

PEI Provincial Parks This Fall

Do not forget P.E.I. Provincial Parks this autumn. Our parks are open year-round and everyone is encouraged to participate in the activities and events scheduled for the autumn months.

Many people consider the fall season to be the best time of the year for a visit to one of the over 30 parks in the provincial system. The peak season has passed and visitors to the parks can enjoy the abundance of fall colors, undisturbed.

Although many parks closed some facilities immediately following the Labour Day weekend, all parks remain open for picnicking and other self-guided activities and at least one major park in each county will continue with most of its summer program. Mill River Provincial Park in Prince County, Strathgartney Provincial Park in Queens County and Brudenell River Provincial Park in Kings County will remain open for camping up to the Thanksgiving weekend.

Brudenell River Provincial Park is also the location for Canada's only living wild-flower garden. It contains over 100 identified plants and a self-guided brochure has been developed. The trail is open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and brochures are available at the campground office. Strathgartney Provincial Park also contains a self-guided nature trail. Brochures are provided at the beginning of the trail.

Most Provincial Parks are located along the shoreline, some with long, sandy spits permitting an excellent opportunity for watching migratory birds. Beachcombing along the many park beaches is a common activity during the fall months.

The nature trails are particularly scenic during this time of year, and together with Pinette, Green Park and Strathgartney Provincial Parks, are ideal sites for picture taking. Buffalo Land Provincial Park, an inland park with herds of buffalo and white-tailed deer, is also a popular spot for picnicking and taking pictures.

Provincial Parks are perfect settings for picnicking, photography and other activities. Visit several this autumn, get to know the Island and experience the complete Provincial Park system. They are the "People Places."