

Winter Accommodations 2016-2017

From November 15 to April 15. Reservations begin November 1.

This winter, extend your outdoor adventure by spending the night in Gatineau Park. Choose from four-season tents, yurts, cabins or winter campsites, and enjoy an overnight stay in the great outdoors, just minutes from downtown.

SUMMARY OF ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE

| TYPE OF ACCOMMODATION | NUMBER OF PEOPLE | HEATING | FOOD PRESERVATION | COOKING | DISTANCE FROM P19 | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | | | | | Ski | Snowshoe |
| Four Season Tents | | | | | | |
| 254, 255, 257, 258 | 4 | Wood stove | Outdoor cooler | Outdoor barbecue | 3.4 km | 3.9 km |
| Yurts | | | | | | |
| Wanakiwin | 6 | Wood stove | Outdoor cooler | Outdoor barbecue | 3.4 km | 3.8 km |
| Taylor Lake | 6 | Wood stove | Outdoor cooler | Outdoor barbecue | 6 km | Not accessible |
| Ohomisi | 6 | Wood stove | Outdoor cooler | Outdoor barbecue | 5 km | 5 km |
| Woodsia | 6 | Wood stove | Outdoor cooler | Outdoor barbecue | 3.4 km | 3.8 km |
| Cabins | | | | | | |
| Lusk Lake | 6 | Wood stove | Outdoor cooler | Not available | 5.6 km | Not accessible |
| The Pines | 6 | Wood stove | Gas refrigerator | Gas stove | 2.5 km | 3.9 km |
| Philippe | 10 | Wood stove | Gas refrigerator | Gas stove | 2.8 km | 3.2 km |
| Brown Lake | 17 | Wood stove and gas heaters | Gas refrigerator | Gas stove | 3 km (from P17) | 2 km (from P17) |
| Winter camping | | | | | | |
| Individual 5 sites available | 6 | n/a | n/a | n/a | 2.6 km | 3.5 km |
| Group 2 sites available | 8-25 | n/a | n/a | n/a | 3.2 km | 3.1 km |

GENERAL INFORMATION

Parking

- **NO CAMPING SITE OR READY-TO-CAMP UNIT IS ACCESSIBLE BY CAR.**
- The Park's network of trails is served by several free parking lots around the periphery. The P11 (O'Brien), P16 (Meech Valley), P17 (Wakefield) and P19 (Philippe Lake Sector) parking lots are the preferred departure points to the ready-to-camp units and campsites. Your choice of departure point depends on the distance you wish to travel, with P19 being the closest to the campground, except for the Brown Lak cabin (P17).

Cross-country ski and snowshoe trails and map

- With one exception, cross-country ski trails are machine-groomed at least once a week.
- Trails are identified by signs that indicate the trail number and the level of difficulty. Destinations and distances are posted at most trail intersections.
- The winter trail map may be purchased at the Gatineau Park Visitor Centre and is also available online.

Water and Baggage Delivery

- There is no source of drinking water near the ready-to-camp units or winter campsites. You must provide your own water. However, arrangements may be made with Services récréatifs Demsis inc. to buy bottled water (18 litres) and have it delivered to your ready-to-camp unit or campsite. Reservations must be made at least 48 hours prior to arrival by calling the Gatineau Park Visitor Centre at 819-827-2020.



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READY-TO-CAMP DESCRIPTION

Electricity, heating and lighting

- All ready-to-camp units are equipped with a wood stove for heating.
- You must bring your own candles or other lighting equipment.
- The yurts and four-season tents are equipped with outdoor barbecues.
- Brown Lake Cabin has electricity, but no electrical outlets.
- There is no cooking surface at the Lusk Lake Cabin.

Equipment provided

- Outdoor barbecue (except at Lusk Lake Cabin) and cooler, beds and mattresses, table, chairs, inside bench, kettle, spatula, spoons, can opener, ladles, stockpots, pans, firewood, outdoor picnic table, outhouse.

What to bring

- Warm clothing, sleeping bags, blankets, pillows, flashlights, candles, plates, cutlery, cups, food, water and a bag for your garbage (pack-in pack-out).
- Lusk Lake Cabin: portable gas stove for cooking (outdoors only), your personal lock (lockable compartment under the beds to store your belongings during the day)

Rules and regulations specific to ready-to-camp units

- Please keep the wood stove door closed at all times. Specific instructions are provided on-site.
- Smoking is not permitted in ready-to-camp units.
- At all times, users are responsible for ensuring that the premises and equipment provided are kept clean and tidy. Ready-to-camp units that are not left in clean condition will be cleaned at the users' expense. In addition, users will be charged for the repair of any damage to NCC property.
- It is forbidden to use a cooking device or a fuel lamp inside ready-to-camp units.
- Any person who contravenes the rules and regulations will have their lodging permit revoked, be evicted from the ready-to-camp unit and may also be fined. Revoked permits will not be reimbursed.

WINTER CAMPING DESCRIPTION

Facilities and equipment provided

- Campsites are very basic: there are no buildings that could be used for shelter at the campsites. The Renaud Shelter is located at a short walking distance.
- Campsites have a picnic table, campfire pit and an outhouse. Firewood is provided.

What to bring

- Winter sleeping bag and insulated sleeping pad
- Four-season tent
- Camp stove, pots and pans
- Sufficient quantity of matches in a waterproof container
- Headlamp or flashlight with extra batteries kept close to your body
- Clothing made of synthetic fabric or wool; avoid cotton
- First aid kit and survival blanket (strongly recommended)
- Extra food and water
- Bag for your garbage (pack-in pack-out)

Rules and regulations specific to winter camping

- Campers must set up their tents on designated tent sites.
- It is not permitted to use branches to make shelters or as bedding material.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH VISITOR TO KNOW AND COMPLY WITH ALL THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING GATINEAU PARK. THIS PAGE LISTS ONLY A FEW.

Check-in time: after 2 pm

Check-out time: before 11 am. (Late check-out fees may apply)

It is strongly recommended that campers check-in at the first aid station upon arrival. The station is located near P19, at Philippe Lake. Staff are on-site from 2 pm to 7 pm.

Trail Access

- A pass is required to access the Park's cross-country ski and snowshoe trails. Campers who do not have a season pass must purchase a daily pass at the Gatineau Park Visitor Centre during hours of operation (camper's daily rates are \$5 for skiers and \$3 for snowshoers).

Alcohol

- It is prohibited to possess or consume alcohol in any area other than your own campsite.

Animals

- Pets are not permitted in ready-to-camp units, at winter campsites or on the ski and snowshoe trails.
- Feeding wild animals is strictly prohibited.

Campfires

- Fires are permitted in designated areas only.

Garbage

- Users must pack out all of their garbage. Waste and recycling containers are located in the parking lots.



SAFETY ON THE TRAILS

In case of emergency, it is possible to get help 24 hours a day by calling **613-239-5353**.

An emergency radio communications system is available at the Lusk Lake Cabin and the Renaud day shelter, near the Philippe Lake Cabin.

The Renaud shelter can help get you through the night in case of an emergency.

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY.

- Avoid setting out alone on the trails.
- Stay on officially marked trails.
- Travelling on ice-covered waterways is prohibited.
- Plan enough time to ski or snowshoe back to your accommodation before nightfall.
- Make sure that you have the knowledge and skills required to engage in your activity, and that you have the right gear with you.
- Dress in layers and avoid cotton clothing. Carry extra clothing to keep you warm.
- Bring enough water (at least two litres per person, per day) and food for the duration of your stay.
- Carry the Gatineau Park winter trail map or the accommodation map.
- Carry a cellphone. However, please note that cellphone reception and signals vary, depending on your location in the Park and your telephone service provider.
- After 7 pm, there is no staff in the area.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND RISKS

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- Use of the trails, ready-to-camp units and campsites is at your own risk. Neither the National Capital Commission (NCC) nor Services récréatifs Demsis inc. (Demsis) can be held responsible in any way for loss or damage resulting from natural causes linked to vegetation, wildlife, wind, rain, snow, etc.; or for theft, vandalism or damage to property or injuries to persons related to the use of the lands or facilities of the NCC. Visitors must protect their valuables and should not leave any items of value in their vehicle.
- During your stay, one member of your group must be responsible for, and have in his or her possession, the receipt issued upon payment of the reservation.
- In winter, cold temperatures increase the potential risk associated with overnight stays in ready-to-camp units and at winter camp- sites. By choosing one of these options to stay overnight, you are acknowledging that you recognize and accept the risks involved. Although ready-to-camp units offer greater comfort than winter camping, you must nonetheless take the necessary precautions against cold temperature.
- A few examples of risks:
 - Frostbite and hypothermia
 - Frozen food or water, frozen camp stove, frozen valve on self-inflating mattress

Before heading out, take the time to test your equipment and familiarize yourself with the risks and possible problems that could be associated with colder temperatures.

RESERVATION POLICY

Reservations

- There must be at least two persons spending the night to reserve an overnight stay. There must be at least one adult if the group includes anyone under 18 years of age.
- The fee for making a reservation is \$11.50 and is non-refundable
- A mandatory tax on lodging (3.5% on the nightly rate) is charged on ready-to-camp unit reservations.
- Visitors accept full responsibility for their own safety during their stay in the Park, and acknowledge that they are aware of the information provided in this document, including the section entitled "Responsibilities and Risks."

Changes

- Reservations may be changed up to 48 hours prior to scheduled arrival, subject to a non-refundable modification fee of \$11.50.

Cancellations and Refunds

- A refund will be issued for any cancellation made eight days or more prior to scheduled arrival. Refunds will not be issued for the following:
 - changes to reservations;
 - late arrival or early departure;
 - cancellation within seven days of scheduled arrival;
 - changed or cancelled reservations during the following holiday periods in Canada's Capital region:
 - Christmas: December 24, 25, and 26
 - New Year's: December 31 and January 1
 - Quebec School Break: (please call for up-to-date information)
 - Ontario School Break: (please call for up-to-date information)

INFORMATION

Gatineau Park Visitor Centre
33 Scott Road, Chelsea, Quebec

Monday to Friday, 9 am to 4 pm
Saturday and Sunday, 9 am to 5 pm

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