthers Lake Regional Park |
| | | 63 Sturgeon Lake Regional Park |
| | | 64 Sturgis & District Regional Park – Lady Lake |
| | | 70 Wapiti Valley Regional Park |




Family Fun in the Boreal Forest

 Narrows Peninsula Trail



When was the last time you wandered through the woods? Enjoy the call of the wild with your family at **Prince Albert National Park** – 3,875 sq. km of outstanding natural wonders where parkland meets forest. The park is one of Saskatchewan's most popular four-season destinations, a place where you can mix northern wilderness encounters with the comforts of a lakeside resort. Located approximately 90 km north of **Prince Albert**, the charming resort village of **Waskesiu**, situated in Prince Albert National Park, has a wide range of services.



 Prince Albert National Park

Camping and Accommodations

Within the park boundaries, there are five front-country, vehicle-accessible campgrounds. Pitch your tent or park your RV in one of two major campgrounds.

Red Deer Campground is a 161-site full-service (water, sewer and electrical hook-up) pull-through campground for recreational vehicles (RVs) and trailers located in the Waskesiu townsite.

Beaver Glen Campground is ideal for RV and tent camping in a wilderness setting. Located on the fringe of the townsite, it has 200 electrified back-in sites, as well as modern, accessible washrooms and centrally located camp kitchens. It also has 10 reservable oTENTiks. Rough it in style in this family-friendly accommodation –

a cross between an A-frame cabin and a prospector tent equipped with beds and furniture on a raised floor.

For a more rustic setting or peaceful, lakeside camping, there is the Narrows Campground, Namekus Lake Campground or Sandy Lake Campground. With a backcountry permit, adventure-seeking visitors can hike or canoe and camp in remote reaches of the park. There are 14 designated backcountry campgrounds in four different wilderness areas.

If you prefer the amenities or luxury of a hotel, condo or cabin, stay at one of the park's deluxe all-season accommodations, including the **Hawood Inn**, **Lost Creek Resort**, **The Lakeview Hotel**, **Kapasiwin Bungalows** or **Elk Ridge on the Lake** (formerly Waskesiu Lake Lodge).



Recreation

Recreation is the name of the game here with hiking, swimming, golfing and canoeing.

With more than 150 km of hiking trails within the park, you can choose your own path at your own pace. There are 16 trails varying in length and level of difficulty – from short walks and day hikes to overnight backcountry excursions. All hiking trails, including Red Deer Trail and Waskesiu River Trail, offer breathtakingly scenic views, wildlife, lush vegetation and many points of interest.

Hit the beach and spread a towel in the sand, take a dip in the clear, shallow waters, explore the shoreline by stand-up paddleboard or enjoy the hot summer days with boating and on-water activities, such as waterskiing and wakeboarding. In addition to the 600-metre-long Main Beach, located in the townsite, there are seven other road- and water-accessible beaches scattered around Waskesiu Lake.

Golf one of the province's most picturesque and challenging layouts. Designed by Stanley Thompson and built in the 1930s, the **Waskesiu Golf Course** is an 18-hole grass-green course with rolling terrain and a mature forest flanking the fairways. For those who prefer golf of the mini variety, **Little AL's Mini Golf** is a recent addition to the park and part of the redeveloped recreation area that includes resurfaced tennis and pickleball courts,



Main Beach

a new multi-sport court, shuffleboard, outdoor fitness facility, ninja course for kids, and a renewed lawn bowling green, which has a 70-year history in the park. Spikeball, bocce ball, outdoor chess and checkers, foosball, table tennis and disc golf (course in the Day Use Area) are also available.

Learn about famed conservationist Grey Owl at the **Friends of the Park Bookshop**, or visit his cabin first-hand with an interpretive tour guided by **Waskesiu Marina Adventure Centre**. By foot, canoe or boat, make the pilgrimage to the one-room log cabin on the shore of Ajawaan Lake. Built in 1931, the cabin was home to the naturalist, his wife Anahareo, and their pet beavers, Jellyroll and Rawhide.

Following a day of outdoor pursuits, look for the comforts of home in the Waskesiu townsite. Pick up some summer fashions and keepsakes at unique boutiques and



shops and enjoy a delicious dinner at one of the many local restaurants, such as **Restaurant Pietro**, **Pete's Terrace Restaurant** or **Hecho en Waskesiu**. Grab an ice cream cone for dessert at **Big Olaf Sundaes** and walk the length of the breakwater overlooking the park's expansive beach or catch a family-friendly movie at **Twin Pine Cinema**.

From your campsite to the golf course and backcountry to the beach, opportunities to connect with your family are endless.



Grey Owl's Cabin

Elk Ridge Resort

Down the road, located just outside of the park, is **Elk Ridge Resort's** signature property. Indulge in first-class comfort with a stay in one of its upscale accommodation options – the lodge, log cabin, townhouse or cottage. Start your day with a massage or pedicure at Drift Spa & Wellness before you head out for a round on the championship 27-hole golf course, where it's not uncommon to see elk on the fairway. Enjoy fine dining set amidst rustic elegance at Fredrich, the resort's newest dining experience. The restaurant's patio has a spectacular pond view.

Another (more casual) dining option is The Wyld at Elk Ridge, located in the golf course clubhouse.

Here, you will also find the Waskesiu location of **Treesix Adventure Parks**. Get your adrenaline pumping by soaring up to 21 m above the ground on a two-hour zipline tour. With seven lines, an outdoor climbing wall, slackline park, giant swing and spikeball court, prepare to see the forest from a new vantage point. Recent additions to basecamp activities include axe throwing and electric fat bike rentals.



Elk Ridge Resort



 Mabel Hill Farm Kitchen & Marketplace

My biggest thing is bringing the best ingredients forward, and I really wanted to create something the community could celebrate.

— CHEF MICHAEL BROWNLEE, MABEL HILL FARM KITCHEN & MARKETPLACE

Driving for Dinner: Mabel Hill Farm Kitchen & Marketplace

Just outside of Nipawin sits **Mabel Hill Farm Kitchen & Marketplace**, a farm-inspired destination that is home to a restaurant, event venue, market and onsite garden, which supplies the restaurant with fresh produce all season long. Owner and chef Michael Brownlee's goal is to offer guests an unforgettable dining experience, by combining his passion for culinary excellence with farm-fresh ingredients.

"When I opened, I thought it would be really unique to offer the whole experience where you can go and eat where the food is also coming from," Brownlee said. "My biggest thing is bringing the best ingredients forward, and I really wanted to create something the community could celebrate."

Following training at the Culinary Institute of Canada in Prince Edward Island, Brownlee worked in several acclaimed kitchens before he decided to move back to the Nipawin area and open Mabel Hill.

Keen on keeping things fresh, Brownlee switches up the food and drink menus regularly, largely dependent on what's in-season. "I like to change things all the time, because it allows me to do something different and challenge myself," he said.

Past menu features have included small plates like scallops and Beldon Bison tartare. Large plates have included pork loin, northern pike, beet mezzaluna and steak from Artesian Angus Farms. The cocktail menu features many local flavours, including spirits from Stumbletown Distilling in Saskatoon.

A destination in its own right, Mabel Hill has a gorgeous pavilion and gazebo for events that overlook beautiful prairie scenery. The marketplace sells produce from the onsite garden, in addition to homemade preserves and pre-made items like perogies, pies and more. Mabel Hill has a weekly market from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Wednesdays (July through September), so plan ahead so that you can enjoy a meal and check out the market at the same time.

When asked why he thinks Mabel Hill stands out, Brownlee noted that it truly offers the whole package in a charming rural setting.



"The restaurant is designed to be kind of theatrical, so there's the open kitchen and then we have lots of green space and a beautiful garden, so there's a lot to take in," he said. "I always thought it would be cool to come dine at a farmhouse. You're in the middle of nowhere and on the farm. There's just nowhere else like it in the province."

Chef Michael Brownlee has combined his two passions – growing food and cooking it.



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Make it a day trip or a weekend

Turn a meal at **Mabel Hill Farm Kitchen & Marketplace** into a day trip or a weekend and explore what the **Nipawin** area has to offer.

WHERE TO STAY:

- » Check out Nipawin's **Northern Greens Resort**, located next to the popular **Evergreen Golf Course**.
- » If you're looking for outdoor adventure and the perfect escape into nature, camp at **Nipawin & District Regional Park**. Cabin rentals (**Reel'em Inn Cabins**) are also available, or you can sleep up to 16 on the water with **Aurora Houseboats**. With activities like fishing, hiking trails, picnic areas and a playground and spray park, the park is ideal for anyone wanting to soak up some of that summertime Saskatchewan weather.


WHAT TO SEE/DO:

- » In town, visit the **Twisted Tree** to shop for clothing, home décor and gifts, including accessories, jewelry and seasonal items.
- » To continue exploring the Nipawin food scene, head to **The Spot Restaurant and Lounge**, where the all-day menu features salads, bowls, burgers and plenty of gluten-free and vegan options.
- » Enjoy mouth-watering brisket, pulled pork or southern barbecue-style ribs at **The Dam Smokehouse**.
- » For your daily dose of caffeine and to satisfy your sweet tooth, **Foxy's Eats & Treats** offers many goodies like sugar cookies, cakes, cupcakes and more.
- » For a Nipawin classic, head to **Wild Bill's Pizza**, known for its signature made-from-scratch crust. Try two local favourites – the all dressed or chicken bacon ranch pizzas.



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– BLAINE MIRASTY, CREE NORTH ADVENTURES

 Cree North Adventures

Connecting to the land and its stories in northwest Saskatchewan

The area around **Meadow Lake** is distinct for its pristine beauty. Picture this – lush forests, calm, clear lakes, and skies that dazzle with cloud pictures during the day and northern lights at night. It is where the traditional lands of First Nations and Métis peoples reflect stories and customs that bridge cultures and teach respect for the land and the natural world. Indigenous experiences are at the forefront of local tourism development, and operators are eager to welcome visitors.

Blaine Mirasty launched his tourism business, **Cree North Adventures**, in 2019. The operation is next to his home on **Flying Dust First Nation**, near Meadow Lake, and provides guests with the experience of sleeping in an 18-ft. “glamping-style” tipi, participating in land-based activities, hearing stories told by Elders, and learning about Indigenous traditions and culture.

Mirasty cites a Cree word, *miyo-pimâtisiwin*, to explain his motivation for the venture. “It means the Cree way,” he said. “Learning skills to live off the land is an aspect that I want to bring back. That is how I see tourism – as a way of relearning culture and relearning some of the traditional practices, even language.”

His family is a blend of Plains and Woodland Cree, and customs from both branches are woven into the visitor experience. “They are two different traditional lifestyles,” he said. “My dad’s side, the Plains Cree, were about riding horses and following the bison. On my mom’s side, the Woodland Cree, it was about trapping and living in the forest.”

Cree North Adventures guests enjoy a range of experiences, in addition to the comfortable tipi accommodations. Options include horse-drawn wagon rides, canoeing and kayaking along the Meadow River, Elder storytelling and campfire cooking demonstrations, traditional women’s Fancy Dance performances, and more. In winter, there are guided snowshoe tours along the river and through the boreal forest. Other land-based activities can be scheduled, on demand.



The location is a prime spot for stargazing, with minimal light pollution and typically clear, dark skies overhead. During the fall and winter months, colourful northern lights animate the night sky.

Cree North Adventures continues to evolve, with plans underway for expanding the site and enhancing experiences – all in the spirit of *miyo-pimâtisiwin*. Mirasty and his team welcome guests to engage in hands-on learning, connect to the land and make new discoveries about Cree life in northwest Saskatchewan.

Further west on **Ministikwan Lake Cree Nation**, **kâniyâsihk Culture Camps** has been delivering immersive land-based learning opportunities for more than 20 years.

Owner and founder Kevin Lewis wears many hats – host, educator, guide, knowledge and language keeper, scholar and researcher. He refers to the Cree word *oskâpêwis* to describe his role. “It means a person who is a server, who serves the community and helps the Elders,” he said. “That person might develop into one of the best hunters, berry pickers or medicine gatherers. You are making sure that everybody is fed, everybody is looked after, but also looking out for yourself and staying healthy, so you can continue the work.”

Like its founder, **kâniyâsihk Culture Camps** is multi-faceted. The four-season operation offers a range of land-based programming that explores traditional customs and skills. Offerings include multi-day backpacking expeditions that take guests fishing, hiking, berry picking and gathering plants and ingredients for basic teas. In winter, programs and packages are designed around dogsledding, ice fishing, traditional trapping and other seasonal activities. An annual fall hide tanning

camp engages local experts in teaching techniques to harvest and tan moose, elk and deer hides.

Lewis acknowledges the positive, reciprocal experience of welcoming and hosting guests. “We’ve made devout friends over 20 years and continue to make more,” he said. “When people visit, they bring health, they bring friendship. It’s not just us delivering a program or saying, ‘we’re going to show you this.’ They, as equals, bring their teachings, as well.”

kâniyâsihk Culture Camps has several winterized guest cabins and a lake house – cosy places to rest after a day out on the land. Tipis and trappers tents are popular accommodations in warmer months. The camp also has a limited number of RV sites. Visitors are encouraged to detach from their devices and be fully present in all learning and experiences offered – lack of cell service and limited Wi-Fi make that easier.

kâniyâsihk Culture Camps offers immersive, year-round, land-based learning experiences.



Learn about authentic Cree culture with the Mirasty family at Cree North Adventures.





Cabin Country

Welcome to cabin country – where rolling parkland transitions to northern boreal forest that covers half of the province and frames nearly 100,000 lakes and rivers. Here, summer days are spent at the beach with your toes in the sand, roasting marshmallows and telling stories around the fire and vacationing with family at your favourite cottage or campground.



Duck Mountain Provincial Park

📍 *Madge Lake, 25 km E of Kamsack*

Accommodations: camping (Camp-Easy sites – two lakefront yurts), **Madge Lake Retreats**
Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, golfing (**Madge Lake Golf Resort**), hiking (Trans Canada Trail), **Sask Aquatic Adventures**, horseback riding (**Madge Lake Riding Stables**), mini golf (**Waves Ice Cream & Mini Golf**), disc golf, fishing, marina/boat rentals (**Pickrel Point Marina**)



Greenwater Lake Provincial Park

📍 *Greenwater Lake, 38 km N of Kelvington*

Accommodations: camping (Camp-Easy sites – two yurts), **Greenwater Cabin Rentals Ltd.**
Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, golfing (**Greenhills Golf Resort**), hiking, birdwatching/wildlife viewing, **Sask Aquatic Adventures**, mini golf, fishing, marina/boat rentals (**Greenwater Lake Marina**)



Candle Lake Provincial Park

📍 *Candle Lake, 80 km NE of Prince Albert*

Accommodations: camping, **Candle Lake Golf Resort**
Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach (purple sand beach, sand dunes), golfing (Candle Lake Golf Resort), hiking, mini golf, marina/boat rentals/BBQ Boats (Candle Lake Golf Resort), fishing, disc golf, **Sask Aquatic Adventures**



Narrow Hills Provincial Park

📍 *25+ lakes, including Lower Fishing Lake and the Gem Lakes, 78 km N of Smeaton*

Accommodations: camping (Camp-Easy sites – two yurts), **Caribou Creek Lodge Ltd., Pine Ridge Resort**
Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, fishing/fly fishing, hiking (Gem Lakes Trail), birdwatching/wildlife viewing, mountain biking, **Narrow Hills Scenic Drive**

Great Blue Heron Provincial Park

📍 *Emma Lake/Christopher Lake/Anglin Lake, 50 km N of Prince Albert*

Accommodations: camping (Camp-Easy site – one Mongolian yurt), **Land of the Loon Resort, Sunset Bay Resort**
Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, golfing (**Emma Lake Golf Course**), hiking, mountain biking, birdwatching/wildlife viewing, disc golf, fishing

Meadow Lake Provincial Park

📍 *20+ lakes, including Greig Lake/Kimball Lake/Waterhen Lake/Lac des Iles, 40 km N of Meadow Lake*

Accommodations: camping (Camp-Easy sites – two yurts), **Lake Time Rentals, Tawaw Cabins 2004 Ltd, Flotten Lake Adventures Resort**
Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, golfing (**Northern Meadows Golf Club**), hiking (Boreal Trail), birdwatching/wildlife viewing, **Sask Aquatic Adventures**, mini golf (**Dutch Treat Mini Golf**), fishing, boat rentals (**Greig Lake Store**)



Makwa Lake Provincial Park

📍 *5 lakes, including Makwa Lake, 4 km W of Loon Lake*

Accommodations: camping
Amenities/Nearby Attractions: beach, golfing (**Loon Lake Golf Course and Country Club**), hiking, birdwatching/wildlife viewing, mini golf (**Beach Coners Ice Cream and Mini Golf**), fishing, **Steele Narrows Provincial Park**



TRAVEL TIP

For provincial parks reservations, visit parks.saskatchewan.ca or call toll-free 1-833-7SK-PARK (1-833-775-7275).

For general inquiries, call toll-free 1-800-205-7070.



Take a Hike in Northern Saskatchewan



Northern Saskatchewan, with its rolling parklands, boreal forests and maze of waterways, is full of trails to discover. Here are a few to get you started – from short loops to multi-day excursions. Lace up those boots and head out for some adventure in nature.



Boreal Trail, Meadow Lake Provincial Park

Distance: 135 km (one-way thru-hike)

The Boreal Trail in Meadow Lake Provincial Park spans an epic 135 km, east to west across the park. This destination backpacking trail traverses through wild and varied ecosystems. Watch birch and pine leaves turning, see rocky cliffs and wander on the shores of northern Saskatchewan's massive lakes. Backcountry campsites are available throughout the trek and numerous entry-exit points are available for shorter hikes.

Rice River Canyon, 94 km east of Carrot River on Hwy 55

Distance: 21.6 km (out and back)

Located in an ecological reserve on the northwest side of the Pasquia Hills, Rice River Canyon is a rugged backcountry wilderness hike. Over the last 12,000 years, the river has carved out an impressive valley. The walls stand high above you, reaching 400 ft. above the riverbed. The hike to the river forks is 10.6 km one way. Wear hiking shoes that can take on water and pack trekking poles, as there is no real trail to follow and you will be walking along and through the river. Plan to overnight at one of the primitive campsites along the floodplain. Water levels fluctuate throughout the year, and it is recommended to hike this trail later in the season.

Narrows Peninsula Trail, Prince Albert National Park

Distance: 3-km loop

Narrows Peninsula Trail is a rolling trail featuring an ostrich fern bed and expansive views of Waskesiu Lake.

Gem Lakes Trail, Narrow Hills Provincial Park

Distance: 5.5-km loop

Discover steep, treed valleys among five sparkling little lakes named after precious stones – Jade, Diamond, Opal, Sapphire and Pearl – on the Gem Lakes Trail. Brilliant fall colours reflect on the mirror-like lake surfaces.



Grey Owl Trail, Prince Albert National Park

Distance: 40 km (out and back)

Make your way to Ajawaan Lake and the home of Archibald Belaney, aka Grey Owl. The conservationist lived there with his partner Anahareo and their pet beavers, Jellyroll and Rawhide. It is an overnight/two-day hike to Grey Owl's Cabin, so pack accordingly.

Kimball Lake Trail, Meadow Lake Provincial Park

Distance: 6.5-km loop

The Kimball Lake Trail loops from the Kimball Lake campsite and circles around Raspberry Lake, which is stocked with brown trout.



TRAVEL TIP

Wherever the trail takes you, you're sure to have an unforgettable experience. Always do your research and take these safety precautions when hiking and camping in the backcountry:

- » Make a trip plan and inform family and friends, in case of an emergency on the trail; consider taking a wilderness first aid course.
- » Cell service can be limited or non-existent; carry a satellite communication device.
- » Keep an eye out for wildlife; carry bear spray and wildlife deterrents.
- » Trails are in sensitive ecosystems; practice leave no trace principles when exploring. Pack out what you pack in.



Meadow Lake Provincial Park



Lake Time Rentals
GREIG LAKE,
MEADOW LAKE PROVINCIAL PARK

Plan a hiking adventure on the Boreal Trail and stay with Lake Time Rentals at Greig Lake. Book an all-inclusive RV campsite or one of two new four-season cabins. Add-ons like equipment rental packages and a stocked fridge option are available. Other stops in/near Meadow Lake Provincial Park: Flotten Lake Adventures Resort (Flotten Lake) and Campton's (Meadow Lake)



St. Walburg



Sturgeon River Ranch
NEAR BIG RIVER

Catch a ride western-style and travel the trails on horseback with Sturgeon River Ranch. Visit the Wild West side of Prince Albert National Park and see one of Canada's only free-ranging herds of Plains bison within its historic habitat. The scenery along the trails is incredibly varied – from big open meadows and grassy knolls to narrow forest paths and crystal-clear rivers and lakes. Guided tours range from one-hour horseback and wagon trips to multi-day backcountry excursions.

Big River



Great Blue Heron Provincial Park



PRINCE ALBERT



Imhoff Museum & Art Gallery
NEAR ST. WALBURG

South of St. Walburg, the original homestead of Count Berthold Von Imhoff is now a museum and gallery (guided tours only). The property includes the acclaimed artist's studio, farmhouse and other buildings. Imhoff's paintings graced more than 100 churches and cathedrals throughout North America. The 1916 residence reflects Bavarian architectural elements and features the artist's original ceiling frescoes. Other stops in/near St. Walburg: Route 26 Coffee House, Brightsand Lake Regional Park, Frenchman Butte National Historic Site/Frenchman Butte Heritage Centre and Fort Pitt Provincial Park

Enjoy the cosy comfort of the three luxury glamping yurts at Flora Bora Forest Lodging near Emma and Christopher Lakes. The beautifully crafted and thoughtfully designed yurts – circular tents built from wood and canvas, originating from Central Asia – are the perfect place to become one with nature.



Flora Bora Forest Lodging
GREAT BLUE HERON PROVINCIAL PARK





Saskatchewandering with Andrew Hiltz

Saskatchewanderer Andrew Hiltz has travelled across the province. Here are some of his top stops and favourite hidden gems, as well as a few locations that are still on his Saskatchewan bucket list.



The Dickson Hardie Interpretive Centre, located in Pasqua Regional Park, is home to a permanent display of 92-million-year-old Big Bert, the world's most-complete *Terminoraris robusta* skeleton. Discovered in the area in 1991, the 5.8-m ancestor of the modern crocodile hunted its prey when Saskatchewan was an inland sea. Other stops in/near Carrot River: Shell's Fitness & Soul Center and Grant Schiller Knives



Big Bert / Dickson Hardie Interpretive Centre
NEAR CARROT RIVER

In Hudson Bay, The Railway Ave. Pub is an experience all on its own – with a nod to the unique railway history of the town. The restaurant/bar has a relaxed atmosphere in which to enjoy signature cocktails, extensive wine and craft beer lists, and delicious pub grub. Other stops near Hudson Bay: Hudson Bay Regional Park



The Railway Ave. Pub
HUDSON BAY



Little Red River Park
PRINCE ALBERT

Explore Little Red River Park, located on the edge of Prince Albert. Hike or bike the more than 30 km of nature trails that wind through the 500-hectare forest park. Nestled in the spruce, the Cosmopolitan Lodge is home to The Knotty Pine Bistro, a contemporary family-style restaurant. Other stops in Prince Albert: Rotary Trail, Alfred's Playground, E.A. Rawlinson Centre for the Arts/Mann Art Gallery and Prince Albert Historical Museum

Stenen's Rawhides Bistro & Saloon is a destination restaurant with an impressive menu of western-inspired cuisine with a contemporary flair. Its expansive outdoor deck and performance space is perfect for events. Rawhides also offers overnight accommodations with two cosy bunkhouses and an onsite campground, an off-sale store, as well as a salon and barber shop. Other stops near Stenen: Fort Livingstone National Historic Site and Fort Pelly National Historic Site



Rawhides Bistro & Saloon
STENEN



Hudson Bay



Stenen



Ness Creek – where people and cultures harmonize

© Ness Creek Music Festival

There are special places on this planet with an energy and vibe beyond description. The **Ness Creek Site**, near **Big River**, is such. Some people claim that magic happens there. Others insist that it is the power of the boreal forest that lures them back every year. There is agreement among many people who travel there – Ness Creek is more than just a place; it is a state-of-mind.



Much of the credit can go to a dedicated group of people who saw the potential for turning a meadow where cattle once grazed into a gathering and performance space for music lovers. More than 30 years later, the acclaimed **Ness Creek Music Festival** is a signature summer event that features indie, roots and folk music from across Canada and around the world. Over three days, attendees are treated to more than 40 hours of music. Daytime workshops and performances tend to be laidback and acoustic in nature. Main stage

acts turn up the volume a notch, with some of Saskatchewan and Canada's top artists entertaining the festival village of about 3,000 people. Finally, an after-hours stage keeps tunes ringing through the boreal forest well after midnight.

Over 500 volunteers help make the Ness Creek Music Festival run seamlessly each year. In addition to the music, there are dozens of workshops and learning activities that focus on the arts, nature, wellness, cultural traditions and sustainability. A highlight for festivalgoers

of all ages is a stroll through the forest garden, where nearly 150 varieties of plants thrive, and a visit with the resident barnyard friends.

The Ness Creek Site is a flurry of activity outside of the main festival weekend. The summer schedule includes two other annual music showcases – **Electric Sky Electronic Music & Arts Festival** and **Northern Lights Bluegrass and Old Tyme Music Festival**. In between are numerous performances, music camps, a biennial international artists collaboration and a range of events and land-based learning opportunities. Investments in infrastructure – cabins, campsites and an indoor event facility, **The Jack Millikin Centre** – have made the site attractive to more than just the festival crowd.

In winter, Ness Creek is popular for its **Fire & Ice Festival**, cabin rentals, 30 km of groomed cross-country ski and snowshoe trails, horse-drawn sleigh rides, and more. Above all, the human connection burns bright and it is a place where the warmth of the people takes the chill out of the season.

Where to Stay:

Discover Ness Creek is the source for cabin rentals at the main site, ranging from cosy two-sleeper suites to more spacious units that can accommodate 4-8 people. **Ness Core Ventures Rent-A-Yurt** and **Nesslin Lake Campground** provide more options for summer getaways in the boreal forest.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Muskeg Lake Veterans Memorial Traditional Powwow
Muskeg Lake Cree First Nation • July 1-2, 2023

Canada Day
Waskesiu/Prince Albert National Park • July 1, 2023

Country at the Creek Music Festival
Big River • July 6-8, 2023

Tobin Lake Walleye Championship
Tobin Lake • July 7-8, 2023

Ness Creek Music Festival
Big River • July 13-16, 2023

Onion Lake Cree Nation Annual Powwow
Onion Lake First Nation • July 14-16, 2023

Sask Express
Candle Lake Provincial Park • July 14, 2023

Sask Express
Meadow Lake Provincial Park • July 15, 2023

Waskesiu Children's Festival
Waskesiu/Prince Albert National Park • July 15, 2023

Sask Express
Makwa Lake Provincial Park • July 16, 2023

Lilies in Bloom at Honeywood
Parkside • July 16, 2023

Annual Fair and Exhibition
Melfort • July 21-23, 2023

Dog Patch Music Festival
Loon Lake • July 21-23, 2023



Sask Express
Duck Mountain Provincial Park • July 22, 2023

Sask Express
Greenwater Lake Provincial Park • July 23, 2023

Saskatchewan Premier's Walleye Cup
Tobin Lake • August 11-12, 2023

Sask Parks Summer Cinema
Meadow Lake Provincial Park • August 12, 2023

Thickwood Hills Studio Trail
Shell Lake • August 12-13, 2023

Frenchman Butte Museum Festival
Frenchman Butte • August 13, 2023

Northern Lights Bluegrass and Old Time Music Camp
Big River • August 14-18, 2023

Northern Lights Bluegrass and Old Time Music Festival
Big River • August 18-20, 2023

Fish for Freedom Ladies Fishing Tournament
Nipawin • August 19, 2023

Electric Sky Electronic Music and Arts Festival 2023
Big River • August 25-28, 2023

Waskesiu Lakeside Music Festival
Waskesiu/Prince Albert National Park • August 25-27, 2023

Sask Parks Summer Cinema
Great Blue Heron Provincial Park • August 26, 2023

BackwardsNess Festival
Big River • September 1-2, 2023

A Touch of Autumn at Honeywood
Parkside • September 17, 2023

Otter Limits Fun Run
Waskesiu/Prince Albert National Park • September 23, 2023

Evergreen Artisan Market
Prince Albert • November 3-4, 2023

For more information about events in the province, visit tourismsaskatchewan.com/things-to-do/events.



Contact organizers for the latest event information.

Northern Lights & Waterways





NORTHERN LIGHTS & WATERWAYS



LEGEND

-  Town
-  Highway
-  Highway Number
-  Provincial Park/Historic Park
-  Park
-  Water Body

PARK LIST

-  Athabasca Sand Dunes Provincial Park
-  Clearwater River Provincial Park
-  Cumberland House Provincial Historic Park
-  Holy Trinity Anglican Church Provincial Historic Site
-  Lac La Ronge Provincial Park





📍 Churchill River

Guided beyond expectations on Saskatchewan's northern waterways



📍 Otter Rapids

As you're driving the scenic gravel roads up to northern Saskatchewan, there is a point when rock, the ancient core of the continent, begins to reveal itself in the forest landscape.

It's a sign that adventure is just around the corner. The anticipation builds for the tall cliffs, whitewater rapids and wildlife found in the boreal shield.

The area is one of Saskatchewan's best kept secrets and home to most of the province's 100,000 lakes and rivers. It offers endless possibilities for paddling expeditions and thrilling experiences.

The wilderness changes people. This is what Ric Driediger told me the night before I went on my first guided trip on the **Churchill River**. Driediger has been canoeing this water for 50 years and operates **Churchill River Canoe Outfitters (CRCO)**.

I interviewed Driediger about what the wilderness had offered to him and others over the decades. His insight into the landscape, and the connections forged while travelling across it, stayed with me long after the trip.

Early the next morning, our group of six helped strap three canoes to the outside of a floatplane: our ride to Black Bear Island Lake. The lake would be the starting point for our five-day trip paddling 100 km back to **Missinipe**.

The Churchill River is a series of lakes connected by rapids. This gives paddlers a choice to navigate the open waters or challenge themselves in the faster moving sections.

We were planning to try both.

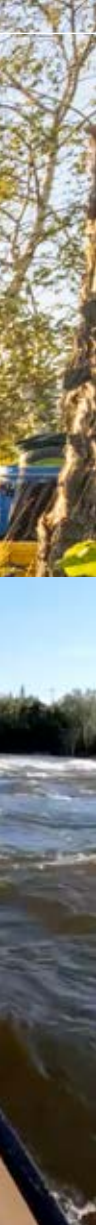
Lucky for us, our small group had two skilled CRCO guides, Courtney Hancherow and Layne McKenzie, leading the way.

The guides taught us how to navigate the water, but they also made sure paddlers didn't miss out on hidden gems along the route.

We arrived at a collection of red ochre pictographs after only a few hours of paddling. The colour of the ancient images appeared vivid on the rock face. Driediger had learned from local stories that, during the 1700s, the Indigenous people told others that they were unsure of who created the images – meaning they were already many generations old by that time.

We took risks and reveled in the environment with new adventures every day: floating in warm lakes, plunging off rock cliffs into deep waters, playing in whitewater rapids and counting the eagles soaring overhead. We stopped at a majestic waterfall; a little oasis hidden behind trees on the shoreline.





The group took turns standing under the falls, astonished by the raw power of nature.

As each day came to a close, our guides would locate our campsite for the night. Hancherow and McKenzie had the fire roaring and food cooking before the rest of us had even set up our tents and sleeping bags. The service was phenomenal.

They crafted a banquet table by rigging one of our canoes upside down between two trees. The trip menu was a wonderful surprise; each meal carefully planned to ensure maximum nourishment, freshness and delight for the duration of the trip. We learned to forage for berries and herbs, spicing up the meals.

After five days of paddling, and with some instruction from our guides along the way, we were gaining confidence running rapids. We felt ready to take on our biggest challenge yet: Otter Rapids. The rushing water stretches about 500 metres long.

McKenzie assessed our new skills as paddlers and gave us a 50/50 chance of making it through the rapids without tipping. He helped us read the water and pointed out the safest route.

Then he pointed out a route through the centre of the rapids known as "The Party Line." The waves here were the biggest we'd seen all trip, growing so tall that you completely lost sight of the other canoes and their paddlers.

I was hesitant, but my colleague Andrew Hiltz, The Saskatchewanderer, insisted we party on and go for the big waves down the middle. I steered from the back of the canoe, laughing with excitement and watching him bounce up toward the sky as we hit massive wave after massive wave.

It was thrilling.

It was also exhausting, but somehow, we worked hard enough to keep the canoe afloat and on course. We paddled with all of our might. To the surprise of everyone, including ourselves, we ran all of Otter Rapids through "The Party Line."

It was the perfect conclusion to the trip of a lifetime. As we started packing up the gear, I couldn't help but reflect on the conversation we had with Driediger before setting out.

He had told us that the wilderness changes people. He was right.

Feeling the energy and grace of nature. Disconnecting from the rest of the world. Making memories with a great group of people – strangers turned friends. All of it renewed a sense of wonder in me and by the end, I did feel different.

How will this wilderness change you?



Churchill River Canoe Outfitters

Listen as Ric Driediger explains how a trip to northern Saskatchewan in 1972 changed the course of his life forever.



PLAN YOUR TRIP

- » **Rendezvous Point:** Missinipe – 80 km N of La Ronge on Hwy 102
- » **Accommodations in Missinipe:**
 - Churchill River Canoe Outfitters
 - Thompson's Resort
 - Campgrounds: Missinipe Campground, Churchill River Campground, Devil Lake Campground
- » **Amenities:** Churchill River Trading Post
- » **Area Attractions:**
 - Lac La Ronge Provincial Park
 - Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Stanley Mission
 - Nistowiak Falls
 - Indigenous Rock Art (Pictographs)

5 AMAZING CRCO-GUIDED TRIPS

There are enough canoe routes in northern Saskatchewan for a lifetime of paddling. All you need is a sense of adventure. **Churchill River Canoe Outfitters** can handle the rest. It offers rental gear, expert guides and custom itineraries to help you experience the expedition of your dreams! Check out these 2023 adventures:

NOVICE PADDLERS

Coghlan Falls

Paddle along the sandy shores of Pardoe Lake. You will approach Coghlan Falls downstream and can take in the stunning views of four cascades. Together, the falls drop 28 m!

Nistowiak Falls

Canoe by Saskatchewan's oldest building, the beautiful Holy Trinity Anglican Church, on the way to one of the province's tallest waterfalls. You will also see ancient pictographs along the way as you take in the beautiful boreal landscape.

EXPERIENCED PADDLERS

Hawkrock River

This highly recommended route features many rapids – all of which can be run in your canoe. That's right, no portaging necessary! The scenery is full of breathtaking views, especially as the river flows along limestone gorges.

Wapiskau River

Go chasing waterfalls on this route. There are 11 unique falls along the way. Sandy beaches, including some that are lavender in colour, and rock formations that appear melted from a past cataclysmic event are part of the natural wonders on this trip.

Porcupine River

CRCO says this trip is "not for the faint of heart." Within a landscape of ancient mountains, challenge yourself on Saskatchewan's most northern river, which rushes through the picturesque taiga shield.



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— RANDY JOHNS, BOREAL HEARTLAND FOOD PRODUCTS

 Boreal Heartland Food Products

Sharing the North

When most people think of food and agriculture in Saskatchewan, they probably picture rolling fields of wheat. If pressed, they might mention patches of bright yellow canola or the vibrant blue of flowering flax. Few would cite chanterelle mushrooms, wild rice, freshwater fish or Labrador tea. Yet, that is what northern Saskatchewan produces in abundance every year from its network of waterways and deep forest. Hunting, foraging and fishing have been employed by Indigenous people in one form or another for thousands of years in the region.

Now, people are sharing that abundance with the rest of the world.



Foraging the Forest – from Mint to Morels

Randy Johns has managed **Boreal Heartland Food Products** since its founding in 2017 in the northern village of **Air Ronge**. Boreal Heartland focuses on seasonal and sustainable items, from Labrador tea and wild mint to chanterelle and morel mushrooms. Everything that Boreal Heartland carries is foraged by locals, many of whom harvest along family traplines.

“A lot of our harvesters will go out with their children or grandchildren,” Johns explained. “It’s a way for some of them to pass on their knowledge of the forest to the younger generation. And there’s a whole lot of things that are built into those teachings. There’s respect for the forest, respect for the plants. Respect for each

other. That’s a big part of the northern Indigenous culture...the concept of respect.”

Harvesting in “the bush” is not an easy job, but Boreal Heartland offers certified training, emphasizing sustainability and respect for the environment. Harvesters are taught “the rule of thirds” – one third for animal consumption, one third to allow plant life to regenerate, and the remaining third for human use. The commitment to sustainability also means that rarer species of plants are left untouched.

Boreal Heartland buys directly from harvesters. According to the company’s website, 90 per cent of them are Indigenous people from northern Saskatchewan. From its packaging and processing plant, Boreal Heartland’s teas, herbs and plants go out to stores and restaurants across the country and beyond.

“The key is sustainability. We need to kind of walk a line where we can figure out how to create products and so on that people all over the world want to access, but at the same time, keep the forest as we see it around us,” Johns said.

“I think people yearn for some connection to the natural world. The attraction to some of our products is also the fact that it’s harvested by Indigenous people. So, in a way it’s a gift from the Indigenous people to the rest of Canada and the rest of the world.”

Wild, Wild Rice

Wild rice was introduced to northern Saskatchewan in the 1930s as food for muskrats and waterfowl to improve trapping and hunting for residents. It wasn’t until the late 1970s that commercial wild rice harvesting began on a larger scale. At the time, people harvested the crop in canoes.





Île-à-la-Crosse Fish Company



Against the Grain Wild Rice

Today, wild rice is harvested by airboats that pass back and forth through the rice patches and knock the grains into a wide collector mounted on the front of the boat.

For producers like the Muirhead family, wild rice harvesting was a completely new adventure when they started **Against the Grain Wild Rice** in 2015. Every fall, the Muirheads take the trip to their fly-in camp on remote **Meeyomoot Lake**, where they spend weeks harvesting and packaging wild rice. During peak harvest times, their pilot can make up to 10 trips per day in his Cessna 180, which is stuffed with 50-lb. bags of wild rice. Most of their product is destined for international markets, but a portion is sold in the province under the **Against the Grain** label.

Northern Saskatchewan boasts numerous wild rice producers of varying sizes. The **La Ronge Wild Rice Corporation** was founded in 1982 by Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation, Lac La Ronge Indian Band, Meadow Lake Tribal Council and other northern partners to process and package its rice locally. The presence of a local processing plant is part of what has helped turn northern Saskatchewan into Canada's largest wild rice distributor.

Under the Waters

Northern Saskatchewan has an abundance of lakes and rivers in a pristine



Boreal Heartland Food Products

setting, which makes it a natural fit for outfitters catering to American anglers. Unsurprisingly, the area is also home to a thriving fisheries industry with unique northern Saskatchewan character.

Dore Lake is home to **Fonos Fish**, where Jon Fonos has been catching and processing walleye, northern pike, burbot and whitefish for the last 20 years. Fish are deboned and frozen within hours of being plucked from the water, which makes his catch a high-demand item for chefs in the province. Consumers can find his fish through **The Little Market Box** in **Saskatoon** or **Pine View Farms** near **Osler**.

Many consumers in Saskatchewan are familiar with the **Île-à-la-Crosse Fish Company** for the high-quality packaged fish at Federated Co-op grocery stores. For northern Saskatchewan fishers and residents of **Île-à-la-Crosse**, the company has helped to bring opportunity and a degree of prosperity, supporting 50 commercial businesses and directly employing local people. Since its opening in 2017, the company has expanded to work with Wollaston Lake Fisheries and northern Manitoba fishers.



Boreal Heartland Food Products

Learn more about how Boreal Heartland Food Products and other food producers are sharing the abundance of northern Saskatchewan with the world.





Lloyd Lake Lodge serves up more than just great fishing



Derrick and Desi Uniat are always happy to share the story of how childhood visits to Lloyd Lake Lodge eventually led to owning one of Saskatchewan's premier fishing lodges.



Our grandfather would describe [Lloyd Lake Lodge] as his 'piece of peace.' To us, it was paradise.

— DESI UNIAT, LLOYD LAKE LODGE



The brothers were introduced to fishing at an early age. By six, they were part of family visits to the lodge each summer. In time, trips became more frequent. "We'd go there five or six times a year," Desi said. "As teenagers, Derrick and I would spend 10 days at a time there during school holidays. Our grandfather would describe it as his 'piece of peace.' To us, it was paradise."

Holidays were filled with fun and adventure. At the same time, the boys

were taught important life lessons – respect for nature, the importance of family and friendships, and the fulfilment that comes with meeting people from around the world.

Owning the lodge was always their dream. The property came up for sale in 2011, at a point in time when they were both ready and eager to take the plunge into owning and managing the site of so many treasured memories.

Lloyd Lake Lodge is situated north of the 57th parallel, approximately 100 km east of the Saskatchewan/Alberta border and along the northern tip of the remote Clearwater River Provincial Park. Guests can reach the lodge via flights from Fort McMurray, Alberta.

The Uniats are proud to point out features that set the place apart from other lodges. "First of all, we are owners and operators – the first faces visitors see when they arrive," Derrick said. "Our fondness of this place, you see it right then and there. Another difference is that there are seven other lakes and river systems that can be accessed from the main lodge and no additional fee to fish these outpost waters. You can be here for a week and cast in different waters every single day."

In 2015, they began expanding package options to stand out in more ways and appeal to diverse markets. Culinary trips were a logical addition to the lodge offerings.


A master chef, Derrick already had a sophisticated menu in place, with its nourishing breakfast of champions, legendary shore lunch and multi-course dinner to end the day. The next step was to design packages that took guests on a complete journey – from experiencing the thrill of the catch to cleaning the fish to preparing mouth-watering dishes.

The three-day culinary adventures now account for 20 per cent of visitors in a season. "The clientele has changed," Derrick said. "There are more middle-aged visitors, more families and more women. We can tailor classes to accommodate different groups and take advantage of what is available from the lake and forest – freshwater clams, morel and pine mushrooms, and wild blueberries."

Hosting a maximum of six culinary guests at once keeps the experience hands-on and clearly focused from start to finish. As for favourite dishes, the lakeshore fish fry tops the list. "It's one of the best meals in the world," Derrick said.





 Lloyd Lake Lodge

"A lot of people have experienced it and are curious about how to do it themselves – how to start a campfire, heat the oil, cook the fish over an open fire."

Back at the lodge kitchen, guests learn techniques for smoking fish to create a burst of flavour in chowders, salads and more. Classes also explore cooking prime cuts of meat, pasta dishes and desserts that make the taste buds dance.

Lodge guests come from across North America and beyond, so it is important to provide them with recipes and tips that they will enjoy success with at home. "We're in Saskatchewan, so I show people how to cook with walleye, pike and fish caught here," Derrick explained. "But a lot of my recipes allow for substitution. If visitors are from the southern U.S., they are accustomed to different species. They can switch the main ingredient with their locally caught fish."



Derrick's Dry Brine Smoked Lake Trout

INGREDIENTS

Two 5-lb. lake trout fillets (skin on, deboned)

DRY BRINE

1 cup pickling salt
2 cups brown sugar
1 T coarse pepper (optional)
1 T crushed red pepper flakes (optional)
1 T garlic powder (optional)
1 T onion powder (optional)
1 T paprika (optional)

FINISHING

½ cup maple syrup (optional)

METHOD:

Mix the dry brine ingredients.

Place boneless, skin-on lake trout fillets in a vacuum-seal bag. Add the dry brine to the meat side of the trout. Vacuum seal and refrigerate overnight.

Rinse the fillets and pat dry with paper towel. Place trout in 180 F smoker, skin side down. Smoke for 3-4 hours or until trout reaches an internal temperature of 165 F. Brush with maple syrup during the last 10 minutes of smoking. Remove from smoker and let cool.

This is a universal dry brine. Try it on any fatty fish (e.g. whitefish, cisco, salmon, mackerel, herring). It can be made in large batches and stored for over a year.

RECIPE NOTES:

A dry brine infuses flavour quickly, with less mess. Vacuum sealing is the key. Once vacuum sealed, the brine will still be dry. Overnight, it will turn to liquid and cure the fish.

If you do not have a vacuum sealer, wrap the filets tightly in plastic wrap or use a resealable bag. Remove as much air possible before sealing and refrigerating overnight.

Spices are optional, but the ratio of pickling salt and sugar is important. Make it your own with what you have in the pantry. Want more spice? Add chipotle spice or habanero powder. Love garlic? Double down on the dried garlic powder.

Use a mild fruit wood, like apple or pear, for smoking.

Book your culinary vacation with Lloyd Lake Lodge today.





Bucket List Trip: Athabasca Sand Dunes Provincial Park



Athabasca Sand Dunes Provincial Park



Canada's most renowned sand dunes are located in **Athabasca Sand Dunes Provincial Park** in Saskatchewan's northwest corner. These are the world's most northern sand dunes and it's an adventure in itself just to reach them. They cover about 2,000 sq. km along a 100-km stretch of shoreline on the southern edge of Lake Athabasca.

It's been a bucket list destination of mine for years. On my 10-day trip last summer, I experienced the most spectacular views of windswept dunes. They were comparable to far-flung destinations

like the Sahara or Namib Desert. But this unique ecosystem is not a desert. Tucked between the Lakeland region of Alberta and the northern boreal forest, there is no lack of rainfall or water here.

Most dramatic of all are the dunes in the William Dune Field. They rise upwards of 33 m in elevation and extend as far as 1.5 km in length. Each one is part of a series of 40 dunes that stretches 10 km from the lake's edge to the southern horizon. Their formation began when the glacier receded 10,000 years ago. The low-lying plains of the Athabasca formation were exposed to prevailing winds. These winds created the ridges of parabolic, rolling, linear, beach and underwater dunes seen today.

But it's not just about the dunes out here. A rare and delicate pebbly veneer called gravel pavement covers swaths of the area. It's home to unique sandblasted and polished rock structures called ventifacts.

Protruding from the sand in the Thompson Dune Field are the jagged remains of

ancient trees – part of an exhumed forest. Years ago, the forest was engulfed by the moving sand and, over time, it's been uncovered again by the relentless wind. There are nearly a dozen endemic plant species not found anywhere else on earth. They are specifically adapted to survive in this harsh sandy environment.

The blue jewel next to the golden dunes is Lake Athabasca. With 2,140 km of shoreline and a depth of 124 m, it's considered an inland sea. It's notorious for its high winds and waves and famous for its monster lake trout and northern pike. Most spectacular is the William River Delta (one of three rivers) that spills 3,000 tonnes of sand into the lake. It forms an intricate braided pattern of strips of dark river channels juxtaposed against swirls of caramel-coloured sandbars – an incredible sight best seen from the windows of a floatplane.

There are no amenities and no cell service in the area. Options to get here include boating in or landing a floatplane along the southern shore of Lake Athabasca. Access communities include Fort McMurray, **Stony Rapids**, **Fond du Lac** and **Uranium City**. The park can also be reached from the William River and the MacFarlane River by paddlers with whitewater canoeing experience. A trip to Athabasca Sand Dunes Provincial Park is a genuine wilderness destination for the truly adventurous.




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Northern Lights and Wild Sights

 Northern Saskatchewan



PHOTOGRAPHER: **DRE ERWIN**

Dre Erwin is a Saskatchewan-based photographer, children's book author and primary care nurse. Specializing in rural and remote healthcare, Erwin's nursing career took him to the northern community of Pinehouse. It was here that he co-founded the Pinehouse Photography Club in 2016. The club utilizes "therapeutic photography" to address adolescent mental health and addictions issues. Photography and drawings by club members are featured in Erwin's book, *The Little Boy Who Found Happiness, in the Most Unusual Place*. While Erwin is currently pursuing his master's degree as a nurse practitioner, the legacy of the Pinehouse Photography Club lives on in the northern Saskatchewan village. It is Erwin's hope that this form of therapy will spread to other remote locations across the province. Learn more about his work at dreerwinphoto.com and on Instagram @dreerwinphotography.

Some additional stops/events:

- Arctic Lodges *Reindeer Lake*
- Hunt Falls *Grease River*
- Robertson Trading Ltd. *La Ronge*
- Pemmican Lodge *Île-à-la-Crosse*
- Montreal River Outpost *Air Ronge*
- Whitewater Festival 2023

– June 30-July 3 *Missinipe*

Twin Falls Lodge, situated on a peninsula between Mountain and Otter Lakes on the Churchill River, is an all-inclusive, fly-in destination that offers unparalleled walleye and northern pike fishing. Twin Falls is also an ideal base for canoeists and outdoor adventurers.

Situated prominently on the banks of the Churchill River in the northern community of Stanley Mission, the Holy Trinity Anglican Church is the oldest building in Saskatchewan. Built in a Gothic Revival style, the church was constructed between 1854 and 1860 from hardwood logs cut by local Indigenous peoples and features stained glass imported from England. Other highlights along the Churchill River: Indigenous Rock Art (Pictographs) and Nistowiak Falls

Île-à-la-Crosse



Holy Trinity Anglican Church
STANLEY MISSION

La Ronge
Air Ronge



Aski Holistic Adventures
CUMBERLAND HOUSE

Twin Falls Lodge

MOUNTAIN LAKE (FLYOUT FROM MISSINIBE)



Missinipe

Stanley Mission

Reindeer Lake

Near Creighton and Denare Beach, see the Limestone Crevices along Amisk Lake's south shore. Formed by coral in an ancient seabed, the ground was pried apart by repeated freezing and thawing, creating a labyrinth of moss and stone. You can see ice at the bottom, even in July. Other highlights nearby: T&D Amisk Camp and Beaver City Tours



Limestone Crevices
AMISK LAKE

Amisk Lake

Cumberland House

Based out of the Saskatchewan River Delta, 60 km from Cumberland House, Aski Holistic Adventures connects people with nature through guided wilderness adventures. Learn about Indigenous culture, survival skills and holistic wellness.

Accommodations are rustic wilderness cabins. Adventures include canoeing, wilderness survival teachings, hiking, tipi camping, plant gathering and ecotherapy retreats.

Saskatchewandering with Andrew Hiltz



Saskatchewanderer Andrew Hiltz has travelled across the province. Here are some of his top stops and favourite hidden gems, as well as a few locations that are still on his Saskatchewan bucket list.



Winter in Saskatchewan





When the Snow Falls: Top Saskatchewan Winter Destinations

While Saskatchewan is blanketed in white, strap on some cross-country skis or skates, hit the trails on your snowmobile or stay cosy by the fire with some hot chocolate. Embrace the snowy season at some of this province's most popular parks and four-season family-friendly destinations.



Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park

As the snow settles in the lush lodgepole pine and white spruce forests of the Cypress Hills, pull out your cross-country skis or snowshoes and explore the 17 km of groomed trails in the Centre Block. Winter fun in **Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park** also includes tobogganing, skating, and snowmobiling (only in the designated area in the Centre Block). Open year round, **The Resort at Cypress Hills** has hotel rooms, townhouses and rustic cabins, as well as onsite dining.

WHERE TO STAY:

Camp-Easy, The Resort at Cypress Hills

Prince Albert National Park

Enjoy the comforts of the resort village of **Waskesiu**, while experiencing northern wilderness encounters in the heart of **Prince Albert National Park**. From the townsites, you can explore winding, scenic trails on cross-country skis or by snowshoe. Hit the ice for some indoor skating at the Paul G. Horne Memorial Arena or venture out for some ice fishing on Waskesiu Lake. After a day of outdoor recreation, warm up by the fire in the enclosed camp kitchen near the Main Beach.

WHERE TO STAY:

Hawood Inn, Lost Creek Resort, Kapasiwin Bungalows

Great Blue Heron Provincial Park

While the Alaskan huskies bark and yelp around you, snuggle in your sled with a blanket and wait in anticipation as your musher readies the team for takeoff. **Sundogs Excursions**, located at Anglin Lake on the northern boundary of **Great Blue Heron Provincial Park**, offers dogsledding adventures. This area is also ideal for snowmobiling. The Lakeland snowmobile trail system encompasses more than 350 km of groomed trails in and around Great Blue Heron Provincial Park and connects with **Elk Ridge Resort**. With local trails ranging from 7 km to 120 km in length, riders of all ages can suit up for this family-friendly winter activity. After a day of sledding, nothing beats roasting a hotdog and enjoying a hot chocolate at one of the warm-up shelters along the trail.

WHERE TO STAY:

Land of the Loon Resort, Sunset Bay Resort



Elk Ridge Resort

Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park



 Sundogs Excursions

Elk Ridge Resort

Breathe in the fresh northern air as you head out for a cross-country ski or snowshoe at **Elk Ridge Resort**. Experience the boreal forest in all of its winter glory as you glide through or hike the resort's more than 15-km groomed trail system. Then strap on some skates or grab a broom and rocks and curl (or crokicurl) a few ends. The lodge overlooks a frozen pond with a skating loop and hockey rinks, as well as a curling sheet. Before the day is done, hit the toboggan hill where you can jump on a tire tube and race to the bottom. This premier all-season resort has a variety of accommodation options, including the lodge, log cabins, townhouses or cottages, two restaurants, a spa and an indoor saltwater pool, hot tub and waterslide for the little ones.

WHERE TO STAY:

Elk Ridge Resort, Elk Ridge on the Lake (Waskesiu)

Greenwater Lake Provincial Park

Following a day of fun, family-friendly activities, such as cross-country skiing (on more than 25 km of groomed trails), ice skating and tobogganing, discover a hidden winter wonderland as you explore the park and surrounding area by snowmobile. After riding through untouched powder and witnessing breathtaking scenery, warm up in one of the shelters along the trail. **Greenwater Lake Provincial Park** offers access to some of the province's most cherished snowmobile trails and is within the **1,000 Miles of Snow** network that includes communities like **Hudson Bay, Porcupine Plain, Kelvington and Tisdale**.

WHERE TO STAY:

Lake Life Inn, Greenwater Cabin Rentals, Jackpine Cabins (Hudson Bay), Fir River Ranch (Hudson Bay)



 Greenwater Lake Provincial Park

Moose Mountain Provincial Park

Bordering small lakes and scenic viewpoints, **Moose Mountain Provincial Park** has an extensive trail system that allows winter enthusiasts to enjoy the beauty of the park. Travel through this unique southern Saskatchewan forest on over 100 km of groomed snowmobile trails, 50 km of ski trails groomed for both classic and skate skiing and 10 km of snowshoe trails. Located in the park overlooking Kenosee Lake, **Kenosee Inn and Cabins** has hotel rooms and cabins available to rent for your snowy getaway.

WHERE TO STAY:

Kenosee Inn and Cabins, Bear Claw Casino and Hotel, Living Skies Lodge


Ness Creek Site

The **Ness Creek** site, home to music festivals and cultural events in the summer, transforms into a winter oasis hidden in the boreal forest. **Discover Ness Creek** has 10 winterized cabins, designed and furnished to keep visitors cosy through all seasons, available to rent. Onsite activities include ice skating and 30 km of groomed cross-country skiing and snowshoeing trails. At nearby **Ski Timber Ridge**, hit the slopes for some downhill skiing and snowboarding. The hill has six runs and a snowboard park.

WHERE TO STAY:

Discover Ness Creek



 Moose Mountain Provincial Park



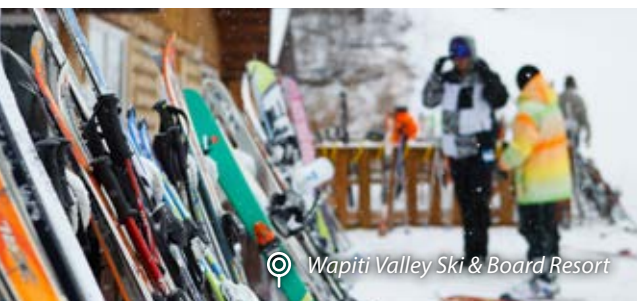
📍 Echo Valley Provincial Park

Nipawin/Carrot River/Tobin Lake

With a three-month season (mid-December to mid-March), opportunities for winter anglers to get out on the ice are countless. There is an abundance of great fishing lakes across central Saskatchewan. With a world-record ice fishing catch in the books, **Tobin Lake**, near **Nipawin** and **Carrot River**, should be one of your go-to spots for that trophy walleye. This area is also a part of the **1,000 Miles of Snow** network and home to some of the province's most popular snowmobile trails. Downhill skiing and snowboarding fun await at nearby **Wapiti Valley Ski & Board Resort**. **Trapper Creek Outfitters** (Nipawin) and **Campbell's Racing Sled Dogs** (Melfort) offer dogsledding adventures in the area.

WHERE TO STAY:

Northern Greens Resort, Carrot River Inn, The Outerbanks (near Wapiti Valley Ski & Board Resort)



📍 Wapiti Valley Ski & Board Resort

Meadow Lake Provincial Park

In the province's northwest, **Meadow Lake Provincial Park** is the ideal location for winter adventure. With more than 20 lakes, rivers and streams within its boundaries, the park has no shortage of ice. Set up a hut, drill some holes and spend the afternoon ice fishing. Explore the expansive park by snowmobile on more than 175 km of trails.

WHERE TO STAY:

Flotten Lake Adventures Resort, Tawaw Cabins 2004 Ltd



Duck Mountain Provincial Park

Book a four-season condo or cabin rental at **Madge Lake Retreats** and wander the snow maze in the Fern Campground, crokicurl or lace up for a bonfire skate at **Duck Mountain Provincial Park**. Bring your snowmobile and ride the 70 km of snowmobile trails with varied terrain, or pull out the downhill skis or snowboard and hit the slopes at **Duck Mountain Ski Area**. Five cosy warm-up shelters greet cross-country skiers on the 60 km of maintained trails in the park.

WHERE TO STAY:

Camp-Easy, Madge Lake Retreats

Echo Valley Provincial Park/ Katepwa Point Provincial Park/ Qu'Appelle Valley

Soak up nature and breathe in the crisp winter air as you skate through the trees at **Echo Valley Provincial Park**. Skate the Park is a unique skating loop that winds through the Aspen Campground. New to the park is a Ninja Warrior-style course with a slackline, bouldering wall and zipline. At **Mission Ridge Winter Park**, near **Fort Qu'Appelle**, strap on your snowboard and clear the frost from your goggles as you take to one of the 15 runs. The ski hill also has two terrain parks, a tube park, three conveyor lifts and a triple chair lift. Throw on your winter jacket, ski pants and helmet and ride the more than 350 km of snowmobile trails in the area. The Qu'Appelle Valley lakes are also favourite ice fishing spots in southern Saskatchewan.

WHERE TO STAY:

Camp-Easy, Sundays Log Cabins, Katepwa Beach Hotel



📍 Duck Mountain Provincial Park

Winter in the City



Dakota Dunes Resort & Casino

Bundle up and experience Saskatchewan's cities in the snowy season. With countless outdoor skating rinks, cross-country ski trails and opportunities for downhill skiing and snowboarding, the province's urban centres have all you need to warm up to winter.

Saskatoon and Area

Lace up some skates and take to the ice at the **Cameco Meewasin Skating Rink @ Nutrien Plaza**, located in Kiwanis Park next to the historic **Delta Hotels by Marriott Bessborough**. The outdoor skating rink has a cosy warm-up shelter, fire pit, washrooms and skates available to borrow.

Optimist Hill, Saskatoon's premier winter recreation facility, has tubing lanes and areas for tobogganing, downhill skiing and snowboarding. There is also a terrain park with rails, boxes and jumps, and a magic carpet conveyor to carry people to the top of the hill.

The **Meewasin Valley** trails become a winter wonderland once the snow flies. Pull out your cross-country skis or snowshoes and explore the city in all seasons. Glide along the groomed trails at Holiday Park and Wildwood golf courses, or venture outside of city limits to **Wanuskewin Heritage Park**, **Beaver Creek Conservation Area**, **Eb's Cross-Country Ski Trail** (near Duck Lake) or **Dakota Dunes Resort & Casino**. Other guided winter experiences at the resort include horse-drawn sleigh rides, snowshoe adventures, bird tours and ice fishing.

WHERE TO STAY:

Delta Hotels by Marriott Bessborough, **Alt Hotel Saskatoon**, **The James Hotel**, **Dakota Dunes Resort & Casino**

Regina and Area

Snowshoe through **Wascana Centre** or strap on skis and travel the park's many pathways in cross-country style. The city of Regina boasts almost 14 km of groomed ski trails for people of all ages and skill levels. The trails are located at various sites, including Douglas Park, Kinsmen Park, Les Sherman Park and AE Wilson Park. Outside of the city, **White Butte Trails Recreation Site** has 13 km of trails in treed sections of gently rolling hills, while the **Wascana Valley Natural Area Recreation Site** has 15 km of trails for skiing and snowshoeing.

With spectacular views of Wascana Centre and the **Saskatchewan Legislative Building**, the **Rink on Wascana** is Regina's newest public outdoor skating rink. Designed with a focus on accessibility, it has ramps, fixed and mobile lighting, professional boards, rubber matting and warming and washroom facilities. BYOS – bring your own skates, as rentals and loaners are not offered at the Wascana Lake rink. Or try out **The Rink @ City Square**, located in the heart of downtown Regina. Skates are available on loan from the Warming Chalet near the ice surface.

WHERE TO STAY:

The Hotel Saskatchewan, **Autograph Collection by Marriott**, **The Atlas° Hotel**

WINTER HIGHLIGHTS IN SASKATCHEWAN'S SMALLER CITIES

Moose Jaw and Area

Following a snowshoe or cross-country ski through the **Wakamow Valley**, soak in the soothing water at **Temple Gardens Hotel & Spa**. For more outdoor adventure, go fat biking on the trails at **Buffalo Pound Provincial Park**.

Prince Albert and Area

Little Red River Park boasts more than 30 km of forest trails and is a cross-country skier's dream with 12 groomed tracks of varying difficulty. Other popular winter activities in the park include tobogganing, snowshoeing, and downhill skiing and snowboarding at the **Kinsmen Ski and Snowboard Centre**, which has two beginner hills and one intermediate run.

Yorkton

Throw some rocks during a game of crokicurl or strap on some skates and explore the Patrick Park Skating Pathway.

North Battleford and Area

Strap on some cross-country skis and hit the trails at **Finlayson Island Nature Park** in The Battlefords region, or go downhill skiing or snowboarding at the popular **Table Mountain Regional Park**.





Snowmobile 1,000 Miles of Snow in Northeast Saskatchewan

 Northeast Saskatchewan



Northeast Saskatchewan is home to one of the most unique trail systems in Canada – a 1,000-mile snowmobile route connecting the 12 communities of **St. Brieux, Melfort, Tisdale, Kelvington, Zenon Park, Aylsham, Nipawin, Carrot River, Arborfield, Porcupine Plain, Weekes** and **Hudson Bay**.

Snowmobilers are not only a common sight in this region, but they are warmly welcomed. In each town, sleds are recognized as legal transportation and there are miniature traffic signs posted in ditches and at intersections. Hotels, cabins, and bed and breakfasts are set up to accommodate multi-day snowmobilers. Some provide heated shops for sleds, while others offer snowmobile parking and space for trucks and trailers. Several accommodations, including **Shell's Fitness & Soul Center** in Carrot River and **Fir River Ranch** in Hudson Bay, have saunas or hot tubs that are perfect for guests to warm up and enjoy some post-ride relaxation.

There are a number of restaurants along the way that offer an unexpected culinary experience worthy of a stop. Not-to-miss locations include **The Dam Smokehouse** and **Mabel Hill Farm Kitchen & Marketplace** in Nipawin, **The Railway Ave.**

Pub in Hudson Bay, and **Golden Grain Bakery** in Melfort.

Weekend trips are convenient to explore each part of the region. But the entire 1,000 miles (more than 1,600 km) of snow is an incredible feat to accomplish for those looking for an extended adventure taking seven to 10 days to travel the entire loop.

Traversing across picturesque parkland with its iconic grain bins and wooden barns, you'll spot one of Saskatchewan's last prairie sentinels – a wooden grain elevator – just outside of the community of Weekes. From open fields to the snow-laden jack pine and spruce trees that make up part of the boreal forest, the trails are a prime location for some of Saskatchewan's best powder and trail riding. It's not unusual to have up to six feet of snow accumulate throughout the season.

This is why it's one of Saskatchewan's most popular destinations for snowmobiling.

While **Greenwater Lake Provincial Park** north of Kelvington and **Tobin Lake** north of Nipawin are popular locations for day riders, certain areas are only accessible in wintertime – like **Wildcat Hill Provincial Park** east of Arborfield. Muskeg conditions and lack of roads make it nearly impenetrable in the summertime. But in winter, the carefully routed and groomed trail winds its way up to Bankside Lake through dwarf forests and along several steep canyons. The warm-up shelter on the edge of the lake is the only sign of civilization in the otherwise rugged and wild park.

A wonderful part of snowmobiling these trails is discovering the unique



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How to Plan Your Trip

If you're planning to ride the 1,000 Miles of Snow route, here are a few recommendations to help you prepare for your trip.

Pick Your Route

Decide whether you want to travel out from a single location or carry an overnight bag and stop in a different community each night. Tisdale and Porcupine Plain are great central locations, while St. Brieux is perfect to head east and loop the trail system.

Share a detailed trip itinerary with family or friends and carry a route map with you. The **Saskatchewan Snowmobile Association** has an interactive online trail map (ssa.evtrails.com). There is also an app for both Apple and Android phones that works offline if the trail maps have been downloaded in advance.

Layer Up

Temperatures in Saskatchewan can drop below -30 C. Merino wool and fleece are ideal layers to wear underneath a snowmobile suit. Avoid cotton clothing as it absorbs moisture and makes you feel cold and damp. Wearing thickly insulated gear designed for snowmobiling is best for staying warm. Hand and feet warmers are easy to stash in a pocket and can add an extra bit of warmth on long rides or particularly cold days.

Pack a Trail Lunch

There are more than 40 warm-up shelters spread out along the trail system. Pack in snacks and a thermos or plan a hot dog roast over an open fire for the perfect trail lunch. Make sure to clean up any garbage and take it with you when you leave.

Carry Extra Fuel and Parts

Saskatchewan is big and fuel-up locations are limited in each town. Carry a jerry can of gas and a few extra sled parts and tools in the event of a breakdown on the trail. Cell service isn't guaranteed in all areas, so you'll want to be prepared if you're on the trail longer than expected.

Leave No Trace

These trails are a wonderful system to access thanks to the dedication and effort of each of the local snowmobile clubs that groom the trails, maintain the shelters, and implement signage along all 1,000 miles. Leave no trace policies including staying on groomed trails, packing out garbage, and respecting private property and wildlife to ensure the trails remain a safe and welcoming place for everyone.

Plan your Saskatchewan snowmobile adventure today.



shelters built and maintained by the local snowmobile clubs. The **1,000 Miles of Snow** trail system wouldn't be the success it is without the countless hours of work contributed by each community, snowmobile club and their local volunteers.

There are more than 40 shelters on the 1,000 Miles of Snow route, including one of the newest located between Zenon Park and Arborfield. The shelter is modelled after a red railway station, complete with its own rail crossing sign out front.

Shelters are equipped with indoor stoves, outdoor firepits, racks to hang and dry gear, first aid kits, maps, chopped wood, an axe and an outhouse. But best of all, they are the perfect spot to stop and prepare a meal, while warming up and sharing in good conversation with friends.





Winter Angling: A Guide to Ice Fishing



Winter in Saskatchewan offers outdoor enthusiasts countless adventures, including incredible ice fishing. Once the lakes and rivers across the province freeze, communities of ice fishing shacks pop up.

By mid- to late-December, ice on Saskatchewan's pristine lakes is most often solid enough for fishing (but always check conditions before crossing frozen bodies of water). Fish tend to be on a feeding frenzy around this time. With the right bait, you can catch walleye aplenty. Northern pike, perch, whitefish, lake trout and burbot can also be easily caught in winter. Thawing is rare before mid-March.



The three-month season gives winter anglers ample time and opportunity to get out on the ice.

Where to Go and What You'll Catch

Saskatchewan boasts an abundance of healthy, record-sized fish. Here are some of the top ice fishing locations throughout the province:

Tobin Lake

With a world-record ice fishing catch in the books, Tobin Lake, near **Nipawin**, should be one of your go-to spots for that trophy walleye. The lake is home to many other species, including yellow perch, northern pike, burbot, whitefish and goldeye. It has been named one of the top ice fishing destinations in Canada.

Last Mountain Lake

In the south, Last Mountain Lake is a favourite ice fishing spot. At more than 90 km long, the size of the lake means that there is plenty of room for all winter anglers wanting to drill some holes and drop a line. This lake has healthy populations of northern pike, walleye, yellow perch, burbot and common carp.

Lake Diefenbaker

Lake Diefenbaker, in the southwest, is another prime ice fishing location, renowned for its trophy-sized rainbow trout. With its vast 800-km shoreline, the lake is also known for the diversity of species found in its waters, including walleye, northern pike, burbot, yellow perch, whitefish and lake trout.

Qu'Appelle Lakes (Pasqua, Echo, Mission and Katepwa)

A series of four small lakes in the southeast, the Qu'Appelle Lakes are favourite drive-to spots. Also known as the Fishing Lakes, they are very accessible and home to a fish hatchery. Here, you can catch an impressive number of species, including walleye, northern pike, yellow perch, whitefish, burbot, sauger, channel catfish, rock bass, black bullhead, big mouth buffalo, dog fish and common carp, among others.

Boundary Dam/ Rafferty Dam

For a unique catch, Boundary Dam near **Estevan** is the go-to spot for largemouth bass. In fact, it's the only place to go. Due to the nearby power plant, the water is much warmer, which makes it possible for the species to thrive. Other species found in the reservoir and neighbouring Rafferty Dam include walleye, northern pike and yellow perch.

Northern Saskatchewan Lakes

Saskatchewan has world-class freshwater fishing, and many of the province's nearly 100,000 lakes and rivers can be found in the north. Opportunities for ice fishing are endless. A few drive-to/road-accessible lakes include Amisk Lake, Deschambault Lake, Otter Lake and Dore Lake. In the far north, experience a fly-in winter angling adventure like no other at Cree Lake. Northern pike, walleye, lake trout and Arctic grayling are some of the species that inhabit the waters of northern Saskatchewan.

WHAT TO KNOW

- » Saskatchewan residents 16 to 65 must have a valid Saskatchewan Angling License to ice fish (except for Free Fishing Weekend). Purchase one online (saskatchewanhal.ca/licensing.page), at any Saskatchewan angling licence issuer, at select provincial park offices or the Ministry of Environment, or by phone at 1-855-848-4773.
- » Wear naturally warm clothing, head and footwear. Dressing in layers is recommended.
- » Always check weather and ice conditions beforehand, pack winter survival gear, and tell someone when and where you are fishing, as well as your estimated return time.
- » Ice fishing requires relatively little equipment: ice auger (manual or power), ice fishing rod and reel, tackle box and bait. Ice fishing shacks or shelters are optional and can range from pop-ups to ice castles. A seat (sturdy bucket), sled and heater are nice, too.

Book your guided ice fishing experience or package today.



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