

Whiteshell Provincial Park

Campground Tips

- Be Wildlife Smart. Do not feed any wildlife, including birds or squirrels. You are in black bear country - secure all attractants such as food, cooking equipment and trash in a locked vehicle. Do not store food or attractants in your tent.
- Practice Leave No Trace. Pack out all gear and trash to keep the campsites clean for others.
- Keep dogs on leash and clean up after your pet.
- Learn to recognize and avoid poisonous plants such as poison ivy.
- Open fires are prohibited. Use portable stoves or fire pits provided.
- Don't Move Firewood -Moving firewood can spread harmful invasive species and destroy our forests.
- Prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species. Always clean, drain, dry watercraft and water related equipment. Visit *manitoba.ca/stopais* for full regulations.
- In case of injury or illness contact a Park Attendant or Park Patrol Officer. They can assist you to reach medical help.
- Full camping regulations are available in the Campers Guide, available from park offices and online at *manitobaparks.com*.

Otter Falls Campground

Come and explore the Whiteshell for yourself



Otter Falls is found in the rustic environment of the Boreal Shield, but close to modern conveniences like a resort store, restaurant, and marina.

The campground is located at the northern end of Whiteshell Provincial Park, a large natural area that is characterized by numerous lakes, rivers and rugged Precambrian Shield. The park accommodates a diversity of recreational uses and is a great place to view wildlife. Keep your binoculars handy for the many viewing opportunities that will appear.

Otter Falls campground is situated along the powerful Winnipeg River. The river's strength was so powerful during fur trading times that canoes were sometimes tipped over while trying to shoot the rapids. Otter Falls was one of the locations where rushing waters claimed a canoe's provisions. The supplies remained on the river's bottom until underwater archaeology conducted near the falls recovered numerous artifacts from years past. The campground is within driving distance of many area attractions, such as self-guiding and mountain bike trails. Pine Point Trail is a 8.2 km self-guiding trail that consists of two loops that lead through the boreal forest, a special spot for those looking for scenic vistas of waterfalls and rapids. Foresters Footsteps, a little farther down PR 307, takes you through both a natural forest and planted jack pine and red pine forest. For something a little different, why not try a pontoon boat tour?

Visit the Whiteshell Natural History Museuma log cabin that displays a superb collection of bird and animal specimens of the boreal forest. The museum also gives tours of the Bannock Point Petroforms. Discover "boulder mosaics" in the shapes of snakes, fish, turtles and birds, made centuries ago by Aboriginal people. They are considered sacred places where communication with the spirits can take place.

More information on Otter Falls Campground and Whiteshell Provincial Park is available on request from the park office.



