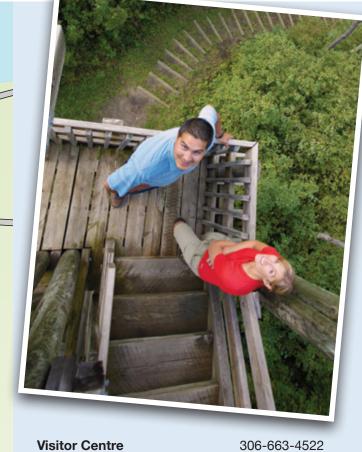
PRINCE ALBERT NATIONAL PARK Visitor Guide





- Bunk in an oTENTik for a no-hassle comfortable camping experience.
- Attend a weekend evening programs for live music and lots of fun!
- Stroll around Waskesiu where you'll find restaurants, shops, a theatre and treats.
- Pack a picnic and settle in for the day at one of Waskesiu Lake's many beaches.
- Borrow a nature kit from the Nature Centre and have some hands-on fun with your kids.





email: panp.info@pc.gc.ca

911

306-663-4522

1-888-773-8888 **National Information Service**

1-877-RESERVE **Parks Canada Campground** 1-877-737-3783 **Reservation Service**

reservation.parkscanada.gc.ca

EMERGENCY:

RCMP/Fire/Ambulance

Non Emergency RCMP 306-663-4400 **Parks Canada Dispatch** 1-877-852-3100

First Aid

Prince Albert National Park Box 100, Waskesiu Lake, SK, Canada S0J 2Y0 pc.gc.ca/princealbert

@ParksCanada_SK

2014 Summer **Programs**

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Have FUN in the park!

- Nature at noon under the Discovery Dome at the beach
- New geocache challenge Natural Gems Treasure Hunt

• Art in the Park

- Bison Will Rise Again musical
- - Kids Xplorer program
 - Aboriginal programs at the teepee
 - Campfires
 - Visit the Nature Centre

For information on local events please visit our website **pc.gc.ca/princealbert**

Wildlife Viewing











Coyote

For your safety and enjoyment:

Read your copy of "Bear Country" and "Bison Country." Pick these up at any park facility.

Stay at least:

- Three bus lengths (30 metres/100 ft) away from deer, elk, moose and bison.
- Ten bus lengths (100 metres/325 ft) away from bears.

Be on the lookout for wildlife crossing or along the roadside. Please refrain from feeding any wildlife.











Frontcountry Campgrounds – Vehicle Accessible

CAMPGROUND	DEER	GLEN	NARROWS	LAKE	LAKE		
LOCATION	Waskesiu townsite	Northern edge of Waskesiu townsite	25 km NW of Waskesiu	10 km S of Waskesiu	35 km S of Waskesiu		
NUMBER OF CAMPSITES	161 pull- through sites	200 back-in sites, 108 electrified, 10 oTENTik	87 back-in sites, self- registration	15 back-in and 6 walk-in sites, self- registration	25 back-in and 6 walk-in sites, self- registration		
RESERVATIONS	1-877-737- 3783*	1-877-737- 3783*				Pack your tent and stay at one of the 14 designated backcountry campgrounds. Enjoy all the wonders of the backcountry with the	
POWER	V	V				benefits of a few simple comforts. Each campground is complete with picnic tables, pit privies, firewood, fire pits and bear caches.	
WATER	~	Central tap				Backcountry Basics Register: All overnight visitors must register at the of arrival. Sites are not reservable.	
SEWER	V				- //	Fees: Backcountry fees apply where facilities and services are offered.	
FLUSH TOILETS	V	V	~	0	TÊNTIK	Bears: Before starting your trip, please read the "Bear Country" brochure available at all park facilities.	
SHOWER	~	~	L	Para	Parce Careact	Leave No Trace: Practice low impact camping. leavenotrace.ca	
SEWAGE		J	V	12 km N	3 km S	Water: Bring your own supply or be prepared to purify from natural sources.	
DISPOSAL		Y	.			Safety: Check the weather, trail and fire conditions, pack appropriate equipment, have maps and trail guides.	
FIRE PITS		V	~	~	~	adventuresmart.ca	
PIT TOILETS			~	~	~	Grey Owl's Cabin Challenge yourself with the park's most popular backcountry	
SPECIAL	Short walk to	Short walk to Beaver Glen	Marina	Non- motorized	Boat launch	route. Paddle or walk to where Grey Owl, one of Canada's great conservationists, once lived.	

There will be a liquor restriction in effect in all campgrounds (excluding Red Deer) on all long weekends. * Reservation website: reservation.parkscanada.gc.ca



Commerce for inf Commerce for information on commercial accommodations 306-663-5410

Backcountry **Camping**



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Backcountry Basics

Register: All overnight visitors must register at the ? on the day of arrival. Sites are not reservable.

Grey Owl's Cabin

Where to Start: A 45-minute-drive from Waskesiu Lake to Kingsmere parking lot.

Trail Distance: 20 km one way (4-6 hours)

By Water: 🚣 🔀 3-5 hours and a .5 km portage or 3 km hike 🚐 2 hours and 3 km hike

All watercraft must use a 1-km rail portage to access Kingsmere Lake. Pick up a copy of Routes To Grey Owl's Cabin at the ? for details. Also available is a brochure on the Bagwa canoe route.

Picnic and **Beach Areas**



Enjoy a relaxing day in the sun at one of our many picnic sites or beaches. Find your perfect spot and you may never want to leave.

Fishing



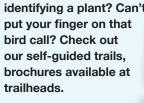
Experience northern Saskatchewan fishing at its finest by casting into the cool waters of the park. Each lake offers a different experience, so grab the whole family and make a day of it. Main species caught in the park are northern pike, walleye, lake trout, perch and white fish.

Remember to purchase a Prince Albert National Park fishing license.

Hiking

With over 150 km of trails, Prince Albert National Park is Saskatchewan's premiere hiking destination.

Having trouble identifying a plant? Can't put your finger on that bird call? Check out our self-guided trails, brochures available at





Jump on your bike and cycle along the many trails in the park. The Red Deer Trail is a perfect option located just outside Waskesiu townsite. For the more adventurous, head to the West Side and cruise down the trails in search of plains bison.



Escape the hustle and

Contact the ?







bustle of modern life along one of our horse friendly trails.

for information on horseback riding outfitters.

Paddling

The best seat in the house! Your

with a unique vantage point - the

perfect spot to watch wildlife from

a respectful & safe distance. It is a

great low-impact way to discover

High water levels in spring make it

the perfect time to enjoy the rivers.

ROUTE

the natural wonders of the park.

Day Paddles

KING ISLAND

HANGING HEART

canoe or kayak provides you



1 Shady Lake Trail 🦒

1.7 km loop, stairs span a vertical of 45 m Start: 8 km from ? on highway #263 Hike down towards the lake in a counter-clockwise direction. East of the lake, a 1 km spur trail brings you to the 15 m high Height-of-

Climb the 15 m tower for a view of Shady Lake and the mixed forest canopy. This tower sits on the divide between the Churchill and Saskatchewan River systems.

3 Spruce River Highlands Trail 🥻 🗟 8.5 km loop

Start: 29 km from ? on highway #263 Ascend the path for 0.7 km and climb to the top of a 10 m tower. Below, the Spruce River meanders through a characteristically glacial landscape. The hills of the aspen parkland are radiant in their fall foliage. The trail then passes through rolling terrain providing the

hiker with great viewing opportunities of Anglin Lake. 4 Freight Tait Springs Trail 🥻 🚴

5 Kinowa Trail 🦒 🎄 5 km one way

The hilly landscape through which the trail passes is covered with open forests of trembling aspen and patches of fescue grasslands.

Start: 40 km from ? on highway #263 Rolling hills and long grass make this a challenging route. Some of

Cookson Road

gravel, narrow, no shoulders, hills & curves)

7 Hunters Lake Trail 🥻 💰 🙀

Start: 16 km west of South Gate on Cookson Road Similar to parts of the Elk Trail, this trail offers a challenging experience including some steep hills and exposed rocks along the

8 West Side Boundary Trail 🦒 💰 🙀

25 km one way Start: Valleyview Day Use Area This trail provides access to the fescue grasslands and the Sturgeon River Lookout.

Sturgeon Lookout Trail 🦎 🎄 🎢 0.8 km one way Start: 10.9 km from Valleyview Day Use Area along the

This trail travels through an aspen forest before opening up to a hillside grassland with breathtaking views of the Sturgeon River

10 Valleyview Lookout Trail 🦎 🔊 🤺 💍

Start: Valleyview Day Use Area This short hike brings you to the Valleyview picnic site. Enjoy

11 Amyot Lake Trail 🦒 💰 🙀

Start: Valleyview Day Use Area Explore sedge meadows where free roaming bison range and return via the West Side Boundary Trail.

Overnight Paddles

Remember to register at the ? for all overnight stays

Amiskowan Lake to Shady Lake

Waskesiu River to Waskesiu Lake

Waskesiu River to Highway #2

Hanging Heart Lakes to Crean

Spruce River on Hwy 263 to Anglin Lake 🗼 1.5 hour

Trippes Beach to King Island

LENGTH (one way)

1-2 hours

.5 hour

.5 hour

4-7 hours

3 hours

NAME	ROUTE	DAYS
BAGWA	Kingsmere Lake/Bagwa route	2
CREAN LAKE	Hanging Heat Lakes/Crean Lake	2-3
TIBISKA LAKE	Mclennan River/Tibiska Lake	3-4



The Scenic Route Highway #263

Land Tower.

2 Height-of-Land Tower Staircase, 60 m one way Start: 8.5 km from ? on highway #263

Start: 29.5 km from ? on highway #263 Early freighters stopped at this natural spring to rest and replenish water supplies. The spring water spills over its banks and flows onward to the Spruce River. The iron-rich springs are interesting to explore but take care not to harm this sensitive area.

Start: 34 km from ? on highway #263

The trail ends on the shores of Anglin Lake.

6 Elk Trail 🦒 🚴 👬

39 km one way

the grades are steep, especially around Hunters Lake.

12 km one way

West Side Boundary Trail

200 m one way

beautiful views of the Sturgeon River valley.

15.5 km loop

The Narrows Road

2 km loop

Bay day-use area The trail skirts the lake and then follows Mud Creek. An active beaver lodge and dam can be seen on the creek. In the spring,

Start: 4.5 km down the Narrows Road, access at South

spawning fish attract black bear to the area. 13 Ice Push Ridge 🦒

150 m one way Start: 11 km down the Narrows Road

See evidence of the force of winter ice on Waskesiu Lake described by an interpretive exhibit at the lakeshore.

14 Treebeard Trail 🧰 🏂 1.2 km loop

Start: 17.6 km down the Narrows Road

Ascend the steep, winding trail through a white spruce and balsam fir forest. The trees along this path are among the oldest and largest in the park. As you descend, watch for a spur trail to the right. It leads to a small, fern-edged creek, dark and cool.

Kingsmere Road

(first 15 km paved with narrow shoulders, last 17.5 km gravel, no shoulders)

15 Waskesiu River Trail 🦒 🔠 🚻 2.5 km loop. The first 0.5 km is wheelchair and strolle

Start: 6 km from ? on Kingsmere Road

From the parking lot, walk towards the river and across the pedestrian bridge. Special displays are on exhibit along this boardwalk. The trail parallels the rock-filled river for 0.5 km before leaving the river's north shore to loop through aspen and spruce forests and a sedge

16 Narrows Peninsula Trail 🦒 3 km loop, staircase Start: 22 km from ? on Kingsmere Road

This trail passes through a variety of habitats following the shore of Waskesiu Lake. Of particular interest is a spectacular fern bed, luxuriant and green in the early summer. In the 1880's a fur trade post was set up on the point by an independent trader.

17 Kingsmere River Trail 🦒 🚻 1.5 km one way, staircase

Start: 32.5 km from ? on Kingsmere Road

The trail crosses the river and follows a rail portage, then passes through a spruce forest and ends on the east side of the Southend Campground on Kingsmere Lake.

18 Grey Owl Trail 🦒 🚻

20 km one way Start: 32.5 km from ? on Kingsmere Road The trail follows the eastern shoreline of Kingsmere River until you reach a junction at 0.3 km. The trail to Grey Owl's cabin branches to the right. Kingsmere Lake becomes visible 1.5 km from this junction. From there, the trail follows the lake's eastern shoreline.

Highway #264 (paved with shoulders)

19 Boundary Bog Trail 🦍 🦒

2 km loop Start: 4.5 km from ? on Highway #264 Boundary Bog is an excellent representation of the many black spruce bogs that exist in the Park.

20 Red Deer Trail 🦒 🎄 Three loops totalling 19 km

> Red Loop Start: At Rendez-vous located on the corner of Waskesiu Drive and Lakeview Drive by the "big rock".

The Red Loop takes you 8.1 km through a variety of habitats from townsite to lakeshore through the rolling hills south of

Yellow Loop Start: At Rendez-vous, located on the corner of Waskesiu Drive and Lakeview Drive by the "big rock". The Yellow Loop takes you 5.8 km through a variety of habitats

from townsite through the Community Fuel Break and back

along the lakeshore. Blue Loop Start: At the corner of Waskesiu Drive and Ajawaan Drive or from the Beaver Glen Road on the east side of the

campground. The Blue Loop takes you 5.2 km around Beaver Glen Campground, through the rolling hills north of Waskesiu. then back along the shore of Waskesiu Lake. If you are walking, you may choose to leave the trail and walk on the beach from Kapasiwin Bungalows to Orchid Street.

21 Fisher Trail 🦒 🎄 7.2 km loop

Start: 1 km from 2 south on highway #264* From parking lot, walk 250 m to the first trailhead or an additional 50 m to the

Scenic and close to Waskesiu, this trail is great. Hike or bike this trail clockwise, through mixed woods, aspen stands and black spruce muskeg. Special winter displays are on exhibit along the trail.

Legend

& Biking ⅓ Hiking Horseback Riding Lookout

Viewing Tower

Visitor Centre

Washrooms Wheelchair Access

Self Guided Trail Easy terrain Moderate terrain

Strenuous terrain

- TRAIL SAFETY • Register at the prior to all overnight backcountry
- Trails are not patrolled, ensure that you are self reliant.
- Watch for slippery or broken boardwalk on trails. • Respect area and trail closures.
- Wildlife encounters are possible, please use caution.

For up to date trail conditions visit our website: www.pc.gc.ca/princealbert

