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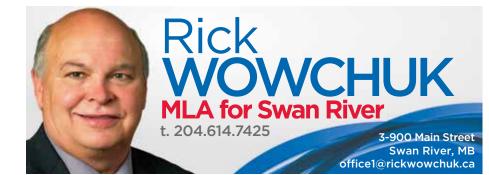


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# WILD SPACES parks + forests

In Manitoba's Parkland, the grasslands of the Canadian prairies give way to the more densely forested regions of the north. It's an area of stunning vistas, beautiful parks, vast forests, diverse wildlife, and never-ending recreational opportunities. Clear Lake

RMNP Visitor Centre's

new exhibits

The region is home to Riding Mountain National Park, established in 1933, as well as a number of provincial parks including Duck Mountain and Asessippi.

We invite you to explore this most scenic and beautiful area of our province and to discover why it is so cherished by residents and visitors alike.

# RIDING MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK

Since Riding Mountain was first declared a forest reserve in 1895, people have recognized the scenic beauty of the area, the importance of the habitat for wildlife, and the potential for recreation and relaxation to be found in these lands. In total, nearly 10,000 square kilometres of the Parkland are shared by national and provincial parks and forest reserves.

Riding Mountain National Park itself covers 3,078 km<sup>2</sup>, ranging from areas of open meadows and fescue prairie to boreal forest, aspen parkland, and deciduous forest, besides the escarpment from which the park received its name.

Manitoba's first national park achieved this status in 1933. It had previously been set aside as a forest reserve amid the rapid deforestation of the surrounding area. This land is also the traditional land of the Anishinaabe. Riding Mountain National Park is located on Treaty 2 Territory with interests from Treaties 1, 2 and 4 as well as the traditional territory of the Métis

people.

The townsite of **WASAGAMING** was developed during the Great Depression by work crews hired through a federal relief program. Several impressive log structures still exist from this era of the town's development, giving the town a distinctive, rustic flavour. One of these buildings is the newly renovated **RIDING MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK OF CANADA VISITOR CENTRE**, featuring new interactive exhibits and historical stories of the area. New geothermal heating and cooling makes this a comfortable venue for events and functions (see the park's website for rental info).

# EAST GATE REGISTRATION COMPLEX NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE OF CANADA

An abundance of wildlife can be found here including moose, elk, black bear, wolves, lynx, and cougar. The park offers unique experiences for families, photographers, birders and wildlife enthusiasts.

A display herd of approximately 40 plains bison is maintained at the **LAKE AUDY BISON ENCLOSURE**. A Bison and Grasslands Exhibit at the site relates the natural history of bison and native grasslands. *Due to road washouts caused by heavy spring runoff, Lake Audy Bison Enclosure is inaccessible for the entire 2022 summer season.* 

Campgrounds can be found throughout the park, and an extensive trail system offers a variety of scenic routes for hiking, cycling, horseback riding, cross-country skiing and birding. Over 400 km of summer trails and 260 km of cross-country ski trails are available. Check the park's website for the latest trail conditions and closures.

parkscanada.gc.ca/riding Camping Reservations: reservation.pc.gc.ca

# ASESSIPPI PROVINCIAL PARK

Located at the southeast end of man-made LAKE OF THE PRAIRIES, Asessippi

Provincial Park includes facilities for camping, trails for hiking and snowmobiling, boating, swimming and water sports on the lake, and some of the best walleye fishing in the province.

Nearby attractions include **SHELLMOUTH DAM** which was built in 1968 to control flooding along the Assiniboine River. The dam measures 21 m in height and 1,218 metres in length. Lake of the Prairies, which resulted from the construction of the dam, is 67 km long, and straddles the Manitoba-Saskatchewan border. The first 6.4 km of the lake is Asessippi Provincial Park's central feature.

A commemorative plaque and interpretive signage mark the spot of the original **ASESSIPPI TOWNSITE**, now a ghost town.

Also popular is the **ANCIENT VALLEY INTERPRETIVE TRAIL**. Steep valley walls along the Assiniboine and Shell Rivers provide breathtaking panoramas for those venturing along the park's trail system.

ASESSIPPI SKI AREA & RESORT provides facilities for skiing, snowboarding and tubing enthusiasts (see page 35 for details).

Both the Assiniboine and Shell Rivers provide for good canoeing, and rentals are available at Lake of the Prairies. The steeply contoured land around the lake, featuring many hills and valleys, provides a picturesque route for cyclists.

A number of campgrounds surround the lake, making it possible to take a leisurely tour around the lake with several overnight stops. Facilities also include horseshoe pits, ball diamonds, children's playgrounds, and group camping facilities.

LAKE OF THE PRAIRIES has recorded an annual walleye catch per square kilometre that is five times greater than the provincial average. Due to the tremendous resources required to keep Lake of the Prairies wellstocked and to preserve the high quality of the fishery, a slot limit on catches has been enacted. See page 28 for more about fishing at Lake of the Prairies or other lakes of the Parkland.

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# ZEBRA MUSSELS

The Manitoba government would like to remind waterusers of the aquatic invasive species (AIS) requirements when entering and leaving all water bodies in Manitoba. Additional decontamination and bait requirements are needed if using Aquatic Invasive Species Control Zones. These measures are in place to ensure lakes and rivers remain Zebra Mussel-free. For more information, please visit *Manitoba.ca/StopAIS*.



Clear, spring-fed lakes have made "The Ducks" a popular tourist destination for years. Childs Lake, Wellman Lake, and the Blue Lakes are among the most popular. The bottom of East Blue Lake, which descends to 60 metres at its deepest point, is visible to some 12 to 18 metres.

Duck Mountain is home to moose, white-tailed deer, black bears, foxes, lynx, coyotes and timber wolves. A variety of birds nest in the forests and marshes. A 30-km network of trails provides for exploration of the hilly terrain and forests of the park by hikers in summer, and snowmobilers and cross-country skiers in winter.

Campgrounds and facilities exist at all of the park's major lakes.

Manitoba's highest elevation is found at **BALDY MOUNTAIN** (Ref), which rises 831.2 metres above sea level. Baldy Mountain is accessible by car. An observation tower offers a scenic view of the surrounding forest of tall spruce. (Context) 32 km north of Grandview on PR366.

### DUCK MOUNTAIN FOREST INTERPRETIVE CENTRE

makes a good station from which to explore the surrounding area. The site has self-guided hiking trails, a picnic area, and trail map. The Centre is open during July and August. O Approximately 10 km south of Minitonas on PR366 in Duck Mountain Provincial Forest. O In the off-season, call 204-734-3089 (Spruce Products).

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### **BELL LAKE PROVINCIAL PARK**

(BIRCH RIVER AREA), situated in Porcupine Provincial Forest, has a small campground offering eight unserviced campsites. • From PTH10 north of Birch River, travel west on PR365 for 11 km.

# **BIRCH ISLAND PROVINCIAL PARK**

(LAKE WINNIPEGOSIS) is home to a variety of wildlife including bears, moose, wolves, lynx, hares, and deer, and many birds including terns, ducks, herons, gulls and pelicans. It is managed as a non-operational park. • On Birch Island in Lake Winnipegosis, immediately east of Swan-Pelican Provincial Forest.

# MANIPOGO PROVINCIAL PARK

(TOUTES AIDES AREA) — Named for the legendary sea monster of Lake Manitoba, Manipogo Provincial Park is a favourite among campers and anglers. The park has kilometres of beaches, boating, short hiking trails, playgrounds and camping facilities. Perhaps you can help solve the **MANIPOGO** mystery. Many people claim to have seen the sea monster, but there has been no conclusive evidence. Maybe you can spot Manipogo on your next visit! Be sure to keep your camera or smartphone at the ready, just in case! ONOR Northwest shore of Lake Manitoba just a few kilometres north of Toutes Aides (61 km north of Ste. Rose du Lac on PR276).

# NORTH STEEPROCK LAKE PROVINCIAL PARK (BIRCH RIVER AREA), situated in

Porcupine Provincial Forest, the secluded

campground offers 35 nightly and seasonal sites, picnic area, boat launch, and a beach (unsupervised). Anglers can try for pike and walleye; a short trip west to Vini Lake can yield arctic char and rainbow trout. O From PTH10 north of Birch River, travel west on PR365 beyond Bell Lake Provincial Park.

### **PORCUPINE PROVINCIAL FOREST** (SWAN RIVER AREA) — Where the

Parkland gives way to the north, Porcupine Provincial Forest is a rugged wilderness waiting to be explored. Few roads penetrate the forest, set among the Porcupine Hills along the Manitoba escarpment, which rises to 823 m above sea level at HART MOUNTAINa summit to rival Baldy Mountain 🗈 of The Ducks. Campgrounds exist at Whitefish Lake (on PR279, northwest of Bowsman), North Steeprock Lake and Bell Lake (both northwest of Birch River on PR365). O North of Swan River, and west of PTH10. PR365, north of Birch River, provides access to North Steeprock Lake and Bell Lake. PR279, west of Bowsman, provides access to the southwest corner of the forest and to Whitefish Lake.

# **RAINBOW BEACH PROVINCIAL PARK**

(DAUPHIN AREA) — Facilities include a beach, campground, scenic walks along the shore, playgrounds, picnic areas, ball diamonds, horseshoe pits, hiking trails, modern showers and washrooms, and a concession. Dauphin Lake Golf Club is 3 km away. O South shore of Dauphin Lake, 24 km east of Dauphin on PTH20.

### WHITEFISH LAKE PROVINCIAL PARK

(SWAN RIVER AREA), nestled in Porcupine Provincial Forest northwest of Swan River. offers over 80 nightly and seasonal campsites, picnic area, boat launch, and a beach (unsupervised). Anglers can try for pike, walleye and yellow perch, or fish for pike and walleye at nearby Cross Lake. O From PTH10 north of Swan River, travel west on PR279.



Inset: Ellen Riehl

aitlin Henderson.

# FLORA + FAUNA earth shares its wonders

An astounding variety of wildlife make the Parkland their home, from black bears, moose, deer and elk, to smaller animals such as foxes, lynx, coyotes, wolves, porcupines, and beavers. Birds abound here, too; scan the sky for Great Grey Owl, loons, pelicans, and snow geese, to name a few. A range of plant species are native to the region's grasslands, wetlands and forested areas.

### FRANK SKINNER ARBORETUM TRAIL

(INGLIS) — Located at the original nursery of one of Canada's most innovative horticulturists, the trail showcases some of the nearly 150 plant varieties developed by Dr. Skinner to survive in the harsh prairie environment. Picnic tables have been placed at the entrance to the trail for public use. The arboretum is preserved in its natural state, so visitors should not expect manicured grounds. 23 km south of Roblin or 31 km north of Russell on PTH83.

### HIDDEN VALLEY SANCTUARY (RM

**OF DAUPHIN)** — Donated by the late trapper, naturalist and photographer, Gordon Mitchell, this Manitoba Wildlife Sanctuary offers excellent opportunities for wildlife viewing, hiking, fishing and snowshoeing. There is also a picnic site. ● 9.6 km north of Dauphin on PTH20. ● 204-638-6450.

### WATERHEN WOOD BISON PROJECT

(WATERHEN) — A free-roaming herd of wood bison are maintained in a 15.5 km<sup>2</sup> enclosure near Waterhen. Guided tours are available. • 32 km northeast of Waterhen (95 km north of Ste. Rose du Lac) off PR328.

# RIDING MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK— EAST SIDE (NEAR MCCREARY) — Access

can be gained to several prime wildlife viewing, elk bugling and bird watching areas on the eastern escarpment of Riding Mountain National Park. It's perfect for birders looking for a golden winged warbler or the elusive lynx.

### **CRAWFORD CREEK ALLUVIAL FAN**

# WILDLIFE VIEWING

**RESPECT THE HABITAT.** Your visit to an area should be low-impact (leave no trace of yourself). Carry out any refuse with you, and refrain from damaging any habitat.

FEEDING WILD ANIMALS IS NOT A GOOD IDEA. In fact, it's illegal.

- BE AWARE THAT YOUR SOUND AND SCENT MAY FRIGHTEN AN ANIMAL AND MAKE VIEWING DIFFICULT. Move silently and try to travel downwind from where you expect to find an animal.
  - The opposite of the above tip is true when travelling in an area inhabited by dangerous animals. When travelling through bear country (or anywhere else where you might encounter a potentially dangerous animal, such as a moose), carry a noisemaker, such as a bell, or speak or whistle as you travel. A surprised animal feels threatened, and may react to your sudden appearance in a hostile manner.

**YOUR TWO BEST TOOLS ARE TIMING AND PATIENCE.** Find out what season and what time of day are best for viewing the desired animal. Then settle yourself in, out of sight, and watch, wait, and enjoy.

Wishing Well Garden at Riding Mountain National Park

# GARDENS & GREEN SPACES

In the Parkland's towns and villages, greenery is a point of community pride. Grandview, Rossburn, Russell, Sandy Lake and Swan River have all earned stellar marks in the Communities in Bloom competition.

Our tour starts in **WASAGAMING**, where the first-rate gardens reflect the park planners' vision of Riding Mountain as a Victorian resort in the wilderness. Highlights include the floral gardens at the Visitor Centre, the elm-lined sidewalks of the central park, and the Wishing Well Garden with its shady perennial beds.

Travel east out of the park on PTH19 to McCreary, and then north on PTH5 to **STE. ROSE DU LAC** where a replica of the Notre Dame de Lourdes grotto in France can be found, including park and gardens.

Travel west on PTH5 to **ROBLIN** where

a working sundial created from a massive glacial-age boulder is the centerpiece of a beautiful community garden at the intersection of PTH5 and PTH83.

The town of **RUSSELL** (a 4-Bloom community, located south along PTH83) is home to Peace Park, which sits on the Trans-Canada Trail route, and has an international flavour with flags of the world, a wooden bridge and floral gardens.

Take PTH45 east to **ROSSBURN** (a 5-Bloom community). A life-sized bronze statue of Duke, an 812-pound black bear killed by a poacher in 1992—which at one time held the record for the largest black bear every recorded—can be found at **ROSSBURN MEMORY GARDEN**. This beautiful park is complete with a waterfall.

Finally, travel east on PTH45 to **SANDY LAKE** (a 5-Bloom Community), with its floral gardens tucked into every possible spot on the downtown streets, and baskets of flowers on buildings and lampposts.



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# BIRD WATCHING

With its plentiful forests, fields and wetlands, the Parkland has long been a haven for a multitude of bird species. Find out why birders travel to the Parkland from across North America by visiting these sites.

### **RIDING MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK**

is an excellent location to experience birding. The Park's *Birder's Checklist* is available at the Visitor Centre to help you keep track of approximately 260 bird species found in the area, all waiting to be seen among the natural beauty of this unspoiled habitat.

**SWAN RIVER VALLEY** is at the crossroads for northern and southern species of birds, as well as eastern and western birds. A great variety of habitats and species makes the valley a prime location for birding. Areas of most activity for birding are trails in the mountains, as well as local bird feeders, wetlands and a 100-box nesting trail. Expect to view peeps, waders, daublers, divers, goldenwinged warblers, and perhaps even an albino red-tailed hawk.

During your visit to **DUCK MOUNTAIN PROVINCIAL PARK**, you may spot loons, hawks, warblers, woodpeckers, grouse, woodcocks, and many more species.

Near and around **LAKE OF THE PRAIRIES** observant birders can see American goldfinches, kingbirds, common nighthawks, ruffed grouse, warblers and vireos. The lake itself is a good spot to view American white pelicans, many species of ducks, great blue herons and western grebes. Sandhill cranes make an appearance in September.

# THE SAGEMACE & COLEMAN BAY ISLANDS IMPORTANT BIRD AND BIODIVERSITY AREA (IBA MB081)

(NEAR CAMPERVILLE), which includes all the islands of the bays, is one of the 36 Manitoba sites originally designated as IBAs by BirdLife International and now by Nature Manitoba. Some of the 50 species seen here include Double-crested Cormorants, Great Blue Herons, Ruddy Ducks, Ring-necked Ducks, Gadwall, American Wigeon, Northern Pintails, Greenwinged Teal, Canvasback, Redhead, Lesser Scaup and Buffleheads, American Avocet, Semipalmated Plover, Killdeer, Willet, Lesser Yellowlegs, Marbled Godwit, Least Sandpiper, White-rumped Sandpiper, Pectoral Sandpiper, Semipalmated Sandpiper, Short-billed Dowitcher and Long-billed Dowitcher. Sagemace Bay is also a traditional molting and staging area for diving ducks, especially Redheads and to a lesser degree, Canvasbacks. Learn more about Manitoba IBAs at importantbirdareasmb.ca.

KINOSOTA/LEIFUR IBA (MB100), located on the west side of Lake Manitoba from Kinosota to Leifur, is an area of deciduous woodlands interspersed with pastureland and hayland, with small areas of wetland. The location is known for its large population of Red-headed Woodpeckers. At least 100 birds are estimated to be present each breeding season, even though the species is uncommon or rare in Manitoba. Pileated Woodpeckers are also common here.



# SIGNATURE **CELEBRATIONS**

# festivals, fairs + family fun

Canada's National Ukrainian Festival

Our region plays host to some incredible annual celebrations and festivals. Our event listings and all event-related updates are available on our website at parklandtourism.com. After a two-year absence, many events are beginning to return to the Parkland, though some will not be back in full swing until 2023. Call or consult each event's website or social media channels for the latest information and schedules.

### APRIL MANITOBA MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL

(MCCREARY) — Learn how maple syrup is made at this family-friendly event. Activities, music and social events are planned, but you'll want to take part in the tree tapping and enjoy some pancakes smothered in sweet Manitoba maple syrup.

# JUNE 21 NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

DAY — This annual national day of celebration highlights the unique heritage, cultures and contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis people in Canada. This date was chosen because it corresponds to the summer solstice, the longest day of the year, and because for generations, many Indigenous Peoples' groups have celebrated their culture and heritage at this time of year.

# JULY 1-3, 2022 DAUPHIN'S COUNTRYFEST

(SELO UKRAINA, DAUPHIN) -With three stages running simultaneously, Countryfest attracts an impressive contingent of artists for a long weekend of firstclass entertainment. This year's slate of over 40 groups and performers includes Paul Brandt, Johnny Reid, Dallas Smith, Dean Brody, and Terri Clark. Set in a beautiful outdoor amphitheatre, the event offers much more than just music-a variety of food vendors, on-site camping, workshops and contests provide non-stop enjoyment to the 10,000 fans in attendance. C 1-800-361-7300. countryfest.ca

# JULY 8-10, 2022 GILBERT PLAINS-GRANDVIEW AG SOCIETY FAIR & RODEO (GILBERT PLAINS)

The year's event will include a parade, rodeo, trade and craft show, beer gardens, chuck wagon and chariot races (July 9 & 10), kids activities and petting zoo, kids tractor pull, light horse show, Legion bingo, and Show & Shine Car Show. *gp-gyagriculturalsociety.com* 

# JULY BOGGY CREEK JAMBOREE

(SAN CLARA) — Step, stomp, fiddle and jig to a mix of traditional music and live performances from Friday afternoon to Sunday evening at Shell River's weekend music festival. Concessions and camping available. ● 204-937-4985.

### JULY 5-10, 2022 RIDING MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK FILM FESTIVAL (WASAGAMING) —

The festival inspires visitors to create an emotional investment in our natural environment through the power of film and storytelling. Screened films include documentaries about environmentalism, agriculture, adventure, the local food movement and regionally-inspired films. Digital media camps are also held for youth. *rmnpfilmfest.ca* 

# JULY 28-31, 2022 NORTHWEST ROUNDUP AND

**EXHIBITION (SWAN RIVER)** — Events include the Chamber of Commerce Monster Parade, rodeo, chuckwagon races, light and heavy horse shows, midway, concert, dances, home craft displays, pancake breakfasts, and more. Experience life "Down on the Farm" at interactive exhibits with many ag-related exhibitors. • 204-734-3718. *northwestroundup.ca* 

# JULY 29-31, 2022 CANADA'S NATIONAL UKRAINIAN FESTIVAL (SELO UKRAINA, DAUPHIN)

— This annual festival features dancing, music, arts and cuisine at Selo Ukraina hillside

Northwest Roundup and Exhibition at Swan River

amphitheatre. Local entertainers, as well as talent from across Canada and Ukraine, highlight this national festival. **©** 204-622-4600 or 1-877-474-2683. *cnuf.ca* (see ad at right)

### AUGUST 11-14, 2022 ROBLIN RODEO & FAIR (ROBLIN)

— Roblin and District Agricultural Society celebrates its 103rd fair in 2022 with a programme that includes a kick-off barbeque, King and Queen Farmer Competition, gymkhana, parade, Li'l Britches Rodeo, exhibits, Heartland Rodeo, Gospel Jam, and beer gardens. *roblinagsociety.com* 

# AUGUST 13, 2022 MANITOBA'S BEST LI'L BRITCHES

**RODEO (ROBLIN)** — During fair weekend, kids can participate in and experience the truly unforgettable excitement of Canadian Prairies-style mutton bustin', goat milking and pig scrambling events. Enjoy the memories of a lifetime that unfold at this family and animalfriendly entertainment event that puts kids on an exhilarating adventure of grit and futility, and has parents rolling out of their seats in side-splitting comedy. *roblinagsociety.com* 

# AUGUST 6 & 7, 2022 WASAGAMING CHAMBER DAYS —

Take part in a variety of fun, family events organized by Riding Mountain National Park's

townsite businesses and Wasagaming Chamber of Commerce. Walk, bike, ride or roll your way down Wasagaming Drive at the Friends of RMNP annual Kiddie Parade on August 6, 2022.

# AUGUST 5-7, 2022 WESTERN DAYS (SANDY LAKE) —

Events include Friday and Saturday evening meals, live entertainment at the Sandy Lake Hotel, borscht & bread, the Western Days Craft Market (August 6), a parade and much more.

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Manitoba's Parkland is located on the traditional territory of the region's Indigenous and Métis peoples. For countless generations, Indigenous peoples have lived here, hunting bison which existed in herds of hundreds of thousands, fishing the region's lakes, and living in harmony with nature and the land.

With the arrival of European settlers—many from eastern Europe and Ukraine—at the turn of the 20th century, agricultural practices turned the area into one of the richest grain-producing regions in the world. As the plow transformed grasslands to fields ripe with grain, so too did the settlers transform the cultural landscape of the region.

Of particular interest to visitors to the Parkland are its historic churches. Never was the burden of homesteading too great, nor resources too scarce, for the construction in each town of one or more churches, often modest in dimensions, but grand in design, in the true spirit of Old World architecture.

Your journey through the Parkland is sure to be rich in the heritage of the area's Indigenous Peoples and the distant lands and cultures which left an indelible mark on the local customs and landscape. Dedicated volunteers have helped preserve this history through museums, restored historic buildings, and other heritage sites. Be sure to visit a few during your time in the Parkland.

# ANGUSVILLE

# HOLY REDEEMER UKRAINIAN GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

is a shining example of pioneer ingenuity and spiritual strength. The church itself is built from a school brought into town from the Silverton area. Though plain on the outside, the inside is magnificently decorated with painted artwork and religious treasures. • Wright Ave. E.

# IVAN FRANKO HERITAGE HALL (UKRAINIAN NATIONAL HERITAGE

**HOME**) is a community hall often mistaken for an Orthodox-style church because of its three onion domes. Halls like this one were common in many Ukrainian communities in the area, and always played a central role in preserving Ukrainian culture in Canada. This hall was built in 1934, and still features the original curtain and stage, as well as memorabilia celebrating famous Ukrainian poets such as Franko and Shevchenko.

# LAKEDALE HOLY GHOST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH AND BELL TOWER

— The first Ukrainian settlers to the Lakedale District arrived in 1899-1900. In 1904, under the leadership of Father A. Delaray, the present church was built. Services are still held here, with the building and graveyard being faithfully maintained by members. • 8.8 km northeast of Angusville (east of PR476); follow signs.

# BARROWS

**RED DEER LAKE HERITAGE SITE** — The former community of Barrows sprang up almost overnight at the site of the Red Deer Lumber Co., on the south shore of Red Deer Lake. It disappeared just as quickly when the company shut down the mill in 1926. One of the remaining

# TRAVELING TO HISTORIC SITES

Driving directions are provided, where possible, using Provincial Trunk Highways (PTH), which are typically paved roadways, and Provincial Roads (PR), which may be paved or gravel. For many rural attractions, travel on gravel roads will be necessary. stone structures from the former community bears a plaque designating this as a heritage site. • At Red Deer Lake, approximately 8 km north of the community of Barrows.

# **BINSCARTH**

### **GORDON ORR MEMORIAL MUSEUM**

reflects the history of settlement of the Binscarth area with displays of a summer kitchen, general store, livery stable, oldfashioned one-room school and church, in addition to agricultural and military displays. Open June to August. No charge (donations welcome). 2 162-2nd Avenue 204-532-2217.

# CAMPERVILLE

### OUR LADY OF SEVEN SORROWS -

This stone church, also known as Cathedral of the North, was built in 1912 near Camperville. It marks the legacy of Roman Catholic missionaries who first visited the area in 1839. many years before large-scale agricultural settlement began.

# COWAN

### **COWAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS 1132.** 2305 AND 1808 MUSEUM — West

School #1132, now a one-room schoolhouse museum, is located next to Kolisnyk's General Store in Cowan on PTH10. Moved to the site and restored in 2003, the town's treasure has an oiled hardwood floor, cedar shingles, and siding made by a student from the 1940s. Inside are blackboards, desks, books, maps, stove, boiler and more. S Contact the Kolishnyks at their store, 204-569-4836.

**DAUPHIN RAIL MUSEUM** — Housed in the magnificent brick Canadian Northern Railway Station, and next to an active CN and VIA line, the museum contains artifacts, pictures, and archival material related to 100 years

of railway service in the region. A model railroad depicting the rail facilities circa 1954 is on display. Open May long weekend to September long weekend, or by appointment. **2** 101-1st

Ave. NW. **9** 204-638-5495.

# LT. COL. WM. **(BILLY) BARKER VC COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE**

# commemorates Barker's national recognition as one of the most celebrated war heroes of World War I. An ace pilot, this young man from Dauphin gained international prominence and recognition and was awarded the Victoria Cross. O Dauphin Airport on PTH10 south of Dauphin.

### **SELO UKRAINA UKRAINIAN HERITAGE** VILLAGE AND MEMORIAL PARK — An

outdoor 10,000-seat amphitheatre, auditorium and multipurpose facilities offer a unique venue for festivals and entertainment such as Canada's National Ukrainian Festival and Dauphin's Countryfest. Located on the northern escarpment of Riding Mountain, the site includes a pioneer village and Ukrainian artifact museum. A memorial site pays tribute to historic people and events. • 11.2 km south of Dauphin on PTH10. O 204-638-1345 for tours.

# **ETHELBERT**

# **ETHELBERT & DISTRICT MUSEUM**

- Housed in the Old Post Office (1899), the two-storey museum features artifacts from original settlers, a school room, nursery, sewing room, pioneer kitchen and bedroom. Annual Museum Day celebrations include old-time outdoor games and bread baking in an outdoor clay oven. © 204-742-8860, 204-742-3268 or 204-742-3726.

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The historic Canadian Northern Railway

# First Nations dancer at

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY — This annual national day of celebration highlights the unique heritage, cultures and contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis people in Canada. This date was chosen because it corresponds to the summer solstice, the longest day of the year, and because for generations, many Indigenous Peoples' groups have celebrated their culture and heritage at this time of year.



# **GILBERT PLAINS**

**GILBERT PLAINS BEEF RING BUILDING** 

represents the innovation of prairie pioneers in coping with their environment. Each week during the summer a member of the beef ring supplied a steer that was kept overnight and processed the next day. Each member's portion was placed in his sugar sack and hung on the row of nails along two walls. The beef ring operated from 1923 until 1951 when rural electrification made it unnecessary. O From PTH5, take PR274 south to Road 129W and go east on the Russell Trail. O 204-548-2326 to arrange a tour.



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# GILBERT PLAINS MUSEUM AND TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE houses

a variety of local artifacts from early settlers to the area, including the community's first hand-pulled fire wagon, the original horse-pulled fire wagon and the first motorized fire truck. Open daily, July to September. O Corner of PTH5 and Main Street. O 204-548-2382.

**THE VAULT** — Located in Eldon Cemetery in the Municipality of Gilbert Plains is a small cement building known as the mausoleum or the vault. Although the cemetery was established in 1895, and the 1921 municipal council called for tenders to build a vault, it was not constructed until 1923 and has only been used on a few occasions.

# WASYL NEGRYCH PIONEER

HOMESTEAD — At this national historic site, one of the most impressive folk sites in North America, you'll find the oldest and most complete set of farm buildings on the continent built in the Ukrainian style of the Carpathian Mountain region. ● 17 km north of Gilbert Plains on PR274. Follow the signs 3.2 km east. ● 204-548-2519 or 204-548-2326.

# GARLAND

UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST — Completed in 1964, the new church building replaced one originally constructed in 1911. The building and its facade and domes are classic examples of the architectural traditions of eastern Europe.

UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST was constructed in 1932. The church celebrates its Feast Day each July with the congregation of the Ukrainian Catholic Church located nearby.

**GARLAND UNITED CHURCH** — Originally called St. John's Ruthenian Presbyterian Church, it was built in 1916 by the Presbyterian Church of Canada who, at that time, had undertaken to convert Ukrainian pioneers to the Presbyterian faith. The church's congregation became part of the new United Church of Canada in 1925.

# GRANDVIEW

### **BURROWS LUMBER CO. STEAM HAULER**

is a two-thirds replica of the hauler used by the company from 1902-1918. C Entrance to Grandview by the Park-View Motel.

Built in 1909, **TAMARISK SCHOOL** is an example of a Design No. 2 school built according to plans prepared by the Department of Education. The school closed in 1967. **O** 8 km south of Grandview on PR366 to the Russell Trail, then 1.6 km east.

**TAMARISK UNITED CHURCH** is an outstanding example of a rural wood frame church. Local residents have meticulously maintained the building and its furnishings, and the interior remains almost completely original stained wood boarding. The church is open to visitors all year, during daylight hours. Orravel 8 km south of Grandview on PR366 to the Russell Trail, then head east for 3.2 km.

# WATSON CROSSLEY COMMUNITY

MUSEUM has a large collection from the early history of the community, including displays of antique automobiles and farm machinery, a pioneer home, rural school house, early settlers log house, old Ukrainian Orthodox Church, restored 1918 Rumley tractor, and refurbished 1927 Ottawa School House. Open mid-June to Labour Day long weekend. Admission charged. ● Take Railway Ave. N. to Wilson Centennial Park. ● 204-546-2040, 204-546-2667 or 204-546-2661.

# HOROD

Built in 1906 and now a provincial heritage site, **HOROD SCHOOL** still has its original teacherage and privies. Since its restoration, Horod School is now a museum. Horod is an ancient term for a stockade or fort. **O** From PTH45 at Elphinstone, take PR354 north for 14.4 km.

# INGLIS

ASESSIPPI TOWN SITE D — The remnants of the abandoned town can be found along the shores of the Shell River just west of PTH83 near Inglis. The community sprang up in anticipation of the coming rail line, but then disappeared soon after the railway was diverted elsewhere.

**INGLIS GRAIN ELEVATORS NATIONAL** 

HISTORIC SITE — In the 1930s there were over 6,000 grain elevators in western Canada; now there are fewer than 850. At Inglis, the last remaining row of five standard plan grain elevators has been restored. The site features guided tours, interpretive centre, and an arts and crafts gift shop. July to September and by appointment. Admission charged. ● 204-564-2243.

# ST. ELIJAH ROMANIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH AND ROMANIAN FOLK HOUSE

— Near Inglis can be found the only church of its kind in North America, together with a traditional Romanian home. The church was built in 1908 and is a replica of Romanian Orthodox churches in Bukovyna, with a simple rectangular shape with a rounded end, interior sculptured rafters, processional crosses and icons. The house, built in 1906, is typically Romanian in construction, with the characteristic deep-sloping roof on all four sides with rounded, shingled corners. O From Inglis, travel 4.8 km north on PR592 and 1.2 km west. O 204-564-2228.

# MAFEKING

# **ST. MARGARET'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**

— Constructed by volunteers between April and May 1940, St. Margaret's was served by missionaries known as "Bishop's Messengers" for 39 years. Then, Rev. Squires was followed by Rev. Lamb, until the service of deconsecration in 2003 marked the church's closing. A complete history is housed in this municipally-designated heritage building. I Just west of PTH10 at the south end of town. RM of Mountain office, 204-236-4222.

# McCREARY

HERITAGE COMPLEX — The former CN rail station-with period-furnished kitchen, waiting room and office—houses the 234 specimens of the Baker Butterfly Collection, the McCreary Point and the Norgate Story. From the office one can look out along the active track, as agents did since the opening of the station in 1912. On this site sits the former one-room Canal School, furnished with a variety of desks, textbooks and items spanning the years. Included are the histories of the seventeen rural schools that once operated in the area. Open daily during July and August, or by appointment. © 204-835-2542 or 204-835-2582.

# **STS. PETER AND PAUL UKRAINIAN**

**CATHOLIC CHURCH** — Construction began on this church in 1919, but due to a failing agricultural economy was not completed until 1934. The church is still in use today. Also located in this area is the Holy Resurrection Ukrainian Orthodox Church, The church was built in 1904 from logs hauled by hand several miles to the site. The total cost of labour was \$25. • 19 km east of McCrearv on PTH50, then 11 km south and 1.6 km east. **C** 204-835-2341.

# SATTERTHWAITE LOG CABIN

 This pioneer log cabin was restored using hewn half-lap dovetail techniques to depict 1800s forest cover and building methods. There are pioneer gardens, memorial plaques, and a sheltered, grassed stopping area on site. ♀5 km south of McCreary on PTH5 (on Burrows Trail). **C** 204-835-2341

# MENZIE

RELIANCE

**STS. PETER AND PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH (1917)** — The first priest in the area, a French Oblate, ministered to local Aboriginal peoples during the 1850s. His successor provided spiritual guidance to the early settlers and the church was built. Now, it is used only for special occasions. Look for a small circular window in the facade. • From PTH45, take PR566 7.2 km north to PR470, 8 km east on PR470 and then 2 km north.

# **ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, DOLYNY**

(VALLEYS) — Built by local farmers with a background in carpentry, this is an exceptional example of the distinct tradition of a cross-shaped plan topped with a dome. It is one of the first churches where the dome opened into the church, creating a light-filled space symbolic of heaven. This church is a provincially-designated heritage site. O From Menzie, travel north on PR566 for 7.2 km to PR470, then continue east for 3.2 km, north for 0.8 km, then east for 0.4 km.

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St. Michael's Ukrainian Orthodox Church.

The ornate interior of St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church, Olha

# OLHA

# ST. JOHN CANTIUS ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH — Built in

1929 at a cost of \$6,000, this church possesses a fine tower crowned with a tall spire. Pointed arches cap the windows and doors. O Southeast of Olha off PR577.

### ST. MICHAEL'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, one of the

oldest churches in the area, was built in 1904. The original belfry, constructed in 1915, was later sold. Jacob Maydaniuk painted the interior icons in 1927. This building is a designated historic site. • 204-234-5236 for information and tours.

# **UKRAINIAN PIONEER**

**DWELLING** — When Ukrainian settlers first arrived in the area west of Riding Mountain in 1899, their first homes were small, tent-shaped pole structures with roofs of hay, known as buddas. Michael Swistun was born in one of these structures in 1900, and constructed two buddas near the original settlement trail. **O** Drive north on PR577 to Olha and follow the signs.

# PATTERSON LAKE

### UKRAINIAN SETTLEMENT MONUMENT at Patterson Lake

commemorates the 100th anniversary of Ukrainian settlement in Canada (1891-1991), and marks the site where, in 1899, 42 children and three adults succumbed to scarlet fever on their way to new homes and a better life in the Parkland region. ● 7.5 km north of Oakburn on PR577 (watch for "Historic Site – Mass Grave" sign). Turn left and travel approx. 1.2 km west.

### RIDING MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK

# EAST GATE REGISTRATION COMPLEX NATIONAL HISTORIC

**SITE OF CANADA** is an overhanging log structure built in 1933 and the only structure of its kind remaining in Canada. The drive through the park on PTH19 offers scenic vistas along the Manitoba escarpment. **O** PTH 19 west of McCreary. **PTH19 within the park is closed for summer 2022 due to unsafe conditions caused by heavy spring runoff.** 

See additional listings under "Wasagaming".

# ROBLIN

# HILLCREST SCHOOL NO. 1559 —

Prior to its move to Roblin on the back side of the St. Vlads College overlooking the old-time outdoor hockey rink (which is still intact with picturesque lighting), this 1911 one-room school operated until the 1960s.

# Three historic buildings are on the **KEYSTONE PIONEERS MUSEUM**

property: the unrestored Elaschuk House, a designated provincial heritage site, features a thatched roof and clay walls and contains pioneer artifacts: Dunlop Cabin, a pioneer log home; and Makaroff United Church, built in 1910. A school room, general store, World War I & II room, press room and café are staged in one large building. Antique machinery on display includes a 1915 Case steam engine, a restored Model T truck and a rare 1914-15 Minneapolis tractor. Annually on the second Sunday in July, enjoy bread from a clay oven, horse-drawn buggy rides, a threshing demonstration, fiddling and more. Open

May through early September. O 6.4 km east of Roblin on PTH5. O 204-937-2935. Group tours: 204-937-2979.

Built in 1908 as Knox United Church, the historic building is now the LIFE & ART CENTRE. ♥ 106-3rd Avenue N.W.

### The former **MERRIDALE SCHOOL NO.**

1480 building was converted into a community centre after it closed in 1967. Recent restoration of the building has been taken on by the younger generation of the community and much work has been completed. The centre now hosts an annual snowmobile derby in the winter and an all-terrain vehicle event in summer, known as the Merridale Mayhem Mud Bog. ● 4 km east of Roblin on PTH5 and 8 km north on PR584.

### ST. VLAD'S UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH, COLLEGE AND GROTTO —

Built in 1942, the college was the only Ukrainian Catholic minor seminary and boarding school in Canada, and the only Catholic high school in Manitoba outside of Winnipeg. The Grotto overlooking the entrance grounds to the original building was used as a stage for outdoor masses and is an iconic symbol of the site's history. The adjacent Holy Redeemer Ukrainian Catholic Church was constructed in 1961 to serve the community, and still does to this day.

### The walls of the first TUMMEL UNITED

CHURCH were erected on June 21, 1887 and the new church was built in 1906. Tummel Church is the oldest active church in the Municipality of Hillsburg – Roblin – Shell River.
● 9.6 km south of Roblin on PTH83; turn at the sign and go 4.8 km west.
● 204-937-4955 or 204-937-2718 for tours.

# ROSSBURN

A provincial heritage site, the present **ASSUMPTION OF THE VIRGIN MARY UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH** was built in 1928 with timber from nearby Riding Mountain, and restored in 1997. The first log church was built in 1905 on donated land which is now a cemetery. O North of Rossburn on PR264; follow the signs. Interior visits by appointment. O 204-859-2508 or 204-859-2240.

Built in 1922 with an opening class of 69 students, **MARCONI SCHOOL** was used until 1958 and restored in 1992. O From Rossburn, travel approximately 5 km north on PR264 to the junction of PR577, and east 17.6 km on PR577; watch for a sign indicating where to turn left, then proceed approx. 1.6 km north. O 204-859-2779.

ROSSBURN MUSEUM features a replica Ukrainian village with a model church and thatch-roofed homes and buildings. Display items include Ukrainian artifacts, agricultural tools, a printing press, a pioneer kitchen, a period hairdressing salon and a school room. O Cheddar Ave. O 204-859-2779 or 204-859-3334.

# The original STS. PETER AND PAUL

**UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH** was built in 1901, but disagreements within the parish led to the construction of a second nearby church in 1904. It remained in use until 1959. Since its restoration in 1978, it has opened annually on its Patron Saint's Day (July 12) for a public mass and family picnic. **O** From Rossburn, travel north on PR264, then east on PR577, then turn right on the first road past the Rossman Lake Golf Course.

# RUSSELL

# THE BETH NAYLOR HISTORIC

**CLOTHING COLLECTION** opens a window to the past and into the lives of the people who lived then. Miss Naylor began collecting clothing in the late 1930s, and her collection has since grown to some 600 pieces. Thirty of these date from the 1800s, all lovingly restored by Beth Naylor herself. Pieces of the collection are displayed at various locations in Russell and area. Cynthia at 204-773-6519 or Patti at 204-821-0456.

BOULTON MANOR — Major Charles Boulton,

founder of the town of Russell, brought troops to Batoche during the Northwest Rebellion of 1885. His former home is now a bed and breakfast. **Q** South end of Memorial Avenue.

# **RUSSELL & AREA HISTORIC DRIVING TOUR** takes visitors

through the Russell area to 15 historic sites. Enjoy the drive as you take a trip though the past. GPS locations are included for those who enjoy the challenge. Guide books, which include a map, are available at various Russell-area businesses, or at the Russell Tourism Visitor Centre. The self-guiding driving tour can also be downloaded in print and audio formats at **asessippiparklandtourism.com**. 204-773-2456.

# RUSSELL SELF-GUIDED WALKING

**TOUR** features some of the oldest homes, businesses and historic points of interest along Memorial Avenue. On Main Street, visitors will see historic buildings that housed the town's first businesses. Visitors will also see the beautiful scenery and learn about Russell's history and culture. Guide books are available at various Russell-area businesses and the Russell Tourism Visitor Centre. • 204-773-2456.

**THE SMELLIE BLOCK**, the former headquarters for the Smellie Family Creamery and Mercantile, and also the main store and distribution centre for a network of rural stores, is now an historic building on Russell's main thoroughfare. • 300 Main Street.

# **STE. ROSE DU LAC**

**THE GROTTO** is an authentic replica of the Notre Dame de Lourdes grotto in France and was constructed to commemorate the centennial of the appearance of the Virgin Mary to Ste. Bernadette in France in 1858. Construction delays resulted in the blessing of the site taking place a few years behind schedule, in 1961—the town church had burned down during construction and had to be

rebuilt. In total, 400 loads of stone were brought to the site, both by truck and horse-drawn wagon. • West side of PR276 as you enter Ste. Rose du Lac along PTH5.

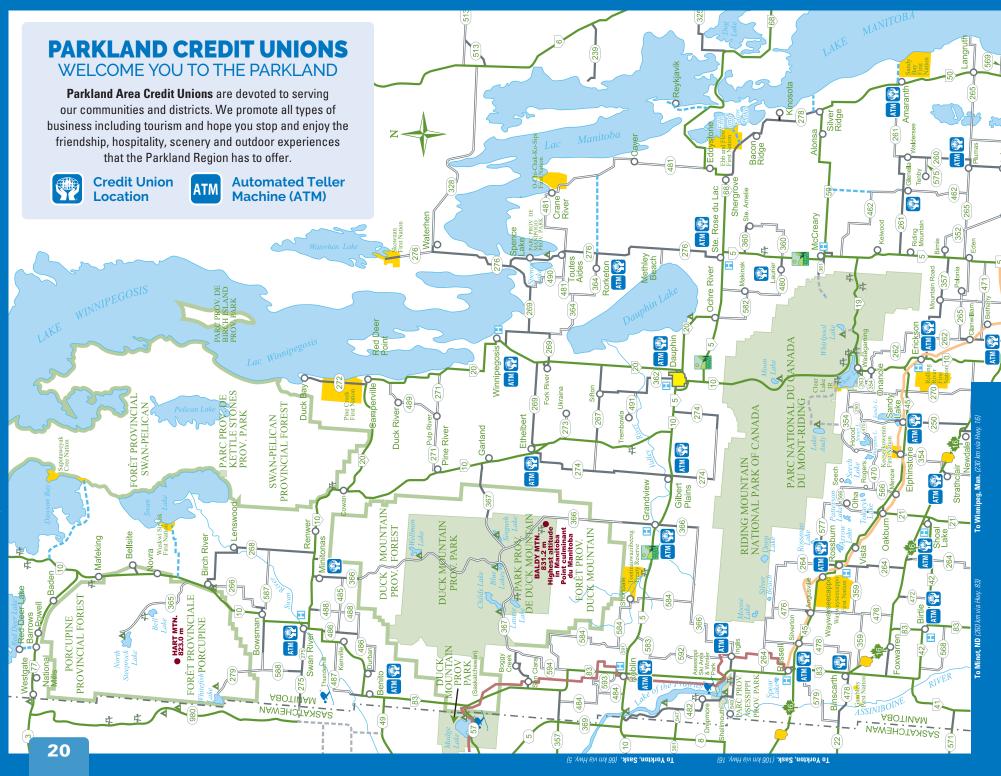
# SANDY LAKE

A classic example of the style of architecture transplanted to the region from Ukraine, **ST. MICHAEL'S UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH** stands adorned with majestic onion domes and stained-glass windows. Visitors to this unique church are always welcome. **1**16 - 1st Street W.

**ST. NICHOLAS UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC** 

**CHURCH** is the oldest Ukrainian Catholic parish in the area, with the first service held in 1902 in a private home. A log church was built in 1904 and was replaced by the current structure in 1933. The church features the prominent central dome and vivid interior iconography typical of all such churches in the area. If From Sandy Lake, travel 4.8 km east on PTH45, then 9.6 km south on Ozerna Road. 204-585-5243 for information or tours.

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# **PARKLAND TRIVIA**

- MAGNET HILL on Harlington Road, three kilometres west of the PR487 turnoff to the Thunder Hill Ski Area north of Benito, is Manitoba's first "Wonder." New signage marks the spot where, if you drive up and put your vehicle in neutral, you'll feel as though you are rolling uphill.
- The Swan Valley area lays claim to Manitoba's most northern 18-hole golf course, and most northern natural ski hill at THUNDER HILL SKI AREA.
- INGLIS GRAIN ELEVATORS NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE is the last remaining row of vintage 1920s standard-plan grain elevators in Canada.
- THE PARK THEATRE in Wasagaming is the only log cinema built in a Canadian national park, and is the largest all-log theatre in North America. Completed in 1937, it is still in use today as a cinema showing movies during the summer.
- WASAGAMING received its name as the result of a contest. The name has its origins in the Anishanaabe term, "washagama saageygun", meaning "clear water lake".
- Loch Ness has Nessie, and Lake Okanagan, British Columbia, has Ogopogo. And one Parkland lake lays claim to its own sea monster. Journey to the shores of Lake Manitoba and see if you can spot MANIPOGO.
- RAWHIDE AND JELLY ROLL were the names of the two pet beavers kept by Grey Owl (Archibald Belaney) and his wife, Anahereo, while they lived at Beaver Lake Lodge in Riding Mountain National Park in 1931. The cabin where they resided (appropriately called Grey Owl's Cabin) is a designated Federal Heritage Building and was restored in June 2019.
- Until the 1800s, **GRIZZLY BEARS** could be found in the Parkland Region.
- RIDING MOUNTAIN EAST GATE REGISTRATION COMPLEX NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE, built in 1930, is the only original national park gate left standing in Canada. It's located on PTH19.
- RIDING MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK was first declared a forest reserve in 1895.
- MAFEKING, on PTH10 at the northernmost reaches of the Parkland, is named for the city of Mafeking, South Africa. Construction of the railway to this community took place at the same time as the Second Boer War (1899) in South Africa. The nearby communities of BADEN and POWELL have similar connections to this battle, as Lt. Gen. Robert Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting, successfully defended the South African city during the Siege of Mafeking.
- SUGAR ISLAND, in Sagemace Bay on Lake Winnipegosis, has a nationally significant number of breeding Great Blue Herons as well as large numbers of Double Crested Cormorants. It is famous as a molting and staging area for diving ducks, especially Redheads and Canvasbacks.

# Trembowla Cross of Freedom

Swan Valley Historical

Museum, Swan River

Medd House Museum, Winnipegosis

# HOLY GHOST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC

CHURCH — Built in 1937, this classic

Byzantine church features icons painted by P. Lypynsky. On the church grounds is the belfry, each corner of which is adorned with an angel blowing a trumpet. • 204-585-2619 for information and tours.

### **PIONEER CEMETERY (NORTH)** is

believed to have been chosen by the Métis and French Canadians who settled in the area in the late 1800s. New iron markers have replaced many of the original wooden markers; rocks or original granite headstones mark some graves. The Russo-Greek Orthodox parish once had a small log chapel at the foot of the knoll on which the cemetery was built. ♥ North of Sandy Lake of PR250. Watch for sign. ♥ 204-585-2636.

# SYMOND'S "RAILS TO TRAILS"

**KIOSK** on the Trans Canada Trail, topped by a model of a steam engine, was completed in 2006 as a special project of the Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Association of Sandy Lake. The kiosk honours the railroaders of the Rossburn Subdivision of the CN Railroad and the area's pioneers. A pathway of personalized bricks acknowledges those who donated to the kiosk's construction. • Main Street.

### **UKRAINIAN CULTURAL HERITAGE**

MUSEUM features artifacts from the original Riding Mountain settlement of 1899, including beautifully handcrafted clothing. It also includes a display of traditional Ukrainian arts and crafts, with Easter eggs, wood carvings, traditional breads and more. A nearby replica log house is available for viewing, and outdoor clay ovens for bread baking operate during special events. Open during summer and by appointment. • 204-585-2652 or Helen, 204-585-2636.

# SEECH

# ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC

**CHURCH**, built in 1911 at a cost of \$1,500, is a rare Manitoba example of a Ukrainian church built from logs. It is designed on the cruciform plan with three domes (banyas), the larger dome dominating the centre of the structure and the smaller domes crowning two frontal towers. Other features are pointed stained glass windows, a large church patron icon and paintings of holy images. O From PTH45, take PR566 17.5 km north, then 3.2 km east and 2.8 km north.

Open air services were held at the site before **STS. PETER AND PAUL UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH** was constructed in 1938 by Michael Swistun and ten volunteers. Great care was taken with small details, and finely carved decorations are found throughout the church. A special service and dinner accompanies the Patron Saint's Day each year on July 12. • From PTH45, take PR566 north for 16 km.

# SIFTON

### The famous MARY MAXIM COMPANY,

known for its unique sweater designs, had its beginnings in Sifton around 1935 when a young CNR station master name Willard McPhedraine founded the company. By 1955 Mary Maxim had grown immensely and the business moved to Dauphin. In 1959, the company expanded once again and moved to Paris, Ontario, where it still operates today.

SPINNING WHEEL CAIRN honours Sifton pioneer families and recognizes Willard McPhedrain, founder of the Mary Maxim Company. • 2nd Avenue S.E.

# **SWAN RIVER**

HARLEY HOUSE — The oldest surviving house in the Swan Valley, originally belonging to Dominion land agent Hugh Harley (1848-1918), has been preserved in Swan River by the Swan Valley Historical Museum. The building, erected in 1900 of logs that are now concealed by stucco, is a municipally-designated historic site. ● 512 Second Street N.

### **SWAN VALLEY HISTORICAL MUSEUM**

(▷) complex includes a dozen historic display buildings along with the added rural touch of 15 acres of wheat and corn. Buildings include a blacksmith shop, a trapper's cabin, the original CN Railway station from Bowsman (built in 1896), and the original Benito telephone building. Artifacts include authentic clay bake ovens, and the *Princess*, which sailed with the Dawson Bay Fishing Fleet on Lake Winnipegosis. A 1/8 scale model railroad that is big enough to carry passengers completes your visit to the museum. Open May to September. ◎ 1.6 km north of Swan River on PTH10. ◎ 204-734-3585 or 204-281-0176.

# **TREMBOWLA**

# TREMBOWLA CROSS OF FREEDOM HISTORIC SITE AND ST. MICHAEL'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

— A stone cross marks the site of the first Ukrainian Catholic mass to be held in Canada (1897). A nearby collection of historic buildings—St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church (c.1898, the oldest remaining Ukrainian Catholic church in Canada), a pioneer home, and a school—house artifacts from early Ukrainian settlers. ● 27 km northwest of Dauphin on PR362 and PR491 (Trembowla Road). ● 204-638-9641 or 204-638-9047.

# WASAGAMING

**1929 RESTAURANT** building is an example of the rustic architectural style that shaped the

character of Wasagaming during its formative years. The restaurant was constructed in 1928-29 by its owners, O.J. Gusdal and Ernst Gusdal, employing Swedish craftsmen. The structure is sheathed in horizontal split-log siding, and the interior walls and hipped ceiling are covered in golden-hued, horizontal log siding. ♥ Wasagaming Drive.

PARK THEATRE was built in 1936-37 using saddle-notched logs to designs prepared by the National Parks' Architectural Division. It was the only log cinema built in a national park, if not in all of Canada. The theatre auditorium features exposed log beams and rafters with decorative wrought ironwork. • Wasagaming Drive.

View a large array of artifacts, pictures and stories of the early pioneers who were instrumental in the development of Riding Mountain National Park at **PINEWOOD MUSEUM**, operated by the Riding Mountain Historical Society. Open daily during July and August. **1**54 Wasagaming Drive, one block east of The Trading Post. **2**204-848-2810.

**RIDING MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK VISITOR CENTRE** is the place to find all the information you need to explore the park. The centre has be recently renovated with brand new interactive exhibits, historical stories of the area, and geothermal heating and cooling. Wheelchair accessible. Open daily from May long weekend to Thanksgiving. • 204-848-7275.

# WINNIPEGOSIS

# Built in 1905, THE CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY OR THE WINNIPEGOSIS FARM

**CHURCH** is historically significant not only as a pioneer church and cemetery but also as the first church in the area to be incorporated in the Ukrainian Catholic Churches of Winnipeg Archeparchy. This site includes the church, a bell tower, a large wooden cross, a cemetery with more than 156 graves, and a cairn erected in 1995. O In the RM of Mossey approximately 6.4 km southeast of Winnipegosis at the corner of PR105 W and PR178 N.

MEDD HOUSE MUSEUM, a 1900 grand old two-storey wood home, one of the last of its kind in Winnipegosis, was the family home of Dr. Medd and also served as the first hospital and surgery. Step back in time and view this fully furnished home complete with period furniture and a hospital exhibit. WINNIPEGOSIS MUSEUM (1897 CN Station) has been fully restored and houses collections of artifacts of the Métis, Cree and Salteaux, early Icelandic, Ukrainian, Mennonite and other settlers. Exhibits feature fishing, agriculture, stores, schools, churches and a glimpse into early pioneer lives. Both museums are open seasonally from May to September. Admission fee. © 204-656-4273.

### **ORIGINAL FORT DAUPHIN SITE CAIRN**

at Winipegosis marks the original site of Fort Dauphin, built in this vicinity in 1741 by explorer Pierre de la Verendrye, the eldest son of Pierre Gaultier De Varennes La Verendrye.

It looks like a basic one-room school, but **SOUTH BAY SCHOOL** is a reminder of the careful attention to design observed by the Department of Education. The simple rectangular plan, with a band of windows on the south side and continuous roof surface over the entry vestibule, helped reduce construction costs. The school now serves as the South Bay Community Centre. • 11.2 km north of Winnipegosis on PTH20. • 204-656-4468.

# UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION — Renowned designer Father Philip Ruh planned this church

in the style of the ornate Baroque churches of Kiev, Ukraine. The church, built in 1929 and now designated as a municipal heritage site, is one of the finest examples of what have come to be called "prairie cathedrals," with its towering dome and dramatic facade.



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> BIN 22 COFFEE CO. (RUSSELL), located in the historic and completely renovated Wright Block, specializes in the preparation and serving of high quality beverages and light snacks. ♀ 202 Main Street N. ♀ 204-773-4328. bin22coffee.com

# THE CHOCOLATE FOX

(WASAGAMING) — Clear Lake's original gelati shop offers premium Italian ice cream made on site from fresh ingredients. You'll also be tempted to try Mordens' of Winnipeg chocolates, classic fudge, flavoured popcorn, Turkish Delights and Thelma's Frozen Lemonade. Shop for products from Free People, prAna, NoMiNoU, Blundstone + Glerups, Red Wing Shoes, Birkenstock, Fjallraven, Pendleton, and Red Canoe—as well as signature Clear Lake and Old Campground clothing. ● 112 Wasagaming Drive. ● 204-848-7578. chocolatefox.ca

**CRAVE STYLE (ROBLIN)** offers fair trade ladies' fashion trends, organic skin and bath essentials, handmade arts and accessories and locally sourced products. Check out Crave Style's latest features and new items on Facebook. Ital Main Street. 204-937-8618. *crave-style.ca*  **CREATIVE SPIRIT (BARROWS)** — A unique gift store with wild herbal teas (Labrador, mint, hyssop), salves, balms, twig wreaths, birch bark bitings and other wild crafts by local Aboriginal artisans. Stay in year-round guest houses or an authentic Aboriginal teepee. Enjoy workshops for making wreaths, tapping birch, gathering fiddleheads, harvesting teas and more. DVDs available. © 204-545-6215. *wildernessspirit.ca* 

EMPTY BOBBIN (SWAN RIVER) — Browse an inspirational collection of fine fabrics; sewing; quilting; country chic; all in one decor paint and IOD designs. Enjoy classes and workshops. Experience friendly, helpful service at this unique addition to the Swan River shopping scene. ● 126 - 6th Avenue N. ● 204-614-0262. *theemptybobbin.ca* 

**THE FOXTAIL CAFÉ (ONANOLE)** — The crew excel at making fabulous pizzas in the café's wood-fired pizza oven. Also try panini sandwiches on homemade focaccia bread, homemade soup and intriguing salads. **O** PTH10 at Victor Avenue. **S** 204-848-2195.

### **GONE SCRAPPIN' IN BLOOM (ROSSBURN)**

— Enjoy the ambiance of an original 1940s brick store with all-wood interior. Sip a cup of espresso, discover a selection of unique products, fresh flowers, plants, scrapbooking supplies, gifts, Manitoba chocolates, art and more. Visit the café portion for specialty coffees and teas, desserts and ice cream. Lunch menu returning soon. • 20 Victoria Avenue E. • 204-859-3334. *gonescrappin.ca* 

### LAKEHOUSE BOUTIQUE HOTEL AND ICE CREAM SHOP (WASAGAMING) is a

transformed 1930s-era Wasagaming motel that is now a boutique hotel with the appeal of rustic timber framing and 16 beautifully decorated and furnished suites. The Ice Cream Shop features the signature customized Ice Cream Sandwich and some flavours of Cornell Creme, a Manitoba-made ice cream. Enjoy sandwiches, soups, and other delicious lunch temptations. ● 128 Wasagaming Drive. ● 204-848-7366. staylakehouse.ca

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& GIFTWARE (ROBLIN) offers a wide variety of endearing handmade designs on quality greeting cards, rustic wood signs and decors items, art prints, stationery bags, baby growth charts that are each a unique work of artwork. To see photos and place custom orders, visit the store's website or stop by the store. O 213 - 2nd Avenue N.W. O 204-937-2227. nettiesexpressions.com

### **POOR MICHAEL'S EMPORIUM**

(ONANOLE) is no ordinary bookshop. It offers a fine selection of quality used books, from first editions to vintage magazines, local histories, art, literature, kids and summer reading. Also featured is an eclectic mix of Manitoba artwork and global treasures, with an emphasis on handmade, one-of-a-kind items. The cafe offers coffee and delicious homemade light lunches and desserts made using local and organic ingredients when possible. Enjoy the unique patio for relaxing or listening to evening music concerts. Open early May to mid-October. poormichaels.ca

SOLSTICE SPA (ONANOLE) is where time stands still. The Elkhorn Resort's full-service spa offers a mineral pool, physiotherapy treatments, massage and aromatherapy, wellness soaks, facials, hand and foot care, body scrubs or mud wraps with vichy shower, Reiki and raindrop therapies and guided energy sessions. Enjoy a healthy and refreshing spa lunch. S 204-848-8739. elkhornresort.mb.ca

# **TINHOUSE DESIGNS AND COFFEE**

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# VINT'S SANDCASTLE COTTAGE

(SANDY LAKE) is a vintage small-town general store that runs at an old-fashioned pace. Don't be in a hurry at this store. Come and enjoy the pace. O 128 Main Street.

# WASAGAMING COMMUNITY ARTS

(WCA) (WASAGAMING) is dedicated to promoting Manitoban and other Canadian artists and artisans. During the summer season, WCA hosts exhibitions and a Gallery Boutique. Art education is a focus of the gallery, with

courses offered for childrean and adults. Open June to September. O 110 Wasagaming Drive. C 204-848-2993.

to spend at least a full day touring the various shops and cafés located in Wasagaming, at picturesque Clear Lake, all in a Victorian resort setting. These shops are literally bursting with unique clothing and gift ideas. Most stores are open extended hours during the summer months. • Wasagaming Chamber of Commerce. 204-848-2742. discoverclearlake.com

# FARMERS' MARKETS

Many Parkland communities hold weekly farmers' markets during the summer and early autumn. Check parklandtourism.com for updates.

Become a "locavore" and discover the artisan gifts and farm fresh produce that are waiting to be purchased right in our own backyard. "AT THE FARM GATE" MARKETS are held each spring and fall at Onanole. *friendsofridingmountain.ca* 

# **ART + ARTISANS**

**AUTHENTIC IRON (OCHRE RIVER)** offers custom-made, hand-forged iron furnishings. 🕓 204-447-3116.

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# HIT THE TRAIL

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What adventures are waiting to be found along the trails of the Parkland? You can walk, hike, ride, cycle, cross-country ski, snowshoe or even go horseback riding along these routes. You're sure to be inspired by the vast panoramas that only a trek across the prairies can provide.

# HIKING + WALKING

The **ROSSBURN SUBDIVISION TRAIL** a portion of the **TRANS CANADA TRAIL** 

consisting of an abandoned CN branch line begins in Neepawa and continues to Russell, passing through the communities along PTH45. The trail is ideal for hiking, walking, horseback riding, cycling, and cross-country skiing. Most of the 176 kms are groomed for snowmobiling in winter. **SYMONDS "RAILS TO TRAILS" KIOSK** in Sandy Lake features maps and pictorial histories of the Rossburn Subdivision of the CNR and the village. See the map on page 20 for the trail route. *rossburnsubdivisiontrail.ca* and *railsmanitoba.ca* 

The 19.8 km long **ELK LINK TRAIL**, combined with the **ONANOLE TRAIL**, provides a link from Riding Mountain National Park (at Wasagaming) to the Trans Canada Trail. It is composed of some paved—but quiet—roads, some municipal gravel roads, and newly constructed pathways through natural areas. There is one challenging hill on the Elk Link (at Lee's Lookout), otherwise, travel is easy to moderate. *rossburnsubdivisiontrail.ca* 

MOOSE TRAIL wanders through 3 km of forest, meadows and plains, meaning wildlife sightings are plentiful. Suited to walking and mountain biking in summer, the trail is also groomed for cross-country skiing each winter. There's a warm-up shack at the halfway point.
 Off PR264 north of Angusville.

Another stretch of the Trans Canada Trail, the **CROCUS TRAIL** leads you through the historic grain elevators at Inglis, past Asessippi Ski Area & Resort, up to Roblin, and finally through Duck Mountain Provincial Forest to the Saskatchewan border at Madge Lake. This trail offers many scenic vistas through forests, valleys and along cultivated areas. A Trans Canada Trail pavilion is located at the junction of PTH5 and PTH83 in Roblin. For more information and for an update on the few portions of the trail not yet signed, call 204-937-6273.

# CYCLING

Hundreds of kilometres of trails of varying difficulty and length provide just the right level of challenge for cyclists of all abilities. Extensive trail networks exist in the parks, particularly in Riding Mountain National Park, which features more than 400 km of hiking, biking and horseback trails, and where bike rentals are available in Wasagaming. Trail maps are available at the Visitor Centre at Riding Mountain National Park.

FOUR VALLEY TOUR is a scenic highway route of approximately 100 km around Lake of the Prairies that takes cyclists through four beautiful valleys. From Roblin, travel 15.2 km west on PTH10 to PR482, which will take you south along the lake for approximately 40 km before turning east for 8 km. Then travel north on PTH83 back to Roblin. Several campgrounds around the lake allow cyclists to break the tour up into two or more days.

**NORTHGATE DAUPHIN** is a 26-km system of stacked loop, multi-use trails featuring sections for mountain bikers, hiking, trail running, and areas to gather and take in the scenery of Riding Mountain National Park's beautiful north escarpment. The main trailhead area is situated on the border of the national park, only seven minutes south of Dauphin on PTH10. Here, at the NORTHGATE TRAILHEAD, visitors will find the CO-OP **COMMUNITY FAMILY TRAIL** section a great place to hike, bike, and play, which also connects to trails of varying and increasing difficulty within the system. Running alongside a portion of the 3-km limestone path is a winding, roving pump track for children and adults alike to hone their skills on typical

single-track features. Visitors are asked to check the Northgate Trails website for updates on accessibility. The trailhead area features five all-season micro cabins. washrooms, picnic and cooking spaces, and natural play areas. The trailhead area and connecting trails eventually meander into the Selo Ukraina Heritage Site, which hosts both Dauphin's Countryfest and Canada's National Ukrainian Festival, Along with heritage and festival sites, the trail system winds its way through the UNESCO RIDING MOUNTAIN **BIOSPHERE RESERVE**, giving trail users an ever-changing physical experience, with endless flora and fauna, winding streams, and beautiful shale rock formations.

All users are asked to adhere to safety and instructional signage to ensure a quality and sustained trail experience. Visit the Northgate website for updates on trailhead construction, trail conditions, events, and more about planning your stay. **northgatetrails.com** 

DEAD OX TRAILBLAZERS (based in

McCreary) was created to encourage healthy outdoor activity and learning in all seasons. Programs for all ages include hiking, mountain biking, and paddling in spring, summer and fall, and cross-country ski lessons and snowshoeing in winter (including ski and snowshoe rentals). *deadoxtrailblazers.com* 

# HORSEBACK RIDING

**BACK COUNTRY EXPERIENCES** 

(GRANDVIEW) offers trips into Riding Mountain National Park and the backcountry, covered wagons, and sleigh rides. © 204-546-2126.

**WILD ROSE EQUESTRIAN CENTRE** (**GRANDVIEW**) offers horseback riding lessons, trail rides, kids camps, and horse training. © 204-647-5163.

**PARKLAND RANCH (INGLIS)** is a professional horse training ranch and guest ranch offering riding vacations, trail rides, cattle drives, fishing and canoeing. **Q** 204-564-2285.

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**WAGONS WEST (ROBLIN)** offers trail rides, riding camps for kids and families, and training for two one-week periods each year. 204-937-4276.

9 FINGER RANCH (ROSSBURN) offers guided trips into Riding Mountain National Park and at the ranch. Hourly rides to overnight stays in RMNP. Accommodations available (HI Rossburn). ● 204-859-2497. *9fingerranch.com* 

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# FISHING + BOATING

# **BOGGY CREEK**

**PERSSE LAKE** is one of the three lakes that make up the **TROUT TRIANGLE**. This trophy trout lake offers anglers large brown trout, brook trout and perch. There are picnic tables on-site and an outhouse. **O** Off of Tees Lake Road just outside Duck Mountain Provincial Park; 41.5 km north of Roblin off of PTH83.

The newest addition to Parkland's trout fisheries, **TEES LAKE** is one of the three lakes that make up the **TROUT TRIANGLE**. This lake offers trophy brown trout, rainbow trout, and a limited stocking of an albino rainbow trout strain that is known to be very fast in the water. There is an outhouse on site with a grey water dump and the makings of a future campground. **②** On Tees Lake Road adjacent to Persse Lake; 41.5 km north of Roblin off of PTH83.

TWIN LAKES is Manitoba's most productive trophy tiger trout waters, making it a provincial icon and a highly sought destination for both national and international anglers. Part of the **TROUT TRIANGLE**, Twin Lakes offers Manitoba's largest and most aggressive exotic brook and brown trout hybrid known as the tiger trout (catch and release only). There are picnic tables and an outhouse on site. **Q** 41.5 km north of Roblin off PTH83.

# DAUPHIN

RAINBOW BEACH PROVINCIAL PARK Content of the southwestern shore of the DAUPHIN LAKE is the perfect spot for an afternoon getaway or a weekend away from it all. The park offers swimming and recreation for the kids, and quiet nights by the lake for parents. Facilities include a beach, campground, nearby golf at **DAUPHIN LAKE GOLF RESORT**, scenic walks along the shore, playground, picnic areas, ball diamonds, horseshoe pits, hiking trails, concession and modern showers and washrooms. O North of Ochre River of PTH20, or 4 km east of Dauphin on PTH20.

Also on Dauphin Lake is **STONEY POINT BEACH**, located 11 km east of Dauphin on PTH20, then 13 km north. Facilities include a beach, playground, fishing, volleyball court, baseball diamond, horseshoe pits, large dining shelter and camping facilities.

Situated on the northwest shore of the lake is **SIFTON BEACH**, with picnic area, barbecue pits, campsites and a boat launch. The beach is located 4.8 km east of the junction of PTH10 and PR267.

On the southeast shore of Dauphin Lake is **METHLEY BEACH**, which offers swimming and fishing. Facilities include a beach, campground, picnic shelter, boat launch and pedal boats. • 16 km north and 4.8 km west of Ste. Rose du Lac on PTH276.

DAUPHIN LAKE has developed a walleye fishery to rival Lake of the Prairies. If fewer walleye are caught here, it's not by many, and the walleye coming out of Dauphin Lake are reportedly bigger than their cousins to the west. Fish weighing 1.4-1.8 kg or more are the norm for this lake. This is a very shallow lake, so take care when boating.

# DUCK MOUNTAIN PROV. PARK

Fishing licences and vehicle permits are available at the Park offices at Childs Lake, Blue Lakes and Wellman Lake.

WEST WATJASK LAKE offers anglers a rare opportunity to catch Musky. • At kilometre 9 on the Watjask LP logging road (same road to Little McBride lake which doesn't have fish) off of PTH83.

**EAST BLUE LAKE D** is the clearest of all

Duck Mountain Provincial Park's spring-fed lakes. On a clear day, you can see the bottom of the lake down to 18.25 metres. Enjoy swimming or boating, or make use of the Duck Mountain trail system for hiking. East Blue Lake and Childs Lake are among Manitoba's finer scuba diving lakes. Facilities include an capsites with electricity, cabin rentals, convenience store, bait and tackle, and gas. Open seven days a week from mid-May to mid-October.

Trophy rainbows, splake, and the odd lake trout are waiting to be pulled from East Blue Lake. **WEST BLUE LAKE** (electric motors only) features good walleye fishing. **O** Junction of PR366 and PR367.

Open year-round, **CHILDS LAKE** (D) is accessible by road and offers fishing for lake trout, northern pike, splake and walleye. Most services are available at the lake, including boat and canoe rentals, gas, guide services, fish processing, tackle, and bait.

Fly-fishers are recording good catches of rainbow trout from **GLAD LAKE**. The lake accommodates camping, and has a washroom and a boat launch. Anglers are offered a great opportunity to catch pike and rainbow trout, and this is one of the few lakes in the Parkland which offers arctic char. • East side of PR366 as you travel through the park.

SHILLIDAY LAKE is the exclusive domain of fly-fishers, who fish here for rainbow trout. Electric motors only. ○ 2 km west of East Blue Lake.

WELLMAN LAKE features campsites with electricity, an RV park, overnight accommodations, and swimming, boating and fishing on the lake. O North end of Duck Mountain Provincial Park on PR366.

# GRANDVIEW

<sup>a</sup>arks Canada (Scott Munn); Inset: Parks Canada

The Grandview Game and Fish Association has converted the **GRANDVIEW RESERVOIR**, located in the northwest corner of town, into a stocked fish pond. It is open to the public from the end of May until the end of September. Species stocked are rainbow and brown trout. Manitoba fishing regulations apply. • 204-648-3134 or 204-648-7642.

# LAKE OF THE PRAIRIES

Manmade LAKE OF THE PRAIRIES, the result of the construction of the Shellmouth Dam, fills a 67-km stretch of the Assiniboine River Valley. Campsites with electricity, fishing and houseboat rentals are available. You can also trek along the self-guiding **ANCIENT VALLEY TRAIL** or enjoy the designated swimming area. The Trans Canada Trail follows the valley.

Lake of the Prairies is one of the premier walleye sport fisheries in North America. The annual catch of walleye from this lake has been as much as five times the provincial average. You can also expect good perch and pike fishing. Tackle and bait shops are plentiful. Ice fishing is popular here during the winter months. • 20 km north of Russell on PTH83, or 10 km west of Roblin on PTH5.

# OAKBURN

PATTERSON LAKE is an excellent destination for float tubers. Record brown and rainbow trout in the 75-cm range have provided trophy action for anglers. • 8 km north of Oakburn on PR577.

At nearby **TOKARYK LAKE**, expect to land brown trout and some big rainbows. **O** 6.4 km north of Oakburn on PR577, then 1.6 km east and 1.6 km north.

# OLHA

Located south of Riding Mountain National Park, **SEECH LAKE**, along with nearby Stuart

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# BOATING OR PADDLING

Help keep Riding Mountain National Park's lakes and waterways free of aquatic invasive species (AIS) by getting your free mandatory AIS inspection. All watercraft including motorboats, canoes, kayaks, paddleboards, and inflatables must be inspected before entering RMNP waters. Learn more at parkscanada.gc.ca (click on "Boating and paddling"). and Wargatie Lakes, are great pickerel and jack lakes—great for family fishing. Seech Lake has a beach. Nearby **WASAMIN CREEK** is known for its brook trout.

### **PORCUPINE PROV. FOREST**

A 2-km hike east of North Steeprock Lake in the Porcupine Forest, **VINI LAKE** may reward the patient fly-fisher with a nice catch of spar and rainbow trout. Nearby **GASS LAKE** may yield a catch of spar and brook trout.

# **RIDING MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK**

Visit **CLEAR LAKE** in Riding Mountain National Park. Bring your own boat, kayak, canoe, or paddle board and explore this national park by water. To rent equipment, visit the Clear Lake Marina or go to nearby Onanole. *Help keep Riding Mountain National Park's lakes clean by getting your mandatory aquatic invasive species inspection.* 204-848-7275. *parkscanada.gc.ca/riding* 

# ROBLIN

**EAST GOOSE LAKE** was one of the first aerated trout lakes in the region and has historical significance in the creation of the first-ever CANADIAN NATIONAL FLY-**FISHING CHAMPIONSHIP**. Located right in the town of Roblin, this lake features very large brown trout, rainbow trout, perch and walleye. It is not uncommon to catch a 75-cm fish at this lake. In addition to the all-female rainbows stocked province-wide by Manitoba Fisheries, this lake holds both the female and male sexes of a unique strain of rainbows found only in Roblin, coined Markosky Trout. This lake has multiple docks, picnic tables, a boat launch, and is serviced by a campground with a shower and washroom facility. • East side of PTH83 in Roblin.

Lost in the shadows of East Goose Lake's reputation, **WEST GOOSE LAKE** has been largely kept off the radar of the angling masses, which has resulted in exceptional growth conditions for the resident trout populations. Rainbows and browns in this lake seem to be much bigger and more aggressive at smashing shorelines and devouring whatever tackle is placed in front of them. It is not uncommon to catch multiple Master Angler-size trout in one outing. Species in this lake are brown trout, rainbow trout, Markosky trout, perch and smallmouth bass. This lake has multiple docks, picnic tables, a boat launch and an outhouse. • West side of PTH83 in Roblin.

# SANDY LAKE

Species stocked at **CORSTORPHINE LAKE** are brown and rainbow trout. Facilities include a dock and outhouse. **O** 11 km north and 1.6 km west of Sandy Lake on PR250.

Camping and accommodations are available at **SANDY LAKE**, known for its excellent fishing for perch, northern pike, and pickerel. **O** PTH45 ten minutes west of PTH10.

# WATERHEN

**MANIPOGO BEACH** is the perfect spot from which to explore and enjoy the northern portion of vast **LAKE MANITOBA**. Short hiking trails, kilometres of beaches, and children's playgrounds are just some of the attractions to be found here. Choose a camping spot away from it all, or a site overlooking the lake. **O** 61 km north of Ste. Rose du Lac on PR276.

# WINNIPEGOSIS

Surrounded by wilderness, LAKE WINNIPEGOSIS C: is popular for lake trout, northern pike, perch and walleye sport fishing. More than 80% of local commercial fishing is northern pike and mullet. From November until May, the lake is frozen, providing a long ice fishing season. Hunters come to the surrounding wilderness for deer, elk, moose, bears and geese. For those who love the great outdoors, there are numerous hiking trails on the lake shores.

# ANGLING

Whether your quest is to become a Master Angler or to dangle a line during a sunny summer afternoon of family fishing, the Parkland offers deep, clear lakes, fast-flowing streams, and trophy fish in any of a half-dozen or more species. Deep down in cool, spring-fed lakes dwell prize-winning walleye. Monster northern pike lurk in shallow weed beds. The patient fly-fisher is often rewarded with a brown or rainbow trout measuring up to 75 cm or more.

Anglers will be interested to know that provincial record-size brown trout, rainbow trout, and tiger trout have all been caught in the Parkland. Parkland waters can also yield a good catch of brook trout, Arctic char, carp, burbot, smallmouth bass, splake, northern pike, perch and muskellunge, and some of the best walleye fishing in the world can be found here.

Consult the *Manitoba Angler's Guide* for provincial fishing regulations and licensing information at *gov.mb.ca/fish-wildlife* 

For Master Angler information, visit *anglers.travelmanitoba.com* 

Patterson Lake

Enviro Foto

# **FLY FISHING**

Parkland is well-known globally by fly-fishers as a highly productive region of Canada that consistently produces an abundance of large trout. Having such a diversity of notablysized trophy trout species that can be caught back-to-back all day long from dawn to dusk made Parkland's trout fisheries the Canadian National Fly-Fishing Championship's choice location for their inaugural event held in 2003, The location was chosen again for the 8th and 15th National Championships in 2010 and 2017 respectively.

Although any lake or river can be fly-fished, below are Parkland trout waters most frequented by fly-fishers:

- Anton's Lake northwest of Minnedosa at the junction of PTH10 and 16.
- Corstorphine Lake northwest of Sandy Lake and Lake 400 south of Sandy Lake.
- Patterson and Tokaryk Lakes north of Oakburn.

- West Goose Lake & East Goose Lake in Roblin.
- Twin, Persse and Tees Lakes north of Roblin.
- West Blue, Two Mile, Glad, Laurie, Perch and Shilliday Lakes in Duck Mountain **Provincial Park.**
- Vini, Nick and Gass Lakes in Porcupine **Provincial Forest.**

Detailed lake maps, driving directions, available species and other angling information on Parkland Lakes can be found at swanvalleysportfishing.com.

Known as the Fly-Fishing Capital of Manitoba, Roblin hosts Manitoba's premier still-water fly-fishing competition called the **BUG** CHUCKER CUP. Held annually at the end of

May, this two-day, camaraderie-style event is open to all skill levels seeking a variety of trout species on four of Manitoba's best trophy trout lakes. *bugchuckercup.com* 

# Welcome · Bienvenue Ste. Rose du Lac Cattle Capital of Manitoba

Ste. Rose du Lac is the official "Cattle Capital of Manitoba" and only 30 minutes from Riding Mountain National Park. If you eniov fishing, you'll find some of the best within an hour's drive. Methley Beach Campground (located 16 km north and 5 km west on Lake Dauphin). Manipogo Provincial Recreation Park (45 km north) and Rainbow Beach Provincial Recreation Park (27 km west on Lake Dauphin) all offer services for campers.

Be sure to visit The Grotto, an authentic replica of the famous Grotto in Lourdes, France. The grotto is located on the west side of Hwy. 276 as you enter town from Hwy. 5.

# PARC MOLGAT PARK

Tourist Booth, Campgrounds, Showers, Washrooms 20 campground sites: 14 sites (30 amp service), 2 sites (50 amp service), 4 tenting sites

MAY

JUNE

JULY

Facilities

AUGUST

facilities

Bike Rodeo

Farmers Market

Horsemen Track

• 2 Soccer and Baseball Burnside Park

• 27 Mega-Ball Tournament-Burnside Park

• 28 Community wide yard sale & market

Soccer and Baseball Burnside Park

Adult slow-pitch and Beach Volleyball

• July 4 Recreation Kids camp, Recreation

• July 1 Canada Day celebrations - Laurier

• July 16 & 17 - Parkland Horsemen

Recreation Kids Camp, Recreation

Slow-pitch tournament, Burnside Park

Splash Pad and Skate Park open

• June 17 Fathers Day brunch

• 14 Mothers Day Brunch, Hall

garden - Ste. Rose Arena

# **JOIN US IN 2022**

### JANUARY

- Cardio fitness classes, Ste Rose Hall
- Jan 16 Youth Recreation Hockey,
- Arena
- Jan 27 Valentine's craft • Figure skating and Minor Hockey Arena

# **FEBRUARY**

- 8-9 Hockey Tournament, Arena
- 10 Yoga classes at curling rink lounge
- 17 Louis Riel/Family Day event, Hall

### MARCH

- 9 Hockey Tournament, Arena • 15-16 Mixed Bonspiel, curling rink
- Kinsmen Bud and Spud. Hall
- Creative compound #2, Paint night,
- curling rink lobby • "Art Hives" Program

### APRIL

- 6-7 Standard First Aid CPR-C course
- Fitness & Yoga classes
- Baby sitting course
- Creative compound #3
- Minor Soccer and Baseball sign-up

# **Coming to the Parkland?** CALL US TO RECEIVE IMPORTANT EVENTS INFORMATION.

EVENTS INFORMATION Phone: 204-447-2154 MUNICIPALITY OF STE. ROSE Phone: 204-447-2229 Fax: 204-447-2875 Email: sterose@sterose.ca / www.sterose.ca

### SEPTEMBER

- Farmers Market
- Babysitting course
- "Art Hives" outreach program at library Creative Compound #4

### **OCTOBER**

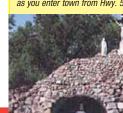
- 7-9 Hoof 'n' Holler Days
- Spooky Halloween Event, Recreation Facilities
- Minor Hockey, Arena
- Creative Compounds #5
- Youth Rec Hockey

### **NOVEMBER**

- Minor Hockey, Arena
- - Babysitting course
  - Hunter Safety courses
  - DECEMBER
  - 2 Winter Craft Sale Santa Skate

  - Creative Compound #6, Christmas





# SANDY BEACHES

Pack a picnic lunch and make a day of it! Facilities vary.

- Asessippi Beach (near Inglis)
- Bell Lake (PPF)
- Blue Lake (DMPP) 🕑
- Centennial Beach
- Childs Lake Main Beach (DMPP) 🕑
- Clear Lake Main Beach (RMNP)
- Dauphin Beach (Dauphin Lake)
- Manipogo Beach
- Margaret Bruce Beach
- Methley Beach
- North Steeprock Lake (PPF)
- Ochre Beach (Dauphin Lake)
- Paradise Beach
- Rainbow Beach (Dauphin Lake) 🗈
- Rossman Lake
- Sandy Lake
- Seech Lake
- Sifton Beach (Dauphin Lake)

- Silver Beach (north of Angusville)
- Stoney Point Beach (Dauphin Lake)
- Wellman Lake (DMPP)
- Whitefish Lake (PPF)
- Winnipegosis Beach

# SWIMMING AREAS\*

- Aspen Picnic Area (RMNP)
- Deep Bay (RMNP)
- Frith Beach (RMNP)
- Lake Katherine (RMNP)
- Moon Lake (RMNP)

\* Swimming areas do not have beaches, but swimming is permitted at these locations.

# POOLS

Swimming pools are located in Binscarth, Birch River, Dauphin, Grandview, McCreary, Roblin, Russell, and Swan River. A splash park is located at Ste. Rose du Lac.

> PPF = Porcupine Provincial Forest RMNP = Riding Mountain National Park DMPP = Duck Mountain Provincial Park

# **CANOEING + KAYAKING**

Spring is the best time to enjoy fast waters on Parkland rivers, but canoeing and kayaking on the Parkland's many lakes can be enjoyed from thaw to freeze-up.

Canoe rentals are available at Clear Lake, Lake of the Prairies (Asessippi Ski Area & Resort), Blue Lake, and Childs Lake.

Some favourite waters for experienced canoeists are VALLEY RIVER, launching in Duck Mountain Provincial Park and continuing to Lake Dauphin; the ASSINIBOINE RIVER, with good starting points at the Saskatchewan border and Asessippi Provincial Park; the RED DEER RIVER starting at Erwood on PTH77 and ending at Red Deer Lake; the SWAN RIVER starting from Swan River or Lenswood; STEEP ROCK LAKES in the Porcupine Provincial Forest; and the TURTLE RIVER near Ste. Rose du Lac. Segments of the SHELL RIVER, ending in Lake of the Prairies, offer interesting canoeing.

Lakes to try include Laurie, Beautiful, and Shallow lakes in Duck Mountain Provincial Park, and Clear, Katherine and Bob Hill lakes in Riding Mountain National Park.

**CHAIN LAKES CANOEING AREA** in Duck Mountain Provincial Park offers calm paddling for the novice canoeist. The entry point is 8 km north of Blue Lakes on PR366. The route is 4.8 km each way with two portages of 40 metres and 200 metres, and two canoe campsites. Overnight campers must register at the Blue Lakes Campground office.

Also in Duck Mountain Provincial Park is the longer **BEAVER LAKE CANOEING AREA**, a route that clocks in at around 6.4 km each way. The entry point is at Prieston Lake located 2 km south of **WELLMAN LAKE** on PR366. The route covers six lakes of varying sizes, including **REEVES LAKE**, **CLUFF LAKE** and **BEAVER LAKE**. There are five portages, some of considerable length (up to 792 metres). A canoe campsite is located at the west end of **CLUFF LAKE**. Beaver Lake Road provides access to the endpoint for those who do not wish to complete a round trip.

A canoe or kayak trip up the lazy **MOSSEY RIVER** near Winnipegosis or a stroll along its scenic banks will almost guarantee an encounter with an array of bird species in a quiet, pristine setting. Common sightings are Bald eagles, Blue herons, osprey, and pelicans. It is just as common to see beavers, muskrats and deer.

Canoeists should always let someone know where they're going and how long they'll be gone. Always carry flotation devices (worn), and a map and compass for extended trips. Also, proper care should be taken when canoeing on frigid spring waters.

**PARKLAND PADDLING CLUB** is a great resource for those wishing to paddle the Parkland's lakes and rivers. *parklandpaddlingclub.ca* 

Manitoba's Parkland Explorer Guide

LOCATION + COURSE NAME	HOLES	GREENS	CONTACT
BINSCARTH Binscarth Golf Course	9	sand	204-532-2261
GILBERT PLAINS Gilbert Plains Country Club	18	grass	204-548-2118
McCREARY McCreary Golf & Country Club	9	grass	204-835-2711
ONANOLE Elkhorn Resort Golf Course	9	grass	204-848-2802
ONANOLE Lakewood Hills Golf & Country Club	18	grass	204-848-7445
ONANOLE Poplar Ridge Golf Course	18	grass	204-848-2382
LAKE OF THE PRAIRIES Prairie Lake Lodge Golf Course & Resort	18	grass	204-937-4653
OCHRE RIVER Dauphin Lake Golf Resort	18	grass	204-638-9400
RIDING MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK Clear Lake Golf Course	18	grass	204-848-4653
ROBLIN Roblin Golf & Country Club	9	grass	204-937-4774
ROSSBURN Rossman Lake Golf & Country Club	9	grass	1-877-859-5253*
RUSSELL Russell Golf Club	9	grass	204-773-2969
STE. ROSE DU LAC Ste. Rose Golf Club	9	grass	204-447-2111
SANDY LAKE Sandy Lake Golf & Country Club	9	grass	204-585-5227
SWAN RIVER Swan River Golf & Country Club	18	grass	204-734-3935
WINNIPEGOSIS Winnipegosis Golf Club	9	artificial	204-656-4791

# GOLF COURSES



Parkland Tourism Association

\* Toll-free in Canada only.

# WINTER Wonderful

snowmobiling, skiing + ice fishing

Make some cool memories with a visit to the Parkland this winter. Locals embrace the chilly weather by heading outdoors to explore the remote corners of the region by snowmobile or on skis. The more adventurous hit the slopes at Thunder Hill and Asessippi. And from freeze-up to spring thaw, ice fishing offers great family fun.

# SNOW-MOBILING

With over 3,300 km of developed trails set amidst gorgeous winter scenery, it's no wonder that the Parkland has become a popular destination for snowmobilers.

Designated snowmobile routes connect most towns, and an interconnected trail system exists from Rossburn, through Asessippi and Roblin to the Duck Mountains, and up to the Swan River Valley and Porcupine Provincial Forest.

### INTERMOUNTAIN SNOWMOBILE

**CLUB** grooms trails from Inglis to Grandview and through to Gilbert Plains, then north to Ethelbert, and to Childs Lake and Wellman Lake in Duck Mountain Provincial Park. The trails interconnect with trails to Roblin and Dauphin.

SNOWTRAXX SNOWMOBILE CLUB INC. grooms approx. 500 km of trails from where their trail system joins with the Roblin group's trails, to where they connect with trails near Shoal Lake.

> **ROBLIN SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION** maintains

trails along PTH83 from Asessippi Provincial Park north to where the club's trail connects with Swan Valley's trail east of Duck Mountain Provincial Park, as well as a link from San Clara into the Park, and a trail east of Roblin along PTH5 to where it links with Intermountain's trail.

### DAUPHIN & DISTRICT SNOWMOBILE CLUB maintains

trails near Dauphin. Other clubs include North Mountain Riders, Swan Valley Snowmobile Club Association, and a club in Ochre River.

# **STE. AMELIE RIDGE RIDERS**

has trails starting in Ste. Rose du Lac and ending in Glenella, connecting communities in between, including Ste. Amelie, McCreary, and Laurier.

Several sections of the Parkland portion of the **TRANS CANADA TRAIL** are open to snowmobile traffic during the winter months. Service stations and warming shelters are available throughout the area. Trail maps are available at many Parkland service stations and hotels.

# SNOMAN (SNOWMOBILERS OF MANITOBA) INC. is a "non-profit

organization representing 53 member snowmobiling clubs that maintain and groom over 13,000 kilometres of Manitoba's scenic trails." Visit the Snoman website for more information about snowmobiling in Manitoba and the Parkland, and to purchase Snopasses. **snoman.mb.ca** 

# **GET YOUR SNOPASS**

If you wish to travel on designated **SNOMAN** trails in Manitoba, you are required by law to have a valid orange **SNOPASS** plate affixed to your snowmobile. You can purchase either an Annual Snopass or a Seven-Day Snopass. An Annual Snopass allows you to ride on designated trails until April 30. You can purchase your Snopass at Manitoba Public Insurance Agents throughout Manitoba. Overnighting in an **OTENTIK** is a great way to experience winter in the great outdoors. These unique accommodations are available year-round at Wasagaming Campground at Riding Mountain National Park. oTENTiks come standard with three comfy sleeping platforms with space for up to six happy campers, and a table with seating for six. The units feature electric heat, lights and power outlets. Some oTENTiks also have wood stoves. **parkscanada.gc.ca/riding** 

# DOWNHILL SKIING

# THUNDER HILL SKI CLUB & LODGE

(BENITO) offers downhill runs of varying difficulty, T-bar access, cross-country ski trails, and ski rentals. See the new chalet and enjoy the biking and hiking trails. The club hosts family and kids races in February (weather permitting) and a terrain park snowboard competition in March. ● 16 km north of Benito on PR487. ● 204-734-2573. *skithunderhill.ca* 

ASESSIPPI SKI AREA & RESORT (INGLIS), nestled deep in the Shell River Valley near



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# **ICE FISHING**

Don't think for a minute that the Parkland's unsurpassed sport fishery goes into hibernation for the winter! In fact, wintertime offers some of the best fishing of the year. When the ice is thick enough, Parkland's lakes become dotted with ice fishing shacks while thousands of fishing enthusiasts drop their lines daily until the spring thaw.

Winter is also the time for ice fishing derbies, including the LAKE OF THE PRAIRIES ICE FISHING DERBY (February); BILLY BEAL ICE FISHING DERBY at Whitefish Lake (March); LANGAN LAKE ICE FISHING DERBY at Langan Lake northeast of San Clara on PR367 (March) and MAFEKING ICE FISHING DERBY at Dawson Bay (March).

For the most dedicated, it's never too cold to suit up, grab the gear and head out onto the ice—especially with a warm stove and the other amenities of a well-furnished shack at hand. Most fishing enthusiasts agree that fish caught in winter are the best tasting to be had all year, thanks to the cold waters. And if it's not too cold to spend the day fishing, then it's certainly not too cold to fry up some of the best fish you've ever tasted over an open fire.

> **FAT BIKING** is an increasingly popular winter sport. You can rent fat bikes at the Friends of RMNP Learning Centre, 154 Columbine Street in Wasagaming, for use within the Park. Friends has other winter equipment available for rent including snowshoes, snow tubes, snow sleds, and Kick Sparks. **friendsofridingmountain.ca**

# CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING

Groomed trails of varving levels of difficulty exist throughout RIDING MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK. For advanced skiers, the 8.4-km COMPOUND SKI **TRAIL** is a ski track set and groomed for classic corss-country skiing only. Accessed best from the Lake Katherine Day Use Area, ski this loop counterclockwise for a nordic delight, Ups, downs and tight turns take you through the forests between Clear Lake and Lake Katherine. The moderate-rated GREY **OWL SKI TRAIL** (14.8-km return) is also track set and groomed for classic cross-country skiing. Ski your way through the boreal forest while admiring the deep green of the spruces and the sparkling white snow. Spot a grouse or a fox hunting in the snow banks before you arrive at Grey Owl's Cabin, a welcoming space to shelter. Finally, the **BROADLEAF SKI TRAIL** is a winding loop that climbs through poplar forests. Enjoy charming views atop the ridge. As you make your way clockwise, the trail connects to Beach Ridges Trail at about the 2.1-km point. Visit the RMNP website for more trail options and conditions. parkscanada.gc.ca/riding

### **MOOSE LAKE CROSS-COUNTRY SKI TRAIL**

is located at the southwest corner of Riding Mountain National Park at Silver Creek off PR264. The trail loops for approximately 10 km through aspen deciduous forest over moderately undulating terrain. A warming hut is located near the shores of Moose Lake approximately 3 km from the trailhead. This trail is located in Riding Mountain National Park, so skiers must have a valid Park Pass.

### At DUCK MOUNTAIN PROVINCIAL PARK,

groomed trails at Childs Lake, Wellman Lake and Glad Lake range in length from 2 km to 10 km.

Visit the Manitoba Conservation offices near Duck Mountain Provincial Park or Riding Mountain National Park for trail information for the parks. S 204-848-7275 for conditions and information on cross-country skiing in Riding Mountain.



Swan Valley Historical Museum

Swan River Golf & Country Club

Thunderhill

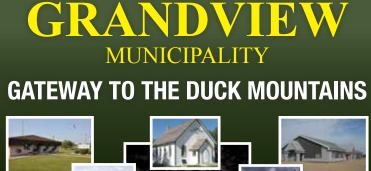
Ski Area

204.734.3344 info@munswanvalleywest.com



After a long fun day out in Riding Mountain National Park, check-in at Elkhorn Resort for a treat! Stay in a Double Queen or a King Room with Fireplace, choose a meal from our extensive menus at the Buffalo Bar and 10 Restaurant, or soak the day away in the Equinox Mineral Pool at the Solstice Spa. Contact 1.866.355.4676 or frontdesk@elkhornresort.mb.ca to book your stay!

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ASESSIPPI CAMPGROUND	Asessippi Provincial Park; 1-888-482-2267	43	74			15/30	May-Sept.		M,N		В			•	
BENITO MUNICIPAL CAMPGROUND	Benito; 204-539-2634	8	3			.,	Year-round		,	-		-	-	-	<b>—</b>
BINSCARTH PARK & POOL	Binscarth; 204-532-2353					15/30/50	May-Oct.		М		Р				<u> </u>
PRIMROSE WAYSIDE PARK	Birch River; 204-236-4962	6							N				-		<u> </u>
KELD PARK	RM of Dauphin; 204-638-4531	10					May-Oct.		M	-					<u> </u>
SIFTON BEACH	RM of Dauphin (Lake Dauphin); 204-638-4531	16					May-Oct.		M		В				
STONEY POINT BEACH	RM of Dauphin (Lake Dauphin); 204-638-4531	10	37			15	May-Oct.		M		B		-		<u> </u>
WEST BLUE LAKE CAMPGROUND	Duck Mountain Prov. Park; 1-888-482-2267	81	0/			10	May-Oct.		M		B		-		
CHILDS LAKE CAMPGROUND	Duck Mountain Prov. Park; 1-888-482-2267	52	37			30	May-Sept.		M,N		B	-	-	•	
SINGUSH LAKE CAMPGROUND	Duck Mountain Prov. Park; 1-888-482-2267	14	57			50	May-Oct.	-	N		B	-	-	-	
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WELLMAN LAKE CAMPGROUND	Duck Mountain Prov. Park; 1-888-482-2267		63		6		May-Sept.		IVI,IN	•		•	-	-	
WELLMAN RV PARK	Duck Mountain Prov. Park; 204-525-4422				6	30	May-Oct.			•	В	-	•	•	
ETHELBERT COMMUNITY PARK	Ethelbert; 204-742-3301	4				45/00	May-Sept.			•			•		
GILBERT PLAINS CENTENNIAL PARK	Gilbert Plains; 204-548-2326		36	6	6	15/30			M,N	•			•		
WILSON CENTENNIAL PARK	Grandview; 204-546-5250	15	20				May-Sept.		M	•	Р		•		•
ASESSEPPI BEACH & CAMPGROUND	Inglis; 204-773-6797	20	20			15	May-Sept.		M	•	В		•		
FLETCHER PARK CAMPGROUND	McCreary; 204-835-2341			16		15/30	May-Sept.		M	•	Р		•		
PATTERSON LAKE CAMPGROUND	Oakburn (5.5 km N.); 204-234-5447	10	10			30	May-Sept.		•	•		•	•		
RAINBOW BEACH PROV. PARK	Ochre River (Lake Dauphin); 1-888-482-2267	44	28			30	May-Sept.	•	M,N	•	В	•	•		
ONANOLE RV PARK & CAMPGROUND	Onanole; 204-848-2398	2		3	65	15-50		•	М	•	Р		•	•	
SPORTSMAN'S PARK	Onanole; 204-848-2520				100	30	May-Sept.		М		Р		•		•
BELL LAKE WAYSIDE PARK	Porcupine Provincial Forest	8							N						
STEEPROCK LAKE WAYSIDE PARK	Porcupine Provincial Forest	15					May-Sept.		N		В				
WHITEFISH LAKE PROVINCIAL PARK	Porcupine Provincial Forest	40					May-Sept.		М		В				
DEEP LAKE CAMPGROUND	Riding Mountain NP; reservation.pc.gc.ca	15					May-Oct.		N						
KIPPECHEWIN CAMPGROUND	Riding Mountain NP; reservation.pc.gc.ca		Grou	os Only			May-Oct.		N		В		•		
LAKE AUDY CAMPGROUND	Riding Mountain NP; reservation.pc.gc.ca	34				May-Oct.		N	•	В	•	•			
MA-MA-0-PE CAMPGROUND	Riding Mountain NP; reservation.pc.gc.ca	Groups Only			May-Oct.		N			-	•				
MOON LAKE CAMPGROUND	Riding Mountain NP; reservation.pc.gc.ca	29					May-Oct.		M,N	•	В	•	•		
WASAGAMING CAMPGROUND (oTENTiks and some unserviced sites available year-round)	Riding Mountain NP; reservation.pc.gc.ca	57	144	129	85	15/30	May-Oct.	•	М	•	В	•	•	•	•
PYOTT'S WEST CAMPGROUNDS	Roblin; 204-564-2308	60	62			15	May-Oct.		М			•	•		
RICKERS CAMPGROUND	Roblin; 204-937-2716	50	20			15/30	May-Oct.		М		В	•	•	•	•
EAST GOOSE LAKE CAMPGROUND	Roblin; 204-937-8333	3	13			15/30	May-Oct.		М	•		•	•		•
LOST MEADOWS RESORT	Roblin; 204-937-8600			5	10	15/30	May-Sept.		М			•		•	
ROSSBURN LIONS RV PARK	Rossburn; 204-859-2762		12						N			-		-	
RUSSELL PEACE PARK	Russell; 204-773-2253		20			15			М		Р				
METHLEY BEACH CAMPGROUND	Ste. Rose du Lac; 204-447-1037		22			30	May-Sept.		M,N		В	•	•	-	
PARC MOLGAT PARK	Ste. Rose du Lac; 204-447-2229	4	16	16		30/50	May-Oct.		M	•	-				
SANDY LAKE LIONS CAMPGROUND	Sandy Lake; 204-585-2525	10	50			30	May-Oct.		M	•	В				
ED-VENTURE BAY CAMPGROUND	Sandy Lake; 204-585-2144	22	40			15	19109-000		M,N		B	-	-		<b>—</b>
GREEN ACRES CAMPGROUND	Swan River; 204-734-3334	30	12		30	20/30			M	•		-			
	Toutes Aides; 1-888-482-2267				30		May Sant			-	P		-	•	
MANIPOGO PROV. PARK		56	33			30	May-Sept.		M,N	•	В	-	-		
ARROW LAKE CAMPGROUND	Vista; 204-859-3072 / 204-859-3077	1	17	10		30	May-Sept.					-	-		
WINNIPEGOSIS PARK BEACH	Winnipegosis; 204-656-4791	36		16			May-Sept.		M,N		В	•			



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