

YOUR GUIDE TO ALGONQUIN PARK



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“Best in Canada”



LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We acknowledge that Algonquin Park is situated on the traditional lands of the diverse Algonquin Nation.

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WELCOME

Hit pause. Unplug. Settle into a slower pace and listen as the fire crackles. Notice all the colours of nature around you - from shades of gorgeous green in the spring and summer, bright orange and deep red in the autumn, to crisp white in the winter.

In the clutter of the busy, nurture the craving to connect. Share laughter around a fire, partake in the ritual of a morning swim, cast a fishing line and delight in the anticipation.

Algonquin Provincial Park is one of Canada's oldest, most beautiful parks with something for everyone, in every season.

Situated within a three hour drive from Ontario's capital, Toronto, the park attracts guests from around the world to experience the Canadian wilderness up close, featuring diverse and dense forests, rolling hills and stunning views from cliff tops.

Become enchanted in as little as an afternoon hike with your family, or travel by canoe for a few days, deep into the wilderness of Algonquin's interior.

What brings you here? Maybe you're looking for a disruption to your everyday routine. Maybe you're feeling overworked and need an escape from the city in order to truly unplug.

Or perhaps you are a *voyageur* at heart - someone looking for a vacation with a sense of adventure, something active, something that will challenge you. Or a vacation that simply connects you more to nature and teaches you about sustainability.

Maybe you want to try something new. You've visited the wilderness in the summer and are looking to learn more about winter cabin trips and all the exciting activities you can do like snowshoeing and dog sledding.

For whatever you're looking for, let's find it together.

ABOUT ALGONQUIN PARK

A LIVING CLASSROOM

Algonquin has so much for you to learn about: the Algonquin Land Claim, wolf and loon behaviour, snow layer formation, ecology, logging, off-the-grid living, the science of fall colours - subject areas are numerous, constantly evolving and often intersecting.

Our guides approach experiential learning with passion, curiosity and humility and appreciate the opportunity to share their knowledge with our guests.

- Established in 1893
- National Historic Site
- Covers 7,650 square kilometres
- More than 2,000 canoe routes
- Over 1,500 lakes
- 140 species of birds
- 55 mammal species
- 32 reptiles and amphibians
- Hosts 1 million visitors each year
- 1,200 kilometres of streams and rivers
- Hundreds of kilometres of backpacking and hiking trails

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE, IN EVERY SEASON.

In the warmer months, you can venture across numerous trails or canoe along the winding waterways, pitch a tent in one of the many campsites and fall asleep watching the stars.

In the winter, you can snowshoe, back-country ski, dog sled, play broomball on the ice and more.

No matter what your appetite, we have adventures for all four seasons.

FEEL THE RHYTHM

Algonquin Park features beautiful, open lakes to explore at a leisurely pace. You'll enjoy stunning views across the clear water and experience wildlife up close.

Plenty of campsites are available to take a moment to rest, take a swim in the lake and cook a meal over an open fire.

You can enjoy a canoe trip at any level of experience and it's a great low-impact activity that improves your aerobic fitness, strength and flexibility while having fun.

You will also learn all the essentials like how to paddle, portage and practice no-trace camping.

Guided trips by Voyageur Quest conveniently leave every Monday and Friday, June through September.

Spring and early summer offers extraordinary opportunities to get close and photograph moose as well as excellent fishing conditions.

Late summer offers warm water for swimming and the best time to hear wolves. September, while a little cooler, is spectacular with fall colours in bloom.



Guided Canoe Trips

Lodging & Accommodations



RUSTIC BEAUTY

With so many beautiful trails, lakes and adventures to explore in Algonquin Park, you'll need more than just one day to do it all and for that, we offer the perfect place for you to relax after a long day of exploring.

Our unique off-the-grid accommodations allow for an experience that blurs the line between sense of place, space and adventure. Our Algonquin Log Cabin oozes rustic charm, honouring the surrounding beauty of its wilderness home.

Our Algonquin Island Retreat centers you in exquisite solitude and a 360 degree view of the lake. Our floating sauna and special event floathouse connect you to the splash of the water, the call of the loon and the dancing night sky.

Every one of our cabins and cottage rentals breathe adventure and offer a range of options for you to experience.

Experience Wildlife



CONNECT WITH NATURE

One of the best ways to get in touch with the wilderness is to get up close with its many wonders. Algonquin Park is home to 55 mammal species, including white-tailed deer, black bear, wolf and beaver.

Voyageur Quest hosts a variety of canoe excursions that will almost guarantee a chance for you to marvel at some of Canada's most majestic animals.

For the wildlife photography enthusiast, Voyageur Quest offers one professionally guided photography tour a year to see the Canadian moose.

With a diverse wildlife that also includes reptiles, birds and fish, no matter what time of year you visit, you're likely to spot something wonderful.



Hiking in Algonquin Park

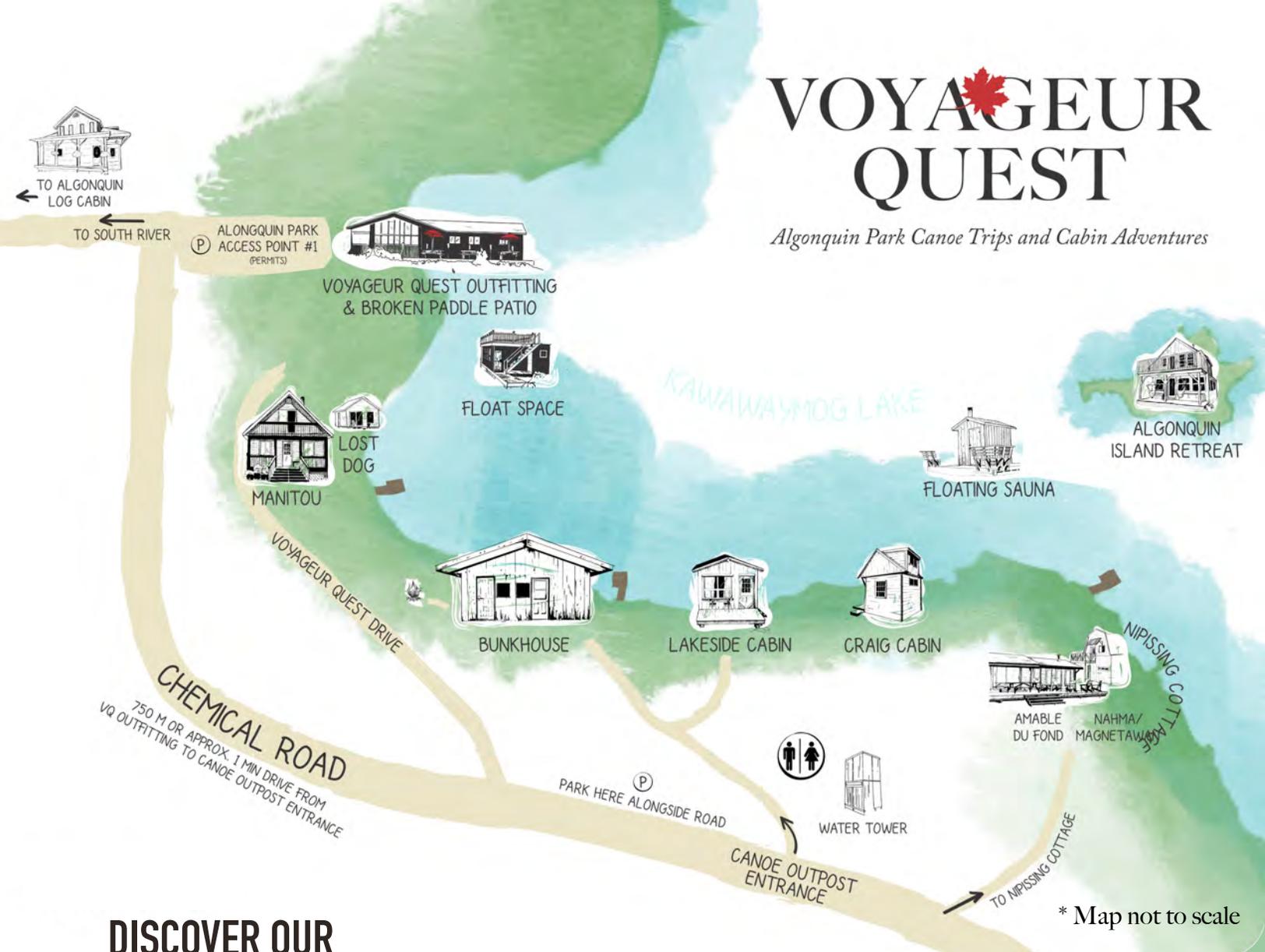
TAKE IT ALL IN

Algonquin offers stunning views from atop many designated lookouts throughout the park. On your adventure with Voyageur Quest, you'll get the opportunity to venture along the hiking paths with your group and take them all in.

After a long day of adventure, you'll return to your cabin or cottage for some relaxing down time.

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Algonquin Park Canoe Trips and Cabin Adventures



* Map not to scale

DISCOVER OUR HIDDEN GEM

You may already be familiar with the common tourist sites and entry points to Algonquin Park, like Access Point #1, one of several permit spots next to which Voyageur Quest Outfitting operates. We invite you to go a little of the beaten path to discover the secluded wilderness paradise of our Log Cabin.

Unplug and remember the feeling of truly getting away.

Our Log Cabin is fully off-the-grid, relying on traditional methods for lighting and heat and will be an experience you'll enjoy turning your phone off for.

Cozy, comfortable and free of distractions, you can experience the chance to truly connect in person, laugh and have fun in a gorgeous natural playground.

You'll get the opportunity to experience things not everyone does when they visit Algonquin Park.

Have you ever tried bacon with real maple syrup? Have you ever paddled a canoe in the early morning mist? Have you ever played broomball on a frozen lake?

This is the hidden gem of Algonquin - waiting to be discovered by you.

A TYPICAL SUMMER DAY

There are a variety of ways to experience Algonquin Park with guided adventures ranging from three to 14 days.

On your summer adventure with Voyageur Quest, here's what a typical 3-Day trip would look like...

DAY 1

Rendez-vous for lunch at the Algonquin Log Cabin at the northwest corner of Algonquin Park. Learn to paddle a canoe, followed by a hike off Kitchie Island.

Choose to return to the Log Cabin to relax, or continue your adventure by paddling to Otter Bay for an introduction to the Boreal forest, beaver ponds, and the Canadian Shield.

Wind down the afternoon with a cool drink on the sun deck, a dip in the lake, or unwind in the sauna. Feast on a gourmet, home-cooked dinner followed by a night paddle in a 26-foot Voyageur Canoe, listening to the sounds of Algonquin.

DAY 2

Morning hike to Lookout Bluff with a spectacular view overlooking the lakes of Algonquin.

Return for lunch back at the Log Cabin and spend the afternoon relaxing, exploring Surprise Lake by canoe, swimming, fishing, or reading a book on the porch.

Go for a late afternoon paddle to a scenic campfire point for sunset, bonfire and a cook-out dinner.

After dinner, learn about the northern sky as you canoe under the stars back to the Log Cabin.

DAY 3

Rise and shine for an amazing sunrise paddle through the morning mist. Search for moose or beaver lodges and take advantage of spectacular photography opportunities.

Enjoy a cook-out maple syrup breakfast and then return to the Log Cabin for a Canadian-style BBQ lunch.

Swim, sauna, and take in the pristine wilderness before an afternoon departure.

Guided Snowshoe Hikes



WALK OFF THE BEATEN PATH

Winter has just as much to offer you as the summer, with a variety of exciting activities. When you visit Algonquin Park in the winter, you'll get the opportunity to truly walk off the beaten path - in snowshoes.

Snowshoe the Forgotten Trail circuit right from your doorstep. At night, relax in front of the wood-burning fireplace and enjoy stories from your guide about the history of Algonquin and how snowshoes are made - including an opportunity to make your own souvenir snowshoe.

TAKE A RIDE ON THE WILD SIDE

Dog sledding is a thrilling way to experience the winter in Algonquin Park. Frozen lakes, waist deep snow, wildlife tracks, the howl of a wolfpack, and the uncanny silence of a snow-covered forest await.

Voyageur Quest offers a variety of dog sledding trips at the northwest corner of Algonquin Park including day trips, cabin-based mushing and dog sled expeditions.

All of these experiences are 100% hands-on and you don't have to worry if you have no experience. You'll receive a thorough lesson on how to drive the sled, how to harness and hook up your team of dogs and common dog commands.

The most rewarding part is truly working with your team of dogs, developing a bond and enjoying the adventure, together.

Mush!



Dog Sledding Trips



LUGE

A WINTER THRILL

Every winter, we construct a 100 metre luge track from a path surrounding one of our properties.

Grab a sled and enjoy the ride!



A TYPICAL WINTER DAY

There are a variety of ways to experience Algonquin Park with guided adventures ranging from three to 14 days.

On your winter adventure with Voyageur Quest, here's what a typical 3-Day trip would look like...

DAY 1

Arrive at the Algonquin Log Cabin at 12:30pm. After a tasty lunch, snowshoe to a forest lookout. Look for wildlife tracks and learn about Algonquin in winter.

Return for appetizers and dinner in front of the stone fireplace. Later try your hand at torch lit broomball or skating on the lake.

DAY 2

Wake up and enjoy a hearty, Canadian breakfast. Learn or refresh your back-country ski skills before taking off across Surprise Lake and the island circuit. Stride and glide through the hemlock trails and enjoy the silence of the snow-laden forest.

Return for a lunch of steaming hot soup, warm beer bread and fresh salad.

The afternoon has options: ski or snowshoe the highlands of Kettle Lake/Cardiac Hill, ski to the heated wall tent down Surprise Lake or relax and grab a book in front of the fire.

Sauna and cocktails before another home-cooked feast finishes the day.

DAY 3

After a delicious breakfast, choose between snowshoeing up Moose Mountain or skiing to Loxton Lake. Enjoy lunch before heading off on a dog sled trail ride.

"Harnesses, gee and ha, gang lines!"

These are just a few of the expressions you'll learn in the dog sled orientation before mushing your own team of huskies.



LET'S GO ON AN ADVENTURE TOGETHER

We operate Algonquin Park's most authentic, inspiring and unforgettable adventures. We celebrate being active in the great outdoors and highlight the natural connections with green spaces and people.

Through exceptional guiding, unique lodging, outstanding local cuisine, and more than 25 years of experience, we craft first-class adventures in one of Canada's most iconic destinations.

Recognized as one of Canada's "Best in Class Signature Experiences," Voyageur Quest adventures have a character borne of originality, exceptional service and gratitude to our customers and Algonquin Park that simply can not be replicated.

Our adventures are flexible by design and can be enjoyed in a number of ways. Choose from...

PRIVATE ADVENTURES

Pick a ready-to-go adventure for your group exclusively or curate an all-inclusive private adventure tailored to your group's preferences.

SCHEDULED ADVENTURES

Join a small group Scheduled adventure on your own, with a friend or your family and meet other like-minded adventure enthusiasts.

SPECIAL EVENTS

We have been honoured to host many special events including educational trips for schools across Ontario, team-building exercises for companies, and weddings for those looking to get married against the backdrop of Algonquin's beauty.



Voyageur Quest Designs
Award-Winning Tours



BE OUR GUEST

We make sure you are set up safely and comfortably to enjoy all Algonquin Park has to offer like hiking, canoeing, backcountry skiing, torchlit skating and more.

ALL TRIPS INCLUDE

- Comfortable, safe accommodations
- Gourmet meals
- All gear needed for your adventure
- Exceptional service and hospitality, by trained professional guide
- Memories for a lifetime

Round-trip transportation from downtown Toronto is available at an additional charge. Come solo or come as a group. No matter what your appetite, we have an adventure just for you.

To book your adventure, email
info@voyageurquest.com

FOR THE DIY ADVENTURER

If you're someone who enjoys writing their own adventure and a more do-it-yourself approach, Voyageur Quest Outfitting offers you the opportunity to rent what you need, when you need it.

Located next to Access Point #1, we are your one-stop-shop for getting park permits, gear, canoe and kayak rentals and accommodations, including access to the Log Cabin, Cottage, Private Island, Canoe Launch, Canoe Outpost and the Broken Paddle Patio (for when you feel like taking a break on your voyage.)

To learn more, visit

voyageuroutfitting.com



A night sky with the Milky Way galaxy over a lake with two canoes on a dock.

See you soon...

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