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How many times a day do you say something is **'awesome'**? Five. Ten. Twenty? We all love bragging about the 'awesome' things we do. But are these everyday things truly awesome? What happened to watching a spectacular sunset surrounded by nature, friends and family? Or hearing the impressive boom of a cannon firing in the place where history was made?

This is what awesome used to mean.

This is what it still means.

Across the Canadian Prairies, nothing can come close to experiencing the awesomeness of Parks Canada places.

Let us show you how!

1,2,3, GO!

Stow the electronics and pack up the kids! It's time to get out and get active with your family, at a price everybody can afford. The little ones will beg to come back again and you'll be happy to oblige when you see how quickly they conk out after a day of outdoor fun.

Now that's awesome!



FORT ADVENTURE IN THE CYPRESS HILLS

Dive into the 1870s and discover how Canadian law was brought to the West. Meet characters in period costume, scout out the new trading post and Métis cabins activities, and be witness to a trial. Be sure to follow your nose and taste from the food tent!

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WONDERFUL WASAGAMING!

Pristine Waters...There is so much to do at Clear Lake: swimming, canoeing, kayaking, fishing, shopping, restaurants, trails and more ... the sky's the limit. Build a sandcastle, golf, hike, or bike some of the best in the region. Once you visit you will always come back... P.S. Don't forget the ice cream! :)

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SEEK AND SCAMPER GEOCACHING CHALLENGE

Here? There? How about over there? Hike the scenic Batoche landscape and trails along the beautiful South Saskatchewan River to discover hidden secrets. Can you find all the caches? Try your luck and earn your souvenir Batoche Geocoin during this fun geocaching adventure.

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TEA FOR TWO...OR THREE...

You're invited to the Big House where a pint-sized tea party is underway—don't be late! Little ones take a seat at tiny tables where tiny tea sets and tiny costumes await. Have an imaginary tea party and learn how they did it in the 1850s.

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PINT-SIZED PARK

Discover the history of The Forks and its people at the Variety Heritage Adventure Park and engage all the senses. Climb a Red River Cart and lookout for charging bison, use your creativity on a traditional beadwork board, or hop aboard the Countess of Dufferin locomotive as you trace your journey through the Prairies!

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Looking for a thrill, or just a change of scenery? Grab a pal and head to your nearest national park for the adventure of a lifetime. Let us blow your mind and challenge you like never before. So go on, get out of your comfort zone and let off a little bit of steam.

Those selfies will be epic!

EPIC!

VALLEY OF 1,000 DEVILS BACKPACKING ADVENTURE

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With your home on your back, sweat dripping down your neck and the badlands at your feet, you traverse the East Block wilderness. Watch out for hoo doos and quicksand on your way to the Valley of 1,000 Devils! You and your friends won't want to put your cameras down as you walk where dinosaurs once roamed.

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GHOSTS IN A HAUNTED FORT – TWO DIFFERENT CHANCES TO SHRIEK!

Your spine tingles and goose bumps form as you embark on a guided 'Ghost Walk'. With nothing but a lantern to light the way, you explore the old fort, hearing tales of ghostly stories. Are they real? If you dare, the ULTIMATE spooks happen at the iconic 'Halloween Haunted Fort' event... Come see what goes bump in the night...

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HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY ENCOUNTER

Start your journey by zodiac boat to Sloop Cove. With a Parks Canada guide to lead the way, meet the men of the Hudson's Bay Company through the signatures they carved into the stones. Hike in their footsteps on the shore of Hudson Bay all the way to Prince of Wales Fort. The tundra and archaeological sites will amaze you.

Prince of Wales Fort National Historic Site p. 11
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UNEXPECTED. UNFENCED. UNFORGETTABLE.

Exhilarated by the adventure and remoteness of the area, you round a corner with your mountain bike and are rewarded by a herd of plains bison grazing on grasslands up ahead. Dismounting, you sit under a tree and snap some pics. This will make for some great campfire stories tonight... if your friends ever catch up!

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OUTDOOR CONCERT SERIES

Where else can you go to listen to live music where the dress code is a T-shirt, shorts and flip-flops? Enjoy a concert at Riding Mountain National Park's Wasagaming main beach this summer. It's the definitive combination of music, nature and resort-town relaxation.

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ESCAPE THE OFFICE

It's time to reclaim that balance in your life and enrich those family bonds. Opportunities abound to have fun and recharge your batteries in our national parks and national historic sites. The choices are endless...

All you have to do is pick one!



FROM FIELD TO FORK

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Become a farm hand and see which animal tries to steal your attention. After all the 'horseplay', find the clothesline and get dressed up for an original family photo op. To finish your day, indulge in the delicious tastes of the 'Off the Beaten Path Café'. Cap it off with a relaxing horse-drawn weekend wagon ride around the homestead.

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CHOOSE YOUR OWN ULTIMATE ADVENTURE

Relax by the campfire at Friday night's 'Fireside Chats, Stories and S'more' program. Fall asleep in our new campground dreaming of wildlife and beautiful landscapes - adventure awaits during tomorrow's 'Family Super Saturday' experience. Cap the weekend off with a guided 'Walk in the Park' on Sunday morning. With so many fun things to choose from, you'll wish you had more time!

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THE ACCESSIBLE ARCTIC EXPERIENCE

Join Parks Canada staff for a guided tour of Cape Merry Battery National Historic Site, easily reached by Churchill. Learn about this site's role in the epic struggle between the English and the French for control of Hudson Bay. Summer is the perfect time to watch thousands of beluga whales travel the Churchill River.

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CACHE ME IF YOU CAN!

Can you solve the mystery of The Forks? Put on your thinking caps and crack the case through a self-directed GPS tour that will take you through the secrets and mysteries of this historic space. Find the hidden geo-cache and track down the site's elusive and storied history.

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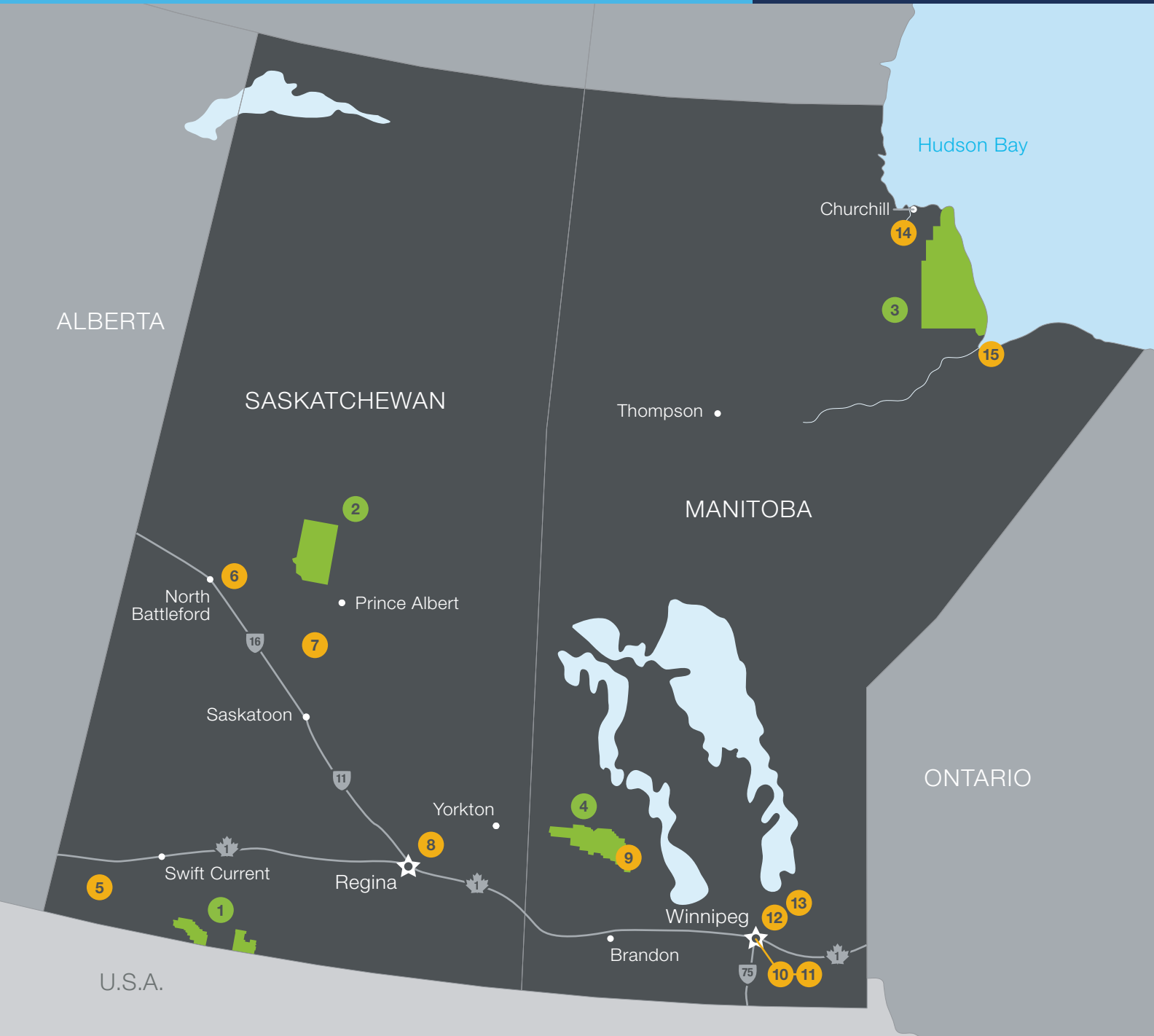
CAMPING WILL NEVER BE THE SAME!

It only took 15 minutes to set up camp and the oTENTik already feels like home. Next on the to-do list - the beach! It's all about sand castles, splashing in the water, and taking the kayak for a spin. Later you plan to bike into Waskesiu for ice cream, have s'mores by the fire and crawl into your comfy bed. The perfect summer day!

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Services and activities legend

The legend below identifies some of the services and activities that may be available at the parks and sites. Watch for these symbols when planning your visit.

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 Birdwatching	 Mountain biking
 Ice skating	

Directory



Prince Albert National Park



Riding Mountain National Park

Saskatchewan

1 Grasslands



Explore the West Block's Frenchman River Valley and marvel at unexpected encounters with rare animals and plants. Discover the East Block's astonishing geological formations and rock fossil beds.

Wander through miles of rolling hills and hidden coulees, where the buffalo roam. Catch a glimpse of a burrowing owl or black-footed ferret. Marvel at an active prairie dog colony, or an ancient teepee ring. Don't forget to experience the local-western hospitality.

Val Marie, Saskatchewan

1-306-298-2257 | parkscanada.gc.ca/grasslands

2 Prince Albert



Camp in deep forests, paddle on pristine waters, visit bogs or go hiking. Travel by canoe or foot to the lakeside cabin of legendary conservationist Grey Owl. See free-ranging bison on their historical home range. Spot a pelican on its way to the only fully protected white pelican nesting colony in Canada. With spectacular views, a charming village, and wild animals all around, the park is sure to offer something for everyone.

Waskesiu, Saskatchewan

1-306-663-4522 | parkscanada.gc.ca/princealbert

5 Fort Walsh



Experience life in the 1870s and discover how Fort Walsh presided over one of the most dramatic periods of change on the Prairies. Learn how Canadian law was established in the West, while the Cypress Hills continued to be a meeting place and crossroads for many different peoples, including Mounties, First Nations peoples, Métis, fur traders and whiskey traders.

Maple Creek, Saskatchewan

1-306-662-3590 | parkscanada.gc.ca/walsh

6 Fort Battleford



As you walk towards the towering walls of the Fort Battleford stockade, take in the beautiful scenery and think about the dramatic history of the area that resulted in conflict between the First Nations people and the Canadian government in 1885. Discover how more than 500 settlers sought safety at Fort Battleford when conflict loomed. Discover the fascinating stories of the North-West Mounted Police, First Nations people, settlers and militia in these difficult times.

Battleford, Saskatchewan – 145 km from Saskatoon, SK

1-306-937-2621 | parkscanada.gc.ca/battleford

7 Batoche



Learn how in 1885, Gabriel Dumont, Louis Riel and the Métis took on the federal government in a battle that changed the development of Western Canada. Walk the grounds of the majestic historic village of Batoche. Learn about the extraordinary people and the events that shaped Canada. Celebrate Métis and Aboriginal culture through traditional activities and special events.

Wakaw, Saskatchewan – 90 km from Saskatoon, SK

1-306-423-6227 | parkscanada.gc.ca/batoche

8 Motherwell Homestead



Motherwell Homestead depicts the lifestyles, costumes, and architecture of the early 20th century. Here you can get a glimpse of the life and career of pioneer farmer and politician, W.R. Motherwell, and his significant influence on the development of scientific agriculture in Western Canada.

Abernethy, Saskatchewan – 100 km from Regina, SK

1-306-333-2116 | parkscanada.gc.ca/motherwell

Manitoba

3 Wapusk



Let this land fill you with awe as you visit the remote subarctic wilderness that protects one of the world's largest known polar bear denning areas, where female bears give birth. Approximately 900 polar bears inhabit this huge 11 475 square kilometer park. As a nature lover, watch for arctic foxes, arctic hares, wolves, caribou and wolverines as well as 250 bird species. Access to Wapusk is via authorized commercial tour operators in Churchill.

Churchill, Manitoba

1-204-675-8863 | parkscanada.gc.ca/wapusk

4 Riding Mountain



Experience 3000 km² of prairie grasslands, boreal forest and aspen parkland by exploring the 400 km of trails! Take part in superb wildlife viewing and bird watching. Watch for bison, elk, moose, bear and wolves. Enjoy the resort atmosphere complete with sandy beaches, rustic log architecture, restaurants, accommodation and shopping. Learn about the human history and unique geological features of the area.

Wasagaming, Manitoba – 270 km from Winnipeg, MB

1-204-848-7275 | parkscanada.gc.ca/riding

9 Riding Mountain Park East Gate Registration Complex



See the historic log work of the East Gate, built in 1933 to accommodate early auto tourism and promote interest in outdoor leisure pursuits. Satisfy your curiosity; note the iconic Rustic Tudor architectural style of Canada's earliest national parks. A must-see on your list! This building was designed by Swedish immigrants using local building materials. It is the last of many original entrance gates left standing in the Parks Canada system.

Wasagaming, Manitoba

1-204-848-7275 | parkscanada.gc.ca/riding



Prince Albert National Park



Lower Fort Garry National Historic Site



Wapusk National Park

10 Riel House



Inside this restored Red River Frame house, you can reflect on the fascinating and complex story of Louis Riel and explore his modern legacy. Come to Riel House and learn about Riel and the Métis, a distinct Canadian people with a unique blend of French and Aboriginal traditions.

Winnipeg, Manitoba
1-204-257-1783 | parkscanada.gc.ca/riel

11 The Forks



Visit The Forks National Historic Site and enter a green oasis in the heart of downtown Winnipeg. Taste foods from around the world and experience unique shopping in the bustling Forks Market. Discover each chapter of The Forks' 6 000 year story through lively guided tours, entertaining activities and festivals, one-of-a-kind art and sculpture, prairie gardens and heritage buildings.

Winnipeg, Manitoba
1-204-983-6757 | parkscanada.gc.ca/forks

12 St. Andrew's Rectory



St. Andrew's Rectory is an excellent example of mid-19th century Red River architecture. Outdoor exhibits interpret Red River architecture, and the roles of the Church Missionary Society and the Church of England in the settlement of the Red River and Western Canada.

St. Andrews, Manitoba – 25 km from Winnipeg, MB
1-204-334-6405 | parkscanada.gc.ca/standrewsrectory

13 Lower Fort Garry



Walk among the stone walls and buildings that tower above the Red River at Lower Fort Garry. Hear the ring of hammer on metal, savour the aroma of bannock drifting from an aboriginal campfire, or feel the coarse fur of a bison hide. Connect to history with the help of skilled costumed interpreters at this restored 19th century Hudson's Bay Company fort. Explore the multi-media interactive Visitor Centre exhibits, a perfect introduction to the historic grounds.

St. Andrews, Manitoba – 25 km from Winnipeg, MB
1-204-785-6050 | parkscanada.gc.ca/fortgarry

14 Prince of Wales Fort



Seek the thrill of adventure in Churchill Manitoba... Canada's accessible arctic...and see the astonishing Prince of Wales Fort built 250 years ago on the bare, windswept coast of Hudson Bay. Get a real sense of a fur trader's life in the sub-arctic at this massive stone outpost. Hop on a boat to the fort and experience unforgettable whale watching – more than 3,000 beluga whales gather in the Churchill River in July and August.

Churchill, Manitoba
1-204-675-8863 | parkscanada.gc.ca/princewalesfort

15 York Factory



Journey to York Factory, a huge fur trade era depot set in the remote Hudson Bay wilderness. Marvel that this isolated post was a vital fur trade hub for more than 250 years and was the gateway to the vast interior for British trade goods, Hudson's Bay Company employees, settlers and soldiers. Let York Factory's pristine setting and authenticity transport you back in time.

Churchill, Manitoba
1-204-675-8863 | parkscanada.gc.ca/yorkfactory

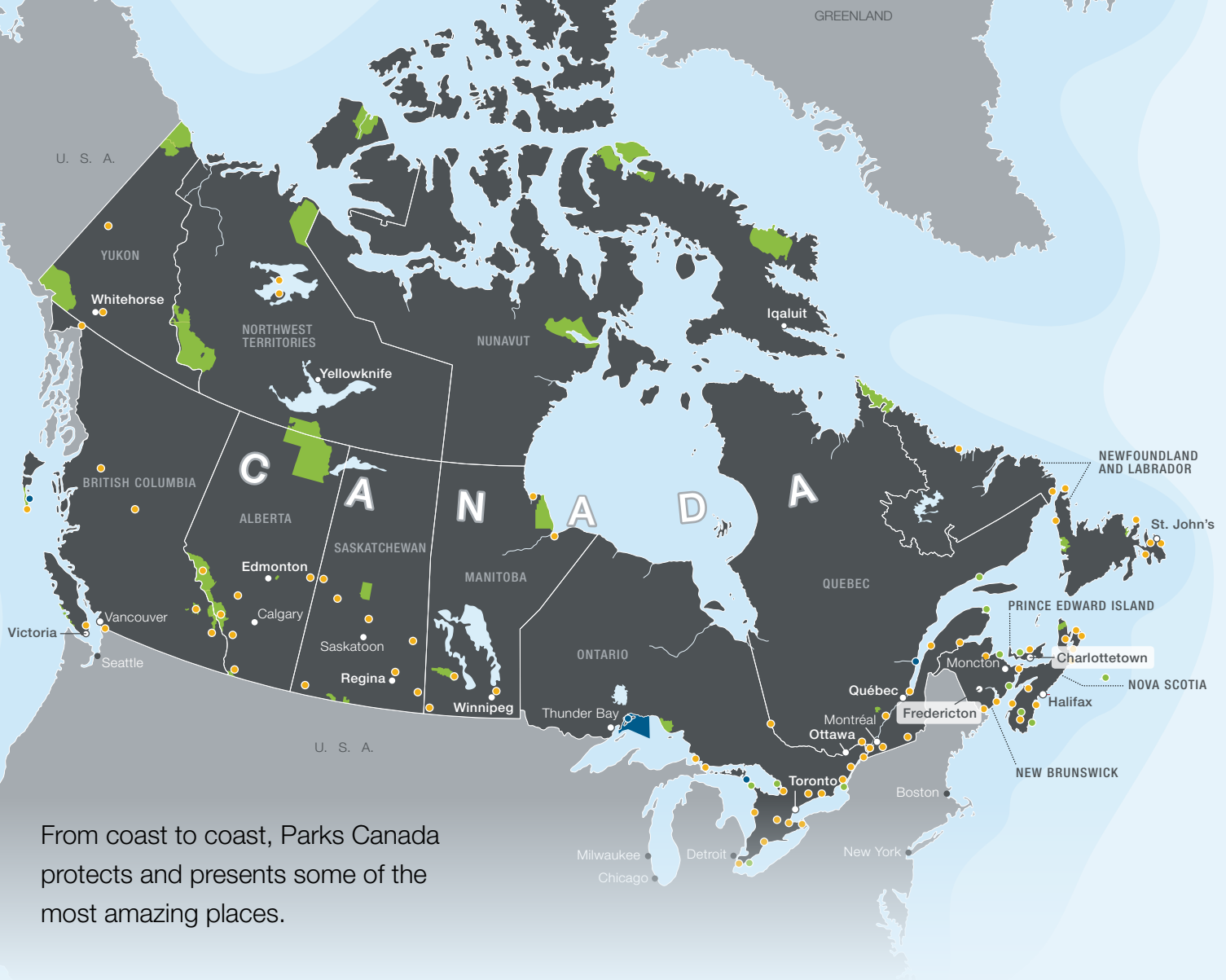


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