



# AROUND SASKATCHEWAN

## Saskatchewan abounds with endless sky and land that stretches as far as the eye can see.

### Adventures In The Boreal Forest

Waskesiu & Area Wilderness Region comprises natural attractions and operators in and around Prince Albert National Park. Authentic travel experiences cater to clientele interested in nature and outdoor pursuits like wildlife watching, hiking, paddling and horseback riding.

Waskesiu townsite in the heart of Prince Albert National Park has an expansive beach, unique shops, summer eateries and ice-cream stands. Spend some time experiencing the freedom-filled summer-camp atmosphere. Finish your day on the beach by watching a spectacular sunset place its colourful spell on the water's surface.

Prince Albert National Park is the crown jewel of the region. National Geographic named the park one of the 50 Places of a Lifetime in Canada.

Check into Elk Ridge Resort, a four-star resort featuring excellent dining options, 27 holes of championship golf, onsite spa and a saltwater pool with waterslide. Elk Ridge Eco-Adventures provides exhilarating zip lining canopy tours.

- Ride the "wild west" side of Prince Albert National Park with Sturgeon River Ranch in search of one of Canada's rare free-ranging Plains bison herds roaming their historic range.

- Celebrate the magic of the boreal forest with Sundogs Excursions, offering immersive dogsledding tours, multi-day excursions in search of iconic wildlife like the grey wolf, moose, elk, lynx, and more. Summertime loon-watching cruises on Anglin Lake bring you up close and personal with the Common Loon in its natural environment.

**Sturgeon River Ranch**  
[sturgeonriverranch.com](http://sturgeonriverranch.com)  
**Sundogs Excursions**  
[sundogs.sk.ca](http://sundogs.sk.ca)  
**Prince Albert National Park**  
[pc.gc.ca/princealbert](http://pc.gc.ca/princealbert)

### Churchill River

Outdoor adventure seekers and nature enthusiasts are enticed by the thrill of the north with its mighty rivers and abundant freshwater lakes framed by lush boreal forest.

There is nothing quite like canoeing the fast-flowing Churchill River, a waterway important to First Nations travel and trade centuries before the arrival of explorers and voyageurs.

Glimpse ancient rock paintings made by the area's first inhabitants along a route that has withstood time and civilization, navigating a landscape that remains in its pristine form.

True solitude can be found along this historic route, with only your paddling companions and the occasional bald eagle soaring overhead or a moose wading in the shallows to keep you company.

**Churchill River Canoe Outfitters**  
[churchillrivercanoe.com](http://churchillrivercanoe.com)

### Catching Monsters In Saskatchewan

Freshwater fishing in Saskatchewan is second to none. Boasting nearly 100,000 lakes and rivers, the province offers limitless places to cast your line. Bring home your own "big fish" story that is almost too good to believe.

- The sheer number of lakes and minimal fishing pressure means reeling in fish after fish is the reality. Trophy-sized northern pike, lake trout, walleye, Arctic grayling and rainbow trout are often on the line.

- Luxurious fly-in lodges in the province's far north offer trips of a lifetime, complete with experienced local guides, mouth-watering shore lunches, gourmet meals and comfortable accommodations.

**Milton Lake Lodge**  
[miltonlakelodge.com](http://miltonlakelodge.com)



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## Live The Life Of A Working Cowboy

In Saskatchewan, the vast openness and the wax and wane of our distinct seasons shape the character of our people. There is no better way to get a sense for what makes us who we are than with a stay at one of our working ranches, where life follows the rhythm of the herds.

- Unplug, unwind and connect with your travelling companions as you forget about the hectic distractions of everyday life. Simple pleasures like peaceful silence, warm gentle breezes on your face and the freedom of wide-open spaces become your focus.
- Since these are working ranches, there are plenty of opportunities to participate in ranch chores, cattle herd checks, branding and roundups.
- In the evenings, rest your saddle-wear legs. Savour hearty home-cooked meals and swap stories from the trail around a dancing campfire.

### La Reata Ranch

[lareata.com](http://lareata.com)

### Historic Reesor Ranch

[reesorranch.com](http://reesorranch.com)

## Aboriginal Stories

Explore First Nations traditional ways of life and intimate relationship with the land, the challenges they faced as Canada became a new country, and how their culture and traditions are celebrated today. While visiting Saskatoon, drive 10 minutes north on Highway 11 to find Wanuskewin Heritage Park. Taste bannock and bison stew, visit bison jumps and a medicine wheel, learn of First Nations traditions and feel the thundering drum as dancers perform in full regalia.

[wanuskewin.com](http://wanuskewin.com)

Continue north 50 minutes along Highway 11 to Batoche National Historic Site. Take a "journey through time" to speak with a 19th century Métis settler about life on the banks of the South Saskatchewan River. Witness reminders of the Battle of Batoche, the final confrontation of the 1885 Northwest Resistance and the last military battle on Canadian soil.

[pc.gc.ca/eng/lhn-nhs/sk/batoche/index.aspx](http://pc.gc.ca/eng/lhn-nhs/sk/batoche/index.aspx)

## The RCMP - A National Icon

Did you know that Regina is the home of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP). Since 1885, all Mounties have been trained here at the RCMP Academy "Depot" Division.

- Visit the RCMP Heritage Centre for a fascinating look at the RCMP's storied history through exhibits and multi-media presentations.
- Mount the saddle and become part of the renowned RCMP Musical Ride through a stimulating virtual reality experience.
- Watch drill staff put cadets through their paces at the Sergeant Major's Parade. (Tuesday-Friday, 12:00 p.m., year-round).
- Enjoy a summer driving tour aboard a motorized tram that takes visitors beyond the academy's public spaces.
- Delight in the pomp and pageantry of the Sunset-Retreat Ceremony, a sensory spectacle complete with cadets dressed in the famous Red Serge (Tuesday evenings, 6:45 p.m., July 1-mid-Aug).

### RCMP Heritage Centre

[rcmpheritagecentre.com](http://rcmpheritagecentre.com)

## Soak, Relax And Repeat – Saskatchewan's Spas

Pencil some time for rest and rejuvenation into your itineraries.

- If you are travelling the Trans-Canada Hwy 1, plan an overnight in Moose Jaw and enjoy a relaxing soak in the natural geothermal mineral pools at Temple Gardens Hotel & Spa.

[templegardens.sk.ca](http://templegardens.sk.ca)

Discover Moose Jaw's historic business district and the popular Tunnels of Moose Jaw, which explore the city's rumoured connection to gangster Al Capone.

[tunnelsofmoosejaw.com](http://tunnelsofmoosejaw.com)

Manitou Beach is the perfect stopover between Regina and Saskatoon. Enjoy heated mineral-rich water at Manitou Springs Resort & Mineral Spa, and dance the night away at Danceland, a 1920s-era dance hall famous for its maple floor built over a cushion of horsehair.

[manitousprings.ca](http://manitousprings.ca), [danceland.ca](http://danceland.ca)

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