



Prince Albert
National Park

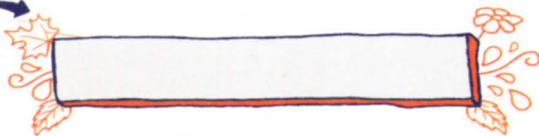


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THIS BOOKLET
BELONGS TO



WANT TO BECOME AN
XPLORER??

Welcome to **PRINCE ALBERT NATIONAL PARK.**

Have you ever hiked to the Height of Land, used a GPS unit to find hidden caches or participated in one of the park's interpretive programs? Now is your chance. Have lots of fun becoming a **Parks Canada Xplorer!**

- 1 - Complete **5 activities** in this booklet.
- 2 - **Once you are done**, take your booklet to the **NATURE CENTRE** or the **VISITOR CENTRE** where you will get your special Parks Canada souvenir and have your certificate signed.

The activities will be easier and more fun to do with an adult.
Show an adult your book to **get started on your first challenge!**

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on the page, that activity can be saved for a rainy day!

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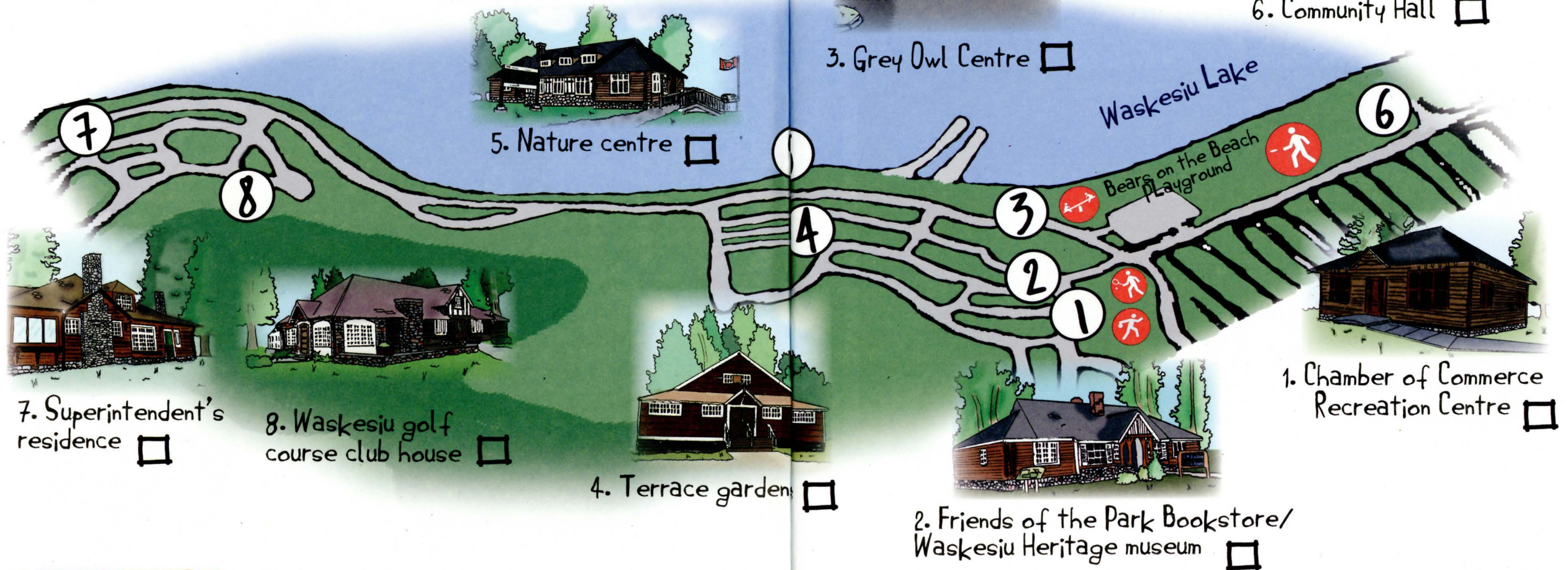
- 1 - Lavallée Lake
- 2 - Grey Owl's Cabin
- 3 - Waskesiu
- 4 - West Side

Did you know that
"Waskesiu" means
"Red Deer" in Cree? It
can also mean elk.

FIND IT

I SPY IN WASKESIU

The town of Waskesiu Lake is located inside of Prince Albert National Park. This town has loads of historic buildings that are waiting to be discovered! Check off ☒ each Waskesiu Heritage Building after you see it.



TAKE A LOOK

SPOT THE DIFFERENCES!

The Nature Centre has been around since 1935, but it hasn't always looked this way. Over the years repairs and additions have been made to the building. Stand in front of the Nature Centre. Look carefully and circle the four things that are different in this photo from what you actually see.



Bonus Activity ! The park has always been a popular place to live or to visit. It has even hosted several well-known Canadians. See if you can find the six hidden faces in this photo. Do you recognize anyone?

FIGURE IT OUT ???

BISON ONE STOP SHOP



The plains bison were an important part of Aboriginal life. Every part of the bison was used for food, clothing, and just about everything else! Can you guess what these items were used for? Match up each bison-made object to its correct use.



Fly Swatter



Sewing Needle



Comb



Shoe



Soap



Water container

CHECK IT OUT



VISITOR CENTRE QUEST



Take the time to check out the exhibits at the Visitor Centre. You can discover lots of cool facts about the park's wildlife. See if you can find the answer to the questions below during your visit.

How many Sturgeon River plains bison are living on the West side of the park?




In the park, what are the four different types of animals that have antlers?


1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

What is the name of the lake that has over 10,000 nesting pelicans?

TAKE A WALK

TAKE A HIKE

Lace up your boots, pack up your supplies and head out to one of the park's many trails. Mud Creek, Boundary Bog or Waskesiu River trails are all great choices for a family outing. Check off  each item as you see it on your hike.

	Waskesiu River Trail	Boundary Bog Trail	Mud Creek Trail	Pick your own trail!
Other Hikers 				
Board walk 				
Moving water 				
Flowers 				
Wildlife 				

TAKE A LOOK

BOREAL BINGO

Challenge yourself to a game of bingo as you find some of the many wonders located in the park. Can you cross off a row, a diagonal or even a full blackout card? Draw what you see in the blank spaces and be sure to cross off the squares as you go!

A Night Creature



A Tree Too Big To Hug

A Big Rock

Something Smelly



An Animal's Food

A Fishing Bird

An Island



A Tall Tower

Evidence of a Woodpecker

Something Soft



A Buzzing Insect

A Plant That Eats Bugs

Something That Swims



Grey Owl's Home

A Beaver's Work

An Animal's Home



FIND IT

NATURAL GEMS GEOCACHING TREASURE HUNT

Find hidden treasure in the Natural Gems Geocaching Treasure Hunt! Pick up a Geocaching Kit at the Nature Centre or at the Visitor Centre. If you already have a GPS unit you'll need a geocaching passport from these locations to complete the challenge and find the treasure. Good Luck!

As you complete your treasure hunt discover these neat facts about Prince Albert National Park.

Which animal roams freely on their historic range in Prince Albert National Park?

What bird lives in a protected colony on Lavallee Lake?

Who helped save the beaver by sharing messages of conservation?

What leads to new growth and creates a mixture of habitats for many plants and animals?

TRY IT OUT !!

WHAT'S THE POOP?



Animals leave evidence of their passing in the form of droppings. Keep your eyes open for 'poo clues' on the trails or even in town. Match the poop to the animal name.



Bison



Moose



Wolf



Elk



Bear



Deer

JOIN IN

PARTICIPATE IN A PARK PROGRAM

A whole lot of fun is in store for you at Prince Albert National Park! During the summer you can attend plenty of guided family activities. Pick up a Prince Albert National Park Guided Experiences schedule from the Visitor Centre or from the Nature Centre.



Attend one (or more) interpretative programs and have an interpreter initial your book!

One thing I found interesting was _____

Interpreter's Initials _____

CREATE YOUR OWN

BARK IN THE PARK

Prince Albert National Park has eight different types of trees. Three of these trees have broad, flat leaves perfect for making leaf rubbings! Use the flat, long part of a crayon or a pencil to make a leaf rubbing in the space below.



Balsam
Poplar



Trembling
Aspen



Birch

COOK IT!



A TASTE OF TRADITION

Aboriginal people have a tradition of making bannock. Try your hand at making this simple bread at your next campfire or even at one of our interpretative programs. It tastes great with some butter and jam.

Bannock

2.5 cups of white flour
2 tablespoons of baking powder
2 tablespoons of sugar
a pinch of salt
1 tablespoon of butter
1 cup of milk
Makes 12-15



Add milk to dry ingredients a little at a time and mix until dough is soft and ready to work without sticking to your hands. Roll small pieces into ropes about 30 cm long. Carefully wrap around a hot dog stick. Hold over the coals, away from flames. Turn it and cook until it is an even toasty brown. Mmmmm!

Have you seen anything fishy in the water? Crean Lake was said to be home to a monstrous trout that would destroy the nets of fishermen.

SEARCH FOR



LIFE IN THE WATER

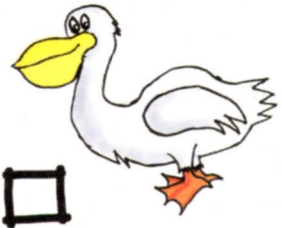
There is lots of life to be found in ponds, rivers and lakes. Go to the main beach, Birch Bay or the Waskesiu River to look for signs of aquatic life. You can even borrow an Aquatic Kit from the Nature Centre or Visitor Centre to aid your quest! Place a check in the box ☒ for each sign of aquatic life you find. See if you can discover them all!



an animal that lives on
land and in water



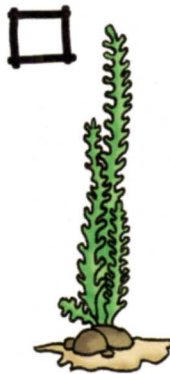
An Aquatic
mammal



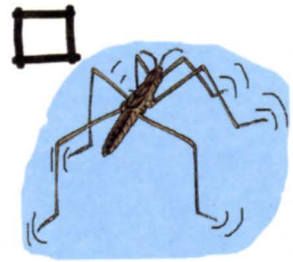
a bird That can Swim



a critter without a
backbone



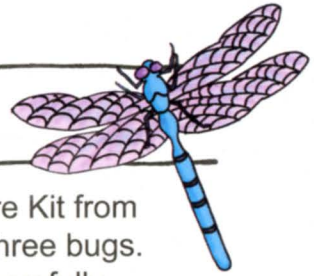
Plants of the
underwater kingdom



a Critter that can
walk on water

GO INVESTIGATE

BUG DETECTIVE



Get curious about creepy crawlies! Borrow a Nature Kit from the Nature Centre or the Visitor Centre and go hunting for three bugs. Do you have three different types of bugs? Examine them carefully and remember to return these critters to where you found them.



	Bug 1	Bug 2	Bug 3
How many legs does it have?			
What colour is it?			
Does it have wings?			
Does it have a squishy or hard body?			
What kind of bug do you think it is?			



USE YOUR SENSES



SENSES WORKING OVERTIME

Whether it's in the heart of Waskesiu or on the West side of the park you can always give your senses a workout. Find a quiet spot, shut your eyes and breathe it in. Write down what you discover.



What kind of wildlife do you see?



Feel the rough bark or a soft feather.



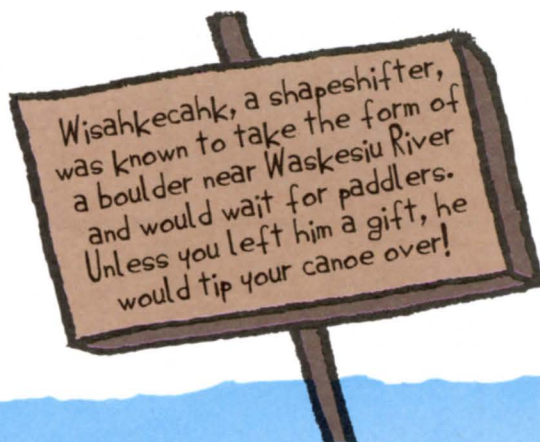
The forest is alive with noise.



Take a deep breathe through your nose.



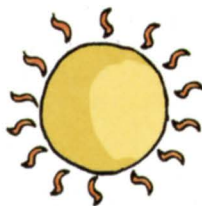
What looks tasty?



GET MOVING

XPLORE IN EVERY SEASON

Wheel, walk, ride, float, slide or shuffle your way around the park.
Travel in as many different ways as you can. Circle the pictures below for each activity that you do.



Summer



Fall



Spring



Winter



Where did you go? _____

How far did you travel? _____



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IS AN OFFICIAL PARKS CANADA XPLOER

date

staff



Parks
Canada

Parcs
Canada

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CAN YOU HELP US OUT ???

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COMMENT CARD QUESTIONS
PLEASE RETURN THIS PAGE TO THE VISITOR CENTRE. THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!



1. While completing your Xplorers booklet, was it (Circle your answer).

Crazy Fun

Fun

Kinda Fun

Not so much fun

Booorinnng



2. Were the activities (Circle your answer.)

Too Easy

Easy

Just Right

Hard

Too Hard



3. Check ☒ the activities you did and circle the 3 you liked the best.

☐

I Spy in Waskesiu

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Spot the Differences!

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Bison One Stop Shop
Visitor Centre Quest

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Take a Hike

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Boreal Bingo

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Natural Gems Geocaching
What's the Poop?

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Participate in a Park Program

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Bark in the Park

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A Taste of Tradition

☐

Life in the Water

☐

Bug Detective

☐

Senses Working Overtime

☐

Xplore in Every Season

4. How old are you? (Circle your answer.)

Under 6

Between 6 and 8

Between 9 and 11

12 and older

DON'T FORGET
TO CHECK
THE OTHER SIDE!





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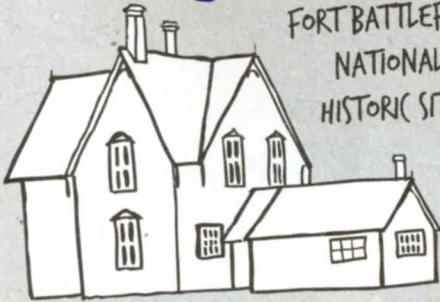
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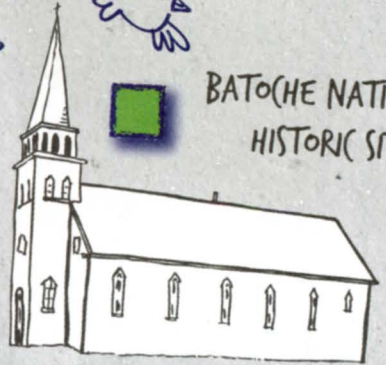
YOUR MISSION:



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NATIONAL
HISTORIC SITE



BATOHE NATIONAL
HISTORIC SITE



GRASSLANDS
NATIONAL PARK



FORT WALSH NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE



MOTHERWELL
HOMESTEAD
NATIONAL
HISTORIC SITE



LIKE TO XPLORER??

You can have fun in lots of
Parks Canada places! Go to
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to see where they are.



Let's Go!

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