

# JASPER NATIONAL PARK

# Points of Interest

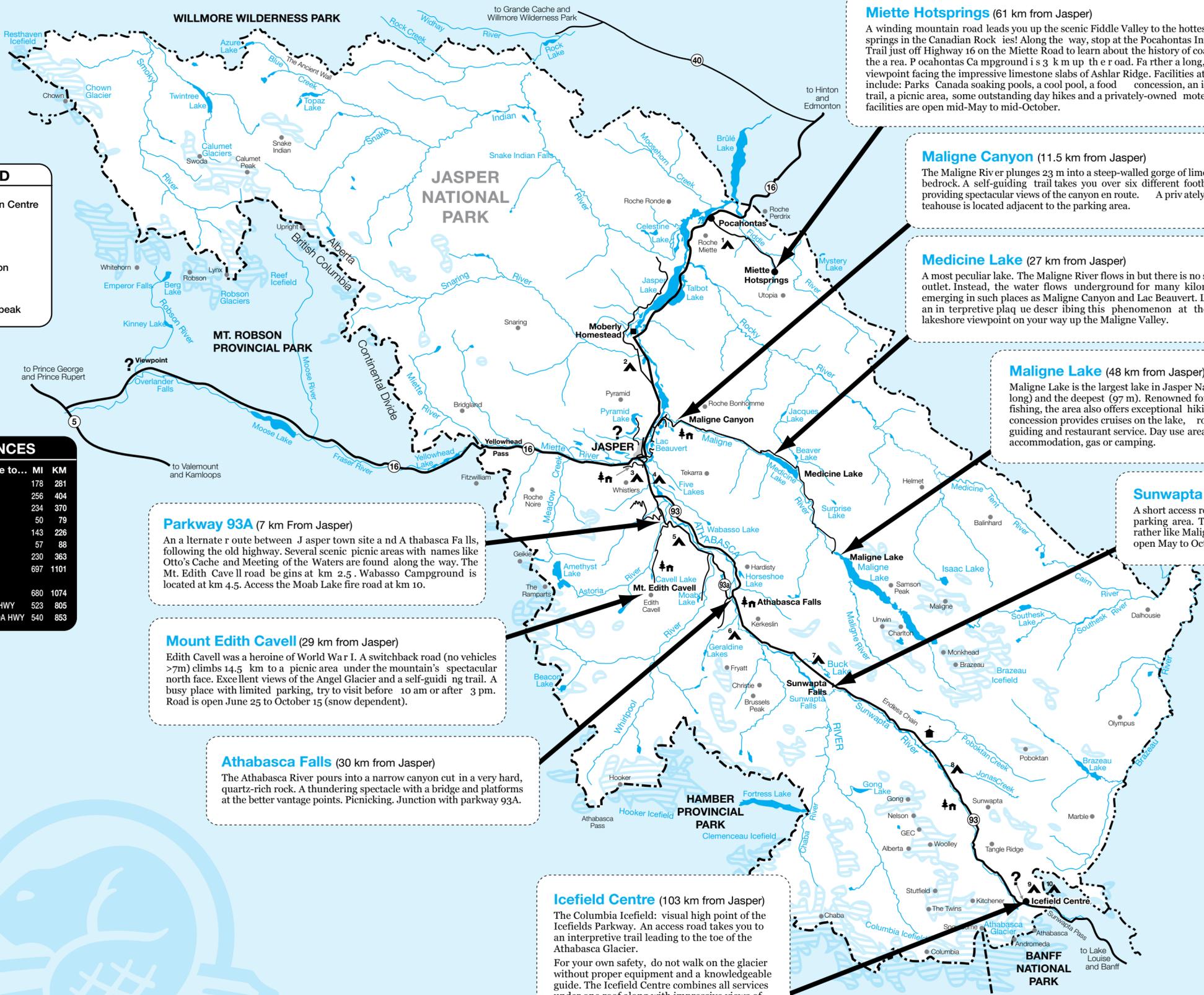


**LEGEND**

- ? Information Centre
- ▲ Camping
- 🏠 Hostel
- 🚗 Park Station
- ❄️ Glacier
- Mountain peak

**DISTANCES**

Jasper Townsite to...	MI	KM
BANFF	178	281
CALGARY	256	404
EDMONTON	234	370
HINTON	50	79
LAKE LOUISE	143	226
MOUNT ROBSON	57	88
PRINCE GEORGE	230	363
PRINCE RUPERT	697	1101
VANCOUVER		
...VIA ROGERS PASS	680	1074
...VIA COQUIHALLA HWY	523	805
...VIA TRANS CANADA HWY	540	853



**Miette Hot Springs** (61 km from Jasper)  
 A winding mountain road leads you up the scenic Fiddle Valley to the hottest mineral springs in the Canadian Rockies! Along the way, stop at the Pocahontas Interpretive Trail just off Highway 16 on the Miette Road to learn about the history of coal mining in the area. Pocahontas Campground is 3 km up the road. Further a long, look for a viewpoint facing the impressive limestone slabs of Ashlar Ridge. Facilities at the springs include: Parks Canada soaking pools, a cool pool, a food concession, an interpretive trail, a picnic area, some outstanding day hikes and a privately-owned motel. Road and facilities are open mid-May to mid-October.

**Maligne Canyon** (11.5 km from Jasper)  
 The Maligne River plunges 23 m into a steep-walled gorge of limestone bedrock. A self-guiding trail takes you over six different footbridges, providing spectacular views of the canyon en route. A privately owned teahouse is located adjacent to the parking area.

**Medicine Lake** (27 km from Jasper)  
 A most peculiar lake. The Maligne River flows in but there is no surface outlet. Instead, the water flows underground for many kilometres, emerging in such places as Maligne Canyon and Lac Beauvert. Look for an interpretive plaque describing this phenomenon at the first lakeshore viewpoint on your way up the Maligne Valley.

**Maligne Lake** (48 km from Jasper)  
 Maligne Lake is the largest lake in Jasper National Park (22 km long) and the deepest (97 m). Renowned for its scenery and its fishing, the area also offers exceptional hiking opportunities. A concession provides cruises on the lake, rowboat rentals, fish guiding and restaurant service. Day use area only; no overnight accommodation, gas or camping.

**Sunwapta Falls** (55 km from Jasper)  
 A short access road next to the motel takes you to the parking area. The falls tumble into a limestone gorge rather like Maligne Canyon. Motel and restaurant are open May to October.

**Parkway 93A** (7 km From Jasper)  
 An alternate route between Jasper townsite and Athabasca Falls, following the old highway. Several scenic picnic areas with names like Otto's Cache and Meeting of the Waters are found along the way. The Mt. Edith Cavell road begins at km 2.5. Wabasso Campground is located at km 4.5. Access the Moab Lake fire road at km 10.

**Mount Edith Cavell** (29 km from Jasper)  
 Edith Cavell was a heroine of World War I. A switchback road (no vehicles >7m) climbs 14.5 km to a picnic area under the mountain's spectacular north face. Excellent views of the Angel Glacier and a self-guiding trail. A busy place with limited parking, try to visit before 10 am or after 3 pm. Road is open June 25 to October 15 (snow dependent).

**Athabasca Falls** (30 km from Jasper)  
 The Athabasca River pours into a narrow canyon cut in a very hard, quartz-rich rock. A thundering spectacle with a bridge and platforms at the better vantage points. Picnicking. Junction with parkway 93A.

**Icefield Centre** (103 km from Jasper)  
 The Columbia Icefield: visual high point of the Icefields Parkway. An access road takes you to an interpretive trail leading to the toe of the Athabasca Glacier.  
 For your own safety, do not walk on the glacier without proper equipment and a knowledgeable guide. The Icefield Centre combines all services under one roof along with impressive views of numerous glaciers and surrounding peaks. Parks Canada offers trails and visitor information and impressive interpretive exhibits. Commercial services include "Ice Explorer" rides on the Athabasca Glacier, a hotel, a cafeteria and a gift shop. Open May to October.

**CAMPING** is limited to designated campgrounds. Camping is available either through advance reservations (pccamping.ca or 1-877-737-3783) or on a first-come first-served basis. Camping fees vary with services provided. Consult *The Mountain Guide* for a current listing of fees and services. If a campground is full, park staff will direct you to other locations. **Enjoy your stay!**

CAMPGROUND	CAPACITY AND FACILITIES
1. POCAHONTAS 44 km	130 sites & 10 walk-in tent sites, flush toilets, hot and cold running water
2. SNARING RIVER 16 km	56 sites & 10 walk-in tent sites, kitchen shelters, dry toilets
3. WHISTLERS 3 km	781 sites, kitchen shelters, flush toilets, trailer sewage disposal, hook-ups, showers, wheelchair accessible washrooms & showers
4. WAPITI 3.8 km	366 sites, kitchen shelters, flush toilets, electrical hook-ups
5. WABASSO 16 km	232 sites, flush toilets, hot and cold running water, trailer sewage disposal, electrical hook-ups
6. MOUNT KERKESLIN 36 km	42 sites, kitchen shelter, dry toilets
7. HONEYMOON LAKE 52 km	35 sites, kitchen shelters, dry toilets, swimming
8. JONAS CREEK 77 km	26 sites, kitchen shelter, dry toilets
9. COLUMBIA ICEFIELD 109 km	33 tent sites, kitchen shelters, dry toilets
10. WILCOX CREEK 111 km	46 sites, kitchen shelters, dry toilets, trailer sewage disposal

Most campgrounds open mid-May to early September; limited facilities for off-season winter camping available during the rest of the year.

**How To Drive For Wildlife**  
 Park roadways intersect important travel corridors for wildlife. You can help prevent road kills.

**Stay alert and scan the road ahead.**  
**Look** for shining eyes at night.  
 When you see one animal, **watch** for others.  
**Obey** posted speed limits. They usually indicate animal crossing areas.  
**Pay** special attention during dawn and dusk.

**Drive as if their lives depend on it.**

**Always keep your distance**  
 Any wild animal can be dangerous if you get too close. Do not approach or entice wildlife. Use binoculars or a telephoto lens instead. Stay at least:

**100 metres (10 bus lengths) away from BEARS, COUGARS and WOLVES**

**30 metres (3 bus lengths) away from ELK, DEER, SHEEP, GOATS and MOOSE**



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## Trails around town

LEGEND	
	Boat launch
	Trailhead
	Information
	Parking
	RV parking
	Washroom
	Groceries
	Laundry
	Post office
	Hospital
	Police
	Highway 93
	Disabled Access
	Golfing
	Gondola
	Train station
	Bus depot
	Museum
	Play area
	Picnic site
	Swimming pool
	Recycling depot
	Dump station
	Hostel
	Campground
	Jasper Discovery Trail
	Railway



**Cottonwood Creek and Pyramid Lake Loop**  
 Trails 2 and 2a • 3.8 km return 1 – 2 hours  
 –or– Trails 2 and 2b • 15 km return 5 – 7 hours  
**Trailhead:** Jasper Activity Centre parking lot. Also accessible at Cottonwood Slough parking lot (2 km up Pyramid Lake Road), Pyramid Stables parking area (3.5 km) or Pyramid Lake (end of the road).

**Patricia Lake Circle**  
 Trails 6 and 6c • 4.6 km return  
 2 – 3 hours  
**Trailhead:** Pyramid Stables parking area at km 3.5 on the Pyramid Lake Road or hike Trail 2 from town.

**Mina Lakes – Riley Lake Loop**  
 Trails 8 and 2 • 9 km return  
 3 – 4 hours  
**Trailhead:** Jasper Activity Centre parking lot, near the start of Pyramid Lake Road.

**Jasper Discovery Trail**  
**Trailhead:** This trail can be accessed at several points throughout the town.

**The Whistlers Trail**  
 Trail 5 • 7.9 km one way  
 3 – 5 hours up, 2 – 3 hours down  
**Trailhead:** 1.8 km south on Highway 93, turn right onto Whistlers Road and follow it 2.8 km to an unpaved access road on the left, leading a short distance to the parking lot.

**Maligne Canyon**  
 Trails 7g and 7 • 2.1 km one way • 1 – 2 hours  
**Trailhead:** Fifth bridge, 8 km east of Jasper via Highway 16 and the Maligne Road.

**Old Fort Point Loop**  
 Trail 1 • 3.5 km return  
 1 – 2 hours  
**Trailhead:** From town or from Highway 16, follow Highway 93A to the Old Fort Point/Lac Beauvert access road. Turn left, cross the Athabasca River on the old iron bridge. (Distance from town is 1.6 km.)

**Valley of the Five Lakes**  
 Trails 9a and 9b • 4.2 km return  
 2 – 3 hours  
**Trailhead:** 9 km south on Highway 93.

