Prince Albert National Park is located on Treaty 6 territory, the lands of the nîhithaw (Woodland Cree), nêhiyawak (Plains Cree), Dene, Dakota and the homeland of the Métis. These lands and waters have been cared for by Indigenous peoples for generations and continue to be used and protected today.

We recognize the shared responsibility for the stewardship of the land and waters. Do your part to protect this special place.

kistapinānihk ihtakwan askiy kā-kī-masinahikatīk

asotamākīwinihk Treaty 6, askiy ī-tipīthihtahkwāw nīhithawak, nēhiyawak, Dene, Dakota, ikwa āpihtawikosisānak the Metis. askiy mīna nipiy kanawīthihtamwak nīhithawak mīna kayās ōta ithiniwak kāwīkicik ikwa kiyāpic kwayask kanawīthihcikātīwa. niwāpahtīnān ohcitaw poko

kita-māmawi-kanawīthihtamahk askiy mīna nipiy. kīsta wīcihīwī kita-kanawīthihtaman ōma askiy.

Prince Albert Tooroon not grawn piyee Li grawn bwa aykwawnima ashtay didawn Tretee Sis Li territwayr, li tayr ouschi nîhithaw (Daw li bwaw awn Cree), nêhiyawak (Li Promyee Nawsyoon), Dene, Dakota, pi la tayraen'd weekinawhk ouschi aen Michif li moond. Oohin li tayr pi diloo kee-pishkayimoowawn ouschi Indigene li moond poor ashpin kayawsh ouschi pi ahkamay awpachistawn

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**Stay Safe and Protect Wildlife** 

· Keep a safe distance from all wildlife. If an animal

notices you and changes its behaviour by lifting its

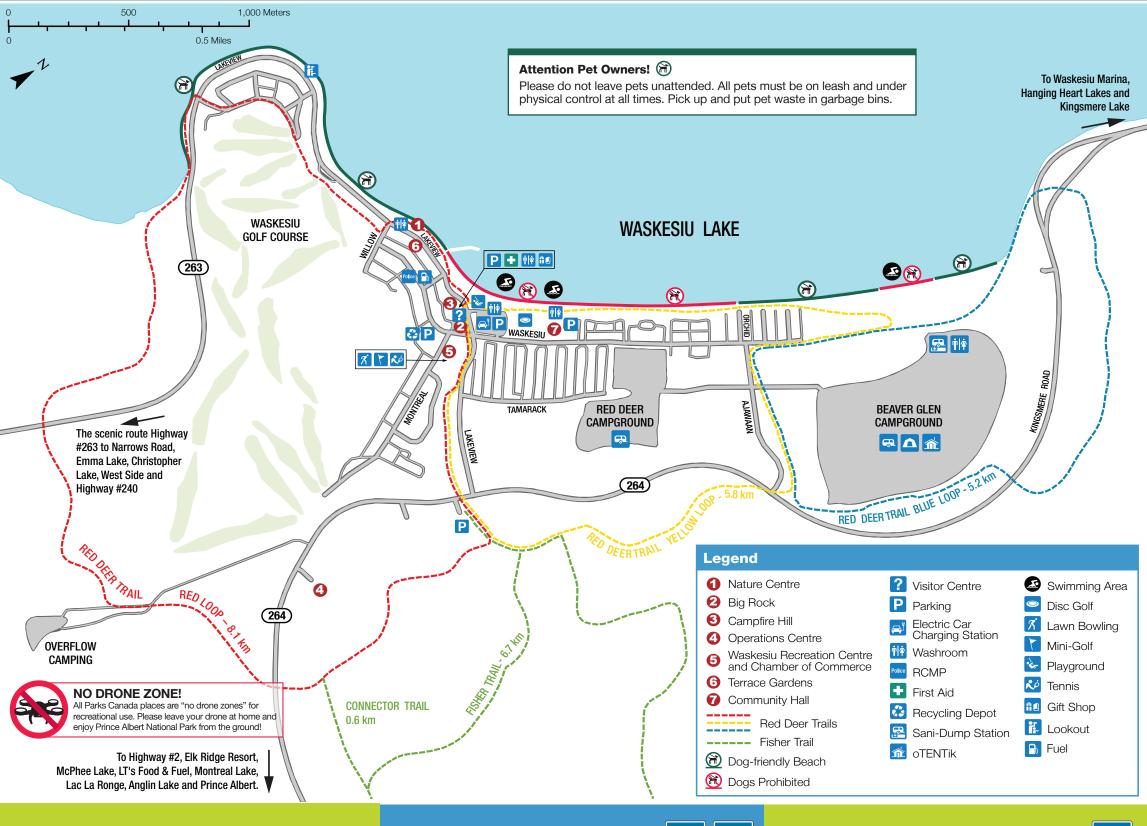
head, looking at you or listening to you, you are too

· Late summer and early fall is elk and bison mating

season; be especially aware of wildlife along trails at

· Travel in groups and make noise to let wildlife

# Waskesiu



# **Interpretive Programs**

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There are free public programs daily in July and August and weekends in June and September! Get the detailed public program schedule from the Visitor Centre.

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For information on paid programs for groups, contact the interpretation team at interpretationprincealbert@pc.gc.ca



# Give wildlife space

close and should back away.

know you are nearby.



100 m / 330<sup>1</sup>







# Picnic and Beach Areas 👍

#### **HEAD FOR THE BEACH!**

Sandy beaches, picnic shelters and fire pits are ready for your enjoyment. Pack your picnic and swimsuits before spending the day with friends and family at:

- Waskesiu Beach
- Paignton Beach Point View
- Birch Bay South Bay Trippes Beach

Look for the Picnic Area and Picnic Shelter icon for more picnic areas and beaches in the park.

### Pets are welcome!

All pets must be on leash and under physical control at all times. Dogs are allowed on most beaches, except for those with buoyed swimming areas.

• If you encounter elk, moose or bison on a trail, let them know

• Do not feed wildlife; they have a greater rate of survival and

are healthier when they eat natural food.

you're there by singing a song or whistling a tune. Walk slowly

around them at a safe distance or return the way you came.

Keep your pet on a leash and under physical control at all times.

Dogs can provoke defensive behaviour in bears and other wildlife.

• Know what to do when you see a bear. Read the Black Bear

Country brochure for more information on bears and how to

prevent an encounter, available at any park facility.

# 

Northern edge of Waskesiu

townsite

electrified

back-in sites

Short walk to

There are alcohol and cannabis restrictions in effect

in frontcountry campgrounds on all long weekends.

Reserve your campsite today! reservation.pc.gc.ca

Visit Waskesiu.org/accommodations.

Visit waskesiu.org/accommodations for information

Short walk to

main beach

or **1-877-737-3783** 

Central tap Central tap

**RED DEER** 

Waskesiu

oull-through

NUMBER OF CAMPSITES

RESERVATIONS

WATER

**POWER** 

SEWER

SHOWER

FLUSH

TOILETS

FIRE PITS

PIT TOILETS

FRONTCOUNTRY CAMPGROUNDS - VEHICLE ACCESSIBLE

25 km NW

14 back-in,

Self-registration | Self-registration | Self-registration

12 km N

motorized

watercraft

only

3 km S

Boat launch and beach

of Waskesiu

75 back-in,

# Camping

# **Help Protect Park Waters**

**MAKE MEMORIES HERE THIS WINTER!** 



Mandatory Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Watercraft Keep campsites clean. This means scented items or food are never left alone, even for a minute. Leaving scented items out puts visitors **Certification Permit** and wildlife at risk and can result in a fine. All watercraft must have a mandatory AIS watercraft certification permit before entering Prince Albert National Park waters to help

> This includes motorboats, canoes, kayaks, stand-up paddleboards, wind surfing boards and rowboats.

stop the spread of AIS.

Pick up your free AIS watercraft certification permit at an entry gate, the visitor centre, marina or a self-certification station at a boat launch or day-use area.

Watercraft used outside of Saskatchewan in the past 45 days must undergo inspection and/or decontamination to meet permit



parks.canada.ca/princealbert-aquatic

Make clean, drain, dry a habit everywhere you go! Clean, drain and dry all watercraft and water-related gear, including trailers, fishing gear, personal flotation devices, wetsuits, paddles and

the backcountry. Sites are first come, first served.

- Pack appropriate equipment, extra drinking water and
- Before your trip, please read the *Black Bear Country* brochure.
- the park. Do not rely on it.
- · Share a trip plan with trusted friends or family.
- For additional resources: AdventureSmart.ca

**Backcountry Camping** Campgrounds are equipped with picnic tables, pit toilets, firewood, fire pits and caches for securing wildlife-attractants.

a food storage

locker or elevated food cache

All overnight visitors, including for random backcountry camping, must register at the Visitor Centre before leaving for

Fees: Backcountry fees apply to all overnight backcountry stays.

- Check the weather, trail and fire conditions before heading into the backcountry.
- food in case you're out longer than anticipated.
- Take navigation tools and a first aid kit.
- REMEMBER cell phone coverage varies throughout



**Contact Information** 

**Visitor Centre - Open Daily** 

**Toll-free National General Information Line:** 

facebook.com/PrinceAlbertNationalPark

Dial 9-1-1 RCMP, Fire, and Ambulance

Stay safe and be AdventureSmart on the trails or water:

Stay informed about upcoming events,

important park updates or conservation work

at Prince Albert National Park. Get the latest

news straight to your inbox with the click of

a button. Subscribe to our newsletter today!

Visit adventuresmart.ca for tips to stay safe on your trip.

1-306-663-4522

1-888-773-8888

1-877-737-3783

reservation.pc.gc.ca

princealbertinfo@pc.gc.ca

Reserve your campsite:

Connect with us!

**Emergency** 

(Parks Canada Dispatch)

parks.canada.ca/princealbert







### **Trails**



Want to learn more about the natural world around you? Take a self-guided tour with a brochure available at the Treebeard trailhead, learn from the interpretive exhibits at Boundary Bog or attend an interpretive program.

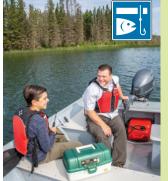


#### **Biking**

On trails, eBikes need to be in the pedal assist mode and must not have a switch to select motor only mode.

Highway #263 lends itself naturally to bike touring. This quiet, paved roadway is jam-packed with scenic diversity. Wear bright clothing and make yourself visible to motorists.

On roadways, eBikes can be in motor only mode. Provincial laws must be followed. For more information, please consult sgi.sk.ca/recreational-vehicles.



#### **Fishing**

**Prince Albert National Park fishing** licenses are available for purchase at the Visitor Centre, entry gates, campground kiosks or any of the

Contact the Visitor Centre to learn more about lake trout fishing regulations and to pick up your lake trout endorsement



### **Horseback Riding**

Escape the hustle and bustle of the daily grind along one of our horse-friendly trails.

Bring your own horse or contact the Visitor Centre for information on horseback riding outfitters in the surrounding area.

#### TRAIL SAFETY

- Register at the Visitor Centre prior to all overnight backcountry trips.
- Trails and beaches are not patrolled; use them at your own risk.
- · Watch for slippery or broken boardwalk on trails.
- Respect area and trail closures.
- · Wildlife encounters are possible; please use caution.
- Always take emergency gear! Be Adventure Smart:

# Paddling



The best seat in the house! Your canoe or kayak provides a unique vantage point to watch wildlife and explore the water. It is a great low-impact way to discover the natural wonders of the park. Higher water levels in spring make it the perfect time to enjoy the rivers. Paddle routes are not maintained; use them at your own risk.

Day Paddles		
NAME	ROUTE	LENGTH (one way)
AMISKOWAN LAKE	Amiskowan Lake to Shady Lake	1-2 hours
KING ISLAND	Trippes Beach to King Island	0.5 hours
WASKESIU RIVER	Waskesiu River to Waskesiu Lake	0.5 hours
SPRUCE RIVER	Spruce River on Hwy #263 to Anglin Lake	1.5 hours
HANGING HEART LAKES	Hanging Heart Lakes to Crean Lake	3 hours

## Overnight Paddles Remember to register at the Visitor Centre for all overnight stays

NAME	ROUTE	DAYS
BAGWA	Kingsmere Lake/Bagwa route	2
GREY OWL'S CABIN	Kingsmere Lake/Ajawaan Lake	2-3
CREAN LAKE	Hanging Heart Lakes/Crean Lake	2-3
TIBISKA LAKE*	MacLennan River/Tibiska Lake	3-4

\*Random backcountry; no services available.

#### Legend

⅓ Hiking

s Designated Cycling Trail Horses permitted on trail

Lookout Viewing Tower

Toilets Self-guided Trail

Easy Moderate Difficult

#### The Scenic Route Highway #263 (paved, no shoulders)

# 1 Shady Lake Trail 🦒

<u>1.7 km loop</u>

Hike down towards the lake in a counter-clockwise direction. East of the lake, a 1 km spur brings you to the 15 m high Height-of-Land Tower.

### 2 Height-of-Land Tower | | | |

Staircase, 60 m one way Climb the 15 m tower for a view of Shady Lake and the mixed-forest canopy. This tower sits on the divide between

# 3 Spruce River Highlands Trail 🦒 🗟 🚴

the Churchill and Saskatchewan river systems.

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 viewing opportunities of Anglin Lake.

# 4 Freight Tait Springs Trail 🦒 💰

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.

### 5 Elk Trail 🦒 🚴 🙀

Trailhead to Fish Lake 13 km one way Trailhead to Camp Lake 15 km one way Walk through tall aspen stands, see views of Sandy (Halkett) Lake, and discover small wilderness lakes.

Cookson Road (gravel, narrow, no shoulders, hills & curves)

6 Hunters Trail 🦒 🚴 🙀

<u>7.3 km loop</u>

On this sandy looped trail you will experience the rejuvenating effects of forest fire on the landscape.

# **Valleyview Trail Network**

### 7 Valleyview Trail 房 線 計 日 井 神

The following are exploration options. The trails provide access to fescue grasslands where free-roaming plains bison are sometimes seen. Start: Valleyview Day Use Area

A Valleyview Lookout Trail ----200 m one way

This short hike takes you to the Valleyview picnic site. Enjoy beautiful views of the Sturgeon River Valley.

#### B Valleyview Easy Loop ----<u>4.1 km loop</u>

Great for families, this short trail leads users through aspen forest.

### C Stoney Plain Meadow Spur ----1 km one way

Follow a marked route through Stoney Plain Meadow, a native fescue grassland. Look for wildflowers throughout the summer months.

#### 8 km loop

Follows the Valleyview Trail along the crest of the Sturgeon River Valley and through aspen forest. There are many great views and opportunities for random backcountry camping along the way.

# E Valleyview Difficult Loop -----

24.5 km loop Follows the entire length of the Valleyview Trail with many great lookouts over the Sturgeon River Valley. This trail goes through Jonassons Flats, a native fescue grassland. This trail also provides access to

#### Amyot Lake Trail Spur ----2 km one way

Explore sedge meadows where free-roaming plains bison sometimes graze. Enjoy great waterfowl viewing opportunities and the scenic Amyot Lake.

# The Narrows Road

Sturgeon Lookout.

8 Mud Creek Trail 🦒 👬

The trail skirts the lake and then follows Mud Creek. A beaver lodge and dam can be seen on the creek. In the spring, spawning



1.2 km loop

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 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) 10 Waskesiu River Trail 🦒 🚻

First 0.5 km Remaining 2 km From the parking lot, walk towards the river and across the pedestrian bridge. 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 meadow.

# 11 Narrows Peninsula Trail 🦒

3 km loop 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 1880s a fur trade post was set up on the point by an independent trader.

# 12 Kingsmere River Trail 🥻

1.5 km one way, staircase 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.

Southend 1.5 km one way

### 13 Grey Owl Trail 🦒 🚴 👫

19.9 km one way

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, continue east along the shoreline.

#### Westwind 🏠 👬 3.3 km one way

Chipewyan Portage 🛕 👬

6.7 km one way Sandy Beach 🛕 🛊

12.8 km one way Northend 🛕 🏠 👬

16.8 km one way

Grey Owl's Cabin 19.9 km one way

# Highway #264

(paved with shoulders) 14 Boundary Bog Trail 🧰 🦒 🚻

2.2 km loop Boundary Bog is an excellent representation of the many black spruce bogs that exist in the park.

### 15 Red Deer Trail 🦒 🚴 Three loops totalling 19.1 km

Red Loop ----8.1 km The Red Loop takes you through a variety of habitats along the lakeshore and through the rolling hills south

Yellow Loop ----The Yellow Loop takes you through the Waskesiu Community Fuel Break, and back along the lakeshore.

Blue Loop ----5.2 km The Blue Loop takes you 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. 16 Fisher Trail 🦒 🚴 6.7 km

Scenic and close to Waskesiu, this trail is great for hiking or biking through mixed woods, aspen stands and alongside black spruce muskeg.

#### Stop invasive species in your tracks by using the Boot Cleaning Stands located at the following trailheads:

- Grey Owl Trail Spruce River Highland Trail

Valleyview Trail Boundary Bog Trail



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