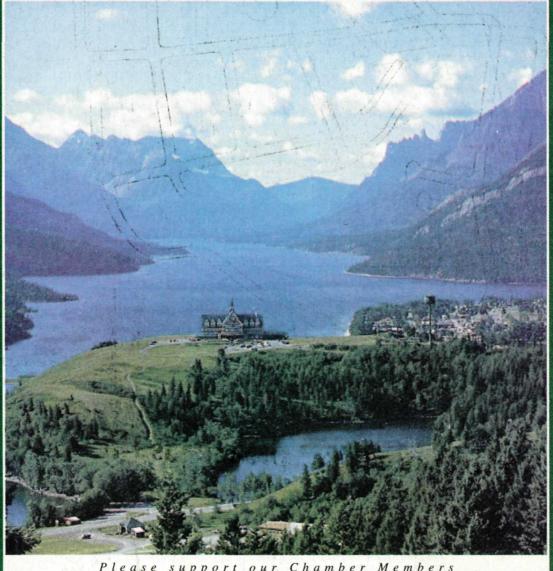
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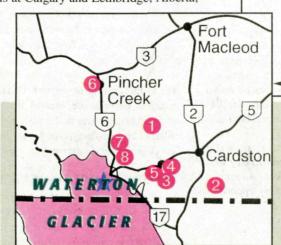
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NATURE

The meeting of rolling prairie and lofty mountains found in Waterton Lakes National Park provides a contrast unique in the Canadian National Park system. This juxtaposition creates a richer variety of flowers and animals than is found in most national parks. About 55% of Alberta's total wildflower species can be found in Waterton, including many plants considered rare in Canada. Wapiti, mule deer and bighorn sheep are commonly seen and both grizzly and black bears are found in the Park.

Waterton's 525 square kilometres (203 sq. miles) have a unique geologic history, including the oldest exposed sedimentary rock in the Rockies. Glacial landforms, abundant lakes, streams and waterfalls add variety to a landscape providing many opportunities for recreation and reflection.

CULTURE

Human use of the Waterton area has a long history extending back 11,000 years. Many natural resources attracted aboriginal peoples, contributing to a rich past with over 200 archaeological sites identified in the Park.

Early European explorers and settlers also left their mark on the area. Lt. Thomas Blakiston, a member of the famous Palliser Expedition and one of the area's earliest explorers, named the lakes after the 18th century British naturalist Charles Waterton.

To protect this diversity of history, archaeology, wildlife and

landforms, the area was set aside as a park in 1895, largely due to the efforts of local rancher Frederick Godsal. John George "Kootenai" Brown, the Park's first European settler, became its first park official.

The discovery of oil in the Park around the turn of the century led to the drilling of western Canada's first well, recognized by a national historic site located in the Cameron Valley. A second national historic site in the park is the dramatically-placed Prince of Wales Hotel, so designated for its unique architecture and its place in the development of national park tourism.

INTERNATIONAL DESIGNATIONS

Initiated by the Rotary Clubs of Alberta and Montana, Waterton Lakes and Glacier National Parks were designated in 1932 as the world's first International Peace Park, commemorating the long friendship between the United States and Canada. The International Peace Park has evolved to represent the need for cooperation between nations, in a world where the sharing of resources and ecosystems is a reality. In 1995, UNESCO designated the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park a World Heritage Site.

Both Parks have also been designated Biosphere Reserves by the UNESCO Man and the Biosphere program. This program is designed to provide information about the intimate relationship between people and their environment.

Heritage Experiences in Waterton Lakes National Park

INTERPRETATION SERVICES

All visitors are invited to participate in personal interpretive programs offered in the Park; ranging from evening theatre programs and guided walks to special aboriginal events. Check for details at the Information Centre or ask for a program schedule at any park facility. The Waterton/Glacier Guide, a joint International Peace Park newspaper, also provides details about the Parks including information on wildlife, safety, new initiatives, special events and services. These free publications are available at the Park Gate, the Information Centre, and at the Heritage Centre.

The Waterton Natural History Association offers full-day Heritage Education Programs (403- 859-2624). A cruise boat provides interpretive tours of Upper Waterton Lake and other private interpretation and guide services are also available.

Interpretive signs are found along all Park roads. There are special exhibits at the Chief Mountain Lookout, the Maskinonge Overlook, Red Rock Canyon, and Cameron Lake. In the townsite, exhibits can be enjoyed in the International Peace Park Pavilion and the Waterton Heritage Centre.

Pamphlets and publications describing various aspects of the Park are available at the Information Centre and the Heritage Centre.

WILDLIFE AND WILDFLOWER VIEWING

Because of the variety of habitats ranging from prairie grassland through

forests and wetlands to alpine slopes, wildlife and wildflowers are abundant and diverse. Fall is probably the best time for wildlife watching. The larger animals come down from their summer ranges and waterfowl are on their migratory routes through the Park. Bears, deer, elk and bighorn sheep can be seen in the prairie portions of the Park. Sheep and deer frequent the townsite. The Bison Paddock, near the north entrance to the Park off Highway 6, features a small herd of plains bison, maintained to commemorate the larger herds that once roamed freely in this area The bison can be seen while driving a narrow road through the paddock. Please do not leave your vehicles. The road is not suitable for vehicles with trailers.



Balsam Root

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The Maskinonge area is particularly rich in bird life. In spring and summer. look breeding and nesting birds around Linnet Lake, Cameron Lake and along the Wishbone Trail.

Wildflowers can be seen in the Park at almost any season except winter. In spring and summer, the prairies are particularly colourful. In late summer early fall. wildflowers are blooming at higher elevations.



Beargrass

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Black Bear

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LIVING WITH WILDLIFE

All park animals are wild, unpredictable and potentially dangerous. Grizzly and black bear encounters have caused fatal injuries. Please read the pamphlet "Keep the Wild in Wildlife," available from all Park facilities. Deer and sheep may aggressively seek food from people and can cause injury by striking out with their sharp hooves. Other wildlife, especially when they are with their young, or when human food or garbage is an attraction, have also attracted people.

Wildlife watching and photography are best done from a safe distance and from your car. Do not leave food or garbage where wildlife can get at it, for your sake and theirs. Animals that become habituated to human food may have to be destroyed.

PLEASE DO NOT FEED ANIMALS

Recreational Activities

Enjoy the following recreational activities and facilities:

- scenic interpretive boat tours to Goat Haunt, MT
- · movie theatre
- · boating, scuba diving and board sailing -Upper and Middle Waterton Lakes
- · canoes, kayaks, paddle-boat and row boats for rent -Cameron Lake
- cycling bicycle rentals
- · motorized scooters
- fishing permitted in most Park waters with an appropriate National Park license (available at Information Centre, campground kiosks and some townsite businesses)
- 18-hole golf course
- · horse riding facilities
- · public tennis courts
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- · two children's playgrounds
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Akamina Parkway

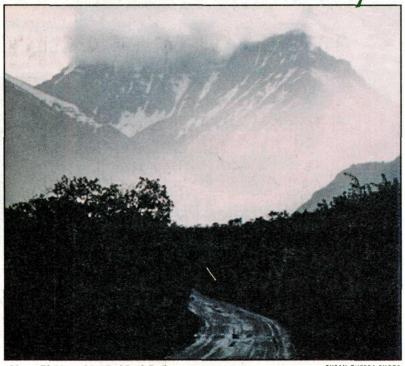
- · begins at the townsite
- 16 km (10 mi.) along the Cameron Valley with views into Cameron Creek and up mountain slopes
- western Canada's first producing oil well and the Oil City site
- Cameron Lake and subalpine snow forest exhibit

Red Rock Parkway

- meanders 15 km (9 mi.) over rolling prairie through the Blakiston Valley
- best illustrates "where the mountains meet the prairie"
- dramatic mountain views, Mt. Blakiston, the Park's highest peak (2910m. or 9580 ft.)
- strikingly coloured rocks and cascading creek of Red Rock Canyon

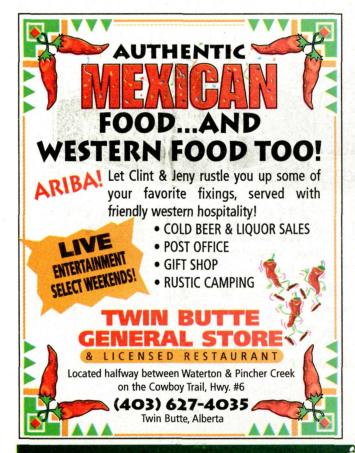
Chief Mountain International Highway

- primary route between Waterton Lakes and Glacier National Parks
- · climbs from the grassland near Maskinonge Lake
- viewpoint with magnificent vista of the Front Range of the Rockies and Waterton Valley
- traverses meadows and forests dotted with wetlands created by Crooked Creek

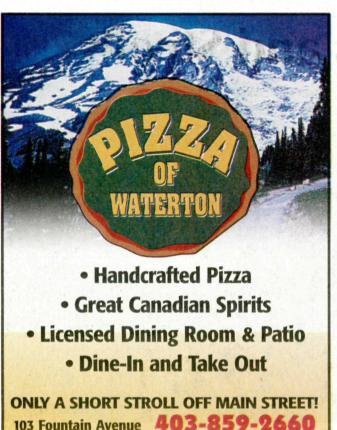


Mount Blakiston from Red Rock Parkway

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Other Protected Heritage Sites

Glacier National Park – Goat Haunt Ranger Station, at the south end of Upper Waterton Lake, is accessible from Waterton by both trail and boat. Goat Haunt features an International Peace Park



Pavilion and ranger-led interpretive talks and walks. Visitors hiking in Glacier must report to a Ranger at Goat Haunt. Check for border restrictions prior to departure.

Glacier National Park

Akamina-Kishinena Provincial Park (British Columbia)

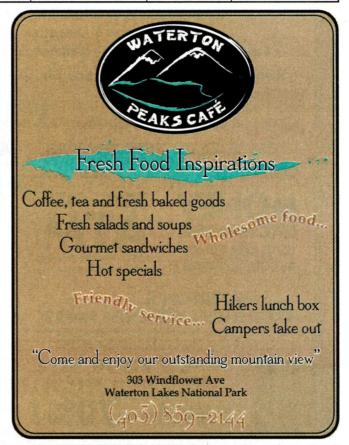
- The Akamina Pass Trail leads from the Akamina Parkway near Cameron Lake in Waterton Lakes National Park to this BC park. Back country campgrounds and a Ranger Station are located near Wall Lake. A British Columbia fishing license is required and may be purchased only at the Waterton Information Centre. Information is available from BC Parks, (604) 422-3212.



Short Hikes and Strolls

Difficulty	Trail	Trail Head Location	Distance (one way)	Time (one way)	Elevation Gain
Easy Stroll	Townsite Loop	Several	3.2 km (2 mi.)	1 hour	
	Prince of Wales Hill Loop	Emerald Bay (Townsite)	2 km (1.2 mi.)	45 min.	
	Linnet Lake Loop	Linnet Lake	1 km (0.6 mi.)	30 min.	A training
	Cameron Lakeshore	Cameron Lake	1.6 km (1 mi.)	30 min.	
	Akamina Lake	Cameron Lake	0.5 km (0.3 mi.)	15 min.	
	Red Rock Canyon Loop	Red Rock Canyon	0.7 km (0.4 mi.)	20 min.	minimal
	Blakiston Falls	Red Rock Canyon	1 km (o.6 mi.)	30 min.	minimal
Moderately Easy Hikes	Lower Bertha Falls	Townsite	2.9 km (1.8 mi.)	1 hour	150m (429')
	Crandell Lake	Red Rock Parkway Akamina Parkway	2 km (1.2 mi.) 1.2 km (0.7 mi.)	1 hour 45 min.	100m (328') 100m (328')
	Wall Lake, B.C.	Akamina Parkway	5.6 km (3.5 mi.)	2 hours	165m (512')
	Wishbone (to Lower Waterton Lake)	Chief Mountain Highway	2.8 km (1.8 mi.)	45 min.	minimal
Moderately Bear's Hump Difficult		Information Centre	1.4 km (0.9 mi.)	40 min.	200m (656')







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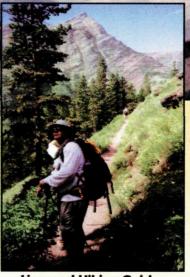
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Hiking...Favourite Waterton Activity

hen you think of Waterton, you just can't help thinking about hiking! There are over 200 kms. of trails in Waterton Lakes National Park ranging from short strolls to steep treks. Hikers, horseback riders and cyclists can choose from a variety of ability levels and destinations. Trails in Waterton also lead to extensive trail systems in Glacier National Park to the south and British Columbia's Akamina-Kishinena Provincial Park.

A trail reference guide is helpful in selecting a hike that is suitable for everyone in your party. Check with the visitor centre for current trail conditions before setting out into the backcountry. Here's a brief description of some of the most popular trails:

BERTHA LAKE TRAIL (11km return) - Starting from the townsite campground, this trail follows the lakeshore before heading uphill through pine forests to Lower, then Upper Bertha Falls. From the falls the trail steepens to end on a ridge over the hanging valley containing Bertha Lake. A short continuation allows you to walk around the lake.

WATERTON LAKESHORE TRAIL (13km one-way) - Join a U.S. and Canadian Naturalist every Wednesday & Saturday for the International Peace Park Hike on this trail. Tracing the forested west shore of Upper Waterton Lake, this trail stretches from the townsite to Goat Haunt in Montana. It is listed here as a one-way trail as many visitors take the popular boat trip to Goat Haunt and hike the trail back to the townsite.

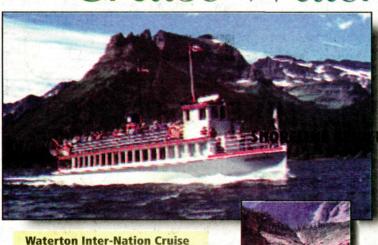


rypt Lake Trail WANEETA FISHER PHOTO

CARTHEW TRAIL (8km return or 20km one-way) - From the trailhead at Cameron Lake this trail offers a few possibilities. A day hike to Summit Lake or a long and strenuous day hike up to Carthew Summit and down into town passing Carthew and Alderson Lakes. In any event, this trail passes through a range of the life zones of the park and has great views from the ridges and peaks.

CRYPT LAKE TRAIL (17km return) - Among the most spectacular of hikes and rated the best hike in Canada, the Crypt Lake Trail requires some determination to reach the final reward. Firstly, the trailhead is accessed by boat. Then after hiking most of the way through forests and past four waterfalls, the final section is accessed by a ladder, a crawl through a small tunnel and a careful walk along a narrow precipice. The trail ends in a stunning cirque with 500-metre high sides and a deep green lake, often partially frozen well into the summer. If returning to the townsite by shuttle boat, be sure to allow enough time to hike back to the dock area to meet the shuttle pick up.





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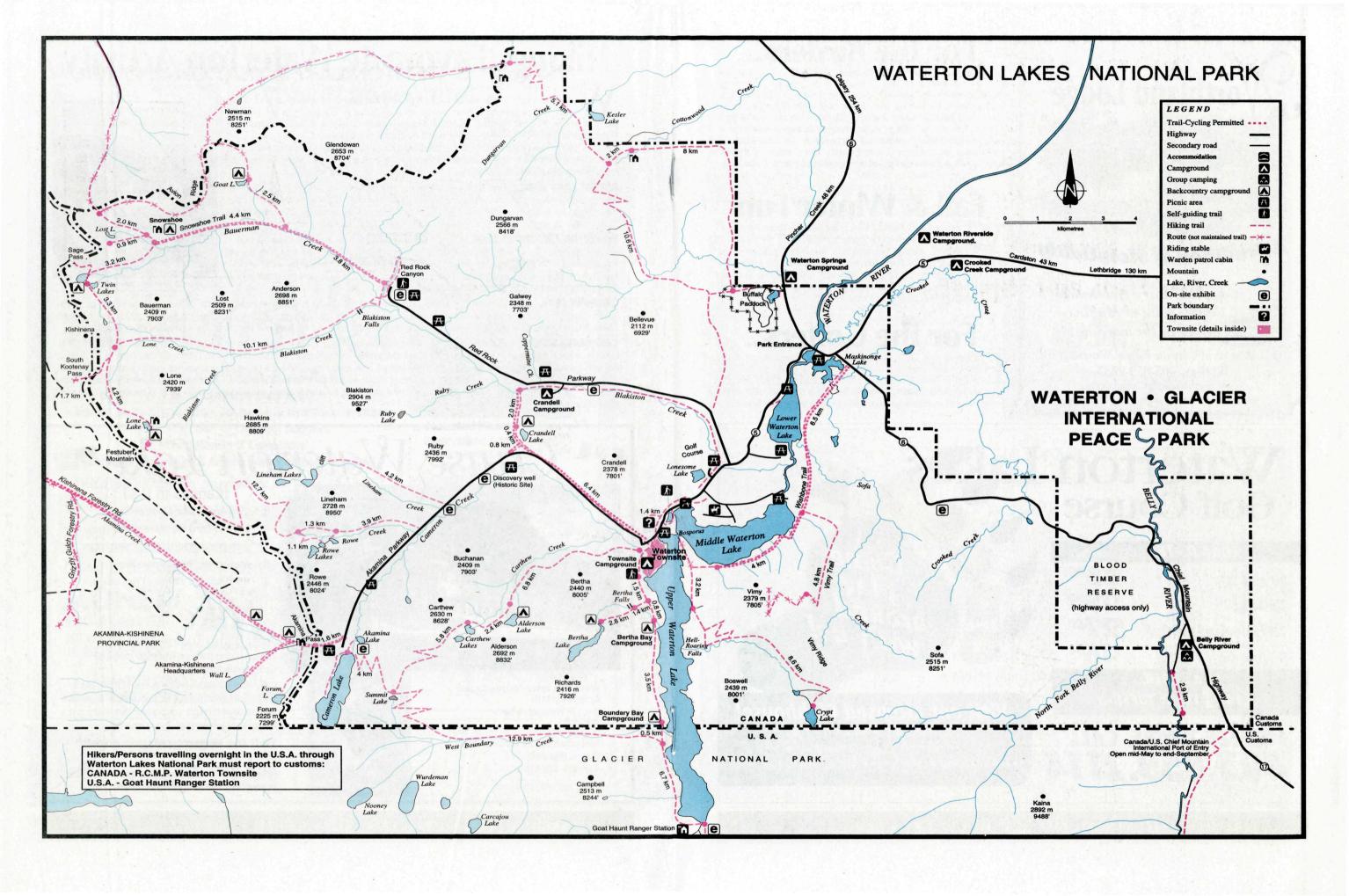
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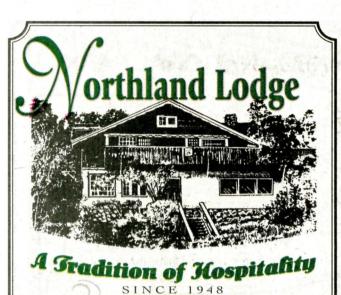
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For the Birders...

ver 250 species of birds have been identified in Waterton. The most spectacular birding time is in the late fall when large numbers of waterfowl migrate through the park. There are many good locations for viewing birds in the park. One of the best is the Maskinonge Lake and Lower Waterton (Knight's) Lake area near the park entrance. The Bertha and Rowe trails also provide a good assortment of birds; and the Carthew-Alderson trail is a good place for alpine birds like rosy finches and ptarmigan. For best results, visit a variety of habitats, especially the aspen/prairie areas of the park and along the Waterton River.

Fall & Winter Fun

aterton Lakes National Park is increasingly becoming a fourseason destination. As September approaches, the colours of autumn provide breathtakingly beautiful landscapes and wildlife viewing is at its finest. Warm days and less people make fall a great time to plan your park visits. And when winter arrives there are plenty of activities to try including snowshoeing, cross country skiing, winter camping, ice climbing and sightseeing.

For the Golfers..

First opened in 1929, Waterton Lakes Golf Course is one of the most scenic courses in Canada. (It's original design has been linked to Stanley Thompson.) This challenging 18-hole course is open to the public until October. It features a majestic view of the mountains and an abundance of wildlife to make for unique hazards.

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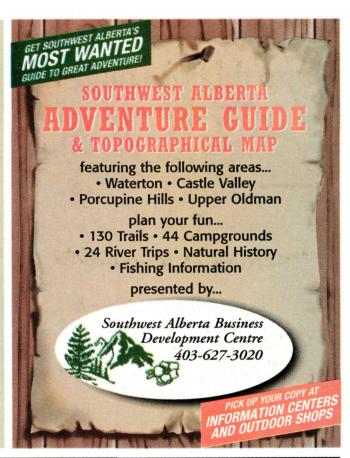
Fishing opportunities abound in the Southwest corner of Alberta. Waterton Lakes National Park offers 10 species of sport fish including: cutthroat trout, rainbow trout, brown trout, Arctic grayling, bull trout (zero possession), brook trout and lake trout as well as northern pike, mountain whitefish and lake whitefish.

In the Park, fishing season goes from Victoria Day (May 24) to Labour Day (September 6) on Akamina Lake, Cameron Lake and Creek, Crandell Lake and Upper and Middle Waterton Lakes. All other waters open June 29 until October 31 except the following waters that are closed all year...Blakiston/Bauerman Creeks and their tributaries. Also closed are Sofa Creek, Dungarvan Creek, Maskinonge Lake inlet, and North Fork Belly River and its tributaries. Zero possession limit for cutthroat trout on the Belly River and on Middle and Lower Waterton Lakes. Anglers should take note take there is a bait ban in effect on all park waters which is a new regulation this year.

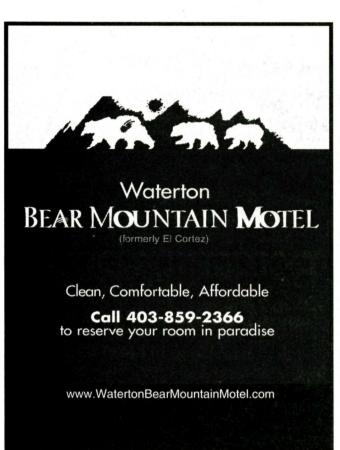
Motorboats are allowed on Middle and Upper Waterton Lakes only. Be sure to thoroughly read and understand your Fishing Regulations Summary when you purchase your angling permit.

PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

You must purchase a national park fishing permit when angling in Canada's national parks. Provincial fishing licenses are not valid. Permits may be purchased at the Visitor Information Centre, Pat's, campground kiosks and at Cameron Lake Boat Rentals.







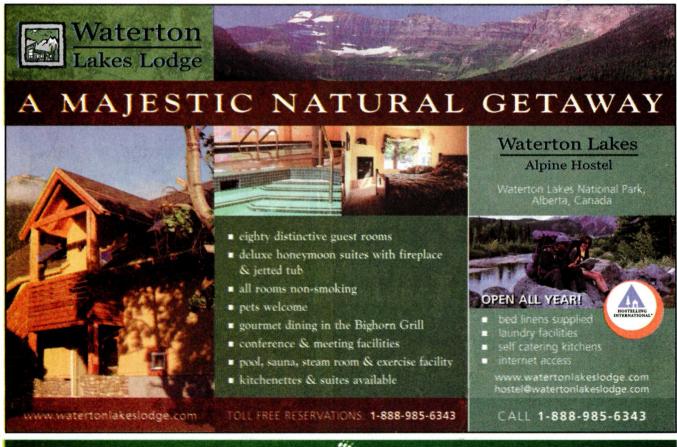
The Wonder of Water Celebrating Water & Our Way of Life

he United Nations has proclaimed 2003 the International Year of Fresh Water. Following in the successful footsteps of the Year of the Great Bear in 2001 and the United Nations International Year of Mountains in 2002, federal and provincial governments and hundreds of public and private sector partners in Western and Northern Canada launch in 2003 a two-year celebration of the importance of water to the cultural and ecological heritage of Canadians.

Sponsored by the federal Department of the Environment and Parks Canada, the two-year Wonder of Water initiative celebrates the importance of at least four of the great river systems that have their origins in the Rocky Mountains. Celebrations are planned throughout the watersheds of the Athabasca-Peace-Mackenzie, North and South Saskatchewan, Fraser and Columbia river systems.

As the subject of water is of particular importance to the West, and because its management is of crucial concern nationwide, The Wonder of Water celebration is guided by the organizing principles established by the United Nations and by operating principles established by river basin councils in the watersheds in which these celebrations are marked. Where applicable, the heritage tourism strategy is the organizing principle for public and private sector partnerships relating to the Wonder of Water celebration in and around the Rocky Mountain National Parks.

The Wonder of Water is a learning and stewardship initiative with well-defined objectives and carefully applied guidelines that gives partners the tools they need to learn and share the best and latest existing knowledge about the importance of water to Canadians.



Vater Sports

ater adventures in Waterton Lakes National Park include scuba diving; windsurfing; canoeing, kayaking, rowboating and paddleboating; power boating and water skiing.

Scuba diving is a popular activity in the Emerald Bay area. An old paddle wheeler, the "Gertrude", built in the early 1900's, lies on the bottom of Emerald Bay at a depth of 20 metres. The best visibility is often in early spring or during the fall. Cameron Bay is another good spot for divers.

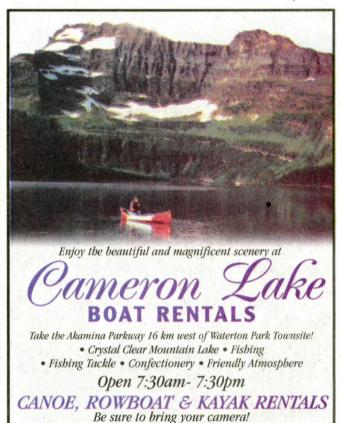
The beach on Upper Waterton Lake near the Townsite Campground is popular with advanced windsurfers. High, gusty winds are common. The water is very cold, so dry suits or full wetsuits are recommended.

The park offers some excellent opportunities for canoeing and kayaking, particularly on hot, calm summer days. The best paddling spot is Cameron Lake, at the end of the Akamina Parkway. Canoes, rowboats, paddle boats and kayaks can be rented there. More experienced paddlers can head to the south end of the lake and cross the International Boundary into Glacier National Park. Scanning the avalanche slopes around the south end of the lake for grizzly bears is a popular activity, which is best carried out from the safety of your boat.

Power boating and water skiing are restricted to Upper and Middle Waterton lakes with boat ramps available at the marina in the townsite and at the Linnet Lake picnic site on Middle Waterton Lake.

Water skiing is popular on Middle Waterton Lake when conditions are calm. (Once again wetsuits are recommended.) Be aware that floating logs are common and can pose a serious hazard. Extreme caution should be used on any of the Waterton Lakes due to frequent high winds and rough water conditions.





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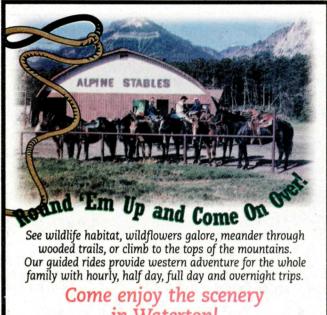
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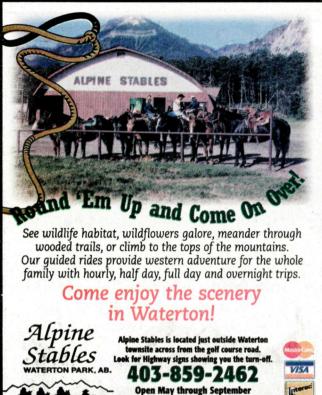
Accommodation choices range from primitive camping to cozy bedand-breakfast choices to posh hotel suites to suit every need and budget. Blend in some unusual history, fabulous scenery, superb cuisine and

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shops and services to browse through. Books, maps and a huge selection of gift items are available. Make cultural or entertainment discoveries...or just take it easy with a tasty stop at an ice cream or coffee shop.

well as the surrounding area. One of the most popular trails within Waterton is the Lion's Head ride on the Vimy Peak Trail which tends to be less travelled, offers superb wildlife viewing in lowlands and spectacular views as riders ascend higher.

Qualified guide services can accommodate riders of all experience levels to explore the beauty of the Canadian Rockies and foothills country. Each has it's own speciality, but all are dedicated to providing a safe and enjoyable time for riders - recommending trips that match skill levels and length of time you wish to ride...from a few hours to a few days.



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For the History Buff...

OIL CITY NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

Site of the first oil well in Western Canada drilled in 1902 on Akamina Hiway between Waterton Townsite and Cameron Lake.

KOOTENAI BROWN

Soldier, fortune hunter, trapper, and whiskey trader, of the many colourful characters that contributed to Waterton's early history, the best known flamboyant frontiersman was "Kootenai" Brown, Waterton's first park official. He died in 1916 and lies buried between his two wives on the shores of Knight's Lake, not far from the main park entrance at a marked site which can be visited today. His cabin can be viewed in Pincher Creek at the Kootenai Brown Pioneer Village.

PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL

In 1926, the Oland & Scott Construction Co. began building the Prince of Wales Hotel which was confronted with obstacles such as destructive weather and major design changes. Final completion was July 24, 1927...the day before the opening of the hotel.



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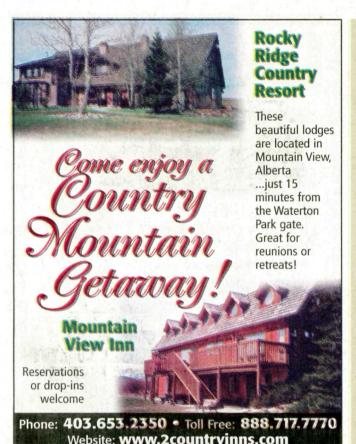
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Cycling Trails

CAMINA PASS TRAIL

1.3 km one-way • Trailheaa: 14.4 km along Akamina Parkway

Advanced riders will enjoy this short, but relatively steep former roadway into British Columbia. The wide trail leads cyclists through pleasant subalpine forest and is best known for its challenging grade. From the Pass, cyclists can continue into the Akamina-Kishinena Recreation Area in British Columbia.

16.4 km return • Trailhead: Red Rock Canyon Parking Lot

This abandoned fire road is wide with an uphill grade (some steep sections). The trail follows Bauerman Creek to Snowshoe Warden Cabin and offers spectacular views of the surrounding peaks.

21 km return • Trailhead: 0.5 km along Chief Mtn. Int. Hwy.

Wide and flat best describes the first half of this old wagon train road that takes you through aspen forest and grassland. The last half of the trail is narrow and frequently overgrown. The cycling trail ends at Wishbone backcountry campsite.

CRANDELL LOOP TRAIL

- 4 20 km for the entire loop. There are three different trailheads.
- · Crandell Lake Trailhead, 6 km along the Akamina Parkway.
- 6 km along Red Rock Canyon road, turn onto Canyon Camp road; cross the bridge, keep right to get to the trailhead parking lot for Crandell Lake. • Waterton Townsite - This trail offers cyclists a variety of possibilities. It can be ridden as a challenging loop around Crandell Mtn. Cyclists can use this trail parallel to Red Rock Canyon Parkway through Crandell Mtn. Campground to the trailhead for Crandell Lake. Follow this trail past Crandell Lake back to town.



Culture & Entertainment

here's where you can find it:

- Annual French Film Festival at the Waterton Opera House
- · Book launches at Borderline Books & Coffee, Waterton
- · Commercial art galleries: Gust Gallery, Willock & Sax Gallery in Waterton, Dam Gallery
- Cowboy Poetry, Music & Art Festival, Pincher Creek
 Great Canadian Barn Dance, Hill Spring
- Live music at the Kilmorey Lodge, Little Italian Café,
 Pizza of Waterton and Prince of Wales Hotel, Waterton
- · Musical and theatrical events at the Carriage House Theatre in Cardston
- · Musical Theatre at the Bayshore Inn, Waterton
- · Pow Wow and storytelling in the tipi at Waterton Lakes Lodge
- · Public art galleries: Lebel Mansion, Pincher Creek & Crowsnest Pass Gallery, Frank
- · Waterton/Glacier Writers workshop (bi-annual)

Southern Alberta Sites

While visiting Waterton, you may want to check out some of these recommended area sites that offer world class heritage for a variety of interests. Large provincial interpretive centres and museums combined with authentic local heritage sites provide informative tours and entertaining special events.

Fort Macleod Pincher Creek

Crowsnest Pass

Cardston

- The Fort Museum
- · Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump
- · Kootenai Brown Historic Park
- Remington Carriage Museum
- · Frank Slide Interpretive Centre
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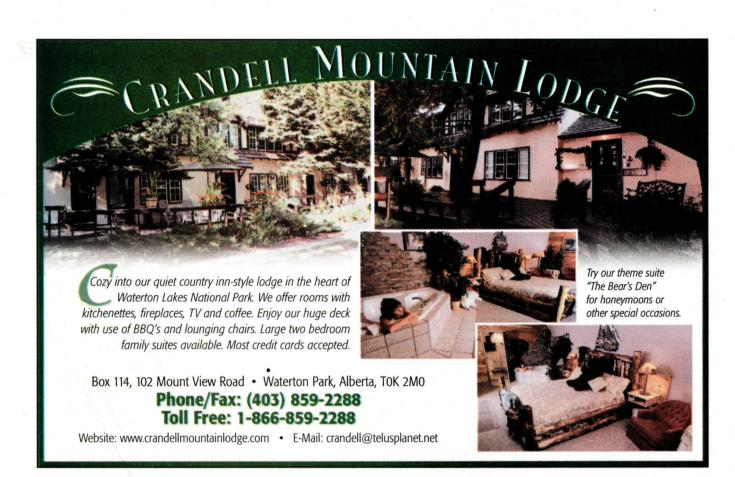
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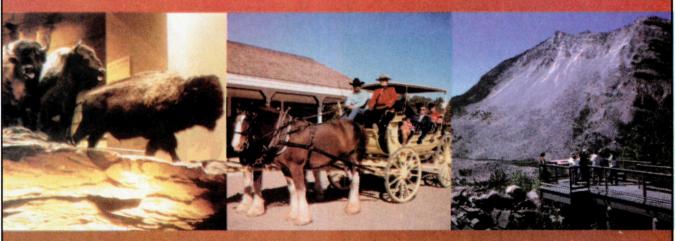
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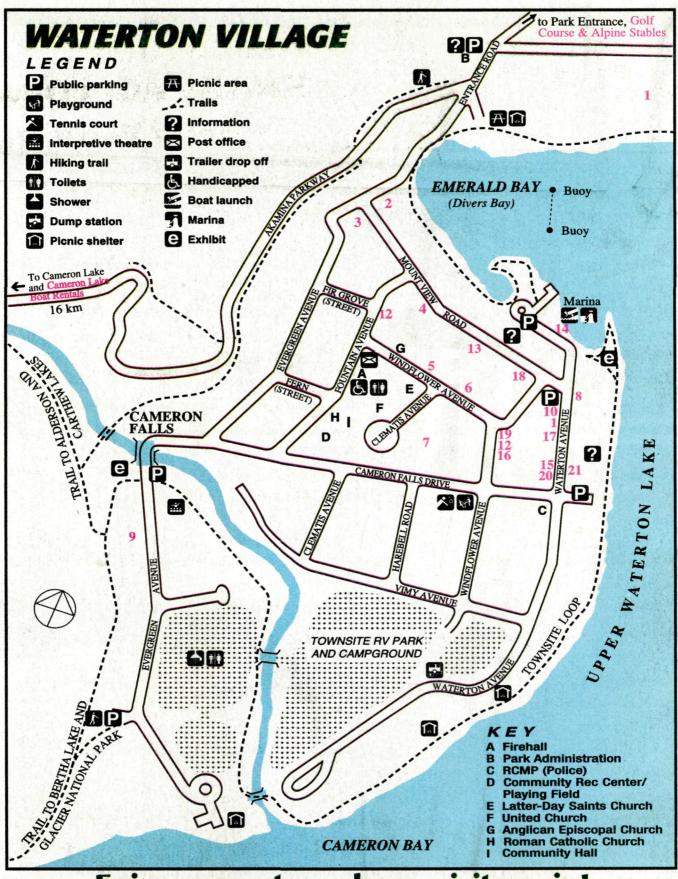
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