

SÉPAQ

PARC NATIONAL D'OPÉMICAN

Protected area. Enriching nature experiences.

Get ready to navigate the Kipawa and Temiscaming lakes waterways, to camp atop rock walls overlooking Lac Témiscamingue and to gather around a campfire under the tall pines.

THE TEAM'S FAVOURITES



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The Heritage Trail

Come visit the heart of Parc national d'Opémican. Our Heritage Trail offers the chance to visit several restored or reconstructed historical buildings, including the famous Jodoin Inn. Learn about life at Opémican during the log driving era through a variety of audio-visual experiences. Prepare to travel through time!



B

Canoe camping

Do you seek out remote areas? Are you completely self-sufficient on canoe trips? Well, you're not short on options here! Our canoe trip options offer something for everyone. Prepare yourself for an adventure where you will feel as though you are alone in the world!



C

The Paroi-aux-faucons (Falcons' Cliff) Trail

Take note! This easy trail is a real highlight of the park! It will lead you to a rocky cliff approximately 70m high, offering a spectacular view over Lake Temiscamingue. Peregrine falcons often nest in this area so be sure to look up, and you might be lucky enough to see one soaring through the sky!



D

Trip to Opémika Falls

A small, hidden gem, accessible only by canoe or kayak! This outing will take you to the Ontario side of Lake Temiscamingue, to a beautiful waterfall that is perfect for cooling off on a hot summer day. This half-day expedition requires average paddling skills (you'll need to cross a strait in the lake where the current is strong).



E

Camping among the tall pines

For a magical camping experience, campers can spend the night in one of our ready-to-camp units or bring their own tent to sleep among the forest of tall pines! Rustic campsites located atop the cliffs overlooking Lake Temiscamingue or serviced campsites near Pointe Opémican's beautiful, sandy beaches are available.



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Our Dedicated Team

Whether you have a question, a worry, or a comment, our team of passionate and dedicated individuals is here to help. Our team is proud to serve you and to ensure you can always get the most out of your stay at the park, whether that means keeping the comfort stations clean, offering excellent hiking suggestions, or teaching you about the history and ecology of the park.

DISCOVER OUR TRAILS

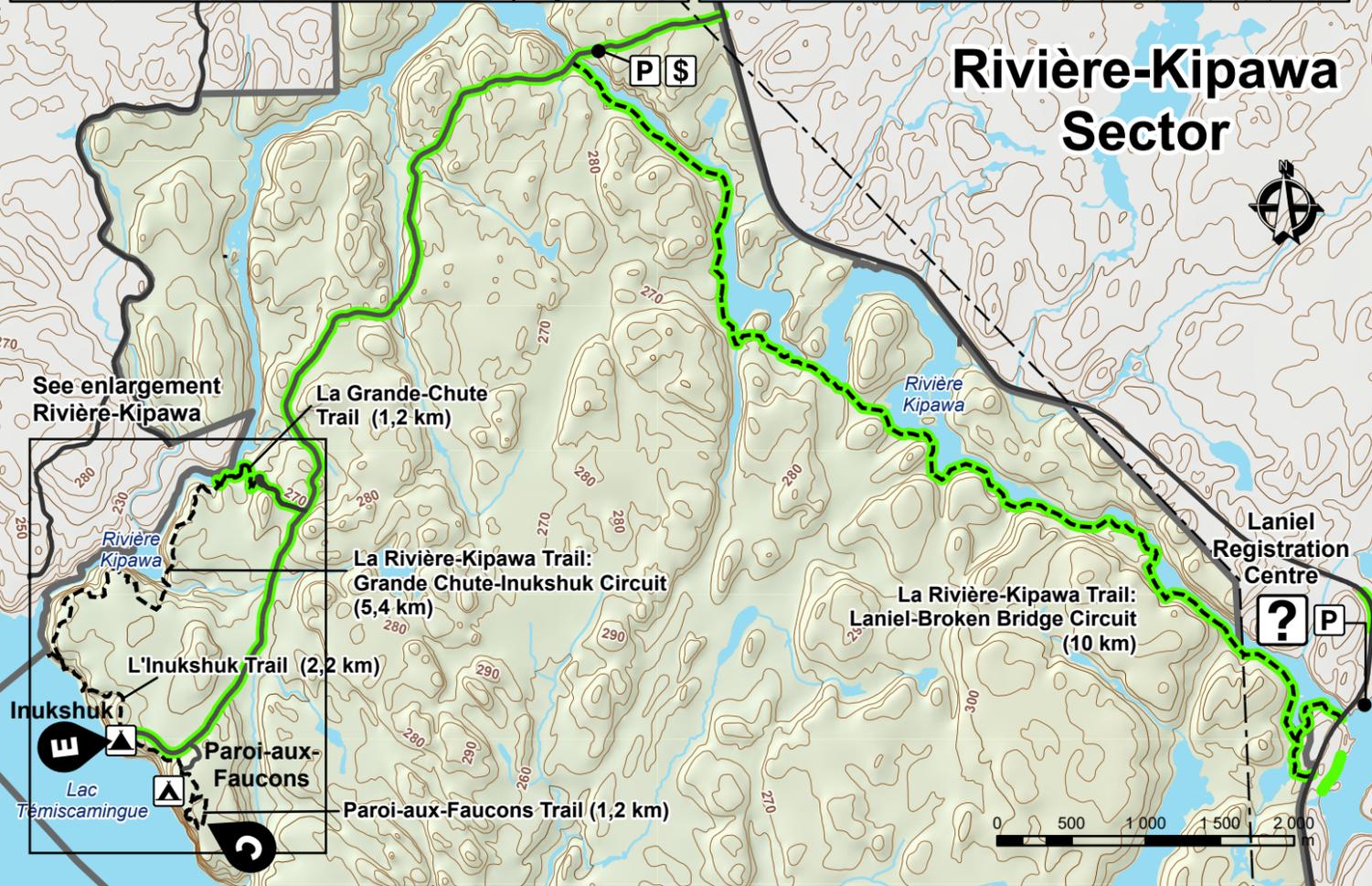
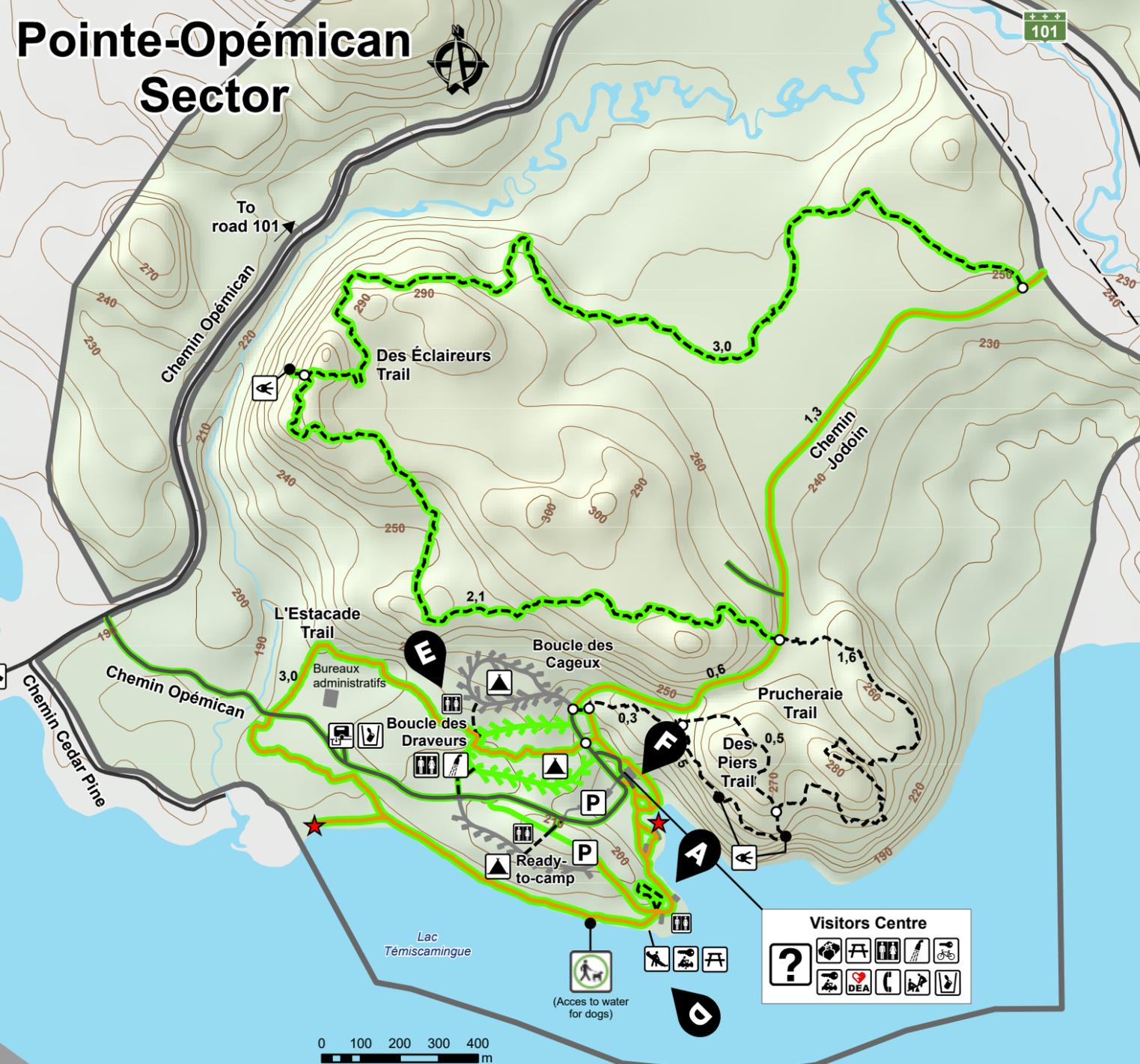
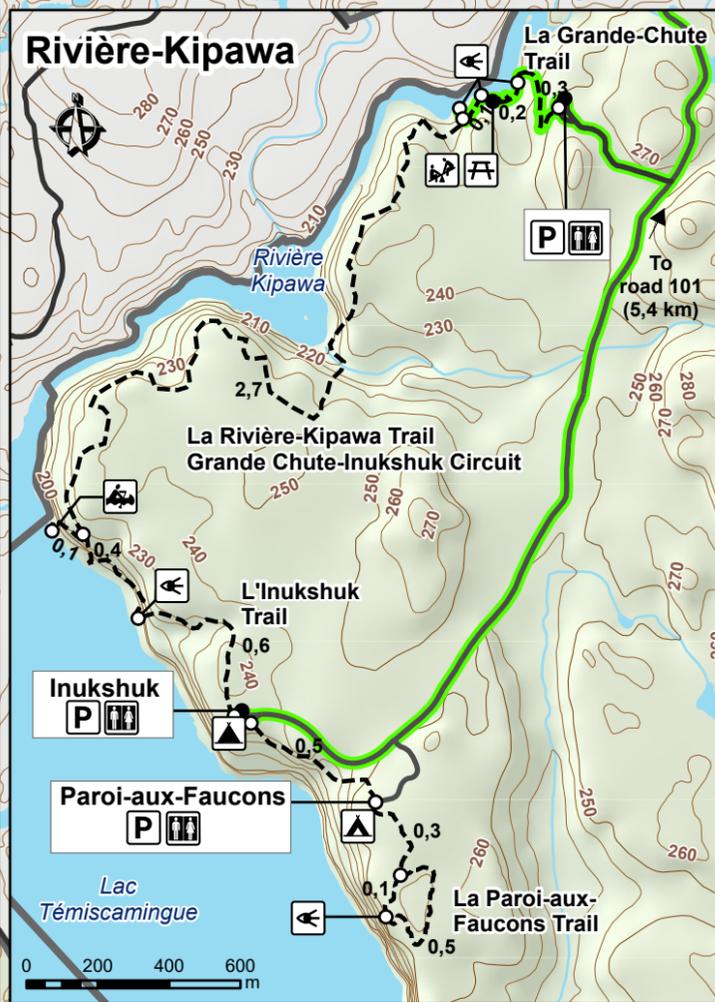
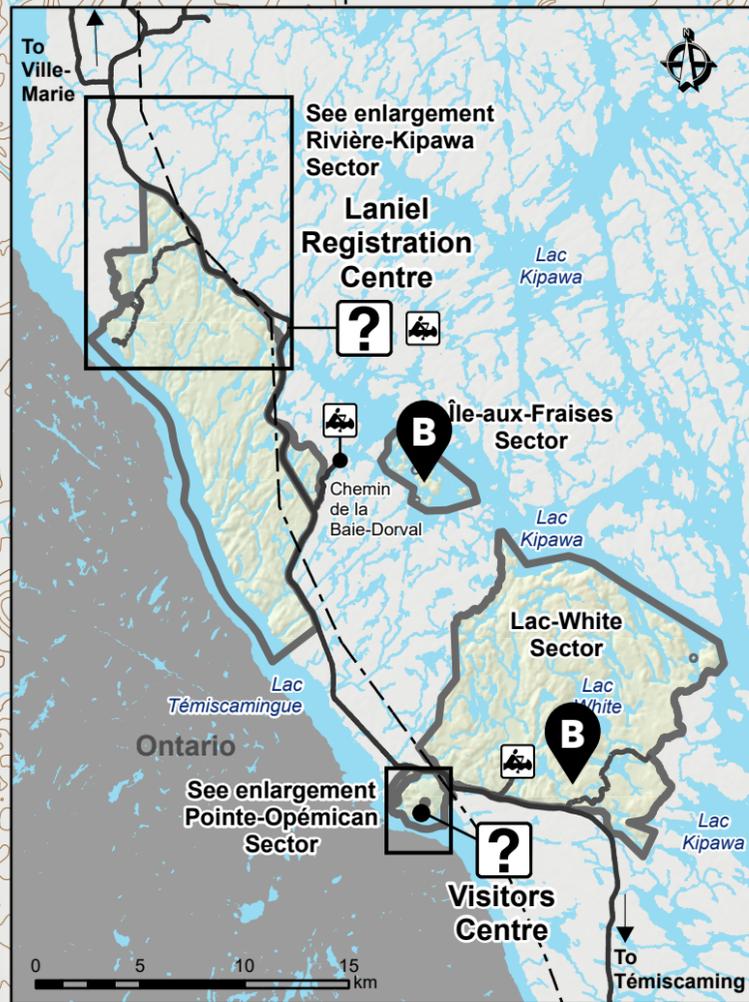
		LENGHT AND DURATION		LEVEL	DEPARTURE POINT
	La Grande-Chute – Take this short trail that leads to the famous Grande-Chute! It is the perfect place to have a family picnic, and the trail also includes a mini challenge course for your little ones' delight! Adult supervision is recommended (near river)	1.2 km return trip	45 min	E	La Grande-Chute parking lot. Access via Chemin de la rivière Kipawa.
	La rivière Kipawa : Grande Chute-Inukshuk Section - On this beautiful trail, you can find yourself alone under a magnificent forest canopy with the roar of the Kipawa River's Hollywood Rapids in the background. This trail has several climbs and descents, perfect for those who don't mind their heart rate rising! There you'll see the Grande-Chute from a point of view that was previously inaccessible!	2.7km one way	1 h 30 min	I	Access from the Grande-Chute trail or the Inukshuk Trail.
	L'Inukshuk – Hike along rocky cliffs, through a cedar grove, and down a remarkable stone stairway. This trail opens up to the shores of Lac Témiscamingue and offers stunning views of the lake. Adult supervision is recommended (near rocky cliff)	2.4 km return trip	1 h	I	L'Inukshuk parking lot. Access via Chemin de la rivière Kipawa.
	La Paroi-aux-Faucons – A splendid trail easily accessible with strollers. It will lead you to a rocky cliff, where peregrine falcons can often be seen. Look up, and you might be lucky enough to see one soaring in the sky. Adult supervision is recommended (near rocky cliff)	1.8 km loop	45 min	E	La Paroi-aux-Faucons parking lot. Access via Rivière Kipawa Road.
	La rivière Kipawa: Laniel-Broken Bridge Section - This trail follows the Kipawa River and offers several lookouts along its rapids. Plan for good hiking boots, a few snacks, and take a break among the yellow birch or atop the rocks to observe this magnificent waterway. **Recommended to experienced hikers only	10 km one way	6 h	A	Laniel Registration Centre, access behind the Laniel dam or via chemin de la rivière Kipawa, beside the Broken Bridge
	L'Estacade – Hike or bike along this beautiful loop trail to discover the key attractions and services of the Pointe-Opémican sector.	3 km loop	1 h	E	Pointe-Opémican Visitors Centre. Access via Chemin Opémican.
	Piers – Quickly gain altitude with this trail that offers a magnificent view of the Opémican timber floating relay station and of Lac Témiscamingue. Can you spot the small hemlock fir stand on your way back?	1.7 km loop	1 h	I	Pointe-Opémican Visitors Centre. Access via Chemin Opémican.
	De la Prucheraie – Make the pleasure last from the Sentier des Piers by taking this section that will bring you into a majestic forest.	1.6 km trip	45 min	I	Pointe-Opémican Visitors Centre. Access via Piers trail or Chemin Jodoin.
	Des Éclaireurs – Get off the beaten path and go hike the plateau overlooking the Pointe-Opémican. A nice loop for people who wants to start hiking longer trails.	7.6 km loop	3h	I	Pointe-Opémican Visitors Centre. Access via Chemin Opémican or La Prucheraie trail
	Chemin Jodoin – Take a wonderful hike or bike ride along the old access road of Pointe-Opémican. It's the perfect place to take your dog out for a walk!	4 km return trip	1 h 30 min	I	Pointe-Opémican Visitors Centre. Access via Chemin Opémican.

-  Hiking
-  Playground
-  Self-interpretation
-  Canoe rack
-  Family experience
-  Mountain biking
-  Picnic area
-  Dogs allowed
-  Canoe launch
-  Stroller accessible

E : easy I : intermediate A : advanced

*Durations and levels of difficulty are indicated for information purposes only and apply to the summer season.





Registration Centre	Bike rental	Secondary road
Playground	Canoe launch	Trail
Self registration post (Only access fee)	Picnic	Bike path
Shop	Lookout	Dogs allowed location
Semi-serviced camping/ Ready-to-camp	Boat launch ramp	National park boundary
Rustic camping	Parking lot	Dogs allowed
Waste and recycling	Telephone	
Automated external defibrillator	Pit toilets / Washroom facility	
Canoe deposit	Recreational vehicle dumping station	
Shower	Length of trail sections	
Canoe rental	Start/End Heritage trail	

Les altitudes sont exprimées en mètres.
Les distances de sentier sont exprimées en kilomètres.
Cette carte intègre de l'information géographique de source gouvernementale.
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DISCOVERY TIME



In the Rhythm of the Sweepers

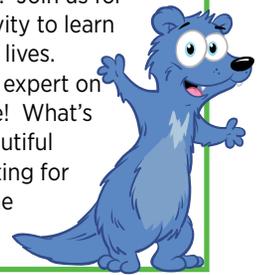
Hop aboard the famous log driving pointer for an outing on Lake Temiscamingue. This immersive discovery activity invites you to experience first-hand the job of a sweeper at Pointe-Opémican. You will have the chance to put yourself in the shoes of workers from the log driving era and navigate aboard this fascinating boat. Come learn more about the industrial and maritime culture of the Temiscamingue region and the timeless desire to discover the splendour of this territory!

History of a Point Unlike Any Other

Home to industrial development throughout the years, Pointe-Opémican has seen the comings and goings of many boats, machines, and workers. The traces of these activities can still be seen today through the historical elements that have resisted the erosion of time. Join us for a guided visit of these buildings and immerse yourself in the pace of life from another time. This is also a great opportunity to ask all your questions to one of our park naturalists.

Who is Kana?

Have you ever heard of a fisher? This mysterious animal is, in fact, our Park's animal emblem. Here, we nickname him Kana. Join us for an educational activity to learn more about how he lives. You will become an expert on the fisher in no time! What's more, there is a beautiful colouring page waiting for you at the end of the activity!



Park Warden Apprentice

Are you between 7-12 years old? Would you like to contribute to our national park's mission all while discovering new things and having fun? Come join our team of apprentices and rise to the challenges of your new mission!

Family Experience Yippee, it's absolutely free!

For kids 17 years of age and under, access, accommodations, and certain equipment loans are free of charge.

The offer varies from one establishment to another.



IN THE WILD, YOUR SAFETY IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

Outdoor activities can involve certain risks.

Always be sure to have the skills and abilities required for the activity you choose. It is very important to find out about the risks involved in the activity, to know and respect your own limits and to use appropriate equipment. Preparing yourself adequately is the first step in the safe and enjoyable practice of your favourite activities.

For more information, visit our website at sepaq.com/security

From the Roots to the Peaks

This new discovery activity takes the form of a guided hike along the Piers Trail. This experience will allow you to learn more about the spectacular forest of parc national d'Opémican. From the geological history of the region to identification of common tree species, not only will you be presented with an overview of the origins of the forest ecosystem, but you will also discover the amazing view points this trail has to offer!



CONSERVE FOR TOMORROW

Let's put a stop to the introduction of the Spiny Water Flea!

Notice to fishermen and all who enjoy summer's water activities! The spiny water flea, a small, invasive crustacean, has been detected in Lake Temiscamingue since 2019. Its presence is worrisome because it can completely disrupt the natural populations of zooplankton through both predation and competition. This negatively affects the food chain and, by the same token, the species of fish who eat zooplankton. Prevention is the best weapon in the fight against the spread of this microscopic invader. Because the spiny water flea has the frustrating habit of clinging to fishing equipment and boats, all that is required is an inspection and washing of your equipment before moving from one body of water to another. Washing stations are available near the public dock in Lanier and the dumping station in the Pointe-Opémican sector. This way, you can fully enjoy your time on the water with a clear conscience! *pleinement de vos sorties en ayant la conscience tranquille!*



Watch out for our turtles!

From the end of May to the end of June, snapping turtles are in their laying period and are looking for sandy or rocky areas to dig their nests. Their quest often leads them onto our trails and roads because they happen to be great places to lay eggs. Knowing this, we invite you to keep watch to avoid hitting them as they venture out onto our trails and roads. Moreover, turtles need all of their energy while laying eggs, so we ask you not to disturb them while they're hard at work!

Down with light pollution

How enjoyable is it to watch the stars in the immense night sky at parc national d'Opémican? Whether from the Auberge Jodoin or the Ready-to-camps in the rivière Kipawa sector, the enormity of this endless vault is always impressive. We owe the beauty of our night sky to the quasi-absence of light pollution from the park itself but also from the surrounding towns. In effect, we are lucky enough to find ourselves in an area where very little light is projected at the sky allowing for not only incredible star gazing but also for the ecosystem to flourish. For this reason, with the help of parc national Mont-Mégantic, we have started the process to obtain certification as an International Dark Sky Park through the International Dark-Sky Association.

A major transformation for Opémican Bay

Having known a significant industrial past, Opémican Bay still wears the scars of those activities. The bay is now contaminated with various hydrocarbons that have accumulated in its substrate. Even though swimming and nautical crafts have been forbidden to prevent further damage or disruption to this area, a major change is coming. This is why a decontamination project is starting to put the bay back to its original state. Planned over several years, this project will allow the natural environment to get back on its feet. Most of the contaminated soil will be dragged, and the rest will be encapsulated. There is no need to worry for one day, it will be possible to take full advantage of this magnificent spot carefree!

DISCOVERY ACTIVITIES

Consult the program to
enrich your visit. *(in French only)*

You will find entertaining activities to explore the park from every angle.



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



💰 RATES*

- Daily access pass** : 18 years and up = \$9.85, 17 years and under = free
- Fishing access : \$21.36/day, \$106,82/7 consecutive days
- Annual Park Card** = \$49.25
- Sépaq network annual access card** = \$88.50
- Campsite rates : \$38.10 to \$58.00/night (price varies depending on the type of site and with the season)
- Ready-to-camp rates : \$147.00 to \$196.00/night (price varies with the season)

* 2024 seasonal rates. Please note that these rates may change without notice. The rates provided by our staff on the phone or at the reception desk always take precedence over those listed here.

** The Témiscamingue RCM offers a 50% discount on access fees and a 25% discount on the Annual Park Card to Témiscamingue region residents. The value of the discount can also be applied to the purchase of the annual Access Card for all Sépaq national parks.

Equipment rental

	1 hour	4 hours	Full day
Canoe	\$19.00	\$38.00	\$54.00
Single Recreational Kayak	\$17.50	\$35.00	\$49.25
Single Sea Kayak	\$20.25	\$40.50	\$57.50
Double Sea Kayak	\$27.00	\$54.00	\$77.00
2-person paddle boat	\$22.25	\$44.50	
4-person paddle boat	\$25.75	\$51.50	
Stand-up Paddleboard (SUP)	\$18.50	\$34.50	\$49.25
Stand-up Paddleboard (SUP)-8-person	\$28.50	\$53.00	\$75.25
Bicycle	\$20.50	\$41.00	\$58.25

Arrival and departure times

	Arrival	Departure
Camping :	3 p.m.	2 p.m.
Ready-to-camp :	5 p.m.	12 p.m.

5 good practices to adopt in nature

Our national parks

Given the millions of visits to our national parks annually, harmful behaviors can cause permanent damage to the environment and negatively impact the experience of other visitors. Let's do our part to care for these extraordinary nature sites so we can all enjoy them for years to come.



Stay on trails and in designated visitor areas

Taking shortcuts can destroy vegetation.



Do not gather dead wood*

To preserve the natural environment, it is prohibited to remove natural elements, including animals, plants, dead wood, and rocks.



Do not feed wildlife*

Feeding wildlife negatively impacts their natural feeding habits. Keep all food out of reach of animals.



Keep your distance when observing wildlife

When animals are repeatedly disturbed, their natural behaviors can change, and they can develop problems to feed, find a mate, and communicate among themselves.



Respect the peace and tranquility, and comply with curfews

People come to national parks to relax and enjoy nature. Please respect curfews and avoid playing music at all times.

*Failure to comply with rules governing parks and authorized activities is considered a violation of the *Parks Act* and *Parks Regulation*.

