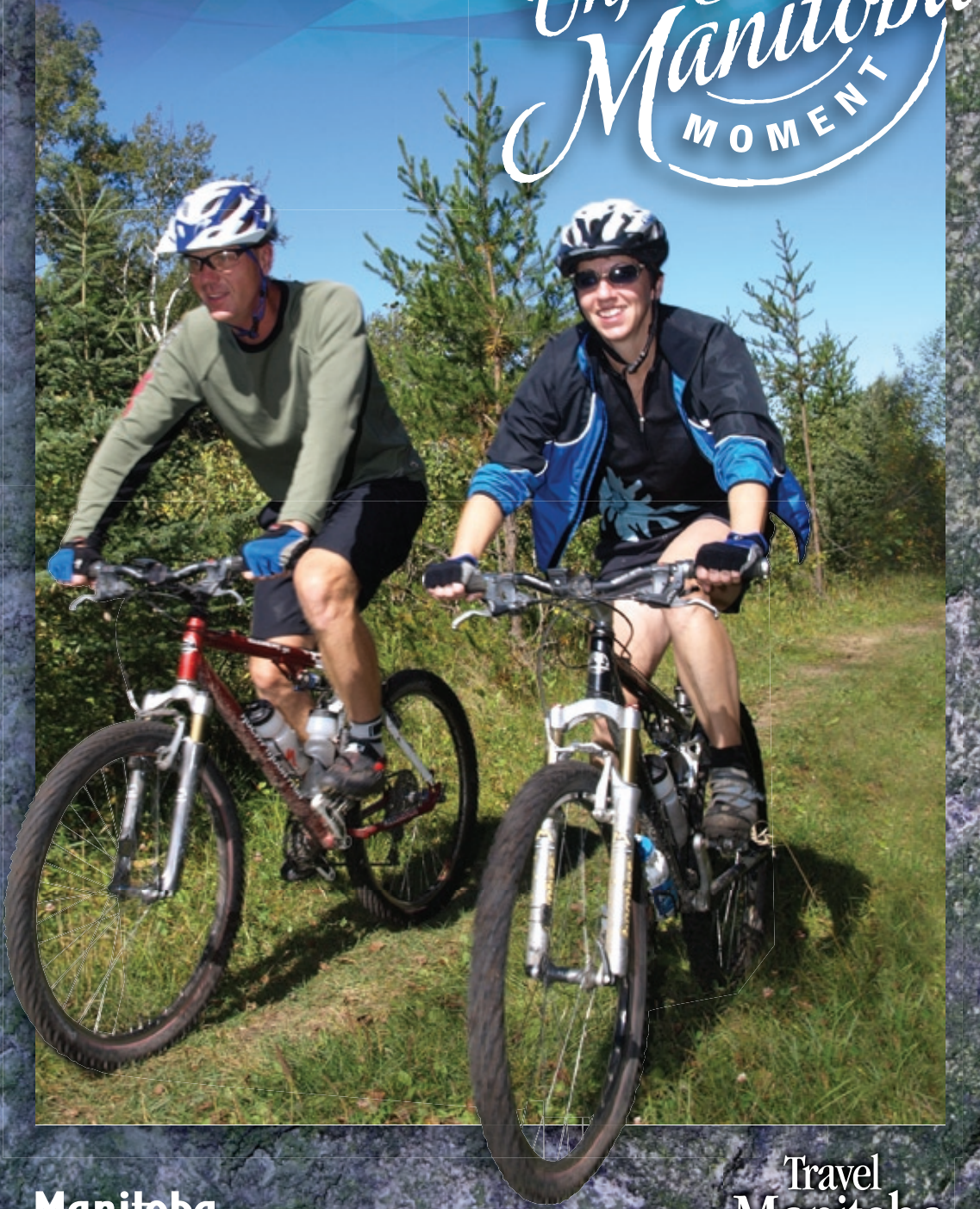


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We've been to Clear Lake many times. We've breathed that sprucey boreal air, marveled at the craftsmanship of the log building and consumed more cream-cheese covered cinnamon buns from Whitehouse Bakery than any family should. But it wasn't until our most

recent trip that we discovered something new - Riding Mountain National Park is huge and there are wow moments around every curve.

The locals at the gas station told us that fishing was great at Lake Audy right about now. So off we went, heading northwest from Clear Lake. On the way noticed some signs that talked about a herd of plains bison that make their home in the park. We came around a bend and there they were - shaggy, horned and huge! We stepped out of the truck to get a closer look and take some pictures. We could hear them munching on the grass - we could almost feel their heavy footfalls. It was like we had stepped back 200 years. How wonderful to see these creatures ambling across the grassy prairies.



After many, many photographs, we tore ourselves away from the bison and rounded the corner for Lake Audy. While a day of fishing had been the plan, we were perfectly content to park ourselves in lawn chairs at the lakeshore, light a campfire and wait for one of those famous Manitoba sunsets to put on yet another spectacular show.



The Park's herd of bison is one of the last remnants of the vast herds that once roamed the prairies in centuries past.

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Get Over Your Ophidiophobia

Back in the day, I would swim with the snakes — clamber down into the cool limestone crevasses and mingle with the millions. That was before anyone knew that the Narcisse Snake Dens were a treasure, a reptile research utopia and home to the

world's largest community of red-sided garter snakes. And right here in the heart of Manitoba! All this fame has led to viewing platforms for visitors. But if you think you'll be safe from a personal encounter with a slimy one, think again. The first warm days of spring send a signal to the males that it's time to start jockeying for position and await the arrival of the females. The action starts when dozens of males wrap around a single female with hopes of mating ...

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Yes, We're Still in Winnipeg!

It's hard to believe that a 10-minute drive can get us from a zooming city street to a breathtaking wildlife scene. Under a stand of poplars just a few metres away, a pair of white-tailed deer gingerly poke through the last of the snow looking for those first tender grass shoots. Believe it or not, we're still inside the city limits. This is Fort Whyte Alive, so close and yet, as they say, worlds away. It's March and spring is anxious to show off. The ice on the ponds has turned blue gray. In fact, there's the shimmer of water at the far end and that must be the destination for the honkers overhead. At first there was a single honk. Now it might not seem like a big deal, but in these parts, the first Canada goose of the season means only one thing. Spring has arrived! Soon there are dozens of geese dropping their landing gear and skittering across the wet ice, looking very much like a clown troupe in the middle of a performance ...

From slithery snakes to cute fawns, the unforgettable wildlife watching opportunities abound in Manitoba.



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The Beluga's Smile

The first time I saw the belugas was from directly overhead. I was lucky enough to hitch an afternoon ride with a biology team aboard a shaky old DeHavilland, outfitted with the equivalent of lawn chairs for seats. The team on board was used to seeing

the otherworldly sights of Churchill and didn't think much of the show in the Churchill River as we zoomed toward Hudson Bay.



"What is that!" I screamed over the headset. I couldn't figure out what I was seeing. Bat-shaped objects, glowing white, floating in an inky green river. Hundreds of them, maybe thousands.

"That would be the belugas," one of the boys answered. He had seen them a million times. But I hadn't and vowed to one day get a closer look. My day came many years later...

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- Guided walking tour
- \$20/person lunch voucher

Package Price:

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*2 adults. **Family of 4. April 15 – Oct. 20, 2008, subject to availability.

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Join naturalist, Dr. Heather Hinam exploring Hecla Island's bird watching highlights and take in what the island has to offer.

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Package Includes:

- Two nights at Hecla Resort
- Birding tour with picnic lunch
- \$15/person breakfast voucher

Price:

\$745⁰⁰ plus taxes
2 adults. May 24 – Oct. 12, 2008, subject to availability.



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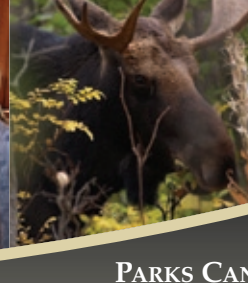




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