

Chapter 1 : Canoeing and Hiking Wild Muskoka

Wilson covers canoeing, kayaking, hiking and cross-country skiing in Muskoka's best near-wilderness areas. Wilson's more than 80 hand-drawn, maps detail featured destinations. Soft eco-adventures combine easy daytrips with comfortable lodging.

So like every year when Canada Day rolls around, we celebrate with adventures that allow us to enjoy Canada and her land by going on a canoe trip. Singing Wilderness My canoe has gotten me into some of the most beautiful landscapes. Landscapes so beautiful they would break your heart. This year I celebrate Canada and all her natural beauty with respect and gratitude. These images were taken in my backyard, Wild Muskoka. We had a nice tail wind as we paddled across the first lake and by cottages with people decked out in red and white. We knew in only a few short hours we would be able to hear the bang and pop of fireworks going off in the distance. I feel a sense of relief when I can get even one portage away from civilization. We paddled down a river for a few kilometres until we reached our first campsite. Unfortunately, the deer flies and mosquitoes were terrible. Glad we have our bug jackets and Eureka mesh room for shelter. View from our 1st campsite Once the tents were set up and we settled in, it was finally time to have our campfire. The quintessential campfire is my favourite part of the day. One of my favourite quotes is by Sigurd F. Olson author of Singing Wilderness. My whole life has been a series of campfires, each one rekindles or brings back some experience of the past. Just one of my series of campfires Up early the next morning, we had some more river paddling to do around a few beaver dams. Some of the portages were rugged, but doable. I want to give a shout out to Iron Lung and Braveheart who we met at one of the portages. Once we got to our second campsite, we each took turns napping in the hammock. View from my hammock After dinner a crazy storm rolled by. We tried seeking refuge under the shelter but the wind blew the rain in sideways getting us and everything soaked. We took the opportunity to go fishing and paddle around the lake. After the sun fell and we ran out of wood supply to fuel our fire, we called it a night. What an awesome day! We had a couple of portages and lakes to paddle through to get back to Bo Bo Ska Diddle on our last day. When we arrived at home, we had to hang all our gear out to dry so we could go out again in 3 days. Unless otherwise stated, all visual and written content on this website is owned by me under legal copyright and may not be reproduced without my explicit written consent.

Chapter 2 : Canoeing and Hiking trip - Review of Greater Opportunities, Bracebridge, Ontario - TripAdvisor

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Things to Do Guests at the Rosseau Retreat will find an incredible assortment of things to do in the area. We will be pleased to help you plan your stay. Whether it is spring flowers, summer fun, fall colours, or winter activities, Rosseau is the perfect place to relax or explore. The newly developed waterfront, only a two minute walk from the Retreat, offers pristine swimming, abundant fishing, and plenty of docking space for boats. We recommend the following courses: A number of options exist if you would like to get out on the water: Island Queen Cruises , Parry Sound Muskoka Lakes Marina on Lake Rosseau for boats Summer camps are also offered through the township office. Horseshoe Lake Camp offers an 18 hole mini golf course, just a 15 minute drive from the Retreat. Wilderness Adventure Golf is an hole miniature golf course available in Parry Sound, a 25 minute drive away. Helicopter rentals are also offered at this facility: We are located a short walk from Rosseau Lake College , and a two minute drive from Muskoka Woods Nature and Wildlife Just outside of Rosseau is the Aspen Valley Wildlife Sanctuary , a rehabilitative centre for injured and orphaned animals. The centre provides rehabilitation to approximately animals annually. Special activities are featured year round. Rosseau Lake Antiques on Victoria Street has been providing great finds for over 20 years. For more contemporary decor, visit Hilltop Interiors. The Craft Room provides you with a variety of craft novelties. The recently opened Knots offers eclectic decor. Bracebridge, Parry Sound, Huntsville and Port Carling all have larger shopping centres within a 35 minute drive. Cottage Law Canteen serves breakfast, lunch and dinner and is only minutes away from the Rosseau Retreat. Visit Orrville Bakery for some of their delicious fresh baked bread, homemade pizzas and butter tarts. Winter Sports In the winter time, downhill skiing and snowboarding are available at Hidden Valley, just North of Huntsville, a 40 minute drive from the Retreat. Extensive groomed Nordic ski trails are available through the Georgian Nordic Ski Club 35 minute drive from the Retreat near Parry Sound , where equipment can be rented. Arrowhead Provincial Park, near Huntsville, also offers some terrific trails and creates a magical skating trail through their park. If you have your own skis, you might want to try out the Bracebridge Resource Management Centre, approximately a 20 minute drive from the Retreat. This is a beginner course with 8 km of groomed trails suitable for skiing or snowshoeing. Features attractive woodland area, nature viewing and scenic vistas along the Muskoka River. To rent snowshoes or ski equipment, contact Muskoka Outfitters in Bracebridge. The website offers ideas for local skiing, snowshoeing and ice climbing. They also offer a detailed description of the Bracebridge Resource Management Centre. Rosseau is connected to a vast web of OFSC snowmobile trails. Dog Sledding Dog sled excursions can be booked for 3 or 6 hour trips at Call Wild , operating out of Huntsville. Fishing There are lots of fish to be caught in Muskoka! Licenses can be purchased at the general store in Rosseau. You can fish off the public docks, rent a boat, or charter a boat and guide for some serious fishing with Captain Action Charters. Lake Rosseau is a popular spot for ice fishing as well in the wintertime and the lake is spotted with fishing huts from January to March. Terrific opportunities exist locally for canoeing, horseback riding, hiking, and cycling. Canoeing " Spend a day canoeing down the scenic Shadow River, the mouth of which is a five minute paddle from the public docks in Rosseau. Just follow the shore to the right as you look out over the lake from the docks. This shallow river winds gently through serene wilderness and can provide a good half day excursion. Remember to take your camera, as you are sure to get a photo of Great Blue Herons. To rent paddling equipment, contact Muskoka Outfitters in Bracebridge or Huntsville. For the more adventuresome, explore the larger Lake Rosseau. Winds tend to pick up in the afternoon, so we suggest an early morning or late afternoon paddle if you plan to go on the lake. Horseback Riding " A good selection of riding stables are available in Muskoka: A comprehensive list of options is offered at the following links: We suggest parking your car at the top of the road and walking down. The falls are a 15 minute hike from the road, and offer beautiful picnic facilities. Parking is available at the falls. If you are still feeling energetic and want a swim, continue down the road for another 15 minute walk to Three Mile Beach, a public swimming area. This

hike is quite pretty on the off season. In the springtime, the river is an awesome force, and fall offers a terrific array of colours. A good spot for painting in the fall. For a pleasant early morning run, go along Aspdin Rd. There is a 10 and 18 km loop off Aspdin Rd that is quite pleasant. For the more serious at heart, a number of lengthy bike trails are available at the following links: [The Seguin Trail](#) , [Bike Muskoka](#). Check out [Bike Muskoka](#). Your one stop for information about local shop rides, cycling and triathlon events that are happening around Muskoka. A cable park and a boat lake with lessons all in one convenient location hopefully gets you excited! Offering a unique experience to all ages and skill levels, we hope you will give us the opportunity to share our passion and experience for the sport. Check out [Destination Rosseau](#) for more great ideas!

Chapter 3 : Canoeing and Hiking Wild Muskoka: An Eco-Adventure Guide

Get beyond Cottage County into the natural wildness of Ontario's Muskoka region. In this large-format guide, well-known canoeist and wilderness advocate Hap Wilson explores Georgian Bay to the Algonquin highlands, with options for canoeing, kayaking, hiking and cross-country skiing.

Scott Cameron Photography is featured throughout this web site. For more photo material and stock photography you may wish to check out camedia. Algonquin Provincial Park is an adventure in itself. A drive on the main highway 60 through the park regularly includes wild animal sightings including deer, moose or an occasional bear. There are numerous stops for picnics and pictures. Walking trails, some long, some short, some easy, some not, are found along the way where you can stop and get into the feeling of the park. You also will find resorts and campgrounds. A Park Permit is required for all visits to Algonquin whether you will be camping, picnicking, visiting the museums or galleries, enjoying the walking trails or skiing. Algonquin for the adventurous who wish to canoe and hike into the interior of the park is fabulous. Algonquin is an Ontario Provincial Park location. Because of the popularity it is advised that you book your camping plans well in advance so you can arrange campsites. Canoes and other camping gear is available at places like Algonquin Outfitters, but again this is not a last minute type arrangement or vacation as those that are involved in this activity know and planning is important. An Algonquin Bog, home of wildlife, part of the rugged majesty of this area and a favorite bit of territory for the moose population. It is not an unusual site to spot a moose in a bog while you are driving through the park. When you are in Muskoka even a one day visit spent visiting Algonquin Park, stopping at a picnic area for lunch and maybe a swim, taking a hike on one of the day trails, snapping a picture or a hundred, is time well spent. This big fellow was caught by camera on the edge of a bog. A number of cars had stopped to catch the view of him lazily munching in the bog. It should be noted that these are wild animals and not pets. Moose can be quite ornery and especially during rutting season so take some care. Deer are often sited roadside and motorists stop to enjoy the site and capture to camera. We do stress these are not pets. Algonquin Park is home to "wild" life. Algonquin Park hiking trails are a great way to experience the interior feeling of the park. Check into the park entrance to obtain a day pass seasonal available. Pick up maps and other things that will help you with your visit. Hiking trails are outlined including how difficult and how long the hike should take. Trails range from fairly short to considerably longer and from fairly easy to difficult in terrain. On the left is a beaver house on a walk called Beaver Pond Trail, a 2km walk rated moderate and reasonable work out. To target your Ad message to this audience and get information on how you can advertise contact CMG. Algonquin Park is a next door neighbor of Muskoka and is one of the finest canoe trip, hiking and camping areas in Canada. Once into the park the natural, rugged setting, maintained by Province of Ontario, transports you into the world of wildlife and adventure. Campsites, spread throughout the park need to be booked well in advance because of the popularity and demand. This column is available for advertising placement.

Chapter 4 : Things to Do | Rosseau Retreat Bed & Breakfast

Canoeing and Hiking Wild Muskoka An Eco-Adventure Guide. Beyond the glamour of the summer retreats and boathouses lining its major lakes, Ontario's famous Muskoka region still possesses a natural, rugged wildness that is rarely celebrated.

A Search for Personal Sanctuary One hundred years ago, a young doctor from Cleveland by the name of Robert Newcomb, travelled north to a place called Temagami. It was as far north as one could travel by any modern means. Beautiful beyond any simple expletive, the Temagami wilderness was a land rich in timber, clear-water lakes, fast flowing rivers, mystery and adventure. Newcomb befriended the local aboriginals "the deep water people" and quickly discovered the best way to explore was by canoe. Bewitched by the spirit of an interior river named after the elusive brook trout, majamagosibi, Newcomb had a remote cabin built overlooking one of her precipitous cataracts. The cabin remained unused for decades, save for a few passing canoeists; it changed ownership twice and slowly began to show its age. The author discovered the cabin while on a canoe trip in Like Newcomb, Hap Wilson was lured to Temagami in pursuit of adventure and personal sanctuary. That search for sanctuary took the author incredible distances by canoe and snowshoe, through near death experiences and Herculean challenges. Secretly building cabins, homesteading and working as a park ranger, Wilson finally became owner of the cabin in At first, it draws us in because the author appears to be living the life we all dream of—a simpler life, close to nature, free from the stress and strain of our consumer culture. But the reality, with its myriad challenges, is what holds our attention and gives the book its substance. Stories From The Trail And Beyond Hap Wilson is back for another journey, this time on the lighter side of the adventure trail, where the bizarre melds with the sublime. Nurtured by the writings of Canadian environmentalist and wannabe-native, Grey Owl, Wilson adopted a lifestyle similar to the conservationist but with his own twists and turns along a meandering path full of humorous misadventures. The author recounts early days winter camping, motorcycling the Labrador coast, and teaching actor Pierce Brosnan how to throw knives and paddle a canoe for the Richard Attenborough film about Grey Owl. He also takes us to a few of his favourite places and shares intimate secrets of wilderness living. Here, Grey Owl has returned as an ever-present critic "a buckskin-clad spectre in a modern world of Gore-Tex, kevlar canoes, and gear freaks. Wilson knows better than most how to live in the woods. As park ranger, canoe guide, outfitter, trail builder, and environmental activist, he learned from firsthand experience that nature can neither be beaten or tamed. Trails and Tribulations takes the reader on a journey with the author through natural settings ranging from austere to mysterious and breathtaking. Contents include animal attacks, bush fires, the threat of hypothermia, and vision-quest sites, to name but a few. A Wilderness Paradise The bible of Temagami paddling routes and hiking trails. Illustrations and hand-drawn maps of 27 routes in the greater Temagami area and on Lake Timiskaming. This is the current version of the classic Temagami Canoe Routes that defined the trademark Hap Wilson canoe-guide. From the previous version this has the addition of Lorrain Lake in the map. This is an expansion of the classic Temagami Canoe Routes that defined the trademark Hap Wilson canoe-guide. The trademark Wilson canoeing and hiking guide, this time for the rivers, lakes and trails of Muskoka. Coulange, Noire, Dumoine, Mattawa and Barron. Lots of historical background and other information. It also offered the paddler more choice, and it was easier on the environment; as well, it generated an awareness for river protection in a province bent on damming all rivers for hydro-power. Another trademark Wilson guide with maps, illustrations and photos. Boston Mills Press Voyages: Breakwater Books Wilderness Rivers of Manitoba: Lots of general info and tips on the areas. Center section contains color photos. Five years in the making. Boston Mills Press Wilderness Manitoba: Illustrations and hand-drawn maps of 24 routes in the greater Temagami area with fold-out map. A classic in canoeing literature that defined the trademark Hap Wilson canoe-guide. Go to selected routes.

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Famed paddler Hap Wilson takes us canoeing, kayaking, hiking and cross-country skiing in Muskoka's best near-wilderness areas, no more than a couple hours drive from the bustle of the big city, and only a short portage away from local cottage metropolises.

Chapter 6 : Canada Day Canoe Trip in Wild Muskoka [video] – Waboose Adventures

Canoeing and Hiking Wild Muskoka: An Eco-Adventure Guide Description Author Bio Reviews (6) A guide book to the less-traveled regions of Ontario between Georgian Bay and the Algonquin highlands featuring 80 hand-drawn maps.

Chapter 7 : Muskoka and Algonquin Park camping canoe holidays vacations

A guide book to the less-traveled regions of Ontario between Georgian Bay and the Algonquin highlands featuring 80 hand-drawn maps. Both easy day trips and much more adventurous trips are covered.

Chapter 8 : Canoeing and Hiking Wild Muskoka - London's Paddle Shop

Canada Day Canoe Trip in Wild Muskoka [video] There's nothing I'd rather do to celebrate Canada's birthday than spend it in the wilderness with my canoe, Singing Wilderness. I wasn't super excited to celebrate the whole Canada concept because this beautiful land we live on has a much longer and richer history than a mere years.

Chapter 9 : Haliburton, Kawartha & Muskoka | Canadian Canoe Routes

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