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Point Pelee National Park



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HISTORIC
SITES



5
NATIONAL
PARKS



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CONSERVATION
AREAS



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NATIONAL
URBAN PARK



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BE INSPIRED!
COME... HIKE, BIKE,
CAMP, SWIM, PADDLE,
LEARN, PLAY...



Bellevue House National Historic Site



Pukaskwa National Park



Fathom Five National Marine Park

WELCOME!

Dive into an exciting world of adventures when you explore Ontario's historic treasures and dazzling wild nature.

Come for a day trip, or take a look at our itineraries and book a vacation to remember.

Learn more about how we're working hard to fight climate change and discover how you can become a 'citizen scientist' and help protect biodiversity.

Memories await.

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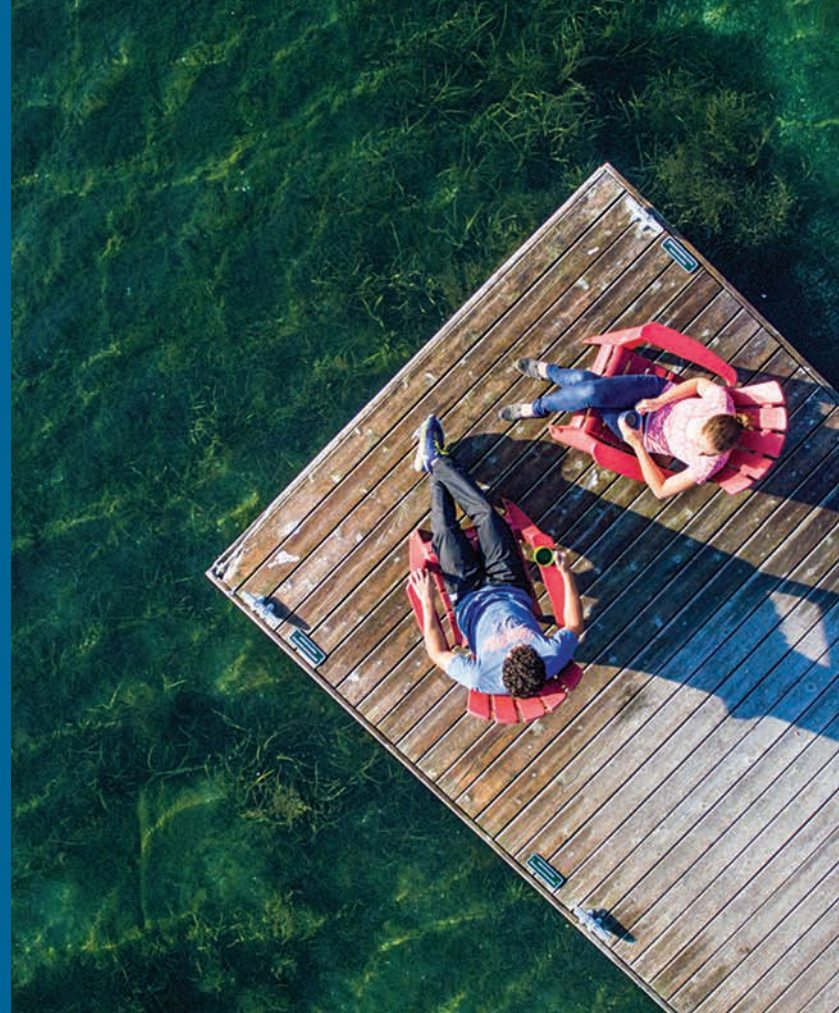
7-DAY
ITINERARY

DISCOVER CORNERS OF PARADISE

 FROM OTTAWA TO KINGSTON

 **ROUNDTrip**
450 km

 **LOCATIONS**
Thousand Islands National Park
Fort Wellington, Bellevue House, Rideau Canal and
Laurier House National Historic Sites



PLAN
YOUR VISIT AT
PARKSCANADA.GC.CA/VISIT
AND DISCOVER
OTHER ITINERARIES



DAY 1 THOUSAND ISLANDS

Mallorytown Landing,
135 km from Ottawa

Escape from everyday life and enter the heart of the wilderness only a few hours from the city.

Lace up your running shoes and discover different paths that wind through the park on undulating hiking trails. Explore hemlock forests, walk through spectacular wetlands, reach wooded ridges and admire impressive rock walls covered with ferns.

 oTENTik,
Mallorytown Landing

DAY 2

Ready for adventure? Grab your kayak and explore the St. Lawrence River's blue-green waters. Visit picturesque granite islands and admire iconic windswept pine trees. Be fascinated at every turn by sunken ships, historic castles and a landscape steeped in First Nations history.

You might be lucky enough to glimpse a soaring bald eagle or a family of turtles basking on a rock.

 oTENTik,
Mallorytown Landing

DAY 3

Ride the Thousand Islands Parkway's 40 km paved bike path for stunning river views. Relax by the waterside and take a refreshing dip in the water.

Want to go fishing? Who knows, with a bit of luck, you might be frying some fresh fish for dinner!

 oTENTik,
Mallorytown Landing

DAY 4 FORT WELLINGTON

Prescott, 45 km from Mallorytown Landing

Enlist in the Royal Artillery for a day! Recruits will spend their time training to be a member of the cannon crew. Feel the surge of adrenaline as you fire a 19th century muzzle-loading cannon.

 oTENTik,
Mallorytown Landing

DAY 5 BELLEVUE HOUSE

Kingston,
45 km from Mallorytown Landing

Tour the Visitor Centre and gardens of Sir John A. Macdonald. Wander through the family's kitchen garden, bite into an heirloom apple and watch costumed gardeners cut the lawn with scythes, just like in the 1840s.

 oTENTik, Upper Nicholson's
Lock Station, Rideau Canal,
Merrickville, 105 km from
Kingston

DAY 6

Ottawa, 75 km from Merrickville

Discover the nation's capital in a different light! Paddle through the scenic countryside, historic towns and quaint villages of Eastern Ontario on one of the many lakes, rivers or canals that wind through the city.

Create your team and join us for a Voyageur Canoe Sunset Paddle in Ottawa on the Rideau Canal!

DAY 7 RIDEAU CANAL AND LAURIER HOUSE


Take time to explore the Rideau Canal on foot! Do not miss the lockstation in Ottawa, with its historical flight of eight locks.

Enjoy a behind-the-scenes white glove tour at Laurier House. Sip some afternoon tea served on the veranda before heading home.

**3-DAY
ITINERARY**

ENJOY A FAMILY GETAWAY

 **FROM TORONTO TO NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE**

 **ROUNDTRIP**
285 km

 **LOCATIONS**
Rouge National Urban Park
HMCS *Haida* and Fort George National Historic Sites



**DAY 1
ROUGE NATIONAL URBAN PARK**

Looking to escape the stress of everyday life?

Explore Carolinian ecosystems, see one of the largest marshes in the region, walk along unspoiled beaches and let the sand soothe your feet. Discover a piece of human history stretching back more than 10,000 years.

 oTENTik, Glen Rouge Campground

**DAY 2
HMCS HAIDA**
Hamilton, 80 km from Toronto

Climb aboard the most famous Canadian war vessel and imagine what life must have been like for the crew serving on the Navy's most decorated ship. Can you spot any imminent threats on the horizon?

**DAY 3
FORT GEORGE**
Niagara-on-the-Lake,
75 km from Hamilton

Watch a musket firing demonstration. Better yet, put on a red coat, slip on a military hat, load and fire.

Wander through the fort's eight restored buildings and revisit the lives of British soldiers and their families.

Enjoy beautiful views of the mighty Niagara River.

Return to Toronto, 130 km



CONSERVING FOR THE FUTURE

THE CHALLENGE

How can we measure the health of Canada's protected areas?

Ecosystems respond differently to shocks and disruptions brought about by climate change. Recording data on hundreds of thousands of insect species across Canada's national parks can reveal a lot about the state of these ecosystems.

A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

Volunteers and scientists have found more than 725,000 specimens to scan using the Guelph Centre for Biodiversity Genetics' *Barcode of Life*.

THE RESULT?

Scientists now have a baseline to track long-term shifts in species.



GET INVOLVED NOW IT'S YOUR TURN

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

Point Pelee's longest-running Citizen Science project is the Christmas Bird Count. For more than 50 years, volunteers have spent a day tallying all the birds they can find.

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INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP

Take part in the International Coastal Cleanup at the top of Lake Superior! Contact us to find out how you can protect Lake Superior's precious coastline.

Lake Superior National Marine Conservation Area p. 13

BE PART OF THE COMEBACK!

Look for peregrines in Pukaskwa's backcountry between May 15 and July 15! Your falcon observations will be part of the Thunder Bay Field Naturalists' Project Peregrine monitoring program.

Pukaskwa National Park p. 10



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FROM \$100 PER NIGHT



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Stay close to nature at one of our wonderful campsites – at your preferred comfort level.

Available in Pukaskwa, Bruce Peninsula, Georgian Bay Islands and Thousand Islands National Parks; Rouge National Urban Park; and in Trent-Severn Waterway and Rideau Canal National Historic Sites.

BACKCOUNTRY CAMPING

The ultimate in overnight adventure: just you, your tent and the great outdoors, far from the beaten path.

Available in Pukaskwa, Bruce Peninsula and Georgian Bay Islands National Parks.



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oTENTik

The perfect mix of tent and A-frame cabin comes together in our oTENTik with its raised floors and cosy beds; great for campers who want a little extra comfort in the wild.

Available in Point Pelee, Pukaskwa, Georgian Bay Islands and Thousand Islands National Parks; Rouge National Urban Park; and in Trent-Severn Waterway and Rideau Canal National Historic Sites.

CABIN

Cottage life at its best with a rustic home-away-from-home in the woods. Sweet dreams for 2-12 happy campers.

Available in Georgian Bay Islands National Park and Trent Severn Waterway National Historic Site.

YURT

Live life without corners in a circular yurt! This traditional dwelling of Central Asian nomads is just right for a night of camping with a dash of homelike comfort.

Available in Bruce Peninsula National Park.

EQUIPPED CAMPING

No gear? No problem! Now you can rent the whole kit and caboodle thanks to our partnership with MEC in an equipped campsite. Ideal for stress-free vacays and those who want to travel light.

Available in Thousand Islands National Park and in Rideau Canal National Historic Site.

HISTORIC STAY

Immerse yourself in one of Canada's national treasures with a very special overnight stay in truly historic surroundings.

Davis Lockmaster's House and Newboro Canalman's Cottage are available in Rideau Canal National Historic Site.

OVERNIGHT MOORING

Have a unique nautical experience by mooring your boat in one of Canada's historic canals. Relax and enjoy nearby activities.

Available in Trent-Severn Waterway and Rideau Canal National Historic Sites.

♡
STAFF
FAVOURITES

Get the inside scoop on the very best way to enjoy our parks and sites from Parks Canada pros!



1 OASIS IN THE CITY

“Walking the trails of Rouge National Urban Park is a very serene experience. A great place to go to detach yourself from the busy world and enter a place of beauty and tranquility that’s right in my own backyard.”

Emily – Human Resources

2 BIG CHUTE MARINE RAILWAY

“The Big Chute Marine Railway is my favourite place to be at Trent-Severn Waterway National Historic Site. Crystal-clear, blue waters, massive Canadian granite outcroppings and towering white pines. Add in an engineering feat unlike any other in North America, and you have a once-in-a-lifetime experience.”

Chad – Manager of Canal Operations

3 EDGE OF LAKE HURON

“Standing on the shore surrounded by the ruins of Fort St. Joseph National Historic Site, I enjoy being able to feel the same sense of isolation that the British soldiers must have felt at the end of the 18th century.”

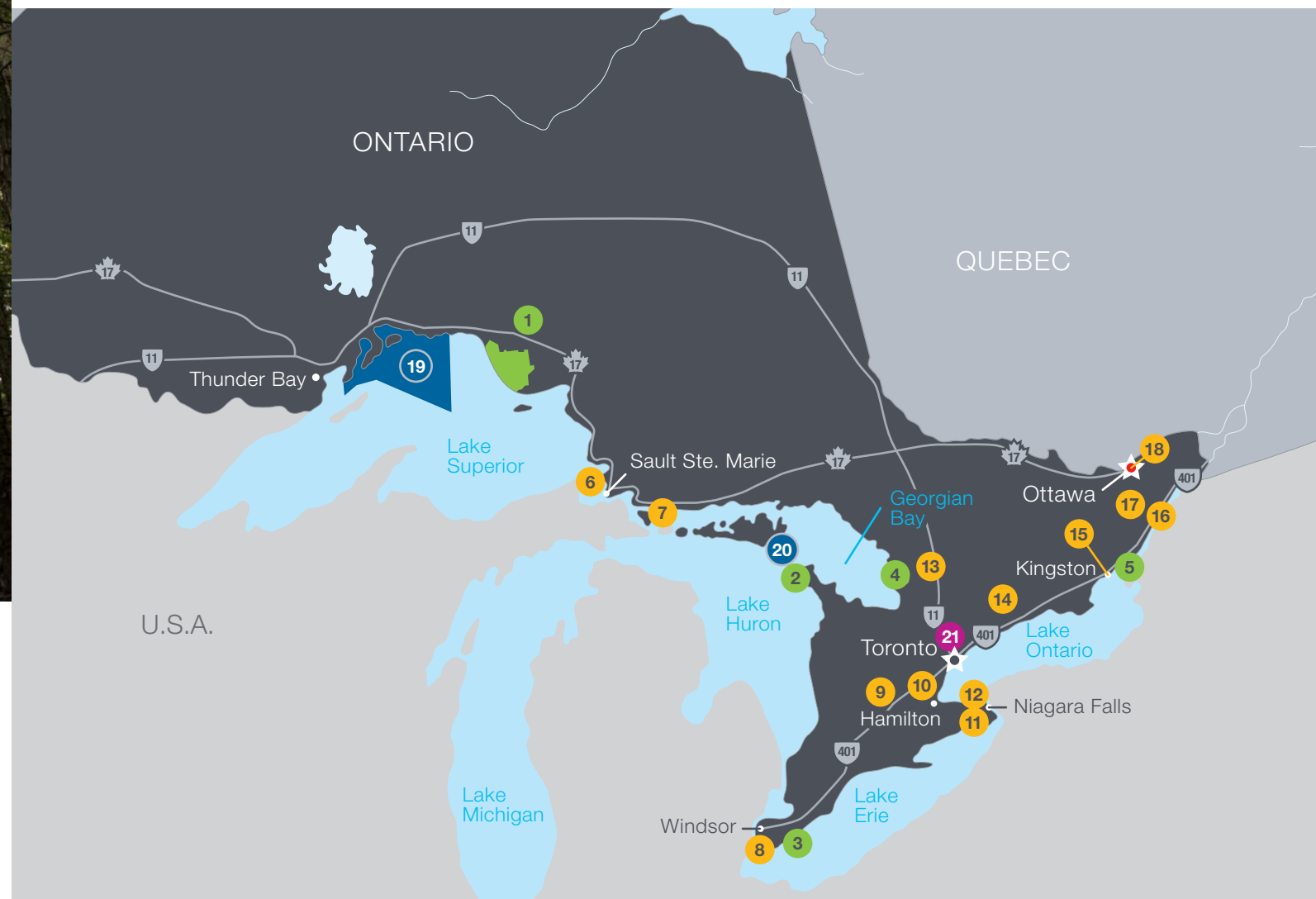
Stéphane – Interpretation Coordinator

4 ‘GO TO THE SHORE TRAIL’

“Mdaabii Miikna... It’s a magical trail in Pukaskwa National Park! From its 360° views of Lake Superior’s pristine coastline to the brilliant green hues of its mossy inland terrain, I’m always enchanted by this wilderness trek.”

Jennifer – Visitor Experience Product Development Officer

DIRECTORY ONTARIO



● National Park ● National Historic Site ● National Marine Conservation Area ● National Urban Park

SERVICES

- Access for the physically impaired
- Restaurant
- Gift shop
- Picnic area/Shelter
- Playground
- Wi-Fi (in certain areas only)

ACCOMMODATION

- Camping
- Recreational vehicle
- oTENTik
- Yurt
- Cabin
- Historic stay
- Overnight mooring
- Equipped camping

ACTIVITIES

- Interpretation
- Cycling
- Mountain biking
- Backpacking/Hiking
- Birdwatching
- Beach
- Canoeing/Kayaking
- Motorboating
- Fishing
- Scuba diving
- Winter activities
- Dark Sky Preserve
- Xplorers activities
- My Photo Missions app
- Red chairs



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1 Pukaskwa

A wilderness woven with Canadian Shield, enriched by Anishinaabe First Nations culture.

DON'T MISS

- Take in an impressive view, high above a waterfall on the White River Suspension Bridge Trail.
- Explore rocky nooks and paddle along crystal-clear waters.



Heron Bay – 320 km from Thunder Bay; 410 km from Sault Ste. Marie | 1-807-229-0801 parksCanada.gc.ca/pukaskwa | @PukaskwaNP #PukaskwaNP



2 Bruce Peninsula

The park boasts limestone coasts, mixed-wood forests, cliffside cedars and clear-water lakes.

DON'T MISS

- Challenge yourself and enjoy the rugged beauty on a bouldering adventure.
- Hike among yellow trembling aspen trees.



Tobermory – 295 km from Toronto 1-519-596-2233 | parksCanada.gc.ca/bruce @BrucePNP



3 Point Pelee

For more than a century, Point Pelee has protected its unique southern flora and fauna.

DON'T MISS

- Paddle the wetlands on a freighter canoe excursion and look for beavers and muskrats.
- Explore the entire park by bike on winding trails through lush forests.



Leamington | 1-519-322-2365 parksCanada.gc.ca/pelee | @PointPeleeNP #PointPeleeNP



7 Fort St. Joseph

The remains of an isolated outpost from 1796 to the War of 1812.

DON'T MISS

- Take in the fascinating history of the fort as you explore its ruins.
- Wind through the forest along the trails to Huron's Edge.



St. Joseph Island | 1-705-246-2664 parksCanada.gc.ca/joseph | @FortStJosephNHS #FortStJoseph



8 Fort Malden

The principal military station for the defence of the western frontier.

DON'T MISS

- Get a bang out of Fort Malden and fire a Brown Bess musket – an authentic 1812 experience.
- Visit the cookhouse for a warming bowl of soldier's stew.



Amherstburg | 1-519-736-5416 parksCanada.gc.ca/fortMalden | #FortMalden



9 Woodside

The childhood home of Canada's tenth Prime Minister, William Lyon Mackenzie King.

DON'T MISS

- Explore the grounds, which consist of 11.5 acres of mature woodland, year-round.
- Take a self-guided tour around this historic family home packed with original heirlooms.



Kitchener – 105 km from Toronto 1-519-571-5684 | parksCanada.gc.ca/woodside #Woodside



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4 Georgian Bay Islands

The world's largest freshwater archipelago.

DON'T MISS

- Explore the 63 idyllic boat-only access islands and find your new favourite.
- Hit the rugged trails and enjoy the park's scenic beauty.



Honey Harbour – 165 km from Toronto 1-705-527-7200 | parksCanada.gc.ca/gbi @GBINP



5 Thousand Islands

Where species from the deciduous forests intermingle with those of the boreal forests.

DON'T MISS

- Island-hop via kayak or canoe through a vibrant freshwater biosphere.
- Get a breath of fresh air on the trails at Jones Creek or Landon Bay.



Mallorytown – 135 km from Ottawa; 230 km from Montréal, QC; 320 km from Toronto 1-613-923-5261 | parksCanada.gc.ca/ti @TINationalPark



6 Sault Ste. Marie Canal

Once the longest lock in the world and the first to operate using electricity.

DON'T MISS

- Stand on the lock gates while vessels are moved 6.4 metres vertically from one lake level to the other.
- Explore the trails with fun, off-road-ready fat bikes.



Sault Ste. Marie | 1-705-941-6205 parksCanada.gc.ca/sault | @SaultCanalNHS #SaultCanal



10 HMCS Haida

The world's last surviving Tribal Class destroyer ship.

DON'T MISS

- Walk the decks of the most famous ship in the Royal Canadian Navy.
- Explore HMCS *Haida*'s authentic naval history on daily guided tours.



Hamilton – 70 km from Toronto 1-905-526-6742 | parksCanada.gc.ca/haida #HMCSHaida



11 Queenston Heights

A battlefield where British/Canadian forces fought off an attempted invasion by American troops.

DON'T MISS

- Climb the 235 steps up Brock's Monument for the spectacular view of the Niagara Frontier.
- Tour the battlefield as costumed guides bring to life that bloody October day in 1812.



Niagara-on-the-Lake – 130 km from Toronto; 20 km from Niagara Falls | 1-905-468-6614 parksCanada.gc.ca/queenstonheights



12 Fort George

The principal fortification on the Niagara Peninsula during the War of 1812.

DON'T MISS

- Book a *Hands on History* experience and learn to load and fire a replica 'Brown Bess'.
- Tap your toes to the sound of the marching tunes of the 41st Regiment Fife and Drum Corp on parade.



Niagara-on-the-Lake – 130 km from Toronto; 20 km from Niagara Falls | 1-905-468-6614 parksCanada.gc.ca/fortgeorge | @FortGeorgeNHS #FortGeorge



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13 Bethune Memorial House

The birthplace of Norman Bethune, an international hero.

DON'T MISS

- Test your battlefield skills in a First World War trench.
- Discover the life story, medical innovation and worldwide influence of Dr. Bethune on a guided tour.



Gravenhurst – 170 km from Toronto
1-705-687-4261 | parkscanada.gc.ca/Bethune



14 Trent-Severn Waterway

A 386 km waterway connecting Lake Ontario and Lake Huron.

DON'T MISS

- Take a summer motorcycle tour to the Big Chute Marine Railway and into cottage country.
- Chart a course to Kawartha Lakes' dream boating destinations: Bobcaygeon and Fenelon Falls.



Peterborough – 135 km from Toronto;
270 km from Ottawa | 1-888-773-8888
parkscanada.gc.ca/trentsevern
@TrentSevernNHS | #TrentSevern



15 Bellevue House

The home of Sir John A. Macdonald from 1848 to 1849.

DON'T MISS

- Join Sir John A. Macdonald's gardeners and domestic staff as they carry out some tasks.
- Walk in the footsteps of Canadian history on a guided tour of the property.



Kingston – 195 km from Ottawa;
265 km from Toronto; 290 km from Montréal, QC
1-613-545-8666 | parkscanada.gc.ca/Bellevue



19 Lake Superior

A freshwater inland sea where human history is intertwined with rich natural heritage.

DON'T MISS

- Let a Great Lake take your breath away as you hike Lake Superior's rugged north shore.
- Hop aboard a chartered boat tour and answer the serene call of Gichigamiing.



Nipigon | 1-807-887-5467
parkscanada.gc.ca/superior
@LakeSuperiorNMCA | #LakeSuperiorNMCA



20 Fathom Five

Iconic flowerpot formations and scenic limestone islands with underwater treasures.

DON'T MISS

- Camp in Flowerpot Island's serene backcountry for a peaceful escape to nature.
- Dive into Lake Huron and discover an underwater world of natural and cultural treasures.



Tobermory – 295 km from Toronto
1-519-596-2233 | parkscanada.gc.ca/fathomfive
@BrucePNP



21 Rouge

Canada's first and only National Urban Park, home to biodiversity, rich cultural heritage, Toronto's last farmers, and campers!

DON'T MISS

- Paddle a canoe through Toronto's largest remaining marshes and wetlands.
- Head out on a guided cultural and historical adventure.



Toronto | 1-416-264-2020
parkscanada.gc.ca/rouge
@RougePark | #RougeNUP



16 Fort Wellington

A historic fort dating back to the War of 1812.

DON'T MISS

- Enlist in Royal Artillery training and fire a 19th century cannon.
- Grab a copy of the Xplorers booklet and get the inside track on the fort's mysteries.



Prescott – 95 km from Ottawa;
185 km from Montréal, QC | 1-613-925-2896
parkscanada.gc.ca/wellington



17 Rideau Canal

A historic shipping route constructed after the War of 1812.

DON'T MISS

- Snap up a fishing permit and outdoors card, and head to Dow Lake to catch some dinner.
- Combine history with fun in a 27-foot Voyageur canoe tour.



Smiths Falls (Kingston to Ottawa)
1-613-283-5170 | parkscanada.gc.ca/rideaucanal
@RideauCanalNHS | #RideauCanal



18 Laurier House

The former residence of two of Canada's most important Prime Ministers.

DON'T MISS

- Step into a 1940's kitchen and contribute to the Second World War effort.
- Enjoy tea and a basket of sweet delicacies on the historic veranda.



Ottawa | 1-613-992-8142
parkscanada.gc.ca/laurierhouse



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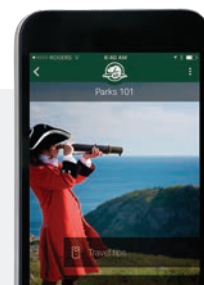
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