

Asessippi Provincial Park

Campground Tips

- Be sure matches are extinguished. Break them in half before discarding.
- Build no fires except in a designated firepit or use a camp stove. Before leaving make sure your fire is completely out.
- Be careful with your cigarettes, cigars and pipe ashes. Crush them thoroughly before discarding. Never toss them from a vehicle.
- Please! Do not litter.
- Be sensitive to wildlife. Bears can be dangerous and should not be fed. Food must be stored away from your campsite, preferably in a locked vehicle, to avoid attracting hungry animals. Do not store food in your tent.
- Warm clothing is needed for cool nights.
- The use of insect repellent will add to your comfort.
- Learn to recognize and avoid poisonous plants such as poison ivy.
- In case of injury or illness contact a Campground Attendant or Park Patrol Officer. They can assist you to reach medical help.
- Canoeists and hikers travelling in backcountry areas should advise a friend of their intended destination and anticipated length of trip.
- Backcountry camping is only allowed at designated campsites.
- It is illegal to use or transport elm firewood.

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Discover the beauty of Asessippi



Located at the south end of Lake of the Prairies, Asessippi Provincial Park features a man-made lake flanked by the valley walls of the Assiniboine and Shell Rivers. The bounty of this land was first harvested by small groups of Cree and Anishinabe who were later followed by fur traders and settlers. Formerly a bustling frontier community, the park aims to enhance public appreciation of rural industry during the 1880s and 1890s.

Since the Assiniboine and Shell Rivers, as well as Lake of the Prairies surround the park, Asessippi offers many water-oriented activities. The lake is known for excellent fishing for walleye, perch and northern pike. Wildflowers grow, seemingly without limits, over river valley walls and prairie fields. Discover new flowers on each visit including crocus, hoary puccoon, goldenrod and wild bergamot.

Ancient Valley self-guiding trail is a 3-km (1.9-mi.) loop that explores the glacial features of the area and describes how erosion is continually changing the landscape. Watch for interpretive signs at the Shellmouth Dam or pick up a brochure for information on the area's natural history, people, resources, wildlife and activities.

Unwind at one of the electrical or basic campsites with a meal cooked over the fire. Later share tales about "the one that got away". For large gatherings, stay at the group camping sites. Bring your own fishing gear or visit the local concessionaire for boat rentals, angling licenses and bait and tackle services. Enjoy the beach then cool off with a swim or take to one of the many hiking trails. Other facilities include horseshoe pits, volleyball court, baseball diamond, mini golf, boat launch and dock.

Visit the park during the Asessippi RC Fun Fly and Airshow or for the "Prairie Classic" Catch and Release Walleye Tournament. Golf at the nearby towns of Roblin, Gilbert Plains and Dauphin. View the work of Dr. Frank Leith Skinner at the Frank Skinner Arboretum Trail. This noted horticulturist and plant breeder developed lilies, roses, lilacs and Prairie Hardy trees. Tour the grounds near Inglis to see the grain elevators, historical green house, modern nursery, Wild Willow Trail and gardens.

More information on Asessippi Campground and Asessippi Provincial Park is available on request from the park office.





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