

Trails



Hiking

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 sgl.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 marinas.

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



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.

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
- Birch Bay
- Point View
- 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.

Paddling

Wear a Canadian approved personal flotation device (PFD) or lifejacket on all water bodies. Check the weather forecast and be prepared for conditions to change suddenly. Paddle routes are not maintained; use them at your own risk.

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

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

- Hiking
- 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)

- Shady Lake Trail** 1.7 km loop
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.
- Height-of-Land Tower** 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 the Churchill and Saskatchewan river systems.
- Spruce River Highlands Trail** 8.5 km loop
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.
- Freight Tait Springs Trail** 2 km one way
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.
- 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)

- Hunters Trail** 7.3 km loop
On this sandy looped trail you will experience the rejuvenating effects of forest fire on the landscape.

Valleyview Trail Network

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

- 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.
- Valleyview Easy Loop** 4.1 km loop
Great for families, this short trail leads users through aspen forest.
- 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.
- Valleyview Moderate Loop** 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.
- 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 Sturgeon Lookout.
- 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

(gravel, narrow)

- Mud Creek Trail** 2.3 km loop
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 fish attract black bears to the area.
- Treebeard Trail** 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.

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: AdventureSmart.ca
- Think ahead and do your research. Pick an activity that matches your group's abilities, experience, interests, equipment and time.

Kingsmere Road

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

- Waskesiu River Trail** 3 km loop
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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

Highway #264

(paved with shoulders)

- Boundary Bog Trail** 2.2 km loop
Boundary Bog is an excellent representation of the many black spruce bogs that exist in the park.
- 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 of Waskesiu. This trail starts in the townsite.
 - Yellow Loop** 5.8 km
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.
- 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.

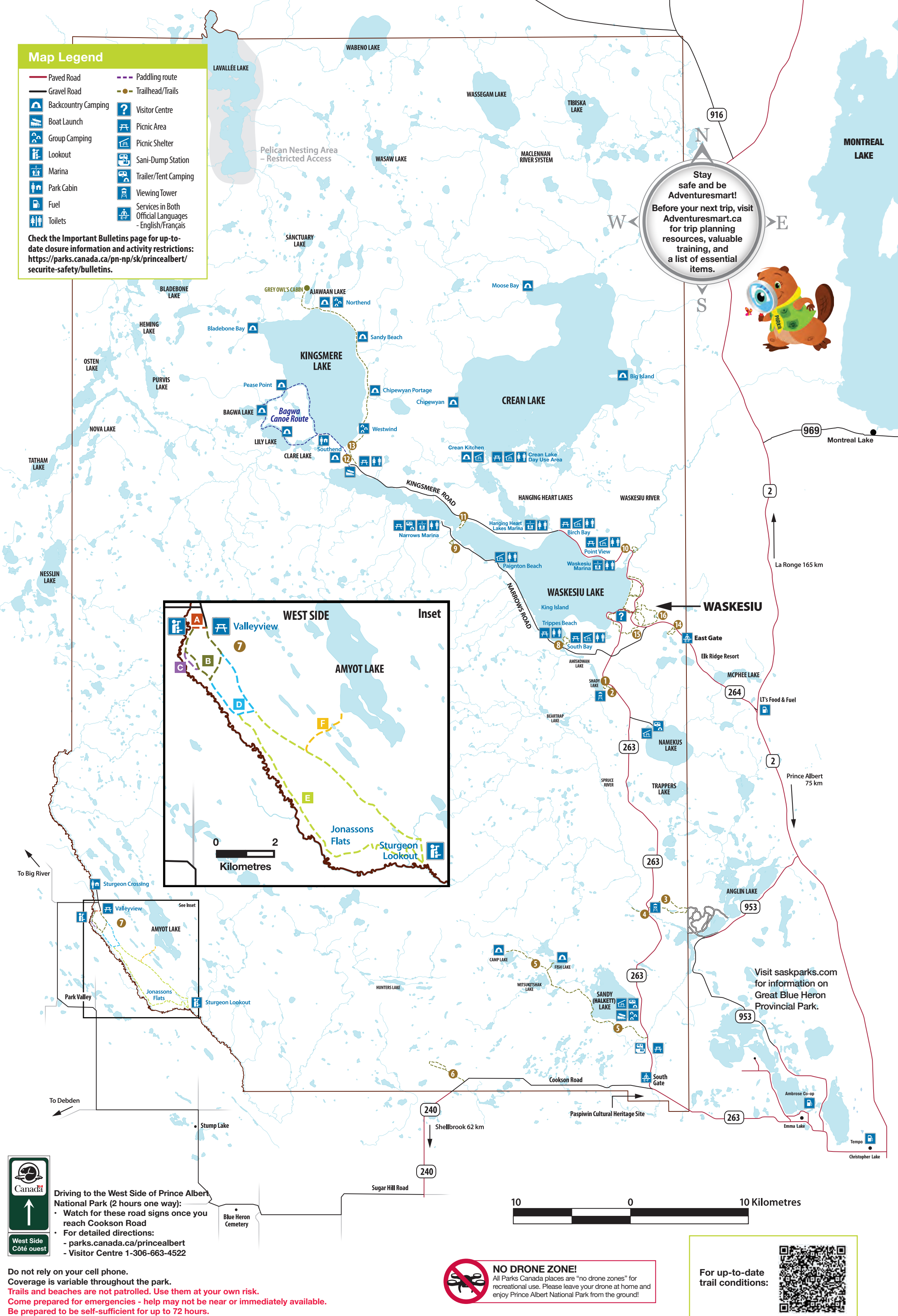
Stop invasive species in your tracks by using the Boot Cleaning Stands located at the following trailheads:

- Grey Owl Trail
- Spruce River Highland Trail
- Valleyview Trail
- Boundary Bog Trail

Map Legend

- Paved Road
- Gravel Road
- Backcountry Camping
- Boat Launch
- Group Camping
- Lookout
- Marina
- Park Cabin
- Fuel
- Toilets
- Paddling route
- Trailhead/Trails
- Visitor Centre
- Picnic Area
- Picnic Shelter
- Sani-Dump Station
- Trailer/Tent Camping
- Viewing Tower
- Services in Both Official Languages - English/Français

Check the Important Bulletins page for up-to-date closure information and activity restrictions: <https://parks.canada.ca/pn-np/sk/princealbert/securite-safety/bulletins>.



Stay safe and be AdventureSmart! Before your next trip, visit AdventureSmart.ca for trip planning resources, valuable training, and a list of essential items.



Driving to the West Side of Prince Albert National Park (2 hours one way):

- Watch for these road signs once you reach Cookson Road:
- For detailed directions: parks.canada.ca/princealbert
- Visitor Centre 1-306-663-4522

Do not rely on your cell phone. Coverage is variable throughout the park. Trails and beaches are not patrolled. Use them at your own risk. Come prepared for emergencies - help may not be near or immediately available. Be prepared to be self-sufficient for up to 72 hours.

NO DRONE ZONE! All Parks Canada places are "no drone zones" for recreational use. Please leave your drone at home and enjoy Prince Albert National Park from the ground!



For up-to-date trail conditions: